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In the study of this Book of God, it becomes us to inquire what is the thought, idea, or truth which the writer or speaker desires to place before us. It is not what we can force by our ingenuity or our fancy from his words, but what was "the mind of the Spirit" who inspired his pen. Some portions of the Sacred Word admit of more than one sense or one application; but it may be taken as a general principle, that the Spirit of God had some leading truth to make known in every passage; and for this one truth we should search as for hid treasure, and when we have found it, esteem it as a pearl of great price.

It is admitted that the NEW TESTAMENT contains richer and fuller communications of the Divine plan of redemption than all prior revelations; therefore the Old Testament must be read in the light of the New, for the Old is prophetic of the New, and the New is but the fulfilment of the Old. By this plan we may "realise all the deep harmonies between the earlier and the later dispensation. In the light shed by prophecy, the two covenants seem no longer disunited. The Old Testament, as it 'telleth of Christ that should come,' blends insensibly into the New, that 'telleth of Christ that is come,' and both are parts of one Divine whole."

Nor let it be overlooked, that in the interpretation of the Book of God, we must have regard to the *grammatical construction* of the passage, the historical facts on which the contents of the Book are based, the context in which the words stand, and the uniformity that exists between one part of Scripture and another. Attention to these simple yet obvious points will often prove of more service than the most elaborate commentary. But whatever be the mode adopted, we must not forget the Divine injunction, "Search the Scriptures, for they are they which testify of me."

And when studying the pages of the Sacred Book, may we be ready devoutly to utter the words of the Psalmist: "Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes: and I shall keep it unto the end. The entrance of thy word giveth light; it giveth understanding to the simple. Order my steps in thy word."

Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart."

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588 / 536 — Events which took place at Babylon, between the destruction of Jerusalem and the return from Captivity —Ezek. xxxii. 21—33, xxv to xxviii., xxxii., xxxiii 1—20, xxxiv. to xlviii, xxix. 17—21, xxx. 1—19, Daniel ii. to iv., Jer. iii. 31—34, Daniel vii.; Ps. cxxxvii., cxxx., lxxx., lxxvii, xxxvii., lxvi, xlix, liii., xxv., xxvii, lxxxix., cxxiii.; Daniel viii., v., ix., vi., Ezra i. 1—5; Ps. cxxvi., lxxxv., 2 Chron. xxxvi. 22, 23.

PERIOD VIII.—FROM THE BABYLONISH CAPTIVITY TO THE DEDICATION OF THE SECOND TEMPLE.

536 / 515 — Events from the Decree of Cyrus to the building of the Second Temple.—Ezra i. 5—11, iii. 1—7, Ps. cvii., lxxxvii., cxi to cxviii., cxxv., cxxvii., cxxviii., cxxxiv., Ezra iii. 8—13; Ps lxxxiv., lxvi., Ezra iv. 1—5, 24, Ps cxxix., Daniel x. to xii, Ezra v. 2, Haggai i. 12 to ii 10, Zech. i 1—6, Haggai ii. 11—23, Zech. i. 7—21, ii. to vi., Ezra v. 3 to vi. 14, Ps. cxx., cxxi., cxxii, Zech. vii., viii., Ezra vi. 14—22, Ps. cxlvi. to cl, xlviii., lxxxi.

515 / 453 — Events from the Dedication of the Temple to the Death of Haman.—Ezra iv 6—24; Esther i., ii. 1—15, Ezra vii., viii, Esther ii. 16—20; Ezra ix., x., Zech. ix. to xiv.; Esther ii 21—23, iii. 4; Ps. cxxxii., cxxxv., cxxxvi.

PERIOD IX.—FROM THE REFORMATION BY NEHEMIAH TO THE CLOSE OF THE OLD TESTAMENT CANON.

445 / 397 — More prominent Events:—Nehemiah i. to vii.; xii. 27—43; vii *to* xi.; xii. 1—9, 44—47; xiii. 1—3; Ps. i., cxix., Malachi i. to iii. 16; Nehemiah viii. 4—31; Malachi iii. 17, 18, iv.; 1 Chron. i. *to* ix.; Nehemiah xii. 10—26.

BEFORE CHRIST.

Psalms civ., cv., cvi. are all without any title; nor is it positively known when, or by whom, they were written.

Psalm cxxiv., though written by David after his establishment on the throne of Israel, is included in the Songs of Degrees, and was used in connection with the return from the Captivity.

PERIOD X.—IMPORTANT EVENTS OCCURRING BETWEEN THE CLOSE OF THE OLD TESTAMENT AND THE COMING OF CHRIST.

405 Darius Nothus dies, and is succeeded by Artaxerxes Mnemon.
366 Johanan, high priest of the Jews, kills his brother Joshua in the Temple, for which the nation is fined by the Persians.
359 Ochus succeeds Artaxerxes Mnemon in the Kingdom of Persia.
356 Alexander the Great is born in Macedonia.
336 Alexander the Great succeeds to the throne of Persia.
332 Alexander visits Jerusalem peaceably, according to Josephus.
323 Alexander dies at Babylon.
320 Ptolemy, afterwards called Soter, gains possession of Jerusalem, and carries a great number of Jews into Egypt, where they form a colony at Alexandria.
300 Seleucus builds Antioch in Syria.
284 The lighthouse or watch-tower of Pharos, near Alexandria, one of the wonders of the world, is finished by Ptolemy Soter.
277 About this time the Hebrew Scriptures began to be translated into Greek, for the benefit of the dispersed Jews, who spoke that language, which opened the way for the learned heathens to become acquainted with them
261 Manasseh the high priest, who had succeeded Simon the Just, dies, and is succeeded by Onias, the son of Simon.
217 Ptolemy Philopator, King of Egypt, having gained a great victory over Antiochus, King of Syria, obtains possession of Judea; and, coming to Jerusalem, attempts to enter the Holy of Holies in the Temple, but is opposed by the high priest, and retires cherishing an implacable hatred of the Jews.
199 Simon, the high priest, dies, and is succeeded by his son, Onias III.
175 Jason buys of Antiochus Epiphanes the high priesthood, and supplants his brother Onias.
168 Antiochus Epiphanes commences persecuting the Jews, putting a stop to the daily sacrifice and the worship of the Temple, and building a fortress on Mount Acra, to curb the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

BEFORE CHRIST.

161 Nicanor, sent by Demetrius against the Jews, is slain with all his army. Bacchides, sent to avenge this blow, slays Judas, the Jewish commander, and grievously oppresses the Jews.
153 Jonathan, the brother of Judas Maccabeus, is made high priest by Alexander Balas, who claimed the kingdom of Demetrius, and whom Jonathan greatly assisted.
150 Demetrius is vanquished by Alexander Balas, who succeeds him.
141 The sovereignty of Judea is confirmed to Simon and his posterity, by the unanimous consent of the Jews, in a general assembly at Jerusalem, and he frees them from all tribute to any foreign prince, and effects, in many things, a reformation among them
135 Simon is murdered, and is succeeded by his son, John Hyrcanus.
110 Aristobulus and Antigonus, sons of John Hyrcanus, lay siege to Samaria.
109 Antiochus Cyzicenus, King of Syria, vainly attempts to relieve Samaria, which falls into the hands of Hyrcanus, with all Galilee.
95 Alexander Jannæus, after various transactions, some successful, and others unsuccessful, is opposed by a mutiny of the Jews at the Temple, of whom he slays 6000 men.
72 Herod the Great born.
65 Pompey the Great reduces Syria to a Roman province.
63 Pompey takes Jerusalem. Augustus Cæsar born.
54 Crassus, the Roman General, plunders the Temple.
48 Julius Cæsar defeats Pompey at Pharsalia; Pompey flees into Egypt, and is there murdered.
44 Julius Cæsar is assassinated. Walls of Jerusalem rebuilt.
39 Herod besieges Jerusalem.
37 Herod takes Jerusalem, and is established in the royal authority
29 Herod, in a fit of rage and jealousy, kills his wife Mariamne, who was descended from the Maccabees.
25 Herod rebuilds Samaria, and calls it Sebaste.
17 Herod begins to rebuild the Temple.
10 Herod finishes the building of Cæsarea.
6 The angel Gabriel promises to Zacharias a son; this son was John the Baptist
5 The same angel shows the Virgin Mary that the Messiah should be born of her. The census or register of estates and families throughout Judea is made about this time, but the taxes are not imposed or collected till some years after.
4 JESUS CHRIST is born at Bethlehem.

NEW TESTAMENT.

YEAR OF CHRIST.

1 The birth of John the Baptist, as the forerunner of Christ; the promise to Mary the mother of Jesus; the naming of John, and the prophecy of his father Zacharias. Luke i. 1—80.
The decree of Cæsar Augustus that all the world should be taxed. Luke ii. 1, 2.
The birth of Christ in Bethlehem of Judea; his genealogy. Matt. i. 1—25
The genealogy of Joseph the (supposed) father of Christ, and of Mary the wife and cousin of Joseph—Joseph and Mary being the grandchildren of Matthat or Matthan. Matt. i. 15; Luke iii. 24.
The announcement of the Saviour's birth by the angel to the shepherds in the plains of Bethlehem, and their visit to Mary. Luke ii. 8—20.
The visit of the Magi. Matt. ii. 1—12.
The circumcision of Jesus on the eighth day. Luke ii. 21.
The prophetic address of Simeon in the Temple. Luke ii. 25—35.
The address of Anna the prophetess in the Temple. Luke ii. 36—38.
The flight of Joseph with Mary and the child into Egypt. Matt. ii. 13—15.
The wrath of Herod, and the massacre by him of the infant children. Matt ii. 16—18.
The return of Joseph to Nazareth. Matt. ii. 19—23; Luke ii. 39, 40.
12 The parents of Jesus go up to Jerusalem to attend the feast of the Passover, taking Jesus with them, who remains behind, and is found in the Temple reasoning at the age of twelve years, with the most learned men of his nation. Luke ii. 41—50.
The abode of Jesus in Nazareth, with Joseph and Mary. Luke ii. 51, 52; Mark vi. 3.
30 The prediction concerning the appearance and mission of John the Baptist. Mark i. 1—3; Luke iii. 1—6.
The Baptist leaves the desert, and enters on his ministry. Matt. iii. 1—6; Mark i. 4—6; Luke iii. 3.

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30 His address to the Pharisees and Sadducees. Matt. iii. 7—10, Luke iii. 7—14.
His testimony to the character and claims of the Messiah. Matt. iii 11, 12, Mark i. 7, 8; Luke iii. 15—18, John i. 6—8.
The baptism of Jesus by John in the river Jordan. Matt. iii. 13—17; Mark i. 9—11, Luke iii. 21, 22, John i. 30—34.
The temptation of Christ in the wilderness. Matt. iv. 1—10; Mark i 12, 13; Luke iv. 1—13.
The Saviour having entered on his public ministry, is pointed out by John the Baptist. John i. 29—34.
Is followed by two of John's disciples, whom he calls to be his apostles. John i. 35—39.
The call of Peter, Philip, and Nathanael. John i 40—51.
The marriage in Cana of Galilee. John ii 1—11.
The Saviour goes down to Capernaum, where he remains only a few days, goes up to Jerusalem to keep the Passover, purifies the Temple, and gives a sign to the unbelieving Jews. John ii. 12—25
The conversation of Christ with Nicodemus. John iii. 1—21.
The baptism of his followers, by the agency of his disciples, the testimony of the Baptist to the great Redeemer as the Son of God and the Saviour of Men. John iii. 22—36.
The journey through Samaria on the way to Galilee, and Christ's conversation with the woman of Samaria. John iv. 1—42.
He reaches Cana in Galilee, and heals a nobleman's son at Capernaum. John iv. 43—54.
31 He goes up to Jerusalem, and heals the impotent man. John v. 1—16.
He is persecuted by the Jews, and answers for himself. John v. 17—31.
His testimony to the character of John the Baptist; higher proofs of Christ's Messiahship than the testimony of his forerunner. John v. 32—47.

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31 The imprisonment of John the Baptist, and the conduct of Jesus on receiving the intelligence. Matt. iv. 12; Mark i. 14, 15. Luke iii. 19, 20, iv. 14, 15.

His ministry in Capernaum, and the casting out of the unclean spirit. Matt. iv. 13—17, Mark i. 21—28; Luke iv. 31—37.

The calling of Peter, Andrew, James, and John. Matt. iv. 18—22, Mark i. 16—20.

Christ makes a circuit of Galilee, teaching and healing the people. Matt iv. 23—25; Mark i. 39, Luke iv. 44.

The sermon on the Mount. Matt. v.—vii.; Luke vi. 17—49.

Christ, on coming down from the mountain, heals a leper. Matt. viii. 1—4, Mark i. 40—45; Luke v. 12—15.

He goes into Capernaum, and there heals the centurion's servant. Matt. viii. 5—13, Luke vii. 1—10.

He heals Peter's wife's mother, with many others. Matt. viii. 14—17; Mark i. 29—34, Luke iv 38—41.

Christ having withdrawn into a solitary place, is sought out in his retirement, and teaches and heals throughout Galilee. Mark i. 35—39, Luke iv. 42—44; v. 1—11.

He puts to the test the sincerity of the scribe and others; crosses the Lake of Tiberias, stills the storm, heals the demoniacs. Matt. viii. 18—34; Mark iv. 35—41, v. 1—20, Luke viii. 22—39.

Re-crosses the Lake, and heals a paralytic in Capernaum. Matt. ix. 1—8, Mark ii. 1—12; Luke v. 17—26.

The calling of Matthew, and the feast in his house. Matt. ix. 9—13; Mark ii 13—17, Luke v. 27—32.

The disciples of John inquire of Jesus as to the obligation of fasting, with our Lord's reply. Matt. ix. 14—17; Mark ii. 18—22, Luke v. 33—39.

Raising of the daughter of Jairus, and healing of the woman with an issue of blood. Matt. ix. 18—26, Mark v. 21—43; Luke viii. 41—56.

The healing of two blind men, and the compassion of Christ for the multitude. Matt. ix. 27—38.

The ordination and mission of the Twelve. Matt x. 1—42, Mark iii. 13—19, vi. 7—11, Luke vi 13—16; ix 1—6.

The Baptist sends from prison to Jesus to inquire as to the reality of his Messiahship, with our Lord's reply, and his discourse to the multitude. Matt. xi. 1—30; Luke vii 18—35; x. 13—16, 21, 22.

The Pharisees censure the disciples of Jesus for plucking the ears of corn on the Sabbath, our Lord's vindication of their conduct. Matt. xii. 1—8; Mark ii. 23—28, Luke vi. 1—5.

Jesus goes into the synagogue, and heals a man whose hand was withered. Matt. xii. 9—13, Mark iii 1—5; Luke vi. 6—10.

He is accused of casting out devils by Beelzebub, he refutes the charge. Matt xii. 22—37, Mark iii 20—30, Luke xi. 14—28.

His mother and his brethren seek an interview with him. Matt. xii. 46—50, Mark iii. 31—35; Luke viii. 19—21.

The parable of the sower, the parable of the tares. Matt. xiii. 1—30, 36—43, Mark iv. 1—20, 26—29; Luke viii 4—15.

The parables of the mustard seed, the leaven, the treasure hid in a field, the pearl of great price, the net cast into the sea. Matt. xiii. 31—35, 44—52, Mark iv. 30—34, Luke xiii. 18—21.

Jesus teaches in the synagogue, but does not many mighty works, because of the unbelief of his hearers. Matt. xiii. 53—58; Mark vi. 1—6; Luke iv. 16—31.

32 The fame of Jesus reaches the ears of Herod, who, having put John the Baptist to death, conceives that he must have risen from the dead. Matt. xiv. 1—12; Mark vi. 14—29; Luke ix. 7—9.

Christ crosses the Lake of Tiberias, and feeds five thousand. Matt. xiv. 13—21; Mark vi. 30—44; Luke ix. 10—17; John vi. 1—13.

He walks on the waves, and stills the tempest. Matt. xiv. 22—36; Mark vi. 45—52; John vi. 14—21.

The people follow Jesus to Capernaum, where he discourses to them of himself as the bread of life. John vi. 22—59.

The circumstances in which the Saviour found himself in Galilee: he sends his disciples to attend the Passover; afterwards goes up himself, and encounters the opposition of the Jews. John vii. 1—53; viii. 1.

The history of the woman taken in adultery. John viii. 2—11.

Christ proclaims himself the Light of the world. John viii. 12—59.

The Saviour resolves the question of his disciples respecting the man who was born blind, and heals the man; the conduct of the Pharisees. John ix. 1—41.

The characteristics of the true and false shepherds. John x. 1—21.

The discourse of Jesus in the Temple at the Feast of Dedication. John x. 22—38.

The mission of the Seventy. Luke x. 1—16.

The return of the Seventy, with the Saviour's prophetic intimation of the future progress and final triumph of his kingdom. Luke x. 17—24.

The question of the lawyer answered, and the answer illustrated by the parable of the good Samaritan. Luke x. 25—37.

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32 Christ is entertained at the house of Martha and Mary. Luke x. 38—42

Jesus teaches his disciples how to pray. Luke xi. 1—13

The heavy woes pronounced by the Saviour on the Pharisees and lawyers. Luke xi. 37—54.

Warning addressed to his disciples against hypocrisy. Luke xii. 1—12

The reply of Christ to one who asked him to induce his brother to divide his inheritance with him. Luke xii. 13—21.

The Saviour teaches his disciples to trust in God. Luke xii. 22—34.

Exhortations to watchfulness on the part of his followers. Luke xii 35—48.

The effect of the principles involved in his kingdom on the unbelieving world. Luke xii. 49—53.

Christ reproaches the Jews for blindness to the signs of the times. Luke xii. 54—56.

An exhortation to form a right estimate of themselves. Luke xii. 57—59.

A solution of the difficulty involved in the death of the Galileans, and of those on whom the tower in Siloam fell. Luke xiii. 1—5.

The parable of the fig-tree. Luke xiii. 6—9.

The healing of a woman on the Sabbath. Luke xiii. 10—13.

Answer to the question as to the number to be saved. Luke xiii. 22—30.

The Saviour's lamentation over Jerusalem. Luke xiii. 31—35.

Christ heals, on the Sabbath-day, a man afflicted with dropsy. Luke xiv. 1—6.

The parable of the marriage festival. Luke xiv. 7—14.

The parable of the great supper. Luke xiv. 15—24.

The conditions of discipleship. Luke xiv. 25—33.

The conservative influence of principle and character in the world. Luke xiv. 34, 35.

The parable of the lost sheep and the lost piece of silver. Luke xv. 1—10.

The parable of the prodigal son. Luke xv. 11—32.

The parable of the unjust steward. Luke xvi. 1—13.

Reproof administered to the Pharisees. Luke xvi. 14—18.

The parable of the rich man and Lazarus. Luke xvi. 19—31.

The Saviour's discourse to his disciples on trespass. Luke xvii. 1—4.

Christ teaches the power of faith, and the unmeritorious character of good works. Luke xvii. 5—10.

The healing of the ten lepers. Luke xvii. 11—19.

The prophetic intimation of Christ to the Pharisees. Luke xvii. 20—37.

The parable of the unjust judge and the importunate widow. Luke xviii. 1—8.

The parable of the Pharisee and the publican. Luke xviii. 9—14.

Zacchæus, the publican, receives the Saviour. Luke xix. 1—10.

The parable of the ten pounds. Luke xix. 11—27

Christ instructs the Scribes and the Pharisees respecting their tradition about eating with unwashen hands. Matt. xv. 1—20, Mark vii. 1—23.

He heals the Canaanitish woman's daughter after a trial of her faith. Matt. xv. 21—28, Mark vii. 24—30.

He teaches by the Sea of Galilee; heals the people, feeds four thousand. Matt. xv. 29—39, Mark vii. 31—37; viii. 1—9.

The Pharisees and Sadducees beseech him to give them a sign. Matt. xvi. 1—4, Mark viii. 10—12.

The Saviour warns his disciples against the hypocrisy of the Pharisees and Sadducees. Matt. xvi. 5—12; Mark viii. 13—21.

Peter's profession of faith in the divinity of Christ, he receives a blessing and afterwards a reproof. Matt. xvi. 13—23; Mark viii. 27—33, Luke ix. 18—21; John vi. 67—69.

Christ gives his disciples intimation of his approaching death and resurrection. Matt. xvi. 21—28; Mark viii. 31—35, ix. 1, Luke ix. 21—27.

The transfiguration of the Saviour. Matt. xvii. 1—13; Mark ix. 2—13; Luke ix. 28—36.

Christ heals a lunatic child, and reproves the unbelief of his disciples. Matt. xvii. 14—21, Mark ix. 14—29: Luke ix. 37—45

He again intimates his death and resurrection. Matt. xvii. 22, 23; Mark ix. 30—32; Luke ix. 43—45.

The payment of the tribute money. Matt. xvii. 24—27.

Christ's reply to the question, Who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven? Matt. xviii 1—6; Mark ix. 33—37; Luke ix. 46—48.

The existence and operation of offences in Christ's kingdom, Matt. xviii. 7—35, Mark ix. 38—50, Luke ix. 49, 50.

33 The Saviour's exposition of the law of divorce. Matt. xix. 1—12; Mark x. 1—12.

Christ blesses the little children who are brought unto him. Matt. xix. 13—15; Mark x. 13—16; Luke xviii. 15—17.

The interview between Christ and a rich young man. Matt. xix. 16—30, Mark x. 17—31, Luke xviii. 18—30.

The parable of the labourers in the vineyard. Matt. xx. 1—16.

The Saviour gives a third intimation of his death and resurrection. Matt. xx. 17—19; Mark x. 32—34, Luke xviii. 31—34.

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The ambitious request of the sons of Zebedee. Matt. xx. 20—28; Mark x. 35—45.

Healing of two blind men by Christ on his departure from Jericho. Matt. xx. 29—34; Mark x. 46—52; Luke xviii. 35—43.

Jesus takes up his abode beyond Jordan. John x. 39—42.

The sickness and death of Lazarus. John xi. 1—15.

Conversation between Martha and Jesus John xi. 16—30.

Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead. John xi. 31—45.

The Pharisees call a council; the prophecy of Caiaphas, the high priest; they purpose to put Christ to death. John xi. 46—53.

The Saviour withdraws from Jerusalem to Ephraim. John xi. 54.

The people having gone up from all parts to Jerusalem to keep the Passover, inquire for Jesus; the chief priests and the Pharisees desire to take him. John xi. 55—57.

The Saviour repairs to Bethany, and takes up his abode in the house of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead; a supper is made for him; Mary anoints him with costly perfume. John xii 1—8.

The chief priests consult together how they may put both Lazarus and Jesus to death. John xii. 9—11.

The triumphal entry of Christ into Jerusalem, and second purification of the Temple. Matt. xxi. 1—17; Mark xi. 1—11, 15—19; Luke xix. 29—46; John xii. 12—36.

The barren fig-tree. Matt xxi. 18—22; Mark xi. 12—14, 20—26.

The chief priests and the elders dispute the authority of Christ, his reply, with two illustrations drawn from a vineyard. Matt. xxi. 23—46; Mark xi. 27—33; xii. 1—12, Luke xx. 1—18.

The parable of the marriage of the king's son. Matt. xxii. 1—14.

The lawfulness of tribute to Cæsar. Matt. xxii. 15—22; Mark xii. 13—17; Luke xx. 20—26.

Christ refutes the Sadducees on the doctrine of the resurrection. Matt. xxii. 23—33; Mark xii 18—27; Luke xx 27—40.

The great commandment. Matt. xxii. 34—40; Mark xii. 28—34.

Christ proposes a question to the Pharisees regarding his Messiahship. Matt. xxii. 41—46, Mark xii. 35—37; Luke xx. 41—44.

Solemn denunciations pronounced by Christ on the Scribes and Pharisees. Matt. xxiii. 1—39; Mark xii. 38—40; Luke xx. 45—47.

The widow's two mites. Mark xii. 41—44; Luke xxi. 1—4.

Christ describes the approaching overthrow of Jerusalem and the whole Jewish polity, connecting with this impending catastrophe his return to establish his new and everlasting kingdom in the world. Matt. xxiv. 1—51; xxv. 1—13; Mark xiii. 1—37; Luke xxi. 5—36.

The parable of the talents. Matt. xxv. 14—30.

The final judgment of all nations. Matt. xxv. 31—46.

The Saviour gives the final announcement of his sufferings and death. Matt. xxvi. 1—5; Mark xiv. 1, 2, Luke xxii. 1, 2.

The anointing of Christ at Bethany. Matt. xxvi. 6—13; Mark xiv. 3—9.

The compact of Judas with the chief priests to betray Jesus. Matt. xxvi. 14—16; Mark xiv. 10, 11; Luke xxii. 3—6.

Preparation for the celebration of the Saviour's last paschal supper. Matt. xxvi. 17—19; Mark xiv. 12—16; Luke xxii. 7—13.

The Saviour washes his disciples' feet. John xiii. 1—20.

Jesus makes known his betrayer. Matt. xxvi. 20—25; Mark xiv. 17—21; Luke xxii. 21—23; John xiii. 18—30.

Jesus, on the withdrawal of Judas, institutes the Sacramental Supper. Matt. xxvi. 26—29; Mark xiv. 22—25; Luke xxii. 19, 20.

The Saviour's farewell address to the Eleven, followed by his intercessory prayer. John xiv.—xvii.

Christ goes with his disciples to the Mount of Olives, forewarning all of them of their deserting him, and one of them of denying him. Matt. xxvi. 30—35; Mark xiv. 26—31; Luke xxii. 24—38; John xiii. 36—38

The agony in the garden, and the Saviour's reiterated prayer. Matt. xxvi. 36—46; Mark xiv. 32—42; Luke xxii. 39—46; John xviii. 1.

The betrayal and apprehension of Jesus. Matt. xxvi. 47—56; Mark xiv. 43—52; Luke xxii. 47—53; John xviii. 2—11.

Jesus appears before Caiaphas, the high priest. Matt. xxvi. 57—68, Mark xiv. 53—65; Luke xxii. 63—65; John xviii. 12—15, 19—24.

Peter thrice denies his Lord. Matt. xxvi. 69—75; Mark xiv. 66—72, Luke xxii. 56—62; John xviii. 16—18, 25—27.

Jesus is led away to Pilate. Matt. xxvii. 1, 2; Mark xv. 1; Luke xxiii. 1; John xviii. 28.

Judas, filled with remorse, puts an end to his life. Matt. xxvii. 3—10.

Christ is examined by Pilate, and delivered to be crucified. Matt. xxvii. 11—26; Mark xv. 2—15; Luke xxiii. 2—25; John xviii. 29—40.

The crucifixion of Jesus. Matt. xxvii. 27—56; Mark xv. 16—41; Luke xxiii. 26—49; John xix. 1—37.

Joseph of Arimathæa buries the body of Jesus. Matt. xxvii. 57—61; Mark xv. 42—47; Luke xxiii. 50—56; John xix. 38—42.

The Jewish Sanhedrim obtain from Pilate a guard to watch the sepulchre. Matt. xxvii. 62—66.

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33 The first visit of the women to the sepulchre. Mark xvi. 1—8.

Christ having risen from the dead, appears first to Mary and the other women. Matt. xxviii. 1—10, Mark xvi. 9—11, Luke xxiv. 1—12 John xx. 1—18.

Jesus makes himself known to the two disciples on their way to Emmaus Mark xvi. 12, 13, Luke xxiv. 13—35.

The two disciples communicate the tidings to their fellow-believers, who Christ appears in their midst. Luke xxiv. 36—48, John xx. 19—2

The soldiers bribed to give a false account of the resurrection. Matt xxviii. 11—15.

Christ appears to his disciples on a mountain in Galilee. Matt. xxviii. 16, 17.

The Saviour again appears, and reproves the Eleven for their unbelief. Mark xvi. 14; John xx. 24—29.

Christ gives to the apostles their great commission. Matt. xxviii. 18—20; Mark xvi. 15—20; Luke xxiv. 49.

Scenes in the life of Christ subsequent to his resurrection. John xx. 31, 32; xxi. 1—25.

The ascension of Christ. Luke xxiv. 50—53.

Proof of his resurrection and ascension at a later date. Acts i 1—11.

The one hundred and twenty disciples assemble for prayer. Acts i. 12—14.

The election by lot of Matthias to fill up the place of Judas. Acts i. 15—26.

The day of Pentecost, and the descent of the Holy Ghost. Acts ii.

The miracle wrought on the lame man by Peter and John, the address of Peter to his countrymen, multitudes believe. Acts iii, iv.

The death of Ananias and Sapphira. Acts v 1—11.

The fire of persecution is kindled against the apostles and their adherents. Acts v. 12—42.

Dispute regarding the daily administration of the Church's bounty, and
ANNO DOMINI. the election of deacons to conduct this ministration. Acts vi. 1—7.
Stephen's ministry, martyrdom, and dying address. Acts vi. 8—viii.

34 The members of the early Church dispersed by persecution, by which the Gospel was more widely diffused. Acts viii 1—26

The ministry of Philip in Samaria, and the conversion of the Ethiopian eunuch. Acts viii 27—40.

35 The conversion of Saul of Tarsus, and his election to the apostleship. Acts ix. 1—31.

38 } Peter proclaims the Gospel to the Gentiles. Acts ix. 32—43; x 1—48.
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41 } The Jewish converts criminate Peter for going to the Gentiles; he defends
43 } his conduct Acts xi. 1—18.

The progress of Christianity, and the mission of Barnabas. Acts xi. 19—21.

Barnabas goes to Tarsus, and brings Saul to Antioch. Acts ix. 25, 26.

44 Agabus predicts a dearth in the days of Claudius Cæsar, the disciples resolve to send relief to their suffering brethren in Judea. Acts xi. 27—30.

Persecution of the Church by Herod Agrippa, martyrdom of imprisonment of Peter; death of Herod, return of Barnabas and Saul from Jerusalem to Antioch. Acts xii.

45 } First missionary journey of Saul and Barnabas, in which they first visit
50 } the island of Cyprus, where Sergius Paulus, the Roman deputy, is converted to Christianity; they proceed to Perga in Pamphylia Antioch in Pisidia, Iconium, Lystra, and Derbe, and return to Antioch in Syria. Acts xiii.—xiv. 28.

51 Paul proposes to Barnabas a second missionary tour, but objects to take Mark with them, and they separate. Acts xv. 36—41.

Paul, with Silas, goes through Syria and Cilicia; again visits Derbe and Lystra; takes Timothy for his companion, proceeds through Asia Minor to Macedonia. Acts xvi. 1—10.

Paul founds the churches in Galatia.

Paul preaches at Philippi; is imprisoned; miraculous scene in the prison, conversion of the jailor. Acts xvi. 11—40.

Paul passing through Amphipolis and Apollonia, comes to Thessalonica, where he preaches the Gospel. Acts xvii. 1—9.

Paul is sent to Berea, whence he is driven to Athens. Acts xvii. 10—34.

52 } The church at Rome founded by some of Paul's converts.
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Paul leaves Athens and proceeds to Corinth, where he preaches to the Gentiles. Acts xviii. 1—17.

From Corinth he sets sail for Syria, touching at Ephesus, whence he proceeded to Cæsarea and Antioch; whence he set out and went through Galatia and Phrygia. Acts xviii. 18—23.

Paul's arrival, residence, and labours in Ephesus. Acts xix. 1—41.

57 } The journey of Paul into Macedonia and Greece, and thence to Jeru-
58 } salem. Acts xx.—xxi. 16.

59 Paul is made a prisoner, and sent to Cæsarea. Acts xxi. 17—xxiii. 35.

The Apostle's imprisonment at Cæsarea. Acts xxiv.—xxvi. 32.

61 Paul's voyage to Rome; his ministry. Acts xxvii.—xxviii. 31.

63 Paul appears at the tribunal of Cæsar, and is acquitted.

68 Paul is again imprisoned at Rome. He is condemned to death, and soon afterwards executed.

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CHAPTER I.

1 *The creation of heaven and earth,* 3 *of the light,* 6 *of the firmament,* 9 *of the earth separated from the waters,* 11 *and made fruitful,* 14 *of the sun, moon, and stars,* 20 *of fish and fowl,* 24 *of beasts and cattle,* 26 *of man in the image of God.* 29 *Also the appointment of food.*

BEFORE CHRIST 4004.

IN the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.[a]

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.[b]

3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.[c]

4 And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided the light from the darkness.[d]

5 And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.[e]

6 ¶ And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.[f]

7 And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which *were* under the firmament from the waters which *were* above the firmament: and it was so.[g]

8 And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.[h]

9 ¶ And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear: and it was so.

10 And God called the dry *land* Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that *it was* good.[i]

a Ps. cii. 25; cxlvi. 6; Isa. xliv. 24; Jer x. 12 Zech xii 1, Acts xvii 24, Heb i. 10, xi. 3 Rev. iv. 11

b Job xxxiii 4, Ps xxxiii 6, lxxxix. 11, civ. 30 cxxxvi. 5, 6.

c Job xxxviii 19; Ps xxxiii. 9, Isa. xlv 7 2 Cor iv. 6.

d Eccles. ii 13, xi. 7

e Isa xlv. 7; Jer xxxiii 20.

f Job xxvi 8; xxxvii. 18 Ps. lxxvi 16, cxxxvi 6; cxlviii. 4; Jer x. 12, 13

g Job xxvi. 8, 10, xxxvii 18; Ps. civ. 5, 9, cxlviii. 4

h See vs. 5, 13, 19, Ps. lxxiv. 16, Isa. xl. 26· Jer xxxi. 35; xxxiii. 25

i Job xxxviii. 4—11; Ps xxiv. 1, 2; xxxiii. 7; xcv. 5; cxxxvi. 6; Jer. v. 22.

11 And God said, Let the earth bring forth [1]grass, the herb yielding seed, *and* the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed *is* in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.[a]

12 And the earth brought forth grass, *and* herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed *was* in itself, after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.[b]

13 And the evening and the morning were the third day.

14 ¶ And God said, Let there be [2]lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

15 And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.[c]

16 And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the [3]lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also.[d]

17 And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

18 And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that *it was* good.[e]

19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

20 And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and [4]fowl *that* may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.[f]

21 And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.[g]

22 And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

23 And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

24 ¶ And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.[h]

25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that *it was* good.[i]

26 ¶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.[j]

27 So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.[k]

28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that [5]moveth upon the earth.[l]

29 ¶ And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb [6]bearing seed, which *is* upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which *is* the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.[m]

30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein *there* [7]*is* life, *I have given* every green herb for meat: and it was so.[n]

31 And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good.[o] And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

BEFORE CHRIST 4004.

1 Heb *tender grass.*
a ch. ii. 5, 9; Ps. civ. 14; cxlvii. 8; Matt. vi. 30; Heb vi. 7; Gen. ix. 3.
b See ver. 29. A ch vi. 20; vii. 14; viii.19; Job xxxviii. 39—41; xxxix. 1, 5,9,10; Ps.cxlviii.10.
2 This is a different word from that rendered "light" in the third verse, and might be translated "luminaries."
c ch. ii. 19, 20; Job xii. 8—12.
d Deut. iv. 19; Job xxv. 3; xxxviii. 12, 14; Ps. viii. 3, 4; xix. 1—6; lxxiv. 16; civ. 19; cxxxvi. 7—9; cxlviii. 3—6; Isa. xl. 26; Jer. xxxi. 35; xxxiii. 25
e ch. v. 1; ix. 6; Eccles. vii. 29; Acts xvii. 28; 1 Cor. xi. 7; Gen. ix. 2, 3; Job v. 23; Ps. viii. 4—8.
3 Perhaps a better reading of this verse would be, "the lesser light to rule the night, with the stars also."
f Ps. xix. 4—6; lxxiv. 16; cxxxvi 7-9; cxlviii. 3-5; Isa. xiii. 10; 1 Cor. xv 41.
g Ps. c. 3; Isa. xliii. 7; Gen. ii. 21—25; v 2; Matt. xix. 4.
4 Job xxxviii. 12; Ps. viii. 3, lxxiv 16; civ. 19, 20, 22, 24; cxlvii. 4; Jer. xxxi. 34
5 Heb. *creepeth*
h ch viii. 17; ix. 1, 7; Ps. lxix. 34.
6 Heb. *seeding seed.*
i Ps. xxiv. 1; cxv. 16; Acts xvii. 24, 25; 1 Tim. vi. 17; Gen. ii. 16; ix. 3; Ps. civ. 14; cxlv 15.
7 The word "fowl," from the Saxon FLYGAN, denotes in the original any thing that flies, whether bird or insect.
j See vs. 28, 30; ch ii 19; viii. 17, 19; Ps. cxlviii 10.
7 Heb *a living soul*
k Job xxxix. 4, 8; xl. 15; Ps. cxlvii. 9
l Job vii. 12; Ezek. xxxii 2; Jonah i. 17, ii. 10, Matt. xii 40.
m Job xxxviii. 7; Ps. xix. 1, 2, 1 Tim iv. 4



OF KISHM, IN THE PERSIAN GULF: SUPPOSED SITE OF THE GARDEN OF EDEN.

CHAPTER II.

1 *The first sabbath.* 4 *The manner of the creation.* 8 *The planting of the garden of Eden,* 10 *and the river thereof.* 17 *The tree of knowledge only forbidden.* 19, 20 *The naming of the creatures.* 21 *The making of woman, and institution of marriage.*

THUS the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.[c]

2 And on the [1]seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.[d]

4 ¶ These *are* the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens,[e]

5 And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and *there was* not a man to till the ground.

6 But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.[f]

7 And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

8 ¶ And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.[g]

9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

BEFORE CHRIST 4004

c Gen i. 1; Job v. 10; Ps. viii. 1; lxv. 9—11; Rom i. 20; Heb. i. 3; Rev. iv 10; Job xxxviii. 26—38.

a ch. i. 1; Exod. xx. 11; xxxi 17; 2 Kings xix. 15, Neh. ix 6; Isa. xlii 5; xlv. 18, xlviii. 13, Jer. x. 12; Ps xxxiii 6—9; Isa. xl 26.

d ch i. 11, 12; Job v. 10; xxxviii 26—28; Ps. lxv 9, 10; cxxxv. 7; Matt. v 45.

1 Some versions read the SIXTH day.

e ch. iii. 23; i. 26—28; Job iv. 9; xxxiii 4—6; Ps. ciii. 14; cxxxix 14—16; Eccles. iii 20; xii 7; 1 Cor xv 47.

f ch. iii. 24; Ezek xxviii 13; xxxi. 8

b Exod. xvi 23, 30; xx 8—11; xxxi 17; Deut. v 12—15; Ps. lvi. 2, 7; Heb iv. 4, 9, 10

g ch i 12, 29; iii 22, Rev ii 7; xxii 14



10 And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads.[a]

11 The name of the first *is* [1]Pison: that *is* it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where *there is* gold;

12 And the gold of that land *is* good: there *is* bdellium and the onyx stone.[b]

13 And the name of the second river *is* [2]Gihon: the same *is* it that compasseth the whole land of [3]Ethiopia.[c]

14 And the name of the third river *is* [4]Hiddekel: that *is* it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river *is* Euphrates.[d]

15 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.[e]

16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden [5]thou mayest freely eat:[f]

17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof [6]thou shalt surely die.[g]

18 ¶ And the LORD God said, *It is* not good that the man should be alone; I will make him [7]an help meet for him.[h]

19 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought *them* unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that *was* the name thereof.[i]

20 And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him.[j]

21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;[k]

22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, [8]made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.[l]

23 And Adam said, This *is* now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called [9]Woman, because she was taken out of [10]Man.[m]

24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.[n]

25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.[o]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The serpent deceiveth Eve.* 6 *Man's shameful fall.* 9 *God arraigneth them.* 14 *The serpent is cursed.* 15 *The promised seed.* 16 *The punishment of mankind.* 21 *Their first clothing.* 22 *Their casting out of paradise.*

NOW the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, [11]Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?[p]

2 And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3 But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 4004.

r See ver. 13; John viii. 44; Deut. xxix. 9; 2 Cor. xi. 3.
a See ver. 15; ch. iii. 23; xiii. 10; Isa. li. 3; Ezek. xxviii. 13; Joel ii. 3.
1 Phasis, a river of Colchis, emptying itself into the Euxine Sea.
s Ezek. xxviii. 2, 9; Matt. iv 3, 10; vi. 23; 1 Cor. xi. 3.
12 Heb. *a desire.*
b Josh. vii. 21; Judg. viii. 26, 2 Sam. viii. 7; 1 Kings vii. 48; Exod. xxviii. 20, Job xxviii. 16, Ezek. xxviii. 13.
2 The Araxes, which runs into the Caspian Sea. Both words denote rapidity.
3 Heb. *Cush.*
c Isa. xi. 11.
t 1 Tim. ii. 13, 14; 1 John ii. 16; 1 Peter v. 8, 9.
4 That is, *the Tigris.*
d Dan. x. 4; Gen. xv. 18; Deut. i. 7; xi. 24; Rev. ix. 14.
13 Or, *things to gird about.*
u See vs. 5, 10, 11; ch. ii. 25.
e See ver. 8; Rom. xii. 11; 2 Thess. iii. 10.
14 Heb. *wind.*
5 Heb *eating thou shalt eat.*
f ch. iii. 1–3; Ps. cxxxviii. 2; 1 Tim. iv. 4; vi. 17.
v See ver. 10; Deut. iv. 33; v. 25; Job xxxiv. 21, 22; xxii. 13, 14; xxxi. 33.
6 Heb. *dying thou shalt die*
g See ver. 9; ch. iii. 1—3, 11, 17; Prov. iv. 23—25, 27; vii. 1, 2; viii. 36; Ezek. xviii. 4; Rom. v. 12—21; vi. 16, 23.
w Josh. vii. 17—19, Ps. cxxxix. 7—12; Gen. ii. 20; Job xxiii. 15; Isa. xxxiii. 14.
7 Heb. *as before him.*
h ch. iii. 12; Prov. xviii. 22; Eccles. iv. 9; Mark ix. 5—9.
x ch. iv. 10; Ps. l. 21; James i. 13—15.
i ch. i. 20—25, 26, 28; ix. 2; Ps. viii. 6—8.
y ch. ii. 18, 20, 22; Exod. xxxii 21—24; 1 Sam. xv. 20—24; Job xxxi. 33.
j See ver. 18.
z See vs. 4—6; ch. iv 10—12; 2 Cor. xi. 3; 1 Tim. ii. 13, 14.
k ch. xv. 12; 1 Sam. xxvi. 12; 1 Cor. xi. 8—12.
8 Heb *builded.*
l 1 Tim. ii. 13
9 Heb. *Isha.*
10 Heb. *Ish.*
m 1 Cor. xi. 8—12; Matt. xix. 4, 5.
a Isa. lxv. 25; Micah vii. 17; Numb. xxi 6, 7; Amos ix. 3; 1 John iii. 8, 9.
n Rom. vii. 2; 1 Cor. vi. 16; Eph. v. 31.
15 Or, *subject to thy husband.*
b ch. xxxv. 16—18; 1 Sam. iv. 19—21; Esth. i. 20; Ps. xlviii. 6; 1 Tim. ii. 13, 15; 1 Peter iii. 5—7.
o ch. iii. 10, 11; Exod. xxxii. 25.
c 1 Sam. xv. 22, 23; Gen. v. 29; Ps. cxxvii. 2; Eccles. i. 2, 13, 14; ii. 11, 17; v. 17; Isa. xxiv. 5, 6; Ps. xc. 3—10.
16 Heb. *cause to bud.*
d Job xxxi. 40; Prov. xxiv. 31; Isa. vii. 23; Jer. iv. 3; xii. 13; Matt. xiii. 7.
11 Heb. *yea, because, &c.*
e Eccles ii. 11, 20, 21, 2 Thess. iii. 10; Job i. 21; Ps. xc. 3, civ. 29; Gen. ii. 7; Job xxi. 26; xxxiv. 15.
17 That is, *living.*
p See vs. 13, 15; 1 Cor. xi. 13, 14; Rev. xvi. 9; Gen. ii. 17.
f ch. ii. 20; Acts xvii. 26.
g See ver. 7.
h ver. 5; ch ii. 9, 17.
q ch. ii. 16, 17; Exod. xix. 12, 13.

4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:[r]

5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.[s]

6 And when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, and that it *was* [12]pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.[t]

7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they *were* naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves [13]aprons.[u]

8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden [14]in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.[v]

9 And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where *art* thou?

10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I *was* naked; and I hid myself.[w]

11 And he said, Who told thee that thou *wast* naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?[x]

12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest *to be* with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.[y]

13 And the LORD God said unto the woman, What *is* this *that* thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.[z]

14 And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou *art* cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.[a]

16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and [15]thy desire *shall be* to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.[b]

17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed *is* the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat *of* it all the days of thy life;[c]

18 Thorns also and thistles shall it [16]bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;[d]

19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou *art*, and unto dust shalt thou return.[e]

20 And Adam called his wife's name [17]Eve: because she was the mother of all living.[f]

21 Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.[g]

22 ¶ And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:[h]

23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from

the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.[a]

24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.[b]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The birth, trade, and religion of Cain and Abel.* 8 *The murder of Abel.* 11 *The curse of Cain.* 17 *Enoch the first city.* 19 *Lamech and his two wives.* 25 *The birth of Seth,* 26 *and Enos.*

AND Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare [1]Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.[c]

2 And she again bare his brother [2]Abel. And Abel was [3]a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the ground.[d]

3 And [4]in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.[e]

4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his [5]flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:[f]

5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.[g]

6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?[h]

7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not [6]be accepted? and if thou doest not well, [7]sin lieth at the door. And [8]unto thee *shall be* his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.[i]

8 And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came[k] to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.[l]

9 ¶ And the LORD said unto Cain, Where *is* Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: *Am* I my brother's keeper?[m]

10 And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's [9]blood crieth unto me from the ground.[n]

11 And now *art* thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;

12 When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth yield unto thee her strength; a fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth.[o]

13 And Cain said unto the LORD, My [10]punishment *is* greater than I can bear.[p]

14 Behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth; and it shall come to pass, *that* every one that findeth me shall slay me.[q]

15 And the LORD said unto him, Therefore whosoever slayeth Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the LORD set a mark upon Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.[r]

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a Gen. ii. 5; iv. 2, 12; ix. 20; Eccles. v. 9; 2 Tim. ii. 6.

q ch. iii. 8; Prov. xxviii. 1; Jonah i. 3.

11 Heb. *Chanoch.*

r See vs. 1, 2; Ps. xlix. 11.

b ch. ii. 8; Ps. lxxx. 1; civ. 4; Numb. xxii. 23; Josh. v. 13; 1 Chron. xxi. 16; Heb. i. 7; x. 18—22; Acts ix. 3.

s ch. ii. 22; Matt. xix. 4—6.

12 That is, *the inventor*, or, *teacher.*

1 That is, *gotten*, or, *acquired.*

t ch. xxv. 27; Jer. xxxv. 9, 10; Heb. xi 9.

c See ver. 25; ch. iii. 15.

u ch. xxxi. 27; Job xxi. 12; Ps. cl. 3, 4.

2 Heb. *Hebel.*

3 Heb. *a feeder.*

v Exod. xxv. 3; Numb. xxxi. 22.

d ch. xxx. 29—31; xxxvii. 13; xlvi. 34; Amos vii. 15; Gen. iii. 23.

4 Heb. *at the end of days.*

13 Or, *I would slay a man in my wound, even a young man in my hurt*; or, *on my being hurt*, i.e., in self-defence.

e 1 Sam. xv. 22; Isa. i. 12.

w See ver 15.

5 Heb. *sheep*, or, *goats.*

14 Heb. *Sheth*; i.e., *appointed*, or, *put.*

f Exod. xiii. 12; Numb. xviii. 17; Heb. xi. 4.

x See vs. 1—3, 8, 10, 11.

15 Heb. *Enosh.*

g Numb. xvi 15; Job v. 2; Isa. iii. 10, 11; Matt. xx. 15

h Jer. ii. 5; Jonah iv. 1—4.

6 Or, *have the excellency?*

7 That is, *a sin offering.*

16 That is, *the record*, or, *register.*

8 Or, *subject unto thee.*

i Job xiii. 8; Eccles. viii 12; Isa. i. 18; iii. 10, 11; Rom. vi. 23; Eph. i. 7; 1 John ii. 1.

j 2 Sam. iii. 27; xx. 9, 10; Neh. vi. 2; Ps. lv. 12, 13, 21; Prov. xxvi. 24; 1 John iii. 12, 15.

y ch. i. 26, 27; ii. 7; Eccles. vii. 29; 1 Cor. xi. 7.

k See vs. 1, 2; Josh. vii. 19; Ps. ix. 12; John viii. 44.

9 Heb. *bloods.*

z ch. i. 27; Matt. xix 4—6.

l Job xvi. 18; Ps. l. 21; lx. 12; Exod. iii. 7; 2 Kings ix. 26.

a Job xiv. 4; xv 14; Ps. li. 5.

m See ver. 14; Isa. xxvi. 1; Lev. xxvi. 16—20; Deut. xxviii. 23; Prov. xxviii. 1.

b 1 Chron. i. 1—3; Luke iii. 36—38.

10 Or, *my iniquity is greater than that it may be forgiven.*

n Job xv. 22; Prov. xviii. 14.

o Prov. xiv. 32; Isa. viii. 22; Job xxi. 14—17; 2 Thess. i. 9; Ps. cix. 16; Gen. ix. 5, 6.

c ch. iv. 26.

17 Heb. *Kenan.*

p Ps. xciv. 1; Deut xxxii. 35; Rom. xii. 19

d 1 Chron. i. 1, 2; Luke iii. 37.

16 ¶ And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden.[s]

17 And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare [11]Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch.[t]

18 And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech.

19 ¶ And Lamech took unto him two wives: the name of the one *was* Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.[u]

20 And Adah bare Jabal: he was [12]the father of such as dwell in tents, and *of such as have* cattle.[v]

21 And his brother's name *was* Jubal: he was the father of all such as handle the harp and organ.[w]

22 And Zillah, she also bare Tubal-cain, an instructer of every artificer in brass and iron: and the sister of Tubal-cain *was* Naamah.[x]

23 And Lamech said unto his wives, Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice; ye wives of Lamech, hearken unto my speech: for [13]I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt.

24 If Cain shall be avenged sevenfold, truly Lamech seventy and sevenfold.[y]

25 ¶ And Adam knew his wife again; and she bare a son, and called his name [14]Seth: For God, *said she*, hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew.[z]

26 And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name [15]Enos: then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

CHAPTER V.

1 *The genealogy, age, and death of the patriarchs from Adam unto Noah.* 24 *The godliness and translation of Enoch.*

THIS *is* [16]the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness of God made he him;[a]

2 Male and female created he them; and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.[b]

3 ¶ And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat *a son* in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:[c]

4 And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he begat sons and daughters:

5 And all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years: and he died.[d]

6 And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos:

7 And Seth lived after he begat Enos eight hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters:

8 And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years: and he died.[e]

9 ¶ And Enos lived ninety years, and begat [17]Cainan:

10 And Enos lived after he begat Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons and daughters:[f]

11 Heb. *Chanoch.*

12 That is, *the inventor*, or, *teacher.*

13 Or, *I would slay a man in my wound, even a young man in my hurt*; or, *on my being hurt*, i.e., in self-defence.

14 Heb. *Sheth*; i.e., *appointed*, or, *put.*

15 Heb. *Enosh.*

16 That is, *the record*, or, *register.*

17 Heb. *Kenan.*

s See ver. 14; Isa. xxvi. 1; Lev. xxvi. 16—20; Deut. xxviii. 23; Prov. xxviii. 1.

t 1 Chron. i. 1—3; Luke iii. 36—38.

u ch. iv. 26.

v Job xv. 22; Prov. xviii. 14.

w See ver. 14; Isa. xxvi. 1; Lev. xxvi. 16—20; Deut. xxviii. 23; Prov. xxviii. 1.

x 1 Chron. i. 1—3; Luke iii. 36—38.

y Prov. xiv. 32; Isa. viii. 22; Job xxi. 14—17; 2 Thess. i. 9; Ps. cix. 16; Gen. ix. 5, 6.

z ch. iv. 26.

a ch. i. 26, 27; ii. 7; Eccles. vii. 29; 1 Cor. xi. 7.

b See vs. 1, 2; Josh. vii. 19; Ps. ix. 12; John viii. 44.

c ch. i. 27; Matt. xix 4—6.

d Job xiv. 4; xv 14; Ps. li. 5.

e ch. iv. 26.

f Ps. xciv. 1; Deut xxxii. 35; Rom. xii. 19



DEATH OF ABEL.



THE FIRST MUSICAL INSTRUMENT.

11 And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five years: and he died.[a]

12 ¶ And Cainan lived seventy years, and begat Mahalaleel:

13 And Cainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years, and begat sons and daughters:

14 And all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died.

15 ¶ And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and begat Jared:

16 And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters:

17 And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.

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[a] ch. iii. 19; Job xiv. 1

[b] 1 Chron. i. 3; Luke iii. 37; Jude 14, 15; Heb. xi. 5

18 ¶ And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Enoch:[b]

19 And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:

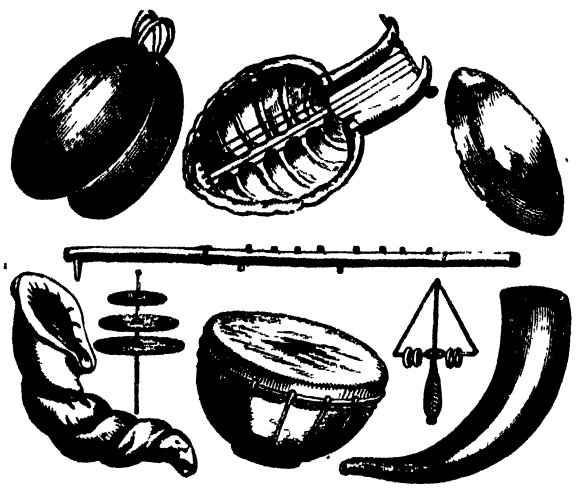
20 And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died.

21 ¶ And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah:

22 And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:

23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years:

24 And Enoch walked with God: and he *was* not; for God took him.



ANCIENT MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

10 And it came to pass [1]after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth.[a]

11 ¶ In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the [2]windows of heaven were opened.[b]

12 And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 2348.

1 Or, *on the seventh day.*
a ch. vi. 17; Job xxii. 16.
c ch. vi. 19, 21.
f See vs. 2, 3; Ps. xlvi. 2; xci. 1—10.
2 Or, *floodgates.*
b ch. i. 7; viii. 2; 2 Kings vii. 2.
c See vs. 4, 17
g See vs. 4, 12

15 And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein *is* the breath of life.[e]

16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.[f]

17 And the flood was forty days upon the earth, and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth.[g]



DELUGE.

13 In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark,

14 They, and every beast after his kind, all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind, every bird [3]of every sort.[d]

h See vs. 11, 12; Job xxii. 16.
i Job xii. 15; 2 Peter iii. 6
3 Heb. *of every wing.*
d See vs. 1, 7—9; ch. vi. 18; Heb. xi. 7; 1 Peter iii. 20; 2 Peter ii. 5.

18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.[h]

19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that *were* under the whole heaven, were covered.[i]

20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.[j]

21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:

22 All in whose nostrils *was* [1]the breath of life, of all that *was* in the dry *land*, died.[e]

23 And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained *alive*, and they that *were* with him in the ark.[b]

24 And the waters prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 2348.

5 Heb. *in going forth and returning*

1 Heb. *breath of the spirit of life.*

e ch. vi. 16.

a See ver. 4; ch. vi. 7; Job xxii. 15—17; Jer. iii. 23; Matt. xxiv. 37—39; Luke xvii. 27.

6 Heb. *caused her to come.*

b See vs. 21, 22; 1 Peter iii 20; 2 Peter ii. 5; Job v 19; Ps. xii 1, 9, 10; Prov xi. 4; Ezek. xiv. 14; Mal. iii. 18

f See vs. 10—12.

c ch. viii. 3, 4, vii. 11.

g See ver 12.

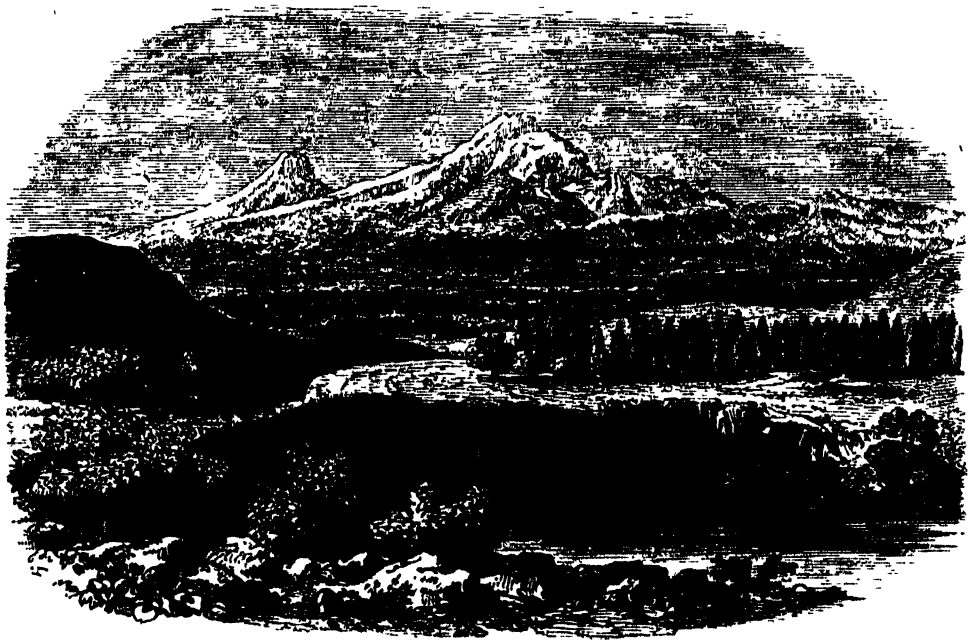
6 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made:

7 And he sent forth a raven, which [5]went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.[g]

8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters *were* on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and [6]pulled her in unto him into the ark.[f]

10 And he stayed yet other seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;[g]



MOUNT ARARAT

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The waters asswage.* 4 *The ark resteth on Ararat.* 7 *The raven and the dove.* 15 *Noah, being commanded,* 18 *goeth forth of the ark.* 20 *He buildeth an altar, and offereth sacrifice,* 21 *which God accepteth, and promiseth to curse the earth no more.*

AND God remembered Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that *was* with him in the ark: and God made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged;[d]

2 The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;[e]

3 And the waters returned from off the earth [2]continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated.[f]

4 And the ark rested in [3]the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat.[g]

5 And the waters [4]decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth *month*, on the first *day* of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.[h]

Neh viii. 15

m See vs 8—10

d ch. xix. 29; Ps. xxxvi 6; cvi. 4; cxxxvi. 25.

n ch. vii. 11.

o ch. vii. 11, 13, 14.

15; xxxviii. 37.

2 Heb. *in going and returning.*

p ch. vii. 1, 7, 13; Ps. cxxi. 8; 1 Pet. iii. 20

f ch. vii. 11, 24.

3 That is, the seventh month of the year, not of the deluge.

g ch. vii. 17—19.

4 Heb. *were in going and decreasing.*

q ch. vii. 14, 15; l. 21, 22; ix. 1, 7

h ch. vii. 11.

r ch. vi. 18—20, vii. 7, 8.

11 And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth *was* an olive leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.[i]

12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.[m]

13 ¶ And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first *month*, the first *day* of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.[n]

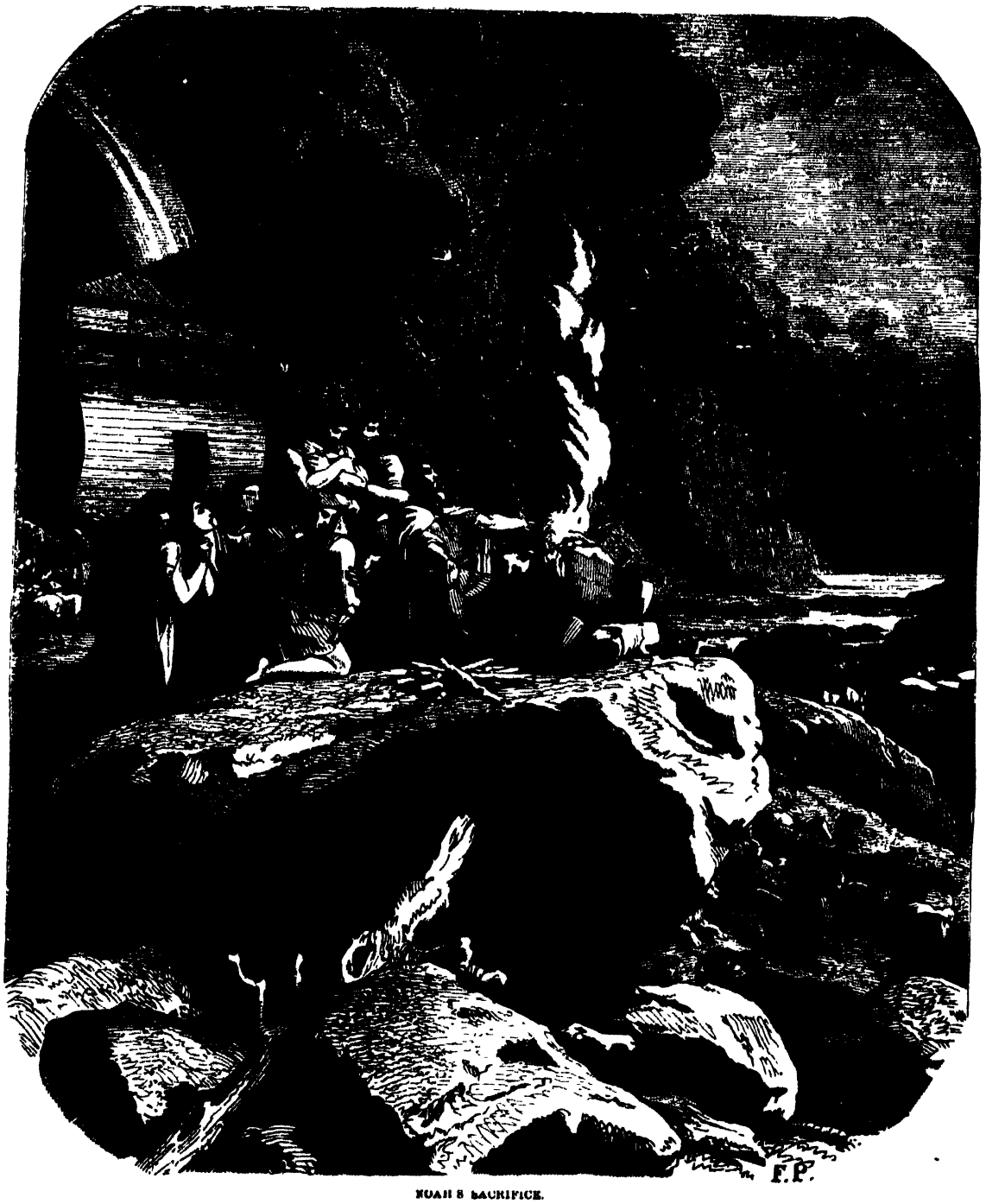
14 And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth dried.[o]

15 ¶ And God spake unto Noah, saying,

16 Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee.[p]

17 Bring forth with thee every living thing that *is* with thee, of all flesh, *both* of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth.[q]

18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:[r]



NOAH'S SACRIFICE.

19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, *and* whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after [1]their kinds, went forth out of the ark.[a]

20 ¶ And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.[b]

21 And the LORD smelled [2]a sweet savour; and the LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; [3]for the imagination of man's heart *is* evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.[c]

22 While [4]the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 2347.

1 Heb
a ch. vi. 18—20; vii. 7, 8.
b ch. vii. 2; Lev. xi. 1—28; i. 1—17
2 Heb. *a savour of rest.*
3 Or, *though.*
c See ver 7; ch. i. 28; viii. 17, Ps. cxxvii. 3; cxxviii 3, 4.
c Lev. i. 9; 2 Peter iii. 5—7; Gen. vi. 5. Job xiv. 4; xv 4; Eccles. vii. 20, 29; Gen. ix. 11—15; Isa. liv. 9.
4 Heb. *as yet all the days*
d Ps. lxxiv. 16, 17; Josh. iii. 15; Jer. v. 24; xxxi. 35; Isa. xvi. 9; Zech. xiv. 8; Jer. xxxiii. 20.
e ch. i. 28; ii. 19; Lev. xxvi. 6—12; xxxiv. 25—27

CHAPTER IX.

1 *God blesseth Noah.* 4 *Blood and murder are forbidden.* 8 *God's* [illegible] 18 *Noah replenisheth the world,* 20 *planteth a vineyard,* 21 *is drunken, and mocked of his son,* 25 *curseth Canaan,* 26 *blesseth Shem,* 27 *prayeth for Japheth,* 29 *and dieth.*

AND God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.[e]

2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth *upon* the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.[f]

3 Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you; even as the green herb have I given you all things.[e]

4 But flesh with the life thereof, *which is* the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.[h]

5 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man.[i]

6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.[k]

7 And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein.[l]

8 ¶ And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying,

9 And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you;[f]

10 And with every living creature that *is* with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every beast of the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth.[g]

11 And I will establish my covenant with you; neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.[h]

12 And God said, This *is* the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that *is* with you, for perpetual generations:

13 I do [1]set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.[i]

14 And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud:

15 And I will remember my covenant, which *is* between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.[j]

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e Lev. xi. 1—47; Deut. xii. 15; xiv. 4—46; Acts x. 12—16; Ps. civ. 14, 15.

h See vs. 9, 10, 11; ch. viii. 21, 22; 2 Sam. xxiii. 5; Jer. xxxii. 40, 41.

i Lev. iii. 17; vii. 26; Deut. xii. 16; xv. 23; Acts xv. 20.

l See vs. 11, 12—15.

k ch. iv. 9—11; Exod. xxi 12, Lev xix. 16; Numb xxxv 31

2 Or, *Chenaan.*

m ch vi. 10; x. 1, 6; 1 Chron. i. 1—8.

d ch. i. 26, 27, Exod. xxi. 12—14; Lev. xvii. 4; 1 Kings ii. 5, 6, 28—33.

n ch v. 32; viii. 17; x. 2—32.

e See vs. 1, 19; ch. i. 28, viii 17; Ps cxxvii. 3—5, 1 Tim. v. 14.

o ch. v. 29, Prov. xii. 11, xx. 1; xxiii. 31, 32; Luke xxi. 34, Eph. v 18.

f See vs. 11, 17; ch. vi 18; xvii. 7, 8; xxii. 17

p Lev. xviii. 7.

g See vs. 15, 16; ch. viii 1; Ps. xxxvi. 5, 6.

q Exod. xx. 12; Rom xiii. 7; Eph. vi. 2, 3

h ch. vii. 23; viii. 21, 22, Isa. liv. 9; 2 Peter iii 7.

r Deut. xxvii. 16; Judg. i. 28—30; 1 Kings ix. 20, 21.

1 Or, appoint, select, or have given; for the rainbow, as a natural phenomenon, must have often appeared since the foundation of the world

i Isa. liv. 9; 2 Peter iii. 7

s ch. x. 21—31; Deut. xxxiii. 26—29.

t Isa. xi. 11.

j Deut. vii. 9; Neh. ix 32.

u Rev xiv. 18

16 And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that *is* upon the earth.[k]

17 And God said unto Noah, This *is* the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that *is* upon the earth.[l]

18 ¶ And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham, and Japheth: and Ham *is* the father of [2]Canaan.[m]

19 These *are* the three sons of Noah: and of them was the whole earth overspread.[n]

20 And Noah began *to be* an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:

21 And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within his tent.[o]

22 And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brethren without.[p]

23 And Shem and Japheth took a garment, and laid *it* upon both their shoulders, and went backward, and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces *were* backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness.[q]

24 And Noah awoke from his wine, and knew what his younger son had done unto him.

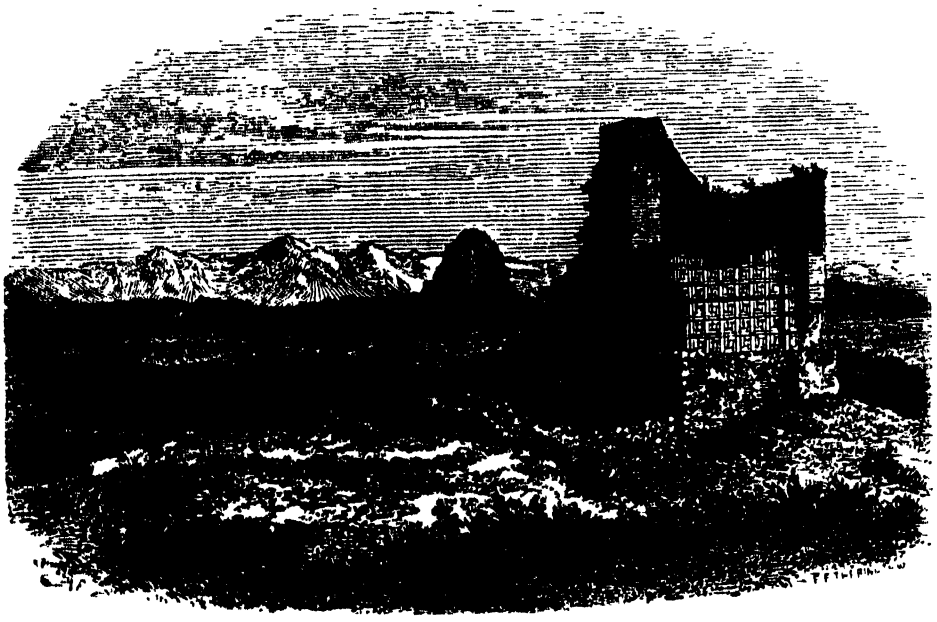
25 And he said, Cursed *be* Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.[r]

26 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant.[s]

27 God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem, and Canaan shall be his servant.[t]

28 ¶ And Noah lived after the flood three hundred and fifty years.

29 And all the days of Noah were nine hundred and fifty years: and he died.[u]



TOMB IN ARMENIA.

CHAPTER X.

1 The generations of Noah. 2 The sons of Japheth. 6 The sons of Ham. 8 Nimrod the first monarch. 21 The sons of Shem.

NOW these *are* the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto them were sons born after the flood.[a]

2 The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

3 And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.[b]

4 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, [1]Kittim, and [2]Dodanim.[c]

5 By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.[d]

6 ¶ And the sons of [3]Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, and Phut, and Canaan.[e]

7 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtechah: and the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.[f]

8 And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.[g]

9 He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

10 And the beginning of his kingdom was [4]Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.[h]

11 Out of that land [5]went forth Asshur, and builded Nineveh, and [6]the city Rehoboth, and Calah,[i]

12 And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same *is* a great city.

13 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

14 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came Philistim,) and Caphtorim.

15 ¶ And Canaan begat [7]Sidon his firstborn, and Heth,

16 And the Jebusite, and the Amorite, and the Girgasite,

17 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,

18 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite: and afterward were the families of the Canaanites spread abroad.[k]

19 And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto [8]Gaza; as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha.

20 These *are* the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries, *and* in their nations.[m]

21 ¶ Unto [9]Shem also, the father of all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder, even to him were *children* born.[n]

22 The children of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and [10]Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram.[o]

23 And the children of Aram; Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and Mash.[p]

24 And Arphaxad begat [11]Salah; and Salah begat Eber.[q]

25 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of one *was* [12]Peleg; for in his days was the earth divided, and his brother's name *was* Joktan.[r]

26 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,

27 And Hadoram, and Uzal, and Diklah,

28 And Obal, and Abimael, and Sheba,

29 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab: all these *were* the sons of Joktan.[s]

30 And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Sephar a mount of the east.[t]

31 These *are* the sons of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations.[u]

32 These *are* the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.[v]

CHAPTER XI.

1 One language in the world. 3 The building of Babel. 5 The confusion of tongues. 10 The generations of Shem. 27 The generations of Terah the father of Abram. 31 Terah goeth from Ur to Haran.

AND the whole earth was of one [13]language, and of one [14]speech.[w]

2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there.[x]

3 And [15]they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and [16]burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for morter.[y]

4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top *may reach* unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.[z]

5 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded.[a]

6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people *is* one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.[b]

7 Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.[c]

8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.[d]

9 Therefore is the name of it called [17]Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.[e]

10 ¶ These *are* the generations of Shem: Shem

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10 Heb. *Arpachshad.*
o 1 Chron. i. 17—27; Gen. ix. 26; Isa. xxii. 6; lxvi. 19; Jer. xlix. 34—39, Numb. xxiii. 7.
p Job i. 1; Jer. xxv. 20.
11 Heb. *Shelah.*
q ch. xi. 12—15.
12 That is, *division.*
r See vs. 21, 32; ch. xi. 16—19; 1 Chron. i. 19.
a ch. vi. 9, 10, 1, 17; vii. 21—23
s 1 Chron. i. 20—23.
b See ver. 21; 1 Chron. i. 5, 7; Isa. lxvi. 19; Ezek. xxvii. 13, 14, 19; xxxviii. 2, 6, 13—15.
t Numb. xxiii. 7.
1 Or, *Chittim.*
2 Or, according to some copies, *Rodanim.*
c Dan. xi. 30; Numb xxiv. 24; Isa. xxiii. 1, 12.
u See vs. 5, 20.
d See ver. 25; Ps. lxxii. 10; Isa. xxiv. 15; lx. 9; Jer. ii. 10; xxv. 22; Zeph ii. 11; Gen. xi. 1—9.
3 This name, which carries with it the idea of being burnt, or dark coloured, was significant of the regions allotted to the family, or descendants, of Ham. To the Cushites were given the southern division of Asia; to the sons of Canaan, the lands of Palestine and Syria; and to the sons of Mizraim, the land of Egypt, and Lybia, in Africa.
v See vs. 1, 20, 31; ch. ix. 1, 7, 19; Acts xvii. 26.
e ch. ix. 22; 1 Chron. i. 8—16; iv. 40; Ps. lxxviii. 51; cv. 23; cvi. 22; Isa. xi. 11; xlvi. 7—9; Ezek. xxvii. 10.
f Ps. lxxii. 10; 1 Chron. i. 9.
g 1 Chron. i. 10; Micah v 6.
13 Heb. *lip.*
14 Heb *words.*
w Isa. xix. 18; Zeph iii. 9.
4 Or, *Babylon.*
h 2 Kings xvii. 24; xxv. 28; 2 Chron. xxxii. 31; Isa. x. 9, in which we read *Calno;* Amos vi. 2; Gen. xi. 2; xiv. 1; Isa. xi 11.
5 Or, *he went out into Assyria.*
6 Or, *the streets of the city*
i 2 Kings xix. 36; Isa. xxxvii. 37.
x ch. x. 10; xiv. 1; Isa. xi. 11; Zech. v. 11.
15 Heb. *a man said to his neighbour*
16 Heb *burn them with a burning.*
y Ps lxiv. 5; Isa. xli 6, 7; Exod. i. 14
j 1 Chron. i. 11, 12; Jer. xlvi 9; Ezek xxx. 5, Isa. xi. 11; Jer xliv. 1, xlvii. 4; Deut. ii. 23.
7 Heb *Tzidon*
z Deut. i 28; ix. 1; Ps. xlix. 11 — 13; Dan. iv 30.
a ch xlii. 21; Ps xiv. 2—4; xxxiii 13, 14.
b See ver 1; ch. iii. 22, 23; ix 19; vi 5, viii. 21; Eccles. vii. 29
k 1 Chron. i. 13—16; Gen. xv. 19, 21; xxiii. 7; xxv. 10; Judg. i. 21, Ezek. xxvii. 8; 2 Chron. xiii. 4; Numb. xxxiv 8.
c Job v. 12, 13; Ps. ii. 4; xxxiii. 10.
8 Heb. *Azzah.*
l ch. xiii. 8—12; xiv. 2; xv. 18—21; xvii 20; Numb. xxxiv. 2—15.
d vs. 4, 9; ch. x. 5, 25, 32
17 That is, *confusion.*
m See ver. 6.
9 Shem signifies *name,* or *renown.* He was great in territorial possession, but greater still as the lineal progenitor of the promised Messiah.
e ch. x. 25, 32; 1 Cor. xiv 10, 21—23; Ps. xcii. 9, see ver. 4, above.
n See ver. 1; ch. xi. 10—26. Numb xxiv 24

was an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood :[a]

11 And Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.[b]

12 And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begat Salah :[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 2155.

a ch. x. 21, 22; 1 Chron. i. 17—27; Luke iii. 36.

f Luke iii. 35, in which we have for *Reu*, *Ragu*.

b ch. i. 28; v. 4., ix. 7.

c Luke iii. 36.

13 And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

14 And Salah lived thirty years, and begat Eber :[d]

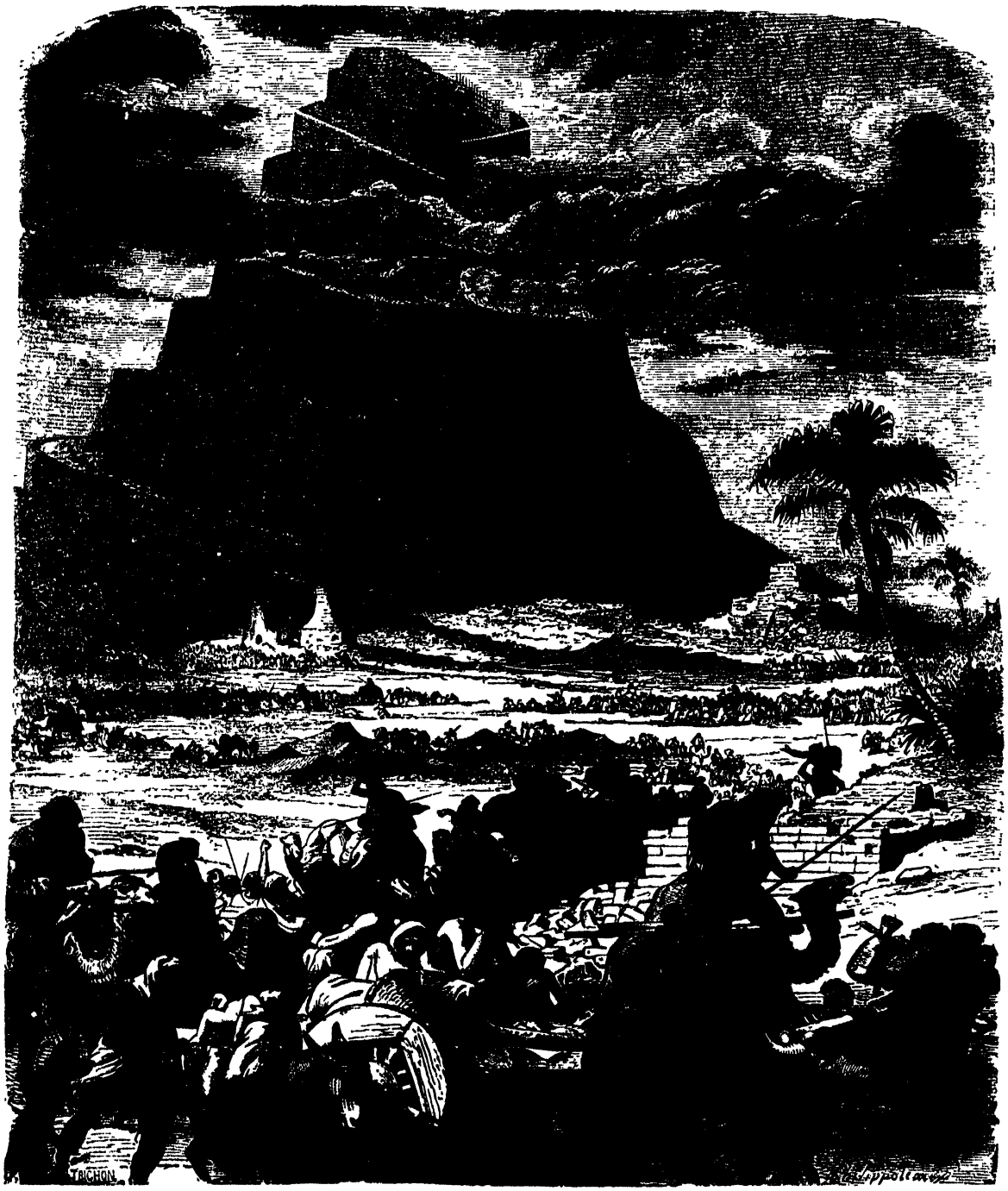
15 And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters.

16 And Eber lived four and thirty years, and begat Peleg :[e]

17 And Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters.

18 And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu :[f]

19 And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters.



THE BUILDERS OF THE TOWER OF BABEL, OVERTHROWN IN THEIR WORK, DEPARTING FROM THE PLAINS OF SHINAR.

g Luke iii. 35, in which we have *Saruch*.

d ch x. 21, 25.

h Josh. xxiv. 2, in which we read *Nachor*.

e Luke iii. 35, in which the name is written *Phalec*. Numb xxiv 24; 1 Chron. i. 19.

i Luke iii 34, in which it is written *Thareh*.

20 And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat Serug :[g]

21 And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years, and begat sons and daughters.

22 And Serug lived thirty years, and begat Nahor :[h]

23 And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

24 And Nahor lived nine and twenty years, and begat Terah :[i]

25 And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an

hundred and nineteen years, and begat sons and daughters.

26 And Terah lived seventy years, and begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.[a]

27 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot.[b]

28 And Haran died before his father Terah in the land of his nativity, in Ur of the Chaldees.[c]

29 And Abram and Nahor took them wives: the name of Abram's wife *was* Sarai; and the name of Nahor's wife, Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah.[d]

30 But Sarai was barren; she *had* no child.[e]

31 And Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees, to go into the land of Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.[f]

32 And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1921.

f ch. xi. 31; Heb. xi. 8.

a ch. xii. 4, 5; xxii. 20; xxix. 4, 5; Josh. xxiv. 2; 1 Chron. i. 26, 27.

b See ver. 31; ch. xii. 4, 5.

h ch. xi. 31; xiv. 14; x. 19; xiii. 14—17; Acts vii. 4; Heb. xi. 8, 9.

c See ver. 31; ch. xii. 1; Neh. ix. 7; Acts vii. 2.

1 Or, *oak.*

i ch. xxxiii. 18; xxxv. 4; Josh. xx. 7; Deut. xi. 30; Judg. vii. 1; Gen. x. 18, 19; xiii. 7

d ch. xvii. 15.

e ch. xv. 2, 3; xvi. 1, 2.

m ch. xiii. 15; xvii. 3, 8; xxvi. 3.

f See vs. 24, 26; ch. xii. 1; Josh. xxiv. 2, 3; Heb. xi. 8; Acts vii. 2, 4.

n ch. xxviii. 19; xxxv. 3; Josh. vii. 2; Gen. iv. 26; xiii. 4; xxi. 33; Ps. cxvi. 1, 4; Joel ii. 32.

2 Heb. *in going and journeying.*

g ch. xii. 4.

o ch. xiii. 3; Heb xi. 13, 14.

him; and Lot went with him: and Abram *was* seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.[j]

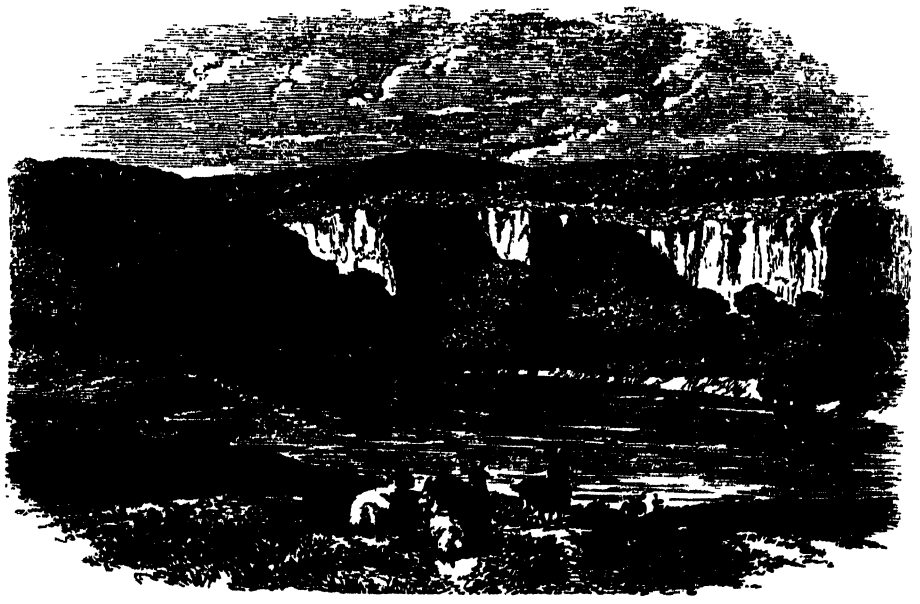
5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came.[k]

6 ¶ And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the [1]plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite *was* then in the land.[l]

7 And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.[m]

8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Beth-el, and pitched his tent, *having* Beth-el on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.[n]

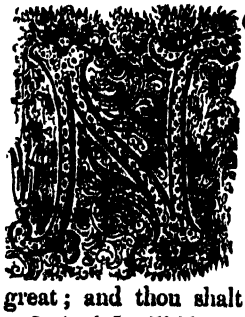
9 And Abram journeyed, [2]going on still toward the south.[o]



THE BANKS OF THE JORDAN.

CHAPTER XII.

God calleth Abram, and blesseth him with a promise of Christ. 4 He departeth with Lot from Haran. 6 He journeyeth through Canaan, 7 which is promised him in a vision. 10 He is driven by a famine into Egypt. 11 Fear maketh him feign his wife to be his sister. 14 Pharaoh, having taken her from him, by plagues is compelled to restore her.



NOW the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew

2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse them that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.[h]

4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto

p ch. xxvi. 1; xlii. 1

q See ver. 14.

r ch. xx. 11; Prov. xxix. 25; Matt.

h ch. xi. 31, 32; xv. 7; Neh. ix. 7; Isa. li. 2; Josh. xxiv. 2, Heb. xi. 8.

s ch. xi. 29, xx. 2; Isa. lvii. 11; liv 12, 13.

t ch. vi. 2; xxiv. 16; 2 Sam. xiii. 1, Esth. i. 11.

; xv. 5; xvii. xviii. 18; xxii. 17; xlv. 14, 19; xlix. 29, xvii. 16; xxvi. 3—5; xxviii. 3, 4; Acts vii. 1, 2; Heb. vi. 14.

ii. 2; Gen. xx.

10 ¶ And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine *was* grievous in the land.[p]

11 And it came to pass, when he was come near to enter into Egypt, that he said unto Sarai his wife, Behold now, I know that thou *art* a fair woman to look upon:[q]

12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Egyptians shall see thee, that they shall say, This *is* his wife: and they will kill me, but they will save thee alive.[r]

13 Say, I pray thee, thou *art* my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.[s]

14 ¶ And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt, the Egyptians beheld the woman that she *was* very fair.[t]

15 The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her before Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house.[u]

16 And he entreated Abram well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses, and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels.[o]

17 And the LORD plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai Abram's wife.[b]

18 And Pharaoh called Abram, and said, What *is* this *that* thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she *was* thy wife?[c]

19 Why saidst thou, She *is* my sister? so I might have taken her to me to wife: now therefore behold thy wife, take *her*, and go thy way.

20 And Pharaoh commanded *his* men concerning him: and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had.[d]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Abram and Lot return out of Egypt.* 7 *By disagreement they part asunder.* 10 *Lot goeth to wicked Sodom.* 14 *God reneweth the promise to Abram.* 18 *He removeth to Hebron, and there buildeth an altar.*

AND Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him, into the south.[e]

2 And Abram *was* very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.[f]

3 And he went on his journeys from the south even to [1]Beth-el, unto the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Beth-el and Hai;

4 Unto the place of the altar, which he had made there at the first: and there Abram called on the name of the LORD.[g]

5 ¶ And Lot also, which went with Abram, had flocks, and herds, and tents.[h]

6 And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great, so that they could not dwell together.[i]

7 And there was a strife between the herdmen of Abram's cattle and the herdmen of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land.[j]

8 And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we *be* [2]brethren.[k]

9 *Is* not the whole land before thee? separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if *thou wilt take* the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if *thou depart* to the right hand, then I will go to the left.[l]

10 And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain of Jordan, that it *was* well watered every where, before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, *even* as the garden of the LORD, like the land of Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar.[m]

11 Then Lot chose him all the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated themselves the one from the other.[n]

12 Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched *his* tent toward Sodom.[o]

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p ch. xviii. 20, 21; xix. 4, 5; Matt. xi. 23, 24; 2 Peter ii. 6, 7, Jude 7.

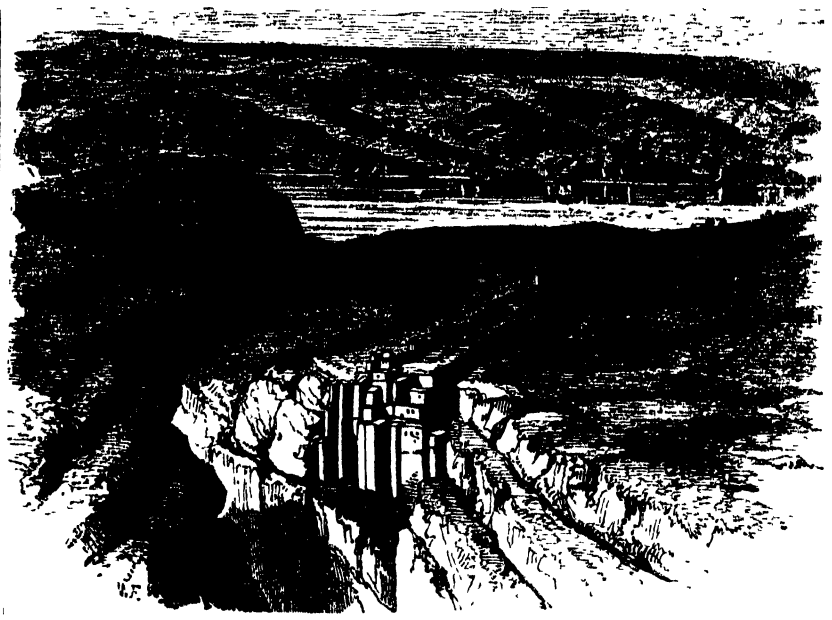
a ch. xiii. 2; xx. 14; xxiv. 35.

b 1 Chron. xvi. 21; Ps. cv. 14

q ch. xxviii. 10—15; Deut. iii. 27

13 But the men of Sodom *were* wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.[p]

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward:[q]



THE DEAD SEA.

15 For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.[r]

16 And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, *then* shall thy seed also be numbered.[s]

17 Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.

18 Then Abram removed *his* tent, and came and dwelt in the plain of Mamre, which *is* in Hebron, and built there an altar unto the Lord.[t]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *The battle of four kings against five.* 12 *Lot is taken prisoner.* 14 *Abram rescueth him.* 18 *Melchisedek blesseth Abram.* 20 *Abram giveth him tithe.* 22 *The rest of the spoil, his partners having had their portions, he restoreth to the king of Sodom.*

AND it came to pass in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations;[u]

2 *That these* made war with Bera king of Sodom, and with Birsha king of Gomorrah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela, which is Zoar.[v]

c ch. xx. 9, 10, xxvi. 9—11, Prov. xxi. 1—3.

d Ps. cv. 14, 15; Prov. xxi. 1.

e ch. xii. 9; xx. 1; xxi. 33.

f ch. xxiv. 35; Deut. viii. 18; 1 Sam. ii. 7; Ps. cxii. 1—3; Prov. iii. 9, 10, x. 22; Matt. vi. 33; 1 Tim. iv. 8.

1 It was so called at the time that Moses wrote, but its first name was Luz.

g ch. xii. 6, 8, 9; xiii. 18; Ps. xxvi. 8; cxvi. 17; cxlv. 18; Jer. xxix. 11, 12.

h See vs. 7—10; ch. xiv. 12.

r ch. xii. 7; xv. 18; xvii. 7, 8.

i ch. xxxvi. 6, 7; Eccles. v. 10, 11; 1 Tim. vi. 6—10; Luke xii. 15, 22—32.

s ch. xii. 2, 3; xv. 5; xvii. 6; xviii. 18; xxi. 13; xx. 17.

j ch. xxi. 25; xxvi. 20; Prov. xvii. 14—19; James iii. 16.

t ch. xii. 7, 8; xiv. 13; xviii. 1; xxiii. 2.

2 Heb. *men brethren.*

k Prov. xv. 1; xx. 3; Matt. v. 9; Heb. xii. 14; James iii. 17.

l ch. xx. 15; Ps. cxx. 7; Rom. xii. 18.

m Numb. xxxii. 1; Gen ii. 9, 10; xiv. 2—8; xix. 20, 22, 29.

u ch. x. 10, 22; xi. 2; Isa. xi. 10, xxxvii. 12; xxi. 2; Jer. xxv. 25.

n Prov. xviii. 24; xxvii. 10.

o ch. xix. 1, 29; xiv 12.

v ch. x. 19; Deut. xxix. 23; Hos. xi.



SEPARATION OF ABRAM AND LOT.

3 All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea.[a]

4 Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.

5 And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that *were* with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emims in Shaveh Kiriathaim,

6 And the Horites in their mount Seir, unto [1]El-paran, which *is* by the wilderness.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1918.

[a] ch. xix. 23—25; Numb xxxiv. 12

[1] Or, *the plain of Paran.*

[b] ch. xv. 18—20, Deut. i. 4; ii. 10, 11, 20—23; Josh. i. 4, Gen. xxxvi. 8, 20.

7 And they returned, and came to En-mishpat, which *is* Kadesh, and smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt in [1]Hazezon-tamar.[c]

8 And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same *is*

BEFORE CHRIST 1913.

c Ps. lxxxiii. 5—10, Isa. xxiv. 18, Gen. xix. 17, 30.

1 Called by the Chaldee Engaddi, a town on the western shore of the Dead Sea.

a ch. xvi. 14, xx. 1; xxxii. 12, 16.

d See vs. 16, 21.

e ch. xi. 27; xii. 5, xiii. 12

fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.[c]

11 And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their victuals, and went their way.[d]

12 And they took Lot, Abram's brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.[e]



MELCHIZEDEK BLESSES ABRAM

;) and they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim;

9 With Chedorlaomer the king of Elam, and with Tidal king of nations, and Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar; four kings with five.[b]

10 And the vale of Siddim *was full of* [2]slimepits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah fled, and

3 "the Hebrew" from Eber, his ancestor

f ch. xiii. 18; see ver. 24.

4 That is, his brother's son.

b vs. 1, 2.

5 Or, *led forth*

2 Places in which bitumen was found in abundance

g ch. xi. 27; Prov xvii. 7

13 ¶ And there came one that had escaped, and told [3]Abram the Hebrew; for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these *were* confederate with Abram.[f]

14 And when Abram heard that [4]his brother was taken captive, he [5]armed his trained *servants*, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued *them* unto Dan.[g]

15 And he divided himself against them, he and his servants, by night, and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which *is* on the left hand of Damascus.[a]

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5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.[l]

6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.[m]

7 And he said unto him, I *am* the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 1911.

[a] ch. xviii. 9—14, xxiv. 2—4, 15, 14, 61—67, xxv. 21—23, xxvi. 2—5.

[b] Ps. xviii. 28—30, 32, 34; Isa. xli. 2, 3.

[c] See vs. 11, 12; 1 Sam. xxx. 8, 16, 19

[d] Lev. i. 17.

[e] 1 Sam. xviii. 6; Prov. xiv. 20; xix. 4.

[f] Ps. lxxvi. 2; cx. 4; Heb. v. 6, 10; vii. 1, 2; Gen. xviii. 5—8; xix. 1—3; Gal. vi. 10.

[g] Job iv. 13, 14; xxxiii. 15, 16.

[h] Heb. vii. 6, 7; Ps. xxiv. 1; cxv. 16; Josh. x. 42; Ps. xliv. 2, 3; Heb. vii. 4, 9.

[i] ch. xvii. 8; Exod. i., ii., v., xii. 40, 41; Gal. iii. 16, 17; Exod. vi. 5, 6; Gen. vii.—xv.; Deut. iv. 20.

[j] ch. xxv. 8.

[k] Exod. xii. 40; 1 Kings xxi 26.

[l] Prov. x. 5, 6; 1 Kings xiii. 7, 8; 2 Kings v. 15, 16; Esther ix. 15, 16.

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[m] Exod. iii. 2; Judg. vi. 21; 1 Kings xviii. 36—39; 1 Chron. xxi. 26.

[n] See ver. 18; Prov. iii. 27; Matt. vii. 12.

[o] ch. xii. 1—3; xvii. 1—22; xxii. 15—18; xxiv. 7.

[p] Numb. xxiv. 21, 22; Gen. xiv. 5; Exod. iii. 8, 17

[q] ch. xvii. 1; Ps. xxvii. 1; Isa. xli. 10, 14; Rev. i. 17, 18, Deut. xxxiii. 29; Ps. iii. 3; v. 12; lxxxiv. 9, 11.

[r] ch xii. 1—3; xxiv. 2, 10; Ps cxxvii. 3.

[s] ch. xi. 30; xv. 2, 3; xxi 10—12; xii. 16; xvi. 1.

[t] ch. xii. 2; xiii. 16; xiv. 14; Prov xiii. 12.

[u] ch. xvii. 16, xxi 12.

2 Heb. *be builded by her.*

[v] ch. xvii. 16

[w] ch. xii. 1—3; xvii. 5, 6; xviii. 9—14; Deut. i. 10; Rom. ix. 7.

[x] Rom. iv. 3—6, 9; Gal. iii. 6—14; Heb. xi. 8; James ii. 23.

[y] ch. xii. 4, 5; see ver. 5.

[z] ch. xi. 26—31; xii. 5.

[a] See vs. 14, 15; ch. xxi. 9—21.

8 And he said, Lord GOD, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?[o]

9 And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.

10 And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not.[p]

11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcases, Abram drove them away.

12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.[q]

13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land *that is* not their's, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.[r]

15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.[s]

16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites *is* not yet full.[t]

17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and [1]a burning lamp that passed between those pieces.[u]

18 In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:[v]

19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites,

20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims,

21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.[w]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Sarai, being barren, giveth Hagar to Abram.* 4 *Hagar, being afflicted for despising her mistress, runneth away.* 7 *An angel sendeth her back to submit herself,* 11 *and telleth her of her child.* 15 *Ishmael is born.*

NOW Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name *was* Hagar.[x]

2 And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may [2]obtain children by her.[y] And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai.

3 And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.[z]

4 ¶ And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes.[a]

5 And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong *be* upon thee: I have given my maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD judge between me and thee.[e]

6 But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid *is* in thy hand; do to her [1]as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai dealt [2]hardly with her, she fled from her face.[f]

7 ¶ And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the [3]wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur.[g]

8 And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai.[h]

9 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her hands.[i]

10 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.[j]

11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou *art* with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name [4]Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.[k]

12 And he will be a wild man; his hand *will be* against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.[l]

13 And she called the name of the LORD that spake unto her, Thou God seest me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that seeth me?[m]

14 Wherefore the well was called [5]Beer-lahai-roi; behold, *it is* between Kadesh and Bered.[n]

15 ¶ And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his son's name, which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

16 And Abram *was* fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.[o]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *God reneweth the covenant.* 5 *Abram his name is changed in token of a greater blessing.* 10 *Circumcision is instituted.* 15 *Sarai her name is changed, and she is blessed.* 17 *Isaac is promised.* 23 *Abraham and Ishmael are circumcised.*

AND when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I *am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

2 And I will [6]make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.[p]

3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,

4 As for me, behold, my covenant *is* with thee, and thou shalt be a father of [7]many nations.[q]

5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.[r]

6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.[s]

7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.[t]

8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, [8]the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.[u]

9 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.[v]

10 This *is* my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.[w]

11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.[x]

12 And [9]he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which *is* not of thy seed.[y]

13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.[z]

14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.[a]

15 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but [10]Sarah *shall* her name *be*.

16 And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be [11]*a mother* of nations; kings of people shall be of her.[b]

17 Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall *a child* be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?[c]

18 And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee!

19 And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, *and* with his seed after him.[d]

20 And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.[e]

21 But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year.[f]

22 And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham.

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24 And Abraham *was* ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.[h]

25 And Ishmael his son *was* [12]thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

BEFORE CHRIST 1897.

e ch. xvi. 5.
f ch. xvi. 6.
g ch. xvi. 7.
h ch. xvi. 8.
i ch. xvi. 9.
j ch. xvi. 10.
k ch. xvi. 11.
l ch. xvi. 12.
m ch. xvi. 13.
n ch. xvi. 14.
o ch. xvi. 16.
p ch. xv. 18; xxvi. 24; Exod. vi. 4; Matt. xxiii. 32, Luke i. 55.
a Exod. v. 21; 1 Sam. xxiv. 12; Ps. vii. 8; xxxv. 24.
1 Heb. *that which is good in thine eyes.*
2 Heb. *afflicted her.*
3 As the desert of Shur lay between Canaan and Egypt, it may be that Hagar was now on her way to her own country.
4 That is, *God shall hear.*
5 That is, *the well of him that liveth and seeth me.*
6 That is, *renew.*
7 Heb. *a multitude of nations.*
8 Heb. *the land of thy sojournings.*
9 Heb. *a son of eight days.*
10 That is, *princess.*
11 Heb. *become nations.*
12 The Arabs, who are the descendants of Ishmael, retain to this day the rite of circumcision, and perform it at the age of thirteen, in conformity with Mahomedan practice.
b ch. xvii. 20, xxi. 15–18, xxv. 12—18.
c ch. xvii. 17; xxi. 6; Luke i. 59, ii. 21; Exod. xii. 47–49.
d See vs. 1—4; 1 Tim. vi. 1, 2; Eccles. x. 4.
e Acts vii. 8; Rom. iv. 11—14.
f Eph. v. 21, vi. 5—9; Titus ii. 9, 1 Peter ii. 18—21; v. 5.
g See ver. 15.
h ch. xxi. 20, 1 Chron. i. 29—31.
i See vs. 7, 9, 10, ch. xxxii. 30, Judg. xiii. 22.
j Numb. xiii. 26.
k ch. xxv. 12, 1 Chron. i. 28, Gal. iv. 22.
l ch. xxxv. 11; Exod. vi. 3; Numb. xi. 23; Micah vi. 8, Heb. xi. 8—10, Ps. cxvi. 9; Eph. v. 3—10.
m ch. xii. 1—3; xiii. 14—17; xv. 1—6, 18, Ps. cv. 8—11.
n ch. xxi. 10, 12.
o Exod. iii. 6; Lev. ix. 23, 24; Josh. v. 14; Rev. i. 17, 18.
q ch. xlviii. 4; Deut. xxxi. 1—3, 7, 8, xxxiii. 12, 29; xxxiv. 4, Josh. i. 2, 5—7; Exod. xv. 17, Isa. liv. 10.
r ch. xxxv. 10; cliii. 18.
s ch. xxiv. 60, Heb. xi. 8—12.
t ch. xxvi. 2—4, 24, Heb. xi. 18.
u ch. xxxvi. 8; xlvii. 9; Exod. vi. 4; Acts vii. 5; Heb. xi. 9, 13.
v ch. xviii. 19; Ps. xxv. 10; cliii. 18.
w See vs. 1—4; 1 Tim. vi. 1, 2; Eccles. x. 4.
x Acts vii. 8; Rom. iv. 11—14.
y ch. xiv. 14; Exod. xii. 44.
z ch. xxi. 20, 1 Chron. i. 29—31.
a Exod. iv. 24—26.
b ch. xxi. 4; Lev. xii. 2, 3; Luke i. 59, ii. 21; Exod. xii. 47–49.
c ch. xxi. 5; Luke i. 59, ii. 21; Exod. xii. 47–49.
d ch. xxv. 12, 1 Chron. i. 28, Gal. iv. 22.
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BEFORE CHRIST 1911.

a ch. xviii. 2—16; xxiv. 2—4, 13, 14, 61—67; xxv. 21—23; xxvi. 2—5.

a Ps. xviii. 28—30, 32, 34; Isa. xli. 2, 3.

b See vs. 11, 12; 1 Sam. xxx. 8, 18, 19

p Lev. i. 17.

c 1 Sam. xviii. 6; Prov. xiv. 20; xix. 4.

d Ps. lxxvi. 2; cx. 4; Heb. v. 6, 10; vii. 1, 2; Gen. xviii 5—8; xix. 1—3; Gal. vi. 10.

q Job iv. 13, 14; xxxiii. 15, 16.

e Heb. vii. 6, 7; Ps. xxiv. 1, cxv. 16; Josh. x. 42; Ps. xliv. 2, 3; Heb. vii. 4, 9.

r ch. xvii. 8; Exod i., ii., v., xii. 40, 41; Gal. iii. 16, 17; Exod. vi. 5, 6; Gen. vii.—xv.; Deut. iv. 20.

s ch. xxv. 8.

t Exod. xii. 40; 1 Kings xxi. 26.

f Prov. x. 5, 6; 1 Kings xiii. 7, 8; 2 Kings v. 15, 16; Esther ix. 15, 16.

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u Exod. iii. 2; Judg. vi. 21; 1 Kings xviii. 36—39; 1 Chron. xxi. 26.

g See ver. 18; Prov. iii. 27; Matt. vii. 12.

v ch. xii. 1—3; xvii. 1—22, xxii. 15—18; xxiv 7

w Numb. xxiv. 21, 22; Gen. xiv. 5; Exod. iii. 8, 17

h ch. xvii. 1; Ps. xxvii. 1; Isa. xli. 10, 14; Rev. i. 17, 18; Deut. xxxiii. 29; Ps. iii. 3; v. 12; lxxxiv. 9, 11.

i ch. xii. 1—3, xxiv. 2, 10; Ps cxxvii. 3.

x ch. xi. 30; xv. 2, 3; xxi. 10—12; xii. 16; xvi. 1.

j ch. xii. 2; xiii. 16; xiv. 14; Prov. xiii. 12.

k ch. xvii. 16; xxi. 12.

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y ch. xvii. 16.

l ch. xii. 1—3; xvii. 5, 6; xviii. 9—14; Deut. i. 10; Rom. ix. 7.

m Rom. iv 3—6, 9; Gal. iii. 6—14; Heb. xi. 8; James ii. 23.

z ch. xii. 4, 5, see ver. 5.

n ch. xi. 28—31; xii. 8.

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9 And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon.

10 And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not.[p]

11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcases, Abram drove them away.

12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him.[q]

13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land *that is* not their's, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.[r]

15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.[s]

16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites *is* not yet full.[t]

17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and [1]a burning lamp that passed between those pieces.[u]

18 In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:[v]

19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites,

20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims,

21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.[w]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Sarai, being barren, giveth Hagar to Abram.* 4 *Hagar, being afflicted for despising her mistress, runneth away.* 7 *An angel sendeth her back to submit herself,* 11 *and telleth her of her child.* 15 *Ishmael is born.*

NOW Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name *was* Hagar.[x]

2 And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may [2]obtain children by her.[y] And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai.

3 And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.[z]

4 ¶ And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes.[a]

5 And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong *be* upon thee: I have given my maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD judge between me and thee.[a]

6 But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid *is* in thy hand; do to her [1]as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai dealt [2]hardly with her, she fled from her face.[b]

7 ¶ And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the [3]wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur.[c]

8 And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai.[d]

9 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her hands.[e]

10 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.[f]

11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou *art* with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name [4]Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.[g]

12 And he will be a wild man; his hand *will be* against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.[h]

13 And she called the name of the LORD that spake unto her, Thou God seest me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that seeth me?[i]

14 Wherefore the well was called [5]Beer-lahai-roi; behold, *it is* between Kadesh and Bered.[j]

15 ¶ And Hagar bare Abram a son: and Abram called his son's name, which Hagar bare, Ishmael.

16 And Abram *was* fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.[k]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *God reneweth the covenant.* 5 *Abram his name is changed in token of a greater blessing.* 10 *Circumcision is instituted.* 15 *Sarai her name is changed, and she is blessed.* 17 *Isaac is promised.* 23 *Abraham and Ishmael are circumcised.*

AND when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I *am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

2 And I will [6]make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.[m]

3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,

4 As for me, behold, my covenant *is* with thee, and thou shalt be a father of [7]many nations.[n]

5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.[o]

6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.[p]

7 And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.[q]

8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, [8]the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.[r]

9 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.[s]

10 This *is* my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.[t]

11 And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.[u]

12 And [9]he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which *is* not of thy seed.[v]

13 He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.[w]

14 And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.[x]

15 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but [10]Sarah *shall* her name *be*.

16 And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be [11]*a mother* of nations; kings of people shall be of her.[y]

17 Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall *a child* be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?[z]

18 And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee!

19 And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, *and* with his seed after him.[a]

20 And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.[b]

21 But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year.[c]

22 And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham.

23 ¶ And Abraham took Ishmael his son, and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house; and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in the selfsame day, as God had said unto him.[d]

24 And Abraham *was* ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.[e]

25 And Ishmael his son *was* [12]thirteen years old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.

BEFORE CHRIST 1897.

q ch. xv 18; xxvi. 24; Exod. vi. 4; Matt. xxiii. 32, Luke i. 55.

a Exod. v 21; 1 Sam xxiv 12; Ps. vii. 8; xxxv 24.

8 Heb. *the land of thy sojournings*

1 Heb. *that which is good in thine eyes*

r ch xlviii. 4; Deut. xxxi. 1—3, 7, 8; xxxiii. 12, 29; xxxiv. 4; Josh. i. 2, 6—7; Exod. xv. 17; Isa. liv. 10

2 Heb. *afflicted her.*

b ch xiii. 8, 9, Prov. xiv. 29; xv. 1, 18—18; Jer. xxxviii 5; Prov. xxvii. 8, xxix. 19; Eccles. x. 4.

s ch xviii. 19; Ps. xxv. 10; cii. 18.

3 As the desert of Shur lay between Canaan and Egypt, it may be that Hagar was now on her way to her own country.

c Exod. xv. 22; 1 Sam. xv. 7; Prov. xv. 3.

t ch. xxxiv. 14, 15; Exod xii. 48; Deut. x. 16; Josh. v. 2—5.

d See vs. 1—4; 1 Tim. vi. 1, 2; Eccles. x. 4.

u Acts vii. 8; Rom. iv. 11—14.

e Eph. v. 21, vi 5—9; Titus ii. 9; 1 Peter ii. 18—21; v. 5.

9 Heb. *a son of eight days*

f ch. xvii. 20; xxi. 15—18; xxv 12—18

v ch xxi. 4; Lev xii. 2, 3; Luke i 59, ii. 21; Exod xii 47—49

4 That is, *God shall hear.*

g See ver 15.

w ch xiv. 14; Exod. xii. 44.

h ch xxi. 20; 1 Chron. i. 29—31.

x Exod. iv. 24—26.

i See vs 7, 9, 10, ch. xxxii 30; Judg xiii 22.

10 That is, *princess.*

5 That is, *the well of him that liveth and seeth me.*

j Numb. xiii. 26.

11 Heb. *become nations.*

y ch xii 2; xxiv. 60, Heb. xi 8—12

k ch. xxv. 12, 1 Chron i. 28; Gal iv 22

z ch. xviii 12, xxi 6; Rom. iv 19, 20, Heb xi 8—12

a ch xxvi 2—4, 24, Heb xi. 18

l ch. xxxv 11, Exod vi 3, Numb xi 23, Micah vi. 8, Heb. xi 8—10, Ps. cxvi. 9, Eph v. 3—10

b ch. xvi. 10, 11, xxv 12—18, xxi. 13, 18.

6 That is, *renew.*

m ch. xii. 1—3, xiii 14—17; xv. 1—6, 18, Ps. cv 8—11

c ch xxi. 10, 12

7 Heb. *a multitude of nations.*

n Exod iii. 6, Lev ix 23, 24; Josh. v 14; Rev. i. 17, 18

o ch xii 1—3, xiii 16; xvi. 10; xxii. 17; Rom. iv. 17.

d See vs. 10—14; Gal. v. 3; vi. 15

p ch. xxxvi. 31; Isa. i. 2, Matt. i. 2—6.

e See vs. 1, 17.

12 The Arabs, who are the descendants of Ishmael, retain to this day the rite of circumcision, and perform it at the age of thirteen, in conformity with Mahomedan practice.



ABRAHAM AND THE THREE ANGELS.

26 In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son.

27 And all the men of his house, born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.[a]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Abraham entertaineth three angels.* 9 *Sarah is reproved for laughing at the strange promise.* 17 *The destruction of Sodom is revealed to Abraham.* 23 *Abraham maketh intercession for the men thereof.*

AND the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the [1]tent door in the heat of the day;[b]

2 And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw *them,* he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,[c]

3 And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant:[d]

4 Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

5 And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and [2]comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore [3]are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 1897

4 Heb. *hasten.*

f Isa. xxxii. 8, Gal v. 13

a Ps. cxix. 32, 60, Rom iv. 1—3, 9—14, 17—22

g ch xix. 3; Judg. xiii. 15.

h Judg. v. 25, xiii. 16.

i ch xxiv. 67, Titus ii. 5.

1 What a picture this of primitive, patriarchal life!

b ch. xiii. 18, xiv 13

j See vs 13, 14, ch. xvii. 21; xxi 2

k ch. xxii. 17, 24; Rom. iv 18—21; Heb. xi. 11, 12, 19.

c ch. xix 1; 1 Peter iii 9, Rom xiii. 9; Heb. xiii. 2; Gen. xxiii 7; xxxiii. 3.

l ch. xvii. 17; xxi. 6, 7; Ps. cxxvi. 2.

d ch. xix. 2, 3.

2 Heb. *the stay.*

3 Heb. *have passed.*

m Numb xi 23; 1 Sam. xiv. 6; Job xxxii. 5, xlii. 2, Jer. xxxii. 17; Matt. xix. 25.

e ch. xix. 2; xxiv 32; xliii. 24; Judg. vi. 17, 18; xiii 15.

6 And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, [4]Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead *it,* and make cakes upon the hearth.[f]

7 And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave *it* unto a young man, and he hasted to dress it.[g]

8 And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set *it* before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat.[h]

9 ¶ And they said unto him, Where *is* Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.[i]

10 And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard *it* in the tent door, which *was* behind him.[j]

11 Now Abraham and Sarah *were* old *and* well stricken in age; *and* it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.[k]

12 Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?[l]

13 And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old?

14 Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.[m]

15 Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for

she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh.[a]

16 ¶ And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way.[b]

17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?[c]

19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his houshold after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.[d]

20 And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous;

21 I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.[e]

22 And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD.[f]

23 ¶ And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?[g]

24 Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that *are* therein?

25 That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?[h]

26 And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes.[i]

27 And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which *am but* dust and ashes:

28 Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for *lack of* five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy *it*.[j]

29 And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do *it* for forty's sake.

30 And he said *unto him*, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do *it*, if I find thirty there.[k]

31 And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for twenty's sake.

32 And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for ten's sake.[l]

33 And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1897.

[a] See ver. 12, 13; Mark ix. 23; Luke xxiv. 41, Rom. iv. 19, 20.

[b] ch. xix 2.

[c] Prov. xxv. 2; Deut. xxix. 29; 2 Kings iv 27; 2 Chron. xx. 7; Ps. xxv. 4; Gen. xii. 2, 3, xxii. 17, 18.

[n] ch. xviii. 16, 1, 2; Esther ii. 21, Job xxix. 7, 8.

[d] ch. xvii. 23—27; Deut. xi. 18, 19; xxxii. 46; Josh. xxiv. 15; Prov. xxii. 2; Eph. vi. 4; 1 Sam ii. 30

[o] ch xviii. 1—4; Judg. xix. 17—21; Luke xxiv. 28, 29; Heb. xiii. 2.

[e] ch. xix. 13; Isa. iii. 9; Matt. x. 15; xi. 24, Job xxxiv 22; Ps. xcviii. 8, xiv. 2, 3.

[p] ch. xviii. 1—6; 1 Sam. xxviii. 24; 2 Kings iv. 8, Luke xxiv. 28, 29.

[f] ch. xix. 1; Jer xviii. 20; Ezek. xxii. 30.

[g] Exod. xxxii. 32, Numb. xvi. 22, 48, James v. 16.

[q] ch. xviii. 20—22; Exod. xxiii. 2, Prov. vi. 18; iv. 16, Micah vii. 3; Rom iii. 15; i. 24; Lev. xviii. 22; xx. 13.

[r] Judg. xix. 23; 2 Peter ii. 7, Ps. cxix. 136.

[h] Neh. i. 5, 6, Isa i. 9; Jer. v 1; Job viii. 20; Ps. ciii. 8; 1 Sam ii. 3; Jer. xii 1, Eccles viii. 12, 13, Deut. xxxii. 4.

[s] Judg xix. 24, Exod xxiii 2, 2 Sam. xii 9; Ps. xxxiv. 16, Prov. ii. 14; Isa. i. 16.

[i] Isa. xix. 24, lxv 8, Ezek. xxii. 30.

[t] ch. xiii. 12, Exod. ii. 14, Prov xiv 16, Ps. lxxv. 4, Jer xviii. 23.

[u] Ps. xxxiv 7; xci 8—12; Isa. xxvi 3

[j] Job xiii. 8, iv. 17—19, Ps. cxxx. 3, 4.

[v] 2 Kings vi 18, Acts xiii. 11, Eccles. x 15; Prov. xi. 21, xvi. 5.

[k] Heb iv. 16; Ps xc 8—11; xvii. 1, 2, Lam xxxiii. 14.

[w] ch. vii. 1; Numb xvi. 26, Josh vi. 22, 2 Peter ii 7, 9, Jer xxxii 39, 40, Rev xviii. 4, Gen xiii 13; xviii 20, 1 Chron. xxi. 15, 16, Ps. xi. 5, 6.

[x] See vs. 17, 22, Numb xvi. 21, 22, 26; Jer ii 3, 2 Chron. xxx. 10, xxxvi. 16, Prov xiv. 9, xxix. 1, Jer v. 12, 14.

[l] Judg vi. 39, Prov xv 8, James v 16, Dan ix. 18; Mark xi 20—24, Micah vii. 18—20

1 Heb *are found.*

[m] ch. xxxii. 26, Judg xiii. 20, Exod. xviii. 27.

2 Or, *in the punishment.*

[y] See vs. 17, 22; Numb. xvi. 26, Exod. xxiii. 20, Ps. xii. 7; xvii. 7—9, xxxiv. 7, 15—17.

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *Lot entertaineth two angels.* 4 *The vicious Sodomites are stricken with blindness.* 12 *Lot is sent for safety into the mountains.* 18 *He obtaineth leave to go into Zoar.* 24 *Sodom and Gomorrah are destroyed* 26 *Lot's wife is a pillar of salt.* 30 *Lot dwelleth in a cave.* 31 *The incestuous original of Moab and Ammon.*



AND there came two angels to Sodom at even; and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing *them* rose up to meet them; and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground;[a]

2 And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night.[a]

3 And he pressed upon them greatly; and they turned in unto him, and entered into his house; and he made them a feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.[p]

4 ¶ But before they lay down, the men of the city, *even* the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter:

5 And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where *are* the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them.[q]

6 And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him,

7 And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.[r]

8 Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as *is* good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.[s]

9 And they said, Stand back. And they said *again*, This one *fellow* came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, *even* Lot, and came near to break the door.[t]

10 But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door.[u]

11 And they smote the men that *were* at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.[v]

12 ¶ And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring *them* out of this place:

13 For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.[w]

14 And Lot went out, and spake unto his sons in law, which married his daughters, and said, Up, get you out of this place; for the LORD will destroy this city. But he seemed as one that mocked unto his sons in law.[x]

15 ¶ And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saying, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here; lest thou be consumed in [2]the iniquity of the city.[y]

16 And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters; the LORD being merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 1897.

b See vs. 14, 15, 22; ch xviii. 20-24, Ps. cxxi. 1—6, Luke ix. 62; xvii. 31, 32.

17 ¶ And it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said, Escape for thy life; look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed.[b]



DESTRUCTION OF SODOM AND GOMORRAH.

c Ps. cii. 8, 9, xci. 1, 2; xxviii. 7; v. 11, 12.

a Ps. cxix. 32, 60; Exod xxxiv. 7, 12; 2 Peter ii. 9.

18 And Lot said unto them, Oh, not so, my Lord:[c]

19 Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which

thou hast shewed unto me in saving my life; and I cannot escape to the mountain, lest some evil take me, and I die:

20 Behold now, this city *is* near to flee unto, and it *is* a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (*is* it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.[a]

21 And he said unto him, See, I have accepted [1]thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken.

22 Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till thou be come thither.[b] Therefore the name of the city was called [2]Zoar.[c]

23 ¶ The sun was [3]risen upon the earth when Lot entered into Zoar.

24 Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah [4]brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;

25 And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.[d]

26 ¶ But his wife looked back from behind him, and she became [5]a pillar of salt.[e]

27 ¶ And Abraham gat up early in the morning to [6]the place where he stood before the LORD:

28 And he looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld, and, lo, the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.[f]

29 ¶ And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain, that God remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.[g]

30 ¶ And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in [7]the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.[h]

31 And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father *is* old, and *there is* not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:

32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.[i]

33 And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father, and he [8]perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.

34 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, *and* lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father.

35 And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose.[j]

36 Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.[k]

37 And the firstborn bare a son, and called his name [9]Moab: the same *is* the father of the Moabites unto this day.[l]

38 And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name [10]Ben-ammi: the same *is* the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1897.

a Ps. xviii., xc., ciii., cvi., cvii., cxvi.; Gen. xii. 13; Deut. xxxi. 17; 1 Sam. xxvii. 1.

1 Heb. *thy face.*

n ch. xiii. 1; xxiv. 62, xlv. 7; xvi. 1—7, 14.

b Job xiii. 5, 9; Ps. xxxiv. 15; ciii. 17; cxiv. 19, Gen. xviii. 22—33, Jer. li. 6.

2 That is, *little.*

c ch. xiii. 10.

o ch. xii. 11—13, 15.

3 Heb. *gone forth.*

4 The word rendered "brimstone" is, in the Septuagint, "sulphur," and seems to denote some meteoric inflammable substance.

9 Heb. *married to a husband.*

p See v. 7; Ps. cv. 14.

d Deut. xxix. 23; Job xviii. 25; Ps. xi. 6; Isa. l. 9; xiii. 9, 19—22; Jer. xx. 16; Ps. cvii. 33, 34.

q See vs. 6—18; ch. xviii. 23; Numb. xvi. 22; 1 Chron. xxi. 17.

10 In the simplicity or the sincerity of my heart.

5 May mean that she was struck by lightning, and stiffened in the place where she stood, or that she was surrounded or incrusted with the asphaltus which abounded in the plain.

e See v. 17; Prov. xiv. 14; Luke xvii. 31, 32.

r Ps. vii. 8; xxvi. 1, 11; xxv. 21; cxxxix. 23, 24; Job xxxi. 6.

s ch. xxxi. 7; 1 Chron. iv. 10; Ps. xix. 13.

f ch. xviii. 16—33; Ezek. xvi. 49, 50; 2 Peter ii. 6, 7; Jude 7.

11 The word rendered "prophet" may be taken in the sense of an instructor or intercessor.

t 1 Sam. vii. 5; 2 Sam. xxiv. 17; 2 Kings v. 11; Job xlii. 8; Jas v. 14, 15; Numb. xvi. 32, 33.

g Exod. ii. 24; vi. 5—8; Ps. cv. 42.

6 Palestine abounds with mountains.

h See vs. 17, 23.

u ch. xii. 17; xxvi 10; Exod. xxxii. 21, 22, 34, 35; Josh vii 25; 1 Sam xxvi. 18, 19.

i See v. 25; ch xxxviii. 12—26; ix. 21; Prov xxiii. 30—33; Hab ii. 15, Lev. xviii. 5, 6.

v 2 Chron. xix. 7, Prov. iii. 7; viii. 15, xvi. 6.

w ch. xi. 29; xii. 1—9, 11—13; Acts vii. 2—5.

j Prov. xx. 1; xxiii 29—35; Hab. ii 15, Isa. iii 9; Jer. iii. 3; vi. 15, Prov. xxiv. 16, Eccles. vii. 26; Luke xxi. 34, v. 32.

k Lev. xviii. 5—7.

12 Heb. *as is good in thine eyes*

7 Note. This name, made up of a Hebrew particle and a Hebrew noun, is generally defined of a father; that is, the child of her father.

l Numb. xxii. xxiv.; Deut. xxiii. 3.

13 That is, to Abraham.

14 Perhaps, *shekels.*

8 That is, *the sons of my people.*

x 1 Cor. xi. 6—10; Prov. xii. 1; xiii. 15, xxv 12; xxvii. 5.

m Deut. ii. 2, 19, Judg. x. 6.

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Abraham sojourneth at Gerar,* 2 *denieth his wife, and loseth her.* 3 *Abimelech is reproved for her in a dream.* 9 *He rebuketh Abraham,* 14 *restoreth Sarah,* 16 *and reproveth her.* 17 *He is healed by Abraham's prayer.*

AND Abraham journeyed[a] from thence toward the south country, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur, and sojourned in Gerar.[a]

2 And Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She *is* my sister: and Abimelech king of Gerar sent, and took Sarah.[a]

3 But God came to Abimelech in a dream by night, and said to him, Behold, thou *art but* a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she *is* [9]a man's wife.[p]

4 But Abimelech had not come near her: and he said, Lord, wilt thou slay also a righteous nation?[r]

5 Said he not unto me, She *is* my sister? and she, even she herself said, He *is* my brother: in the [10]integrity of my heart and innocency of my hands have I done this.[s]

6 And God said unto him in a dream, Yea, I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee from sinning against me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her.[t]

7 Now therefore restore the man *his* wife; for he *is* [11]a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt live: and if thou restore *her* not, know thou that thou shalt surely die, thou, and all that *are* thine.[u]

8 Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.

9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him, What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee, that thou hast brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.[v]

10 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?

11 And Abraham said, Because I thought, Surely the fear of God *is* not in this place; and they will slay me for my wife's sake.[w]

12 And yet indeed *she is* my sister; she *is* the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother; and she became my wife.

13 And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said unto her, This *is* thy kindness which thou shalt shew unto me; at every place whither we shall come, say of me, He *is* my brother.[w]

14 And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and gave *them* unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.

15 And Abimelech said, Behold, my land *is* before thee: dwell [12]where it pleaseth thee.

16 And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given [13]thy brother a thousand [14]*pieces* of silver: behold, he *is* to thee a covering of the eyes, unto all that *are* with thee, and with all *other:* thus she was reproved.[x]

17 ¶ So Abraham prayed unto God: and God



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healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare *children.*

18 For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife.[a]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Isaac is born.* 4 *He is circumcised.* 6 *Sarah's joy* 9 *Hagar and Ishmael are cast forth.* 15 *Hagar in distress.* 17 *The angel comforteth her.* 22 *Abimelech's covenant with Abraham at Beer-sheba.*

AND the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did unto Sarah as he had spoken.[b]

2 For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.[c]

3 And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.

4 And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him.[d]

5 And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.[e]

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[f] Ps cxiii 9, Isa liv. 1, Luke i. 58, Gal. iv. 27

[a] Numb. xi 2; 2 Kings iv 33; Job xlii 10, Isa. xxxviii. 1—3; James v. 15—18

[g] Numb xxxiii 23; Deut. iv 32

[h] 1 Sam i. 22; 1 Kings xi 20

[1] The Hebrew word here rendered "cast out" means "to divorce," and is to be taken in the sense of cutting off, or putting away.

[i] ch. xvi. 3, Gal. iv 29, 30

[b] ch. xvii. 19, xviii. 11; xxi. 2; Gal. iv. 22, 23; Heb. xi. 11.

[j] ch. xvii. 18

[c] Gal iv 22, 23, Acts vii. 8; Heb. xi. 11.

[k] ch. xvii. 19, 21; Rom. ix. 7—9, Heb. xi. 18; Gen. xvii. 7—11; xxv. 12—18.

[d] ch. xvii. 19; xxii. 2; Josh. xxiv. 3; Acts vii. 8.

[2] Or, *youth*, as Ishmael was now about seventeen years of age.

[3] So called when Moses wrote, but not before Abraham entered into covenant with Abimelech.

[e] ch. xvii. 1, 17; Rom. iv. 19; Heb. xi. 12.

[f] ch. xvi. 7

6 ¶ And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, *so that* all that hear will laugh with me.[f]

7 And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should have given children suck? for I have born *him* a son in his old age.[g]

8 And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the *same* day that Isaac was weaned.[h]

9 ¶ And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking.

10 Wherefore she said unto Abraham, [1]Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, *even* with Isaac.[i]

11 And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son.[j]

12 ¶ And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called.[k]

13 And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he *is* thy seed.[l]

14 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave *it* unto Hagar, putting *it* on her shoulder, and the [2]child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of [3]Beer-sheba.[m]

15 And the water was spent in the bottle, and she [1]cast the child under one of the shrubs.

16 And she went, and sat her down over against *him* a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against *him*, and lift up her voice, and wept.[a]

17 And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he *is*.

18 Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation.[b]

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of some shrub, or tree, to screen him from the rays of the sun.

[f] ch. xxvi. 15, 22.

[a] Exod. xv. 22; 1 Kings iii. 36; Esther viii. 6; Isa. xlix. 15; Gen. xxvii. 38

[g] Prov. xvii. 6; xviii. 16, 24; xxi. 14—16, Gen. xxvi. 28; xxxi. 44; 1 Sam. xviii. 3.

[b] 2 Kings xix. 4; Ps. l. 15; lxv. 2; xci. 15; cxxi.; Gen. xv. 1; xvi. 10; xvii. 20; Exod. xiv. 13; Ps. cvii. 46

19 And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.[c]

20 And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer.

21 And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt.[d]

22 ¶ And it came to pass at that time, that Abimelech and Phichol the chief captain of his host spake unto Abraham, saying, God *is* with thee in all that thou doest:

23 Now therefore swear unto me here by God [2]that thou wilt not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son's son: *but* according to the kindness that I have done unto thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein thou hast sojourned.[e]

24 And Abraham said, I will swear.

25 And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of a well of water, which Abimelech's servants had violently taken away.[f]

26 And Abimelech said, I wot not who hath done this thing: neither didst thou tell me, neither yet heard I *of it*, but to day.

27 And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech; and both of them made a covenant.[g]

28 And Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves.



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; 2 Kings

[h] ch. xxxiii. 8, 1 Sam. xv. 14.

[i] Josh. xxii. 27, 28, xxiv. 27

[c] ch. xvii. 20; xvi. 12 Judg. vi. 12; xiii. 24, 25 xiv. 3, 4; Numb. x. 10 xii. 16; xiii. 3.

[2] That is, *the well of the oath.*

[j] ch. xxvi. 23, xxxi. 52, 53; Josh. xv 28, 1 Sam. xviii. 3

[k] See v. 27, ch. xxvi. 3, 14; Exod. xiii. 17.

[2] *me*

[4] Or, *a tree.*

[l] ch. iv. 26; xii. 8, xxvi. 23—25, Deut. xxxiii. 27; Ps. xc. 2; Isa. xl. 28; lvii. 15; Jer. x. 10.

[d] ch. xx. 2; xxvi. 26, 28; xvi. 22—24; xxiv. 3; xx. 14—16.

[m] ch. xx. 1.; 1 Chron. xxix. 15; Ps. xxxix. 12; Heb. xi. 9, 13.

29 And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What *mean* these seven ewe lambs which thou hast set by themselves?[h]

30 And he said, For *these* seven ewe lambs shalt thou take of my hand, that they may be a witness unto me, that I have digged this well.[i]

31 Wherefore he called that place [3]Beer-sheba; because there they sware both of them.[j]

32 Thus they made a covenant at Beer-sheba: then Abimelech rose up, and Phichol the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines.[k]

33 ¶ And *Abraham* planted a [4]grove in Beer-sheba, and called there on the name of the LORD, the everlasting God.[l]

34 And Abraham sojourned in the Philistines' land many days.[m]



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CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Abraham is tempted to offer Isaac.* 8 *He giveth proof of his faith and obedience.* 11 *The angel stayeth him.* 13 *Isaac is exchanged with a ram.* 14 *The place is called Jehovah-jireh.* 15 *Abraham is blessed again.* 20 *The generation of Nahor unto Rebekah.*

AND it came to pass after these things, that God did [1]tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, [2]Behold, *here* I *am*.[a]

2 And he said, Take now thy son, thine only *son* Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah: and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of.[b]

3 ¶ And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.[c]

4 Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off.

5 And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you.[d]

6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid *it* upon Isaac his son; and he took the

BEFORE CHRIST 1872.

a ch xvii 19, xxi 12; Rom iv 13, 16, 17—21, 2 Chron. iii 1; Heb. xi 17—20

1 That is, *prove*, or, *try*.

c ch xxiv 1; Ps. cxix 66, Isa xxvi. 3, 4; Gal i. 16; Heb xi 8 17—19

2 Heb. *behold me*

a Heb. xi 17; Exod. xv. 13

d Heb. vi. 13—16, 8; Rom. iv. 12.

fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together.[a]

7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, [1]Here *am* I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where *is* the [2]lamb for a burnt offering?[b]

8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.[c]

9 And they came to the place which God had told him of; and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1860.

a Rom. iv. 3, 9; Gal. iii. 6; James ii. 23; Heb. vi. 13; xi. 8.
1 Heb. *Behold me.*
b ch. iv. 4; viii. 20, 21.
2 Or, *kid.*
c ch. xviii. 14; 1 Chron. xxv. 9, Matt. xix. 26; Heb. vi. 13.
d See vs 2, 4; Ps. cxviii. 27; Heb xi. 17.

10 And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son.[e]

11 And the angel of the LORD called unto him out of heaven, and said, Abraham, Abraham: and he said, Here *am* I.[f]

12 And he said, Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son* from

13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind *him* a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.[g]

14 And Abraham called the name of that place [3]Jehovah-jireh: as it is said *to* this day, [4]In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.[h]

15 ¶ And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,

16 And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son*:

e James ii. 21, 23.
3 It is conjectured that Kemuel might have given name to the Kamilites, a people of Syria, to the west of the Euphrates.
f See vs. 15, 16; ch. xxi 17, Exod. iii. 4; Isa. vi 8
g 1 Sam. xv. 22; Gen xxvi. 5; Rom. iv 3, 9, 16, 18; James ii. 23
h Isa. xlii 16. 1 Cor x 13, 1 Peter i 7, Heb xi. 19.
i ch. xvi 13. 14, xxviii 19; Exod xvi. 15, Judg vi. 24; 1 Sam. vii. 12

17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which *is* upon the sea [5]shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

18 And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.[i]

19 So Abraham returned unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beer-sheba; and Abraham dwelt at Beer-sheba.

20 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham, saying, Behold, Milcah, she hath also born children unto thy brother Nahor;[j]



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21 [6]Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and [7]Kemuel the father of [8]Aram,

22 And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel.[m]

23 And Bethuel begat Rebekah: these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother.

24 And his concubine, whose name *was* Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahash, and [9]Maachah.

CHAPTER XXIII.

The age and death of Sarah. 3 *The purchase of Machpelah,* 19 *Sarah was buried.*

AND Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: *these were* the years of the life of Sarah.[n]

2 And Sarah died in Kirjath-arba; the same *is* Hebron in the land of Canaan: and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah, and to weep for her.[o]

6 *Uz* Job i. 1; xxii 2
7 It is conjectured that Kemuel might have given name to the Kamilites, a people of Syria, to the west of the Euphrates.
8 *Aram: Syrians*
Numb xxxii. 7
m ch. xxiv 15 24 47 51, 60, 67; xxv 20, xxviii. 2, 5; Rom ix 9.
9 Possibly, the father of the Macetes. in Arabia Felix
n See ch. xvii. 17
o Numb. xx. 29; Deut. xxxiv. 8, 1 Sam. xxviii. 3, 2 Sam. i. 12, 17; 2 Chron. xxxv. 25, John xi. 31, 35; Acts viii 2

3 ¶ And Abraham [1]stood up from before his dead, and spake unto the sons of Heth, saying,

4 I *am* a stranger and a sojourner with you: give me a possession of a buryingplace with you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight.[a]

5 And the children of Heth answered Abraham, saying unto him,

6 Hear us, my lord: thou *art* [2]a mighty prince among us: in the choice of our sepulchres bury thy dead, none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre, but that thou mayest bury thy dead.[b]

7 And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land, *even* to the children of Heth.[c]

8 And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and intreat for me to Ephron the son of Zohar,

9 That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath, which *is* in the end of his field; for [3]as much money as it is worth he shall give it me for a possession of a buryingplace amongst you.[d]

10 And Ephron dwelt among the children of Heth: and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the [4]audience of the children of Heth, *even* of all that went in at the gate of his city, saying,

11 Nay, my lord, hear me: the field give I thee, and the cave that *is* therein, I give it thee; in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee: bury thy dead.[e]

12 And Abraham bowed down himself before the people of the land.

13 And he spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land, saying, But if thou *wilt give it*, I pray thee, hear me: I will give thee money for the field; take *it* of me, and I will bury my dead there.[f]

14 And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him,

15 My lord, hearken unto me: the land *is worth* four hundred shekels of silver; what *is* that betwixt me and thee? bury therefore thy dead.[g]

16 And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron; and Abraham weighed to Ephron the silver, which he had named in the audience of the sons of Heth, four hundred shekels of silver, current *money* with the merchant.[h]

17 ¶ And the field of Ephron, which *was* in Machpelah, which *was* before Mamre, the field, and the cave which *was* therein, and all the trees that *were* in the field, that *were* in all the borders round about, were made sure

18 Unto Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of his city.[i]

19 And after this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre: the same *is* Hebron in the land of Canaan.

20 And the field, and the cave that *is* therein, were made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a buryingplace by the sons of Heth.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1857.

1 Sitting was the posture in mourning.

a ch. x. 15; xxv. 10; xxvii. 46; xvii. 8; xlvii. 9; Lev. xxv. 23; 1 Chron. xxix. 15; Ps. xxxix. 12; Heb. xi. 9—16; Gen. lii. 19; xliv. 30; l. 13; Job xxx. 23.

2 Heb. *a prince of God.*

3 Heb. *gone into days.*

b ch. xiii. 2; xiv. 14; xxiv. 35.

k ch. xvii. 11; xxi. 5; xii. 2; xiii. 2; xlix. 25.

c Gen xviii 2; xix 1

3 Heb. *full money.*

d Prov. xix. 6.

l See v. 9; ch. xlvii. 29; xiv. 22; xxi. 23; xxvii. 28—31; xxvi. 34, 35; xxvii. 46; xl. 25, 32.

4 Heb. *ears.*

m See v. 58; Prov. xiii. 17

e ch. xxxiv. 24—26; Ruth i. 1—4; Job xxix. 7; Deut. xvii. 6; Ruth iv. 1—4, 9, 11; Jer. xxxii. 7—12.

n ch. xii. 1—2; xvii. 1—3; xxii. 16—28; xxvi 2 — 5, 24; Exod xiii. 5; xxiii. 20; xxxiii. 2; Ps. xxxiv 7.

f ch. xiv. 22, 23; 2 Sam. xxiv 24.

o Numb. xxx. 5, 8; Josh. ii. 17—20. See v 2.

6 Or, *and.*

g Exod. xxx 13—15; Ezek xlv 12

h Ezra viii. 25—30; Jer xxxii 9.

7 Heb. *women who draw water go forth.*

p ch. xi. 31; xxxix. 4—6, 8, 9, 22, 23; Prov xx 6, xxv. 13, xxviii. 20; Ex. ii. 16, 1 Sam. ix 11

i ch xxv. 9; xlix. 30, 32; l. 13; Acts vii 16, Ruth iv. 9; Ps. cxii. 5; Jer. xxxii. 7—14.

q ch. xv. 1; xvii. 1, 2, 7, 8; Prov. iii. 6; Ps. xxxvii 5, 23; Gen. xxix. 9, 10; Exod. ii. 16; Judg. vi. 36, 37; xviii. 5; 1 Sam. xiv. 9; Prov. xix. 14; see v 43.

j ch. xxv. 9, 10; xxxv. 27, 29; xlvii. 30; xlix. 29—32

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Abraham sweareth his servant.* 10 *The servant's journey:* 12 *His prayer:* 14 *His sign.* 15 *Rebekah meeteth him,* 18 *fulfilleth his sign,* 22 *receiveth jewels,* 23 *sheweth her kindred,* 25 *and inviteth him home.* 26 *The servant blesseth God.* 29 *Laban entertaineth him.* 34 *The servant sheweth his message.* 50 *Laban and Bethuel approve it.* 58 *Rebekah consenteth to go.* 62 *Isaac meeteth her.*



AND Abraham was old, *and* [5]well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.[a]

2 And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh:

3 And I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell:

4 But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac.[l]

5 And the servant said unto him, Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou camest?[m]

6 And Abraham said unto him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.

7 ¶ The LORD God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.[n]

8 And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this my oath: only bring not my son thither again.

9 And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.[o]

10 ¶ And the servant took ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed; [6]for all the goods of his master *were* in his hand: and he arose, and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor.

11 And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of the evening, *even* the time [7]that women go out to draw *water*.[p]

12 And he said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham.

13 Behold, I stand *here* by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:

14 And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: *let the same be* she *that* thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master.[q]

15 ¶ And it came to pass, before he had done

speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

16 And the damsel *was* [1]very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her: and she

[1] Rom. xii. 13; Heb. xiii. 2; 1 Sam. ix. 9—11.
[a] Judg. vii. 36—40; Ps. xxxiv. 15; lxv. 2; Isa. lviii. 9; lxv. 24; Dan. ix. 20—23. Gen. xl. 27—29; xxii. 23
[1] Heb. *good of countenance*

19 And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw *water* for thy camels also, until they have done drinking.[e]

20 And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw *water*, and drew for all his camels.



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went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.[b]

17 And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher.[c]

18 And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.[d]

[b] ch. xxvii. 7
[2] From the Anglo-Saxon WITTEN, to know, or, to learn
[f] 2 Sam. vii. 18, 20. Ps. xxxiv. 1—6; ciii. 1—6
[c] 1 Kings xvii. 10. John iv. 7.
[3] Or, *jewel for the*
[g] Exod. xxxii. 2, 3. Isa. iii. 18—23; Jer. ii. 32.
[d] Prov. xxxi. 26; 1 Peter iii. 3; iv. 9.

21 And the man wondering at her held his peace, [2]to wit whether the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.[f]

22 And it came to pass, as the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden [3]earring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten *shekels* weight of gold;[g]

23 And said, Whose daughter *art* thou? tell me, I

pray thee: is there room *in* thy father's house for us to lodge in?

24 And the said unto him, I *am* the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she bare unto Nahor.[a]

25 She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in.[b]

26 And the man bowed down his head, and worshipped the LORD.[c]

27 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I *being* in the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren.[d]

28 And the damsel ran, and told *them of* her mother's house these things.[e]

29 ¶ And Rebekah had a brother, and his name *was* Laban: and Laban ran out unto the man, unto the well.

30 And it came to pass, when he saw the earring and bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus spake the man unto me; that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.

31 And he said, Come in, thou blessed of the LORD; wherefore standest thou without? for I have prepared the house, and room for the camels.[f]

32 ¶ And the man came into the house: and [1]he ungirded his camels, and gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet, and the men's feet that *were* with him.[g]

33 And there was set *meat* before him to eat: but he said, I will not eat, until I have told mine errand.[h] And he said, Speak on.

34 And he said, I *am* Abraham's servant.

35 And the LORD hath blessed my master greatly; and he is become great: and he hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and asses.[i]

36 And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath.[j]

37 And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the [2]daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell:

38 But thou shalt go unto [3]my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son.[k]

39 And I said unto my master Peradventure the woman will not follow me.

40 And he said unto me, The LORD, before whom I walk, will send his angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:

41 Then shalt thou be clear from *this* my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if they give not thee *one*, thou shalt be clear from my oath.[l]

42 And I came this day unto the well, and said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, if now thou do prosper my way which I go:

43 Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin cometh forth to draw *water*, and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink;[m]

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[a] See vs. 12, 14.

[a] Gen. xi. 29; xxii. 20, 23.

[b] ch. xviii. 4—8; Judg. xix. 19—21; Isa. xxxii. 8.

[b] See on v. 15.

[c] ch. xviii. 2; Exod. iv. 31.

[c] See on vs. 19, 20.

[d] ch. xv. 1; xvii. 1—3; Exod. iii. 6; iv. 5; Ps. xcviii. 3; Micah vii. 20; Luke i. 54, 55, 72; Prov. iii. 6; iv. 11; viii. 20.

4 This might be a ring worn in the nostril, or a jewel for the forehead.

[e] ch. xxxi. 33.

[e] See on v. 28.

[f] See on vs. 26, 27; Ps. xxv. 9, 10, 14, 21; xxvi. 3; xxxii. 8; Prov. iii. 6; Isa. xxvi. 3, 4.

5 Heb. *do mercy and truth.* See Prov. iii. 3

[g] Josh. ii. 14; Numb. xx. 17; Deut. ii. 27.

6 Josephus thinks that Bethuel, the father, had been dead some time; and if so, then these two were brothers. See vs. 28, 53.

[f] ch. xxix. 5; xxvi. 29; v. 22; Judg. xvii. 2; Ruth iii. 10; Ps. cxv. 15; Prov. xvii. 8.

1 That is, *Laban.*

[g] 2 Sam. xiii. 32; Acts xi. 17 See on v. 15.

[g] ch. xviii. 4; xix. 2; xliii. 24; Judg. xix. 21; 1 Sam. xxv. 41, Luke vii. 44.

[h] Job xxiii. 12; Prov. xxii. 29; Eccles. ix. 10; John iv. 31—34.

[i] See on v. 26; 1 Chron. xxix. 20.

7 Heb. *vessels.* The word includes vessels, instruments, furniture, dress, and even ornaments.

8 The word is used to express exquisite fruits, or delicacies, rarer plants, or flowers Here the sense is gifts in general.

[i] See on v. 22

[j] ch. xii. 16; xiii. 2; xxv 11; Ps. cxii. 1—3; Prov. x. 22; xxii. 4; 1 Tim. iv 8.

[j] ch. xxxviii. 5, 6; xlv. 24.

[k] ch. xi. 29, 30; xvii. 15—19; xviii. 10—14; xxi. 1—3; xxv. 5.

9 A full year, or ten months.

2 Because of their deep, gross idolatry.

3 That is, to the family of Haran, among whom the pure worship of God had been preserved.

[k] See on vs. 1—4.

[l] ch. xiv 9—13; Josh. i. 8; Prov. xxv. 25; Isa. xlviii. 15.

[l] Ps. xiv. 10, 11.

[l] See vs. 1—4, 7—10; ch. xv. 1; xvii. 1; 1 Kings ii. 3; Ps. xvi. 8.

[m] ch. xxxv. 8; xvii. 2—16, xxvi. 3; Ps. cxxviii. 3; Gen. xxii. 17.

[m] ch. xxxi. 34; 1 Sam. xxx. 17; Ps. xiv. 10.

[m] ch. xvi. 14; xxv. 11.

[m] See on vs. 12, 13, 14.

10 Or, *to pray.* See Josh. i. 8; Ps. i. 2; lxxvii. 12.

44 And she say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: *let* the same *be* the woman whom the LORD hath appointed out for my master's son.[n]

45 And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went down unto the well, and drew *water:* and I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray thee.[o]

46 And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her *shoulder,* and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.[p]

47 And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter *art* thou? And she said, The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him: and I put the [4]earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands.[q]

48 And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham, which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.[r]

49 And now if ye will [5]deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left.[s]

50 Then [6]Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good.

51 Behold, Rebekah *is* before thee, take *her,* and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken.[t]

52 And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he worshipped the LORD, *bowing himself* to the earth.[u]

53 And the servant brought forth [7]jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave *them* to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother [8]precious things.[v]

54 And they did eat and drink, he and the men that *were* with him, and tarried all night; and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master.[w]

55 And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us [9]*a few* days, at the least ten; after that she shall go.

56 And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.[x]

57 And they said, We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth.

58 And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go.[y]

59 And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.

60 And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, Thou *art* our sister, be thou *the mother* of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them.[z]

61 ¶ And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.[a]

62 And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahai-roi; for he dwelt in the south country.[b]

63 And Isaac went out [10]to meditate in the field at

[n] See vs. 12, 13, 14.

[o] See on v. 15.

[p] See on vs. 19, 20.

[q] See on v. 22.

[r] See on vs. 26, 27; Ps. xxv. 9, 10, 14, 21; xxvi. 3; xxxii. 8; Prov. iii. 6; Isa. xxvi. 3, 4.

[s] Heb. *do mercy and truth.* See Prov. iii. 3

[t] Josh. ii. 14; Numb. xx. 17; Deut. ii. 27.

[u] See on v. 26; 1 Chron. xxix. 20.

[v] See on v. 22

[w] ch. xii. 16; xiii. 2; xxv 11; Ps. cxii. 1—3; Prov. x. 22; xxii. 4; 1 Tim. iv 8.

[x] ch. xxxviii. 5, 6; xlv. 24.

[y] ch. xi. 29, 30; xvii. 15—19; xviii. 10—14; xxi. 1—3; xxv. 5.

[z] ch. xiv 9—13; Josh. i. 8; Prov. xxv. 25; Isa. xlviii. 15.

[a] Ps. xiv. 10, 11.

[b] See vs. 1—4, 7—10; ch. xv. 1; xvii. 1; 1 Kings ii. 3; Ps. xvi. 8.

[c] ch. xxxv. 8; xvii. 2—16, xxvi. 3; Ps. cxxviii. 3; Gen. xxii. 17.

[c] ch. xxxi. 34; 1 Sam. xxx. 17; Ps. xiv. 10.

[c] ch. xvi. 14; xxv. 11.

[c] See on vs. 12, 13, 14.

10 Or, *to pray.* See Josh. i. 8; Ps. i. 2; lxxvii. 12.



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the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, the camels *were* coming.[e]

64 And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel.

65 For she *had* said unto the servant, What man *is* this that walketh in the field to meet us? And the servant *had* said, It *is* my master: therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.[h]

66 And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.

67 And Isaac brought her into his mother [1]Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's *death*.[c]

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *The sons of Abraham by Keturah.* 5 *The division of his goods.* 7 *His age, and death.* 9 *His burial.* 12 *The generations of Ishmael.* 17 *His age, and death.* 19 *Isaac prayeth for Rebekah, being barren.* 22 *The children strive in her womb.* 24 *The birth of Esau and Jacob.* 27 *Their difference.* 29 *Esau selleth his birthright.*

THEN again Abraham [2]took a wife, and her name *was* Keturah.[d]

2 And she bare him [3]Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah.[e]

3 And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.[f]

4 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abidah, and Eldaah. All these *were* the children of Keturah.[g]

5 ¶ And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.[h]

6 But unto the sons of the concubines, which Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his son, while he yet lived, eastward, unto [4]the east country.[i]

7 And these *are* the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived, an hundred threescore and fifteen years.

8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and died in a good old age, an old man, and full *of years;* and was gathered to his people.[j]

9 And his sons Isaac and Ishmael buried him in the cave of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite, which *is* before Mamre;

10 The field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife.[k]

11 ¶ And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that God blessed his son Isaac; and Isaac dwelt by the well Lahai-roi.[l]

12 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Ishmael,

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a Josh i. 8; Ps. i. 2, viii. 3—9, xix 1—7; civ 34, cxix 15; cxxxix 17, 18, cxliii 5, Isa. xl. 26—31

f Job vi. 19; Jer xxv 23; xlix. 8, Ezek xxvii. 5, 20

g Isa. lx. 6.

h ch. xxi 10—12, xxiv. 36.

b ch xx. 16; Josh xv 18; Judg. i. 14; 1 Cor xi 5—15; 1 Tim. ii. 9—11

4 That is, into Arabia Deserta, which was to the east of Beer-sheba.

i ch. xvi. 3; xxi 14

1 Sarah being dead, her tent, which was distinct from that of Abraham, was now set apart for the use of Rebekah

c ch xviii 6, 9, 10; Cant. viii. 2; Gen. xi. 21—34, Matt. xix 3—6, Eph v 28—31, Prov v 15—19

i ch xii 4; xv 15, Job v 26.

2 Literally, *Abraham added and took a wife;* which seems to imply, that he married Keturah while Sarah was yet alive.

d 1 Chron. i. 32

k ch xxiii 1-20, xlix 29—31, l. 12—14

3 Or, *Zimri.*

e 1 Chron. i. 32; Jer xxv 25; 1 Kings x. 1, Josh ii 11.

l ch xii. 2; xvii. 19, xxii. 17; 1 24, xvi 14; xxiv. 62.

Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham:[a]

13 And these *are* the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names, according to their generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, [1]Nebajoth; and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,

14 And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa,

15 [2]Hadar, and Tema, [3]Jetur, [4]Naphish, and Kedemah:

16 These *are* the sons of Ishmael, and these *are* their names, by their towns, and by their [5]castles; twelve princes according to their nations.[b]

17 And these *are* the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred and thirty and seven years: and he gave up the ghost and died; and was gathered unto his people.[c]

18 And they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that *is* before Egypt, as thou goest toward Assyria: *and* he [6]died in the presence of all his brethren.[d]

19 ¶ And these *are* the generations of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham begat Isaac:

20 And Isaac was forty years old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padan-aram, the sister to Laban the Syrian.[e]

21 And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she *was* barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived.

22 And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If *it be* so, why *am* I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD.

23 And the LORD said unto her, Two nations *are* in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and *the one* people shall be stronger than *the other* people; and the elder shall serve the younger.[f]

24 ¶ And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, *there were* twins in her womb.

25 And the first came out red, all over like an hairy garment; and they called his name [7]Esau.

26 And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esau's heel; and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac *was* threescore years old when she bare them.[g]

27 And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning hunter, a man of the field; and Jacob *was* a plain man, dwelling in tents.

28 And Isaac loved Esau, because [8]he did eat of *his* venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.[h]

29 ¶ And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau came from the field, and he *was* faint:

30 And Esau said to Jacob, Feed me, I pray thee, [9]with that same red *pottage;* for I *am* faint: therefore was his name called [10]Edom.[i]

31 And Jacob said, Sell me this day thy birthright.

32 And Esau said, Behold, I *am* [11]at the point to die: and what profit shall this birthright do to me?

33 And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him: and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.[j]

34 Then Jacob gave Esau bread and pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way: thus Esau despised *his* birthright.[k]

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a ch. xvi. 10—15; xvii. 20; xxi. 13; Ps. lxxxiii. 6.

1 From Nebajoth sprang the Nebatheans, in Arabia Petrea; and from Kedar, the Cadreans.

2 Or, *Hadad.* See 1 Chron. i. 30.

3 From Yetur sprang the Itureans, who were located east of the Jordan.

4 The same people to which we find reference in 1 Chron. v. 19.

5 Or, *towers and defended places.*

b ch. xii. 10; xxv. 11; xxi. 22—32.

1 Chron. i. 29—31; Gen. xvii. 20—30; xxvi. 3; Isa. ix. 7; xxi. 11, 16, 17.

See on vs. 7, 8; ch. xv. 16.

6 Heb. *fell.* The more correct rendering of this clause would be IT; that is, the district fell to his lot in the presence of his brethren. See Gen. xxiii. 4.

d ch. xx. 1; xxi. 14—21; 2 Kings xxiii. 29; Isa. xix. 23, 24; Gen. xvi. 12.

e ch. xviii. 9—15; xxi. 1—5; 1 Chron. i. 28; Matt. i. 2; Luke iii. 34; Acts vii. 8; Gen. xxiv. 29, 62—69; xxviii. 5, 6.

m ch. xii. 7; xxiv 62—67; Ps. xxxvii. 3; Gen. xvii. 1; xxii. 8; xxii. 15—19; Ps cv. 9; Micah vii. 20; Gen. xii. 4; xvii. 9—25; xviii. 17—19.

n Prov. xxix. 25; Gen. xxiv 16.

f 1 Sam. i. 11, 27; Ps. l. 15; cxxviii 3; 1 Sam. x. 22; xxviii. 6; Gen. xxiv 60; xxxii. 6; xxxiii. 3; xxvii. 38—40; 2 Sam. viii. 14.

7 The word Esau is most likely derived from the Arabic, and means, covered with hair.

o 2 Sam xi. 2; Prov. v. 16—18, Eccles. ix. 9.

g ch xxvii. 11, 16, 23, 36, Hos. xii 3—5

8 Heb *venison was in his mouth.*

h ch xxvii. 3—5; xxviii. 10—22, xxxi. 39—41, xxvii. 6—46, Heb xi 9

p ch. xii. 18, 19; xxix. 10, Ps. cv 19; Prov vi. 29

12 Heb *found.*

9 This was lentils—a kind of pulse.

10 That is, *red.*

i ch. xxxvi. 1—9, Exod. xv. 15

q Ps. lxvii. 1—7; Amos ix. 13; Matt. xiii. 3—8.

13 Heb. *went going.* The man was great, and he went going on and was great, until that he was exceeding great.

11 Heb *going to die*

14 Or, *husbandry.*

j Job xxii. 17, 18, Mal. iii. 14; Heb xii. 16.

r ch. xxv 5; xii. 16; xiii. 2; xxiv. 35; xxi 30—34, 2 Kings iii. 19-25, Ps cxii. 3.

k Isa. xxii. 15; 1 Cor. xv 32; Heb. xii. 16, 17

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *Isaac because of famine went to Gerar.* 2 *God instructeth, and blesseth him.* 7 *He is reproved by Abimelech for denying his wife.* 12 *He groweth rich.* 18 *He diggeth Esek, Sitnah, and Rehoboth.* 26 *Abimelech maketh a covenant with him at Beer-sheba.* 34 *Esau's wives.*

AND there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines

2 And the LORD appeared unto him, and said, Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:

3 Sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee; for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father;

4 And I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed;

5 Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.[m]

6 ¶ And Isaac dwelt in Gerar:

7 And the men of the place asked *him* of his wife; and he said, She *is* my sister: for he feared to say, *She is* my wife; lest, *said he,* the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she *was* fair to look upon.[n]

8 And it came to pass, when he had been there a long time, that Abimelech king of the Philistines looked out at a window, and saw, and, behold, Isaac *was* sporting with Rebekah his wife.

9 And Abimelech called Isaac, and said, Behold, of a surety she *is* thy wife: and how saidst thou, She *is* my sister? And Isaac said unto him, Because I said, Lest I die for her.[o]

10 And Abimelech said, What *is* this thou hast done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought guiltiness upon us.

11 And Abimelech charged all *his* people, saying, He that toucheth this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.[p]

12 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and [12]received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.[q]

13 And the man waxed great, and [13]went forward, and grew until he became very great:

14 For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of [14]servants: and the Philistines envied him.

15 For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth.[r]

16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac, Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we.[a]

17 ¶ And Isaac departed thence, and pitched his tent in the valley of Gerar, and dwelt there.

18 And Isaac digged again the wells of water, which [1]they had digged in the days of Abraham his father; for the Philistines had stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.

19 And Isaac's servants digged in the valley, and found there a well of [2]springing water.[b]

20 And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water *is* our's: and he called the name of the well [3]Esek; because they strove with him.

21 And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it [4]Sitnah.

22 And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it [5]Rehoboth; and he said, For now the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.[c]

23 And he went up from thence to Beer-sheba.

24 And the LORD appeared unto him the same night, and said, I *am* the God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I *am* with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake.

25 And he builded an altar there, and called upon the name of the LORD, and pitched his tent there: and there Isaac's servants digged a well.[d]

26 ¶ Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and [6]Phichol the chief captain of his army.[e]

27 And Isaac said unto them, Wherefore come ye to me, seeing ye hate me, and have sent me away from you?[f]

28 And they said, [7]We saw certainly that the LORD was with thee: and we said, Let there be now an oath betwixt us, *even* betwixt us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee;

29 [8]That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace: thou *art* now the blessed of the LORD.[g]

30 And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.

31 And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another: and Isaac sent them away, and they departed from him in peace.[h]

32 And it came to pass the same day, that Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him, We have found water.

33 And he called it [9]Shebah: therefore the name of the city *is* [10]Beer-sheba unto this day.[i]

34 ¶ And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:

35 Which were [11]a grief of mind unto Isaac and to Rebekah.[j]

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a Exod. i. 9

1 That is, the servants of Abraham.

2 *Living water.*

b ch. xxi. 30—32; see v. 15; Cant. iv. 14; Zech. xiv 8

3 That is, *contention.*

4 That is, *hatred.*

5 That is, *room*, or, *space.*

c ch xlviii 10; Eccles. xii 3; Gen. xxv 23—25

12 Heb. *hunt.*

d Job xiv 1, 2; James iv. 14; Gen xxv. 27, 28, see vs. 17-23.

e ch xxi 25—27; Ps. iv 1—3, xviii. 19; cxviii 5, Prov. iii. 5, 6; Gen xvii 6; xxviii. 3

m Deut. xxxiii. 1; 1 Sam. xxiv. 19—21.

f ch. xxi. 31; xlvi 1; xv. 1; xvii. 1—7; xxiv. 12; xiii. 15—18; Ps xxvii. 1—3; xlvi 1—3, Isa. xli 2; xxvi. 3, 4; Gen. xiii. 3, 4; 1 Kings xviii. 24, 1 Chron. xvi. 8; Ps. cv 1, cxvi. 49; 1 Cor. i. 2

6 It is a question whether this Phichol was the same as was living in the days of Abraham.

g See on vs 1, 16, 17, 18; Gen. xxi. 22.

13 From a Hebrew word which means "to taste," or "relish." Its name indicates its nature.

7 Heb. *seeing we saw.*

8 Heb. *if thou shalt do us no hurt.*

o ch. xxv. 25; see v 22; Job xxxi. 5, 6; xlii. 7; Jer. xlviii. 10; Deut. xxvii. 18; Ps. xxiv. 3, 4.

h ch. xxi. 21—24; xxxix. 5; Josh. iii. 7; 2 Chron. i. 1; Gen. xxi. 31; xxxi. 53; xii. 1—3; xxi. 22.

p ch. xxv. 23, 28; xliii. 9; see on vs. 4, 7, 9, Ps cxii. 4

i ch xix. 3; xxi 8, Rom xii. 13, 18, 19, Gen. xxi 23.

14 Heb. *desirable* Some more costly or sacred robe which had come from the ancestors of the family, and was in the keeping of his mother.

15 In the East, the hair of the kid is of a fine, delicate, silky nature.

9 That is, *an oath.*

10 That is, *the well of the oath.* With the closing of the well the name of the place might have been changed.

j See on v. 25; 2 Kings ii 19; iii. 17; xx. 20, Gen xxi. 31—34.

q ch xxv. 25—29, see on vs 3—10.

11 Heb. *a bitterness of spirit.*

r ch. xxxvi. 1—3; xxiv 3, Exod. vi. 2; xxvii. 46, xxxiv. 15, 16; Prov. xii. 4; xxxi. 10—31; Eccles. vii. 26—28.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *Isaac sendeth Esau for venison.* 6 *Rebekah instructeth Jacob to obtain the blessing.* 15 *Jacob under the person of Esau obtaineth it.* 30 *Esau bringeth venison.* 33 *Isaac trembleth.* 34 *Esau complaineth, and by importunity obtaineth a blessing.* 41 *He threateneth Jacob.* 42 *Rebekah disappointeth it.*

AND it came to pass, that when Isaac was old, and his eyes were dim, so that he could not see, he called Esau his eldest son, and said unto him, My son: and he said unto him, Behold, *here am* I.[k]

2 And he said, Behold now, I am old, I know not the day of my death:

3 Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons, thy quiver and thy bow, and go out to the field, and [12]take me *some* venison;

4 And make me savoury meat, such as I love, and bring *it* to me, that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee before I die.[l]

5 And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son. And Esau went to the field to hunt *for* venison, *and* to bring *it.*

6 ¶ And Rebekah spake unto Jacob her son, saying, Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saying,

7 Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD before my death.[m]

8 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice according to that which I command thee.

9 Go now to the flock, and fetch me from thence two good kids of the goats; and I will make them [13]savoury meat for thy father, such as he loveth:

10 And thou shalt bring *it* to thy father, that he may eat, and that he may bless thee before his death.[n]

11 And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold, Esau my brother *is* a hairy man, and I *am* a smooth man:

12 My father peradventure will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver; and I shall bring a curse upon me, and not a blessing.[o]

13 And his mother said unto him, Upon me *be* thy curse, my son: only obey my voice, and go fetch me *them.*

14 And he went, and fetched, and brought *them* to his mother: and his mother made savoury meat, such as his father loved.[p]

15 And Rebekah took [14]goodly raiment of her eldest son Esau, which *were* with her in the house, and put them upon Jacob her younger son:

16 And she put [15]the skins of the kids of the goats upon his hands, and upon the smooth of his neck:

17 And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand of her son Jacob.[q]

18 ¶ And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here *am* I; who *art* thou, my son?

19 And Jacob said unto his father, I *am* Esau thy firstborn; I have done according as thou badest me: arise, I pray thee, sit and eat of my venison, that thy soul may bless me.[a]

20 And Isaac said unto his son, How *is it* that thou hast found *it* so quickly, my son? And he said, Because the LORD thy God brought *it* [1]to me.[b]

21 And Isaac said unto Jacob, Come near, I pray thee, that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou *be* my very son Esau or not.[c]

22 And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father; and he felt him, and said, The voice *is* Jacob's voice, but the hands *are* the hands of Esau.

23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1760.

a ch. xxv 25—29; see on vs. 1—4, Isa. xxviii. 15; Zech. xiii. 3, 4.

g Exod. xvi. 11—15; Numb. xi. 9; Deut. xi. 10—12; xxxiii. 13, 14; Job xxix. 19; Ps. cxxxiii. 3; Prov xix. 12; Cant. v. 2, Numb. xiii. 17—20, 27, Deut. vii. 13, ix 26—28; Josh. v 6, Ps. lxv. 9—13; civ 10—16; 2 Sam. viii. 14; Gen. xxii. 15—18; xii. 3

1 Heb *before me.*

b Exod. xx. 7; Job xiii. 7.

h See on vs 1—4.

c Jer. ix. 5; James i. 26; Prov. x. 1; xxiii 24, 25

i See on vs. 1—4.

d ch. xxv 24—28, Rom. ix 10—14; Heb xi. 20.

3 Heb *trembled with a great trembling greatly.*

to thee: be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee: cursed *be* every one that curseth thee, and blessed *be* he that blesseth thee.[e]

30 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting.[h]

31 And he also had made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father, and said unto his father, Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison, that thy soul may bless me.[i]

32 And Isaac his father said unto him, Who *art* thou? And he said, I *am* thy son, thy firstborn Esau.

33 And Isaac [3]trembled very exceedingly, and



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24 And he said, *Art* thou my very son Esau? And he said, I *am*.

25 And he said, Bring *it* near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought *it* near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine, and he drank.[e]

26 And his father Isaac said unto him, Come near now, and kiss me, my son.

27 And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him, and said, See, [2]the smell of my son *is* as the smell of a field which the LORD hath blessed:[f]

28 Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine:

29 Let people serve thee, and nations bow down

4 Heb *hunted.*

f See on v. 25; ch. xxviii 34; Rom. xi 29; Heb. xi. 20.

e Lev vi. 2—4; xix. 11, 12, Numb xxiii. 19; 1 Sam xv 29, Prov. xii. 19—22, see on vs. 1—4.

k 1 Sam. xxx. 4; Prov. xix. 3

l See on vs. 19—23.

2 These garments might have been laid away in some place, filled with aromatic plants and flowers, and hence their fragrance.

5 That is, *a supplanter.*

f Cant. ii. 13; iv. 16; vii. 12, 13; Hos. xiv. 6, 7; Heb. xi. 20; vi. 7.

m ch. xxv. 26, 31, 34.

said, Who? where *is* he that hath [4]taken venison, and brought *it* me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea, *and* he shall be blessed.[j]

34 And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with a great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father, Bless me, *even* me also, O my father.[k]

35 And he said, Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessing.[l]

36 And he said, Is not he rightly named [5]Jacob? for he hath supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said, Hast thou not reserved a blessing for me?[m]

37 And Isaac answered and said unto Esau, Be-



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hold, I have made him thy lord, and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I [1]sustained him: and what shall I do now unto thee, my son?[a]

38 And Esau said unto his father, Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me, *even* me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and wept.[b]

39 And Isaac his father answered and said unto him, Behold, thy dwelling shall be [2]the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above;

40 And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck.[c]

41 ¶ And Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him: and Esau said in his heart, The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob.[d]

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1 Or, *supported*
a See on vs. 28, 29, ch xxv 23, 2 Sam viii 14
e Ps lxiv 1—6, Prov ii. 10—15, iv 16—18
b See on vs 34—36, ch xlix 28, Heb xii. 15—17
2 Or, *of the fatness*
f See on vs. 8, 13, ch xl. 31, xli 4, 5, Prov xix 21, Lam iii. 37, 2 Sam xiv 6, 7, Ps xci 1—16, cxxi. 1—8
c ch xxxvi. 6—8, Josh xxiv 3, 4, Heb xi 20, Gen xxxii. 6, xxv 23, 1 Kings xi 15—18, 2 Kings xiv 7, 10, 1 Chron xviii. 11—13, 2 Chron xxi 8—10, Ps lx 8—12
g Numb xi 15, 1 Kings xix 4, Job i 20—22, ii. 9, 10, iii 20—22, vii 15, 16, xiv. 13, Gen xxiv 3—5, xxvi 34
d ch. iv. 2—8; xxxvii 4—8; Deut. vii 9, 10, Prov xxvi. 24—26; 1 John ii 9; iii. 15, iv 20, Gen. l 3, 4; Deut xxxiv 8, Ps. xxxvii 12—17; Prov l. 16; Matt. v 21—24.

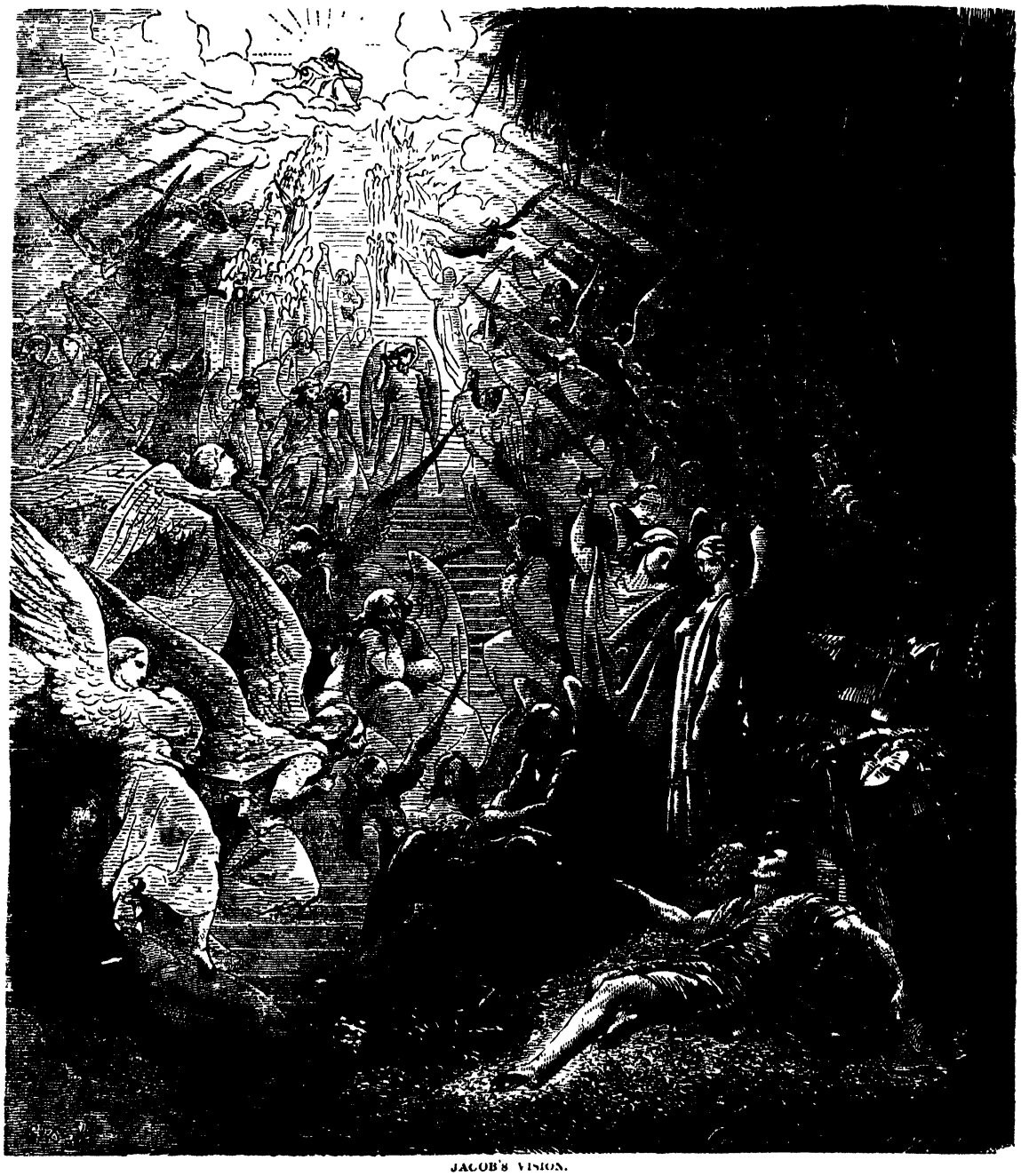
42 And these words of Esau her elder son were told to Rebekah: and she sent and called Jacob her younger son, and said unto him, Behold, thy brother Esau, as touching thee, doth comfort himself, *purposing* to kill thee.[e]

43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; and arise, flee thou to Laban my brother to Haran;

44 And tarry with him a few days, until thy brother's fury turn away;

45 Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget *that* which thou hast done to him: then I will send, and fetch thee from thence why should I be deprived also of you both in one day?[f]

46 And Rebekah said to Isaac, I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth: if Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, such as these *which are* of the daughters of the land, what good shall my life do me?[g]



JACOB'S VISION.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *Isaac blesseth Jacob, and sendeth him to Padan-aram.* 6 *Esau marrieth Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael.* 10 *The vision of Jacob's ladder.* 18 *The stone of Beth-el.* 20 *Jacob's vow.*

AND Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him, and charged him, and said unto him, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan.[a]

2 Arise, go to Padan-aram, to the house of Bethuel thy mother's father; and take thee a wife from thence of the daughters of Laban thy mother's brother.[b]

3 And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be [1]a multitude of people;[c]

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2 Heb. *the land of thy sojournings.*
d ch. xii. 1—7; xv 1—7; xvii. 1—8, xxii. 17, 18; Rom iv 1—13; Gal. iii 8—14
e See on v. 2
a ch. xxiv. 3, 37, 38, Deut. xxxiii. 1; Josh xxii. 7, 8, Gen. xxiv. 1—9, 57, xxvi. 34, 35; xxvii. 46
f ch. xxvii. 33, 34, 40; Exod. xx. 12; Lev xix. 3; Prov i. 8, 9, ii. 1—10; iii. 1—10
b ch. xxv. 20; xxix. 1-30; xxxi. 17, 18; xxxii 9—12; xxxv. 9—12, xxiv 29, 50.
3 Heb. *was evil in his eyes.*
g See on v. 1; ch xxiv. 3, 4; xxvi. 34, 35.
1 Heb. *an assembly of people.*
c ch. xvii. 1—6; xxii. 15—19; xxxv. 9—12; Exod. vi. 3, 4; Ps. cxxvii. 1—5; cxxviii. 1—3.

4 And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land [2]wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto Abraham.[d]

5 And Isaac sent away Jacob: and he went to Padan-aram unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian, the brother of Rebekah, Jacob's and Esau's mother.[e]

6 ¶ When Esau saw that Isaac had blessed Jacob, and sent him away to Padan-aram, to take him a wife from thence; and that as he blessed him he gave him a charge, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan;

7 And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother, and was gone to Padan-aram;[f]

8 And Esau seeing that the daughters of Canaan [3]pleased not Isaac his father;[g]

9 Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto

the wives which he had [1]Mahalath the daughter of Ishmael Abraham's son, the sister of Nebajoth, to be his wife.[a]

10 ¶ And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran.

11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put *them for* his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.[b]

12 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1760.

1 Called also Bashemath, ch xxxvi 3

a ch xxv. 19—18; xxxvi. 2—18

b ch. xxxi. 13; xxxv 14, Josh. xxiv. 22—28, 1 Sam. vii. 12, Lev. viii. 10—12; Numb. vii. 1.

3 That is, *the house of God.*

c ch. xii. 8, xxxv 1, xlviii. 3, Judg i. 22—26, Hos. xii 4.

b ch xv 12, Judg xix 6—9, Ps iv 8, civ 20; cxxvii. 2, Job xxxiii. 14, 16, Prov iii. 24, Eccl. v 12

c Numb xii 6, Job iv 12, 21, xxviii. 14—16; John i. 51, Heb i. 14.

d Secv 15, Gen xxxi. 13, Job xxviii. 5, Ps lxxviii. 20, civ. 15, cv 40

18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put *for* his pillows, and set it up *for* a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it.[h]

19 And he called the name of that place [3]Beth-el: but the name of that city *was called* Luz at the first.[i]

20 And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on,

21 So that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the LORD be my God:

22 And this stone, which I have set *for* a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.[j]



JACOB POURING OIL ON THE STONE

13 And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I *am* the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;

14 And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt [2]spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.[d]

15 And, behold, I *am* with thee, and will keep thee in all *places* whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done *that* which I have spoken to thee of.[e]

16 ¶ And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surley the LORD is in this place; and I knew *it* not.[f]

17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful *is* this place! this *is* none other but the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven.[g]

2 Heb. *break forth*

4 Heb *lift up his feet*

5 Heb *children.*

h Eccl. ix. 7, Gen. xxiv 10, xxviii. 5—7

d ch xxv 1, 6, 7, xlviii 3, xv 1, xvii 1, 6, 7, 1 Chron xvi 9, Exod iii 6, Heb xi 16, Gen xii 7, xiii 15, xxxv 15, Ps cv 16, Gal iii 8—10

e ch xxvi. 24, xxxi. 3, xxxii 9, xlvi 3, 4, Judg vi 16, Ps. xlvi 7; cxxi. 5—8; Gen xxxv. 6, 7.

f Judg xiii. 16, 32, 2 Chron v. 14, vi 1, 2, vii. 2; Isa. vi 1—8.

i ch. xxiv 11; Exod. ii 15, 16; Ps xxiii. 2 Cant. i. 6, 7, Isa. xlix. 10.

6 Or, *shepherds*

g Exod. iii. 5, xv 11, Josh. v. 15; Matt. xvii. 6; Rev. i. 17, 18, 2 Peter i. 18, Gen. xxxv. 1—15.

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *Jacob cometh to the well of Haran* 9 *He taketh acquaintance of Rachel.* 13 *Laban entertaineth him.* 18 *Jacob covenanteth for Rachel* 28 *He is deceived with Leah.* 28 *He marrieth also Rachel, and serveth for her seven years more.* 32 *Leah beareth Reuben,* 33 *Simeon,* 34 *Levi,* 35 *and Judah*

THEN Jacob [4]went on his journey, and came into the land of the [5]people of the east.[k]

2 And he looked, and behold a well in the field, and, lo, there *were* three flocks of sheep lying by it; for out of that well they watered the flocks: and a great stone *was* upon the well's mouth.[l]

3 And thither were all [6]the flocks gathered: and they rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and

watered the sheep, and put the stone again upon the well's mouth in his place.

4 And Jacob said unto them, My brethren, whence *be* ye? And they said, Of Haran *are* we.[a]

5 And he said unto them, Know ye Laban the son of Nahor? And they said, We know *him*.[b]

6 And he said unto them, [1]*Is* he well? And they said, *He is* well: and, behold, Rachel his daughter cometh with the sheep.[c]

7 And he said, Lo, [2]*it is* yet high day, neither *is it* time that the cattle should be gathered together: water ye the sheep, and go *and* feed *them*.[d]

8 And they said, We cannot, until all [3]the flocks be gathered together, and *till* they roll the stone from the well's mouth; then we water the sheep.[e]

9 ¶ And while he yet spake with them, [4]Rachel came with her father's sheep: for she kept them.[f]

10 And it came to pass, when Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother.[g]

11 And Jacob kissed Rachel, and lifted up his voice, and wept.[h]

12 And Jacob told Rachel that he *was* her father's [5]brother, and that he *was* Rebekah's son: and she ran and told her father.[i]

13 And it came to pass, when Laban heard [6]the tidings of Jacob his sister's son, that he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him, and brought him to his house. And he told Laban all these things.[j]

14 And Laban said to him, Surely thou *art* my bone and my flesh. And he abode with him [7]the space of a month.[k]

15 ¶ And Laban said unto Jacob, Because thou *art* [8]my brother, shouldest thou therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what *shall* thy wages *be*?[l]

16 And Laban had two daughters: the name of the elder *was* Leah, and the name of the younger *was* Rachel.

17 Leah *was* [9]tender eyed; but Rachel was beautiful and well favoured.[m]

18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and said, I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger daughter.[n]

19 And Laban said, *It is* better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me.

20 And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him *but* a few days, for the love he had to her.[o]

21 ¶ And Jacob said unto Laban, Give *me* my wife, for my days are fulfilled, that I may go in unto her.[p]

22 And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast.

23 And it came to pass in the evening, that he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him; and he went in unto her.[q]

24 And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah, Zilpah his maid, *for* an handmaid.[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 1760.

a ch. xi. 31; xxvii. 43; xxviii. 10.
s See on v. 18; Josh. ix. 22; Prov. xi. 31.
b ch xxiv. 29; xxxi. 53.
1 Heb. *Is there peace to him.*
10 Heb *place.*
c ch xxxvii. 14; Exod. xviii. 7; 1 Sam. xvii. 17—25.
t Lev. xviii. 18; Judg. xiv. 13—20; Mal. ii. 15.
11 Heb The festival ceremony lasted seven days.
2 Heb. *yet the day is great*
d Judg. xix. 8; 2 Sam. iii. 35.
u See on v. 24; ch. xxx. 3—8; xxxv. 22, 25; xxxvii. 2.
3 Or, *the shepherds.*
e See on v. 3; Mark xvi. 3, Luke xxiv. 2.
v See on vs. 18, 20; Deut. xxi. 15—17; Gen. xxx. 25, 26; 1 Sam. xviii. 17—21; Hos. xii. 12.
4 In those times and countries it was not beneath the dignity of the daughters of the most opulent shepherds to carry water or tend the flock.
f ch. xxiv 15, Cant. i. 6, 7.
12 That is, *son a son.*
w ch xvi. 1; xx. 18; xxi. 1, 2; xxv. 21; Judg xiii. 2, 3; 1 Sam. i. 5, 11—27, ii. 21, Ps. cxiii. 9, cxxvii. 3.
g Exod ii 15.
h ch xxvii. 26, Cant. i. 2; viii. 1; Rom. xvi. 16; Ruth i 9.
13 That is, *hearing.*
x ch. xxx. 6, 22—24.
5 That is, *his nephew.*
i ch xxvii. 43; xxviii. 5.
6 Heb. *thu hearing.*
14 That is, *joined, or, united.*
y ch. xxxiv. 25, xxxv. 23; xlvi. 11; xlix. 5; Exod. ii. 1; xxxii. 26—28; Numb. xviii. 2—4; Deut. xxxiii. 8—10.
15 That is, *praise.*
16 Heb. *stood from bearing*, that is, for a time.
j ch. xxiv. 29; Exod. iv. 27; 1 Sam. xx. 41.
7 Heb. *a month of days.*
k See on vs. 13, 15; Judg. ix. 2; 2 Sam. v. 1; xix. 12, 15.
8 That is, *my nephew.*
l ch. xxx. 28; xxxi. 7.
9 That is, *her eyes were soft and beautiful.*
m Esther i. 11; Deut. xxi. 11; 2 Sam xi. 2; Prov. xxxi. 10—31.
z ch. xxx. 22, 23. xlix 8; 1 Chron. v 2; Gen. xxix. 31, 1 Sam i. 8, Prov. xiv 30; xxvii. 4, Eccles iv. 4, James iii. 14, iv. 5, Gen. xxxv 16—19; 1 Kings xix. 4
n ch. xxxi 41; xxxiv 12, xxii. 16, 17; Hos xii. 12.
a Eph. iv 26, Gen. xvi. 2, xxv. 21, xxx. 18, Ps. cxxvii. 3—5, cxxviii. 3, 6, 1 Sam. i. 8—28
o ch xxx. 26; Hos. xii 12; Gen xxiv. 67, Cant. viii. 6, 7
17 Heb *be built up by her.* See Ruth iv 11.
p See on vs. 18, 29; Gen. xxxi. 41; Judg xv 1
b See on v. 9; Gen. xvi. 2, 3; l. 23; Job iii. 12; Ruth iv. 11.
c ch. xxii 24; xxv. 1, 6; xxxiii. 2, xxxv 22.
q Judg. xiv 10—18; Ruth iv. 10—12; Matt. xxii. 2—10; Gen. xxiv. 67
r ch xvi. 1, xxiv. 59; xxx. 9—12; xlvi. 18.
18 That is, *judging*
d ch. xxix. 32—35; xxxv. 25; xlvi 23; xlix. 16. 17; Deut. xxxiii. 22; Judg xiii. 2, 25, Ps xxxv. 24. Lam. iii. 59

25 And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold, it *was* Leah: and he said to Laban, What *is* this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve with thee for Rachel? wherefore then hast thou beguiled me?[s]

26 And Laban said, It must not be so done in our [10]country, to give the younger before the firstborn.

27 Fulfil her week, and we will give thee this also for the service which thou shalt serve with me yet seven other years.[t]

28 And Jacob did so, and [11]fulfilled her week: and he gave him Rachel his daughter to wife also.

29 And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her maid.[u]

30 And he went in also unto Rachel, and he loved also Rachel more than Leah, and served with him yet seven other years.[v]

31 ¶ And when the LORD saw that Leah *was* hated, he opened her womb: but Rachel *was* barren.

32 And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name [12]Reuben: for she said, Surely the LORD hath looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me.[w]

33 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Because the LORD hath heard that I *was* hated, he hath therefore given me this *son* also: and she called his name [13]Simeon.[x]

34 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Now this time will my husband be joined unto me, because I have born him three sons: therefore was his name called [14]Levi.[y]

35 And she conceived again, and bare a son: and she said, Now will I praise the LORD: therefore she called his name [15]Judah; and [16]left bearing.

CHAPTER XXX.

1 Rachel, in grief for her barrenness, giveth Bilhah her maid unto Jacob. 5 She beareth Dan and Naphtali. 9 Leah giveth Zilpah her maid, who beareth Gad and Asher. 14 Reuben findeth mandrakes, with which Leah buyeth her husband of Rachel. 17 Leah beareth Issachar, Zebulun, and Dinah. 22 Rachel beareth Joseph. 25 Jacob desireth to depart. 27 Laban stayeth him on a new covenant. 37 Jacob's policy, whereby he became rich.

AND when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob no children, Rachel envied[a] her sister; and said unto Jacob, Give me children, or else I die.[z]

2 And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, *Am* I in God's stead, who hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb?[a]

3 And she said, Behold my maid Bilhah, go in unto her; and she shall bear upon my knees, that I may also [17]have children by her.[b]

4 And she gave him Bilhah her handmaid to wife: and Jacob went in unto her.

5 And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob a son.[c]

6 And Rachel said, God hath judged me, and hath also heard my voice, and hath given me a son: therefore called she his name [18]Dan.[d]

7 And Bilhah Rachel's maid conceived again, and bare Jacob a second son.[a]

8 And Rachel said, With [1]great wrestlings have I wrestled with my sister, and I have prevailed: and she called his name [2]Naphtali.[b]

9 When Leah saw that she had left bearing, she took Zilpah her maid, and gave her Jacob to wife.[c]

10 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a son.

11 And Leah said, A troop cometh: and she called his name [3]Gad.[d]

12 And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a second son.

13 And Leah said, [4]Happy am I, for the daughters will call me blessed: and she called his name [5]Asher.[e]

14 ¶ And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and found [6]mandrakes in the field, and



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brought them unto his mother Leah.[f] Then Rachel said to Leah, Give me, I pray thee, of thy son's mandrakes.

15 And she said unto her, *Is it* a small matter that thou hast taken my husband? and wouldest thou take away my son's mandrakes also?[g] And Rachel said, Therefore he shall lie with thee to night for thy son's mandrakes.[h]

16 And Jacob came out of the field in the evening, and Leah went out to meet him, and said, Thou must come in unto me; for surely I have hired thee with my son's mandrakes.[i] And he lay with her that night.

17 And God hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived, and bare Jacob the fifth son.

18 And Leah said, God hath given me my hire, because I have given my maiden to my husband: and she called his name [7]Issachar.[j]

19 And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob the sixth son.

20 And Leah said, God hath endued me *with* a good dowry; now will my husband dwell with me, because I have born him six sons: and she called his name [8]Zebulun.[k]

21 And afterwards she bare a daughter, and called her name [9]Dinah.[l]

22 ¶ And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb.[m]

23 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my reproach:

24 And she called his name [10]Joseph; and said, The LORD shall add to me another son.[n]

25 ¶ And it came to pass, when Rachel had born Joseph, that Jacob said unto Laban, Send me away,[11] that I may go unto mine own place, and to my country.[o]

26 Give *me* my wives and my children, for whom I have served thee, and let me go: for thou knowest my service which I have done thee.[p]

27 And Laban said unto him, I pray thee, if I have found favour in thine eyes, *tarry: for* I have learned by experience that the LORD hath blessed me for thy sake.[q]

28 And he said, Appoint me thy wages, and I will give *it*.[r]

29 And he said unto him, Thou knowest how I have served thee, and how thy cattle was with me.[s]

30 For *it was* little which thou hadst before I *came*, and it is *now* [12]increased unto a multitude; and the LORD hath blessed thee [13]since my coming: and now when shall I provide for mine own house also?[t]

31 And he said, What shall I give thee? And Jacob said, Thou shalt not give me any thing: if thou wilt do this thing for me, I will again feed *and* keep thy flock.

32 I will pass through all thy flock to day, removing from thence all the speckled and spotted cattle, and all the brown cattle among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and *of such* shall be my hire.[u]

33 So shall my righteousness answer for me [14]in time to come, when it shall come for my hire before thy face: every one that *is* not speckled and spotted among the goats, and brown among the sheep, that [15]shall be counted stolen with me.[v]

34 And Laban said, Behold, I would it might be according to thy word.

35 And he removed that day the he goats that were ringstraked and spotted, and all the she goats that were speckled and spotted, *and* every one that had *some* white in it, and all the brown among the sheep, and gave *them* into the hand of his sons.[w]

36 And he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob: and Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks.

37 ¶ And Jacob took him rods of [16]green poplar, and of the [17]hazel and [18]chesnut tree; and pilled white strakes in them, and made the white appear which *was* in the rods.

38 And he set the rods which he had pilled before the flocks in the gutters in the watering troughs when the flocks came to drink, that they should conceive when they came to drink.

BEFORE CHRIST 1749.

a ch. xxix. 29; xxx. 3, 4.

1 Heb *wrestlings of God.* See Ps lxv 9; civ. 16.

2 That is, *dwelling.*

b ch xxix. 34, xxxv. 23, xlvi. 14, xlix. 13, Judg. iv. 10· v 14, Ps lxviii. 27.

3 That is, *judgment*

c ch xxxiv 1—3, 26, xlvi. 15

4 That is, *my wrestling*

d ch xlvi 24, xlix. 21; Deut xxxiii. 23, Matt. iv 13 Nephthalim

e ch xxix. 31, Ps cxiii. 9, cxxvii. 3

5 That is, *adding* See ch xxxv 17, 18

f ch xxix. 23—26, 35

6 That is, *a troop*, or, *company*

g Gen xxxv 26, xlvi 16, xlix. 19, Deut. xxxiii 21, 22

7 Heb *as my happiness*

h ch xxix. 31, 1 Sam. i. 5, 6, iv 1; Isa. iv 1, Luke i. 25—27, Gen. xxxv 24, xxxvii. 2—4; xlix 22—26, Deut. xxxiii. 13—17

i 11 Note. The fourteen years which Jacob had engaged to serve for Rachel and Leah having rolled away, he had a right to leave Laban.

8 That is, *happy*

k ch xxxv. 26; xlvi 17, xlix. 20; Deut. xxxiii 24, 25; Prov xxxi 28, Cant. vi. 9; Luke i. 48

l ch. xxiv. 6, 7, xxvi 3; xxvii. 44, 45, xxviii. 13—15; xxxi. 13, 55

9 The mandrake is a species of melon, and is of a very agreeable odour.

m ch. xxix. 1—25, xxxi. 25—41; Hos xii. 12.

n See ver. 30, ch xxxix. 2—6, 21—23 Ps. i. 1—3, Isa. lxv. 8.

o ch xxix 15

p ch. xxxi. 6, 38—40

10 Heb. *broken forth.* See ver. 43.

11 Heb. *at my foot* See ver. 27; Deut. xi. 10

q See ver 27; 2 Cor. xii. 14; 1 Tim v. 8

r 2 Sam. xxi. 46, Ps cxviii. 6; Heb xiii. 5; Gen. xxxi. 3—10

12 Heb. *to-morrow.* See Exod. xiii. 14.

s Cant. vii. 13

13 Supply here the words "if found," and the sense is clear.

t ch. xxxi. 37; 1 Sam xxvi. 23, 2 Sam xxii. 21; Ps. xxxvii. 6

u Ezek. xvi. 47

v Ps. cxxvii. 3 Prov. vi. 27, 29

w See vs. 31—33

14 Eccles ix. 7—9; Cant. vii. 10—13

15 Or, rather, the white poplar, from the whiteness of its leaves, bark, and wood.

16 Or, almond tree.

17 Or, the plane tree

18 That is, *price*, or, *hire*

x ch. xxxv. 23; xlvi. 13; xlix. 14, 15; Deut. xxxiii. 18; 1 Chron. xii. 32.



JACOB KEEPING THE FLOCKS OF LABAN.

39 And the flocks conceived before the rods, and brought forth cattle ringstraked, speckled, and spotted.[a]

40 And Jacob did separate the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks toward the ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of Laban; and he put his own flocks by themselves, and put them not unto Laban's cattle.

41 And it came to pass, whensoever the stronger cattle did conceive, that Jacob laid the rods before the eyes of the cattle in the gutters, that they might conceive among the rods.

42 But when the cattle were feeble, he put *them* not in: so the feebler were Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's.[1]

43 And the man increased exceedingly, and had much cattle, and maidservants, and menservants, and camels, and asses.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1746

[a] ch. xxxi. 9—12

[1] The dream which Jacob relates in the next chapter is, in the Samaritan text, introduced after verse 36; and there are those who are in favour of its insertion as genuine.

[b] ch. xxx. 25; xxxii. 9; xxxv 1, 2, 13, 16.

[b] ch. xxxiii. 11; xxxvi. 7.

CHAPTER XXXI.[c]

1 *Jacob upon displeasure departeth secretly.* 19 *Rachel stealeth her father's images.* 22 *Laban pursueth after Jacob,* 26 *and complaineth of the wrong.* 34 *Rachel's policy to hide the images.* 36 *Jacob's complaint of Laban.* 43 *The covenant of Laban and Jacob at Galeed.*

AND he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Jacob hath taken away all that *was* our father's; and of *that* which *was* our father's hath he gotten all this [2]glory.[c]

2 And Jacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it *was* not toward him as before.[3]

3 And the LORD said unto Jacob, Return unto the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred; and I will be with thee.[d]

[2] The word rendered "glory" also denotes wealth — the effect being put for the cause.

[3] Heb. *as yesterday and the day before.*

[c] ch. xxx. 25; xxxii. 9; xxxv 1, 2, 13, 16.

[d] ch. xxxiii. 11; xxxvi. 7.

4 And Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah to the field unto his flock,

5 And said unto them, I see your father's countenance, that it *is* not toward me as before; but the God of my father hath been with me.[a]

6 And ye know that with all my power I have served your father.

7 And your father hath deceived me, and changed my wages [1]ten times; but God suffered him not to hurt me.[b]

8 If he said thus, The speckled shall be thy wages; then all the cattle bare speckled: and if he said thus, The ringstraked shall be thy hire; then bare all the cattle ringstraked.

9 Thus God hath taken away the cattle of your father, and given *them* to me.[c]

10 And it came to pass at the time that the cattle conceived, that I lifted up mine eyes, and saw in a dream,[2] and, behold, the [3]rams which leaped upon the cattle *were* ringstraked, speckled, and [4]grisled.

11 And the angel of God spake unto me in a dream, *saying*, Jacob: And I said, Here *am* I.

12 And he said, Lift up now thine eyes, and see, all the rams which leap upon the cattle *are* ringstraked, speckled, and grisled: [d] for I have seen all that Laban doeth unto thee.[e]

13 I *am* the God of Beth-el, where thou anointedst the pillar, *and* where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and return unto the land of thy kindred.[f]

14 And Rachel and Leah answered and said unto him, *Is there* yet any portion or inheritance for us in our father's house?

15 Are we not counted of him strangers? for he hath sold us, and hath quite devoured also our money.

16 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, that *is* our's, and our children's: now then, whatsoever God hath said unto thee, do.[g]

17 ¶ Then Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon camels;

18 And he carried away all his cattle, and all his goods which he had gotten, the cattle of his getting, which he had gotten in Padan-aram, for to go to Isaac his father in the land of Canaan.

19 And Laban went to shear his sheep: and Rachel had stolen the images that *were* her father's.

20 And Jacob stole away [5]unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he told him not that he fled.

21 So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over the river, and set his face *toward* the [6]mount Gilead.[h]

22 And it was told Laban on the third day that Jacob was fled.

23 And he took his brethren with him, and pursued after him seven days' journey; and they overtook him in the mount Gilead.[i]

24 And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream by night, and said unto him, Take heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.[7]

25 ¶ Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mount: and Laban with his brethren pitched in the mount of Gilead.

BEFORE CHRIST 1739.

[a] vs 2, 3, 42.

[b] ch xxx 26, 29, 30, 38—42

[c] ch xxx. 32—34

[d] ch. xxx. 37—42.

[e] See vs. 40—42.

[f] ch. xxviii. 10—22.

[g] ch. xxix. 15—20

[h] ch. xv. 18, Josh. xxiv. 2—4.

[i] See vs. 18—21.

[1] See vs. 4—16.

[2] See the marginal note on ch. xxx. 42

[3] Or, *he goats*

[4] Grisled, marked with white spots

[5] Heb. *the heart of Laban.* See v. 27 below.

[6] Gilead was a place for cattle, as we learn from Numb. xxxii. 1.

[7] Heb. *from good to bad.*

26 And Laban said to Jacob, What hast thou done, that thou hast stolen away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives *taken* with the sword?[j]

27 Wherefore didst thou flee away secretly, and [8]steal away from me; and didst not tell me, that I might have sent thee away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with harp?

28 And hast not suffered me to kiss my sons and my daughters? thou hast now done foolishly in *so* doing.

29 It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father spake unto me yesternight, saying, Take thou heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.[k]

30 And now, *though* thou wouldest needs be gone, because thou sore longedst after thy father's house, *yet* wherefore hast thou stolen my gods?[l]

31 And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was afraid: for I said, Peradventure thou wouldest take by force thy daughters from me.

32 With whomsoever thou findest thy gods, let him not live: before our brethren discern thou what *is* thine with me, and take *it* to thee. For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them.[m]

33 And Laban went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maidservants' tents; but he found *them* not. Then went he out of Leah's tent, and entered into Rachel's tent.

34 Now Rachel had taken the images, and put them in the camel's furniture, and sat upon them. And Laban [9]searched all the tent, but found *them* not.

35 And she said to her father, Let it not displease my lord that I cannot rise up before thee; for the custom of women *is* upon me. And he searched, but found not the images.

36 ¶ And Jacob was wroth, and chode with Laban: and Jacob answered and said to Laban, What *is* my trespass? what *is* my sin, that thou hast so hotly pursued after me?[n]

37 Whereas thou hast searched all my stuff, what hast thou found of all thy household stuff? set *it* here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge betwixt us both.

38 This twenty years *have* I *been* with thee; thy ewes and thy she goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flock have I not eaten.

39 That which was torn *of beasts* I brought not unto thee; I bare the loss of it; of my hand didst thou require it, *whether* stolen by day, or stolen by night.

40 *Thus* I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from mine eyes.

41 Thus have I been twenty years in thy house; I served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters, and six years for thy cattle: and thou hast changed my wages ten times.

42 Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. God

[j] vs 20, 21.

[k] See vs. 22—24

[l] See v 19

[m] vs. 19, 26—28

[n] See vs. 22, 23.

[8] Heb. *hast stolen me.* See v. 20.

[9] Heb. *felt*; that is, so as to find out, or discover.

hath seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and rebuked *thee* yesternight.[a]

43 ¶ And Laban answered and said unto Jacob, *These* daughters *are* my daughters, and *these* children *are* my children, and *these* cattle *are* my cattle, and all that thou seest *is* mine: and what can I do this day unto these my daughters, or unto their children which they have born?

44 Now therefore come thou, let us make a covenant, I and thou; and let it be for a witness between me and thee.

45 And Jacob took a stone, and set it up *for* a pillar.

BEFORE CHRIST 1739.

a See vs. 4—13

c See vs. 44—46.

5 The true reading is, perhaps, *your* father.

6 That Holy and Revered One, who was the object of his father's profoundest love and homage.

7 That is, killed animals for the twofold purpose of sacrifice and of food.

that I will not pass over this heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.[c]

53 The God of Abraham, and the God of Nahor, the God of [5]their father, judge betwixt us. And Jacob sware by [6]the fear of his father Isaac.

54 Then Jacob [7]offered sacrifice upon the mount, and called his brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mount.

55 And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them: and Laban departed, and returned unto his place.



HEAP OF WITNESS

46 And Jacob said unto his brethren, Gather stones; and they took stones, and made an heap: and they did eat there upon the heap.

47 And Laban called it [1]Jegar-sahadutha: but Jacob called it [2]Galeed.

48 And Laban said, This heap *is* a witness between me and thee this day. Therefore was the name of it called Galeed;

49 And [3]Mizpah; for he said, The LORD watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.

50 If thou shalt afflict my daughters, or if thou shalt take *other* wives beside my daughters, no man *is* with us; see, God *is* witness betwixt me and thee.[d]

51 And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold *this* pillar, which [4]I have cast betwixt me and thee;

52 This heap *be* witness, and *this* pillar *be* witness,

1 That is, in Chaldee, *The heap of witness.*

2 That is, in Hebrew, *The heap of witness.*

3 That is, *Beacon*, or, *watch-tower.*

d Josh. v. 13, 14; Ps. xxiv. 7—10; lxviii. 17.

8 It was situated between Gilead and the river Jabbok, near to which a city of Gad was afterwards built, of the same name. Josh. xxi. 38.

b Judg. x. 17; Josh. xxiv. 27

9 The land or mountain region of Seir was situated south and east of the Dead Sea, and formed a continuation of the eastern Syrian chain of mountains beginning with Antilibanus, and extending from thence to the eastern gulf of the Red Sea.

4 For "I have cast," ought, perhaps, to read, thou hast set up.

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 *Jacob's vision at Mahanaim.* 3 *His message to Esau.* 6 *He is afraid of Esau's coming.* 9 *He prayeth for deliverance.* 13 *He sendeth a present to Esau.* 24 *He wrestleth with an angel at Peniel, where he is called Israel.* 31 *He halteth.*

AND Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him.

2 And when Jacob saw them, he said, This *is* God's host: and he called the name of that place [8]Mahanaim.

3 And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother unto [9]the land of Seir, the country of Edom.

4 And he commanded them, saying, Thus shall ye speak unto my lord Esau; Thy servant Jacob saith thus, I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed there until now:

5 And I have oxen, and asses, flocks, and men-

servants, and womenservants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find grace in thy sight.[a]

6 ¶ And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, We came to thy brother Esau, and also he cometh to meet thee, and four hundred men with him.

7 Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed: and he divided the people that *was* with him, and the flocks, and herds, and the camels, into two bands;

8 And said, If Esau come to the one company, and smite it, then the other company which is left shall escape.[h]

9 ¶ And Jacob said, O God of my father Abraham, and God of my father Isaac, the LORD which saidst unto me, Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will deal well with thee:

10 I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth, which thou hast shewed unto thy servant; for with my staff I passed over this Jordan; and now I am become two bands.

11 Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau: for I fear him, lest he will come and smite me, *and* the mother [1]with the children.[c]

12 And thou saidst, I will surely do thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.[d]

13 ¶ And he lodged there that same night; and took of [2]that which came to his hand a present for Esau his brother;

14 Two hundred she goats, and twenty he goats, two hundred ewes, and twenty rams,

15 Thirty milch camels with their colts, forty kine, and ten bulls, twenty she asses, and ten foals.[e] [3]

16 And he delivered *them* into the hand of his servants, every drove by themselves; and said unto his servants, Pass over before me, and put a space betwixt drove and drove.

17 And he commanded the foremost, saying, When Esau my brother meeteth thee, and asketh thee, saying, Whose *art* thou? and whither goest thou? and whose *are* these before thee?

18 Then thou shalt say, *They be* thy servant Jacob's; it *is* a present sent unto my lord Esau: and, behold, also he *is* behind us.[f]

19 And so commanded he the second, and the third, and all that followed the droves, saying, On this manner shall ye speak unto Esau, when ye find him.

20 And say ye moreover, Behold, thy servant Jacob *is* behind us. For he said, I will appease him with the present that goeth before me, and afterward I will see his face; peradventure he will accept [4]of me.

21 So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that night in the company.

22 And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two womenservants, and his eleven sons, and passed over [5]the ford Jabbok.

23 And he took them, and [6]sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.

24 ¶ And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the [7]breaking of the day.

25 And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.[g]

26 And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.[h]

27 And he said unto him, What *is* thy name? And he said, Jacob.

28 And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but [8]Israel: for as a prince hast thou [9]power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.[i]

29 And Jacob asked *him*, and said, Tell *me*, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, [j]Wherefore *is* it *that* thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there.

30 And Jacob called the name of the place [10]Peniel: for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.[k]

31 And as he passed over Penuel the sun rose upon him, and he halted upon his thigh.[l]

32 Therefore the children of Israel eat not *of* the sinew which shrank, which *is* upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew that shrank.

BEFORE CHRIST 1739.

a ch. xxx. 29—43; xxxi. 27, 28, 36—42; xxxiii 8, 15

g See v. 32.

h Cant. iii. 4; 1 Chron. iv. 10.

8 That is, *A prince of God.*

9 More properly, because thou hast had power with God, much more shalt thou have power with man. See ch xxxiii. 1—10.

i See v 24.

b ch xxxv 3, xxxiii 1—3

j Judges xiii. 17, 18

10 That is, *The face of God* Penuel, or Peniel, was situated on the north of the ford of Jabbok, about forty miles from Jerusalem. It was afterwards the site of a city, belonging to the tribe of Gad.

k Exodus xxiv 10, 11, Deut v 24

l See v 25

1 Heb *upon*

c Hos. x. 14

d ch. xxxi 3, 13, xxviii. 12, 14, xlvi 1—4

2 Or, *under his hand*, which means, whatever Providence had put in his possession or power See 1 Sam. xxv. 8.

m ch. xxvii. 41, 42, xxxix. 6.

e See va. 20, 21; ch. xxxiii 8—10.

3 A princely present this, and such as was sufficient to compensate Esau for any merely temporal loss, which he sustained in being deprived of his birthright and blessing

n See ch. xxxii. 6, 7

11 An Eastern mode of showing respect See ch xlii 26

f See ch xxxiii 1—10

12 Heb. *to thee?*

4 Heb *my face* See Job xlii 8, 9

13 Heb. *What is all this band unto thee?*

o ch xxxii 5, 14, 15

5 A stream which has its rise among the mountains of Gilead and falls into the Jordan, south of the Lake of Gennesaret.

6 Heb *caused them to pass*

14 Heb *be that to thee that is thine.*

7 Heb. *the going up of the morning* See Cant. ii 17

p ch xxxii 5

CHAPTER XXXIII.

1 *The kindness of Jacob and Esau at their meeting.* 17 *Jacob cometh to Succoth.* 18 *At Shalem he buyeth a field, and buildeth an altar called El-elohe-Israel.*

AND Jacob lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, Esau came, and with him four hundred men.[m] And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel, and unto the two handmaids.

2 And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph hindermost.[n]

3 And he passed over before them, and [11]bowed himself to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother.

4 And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept.

5 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw the women and the children; and said, Who *are* those [12]with thee? And he said, The children which God hath graciously given thy servant.

6 Then the handmaidens came near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves.

7 And Leah also with her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

8 And he said, [13]What *meanest* thou by all this drove which I met? And he said, *These are* to find grace in the sight of my lord.[o]

9 And Esau said, I have enough, my brother; [14]keep that thou hast unto thyself.

10 And Jacob said, Nay, I pray thee, if now I have found grace in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me.[p]



MEETING OF JACOB AND ESAU.

11 Take, I pray thee, my blessing that is brought to thee; because God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have [1]enough.[a] And he urged him, and he took *it*.

12 And he said, Let us take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before thee.

13 And he said unto him, My lord knoweth that the children *are* tender, and the flocks and herds with young *are* with me: and if men should overdrive them one day, all the flock will die.

14 Let my lord, I pray thee, pass over before his servant: and I will lead on softly, [2]according as the cattle that goeth before me and the children be able to endure, until I come unto my lord unto Seir.[b]

15 And Esau said, Let me now [3]leave with thee *some* of the folk that *are* with me. And he said, [4]What needeth it? let me find grace in the sight of my lord.[c]

16 ¶ So Esau returned that day on his way unto Seir.

17 And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him an house, and made booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called [5]Succoth.

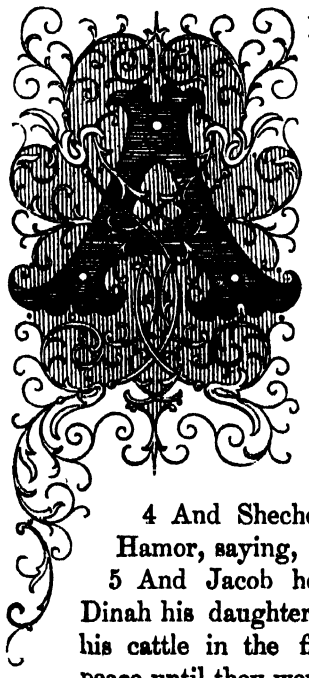
18 ¶ And Jacob came to Shalem, a city of [6]Shechem, which *is* in the land of Canaan, when he came from Padan-aram; and pitched his tent before the city.[d]

19 And he bought a parcel of a field, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children of Hamor, Shechem's father, for an hundred [7]pieces of money.

20 And he erected there an altar, and called it [8]El-elohe-Israel.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *Dinah is ravished by Shechem.* 4 *He sueth to marry her.* 18 *The sons of Jacob offer the condition of circumcision to the Shechemites.* 20 *Hamor and Shechem persuade them to accept it.* 25 *The sons of Jacob upon that advantage slay them,* 27 *and spoil their city.* 30 *Jacob reproveth Simeon and Levi.*



AND Dinah the daughter of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob, went out to see the daughters of the land.

2 And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, prince of the country, saw her, he took her, and lay with her, and [9]defiled her.

3 And his soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and he loved the damsel, and spake [10]kindly unto the damsel.

4 And Shechem spake unto his father Hamor, saying, Get me this damsel to wife.

5 And Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter: now his sons were with his cattle in the field: and Jacob held his peace until they were come.

¶ And Hamor the father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune with him.

BEFORE CHRIST 1739.

a ch xxxii. 13—20
11 Or, *against Israel.*
e Deut. xxii. 21; Lev. iv 2—30

2 Heb. *according to the work of the feet of the cattle, and according to the feet of the children*; that is, according as they are able to walk.
b See ch xxxii. 3.
3 Heb. *set*, or, *place*
4 Heb *Wherefore is this?*
c See vs. 8, 10

5 That is, *booths*, or, *tents* Succoth was on the east of Jordan, between the river Jordan and the fort of Jabbok, about forty miles from Jerusalem and not far from Penuel
6 The true reading of this verse is as follows — Jacob came in peace (SHALOM) to the city Shechem. This city was situated between Mount Ebal and Gerizim, in a valley abounding with springs. It is ten miles from Shiloh, and about thirty-four from Jerusalem. It afterwards became the capital of Samaria, and is now in a populous and prosperous state.
d John iv. 5; Acts vii. 16 Gen. xxviii. 6, 7.
7 Or, *lambs*; that is, money equal to the purchase of a hundred lambs.
8 That is, *God, the God of Israel.*
f ch. xvii. 10—15
g See vs. 3, 4.

9 Heb. *humbled her* See Deut. xxi 14
h See vs. 15 17
10 Heb *to the heart of the damsel*

7 And the sons of Jacob came out of the field when they heard *it*: and the men were grieved, and they were very wroth, because he had wrought folly [1]in Israel in lying with Jacob's daughter; which thing ought not to be done.[e]

8 And Hamor communed with them, saying, The soul of my son Shechem longeth for your daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.

9 And make ye marriages with us, *and* give your daughters unto us, and take our daughters unto you.

10 And ye shall dwell with us: and the land shall be before you; dwell and trade ye therein, and get you possessions therein.

11 And Shechem said unto her father and unto her brethren, Let me find grace in your eyes, and what ye shall say unto me I will give.

12 Ask me never so much dowry and gift, and I will give according as ye shall say unto me: but give me the damsel to wife.

13 And the sons of Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father deceitfully, and said, because he had defiled Dinah their sister:

14 And they said unto them, We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one that is uncircumcised; for that *were* a reproach unto us:

15 But in this will we consent unto you: If ye will be as we *be*, that every male of you be circumcised;

16 Then will we give our daughters unto you, and we will take your daughters to us, and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people.

17 But if ye will not hearken unto us, to be circumcised; then will we take our daughter, and we will be gone.[f]

18 And their words pleased Hamor, and Shechem Hamor's son.

19 And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had delight in Jacob's daughter: and he *was* more honourable than all the house of his father.[g]

20 ¶ And Hamor and Shechem his son came unto the gate of their city, and communed with the men of their city, saying,

21 These men *are* peaceable with us; therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade therein; for the land, behold, *it is* large enough for them; let us take their daughters to us for wives, and let us give them our daughters.

22 Only herein will the men consent unto us for to dwell with us, to be one people, if every male among us be circumcised, as they *are* circumcised.[h]

23 *Shall* not their cattle and their substance and every beast of their's *be* our's? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell with us.

24 And unto Hamor and unto Shechem his son hearkened all that went out of the gate of his city; and every male was circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his city.

25 ¶ And it came to pass on the third day, when they were sore, that two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brethren, took each man his sword, and came upon the city boldly, and slew all the males.

26 And they slew Hamor and Shechem his son with the [1]edge of the sword, and took Dinah out of Shechem's house, and went out.

27 The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister.[a]

28 They took their sheep, and their oxen, and their asses, and that which *was* in the city, and that which *was* in the field,

29 And all their wealth, and all their little ones, and their wives took they captive, and spoiled even all that *was* in the house.

30 And Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, Ye have troubled me to make me to stink among the inhabitants of the land, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites:[b] and I *being* few in number, they shall gather themselves together against me, and slay me; and I shall be destroyed, I and my house.

31 And they said, Should he deal with our sister as with an harlot?[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1732.

1 Heb. *the mouth of the sword.*

a ch. xxxi. 19 34; xxxii. 7, 24.

a See vs. 2, 31.

b Exod. v. 21; 1 Chron. xix 6.

c See vs. 2, 13, 27.

2 That is, *The God of Beth-el*; but some copies read *Beth-el* only.

3 That is, *The oak of weeping*

CHAPTER XXXV.

1 *God sendeth Jacob to Beth-el.* 2 *He purgeth his house of idols.* 6 *He buildeth an altar at Beth-el.* 8 *Deborah dieth at Allon-bachuth.* 9 *God blesseth Jacob at Beth-el.* 16 *Rachel travaileth of Benjamin, and dieth in the way to Edar.* 22 *Reuben lieth with Bilhah.* 23 *The sons of Jacob.* 27 *Jacob cometh to Isaac at Hebron.* 28 *The age, death, and burial of Isaac.*

AND God said unto Jacob, Arise, go up to Beth-el, and dwell there: and make there an altar unto God, that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.[d]

2 Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that *were* with him, Put away the strange gods that *are* among you, and be clean, and change your garments:

3 And let us arise, and go up to Beth-el; and I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went.[e]

4 And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which *were* in their hand, and *all their* earrings which *were* in their ears; and Jacob hid them under the oak which *was* by Shechem.

5 And they journeyed: and the terror of God was upon the cities that *were* round about them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Jacob.[f]

6 ¶ So Jacob came to Luz, which *is* in the land of Canaan, that *is*, Beth-el, he and all the people that *were* with him.

7 And he built there an altar, and called the place [2]El-beth-el: because there God appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother.

8 But Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Beth-el under an oak: and the name of it was called [3]Allon-bachuth.



RACHEL'S TOMB.

9 ¶ And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram, and blessed him.

10 And God said unto him, Thy name *is* Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his name Israel.[g]

11 And God said unto him, I *am* God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins;

12 And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land.[h]

13 And God went up from him in the place where he talked with him.[i]

14 And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he talked with him, *even* a pillar of stone: and he poured a drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon.[j]

15 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him, Beth-el.

d ch. xxxi 3, 13, xxvii. 41—45

e ch. xviii. 33, Judg. vi. 21; xiii. 20

f Exod. xv 14, 16; Deut. xi. 25; Josh. ii. 9—11; v. 1.

g ch xxxii 28

h ch xvii. 1—9

i ch xxviii. 18, 19, 1 Sam. vii 12



ESAU AND HIS FAMILY DEPARTING

16 ¶ And they journeyed from Beth-el; and there was but [1]a little way to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour.[a]

17 And it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her, Fear not; thou shalt have this son also.

18 And it came to pass, as her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name [2]Ben-oni: but his father called him [3]Benjamin.

19 And Rachel died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which *is* Beth-lehem.

20 And Jacob set a pillar upon her grave: that *is* the pillar of Rachel's grave unto this day.[b]

21 ¶ And Israel journeyed, and spread his tent beyond the tower of Edar.

22 And it came to pass, when Israel dwelt in that land, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard *it*.[4] Now the sons of Jacob were twelve:

23 The sons of Leah; Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun:

24 The sons of Rachel; Joseph, and Benjamin:

25 And the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid; Dan, and Naphtali:

26 And the sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid; Gad, and Asher: these *are* the sons of Jacob,[5] which were born to him in Padan-aram.

27 ¶ And Jacob came unto Isaac his father unto Mamre, unto the city of Arbah, which *is* Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac sojourned.[c]

28 And the days of Isaac were an hundred and fourscore years.

BEFORE CHRIST 1732

1 Heb. *a little piece of ground.* See 2 Kings v. 19

a ch xlviii. 7.

d ch. xlix. 31

2 That is, *The son of my sorrow.* See 1 Chron. iv 9.

3 That is, *The son of the right hand,* or, *the son of days;* that is, of his old age.

b 1 Sam. x. 2

6 The true reading in this verse, and in verse 14, is, perhaps, "son," as in ver 20

4 There seems to be some omission here, which the Septuagint thus supplies.—"and it seemed evil in his sight."

5 Except Benjamin.

7 Heb *souls.*

e ch. xxviii. 4.

c ch. xviii. 1; xxiii. 18, 19

f ch. xiii. 6, 11; xvii. 8; xxviii 4

29 And Isaac gave up the ghost, and died, and was gathered unto his people, *being* old and full of days: and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.[d]

CHAPTER XXXVI.

1 *Esau's three wives.* 6 *His removing to mount Seir.* 9 *His sons* 15 *The dukes which descended of his sons.* 20 *The sons and dukes of Seir.* 24 *Anah findeth mules.* 31 *The kings of Edom* 40 *The dukes that descended of Esau*

NOW these *are* the generations of Esau, who *is* Edom.

2 Esau took his wives of the daughters of Canaan; Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the [6]daughter of Zibeon the Hivite;

3 And Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebajoth.

4 And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz; and Bashemath bare Reuel;

5 And Aholibamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these *are* the sons of Esau, which were born unto him in the land of Canaan.

6 And Esau took his wives, and his sons, and his daughters, and all the [7]persons of his house, and his cattle, and all his beasts, and all his substance, which he had got in the land of Canaan; and went into the country from the face of his brother Jacob.[e]

7 For their riches were more than that they might dwell together; and the land wherein they were strangers could not bear them because of their cattle.

8 Thus dwelt Esau in mount Seir: Esau *is* Edom.[a]

9 ¶ And these *are* the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in mount Seir:

10 These *are* the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz the son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the son of Bashemath the wife of Esau.[b]

11 And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz.[c]

12 And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to Eliphaz Amalek: these *were* the sons of Adah Esau's wife.[d]

13 And these *are* the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.[e]

14 ¶ And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.[f]

15 ¶ These *were* dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn *son* of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz,[g]

16 Duke Korah, duke Gatam, *and* duke Amalek: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these *were* the sons of Adah.[h]

17 ¶ And these *are* the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah, duke Mizzah: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Reuel in the land of Edom; these *are* the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.[i]

18 ¶ And these *are* the sons of Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush, duke Jaalam, duke Korah: these *were* the dukes *that came* of Aholibamah the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife.[j]

19 These *are* the sons of Esau, who *is* Edom, and these *are* their dukes.[k]

20 ¶ These *are* the sons of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah,[l]

21 And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these *are* the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom.

22 And the children of Lotan were Hori and [1]Hemam; and Lotan's sister *was* Timna.[m]

23 And the children of Shobal *were* these; [2]Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal, [3]Shepho, and Onam.

24 And these *are* the children of Zibeon; both Ajah, and Anah: this *was that* Anah that found the mules in the wilderness, as he fed the asses of Zibeon his father.[n]

25 And the children of Anah *were* these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah.[o]

26 And these *are* the children of Dishon; [4]Hemdan, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

27 The children of Ezer *are* these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and [5]Akan.

28 The children of Dishan *are* these; Uz, and Aran.

29 These *are* the dukes *that came* of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah,[p]

30 Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these *are* the dukes *that came* of Hori, among their dukes in the land of Seir.

31 ¶ And these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any king over the children of Israel.[q]

32 And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.

33 And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of [6]Bozrah reigned in his stead.[r]

34 And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead.[s]

35 And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Avith.

36 And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

37 And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth *by* the river reigned in his stead.[t]

38 And Saul died, and Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

39 And Baal-hanan the son of Achbor died, and [7]Hadar reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Pau; and his wife's name *was* Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.[u]

40 And these *are* the names of the [8]dukes *that came* of Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke Timnah, duke [9]Alvah, duke Jetheth,

41 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

42 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

43 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: these *be* the dukes of Edom, according to their habitations in the land of their possession: he *is* Esau the father of the Edomites.[v]

CHAPTER XXXVII.

2 *Joseph is hated of his brethren.* 5 *His two dreams* 13 *Jacob sendeth him to visit his brethren.* 18 *His brethren conspire his death.* 21 *Reuben saveth him.* 26 *They sell him to the Ishmeelites.* 31 *His father, deceived by the bloody coat, mourneth for him.* 36 *He is sold to Potiphar in Egypt.*



AND Jacob dwelt in the land wherein his [10]father was a stranger, in the land of Canaan.[w]

2 These *are* the generations of Jacob. Joseph, *being* seventeen years old, was feeding the flock with his brethren; and the lad *was* with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives: and Joseph brought unto his father their evil report.[x]

3 Now Israel loved Joseph more than all his children, because he *was* the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of [11]*many* colours.[y]

4 And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him.[z]

5 ¶ And Joseph dreamed a dream, and he told *it* his brethren: and they hated him yet the more.[a]

6 And he said unto them, Hear, I pray you, this dream which I have dreamed:

7 For, behold, we *were* binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1728.

a vs. 1, 20; xiv. 6; xxxii. 3; Deut. ii. 5; Josh. xxiv. 4; 1 Chron. i. 42.

q 1 Chron. i. 43—50.

b 1 Chron. i. 35, 36.

6 Bozrah was situated in Arabia Deserta, towards the eastern part of Edom It afterwards belonged to Moab, and was given by Moses to Reuben; but again reverted to Edom.

r Jer. xlix. 13, 20—22.

s See vs. 11, 15; Job ii. 11; Jer. xlix. 7.

c See vs. 15, 16.

d Exod. xvii. 8-16; Numb. xxiv. 20; Deut. xxv. 17, 19; 1 Sam. xv. 2, 3.

e See v. 17; 1 Chron. i. 37.

t 1 Chron. i. 48—50.

f See vs. 2, 5, 18.

g See v. 18; 1 Chron. i. 35; Job xxi. 7, 8; Ps. xxxvii. 35, 36; Jer. xlix. 7, 20; Ezek. xxv. 13.

7 *Hadad.* See 1 Chron. i. 50, 51.

u 1 Chron. i. 50—54.

8 That is, *the second aristocracy of dukes.*

h Exod. xv. 15.

9 Or, *Aliah* See 1 Chron. i 51.

i See vs. 4, 15; 1 Chron. i. 37.

v Exod. xv. 15; Deut. ii 5, 1 Chron. i. 50—54; iv. 14. See also vs. 7, 8, 15, 16, 19, 30, 31.

j See vs. 5, 14.

k See v 1

l vs. 1, 2, 22, 30; ch. xiv 6; Deut. xi. 12, 22, 1 Chron. i. 38—42

10 Heb. *of his father's sojournings.*

w ch. xvii. 8; xxiii 4, xxxvi. 7; Heb xi. 9—16.

1 *Homam.* See 1 Chron. i. 39.

m Lev. xiv 19; Deut. xi. 10.

2 *Alian.* See 1 Chron i. 40

3 *Shephi.* See 1 Chron i. 40.

x ch. xxx. 4, 9; xxxv. 22—26, 1 Sam. ii 22—24

n See vs. 2, 5, 14, 18, 21, 1 Chron i. 41.

o See vs. 21.

4 *Amram.* See 1 Chron. i. 41.

11 Many colours—that is, made of stripes of different - coloured cloth, corresponding to the toga worn by Roman youths. Such vestments as clothing of distinction, are worn all over Persia, India, and China to the present day.

y See vs 23, 32; ch. xliv. 20—30.

5 *Jakan.* See 1 Chron. i. 38, 42.

z See vs. 5, 11, 18—24; ch. xlix. 23; 1 John ii. 9—11; iii. 10, 12; iv. 20.

a See vs. 4—9; ch. xxviii. 12; xl. 5; xli. 1; xlii. 9; xlix. 23

p See vs 20, 28; 1 Chron. i. 38, 42.

b ch. xlii. 6—9; xliii. 26; xliv 6, 9, 14—19

8 And his brethren said to him, Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words.[a]

9 ¶ And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

10 And he told *it* to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What *is* this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1728.

a See v. 4.

3 Heb. *This master of dreams.*

g See vs. 4, 8, 11.

b ch. xliv 14, 19; xlv. 9; xlvi. 29

Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan.

18 And when they saw *him* afar off, even before he came near unto them, they conspired against him to slay him.

19 And they said one to another, Behold, this [3]dreamer cometh.

20 Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say, Some evil beast hath devoured him: and we shall see what will become of his dreams.[g]

21 And Reuben heard *it*, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said, Let us not kill him.



JOSEPH'S DREAM.

11 And his brethren envied him; but his father observed the saying.[c]

12 ¶ And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem.[d]

13 And Israel said unto Joseph, Do not thy brethren feed *the flock* in Shechem? come, and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him, Here *am I.*

14 And he said to him, Go, I pray thee, [1]see whether it be well with thy brethren, and well with the flocks; and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron, and he came to Shechem.[e]

15 ¶ And a certain man found him, and, behold, *he was* wandering in the field: and the man asked him, saying, What seekest thou?

16 And he said, I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray thee where they feed *their flocks.*[f]

17 And the man said, They are departed hence; for I heard them say, Let us go to [2]Dothan. And

c Luke ii. 19, 51

d See v. 1, ch. xxxviii. 18; xxxiv. 25—31.

h ch. xxxv. 22, xlix. 22

4 *Colours*, or, *pieces* See vs. 3, 31, 33, ch. xlii. 21.

i Ps. xxxv. 7; Jer. xxxviii. 15

1 Heb. *See the peace of thy brethren.*

j See vs. 20—22, Jer. xli. 1—10.

e ch. xxxv. 27.

5 Various gums, or oily resinous substances, which flow spontaneously, or by incision, from certain plants and trees.

f See vs. 4, 9—12.

2 Dothan was about twelve miles north of Samaria, and beyond Shechem.

22 And Reuben said unto them, Shed no blood, *but* cast him into this pit that *is* in the wilderness, and lay no hand upon him; that he might rid him out of their hands, to deliver him to his father again.[h]

23 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that they stript Joseph out of his coat, *his* coat of *many* [4]colours that *was* on him;[i]

24 And they took him, and cast him into a pit: and the pit *was* empty, *there was* no water in it.[j]

25 And they sat down to eat bread: and they lifted up their eyes and looked, and, behold, a company of Ishmeelites came from Gilead with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh,[5] going to carry *it* down to Egypt.

26 And Judah said unto his brethren, What profit *is it* if we slay our brother, and conceal his blood?

27 Come, and let us sell him to the Ishmeelites, and let not our hand be upon him; for he *is* our

brother *and* our flesh. And his brethren [1]were content.[a]

28 Then there passed by Midianites merchantmen; and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmeelites for twenty *pieces*[e] of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt.[b]

29 ¶ And Reuben returned unto the pit; and, behold, Joseph *was* not in the pit; and he rent his clothes.[c]

30 And he returned unto his brethren, and said, The child *is* not; and I, whither shall I go?[d]

31 And they took Joseph's coat, and killed a kid of the goats, and dipped the coat in the blood;

32 And they sent the coat of *many* colours, and they brought *it* to their father; and said, This have we found: know now whether it *be* thy son's coat or no.[e]

33 And he knew it, and said, *It is* my son's coat; an evil beast hath devoured him; Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces.[f]

34 And Jacob rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son many days.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1728

1 Heb *hearkened.*

a See vs. 3—14, ch. xliii. 23

e See v 3, ch. xliv. 20—23

f See v 20; ch. xliv 28, 1 Kings xiii. 24; 2 Kings ii. 29

b See vs 25, 27, 36, Ps cv 17

g See references v 29, Josh vii 6, 1 Chron xxi 16, Ezra ix 3-5



JOSEPH CAST INTO THE PIT.

c Judg xi 35, 2 Kgs xix 1

d v 20, ch xlii. 13, 32, 35; Jer xxxi 15

35 And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him; but he refused to be comforted and he said, For I will go down into the grave unto my son mourning Thus his father wept for him.

36 And the Midianites sold him into Egypt unto Potiphar, an [2]officer of Pharaoh's, *and* [3]captain of the guard.

h ch xxxi 43, xxxv 22—26, 2 Sam xii 17; Gen xlii 31; xliv 29-35, xliv 28

2 Heb *eunuch*, having the office of chamberlain, or courtier See Esther i 10

3 Heb *chief of the slaughtermen*, or, executioners; perhaps the chief m

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

1 Judah begetteth Er, Onan, and Shelah. 6 Er marrieth Tamar. 8 The trespass of Onan. 11 Tamar stayeth for Shelah. 18 She deceiveth Judah. 27 She beareth twins, Pharez and Zarah.

AND it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain [1]Adullamite, whose name *was* Hirah.

2 And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite, whose name *was* Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.[a]

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7 And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him.[f]

8 And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother.[g]

9 And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled *it* on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.[h]

10 And the thing which he did [2]displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also.

11 Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, Remain a widow at thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown: for he said, Lest peradventure he die also, as his brethren *did*. And Tamar went and dwelt in her father's house.[i]



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3 And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name Er.[b]

4 And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name Onan.[c]

5 And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.[d]

6 And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name *was* Tamar.[e]

12 ¶ And in [3]process of time the daughter of Shuah Judah's wife died; and Judah was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to [4]Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.[j]

13 And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold thy father in law goeth up to Timnath to shear his sheep.

14 And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with a vail, and wrapped herself,

1 Adullam was a city of Canaan, west of Hebron, and was afterwards given to the tribe of Judah

2 Heb *was evil in the eyes of the Lord.*

3 Heb *the days were multiplied*

4 It is not unlikely that Timnath stood on the border of Judah, between Jerusalem and Diospolis, and is mentioned in the history of Samson as belonging to the Philistines

a Josh xii. 15, xv 35, Judg xiv 1, 2, 3, 7, 8; xvi 1, 1 Chron ii 3; Prov ix. 1—6, 13—18.

b ch xlvi 12, Numb xxvi. 19

c ch. xlvi. 12; Numb xxvi. 19, 1 Chron. iv. 21.

d ch xlvi. 12; Numb xxvi 19, 1 Chron. iv 21.

e Matt i. 3.

f ch. xlvi. 12; Numb xxvi. 19; 1 Chron. ii. 3.

g Lev xviii. 16; Deut. xxv. 5—10; Ruth iv. 5—11; Mat 23—27.

h Job v 2; Prov xxvii. 4, James iii. 14—16

i Numb xi 1, xxii. 34, xxvi 19, 2 Sam xi 27, 1 Chron xxi

k Gen xlvi 12

j See v 1 ch xxiv 6 7, xxxi. 19, Josh. xv 10, 57, Judg xiv 1; 1 Sam xxv 4—7; 2 Sam xiii. 23, 24.

and sat in [1]an open place, which *is* by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.[a]

15 When Judah saw her, he thought her *to be* an harlot; because she had covered her face.

16 And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee; (for he knew not that she *was* his daughter in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me?[b]

17 And he said, I will send *thee* [2]a kid from the flock. And she said, Wilt thou give *me* a pledge, till thou send *it?*

18 And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, Thy [3]signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staff that *is* in thine hand. And he gave *it* her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.[c]

19 And she arose, and went away, and laid by her vail from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood.[d]

20 And Judah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive *his* pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not.[e]

21 Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where *is* the harlot, that *was* [4]openly by the way side? And they said, There was no harlot in this *place.*

22 And he returned to Judah, and said, I cannot find her; and also the men of the place said, *that* there was no harlot in this *place.*

23 And Judah said, Let her take *it* to her, lest we be [5]shamed: behold, I sent this kid, and thou hast not found her.[f]

24 ¶ And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying, Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the harlot; and also, behold, she *is* with child by whoredom. And Judah said, Bring her forth, and let her be burnt.[g]

25 When she *was* brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man, whose these *are, am* I with child: and she said, Discern, I pray thee, whose *are* these, the signet, and bracelets, and staff.[h]

26 And Judah acknowledged *them,* and said, She hath been more righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shelah my son.[i] And he knew her again no more.

27 ¶ And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins *were* in her womb.

28 And it came to pass, when she travailed, that *the one* put out *his* hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first.

29 And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his brother came out: and she said, [6]How hast thou broken forth? *this* breach *be* upon thee: therefore his name was called [7]Pharez.[j]

30 And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called [8]Zarah.[k]

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1 Heb *the door of eyes,* or, *Enaym.* It may be the place of two fountains, or the name of a city of Judah The Septuagint renders it Enam.

a See vs. 11—13, 26; Josh. xv 34, Prov vii. 12, Jer. iii. 2; Ezek. xvi. 25.

b Deut xxiii 18, 2 Sam. xiii 11, Ezek. xvi. 25—35, 1 Tim. vi. 10.

2 Heb *a kid of the goats.*

l See ch xxxviii. 25, 36, Ps. cv 17; Acts vii 9

3 A ring-seal, for marking property, sometimes worn on the finger, and sometimes suspended from the neck. The bracelet might have been for the arm or neck, perhaps a collar from which the ring-seal hung.

m Ps xxxvii 16; cxii 1-3, cxiii.5-8, Prov iii 5, 6, 7, 1 Tim iv 8

c See vs. 20, 24, 25, Prov. xx. 16; Jer xxii. 24; Ezek xvi. 33

n ch xxiv. 40, 1 Chron xxii. 11, 12, Josh. i. 8; 2 Chron xxvi. 5; Ps i. 3, xxxvii. 32—34

d See v. 14, 2 Sam. xiv. 2, 3, 5.

e See v 1, 2 Sam. xiii. 3

4 Or, *In Enaym.* See v. 14.

o Exod. xxxiii. 25; xxxii 29, Deut xiv 29, xv 10, xvi 15, xxviii 11—13, Ps. v 12, Prov x 6, 22, xi. 11, xxviii 20, Isa xix 24, Ezek xliv 30.

5 Heb *become a contempt*

f 2 Sam xii. 8—12, Prov vi. 32, 33.

p ch. xix. 32, 34, Lev. xviii. 20.

g ch xxxiv 31, Judg xix 2, Eccles vii 26, Jer ii. 20, iii. 1, 6—8, Ezek xvi. 15—41; Lev xx 10—12, Deut xxii 21, 2 Sam. xii 5, 6

q Lev xviii 20; 2 Sam xiii 11—13, *Matt. v. 28, Exod.* xx 20, Deut. xx 18, Neh xiii. 26, Ps lv. 4, Prov xiv 15.

h See v 18, Jer xxii. 24; Ezek xvi 33, 34.

i See vs 17, 18, 1 Sam. xxiv 17, 2 Sam xxiv. 17, Ezek. xvi. 52, John viii. 9.

r Isa. viii 13, Prov ii. 16—18, iv 14—18, v 3, 4, 5, 8—11, 20, 21; Job xxviii 28; Prov xvi. 6, 17

6 Or, *Wherefore hast thou made* this *breach against them?*

7 That is, *A breach.*

j ch. xlvi. 12, Numb xxvi. 2; 1 Chron ii. 4, ix. 4.

8 Or, *Zera,* or, *Zara*

k 1 Chron. ix. 6, Matt i 3

s Lev xix. 11, Ps. xl. 4; lviii. 3; lxiii. 11; cix. 2; Prov. xii. 5, 20; Rev xxi. 8.

CHAPTER XXXIX.

1 *Joseph advanced in Potiphar's house.* 7 *He resisteth his mistress's temptation.* 13 *He is falsely accused.* 20 *He is cast in prison.* 21 *God is with him there.*

AND Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither.[l]

2 And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian.[m]

3 And his master saw that the LORD *was* with him, and that the LORD made all that he did to prosper in his hand.[n]

4 And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all *that* he had he put into his hand.

5 And it came to pass from the time *that* he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field.[o]

6 And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was *a* goodly *person,* and well favoured.

7 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she said, Lie with me.[p]

8 But he refused, and said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what *is* with me in the house, and he hath committed all that he hath to my hand;

9 *There is* none greater in this house than I; neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because thou *art* his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?[q]

10 And it came to pass, as she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not unto her, to lie by her, *or* to be with her.

11 And it came to pass about this time, that *Joseph* went into the house to do his business; and *there was* none of the men of the house there within.

12 And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand, and fled, and got him out.[r]

13 And it came to pass, when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth,

14 That she called unto the men of her house, and spake unto them, saying, See, he hath brought in an Hebrew unto us to mock us; he came in unto me to lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice:

15 And it came to pass, when he heard that I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled, and got him out.[s]

16 And she laid up his garment by her, until his lord came home.

17 And she spake unto him according to these words, saying, The Hebrew servant, which thou hast brought unto us, came in unto me to mock me:

18 And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out.[a]

19 And it came to pass, when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me; that his wrath was kindled.

20 And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners *were* bound: and he was there in the prison.[b]

21 ¶ But the LORD was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

22 And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that *were* in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer *of it.*

23 The keeper of the prison looked not to any thing *that was* under his hand; because the LORD was with him, and *that* which he did, the LORD made *it* to prosper.[c]

CHAPTER XL.

1 *The butler and baker of Pharaoh in prison.* 4 *Joseph hath charge of them.* 5 *He interpreteth their dreams.* 20 *They come to pass according to his interpretation.* 23 *The ingratitude of the butler.*

AND it came to pass after these things, *that* the [1]butler of the king of Egypt and *his* baker had offended their lord the king of Egypt.[d]

2 And Pharaoh was wroth against two *of* his officers, against the chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers.[e]

3 And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard, into the prison, the place where Joseph *was* bound.[f]

4 And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them: and they continued a season in ward.[g]

5 ¶ And they dreamed a dream both of them, each man his dream in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, which *were* bound in the prison.[h]

6 And Joseph came in unto them in the morning, and looked upon them, and, behold, they *were* sad.

7 And he asked Pharaoh's officers that *were* with him in the ward of his lord's house, saying, Wherefore [2]look ye *so* sadly to day?

8 And they said unto him, We have dreamed a dream, and *there is* no interpreter of it. And Joseph said unto them, *Do* not interpretations *belong* to God? tell me *them*, I pray you.

9 And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him, In my dream, behold, a vine *was* before me;

BEFORE CHRIST 1719.

a Ps xxxvii. 12, 13, 32—34, cxx. 2—4; Jer. ix 3—5, Prov. xii. 19, 20; xix. 5—9; John viii. 44; Isa. xlviii. 15.

b Exod xxiii. 1, 7; Prov. xxv 2, xxix. 12, 26, 27; iii. 21—26, vi. 20—24.

c Job v 8, Ps xxxvii 5, Prov xvi 3, Ps cii. 6; xxxii 10, Isa. xxvi. 3; Ps. xxxiv 7

1 Heb *cup-bearer*, or, as there were more than one butler, and as one was placed over all the others, it may be, as the Greek renders it, the chief wine-pourer, and he who gave the cup into the king's hand

d Neh i. 11, ii. 1, v. 2

e 2 Chron xxvii 27, Prov xvi 14, xix 12, 19, xxvii 4

f ch xxxix. 20—23, Ps cv. 17—19.

g ch xxxix. 22, xlii. 19, 2 Kings xxii 26, 27; Jer xxxii 2, xxxiii. 1; xxxvii. 24

h ch xxxvii 5—10, xli. 1, 7, 11, Judg. vii. 15, Job xxxiii. 15—17

2 Heb. *are your faces evil?*

i ch. xli 8, 15, 16, Judg xviii. 24; 1 Sam. i. 8; 2 Sam. xiii 4; Neh. ii. 2; Job xxxiii. 15—17; Dan. ii. 1—3, 11, 28, 47; iv. 6, 10.



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10 And in the vine *were* three branches: and it *was* as though it budded, *and* her blossoms shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth ripe grapes:

11 And Pharaoh's cup *was* in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand.[a]

12 And Joseph said unto him, This *is* the interpretation of it: The three branches *are* three days:[c]

13 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh [1]lift up thine head, and restore thee unto thy place: and thou shalt deliver Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou wast his butler.[b]

14 But [2]think on me when it shall be well with thee, and shew kindness, I pray thee, unto me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house:

15 For indeed I was stolen away out of the land of the Hebrews: and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon.[c]

16 When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said unto Joseph, I also *was* in my dream, and, behold, *I had* three [3]white baskets on my head:

17 And in the uppermost basket *there was* of all manner of [4]bakemeats for Pharaoh; and the birds did eat them out of the basket upon my head.[d]

18 And Joseph answered and said, This *is* the interpretation thereof: The three baskets *are* three days:[e]

19 Yet within three days shall Pharaoh [5]lift up thy head from off thee, and shall hang thee on a tree; and the birds shall eat thy flesh from off thee.[f]

20 ¶ And it came to pass the third day, *which was* Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast unto all his servants:[g] and he [6]lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants.

21 And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand:[h]

22 But he hanged the chief baker: as Joseph had interpreted to them.[i]

23 Yet did not the chief butler remember Joseph, but forgat him.[j]

CHAPTER XLI.

1 *Pharaoh's two dreams.* 25 *Joseph interpreteth them.* 33 *He giveth Pharaoh counsel.* 38 *Joseph is advanced.* 50 *He begetteth Manasseh and Ephraim.* 54 *The famine beginneth.*

AND it came to pass at the end of [7]two full years, that Pharaoh dreamed: and, behold, he stood by [8]the river.

2 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven well favoured kine and fatfleshed; and they fed [9]in a meadow.[k]

3 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them out of the river, ill favoured and leanfleshed; and stood by the *other* kine upon the brink of the river.

4 And the ill favoured and leanfleshed kine did eat up the seven well favoured and fat kine.[l] So Pharaoh awoke

BEFORE CHRIST 1716.

a ch xxxvii. 5—10; Judg. vii 13—15; Dan. ii. 31, vii 8.

10 Heb. *fat.* See Deut. xxxii. 14.

11 In the East, nothing is more pernicious to corn and fruit than a hot and scorching wind from the east.

m Ezek. xvii. 10; xix. 12; Hos. xiii. 15.

1 Heb *reckon.* See vs. 19, 20.

b 2 Kings xxv 27—30, Jer. lii. 31—34; Dan iii. 47, 48.

2 Heb. *remember me with thee.*

n ch xl. 6; Dan. ii. 1—3, iv. 5, 10, v. 6; vii. 28; viii. 27; Exod. vii. 11, 22; Isa. xxix. 14; xliv. 25, 26, Dan. iv. 7.

o ch. xl. 1—3, 14, 23; xxxvii. 36; xxxix. 1, 20

c ch. xxxix. 8—12, 20; Josh. ii. 12, 13; 1 Sam. xx. 14, 15; xxiv 11, 12; xxv 31, 2 Sam ix. 1, 1 Kings ii. 7, Ps. lix. 3, 4; Dan. vi. 22; Acts xxiv 10—20

3 Or, *baskets full of holes*; from a word which means, to perforate.

4 Heb *meats of Pharaoh*, the work of a baker, or of a cook.

d See vs 1, 2, 12.

e See ver 12, ch xli. 26, Matt. xxvi. 26, that is, *represents* See also 1 Cor xi. 24.

5 Or, *reckon thee, and take thy office from thee.*

f See ch xli 13; Deut xxi. 22, 23, Josh viii. 29, x. 26; 1 Sam. xvii. 44—46, 2 Sam xxi. 6, 10, Prov xxx. 17, Ezek. xxxix. 4.

p ch xl. 12—19; Jer i. 10, Ezek xliii. 3

12 Heb *made him run* See Exod x. 10; Dan ii. 25

g ch xxi 8; Esther i. 3, Job iv 1.

6 Or, *reckoned.*

q 1 Sam. ii 7—9; Ps cv 19—22; cxiii. 7, 8, 2 Sam. xiv. 24, 2 Kings xxv 19; Esther iv 1—4; v 1; Jer lii. 32, 33

13 Or, *when thou hearest a dream, thou canst interpret it*

r See vs. 9, 13; Dan v 12—16.

h See vs. 8, 15; Neh ii. 1

s Numb. xii. 6; 2 Kings vi. 23, Dan ii. 18, 23, 25, 30, 47, iv. 2; 2 Cor. iii. 5

i See vs. 8, 19, ch xli. 11—13; Dan. ii. 19—23, 39; v 10—12.

j Job xix. 14; Ps. xxxi. 12—24.

t See vs. 1—7; Jer xxxiv. 1—3, 5, 8

7 Note. Two years of days, or two complete revolutions of the earth round her centre.

8 That is, *the Nile* See Exod. i. 22; iv. 9, Deut xi. 10; Isa. xix. 5, Ezek. xxix 3—9

u See vs 1—7

14 Heb *come to the utmost parts of them*

v Isa. ix. 20

9 Or, rather, *among the reeds, or sedges* In Job viii. 11, the same word is rendered "flag," and this was the name given by the Egyptians to every green thing that grew in the marshes.

k See vs. 17, 18

15 Or, *small.*

l See vs. 19, 21

w See vs. 5—7; 2 Kings xix. 26; Ps cxxix; 6, 7; Hos viii. 7, ix 16, xiii. 15; Exod viii 19, Dan. iv. 7; see ver. 8.

5 And he slept and dreamed the second time: and, behold, seven ears of corn came up upon one stalk, [10]rank and good.

6 And, behold, seven thin ears and blasted with [11]the east wind sprung up after them.

7 And the seven thin ears devoured the seven rank and full ears.[m] And Pharaoh awoke, and, behold, *it was* a dream.

8 And it came to pass in the morning that his spirit was troubled; and he sent and called for all the magicians of Egypt, and all the wise men thereof: and Pharaoh told them his dream; but *there was* none that could interpret them unto Pharaoh.[n]

9 ¶ Then spake the chief butler unto Pharaoh, saying, I do remember my faults this day:[o]

10 Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and put me in ward in the captain of the guard's house, *both* me and the chief baker:

11 And we dreamed a dream in one night, I and he; we dreamed each man according to the interpretation of his dream.

12 And *there was* there with us a young man, an Hebrew, servant to the captain of the guard; and we told him, and he interpreted to us our dreams; to each man according to his dream he did interpret.

13 And it came to pass, as he interpreted to us, so it was; me he restored unto mine office, and him he hanged.[p]

14 ¶ Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily [12]out of the dungeon: and he shaved *himself*, and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.[q]

15 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I have dreamed a dream, and *there is* none that can interpret it: and I have heard say of thee, *that* [13]thou canst understand a dream to interpret it.[r]

16 And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, *It is* not in me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace.[s]

17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon the bank of the river:

18 And, behold, there came up out of the river seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured; and they fed in a meadow:[t]

19 And, behold, seven other kine came up after them, poor and very ill favoured and leanfleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness:[u]

20 And the lean and the ill favoured kine did eat up the first seven fat kine.

21 And when they had [14]eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them; but they *were* still ill favoured, as at the beginning.[v] So I awoke.

22 And I saw in my dream, and, behold, seven ears came up in one stalk, full and good:

23 And, behold, seven ears, [15]withered, thin, *and* blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them:

24 And the thin ears devoured the seven good ears: and I told *this* unto the magicians; but *there was* none that could declare *it* to me.[w]

25 ¶ And Joseph said unto Pharaoh, The dream of Pharaoh *is* one: God hath shewed Pharaoh what he *is* about to do.[a]

26 The seven good kine [1]*are* seven years; and the seven good ears *are* seven years: the dream *is* one.

27 And the seven thin and ill favoured kine that

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[a] Exod. ix. 14, Josh. xi. 6, Isa. xli. 22, 29; xliii. 9; Dan. ii. 28, 29, 45, 47, Amos iii. 7

[1] That is, *signify* See vs. 2, 5, 24, 47, 53

[2] Heb *heavy.*

[d] 2 Sam. xxiv. 13; 1 Kings xvii. 1; 2 Kings viii. 1; Prov. xxxi. 17, Ps. cv. 16; 1 Sam. v. 6; Isa. xxiv. 20

famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine shall consume the land;

31 And the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine following; for it *shall be* very [2]grievous.[d]

32 And for that the dream was doubled unto



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came up after them *are* seven years; and the seven empty ears blasted with the east wind shall be seven years of famine.[b]

28 This *is* the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What God *is* about to do he sheweth unto Pharaoh.[c]

29 Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:

30 And there shall arise after them seven years of

[3] Or,

[e] Numb. xxiii. 19, Job xxxiii. 14, 15

[b] 2 Sam. xxiv. 13, 2 Kings viii. 1

[f] Exod. xviii. 19–22; Deut. i. 10; Dan. iv. 27.

[c] See on vs. 16, 25

[4] Or, *overseers*

Pharaoh twice; *it is* because the thing *is* [3]established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass.[e]

33 Now therefore let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt.[f]

34 Let Pharaoh do *this*, and let him appoint [4]officers over the land, and take up the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plenteous years.

35 And let them gather all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities.

36 And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the land [1]perish not through the famine.[e]

37 ¶ And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of all his servants.

38 And Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find *such a one* as this *is*, a man in whom the Spirit of God *is?*[g]

39 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, *there is* none so discreet and wise as thou *art:*

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e Exod. xi. 27.

5 That is, *a revealer of secrets, and therefore one to whom secrets are revealed.*

1 Heb. *be not cut off.*

6 Or, *prince.* See ch. xiv. 18.

f ch. xlvi. 20.

g ch. xlvii. 13—25; Exod. iv 13; Numb. xxxi. 14; 2 Chron. xxxiv. 12; Neh. xi. 9; Job v. 20; Ps. xxxiii. 19; Prov. vi. 6-8.

g ch. xxxvii. 2; 1 Sam xvi. 21, 1 Kings xii. 6, 8; Prov. xxii. 29; Dan. i. 19.

h Numb. xxvii. 18; Josh. xxii. 30; 2 Sam. iii. 36, Job xxxii 8, Ps. cv. 19; Prov x. 26, xxv. 11; Dan. iv. 6, 8, 18.

h ch xxvi. 12

40 Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people [2]be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou.[c]

41 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt.

42 And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of [3]fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck;

43 And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried before him, [4]Bow the knee: and he made him *ruler* over all the land of Egypt.[d]

2 Heb. *At thy word shall all my people kiss*, that is, at his word, or command, they should kiss the hand, in token of subjection.

c See vs. 16, 25, 28, 33; ch. xlv 8, 9, 26, 1 Sam. x. 1; Job xxxi. 27, Ps. cv. 21, 22; Prov. xxii.29.

i See vs. 34—36; ch. xlvii. 21.

j ch. xxii. 17; Judg vi. 5, vii. 12; 1 Sam. xiii. 5; Ps. lxxviii. 27, Jer xxxiii. 22; Amos ix. 13; Lev. xxvi 5

3 Or, *silk*

7 Or, *prince.*

k ch xlvi. 20; xlviii. 5

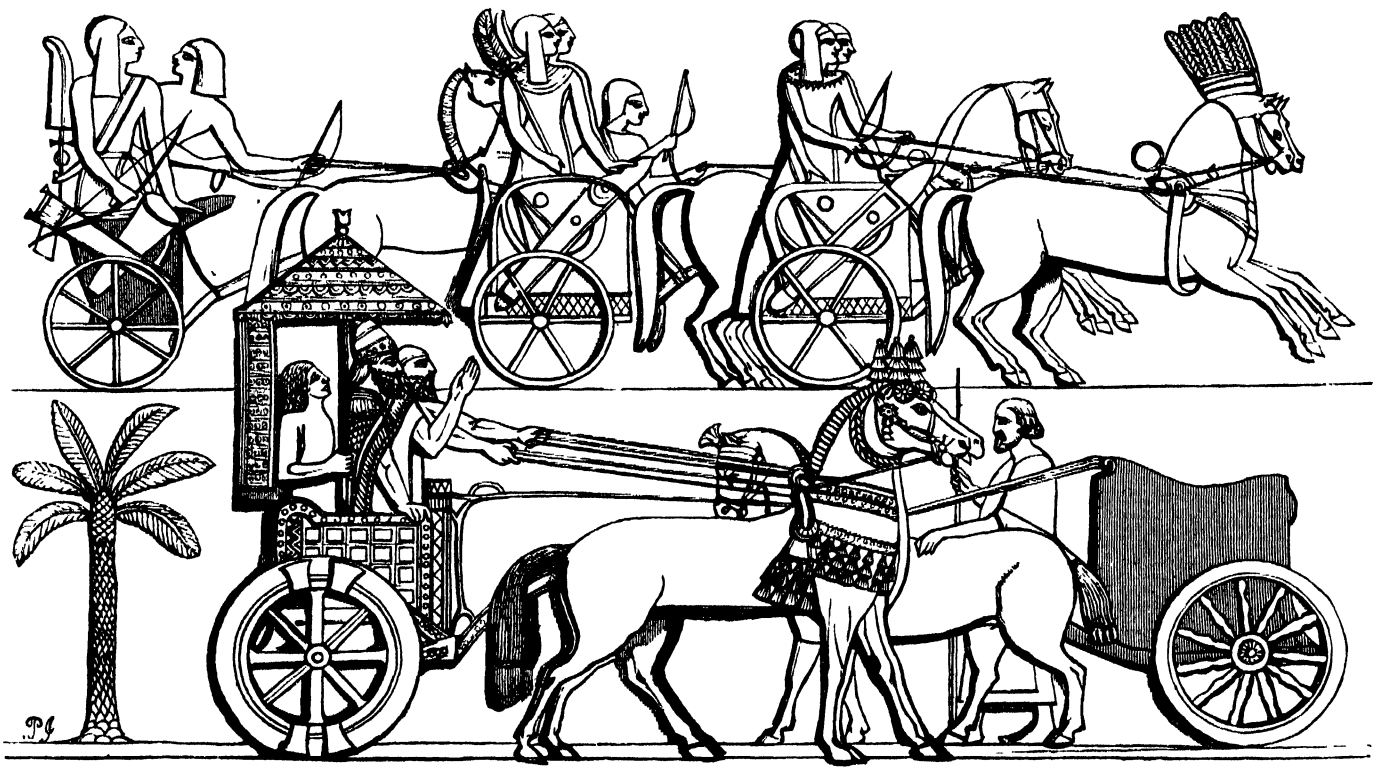
44 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, I *am* Pharaoh, and without thee shall no man lift up his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.[e]

45 And Pharaoh called Joseph's name [5]Zaphnath-paaneah; and he gave him to wife Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah [6]priest of On.[f] And Joseph went out over *all* the land of Egypt.

46 ¶ And Joseph *was* thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt.[g]

47 And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls.[h]

48 And he gathered up all the food of the seven years, which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up



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the food in the cities: the food of the field, which *was* round about every city, laid he up in the same.[i]

49 And Joseph gathered corn as the sand of the sea, very much, until he left numbering; for *it was* without number.[j]

50 And unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah [7]priest of On bare unto him.[k]

51 And Joseph called the name of the firstborn [8]Manasseh: For God, *said he*, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house.[l]

4 Or, *father of the king* See ch. xlv. 8.

d Esther iii. 10, 12, vi. 7—12; viii. 2, 8, 10, 15; x. 3· Prov. xvii. 2; xxii. 29; Ezek. xvi. 10, 11.

5 That is, *forgetting.* See Ps. xlv. 10; Isa. lvii. 16.

l Deut. xxxiii. 17; Ps. xxx. 11; xlv. 10; Job ix. 23, 28; xi. 16; Prov. xxxi. 7; Isa. liv. 4; lxv. 16

52 And the name of the second called he Ephraim: For God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction.[a]

53 ¶ And the seven years of plenteousness, that was in the land of Egypt, were ended.[b]

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1 That is, *fruitful.*
a ch. xlviii. 10—19; xlix. 22; Isa. xlix. 1, 2, Ps. ciii. 1—5
d 2 Kings vi. 25—29, Jer. xiv. 1—6, Lam. iv. 3—10; Ps cv 20—22

b ch. xli. 47—49; xlii. 1, 2.

54 And the seven years of dearth began to come, according as Joseph had said: and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.[c]

55 And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread: and Pharaoh said unto all the Egyptians, Go unto Joseph; what he saith to you, do.[d]

56 And the famine was over all the face of the earth: And Joseph opened [2]all the storehouses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt.[e]

2 Heb *all wherein was.*



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e Ps cv 16, 17, Gen xlii 1, 5, 6; xlvii. 14, 24, l. 20.
c See vs. 29, 30; ch. xlii. 2, 5, 6; xliii. 1; xlv. 11; xlvii. 13.

57 And all countries came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy *corn;* because that the famine was *so* sore in all lands.[f]

f vs 54—56; Deut. ix. 28.

CHAPTER XLII.

1 *Jacob sendeth his ten sons to buy corn in Egypt.* 16 *They are imprisoned by Joseph for spies.* 18 *They are set at liberty, on condition to bring Benjamin.* 21 *They have remorse for Joseph.* 24 *Simeon is kept for a pledge.* 25 *They return with corn, and their money.* 29 *Their relation to Jacob.* 36 *Jacob refuseth to send Benjamin*

NOW when Jacob [1]saw that there was corn in Egypt, Jacob said unto his sons, why do ye look one upon another?[a]

2 And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Egypt: get you down thither, and buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die.[b]

3 ¶ And Joseph's ten brethren went down to buy corn in Egypt.

4 But Benjamin, Joseph's brother, Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said, Lest peradventure mischief befall him.[c]

5 And the sons of Israel came to buy *corn* among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Canaan.[d]

6 And Joseph *was* [2]the governor over the land, *and* he *it was* that sold to all the people of the land: and Joseph's brethren came, and bowed down themselves before him *with* their faces to the earth.[e]

7 And Joseph saw his brethren, and he knew them, but made himself strange unto them, and spake [3]roughly unto them; and he said unto them, Whence come ye? And they said, From the land of Canaan to buy food.

8 And Joseph knew his brethren, but they knew not him.

9 And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said unto them, Ye *are* spies; to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.[f]

10 And they said unto him, Nay, my lord, but to buy food are thy servants come.[g]

11 We *are* all [4]one man's sons; we *are* true *men*, thy servants are no spies.

12 And he said unto them, Nay, but to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.

13 And they said, Thy servants *are* twelve brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan; and, behold, the youngest *is* this day with our father, and one *is* not.[h]

14 And Joseph said unto them, That *is it* that I spake unto you, saying, Ye *are* spies:

15 Hereby ye shall be proved: By the life of Pharaoh ye shall not go forth hence, except your youngest brother come hither.[i]

16 Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be [5]kept in prison, that your words may be proved, whether *there be any* truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh surely ye *are* spies.[j]

17 And he [6]put them all together into ward three days.

18 And Joseph said unto them the third day, This do, and live; *for* I fear God:

19 If ye *be* true *men*, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: go ye, carry corn for the famine of your houses:[k]

20 But bring your youngest brother unto me; so shall your words be verified, and ye shall not die. And they did so.[l]

21 ¶ And they said one to another, We *are* verily guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought us, and we would not hear; [7]therefore is this distress come upon us.[m]

22 And Reuben answered them, saying, Spake I not unto you, saying, Do not sin against the child; and ye would not hear? therefore, behold, also his blood is required.[n]

23 And they knew not that Joseph understood *them;* for he spake unto them by [7]an interpreter.

24 And he turned himself about from them, and wept; and returned to them again, and communed with them, and took from them Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.

25 ¶ Then Joseph commanded to fill their sacks with corn, and to restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provision for the way: and thus did he unto them.[p]

26 And they laded their asses with the corn, and departed thence.

27 And as one of them opened his sack to give his ass provender in the inn, he espied his money; for, behold, it *was* in his sack's mouth.

28 And he said unto his brethren, My money is restored; and, lo, *it is* even in my sack: and their heart [8]failed *them*, and they were afraid, saying one to another, What *is* this *that* God hath done unto us?

29 ¶ And they came unto Jacob their father unto the land of Canaan, and told him all that befell unto them; saying,

30 The man, *who is* the lord of the land, spake [9]roughly to us, and took us for spies of the country.

31 And we said unto him, We *are* true *men;* we are no spies:

32 We *be* twelve brethren, sons of our father, one *is* not, and the youngest *is* this day with our father in the land of Canaan.[r]

33 And the man, the lord of the country, said unto us, Hereby shall I know that ye *are* true *men;* leave one of your brethren *here* with me, and take *food for* the famine of your households, and be gone:

34 And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that ye *are* no spies, but *that* ye *are* true *men:* so will I deliver you your brother, and ye shall traffick in the land.[s]

35 ¶ And it came to pass as they emptied their sacks, that, behold, every man's bundle of money *was* in his sack: and when *both* they and their father saw the bundles of money, they were afraid.[t]

36 And Jacob their father said unto them, Me have ye bereaved *of my children:* Joseph *is* not, and Simeon *is* not, and ye will take Benjamin *away:* [10]all these things are against me.[u]

37 And Reuben spake unto his father, saying, Slay my two sons, if I bring him not to thee: deliver him into my hand, and I will bring him to thee again.[v]

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k Isa. xxiv. 22; Lev. xxiv. 12, xxv. 43; Neh v. 9—12; Jer. xxxvii. 15; Gen. xli. 56, xlii. 1, 2, xliii. 1, 2, 5, 19; xliv. 23; xlv 23

l ch xxxv 18, xlii 4. 10. 13, 16.

1 Note. In Hebrew, one sense is often put for another Jacob saw, that is, heard that there was plenty in Egypt.

m ch xli. 9; Numb. xxxii. 23, 2 Sam. xii. 13; 1 Kings xvii 18; Job xxxiii. 27, 28; xxxiv 31, 32; xxxvi. 8, 9; Hos. v 15; Gen. xxxvii 23-28; Judg. i. 7; Prov xxi. 13; xxiv 11, 12; xxviii. 17; Jer li. 17—19; lv 18; xxxiv. 17; James ii. 13; Prov. i. 27, 28.

a ch xli. 30—57; Josh vii. 10, Ezra x. 4; Jer. viii. 14.

n ch. xxxvii. 20—22, 29, 30; 1 Chron. xxiv 22; Ps. ix. 12; Ezek. iii. 18.

b ch. xliii 2—4; xlv 9; Ps. xxxii. 14, cxviii. 7, 1 John iii. 17.

7 Heb *an interpreter was between them*, referring to the custom of kings speaking to those present through the medium of some official.

o ch xliii. 30, 1 Cor. xii. 26; Gen xlix. 5—7.

c ch xxxv 16—19; xliii. 14, 29, xliv 20-22, 27-31

d ch. xli. 57

p ch. xliv 1, 2; xlv 21; Matt. v 44; vi 25—34; Rom xii 17—21; 1 Pet iii 9

2 That is, *protector*, or, *ruler*

e ch xli 40, 45; xliv. 14; xlv 8, 26 Ps cv. 16—21, Acts vii. 10.

3 Heb. *hard things with them*

8 Heb *went forth;* just as we say, our heart leaped to our mouth.

q ch xliii. 21, xliv 11, Lev xxvi 36, Deut xxviii. 65, 1 Kings x. 5, Isa xlv 7, Lam ii 17, lii. 37; Amos iii 6

f ch xxxvii 5—9, Numb xiii. 2, 16—20, Josh ii 1; vi. 23; Judg i 24, 1 Sam. xxvi. 4, Heb xi 31

9 Heb *with us hard things.* See vs 7-20

g See vs. 1, 2

4 Note. We do not belong to different tribes, and therefore no hostile attempt can be looked for from a single family

r See vs. 13, 15, 16, 19, 20.

h Exod. i. 2—6

s vs. 27, 28, ch xxxiv 10—21, 1 Kings x 15; Ezek xvii 4

i See vs 8—12, Job xiii 24; xix. 11, 1 Sam i 26; xvii. 55, xx 3, Jer v. 2—7; Gen. xlii 3, xliv 20—31.

5 Heb. *bound.*

t vs. 27, 28, ch. xliii. 21.

j See vs. 7, 12, 30.

6 Heb. *gathered.*

10 Literally, *upon me are all these things;* that is, they are more than I can bear.

u ch xxxvii. 20—25, xliii. 13; 1 Sam. xxvii. 1; Job vii 7; Ps xxxiv. 19, Eccl vii 8; Isa. xxxviii. 10

v ch xliii 9 xlv 9, 21—24; Micah vi. 7.



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GEN XLIII



SIMEON BOUND.

38 And he said, My son shall not go down with you; for his brother is dead, and he is left alone: if mischief befall him by the way in the which ye go, then shall ye bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.[a]

CHAPTER XLIII.

1 *Jacob is hardly persuaded to send Benjamin.* 15 *Joseph entertaineth his brethren.* 31 *He maketh them a feast*

AND the famine *was* sore in the land.[b]

2 And it came to pass, when they had eaten up the corn which they had brought out of Egypt, their father said unto them, Go again, buy us a little food.[c]

3 And Judah spake unto him, saying, The man did [1]solemnly protest unto us, saying, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother *be* with you.[d]

4 If thou wilt send our brother with us, we will go down and buy thee food:

5 But if thou wilt not send *him*, we will not go down: for the man said unto us, Ye shall not see my face, except your brother *be* with you.[e]

6 And Israel said, Wherefore dealt ye *so* ill with me, *as* to tell the man whether ye had yet a brother?

7 And they said, The man [2]asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saying, *Is* your father yet alive? have ye *another* brother? and we told him according to the [3]tenor of these words: could we [4]certainly know that he would say, Bring your brother down?

8 And Judah said unto Israel his father, Send the lad with me, and we will arise and go; that we may live, and not die, both we, and thou, *and* also our little ones.[f]

9 I will be surety for him; of my hand shalt thou require him: if I bring him not unto thee, and set him before thee, then let me bear the blame for ever:[g]

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d ch xlii 15—20 33, 34, xliv 23, 2 Sam iii 13, xiv 24, 28, 32

a ch xxxvii 33—35, xliv 20, 27—34, 1 Kings ii 6, Ps lxxi 18 Isa xxxviii 10 11

e ch xlii 38, xliv 26

2 Heb *asking, asked us*

b ch xli 54—57, xlii 5, Eccles ix 1, 2, Lam v 10, Acts vii 10—13

3 Heb *mouth.*

4 Heb *knowing, could we know.*

f ch xlii 1, 2, Deut. xxxiii 6, 2 Kings vii 4, 13, ch xlv 19, 1 8, 21, Numb xiv 31, Ezra viii 21

c ch xliii 1, 2; Prov. xv 16, 1 Tim v 8, vi 6—8

1 Heb. *protesting, did protest.* Acts vii 34

g ch. xlii 37, xliv 32, 33 1 Kings i 21, Job xvii 3; Phil 18 19.

10 For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this [1]second time.[a]

11 And their father Israel said unto them, If *it must be* so now, do this; take of the best fruits in the land in your vessels, and carry down the man a present, [a] a little balm, and a little honey, spices, and myrrh, nuts, and almonds:[b]

12 And take double money in your hand; and the money that was brought again in the mouth of your sacks, carry *it* again in your hand; peradventure it *was* an oversight:

13 Take also your brother, and arise, go again unto the man:

14 And God Almighty give you mercy before the man, that he may send away your other brother, and Benjamin. [2]If I be bereaved *of my children*, I am bereaved.[c]

15 ¶ And the men took that present, and they took double money in their hand, and Benjamin; and rose up, and went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph.

16 And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them, he said to the ruler of his house, Bring *these* men home, and [3]slay, and make ready; for *these* men shall [4]dine with me at noon.[d]

17 And the man did as Joseph bade; and the man brought the men into Joseph's house.

18 And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's house; and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought in; that he may [5]seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our asses.[e]

19 And they came near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they communed with him at the door of the house,

20 And said, O sir, we [6]came indeed down at the first time to buy food:

21 And it came to pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, *every* man's money *was* in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight: and we have brought it again in our hand.[f]

22 And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks.

23 And he said, Peace *be* to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks: I had [7]your money.[g] And he brought Simeon out unto them.

24 And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave *them* water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.[h]

25 And they made ready the present against Joseph came at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there.[i]

26 ¶ And when Joseph came home, they brought him the present which *was* in their hand into the house, and bowed themselves to him to the earth.[j]

27 And he asked them of *their* [8]welfare, and said, [9]*Is* your father well, the old man of whom ye spake? *Is* he yet alive?[k]

28 And they answered, Thy servant our father *is* in good health, he *is* yet alive. And they bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.[l]

29 And he lifted up his eyes, and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, *Is* this your younger brother, of whom ye spake unto me? And he said, God be gracious unto thee, my son.[m]

30 And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his brother: and he sought *where* to weep; and he entered into *his* chamber, and wept there.

31 And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and said, Set on bread.[n]

32 And they set on for him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians, which did eat with him, by themselves: because the Egyptians might not eat bread with the Hebrews; for that *is* an abomination unto the Egyptians.[o]

33 And they sat before him, the firstborn according to his birthright, and the youngest according to his youth: and the men marvelled one at another.

34 And he took *and sent* messes unto them from before him: but Benjamin's mess was five times so much as any of their's. And they [10]drank, and were merry with him.[p]

CHAPTER XLIV.

1 *Joseph's policy to stay his brethren.* 14 *Judah's humble supplication to Joseph.*

AND he commanded [11]the steward of his house, saying, Fill the men's sacks *with* food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth.[q]

2 And put my cup, the silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest, and his corn money.[r] And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.

3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they and their asses.

4 *And* when they were gone out of the city, *and* not *yet* far off, Joseph said unto his steward, Up, follow after the men; and when thou dost overtake them, say unto them, Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for good?

5 *Is* not this *it* in which my lord drinketh, and whereby indeed he [12]divineth? ye have done evil in so doing.[s]

6 ¶ And he overtook them, and he spake unto them these same words.

7 And they said unto him, Wherefore saith my lord these words? God forbid that thy servants should do according to this thing:

8 Behold, the money, which we found in our sacks' mouths, we brought again unto thee out of the land of Canaan: how then should we steal out of thy lord's house silver or gold?

9 With whomsoever of thy servants it be found, both let him die, and we also will be my lord's bondmen.[t]

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1 Or, *twice by this.*

a ch. xlx. 19.
f See v. 26; ch. xxxvii. 7 — 10; Exod. xviii. 7; 2 Sam. i. 2; xiv. 4; 1 Kings i. 16.
m ch. xxx. 22 — 24; xxxv. 17, 18; xlii. 11 — 14; Numb. vi. 25, Isa. xxxiii. 2.

b See v. 14; ch. xxxiii. 10; xxxvii. 25; Esther iv. 16; Deut. xxiii. 14; 1 Sam. ix. 17; xxv. 27; 1 Kings iv. 21; x. 25; xv. 19, 2 Kings viii. 8; xx. 12; Prov. xviii. 16; xxi. 14; Jer. viii. 22; Ezek. xxvii. 15—17; Lev. xx. 24, 1 Kings x. 15; 2 Chron. xxxii. 27; Cant. iv. 10, 14—16; v. 1—8, 14.
n See vs. 16, 25; ch xlii. 24; Hos. xi. 8; Phil. i 8; Gen. xiv. 1, Jer. xxxi. 16; Gen xxxi 54.

2 Or, *And I as I have been bereaved, &c*

c ch xlii. 25, 35, 38, Rom. xii 17, xiii 8; 2 Cor viii 21; 1 Thess. iv 6, v 21; Heb xiii. 18, ch xvii 1; xxii 14, Neh. i 11; Ps. xxxvii. 5, 7; Prov xvi 7; xxi. 1; Acts vii. 10.
o See v 16; ch. xliv 34, Exod. viii. 26

10 Heb *drank largely*

3 Heb *kill a killing;* that is, let preparations be made for a great feast, or entertainment. Prov ix. 2.

4 Heb *eat.*
p 2 Sam xi. 8, Judg xix 6, 9, 22, Ruth iii 7, 2 Chron. vii. 10, Prov xv 12, 13, 15; Eccles. x. 19.

d ch xxxix. 4, 5

11 Heb him *that* was *over his house.* ch xliii 16, 19

5 Heb *roll himself upon us.* When a man, in wrestling, has overthrown his antagonist, he rolls upon him, in order to keep him down

e ch xlii 21, 23, 35; Judg xiii 22; xiv 4; Job xv 21, xxx. 14; Ps liii 5
q ch xlii 25, xliii 2, Isa. iii 1, Deut viii 2, 16, Gen xiv. 15

6 Heb *coming down, we came down*
r ch xliii 15

f v 12, ch xlii 3, 10, 27, 35

7 Heb *your money came to me*

g Judg vi 23, xix 20, 1 Sam xxv 6, 1 Chron xii 18, Ezra iv 17, Gen xlii. 24, 36

12 Or, *maketh trial* See v. 15, Lev xix 26, 1 Kings xx 33, 2 Kings xvi 6
s 1 Sam xxiv 17, 2 Chron xx 11, Ps xxxv 12, cix 5, Prov xvii 13

h ch xviii 4, xxiv 32, 2 Sam xi 8, Judg xix 21

i See on v 16

j vs. 10, 11, ch xxxvii 5—10, xlii 6

8 Heb *peace*

9 Heb. Is there *peace to your father?*

k ch xlii. 11, 13, 32
t ch xxxvii 18—32, Josh xxii 22—29, 2 Sam xx 20, 2 Kings viii 13, Prov xxii 1, Eccles vii 1, Gen xlii 12, 21, 22; Exod xx 15, Deut. v 19, Matt. xix 18; Rom xiii 9; James ii. 10, 11; Job xxxi. 38—40; Ps. vii 3—5, Acts xxv 11, Gen xlii. 18

10 And he said, Now also *let* it *be* according unto your words: he with whom it is found shall be my servant; and ye shall be blameless.[a]

11 Then they speedily took down every man his sack to the ground, and opened every man his sack.

12 And he searched, *and* began at the eldest, and left at the youngest: and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack.

13 Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.[b]

14 ¶ And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house; for he *was* yet there: and they fell before him on the ground.[c]

15 And Joseph said unto them, What deed *is* this

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[a] Exod. xxii. 3; Matt. xviii. 24, 25

[g] 2 Sam. xiv. 12; Exod. xxxii. 22; Esther i. 12; Prov. xix. 12; Dan. iii. 15, 19—23; v. 19; Gen. xli. 40, 44; xliii. 36—38.

[h] ch. xlii. 15, 20, 38; lxiii. 29, Jer. xxiv. 6.

[b] See vs 26—32; ch. xlii. 26—38, xliii. 33, 34; Numb xiv 6; 2 Sam. 1, 2, 11, xiii. 19.

[c] ch. xliii. 16, 25; xxxvii. 7—9; l. 18.

an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loveth him.[f]

21 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Bring him down unto me, that I may set mine eyes upon him.

22 And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot leave his father: for *if* he should leave his father, *his father* would die.[h]

23 And thou saidst unto thy servants, Except your youngest brother come down with you, ye shall see my face no more.

24 And it came to pass when we came up unto thy servant my father, we told him the words of my lord.



PUTTING THE CUP IN BENJAMIN'S SACK.

that ye have done? wot ye not that such a man as I can certainly divine?[d]

16 And Judah said, What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how shall we clear ourselves? God hath found out the iniquity of thy servants: behold, we *are* my lord's servants, both we and *he* also with whom the cup is found.[e]

17 And he said, God forbid that I should do so: *but* the man in whose hand the cup is found, he shall be my servant; and as for you, get you up in peace to your father.[i]

18 ¶ Then Judah came near unto him, and said, Oh my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou *art* even as Pharaoh.

19 My lord asked his servants, saying, Have ye a father, or a brother?

20 And we said unto my lord, We have a father,

[d] See on vs 4, 5

[i] ch xlii 15—20, 29—34, xliii. 2—5

[e] ch. xliii. 8, 9, Ezra ix. 10, 15, Prov xvii. 15, Dan ix. 7, Gen xxxvii. 18—28, xlii 21, 22; Numb xxxii 23, Josh. vii. 1—18, Judg i 7; Prov. xxvii 17; Matt. vii. 2; Isa. xxvii. 9

[f] ch. xlii. 18, 2 Sam xxiii. 3; Ps lxxv. 2; Prov. xvii. 15

[j] ch. xxxv. 16—18; xxxvii. 13, 14, 33; xlii. 36—38; xliii. 14; xlvi. 19; Ps. lxxxviii. 3, 4

25 And our father said, Go again, *and* buy us a little food.

26 And we said, We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us, then will we go down: for we may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother *be* with us.[j]

27 And thy servant my father said unto us, Ye know that my wife bare me two *sons:*

28 And the one went out from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces; and I saw him not since:

29 And if ye take this also from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave.[j]

30 Now therefore when I come to thy servant my father, and the lad *be* not with us; seeing that his life is bound up in the lad's life,

31 It shall come to pass, when he seeth that the lad *is* not *with us*, that he will die: and thy servants shall



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bring down the gray hairs of thy servant our father with sorrow to the grave.[c]

32 For thy servant became surety for the lad unto my father, saying, If I bring him not unto thee, then I shall bear the blame to my father for ever.[b]

33 Now therefore, I pray thee, let thy servant abide instead of the lad a bondman to my lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.

34 For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad *be* not with me? lest peradventure I see the evil that [1]shall come on my father.[c]

CHAPTER XLV.

1 *Joseph maketh himself known to his brethren.* 5 *He comforteth them in God's providence.* 9 *He sendeth for his father.* 16 *Pharaoh confirmeth it.* 21 *Joseph furnisheth them for their journey, and exhorteth them to concord.* 25 *Jacob is revived with the news.*

THEN Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his brethren.[d]

2 And he [2]wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.[e]

3 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I *am* Joseph; doth my father yet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were [3]troubled at his presence.[f]

4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I *am* Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt.[g]

5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor [4]angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life.

6 For these two years *hath* the famine *been* in the land: and yet *there are* five years, in the which *there shall* neither *be* earing nor harvest.

7 And God sent me before you [5]to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.[h]

8 So now *it was* not you *that* sent me hither, but God: and he hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.[i]

9 Haste ye, and go up to my father, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, God hath made me lord of all Egypt: come down unto me, tarry not:

10 And thou shalt dwell in the land of Goshen, and thou shalt be near unto me, thou, and thy children, and thy children's children, and thy flocks, and thy herds, and all that thou hast:

11 And there will I nourish thee; for yet *there are* five years of famine; lest thou, and thy household, and all that thou hast, come to poverty.[j]

12 And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that *it is* my mouth that speaketh unto you.

BEFORE CHRIST 1707.

a See vs. 17, 31, 34; 1 Sam. xviii. 1; xxii. 22; xxv 29; 2 Sam. xviii. 33; Gen xxxvii. 26, 27, 35; xlii. 36—38

b ch. xliii. 8—10

c ch. xlii. 23 — 25; Acts vii. 14; Gen xxxiii. 4; Exod. iv 27; Ruth i. 9, 14; 1 Sam. x. 11; xx. 41; 2 Sam. xiv. 33.

1 Heb. *find my father.*

d Exod. xxxii. 31, 32; Rom. ix. 3; 1 Chron. xxxiv. 27, 28; Esth. viii. 6.

6 Heb. *was good in the eyes of Pharaoh.*

e 2 Sam. iii. 36; 2 Chron xxx. 4; Esth. i. 21, ii. 4.

m ch. xlii. 25, 26; xliv. 2, xlvii. 6, Deut. xxxii 14, Ps lxxxi. 4, cxlvii 14.

7 Heb *let not your eyes spare.*

n Isa. xlix. 1, 23, Gen xlvi 5, Ezra ix 12, Isa. i. 19, Ps. xxxvii 2—5

8 Heb *mouth.*

d ch. xliii. 30, 31, Jer xx 9

2 Heb. *gave forth his voice in weeping*

e Numb xiv 1, Ruth i 9; 2 Kings xx. 3

3 Heb. *terrified.*

f Acts vii. 15, Job iv 5

g ch xxxvii 28, 1 18, Acts vii. 15

4 Heb *neither let there be anger in your eyes*

5 Heb *to put for you a remnant*

h 2 Chron iii 7; Gen. xlvii. 25, l. 20, 2 Sam. xii. 12; xvi. 10—12; xvii. 14; Ps cv 16, 17; Acts vii. 9, 10, Gen xii. 29—31, 54, 56; xlvii. 18, 25, Exod xxxiv 21, Deut. xvi. 4, 1 Sam viii. 12, Isa. xxx 24; Judg xv 18, 1 Chron. xi 14, Ps. xliv. 6; Acts vii. 35

i See vs. 5, 26—28, ch. xli 39—48; Judg. xvii. 10; Job xxix. 16, Ps. cv. 21, 22.

o ch. xlvi. 5; Judg. xiv. 12, 19; 2 Kings v. 5, 22, 29

9 Heb. *carrying*

p Ps. cxxxiii.; John xiii. 32, 33; Eph iv 31, 32; 1 Thess. v 15.

j See vs. 13, 19, 20; ch. xlvi. 29—34; xlvii. 1—6, 12

q See vs. 8, 9, Ps cv 21, Gen xliv 28; Ps cxxvi. 1—4

13 And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye shall haste and bring down my father hither.

14 And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and wept; and Benjamin wept upon his neck.[k]

15 Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him.

16 ¶ And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's brethren are come: and it [6]pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.[l]

17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan;

18 And take your father and your households, and come unto me: and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall eat the fat of the land.[m]

19 Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

20 Also [7]regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt *is* your's.[n]

21 And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, according to the [8]commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.



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22 To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave three hundred *pieces* of silver, and five changes of raiment.[o]

23 And to his father he sent after this *manner;* ten asses [9]laden with the good things of Egypt, and ten she asses laden with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way.

24 So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said unto them, See that ye fall not out by the way.[p]

25 ¶ And they went up out of Egypt, and came into the land of Canaan unto Jacob their father,

26 And told him, saying, Joseph *is* yet alive, and he *is* governor over all the land of Egypt. And Jacob's heart fainted, for he believed them not.[q]

27 And they told him all the words of Joseph,



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which he had said unto them: and when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of Jacob their father revived:

28 And Israel said, *It is* enough; Joseph my son *is* yet alive: I will go and see him before I die.[a]

CHAPTER XLVI.

1 *Jacob is comforted by God at Beer-sheba:* 5 *Thence he with his company goeth into Egypt.* 8 *The number of his family that went into Egypt.* 29 *Joseph meeteth Jacob.* 31 *He instructeth his brethren how to answer to Pharaoh.*

AND Israel took his journey with all that he had, and came to [1]Beer-sheba, and offered sacrifices unto the God of his father Isaac.[b]

2 And God spake unto Israel in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob. And he said, Here *am* I.

3 And he said, I *am* God, the God of thy father: fear not to go down into Egypt; for I will there make of thee a great nation:

4 I will go down with thee into Egypt; and I will also surely bring thee up *again:* and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes.[c]

5 And Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba: and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.

6 And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and came into Egypt, Jacob, and all his seed with him:

7 His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt.[d]

8 ¶ And these *are* the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons; Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.

9 And the sons of Reuben; Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and Carmi.

BEFORE CHRIST 1706

a Judg xv 19, 1 Sam xxx. 12, Gen xlvi. 30

c ch xlv. 19, 21—27; Numb xx. 15, Deut. x 22, xxvi 5, Josh. xxiv 4, 1 Sam xii. 8, Ps cv. 23; Acts vii. 15

1 Beer-sheba was twenty miles south of Hebron, and formed the southern extremity of Palestine, as Dan formed the northern extremity Hence the phrase, from Dan to Beer-sheba. See 1 Sam. iii. 20.

b ch. xvii. 12—19, xxviii. 13, xxxi. 42, 53; Numb. xii. 6; xxiv. 4; 2 Chron. xxvi. 5.

d chs. xxix., xxx., xxxii., xlix. 1 Chron. ii., viii.; 2 Chron. i., xxvi.

e ch. xxix. 32, 35; xxx. 17, 21; xxxv. 23; xlix 3, 15; Numb. i., x., xxvi.

10 ¶ And the sons of Simeon; [1]Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and [2]Jachin, and [3]Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman.

11 ¶ And the sons of Levi; [4]Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

12 ¶ And the sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and Zarah: but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the sons of Pharez were Hezron and Hamul.

13 ¶ And the sons of Issachar; Tola, and [5]Phuvah, and [6]Job, and Shimron.

14 ¶ And the sons of Zebulun; Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel.

15 These *be* the sons of [a]Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in Padan-aram, with his daughter Dinah: all the souls of his sons and his daughters *were* thirty and three.

16 ¶ And the sons of Gad; [7]Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and [8]Ezbon, Eri, and [9]Arodi, and Areli.

17 ¶ And the sons of Asher; Jimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah, and Serah their sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel.

18 These *are* the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob, *even* sixteen souls.

19 The sons of Rachel Jacob's wife; [h]Joseph, and Benjamin.

20 ¶ And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah [10]priest of On bare unto him.

21 ¶ And the sons of Benjamin *were* Belah, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, [11]Ehi, and Rosh, [12]Muppim, and [13]Huppim, and Ard.

22 These *are* the sons of Rachel, which were born to Jacob: all the souls *were* fourteen.

23 ¶ And the sons of Dan; [14]Hushim.

24 ¶ And the sons of Naphtali; [15]Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shillem.

25 These *are* the sons of Bilhah, which Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and she bare these unto Jacob: all the souls *were* seven.

26 All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his [16]loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls *were* threescore and six;

27 And the sons of Joseph, which were born him in Egypt, *were* two souls: all the souls of the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, *were* threescore and ten.[17]

28 ¶ And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, to direct his face unto Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen.

29 And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen, and presented himself unto him; and he fell on his neck, and wept on his neck a good while.[c]

30 And Israel said unto Joseph, Now let me die, since I have seen thy face, because thou *art* yet alive.[d]

31 And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house, I will go up, and shew Pharaoh, and say unto him, My brethren, and my father's house, which *were* in the land of Canaan, are come unto me;[e]

32 And the men *are* shepherds, for [18]their trade hath been to feed cattle; and they have brought their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.[f]

33 And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh shall call you, and shall say, What *is* your occupation?

34 That ye shall say, Thy servants' trade hath been about cattle from our youth even until now, both we, *and* also our fathers: that ye may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd *is* an abomination unto the Egyptians.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1706

1 Or, *Nemuel.*
2 Or, *Jarib.*
3 Or, *Zerah.* 1 Chron. iv. 24.
f ch. xxxi. 18; xxxvii. 2; xlvii. 3; Exod. iii. 1; 1 Sam. xvi. 11; xvii. 15.
4 Or, *Gershom.* 1 Chron vi. 14.
g ch. xlvii. 3—4; Jonah i. 8; Gen. xxx. 43; xxxiv 5; xxxvii. 12, 13; xliii. 32; Exod. viii. 26.
5 Or, *Puah.*
6 Or, *Jashub.* 1 Chron. vii. 1.
a ch. xxv 20
7 Or, *Zephon.* Numb xxvi 15.
8 Or, *Ozni.* Numb. xxvi 16.
9 Or, *Arod.* Numb. xxvi. 17.
h ch. xlv. 16, xlvi. 28, 31, 34, Exod. viii 22; ix. 26
b chs. xxxvii. — xxxix., xl., xlv, xlvii.
10 Or, *prince.*
11 Or, *Ahiram.* Numb xxvi. 21
12 Or, *Shupham*, or, *Shuppim.* Numb xxvi 39, 1 Chron. vii. 14
13 Or, *Huppam.* Numb xxvi. 39.
14 Or, *Shuham.* Numb. xxvi. 42, 43
15 Or, *Jahziel.* 1 Chron vii. 13
16 Heb *thigh.* Gen. xxxv 11.
i Acts vii. 13; Gen. xlvi 33, 34, Jonah i 8
17 That is, including Joseph and his two sons, with Jacob himself.
j ch xii. 10; xv 13, Deut. xxvi. 5; Ps cv. 23; Isa. liii 4; Acts vii. 6, 11; Gen xliii. 1, xlvi. 34
19 Or, *rulers over those who keep my cattle*
k See vs. 4, 11, ch xxxiv 10, xlv 18—20, Prov xxi 1; Exod. xviii 21, 1 Sam xxi 7, 1 Chron xxvii 29—31.
l See ver. 10, Exod. xii. 32, Josh xiv 13, 2 Sam viii. 10; xix 39, 1 Kings i 47
20 Heb *How many* are *the days of the years of thy life?* See ver. 9
21 Heb. *my sojournings*
c ch xxxvi 4; xli. 43, xlv. 14, 17—21.
d See ch xlv. 28
e ch xlv 16—28; xlvii. 2—4.
m 1 Chron xxix. 15; Ps. xxxix. 5, 12, lxxxix. 47, 48; xc. 3—12, cxix. 19, 54; Heb xi 16, xiii. 14, Job xiv 1; Gen. v 3—32, xxv. 7, 8.
22 Heb *according to the little ones*, that is, *as a little child is nourished.* See ver 24.
n Exod. i. 11; xii. 37; xx. 12, Ruth iv 15; 1 Tim. iv 8
18 Heb *they are men of cattle*

CHAPTER XLVII.

1 *Joseph presenteth five of his brethren, 7 and his father, before Pharaoh. 11 He giveth them habitation and maintenance. 13 He getteth all the Egyptians' money, 16 their cattle, 18 their lands to Pharaoh. 22 The priests' land was not bought. 23 He letteth the land to them for a fifth part. 28 Jacob's age. 29 He sweareth Joseph to bury him with his fathers.*



THEN Joseph came and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my brethren, and their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they *are* in the land of Goshen.[h]

2 And he took some of his brethren, *even* five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh.

3 And Pharaoh said unto his brethren, What *is* your occupation? And they said unto Pharaoh, Thy servants *are* shepherds, both we, *and* also our fathers.[i]

4 They said moreover unto Pharaoh, For to sojourn in the land are we come; for thy servants have no pasture for their flocks; for the famine *is* sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of Goshen.[j]

5 And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph, saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee:

6 The land of Egypt *is* before thee; in the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell; in the land of Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest *any* men of activity among them, then make them [19]rulers over my cattle.[k]

7 And Joseph brought in Jacob his father, and set him before Pharaoh. and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.[l]

8 And Pharaoh said unto Jacob, [20]How old *art* thou?

9 And Jacob said unto Pharaoh, The days of the years of [21]my pilgrimage *are* an hundred and thirty years: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.

10 And Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from before Pharaoh.[m]

11 ¶ And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded.

12 And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, [22]according to *their* families.[n]



JOSEPH PRESENTING HIS FATHER TO PHARAOH

13 ¶ And *there was* no bread in all the land; for the famine *was* very sore, so that the land of Egypt and *all* the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine.[a]

14 And Joseph gathered up all the money that was found in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they bought: and Joseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house.[b]

15 And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, all the Egyptians came unto Joseph, and said, Give us bread: for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth.

16 And Joseph said, Give your cattle; and I will give you for your cattle, if money fail.[c]

17 And they brought their cattle unto Joseph: and Joseph gave them bread *in exchange* for horses, and for the flocks, and for the cattle of the herds, and for the asses: and [1]he fed them with bread for all their cattle for that year.[d]

18 When that year was ended, they came unto him the second year, and said unto him, We will not hide *it* from my lord, how that our money is spent; my lord also hath our herds of cattle; there is not ought left in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands:

19 Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land? buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give *us* seed, that we may live, and not die, that the land be not desolate.[e]

20 And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Pharaoh's.

21 And as for the people, he removed them to cities from *one* end of the borders of Egypt even to the *other* end thereof.[f]

22 Only the land of the [2]priests bought he not, for the priests had a portion *assigned them* of Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they sold not their lands.[g]

23 Then Joseph said unto the people, Behold, I

BEFORE CHRIST 1706

a ch. xli. 30, 31, 1 Kings xviii. 5, Jer. xiv. 1—6, Lam. ii. 19; iv. 9, Joel i. 10—12, 16—20, Acts vii. 11

b ch. xli. 55—57; Ps. xli. 1; ci. 6; Prov. xx. 6; xxviii. 20, Luke xvi. 10—12; 1 Cor. iv. 2

e Exod. xxiii. 29

c See ver. 18, 19; Judg. viii. 5; Ruth i. 6; 1 Sam. ii. 36; Ps. xxxvii. 3; civ. 15, 16; Prov. xxii. 9; Isa. xxxiii. 16; Lam. i. 2; iv. 4; v. 6, 9, Amos iv. 6; Isa. iii. 1.

f See ch. xli. 48.

2 Or, *princes.* Gen. xiv. 18.

1 Heb. *led them.*

d Exod. ix. 3; 1 Sam. ii. 5, 9, 36, ix. 7, 8, Job ii. 4.

g Ezra vii. 24; Neh. xiii. 11.

have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: lo, *here is* seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.[a]

24 And it shall come to pass in the increase, that ye shall give the fifth *part* unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones.[b]

25 And they said, Thou hast saved our lives: let us find grace in the sight of my lord, and we will be Pharaoh's servants.[c]

26 And Joseph made it a law over the land of Egypt unto this day, *that* Pharaoh should have the fifth *part;* except the land of the priests only, *which* became not Pharaoh's.[d]

27 ¶ And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had possessions therein, and grew, and multiplied exceedingly.[e]

28 And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years: so [1]the whole age of Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.

29 And the time drew nigh that Israel must die: and he called his son Joseph, and said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly with me; bury me not, I pray thee, in Egypt:

30 But I will lie with my fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their burying-place.[f] And he said, I will do as thou hast said.

31 And he said, Swear unto me. And he sware unto him. And Israel [2]bowed himself upon the bed's head.[g]

CHAPTER XLVIII.

1 *Joseph with his sons visiteth his sick father.* 2 *Jacob strengtheneth himself to bless them.* 8 *He repeateth the promise.* 5 *He taketh Ephraim and Manasseh as his own.* 7 *He telleth Joseph of his mother's grave.* 9 *He blesseth Ephraim and Manasseh.* 17 *He preferreth the younger before the elder.* 21 *He prophesieth their return to Canaan.*

AND it came to pass after these things, that *one* told Joseph, Behold, thy father *is* sick: and he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.[h]

2 And *one* told Jacob, and said, Behold, thy son Joseph cometh unto thee: and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.[i]

3 And Jacob said unto Joseph, God Almighty appeared unto me at Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me,

4 And said unto me, Behold, I will make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a multitude of people; and will give this land to thy seed after thee *for* an everlasting possession.[j]

5 ¶ And now thy two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto thee in the land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, *are* mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 1701

a v. 19; ch. xlv. 6; Deut. xi. 10.

3 Note. If Joseph should have any other sons, they should take their stations in Israel, under the banners of Manasseh and Ephraim

b ch xli 34, 2 Chron. xxxii. 29; Ps. lxxviii. 20; Rom. xii. 17; 1 Tim. v. 8.

l ch. xxxv. 9, 16—19, 1 Sam. x. 2; Ruth iv. 11.

c ch. xli. 46; xlv 8; l. 20; Job v. 20; Ps. xxxiii. 19; xxxvii. 19; Prov. xi. 26, 27.

m ch. xli. 50—52, xlvi. 20

d See vs. 22, 24.

n ch xlix. 28; Deut. xxxiii. 1; Heb. xi. 21

4 Heb *heavy.*

e See v. 7; ch xlvi 3, Exod i. 7, 12; Deut. x 22; xxvi. 5, Neh. xi. 23; Ps cv 24; cviii. 38; Acts vii. 17.

o ch. xlv 19; 1 Kings xix. 20.

1 Heb *the days of the years of his life.*

p ch xxxvii. 33—35; xlii 36, xlv. 26; Isa. xlii. 16, xlix 10; lvii 18, Eph iii. 20.

q ch xxiii 6, xxxiii. 3, Exod xx 12, xix 3, 32, 1 Kings ii. 19

f Job vii 1; xiv 1; Ps. xc 10, Heb ix. 27, Gen xxiv 2, 3, xxiii. 2—20; xlix. 28, 32

2 The Hebrew word "bowed" denotes also worship So the word rendered "bed" signifies a staff This accounts for the version of the Septuagint: *And Israel worshipped upon the top of his staff*

g ch. xxiv 2, 3, Heb. xi. 21.

r Numb viii 10, 18; Deut. xxxiv 9; Matt xix 15, Gen. xli. 55, see vs. 18, 19

5 Heb *as fishes do increase* It is well known that of all living creatures fish are the most prolific

s ch xlix. 28; Heb. xi. 21; Gen xvii 1, xxii. 1—18; xxiv. 40, xxvi 2—6, xxviii 1—5, 12—16, 20 — 22; 1 Kings iii 6, Ps xvi. 8, xxxvii 3, civ. 4, 5, Eccles ii. 24, 25, Gen xxxi 11, xxxii 9 — 12, 24 — 30, xxxv. 9—15, Isa. xliv 23, xlviii 20, lxiii. 9, Jer xxxi. 11

6 Heb *was evil in his eyes*

h ch xli 50—52, xlvi. 2, l. 23, Ps cxxviii 6

t See vs 18, 19

i Ps xli 3, Prov iii. 35; x 1, xxiii. 15

7 Heb *a fulness of nations*

u ch xli. 50, xlvi 20; Numb i 32 — 35, ii. 18—23, Ps lxxx. 2, Jer xxxi. 9, 18—20

j ch xxviii 3; xxxv 9—13; Exod i. 7, 12, vi 3; Hos. xii. 4; Judg i. 23; Gen. xxxii. 12; xlvi 3; xlvii. 27; Deut xxii. 8; Amos ix. 14, 15.

v Deut. i. 1 — 39; xxxi. 8, Josh. i. 56

k ch xli. 50—52, xlvi. 20; Josh xiii. 7, xiv 4, xvi. 1—10; xvii 1 — 18, Numb i. 10, 32—35, xxvi. 28—37; 1 Chron. v. 1, 2; Rev vii 6, 7.

w ch. xxiii. 19; Josh. xvii. 1; xx. 7; xxiv 32; John iv 5.

6 And thy issue, which thou begettest after them, shall be thine, *and* shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance.[l]

7 And as for me, when I came from Padan, Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan in the way, when yet *there was* but a little way to come unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way of Ephrath; the same *is* Beth-lehem.[l]

8 And Israel beheld Joseph's sons, and said, Who *are* these?

9 And Joseph said unto his father, They *are* my sons, whom God hath given me in this *place.*[m] And he said, Bring them, I pray thee, unto me, and I will bless them.[n]

10 Now the eyes of Israel were [4]dim for age, *so that* he could not see. And he brought them near unto him; and he kissed them, and embraced them.[o]

11 And Israel said unto Joseph, I had not thought to see thy face: and, lo, God hath shewed me also thy seed.[p]

12 And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed himself with his face to the earth.

13 And Joseph took them both, Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left hand, and Manasseh in his left hand toward Israel's right hand, and brought *them* near unto him.[q]

14 And Israel stretched out his right hand, and laid *it* upon Ephraim's head, who *was* the younger, and his left hand upon Manasseh's head, guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh *was* the firstborn.[r]

15 ¶ And he blessed Joseph, and said, God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day,

16 The Angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them [5]grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth.[s]

17 And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it [6]displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head.[t]

18 And Joseph said unto his father, Not so, my father: for this *is* the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head.

19 And his father refused, and said, I know *it*, my son, I know *it:* he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great: but truly his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become [7]a multitude of nations.

20 And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Israel bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh: and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.[u]

21 And Israel said unto Joseph, Behold, I die: but God shall be with you, and bring you again unto the land of your fathers.[v]

22 Moreover I have given to thee one portion above thy brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.[w]

CHAPTER XLIX.

1 Jacob calleth his sons to bless them. 8 Their blessing in particular. 29 He chargeth them about his burial. 33 He dieth.

AND Jacob called unto his sons, and said, Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you *that* which shall befall you in the last days.[a]

2 Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jacob; and hearken unto Israel your father.

3 ¶ Reuben, thou *art* my firstborn, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:

4 Unstable as water, [1]thou shalt not excel; because thou [2]wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou *it:* he went up to my couch.[c]

5 ¶ Simeon and Levi *are* brethren; [3]instruments of cruelty *are in* their habitations.

6 O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united: for in their anger they slew a man, and in their self-will they [4]digged down a wall.

7 Cursed *be* their anger, for *it was* fierce; and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.[d]

8 ¶ Judah, thou *art he* whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand *shall be* in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down before thee.

BEFORE CHRIST 1689.

a Numb. xxiv. 14; Deut. xxxi. 29

b Note. Eshcol was given to the tribe of Joseph. See Numb. xiii. 23, 24.

b Prov. i. 8, 9; iii. 1—4; iv. 20, 27.

c ch. xxix. 33; xliv. 18—34; Numb. x. 14; Deut. xxxiii. 7, 1 Chron. v. 2; Judg. i. 2; Numb. xxiv. 9, 17; Ps. lx. 7; cviii. 7; Jer. xxx. 21; Hosea xi. 12; Isa. ix. 6; xi. 1—5, 10—12; ii. 2; Jer. xxiii. 5, 6; Ezek. xxi. 27, Dan. ix. 25, Matt. i. 21, Ps. lxxii. 8—14; 1 Kings iv 20; 2 Kings xviii. 32, Joel iii. 18

9 Judah *is* a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?

10 The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come: and unto him *shall* the gathering of the people *be.*

11 Binding his foal unto [5]the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes:

12 His eyes *shall be* red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.[e]

13 ¶ Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he *shall be* for an haven of ships; and his border *shall be* unto Zidon.[f]



JACOB BLESSING EPHRAIM AND MANASSEH.

14 ¶ Issachar *is* a strong ass couching down between two burdens:

15 And he saw that rest *was* good, and the land that *it was* pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute.[g]

16 ¶ Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.

17 Dan shall be a serpent by the way, [6]an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.[h]

18 I have waited for thy salvation, O LORD.

19 ¶ Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last.[i]

20 ¶ Out of Asher his bread *shall be* fat, and he shall yield royal dainties.[j]

f ch. xxx. 20, Deut. xxxiii. 18, 19; Josh. xix. 10—16

1 Heb. *do not thou excel*

2 Heb. *my couch is gone*

c ch. xxix. 32, xxxv. 22, xlvi. 8, Numb. i. 20, xxvi. 5, 1 Cor. v. 4, Ps. lxxviii. 51; cv. 36, Jas. i. 6—8

3 Or, *their swords are weapons of violence*

g ch. xxx. 18, Deut. xxxiii. 18, Josh. xix. 17—23, Judg. v. 15

6 Heb. *an arrow-snake*

4 Or, *houghed oxen.*

h ch. xxx. 6, Numb. x. 25, Deut. xxxiii. 2; Judg. xiv., xv., 1 Chron. xii. 35

d ch. xxxiv. 2-19, Ps. i. 1-3; v. 10, xxvi. 46; xxviii. 3—5, xciv. 20, 21, 2 Sam. xiii. 15, Prov. xvi. 25, xvii. 3, 4; Josh. xix. 1—9

i ch. xxx. 11, Numb. xxxii. 1—38; Deut. xxxiii. 20, 21.

j ch. xxx. 13; Josh. xix. 24—31, Deut. xxxiii. 24, 25

21 ¶ Naphtali *is* a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words.[a]

22 ¶ Joseph *is* a fruitful bough, *even* a fruitful bough by a well; *whose* [1]branches run over the wall:

23 The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot *at him*, and hated him:

24 But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty *God* of Jacob; (from thence *is* the shepherd, the stone of Israel:)

25 *Even* by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:

26 The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.[b]

27 ¶ Benjamin shall ravin *as* a wolf: in the morning he shall devour the prey, and at night he shall divide the spoil.[c]

28 ¶ All these *are* the twelve tribes of Israel: and this *is it* that their father spake unto them, and blessed them; every one according to his blessing he blessed them.

29 And he charged them, and said unto them, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that *is* in the field of Ephron the Hittite,

BEFORE CHRIST 1689.

a ch xxx. 8; Josh xix. 32—39; Judg. iv 6—10; 1 Chron. xii. 40; Deut. xxxiii. 23.

1 Heb. *daughters.*

d ch xv 15; xxxv. 28, 29; xlvii. 30; xxiii. 2—20, Matt. xxii. 32; Heb. xii. 23

e ch. xxiii. 3—20; xlvii. 30; Acts vii. 16.

f See vs. 1, 28, Job xiv 10—15

30 In the cave that *is* in the field of Machpelah, which *is* before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a buryingplace.[d]

31 There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife; and there I buried Leah.[e]

32 The purchase of the field and of the cave that *is* therein *was* from the children of Heth.

33 And when Jacob had made an end of commanding his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people.[f]



JACOB BLESSING HIS TWELVE SONS.

b ch xxx 22—24, xli 52, xlviii. 1—4, Numb xxxii, Josh xvi 1-10, xviii. b, Ps. xxvii 14, lxxx. 1, 2, Job xxix. 20, Ps xviii 19—32, cxxxii 2, Isa. xl. 11, Job viii 14, 15, x 1-11; Ps cxviii 22, Matt xxi. 42, Dan ii 45, Isa. xxviii 16, Gen xxviii. 13—21; Deut. xxxiii. 13—17.

g ch xlvi. 4, 2 Kings xiii. 14, Mark v 38, 39, John xi. 35—38.

c ch xxx 15, Judg xix, xx., Deut. xxxiii. 12.

2 Literally, *the healers*, from the Hebrew verb, *to heal.*

h 2 Chron xvi 14

3 Heb *wept*

i Numb. xxi. 29; Deut. xxxiv. 8

CHAPTER L.

1 *The mourning for Jacob.* 4 *Joseph getteth leave of Pharaoh to go to bury him.* 7 *The funeral* 15 *Joseph comforteth his brethren, who craved his pardon.* 22 *His age.* 23 *He seeth the third generation of his sons.* 24 *He prophesieth unto his brethren of their return.* 25 *He taketh an oath of them for his bones.* 26 *He dieth, and is chested.*



AND Joseph fell upon his father's face, and wept upon him, and kissed him.[g]

2 And Joseph commanded his servants the [2]physicians to embalm his father: and the physicians embalmed Israel.[h]

3 And forty days were fulfilled for him; for so are fulfilled the days of those which are embalmed: and the Egyptians [3]mourned for him threescore and ten days.[i]

4 And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spake unto the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying,

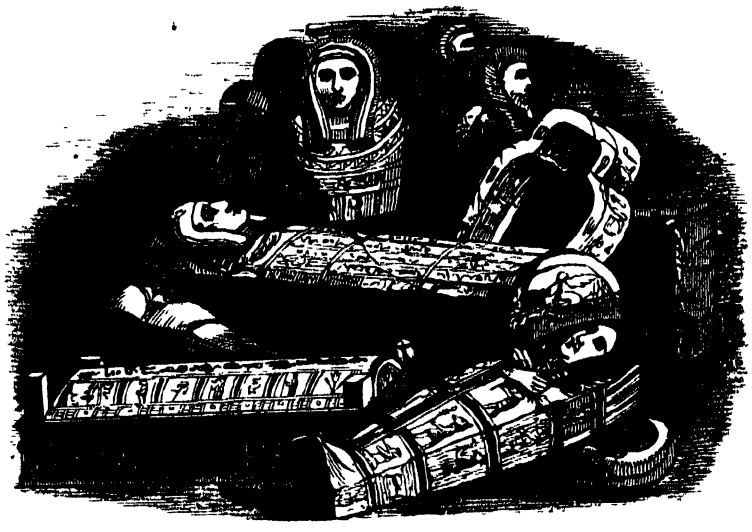
BEFORE CHRIST 1689.

e ch. xxiii. 2—20; xlvii 29—31; xlix. 29—32, Exod. xx. 12; Acts vii. 16.

Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, which Abraham bought with the field for a possession of a buryingplace of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.[e]



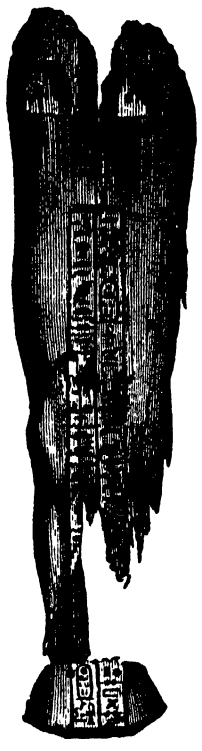
EGYPTIAN COFFIN IN A PERFECT STATE



EGYPTIAN COFFINS.



THE MANUFACTURE OF COFFINS. FROM AN EGYPTIAN PAINTING.



REMAINS OF AN EGYPTIAN COFFIN

5 My father made me swear, saying, Lo, I die: in my grave which I have digged for me in the land of Canaan, there shalt thou bury me. Now therefore let me go up, I pray thee, and bury my father, and I will come again.

6 And Pharaoh said, Go up, and bury thy father, according as he made thee swear.[e]

7 ¶ And Joseph went up to bury his father: and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt,

8 And all the house of Joseph, and his brethren, and his father's house: only their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds, they left in the land of Goshen.[g]

9 And there went up with him both chariots and horsemen: and it was a very great company.[e]

10 And they came to the threshingfloor of [1]Atad, which *is* beyond Jordan, and there they mourned with a great and very sore lamentation: and he made a mourning for his father seven days.[d]

11 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floor of Atad, they said, This *is* a grievous mourning to the Egyptians: wherefore the name of it was called [2]Abelmizraim, which *is* beyond Jordan.

12 And his sons did unto him according as he commanded them:

13 For his sons carried him into the land of Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of Machpelah, before Mamre.[e]

14 ¶ And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went up with him to bury his father, after he had buried his father.

15 ¶ And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they said, Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him.[f]

16 And they [3]sent a messenger unto Joseph, saying, Thy father did command before he died, saying,

17 So shall ye say unto Joseph, Forgive, I pray thee now, the trespass of thy brethren, and their sin; for they did unto thee evil; and now, we pray thee, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of thy father.[e] And Joseph wept when they spake unto him.[h]

18 And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we *be* thy servants.[i]

19 And Joseph said unto them, Fear not: for *am* I in the place of God?[j]

20 But as for you, ye thought evil against me; *but* God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as *it is* this day, to save much people alive.[k]

21 Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake [4]kindly unto them.[l]

22 ¶ And Joseph dwelt in Egypt, he, and his father's house: and Joseph lived an hundred and ten years.

23 And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the

a Esther v 2, viii 3, Gen xlvii 29—31, xlviii 21, xlix 29; 2 Chron xvi 14, Isa. xxii. 16, Gen. xxiii. 2—20

f ch xxxvii 28—28, xlii 17, xliii. 18, Lev xxvi 36; Job xv. 21, 22, xviii 11—15

3 Heb *charged.*

g ch xliii 12, Job xxxiii 27, 28, Ps. xxi 11.

h ch xlii 21, 24, xlv. 4, 5, 8.

b Numb. xxxii. 24—27.

c ch xlvi. 29; Exod xiv 7,17,18, 2 Kings xviii 24

i ch. xlii. 6; xliv. 16, 33

1 This place was situated between the Jordan and the city of Jericho

j ch. xiv. 5; Ps. xxxvii 23, Prov iii 6, iv 12, xx. 24

d Deut xxxiv 8, 1 Sam xxxi. 13—15, 2 Sam. i 17, Job ii. 13, Acts viii. 2

k ch. xxxvii. 4—18; xlv. 5; Ps. lxxvi. 10, cv 16—22.

4 Heb. *to their hearts.*

l ch xiv 10, 11, xlvii. 12

2 That is, *The mourning of the Egyptians.*

third *generation:* the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were [1]brought up upon Joseph's knees.[a]

24 And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1635.

1 Heb. *born.*

a Josh. xvii. 1.
c Exod. xiii. 19; xxiv. 32; Acts vii. 16; Heb. xi 22.

25 And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.[c]



EMBALMING OF JOSEPH

26 So Joseph died, *being* an [2]hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.[d]

2 Heb *the child of a hundred and ten years*

b ch. xv. 14; xxvi. 3; xxxv 12; xlviii. 21, Exod. iii. 16, 17

d See vs. 2, 3.



THE SECOND BOOK OF MOSES,

CALLED

EXODUS

CHAPTER I.

BEFORE CHRIST 1706

1 *The children of Israel, after Joseph's death, do multiply.* 8 *The more they are oppressed by a new king, the more they multiply.* 15 *The godliness of the midwives, in saving the men children alive.* 22 *Pharaoh commandeth the male children to be cast into the river.*

NOW [1]these *are* the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt; every man and his houshold came with Jacob.[a]

2 Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah,

3 Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin,

4 Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.

5 And all the [2]souls that came out of the loins of Jacob were [3]seventy souls: for Joseph was in Egypt *already*.[b]

6 And Joseph died, and all his brethren, and all that generation.[c]

7 ¶ And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceeding mighty; and the land was filled with them.[d]

1 These words form the Hebrew designation of the book. EXODUS is taken from the Greek

a Gen. xlvi. 8, 27, xlix. 3, 27

2 That is, *persons*.

3 Stephen says they were seventy five (Acts vii 14), that is, taking the five sons of Ephraim and Manasseh, born in Egypt

b Gen xlvi 26, 27; Exod i 20, Deut x. 22

c Gen. l 26, Eccles. i. 4, Acts vii. 15.

d Gen xlvi 3, 26, 27; Deut. x 22, xxvi 5, Ps cv 24; Acts vii. 17



8 Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph.[a]

9 And he said unto his people, Behold, the people of the children of Israel *are* more and mightier than we:[b]

10 Come on, let us deal wisely with them, lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any war, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and *so* get them up out of the land.[c]

11 Therefore they did set over them [1]taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh [2]treasure cities, Pithom and Raamses.[d]

12 But the more [3]they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and grew. And they were [4]grieved because of the children of Israel.

BEFORE CHRIST 1604.

a Acts vii 18.
b Ps cv 24
f Gen. xx. 11; xlii 18, Exod xviii 21, Ps. xxxi. 19; Prov. viii 13; xvi 6, xxiv 11, 12; Eccles. v 7, viii 12; xii 13; Hos v 11, Rev xiv 17, Acts iv. 19; v 29; x. 2
c Ps x. 2, lxxxiii 3, 4, Job v 13, Ps. cv 25, Prov xvi. 25, xxi. 30; Acts vii 19
1 Or, *masters of works.*
2 Or, *cities of store* That is, granaries or storehouses See 2 Chron xvi 4, xvii. 12, xxxii. 28
d Gen xv 13; Exod. iii. 7, Deut. xxvi 6, Exod ii 11, v 4, 5; Ps. lxxxi. 6, Gen xlvii 11
3 Heb *And as they afflicted them so they multiplied,* &c.
4 That is, distressed at their increase
g See Josh ii 4, &c. 2 Sam xvii 19, 20

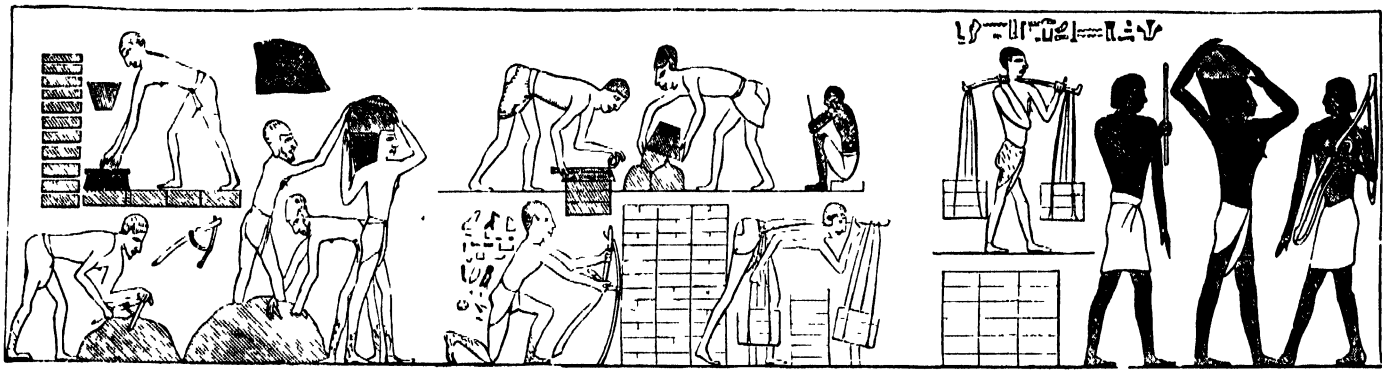
midwives, of which the name of the one *was* Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah:

16 And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see *them* upon the stools; if it *be* a son, then ye shall kill him: but if it *be* a daughter, then she shall live.

17 But the midwives feared God, and did not as the king of Egypt commanded them, but saved the men children alive.[f]

18 And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said unto them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children alive?

19 And the midwives said unto Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women *are* not as the Egyptian women; for they *are* lively, and are delivered ere the midwives come in unto them.[g]



BRICK MAKING

13 And the Egyptians made the children of Israel to serve with rigour:

14 And they made their lives bitter with hard bondage, in mortar, and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field: all their service, wherein they made them serve, *was* with rigour.[e]

15 ¶ And the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew

h Prov xi. 18, Eccles viii 12, Isa. iii 10, Heb vi 10
5 Or, *families* That is, the Hebrews, which were largely increased
i See 1 Sam ii 35, xxv 8, 2 Sam vii 11, 13, 27, 29, 1 Kings ii 24, xi 38, Ps xxxvii 3, cxxvii 1, Prov xxiv 3, Eccles viii. 12, Jer xxxv 2

20 Therefore God dealt well with the midwives: and the people multiplied, and waxed very mighty.[h]

21 And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that he [5]made them houses.[i]

22 And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every son that is born ye shall cast into the river, and every daughter ye shall save alive.[j]

e ch ii 23 vi 9, Numb xx. 15, Deut. xxvi. 6, Acts vii. 19, 34, Ps. x. 2, lxxxi. 6; lxxxiii. 3, 4, 28, Prov. xvi. 14, 31.

j See v 16, ch vii 19, 21, Ps. cv. 25; Prov i. 16, iv. 16; xxvii 4; Acts vii. 19, Rev xvi 4—6



BANKS OF THE NILE.



THE FINDING OF THE INFANT MOSES

CHAPTER II.

Moses is born, 3 and in an ark cast into the flags. 5 He is found, and brought up by Pharaoh's daughter. 11 He slayeth an Egyptian. 13 He reproveth an Hebrew. 15 He fleeth into Midian. 21 He marrieth Zipporah. 22 Gershom is born. 23 God respecteth the Israelites' cry.

AND there went a man of the house of Levi, and took *to wife* [1]a daughter of Levi.[a]

2 And the woman conceived, and bare a son: and when she saw him that he *was* [2]*a* goodly *child*, she hid him three months.

3 And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of [3]bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid *it* in the flags by the river's brink.

4 And his sister stood afar off, to [4]wit what would be done to him.[c]

5 ¶ And the daughter of Pharaoh came down to wash *herself* at the river; and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags, [5]she sent her maid to fetch it.[d]

6 And when she had opened *it*, she saw the child: and, behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him, and said, This *is one* of the Hebrews' children.

BEFORE CHRIST 1571

3 Rather of papyrus. Its Hebrew name is derived from its remarkable property of absorbing water Job viii 11

4 A Saxon word, meaning, to know.

c ch. xv 20; Numb. xxvi. 59

1 Her name was Jochebed Numb xxvi. 59; 1 Chron xxiii. 14

a ch. vi. 20.

5 That is, she sent her maid for the child, and took it from her hands.

d Acts vii 21

2 That is, exceedingly fair.

b Acts vii 20; Heb xi. 23

7 Then said his sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee?

8 And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's mother.

9 And Pharaoh's daughter said unto [1]her, Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give *thee* thy wages. And the woman took the child, and nursed it.

10 And the child grew, and she brought him unto Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. And she called his name [2]Moses: and she said, Because I drew him out of the water.[e]

11 ¶ And it came to pass in those days, when Moses [3]was grown, that he went out unto his brethren, and looked on their burdens: and he spied an Egyptian [4]smiting an Hebrew, one of his brethren.[h]

12 And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that *there was* no man, he slew the Egyptian, and hid him in the sand.[e]

13 And when he went out the second day, behold, two men of the Hebrews strove together: and he said to him that [5]did the wrong, Wherefore smitest thou thy fellow?[d]

14 And he said, Who made thee a [6]prince and a judge over us? intendest thou to kill me, as thou killedst the Egyptian? And Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is known.[e]

15 Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in the land of Midian: and he sat down by a well.[f]

16 Now the [7]priest of Midian had seven daughters: and they came and drew *water*, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock.[g]

17 And [8]the shepherds came and drove them away: but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock.[h]

18 And when they came to Reuel their father, he said, How *is it that* ye are come so soon to day?[i]

19 And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew *water* enough for us, and watered the flock.

20 And he said unto his daughters, And where *is* he? why *is* it *that* ye have left the man? call him, that he may [9]eat bread.[j]

21 And Moses was content [10]to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter.[k]

22 And she bare *him* a son, and he called his name [11]Gershom: for he said, I have been [12]a stranger in a strange land.[l]

23 ¶ And it came to pass [13]in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage.[m]

24 And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.[n]

25 And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had [14]respect unto *them*.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

1 That is, the mother.
2 That is, *drawn out.*
15 Horeb is a mountain in Arabia Petræa, near Mount Sinai.
p ch ii. 16.
a Acts vii. 21.
3 As Stephen said, "mighty in words and in deeds"
4 That is, slaying
b Acts vii. 22—24; Heb. xi. 24—26; Exod. i. 11; iii. 1—5; ix. 14; Isa. lviii 6; Matt. xi. 28; Lev. iv 18.
c Acts vii. 24; Gen. ix. 6
q Ps. cxi. 9; Acts vii. 31.
5 That is, fought.
d Acts vii. 26.
16 A common expression, showing a readiness to hearken and obey.
6 Heb. *a man, a prince;* Gen. xlii. 8.
r Deut. xxxiii. 16.
e Acts vii. 27, 28
s Gen. xxviii. 16, 17; Exod. xix. 12; Josh. v. 15; Eccles. v. 1; Acts vii. 33.
f Acts vii. 29; Heb. xi. 27; Gen. xxiv. 11; xxix. 2
t Gen. xxviii. 13; Exod. iii. 15; iv 5; xv. 2; Matt. xxii. 32; Mark xii. 26; Luke xx 37; Acts vii. 32; So 1 Kings xix. 13; Isa. vi. 1, 5.
7 Or, *prince*, as Gen. xli. 45
g Gen. xxiv. 11; xxix. 10.
17 That is, drivers. See Job xxxix. 7.
8 Probably, the men servants who attended the priest's daughters.
u ch. ii 23—25; Neh. ix. 9; Ps. cvi. 44; Acts vii. 34, Exod. i 11; Gen xviii. 21; Exod. ii 25.
h Gen xxix. 10
18 That is, rich in pasturage
i Numb x. 29; called also Jethro or Jether, ch iii. 1, iv. 18, xviii 1; &c.
v Gen. xl 5, 7; xviii 21, l. 24; Exod. vi 6, 8; xii. 51; Deut i 25; viii. 7—9; xi. 9; xxvi. 9—15, Hos. xiii. 5. See also marg reference on Exod. i 8, Gen. xv. 14, l. 24; Exod iii. 17; xiii. 5; xxxiii. 3; Numb xiii. 27; Deut. viii. 7—9, xxvi 9, 15; Jer xi. 5, xxxii. 22; Ezek. xx. 6, Gen xv 18
w ch. ii 23; l. 11, 13, 14, 22
9 Or, partake of the household's hospitality.
j Gen xxxi. 54; xliii. 25
10 Serving him as a shepherd
k ch iv 25; xviii 2
x Ps. cv. 26, Micah vi 4.
11 That is, a stranger here
12 Stephen mentions a second son as born to Moses, Acts vii 29
l ch xviii. 3
y See ch vi 12; 1 Sam xviii 18, Isa. vi 5, 8, Jer i 6
13 Heb *in or after those many days*
19 The burning bush.
z Gen. xxxi 3, Deut. xxxi 23, Josh i 5; Rom viii. 31
m Heb xi. 13, 14; Exod. vii. 7; Acts vii. 30; Numb xx. 16, Deut. xxvi. 7; Ps xii. 5, Gen. xviii. 20; Exod. iii. 9; xxii. 23, 27
n ch. vi 5; Lev. xxvi. 42, 45; Ezek. xvi. 60; Ps. cv. 8, 42; cvi. 45; Luke i. 72; Gen. xv 14; xlvi. 4.
14 Heb. *knew*; Exod. iii. 7; Ps. xii. 5.
o ch. iv. 31; 1 Sam. i. 11; Sam. xvi. 12; Luke i. 25.

CHAPTER III.

1 *Moses keepeth Jethro's flock.* 2 *God appeareth to him in a burning bush.* 9 *He sendeth him to deliver Israel.* 14 *The name of God.* 15 *His message to Israel.*

NOW Moses kept the flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian:[p] and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, *even* to [15]Horeb.

2 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was* not consumed.

3 And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.[q]

4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, [16]Here *am* I.[r]

5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest *is* holy ground.[s]

6 Moreover he said, I *am* the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.[t]

7 ¶ And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which *are* in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their [17]taskmasters; for I know their sorrows;[u]

8 And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto [18]a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites.[v]

9 Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.[w]

10 Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt.[x]

11 ¶ And Moses said unto God, Who *am* I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt?[y]

12 And he said, Certainly I will be with thee; and [19]this *shall be* a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain.[z]

13 And Moses said unto God, Behold, *when* I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What *is* his name? what shall I say unto them?

14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I

AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.[a]

15 And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this *is* my name for ever, and this *is* my memorial unto all generations.[b]

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a Gen. xlviii. 15; Ex. vi. 3; Ps. cxxxv. 13; John viii. 58; 2 Cor. i. 20; Heb. xiii. 8, Rev. i. 4.
h ch xi. 3; xii. 36; Ps. cvi. 46; Prov. xvi. 7.
b Ps cxxxv. 13; Hos. xii. 5.
2 Or, spoil Egypt.
c Job xxvii. 17; Prov. xiii. 22; xvi. 17; Ezek xxxix. 10.

21 And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty:[h]

22 But every woman shall borrow of her neighbour, and of her that sojourneth in her house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall put *them* upon your sons, and upon your daughters; and ye shall [2]spoil the Egyptians.[c]



MOSES'S ROD TURNED INTO A SERPENT

16 Go, and gather the elders of Israel together, and say unto them, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, appeared unto me, saying, I have surely visited you, and *seen* that which is done to you in Egypt:[c]

17 And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, unto a land flowing with milk and honey.[d]

18 And they shall hearken to thy voice: and thou shalt come, thou and the elders of Israel, unto the king of Egypt, and ye shall say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath met with us: and now let us go, we beseech thee, three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.[e]

19 ¶ And I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no, not by [1]a mighty hand.[f]

20 And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he will let you go.[g]

c Gen l. 24; Exod. ii. 25; iv 31, Luke i. 68; Exod iv. 29

3 Or, perhaps they will not believe me.

d Gen. xv. 14, 16; Exod. iii. 8

e Numb. xxiii. 3, 4, 15, 16.
4 A shepherd's rod, or staff. Micah vii 14.
f ch iv. 17, 20; Ps. xxiii. 4.

1 Or, but by strong hand.
f ch. v. 2; vii. 4.
g ch. vi. 6; vii. 5; ix. 15; vii. 3; xi. 9; Deut. vi. 22; Neh. ix. 10; Ps. cv. 27, cxxxv. 9; Jer xxxii. 20; Acts vii. 36. See Exod. vii. to xii., xii. 31.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Moses's rod is turned into a serpent.* 6 *His hand is leprous.* 10 *He is loth to be sent* 14 *Aaron is appointed to assist him.* 18 *Moses departeth from Jethro.* 21 *God's message to Pharaoh.* 24 *Zipporah circumciseth her son.* 27 *Aaron is sent to meet Moses.* 31 *The people believeth them.*

AND Moses answered and said, But, [3]behold, they will not believe me, nor hearken unto my voice: for they will say, The LORD hath not appeared unto thee.

2 And the LORD said unto him, What *is* that in thine hand? And he said, [4]A rod.

3 And he said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a serpent; and Moses fled from before it.

4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Put forth thine hand, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his

hand, and caught it, and it became a rod in his hand:

5 That they may believe that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, [1]hath appeared unto thee.[a]

6 ¶ And the LORD said furthermore unto him, Put now thine hand into thy bosom. And he put his hand into his bosom: and when he took it out, behold, his hand *was* leprous [2]as snow.[b]

7 And he said, Put thine hand into [3]thy bosom again. And he put his hand into his bosom again; and plucked it out of his bosom, and, behold, it was turned again as his *other* flesh.[c]

8 And it shall come to pass, if they will [4]not believe thee, neither hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign.

9 And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two signs, neither hearken unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the water of the river, and pour *it* upon the dry *land:* and the water which thou takest out of the river [5]shall become blood upon the dry *land.*[d]

10 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I *am* not [6]eloquent, neither [7]heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I *am* [8]slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.[e]

11 And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?[f]

12 Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.[g]

13 And he said, O my Lord, send, I pray thee, by the hand *of him whom* thou [9]wilt send.[h]

14 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses, and he said, *Is* not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know that he can speak well. And also, behold, he cometh forth to meet thee: and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his heart.[i]

15 And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth: and I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do.[j]

16 And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people: and he shall be, *even* he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt [10]be to him instead of God.[k]

17 And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs.[l]

18 ¶ And Moses went and returned to [11]Jethro his father in law, and said unto him, Let me go, I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which *are* in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses, [12]Go in peace.

19 And the LORD said unto Moses in [13]Midian, Go, return into Egypt: for all the men are dead which sought thy life.[m]

20 And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set [14]them upon an ass, and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in his hand.[n]

21 And the LORD said unto Moses, When thou goest to return into Egypt, see that thou do all those wonders before Pharaoh, which [15]I have put in thine hand: but I will harden his heart, that he shall not let the people go.[o]

22 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel *is* my son, *even* my firstborn:[p]

23 And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay thy son, *even* thy firstborn.[q]

24 ¶ And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that the LORD met him, and sought to kill him.[r]

25 Then Zipporah took [16]a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and [17]cast *it* at his feet, and said, Surely a bloody husband *art* thou to me.

26 So he let him go: then she said, A bloody husband *thou art,* because of the circumcision.

27 ¶ And the LORD said to Aaron, Go into the wilderness to meet Moses. And he went, and met him in the mount of God, and kissed him.[s]

28 And Moses told Aaron all the words of the LORD who had sent him, and all the signs which he had commanded him.[t]

29 ¶ And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel:[u]

30 And Aaron spake all the words which the LORD had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people.[v]

31 And the people believed: and when they heard that the LORD had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped.[w]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Pharaoh chideth Moses and Aaron for their message.* 5 *He increaseth the Israelites' task.* 15 *He checketh their complaints.* 20 *They cry out upon Moses and Aaron.* 22 *Moses complaineth to God.*



AND afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness.[a]

2 And Pharaoh said, Who *is* the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.[b]

3 And they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword.[c]

4 And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, [18]let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens.[d]

5 And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now *are* many, and ye make them rest from their burdens.[e]

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15 Or, enabled and authorised thee.
o ch. iii. 20; vii. 3, 13; ix. 12, 35; x. 1, xiv. 8, Deut. ii. 30; xv. 7; Josh. xi. 20; 1 Sam. vi. 6; 2 Kings xvii 14; 2 Chron. xxxvi 13; Ps. xcv. 8; Neh. ix. 16, 17, 29, Job ix. 4; Isa. lxiii. 17; Jer vii. 26; xix. 15; John xii. 40; Acts xix. 9; Rom. ix. 18; xi 7; Heb. iii. 13

1 A miracle, as this was, designed to divinely authenticate the mission and doctrine of Moses.
a ch xix. 9; iii. 15.
p Hos. xi. 1; Rom. ix. 4; 2 Cor. vi. 18, Jer. xxxi. 9; James i. 18

2 That is, it had the snowy whiteness of leprosy
b Numb. xii. 10; 2 Kings v 27.
q ch xi. 5; xii. 29

3 The open part of his long outer robe.
r See ch iii. 18; Numb xxii. 22, 23; 1 Chron xxi. 16; Lev x. 3

16 Or, knife.
c Numb xii. 13, 14; Deut. xxxii. 39, 2 Kings v 14, Matt. viii 3.

17 Heb. *made it touch*

4 As words address the ear, so does a miracle the eye
s Josh v 2, 3, 2 Sam. xvi 7

5 Heb *shall be, and shall be*
d ch vii 19
t See vs 14—16, Eccles iv 9, Exod. iii 1; xix. 3; xx. 18, xxiv 15—17; 1 Kings xix. 8; Gen. xxix. 11.

6 Heb *a man of words*
7 Heb *since yesterday, nor since the third day*
8 Probably, of defective articulation, and of hard language, that is, obscure in words, difficult to be understood See Ezek iii 5, 6
u See vs. 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 16, see on vs 2—9

e ch vi. 12; Jer i 6
v ch iii. 16; xxiv. 1—11
f Ps xciv 9
g ch xviii 19, Deut. v. 31, xviii 18, Isa. i 4, Jer i 9; Matt x 19, Mark xiii 11, Luke xii 11, 12, xxi 14, 15
w See vs. 8, 9, ch iii 7, 16, 18, ii 25, xii. 27; 1 Chron xxix 20, 2 Chron xx 18

9 Or, *shoulder*
h See Jonah i 3
i ch iv 27, 1 Sam x 2, 3, 5
j ch vii 1, 2; Numb xxii 38, xxiii 5, 12, 16, Deut xviii. 18, Isa. ii 16, Jer i. 9, Deut. v 31

10 That is, communicating to Aaron the divine message
k ch vii 1, xviii 19
x 1 Kings xxi 17—20, Ps cxix 46, Acts xxiii 1—12, xxiv 10—21, 24—27, xxv 8—11, 22—27, xxvi 1—32; Exod x. 9

l ch iv 2
11 Heb *Jether*
y ch iii 19, 2 Kings xviii 35, 2 Chron xxxii 15—19; 1 Sam ii. 12; Job xxi 15, Ps x 4; xii 4, xiv 1; Jer xliv 16, 17

12 Or, *Go prospering*
13 This is still called by the Arabs "the land of Midian," or "of Jethro"
z ch iii 18, 2 Kings xvii 25, 2 Chron. xxx. 8; Ezra vii. 28; Zech xiv. 16—19

m ch. ii. 15, 23, Matt. ii. 20
14 Probably, every one of them.
n ch. xvii 9; Numb xx. 8, 9

18 That is, to hinder. Ye hinder the people from their work.
a Jer xxxviii 4, Amos vii. 10; Exod. i. 11
b ch. i. 7—11; Prov xiv 28



EGYPTIAN TASKMASTERS.

6 And Pharaoh commanded the same day [1]the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying,

7 Ye shall no more give the people [2]straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves.[a]

8 And the [3]tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish *ought* thereof: for they *be* idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go *and* sacrifice to our God.[b]

9 [4]Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard vain words.[c]

10 ¶ And the taskmasters of the people went out, and their officers, and they spake to the people, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.[d]

11 Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it: yet not ought of your work shall be diminished.[e]

12 So the people were scattered abroad throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw.

13 And the taskmasters hasted *them*, saying, Fulfil your works, *your* [5]daily tasks, as when there was straw.[f]

14 And the officers of the children of Israel, which

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1 The taskmasters were Egyptians, the officers of the people appear to have been native Israelites, but set over them by the taskmasters. See also v 14.

2 The straw was mixed with clay, in order to make the bricks.
g See vs 16—19; Ex. ii. 23—25.

a See vs. 10, 13, 15, 19, ch i. 11, ii. 14; Prov xii. 10

3 This word is derived from the Anglo-Saxon, and means, to number, or to count.
h See vs. 6, 7; Exod. vi 9, Ps. cvi. 41, 42.

b Ps cvi 41, 42, xxv. 19; xxxvii 1, 2, Prov. xii. 10; Ezek. xviii. 18.

4 Heb *let the work be heavy upon the men*; thus, if it were done, they would be broken down by it, and, if not, they would suffer punishment.
i See vs 6—8, 10—12, 14, Exod. i. 14, vi. 9

c See vs. 11—16, Exod. iii. 15—18; iv. 29—31; vi. 6—9.
j See v. 8; Prov. xix. 15, Exod. ii. 11; Ps. lxxxi. 6
k See vs. 5—14; Ezek. xviii. 18.

d ch. i. 11; Prov xxix. 12.

e See vs 7, 13, 14; Exod. i. 11; ii. 23—25.
l Deut. xxxii. 36; Eccles. iv. 1; v. 8.

Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them, were beaten, *and* demanded, Wherefore have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and to day, as heretofore?[g]

15 ¶ Then the officers of the children of Israel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servants?[h]

16 There is no straw given unto thy servants, and they say to us, Make brick: and, behold, thy servants *are* beaten; but the fault *is* in thine own people.[i]

17 But he said, Ye *are* idle, *ye are* idle: therefore ye say, Let us go *and* do sacrifice to the LORD.[j]

18 Go therefore now, *and* work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tale of bricks.[k]

19 And the officers of the children of Israel did see *that* they *were* in evil *case*, after it was said, Ye shall not minish *ought* from your bricks of your daily task.[l]

20 ¶ And they met Moses and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:

21 And they said unto them, The LORD look upon you, and judge; because ye have made our savour [6]to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slay us.[m]

5 Heb. *a matter of a day in his day.*
f See vs. 5—8; Prov. xii. 10.

6 Heb. *to stink.*
m See Gen. xxxiv. 30; 1 Sam. xiii. 4, xxvii. 12; 2 Sam x. 6, 1 Chron. xix. 6

22 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Lord, wherefore hast thou *so* evil entreated[1] this people? why *is* it *that* thou hast sent me?[a]

23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in thy name, he hath done evil to this people; neither [2]hast thou delivered thy people at all.

CHAPTER VI.

1 *God renewath his promise by his name JEHOVAH.* 14 *The genealogy of Reuben.* 15 *of Simeon,* 16 *of Levi, of whom came Moses and Aaron.*

THEN the LORD said unto Moses, Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall he let them go, and with a strong hand shall he drive them out of his land.[b]

2 And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I *am* [3]the LORD:

3 And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by *the name of* God Almighty,[c] but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.[d]

4 And I[e] have also established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan,[f] the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers.

5 And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel,[g] whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered my covenant.

6 Wherefore say unto the children of Israel, I *am* the LORD,[h] and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm,[i] and with great judgments:

7 And I will take you to me for a people,[j] and I will be to you a God:[k] and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.[l]

8 And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did [4]swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob;[m] and I will give it you for an heritage: I *am* the LORD.

9 ¶ And Moses spake so unto the children of Israel: but they hearkened not unto Moses for [5]anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage.[n]

10 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

11 Go in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel go out of his land.

12 And Moses spake before the LORD, saying, Behold, the children of Israel have not hearkened unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who *am* of [6]uncircumcised lips?

13 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, and gave them a charge unto the children of Israel, and unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt.

14 ¶ These *be* the [7]heads of their fathers' houses: The sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel; Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these *be* the families of Reuben.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

1 That is, *why hast thou suffered them to be so evilly treated?*

a See Deut. xxvi. 6; Job xxiv. 21; Acts vii. 6, 19.

o Gen. xlvi. 10; 1 Chron iv. 24.

2 Heb *delivering, thou hast not delivered.*

p Gen. xlvi. 11; Numb. viii. 17; 1 Chron. vi. 1, 16.

q 1 Chron. vi. 17; xxiii. 7; Numb. xxvi. 57.

r 1 Chron. vi. 2—18.

s 1 Chron. vi. 19; xxiii. 21.

t ch. ii 1, 2; Numb. xxvi 59

b ch. xi. 1; xii. 31, 33, 39

u Numb. xvi. 1; 1 Chron. vi. 37, 38.

3 Or, *Jehovah.*

v Lev x. 4; Numb. iii. 30

c Gen xvii. 1; xxxv. 11; xlviii. 3.

d ch iii 14, vii. 5, 17; Ps. lxviii 4, lxxxiii 18; Isa. xii. 2, xxvi. 4; Ezek. xxviii. 22, Rev. i. 4.

w Ruth iv 19, 20; 1 Chron ii. 10; Matt. i 4; Lev. x. 1, Numb iii 2, xxvi. 60, 1 Chron. vi. 3, xxiv. 1

e Gen. xv. 18; xvii. 4, 7.

f Gen xvii 8; xxviii. 4

x Numb xxvi 11.

g ch ii 24

y Numb xxv 7, 11; Josh xxiv 33

h ch vi 2, 8, 29, iii 17; vii 4, Deut xxvi 8, Ps lxxxi. 6, cxxxvi. 11, 12.

z ch vi 13.

8 Or, *tribes*, each of which now formed an army.

a ch vii. 4; xii 17, 51, Numb xxxiii. 1

i ch xv 13, Deut vii 8, 1 Chron xvii 21, Neh i. 10, Ps. lxxxix 23

j Deut. iv. 34; v 15, vii 19, xiv 2, xxvi 18, 2 Sam. vii. 14.

k Gen xvii 7, 8, Exod xxix. 45, 46, Deut. xxix. 13, Rev. xxi 7

l ch v 4, 5, Ps lxxxi. 6

4 Heb. *lift up my hand.*

b ch vi. 2

c ch vi 11

m See Gen xiv 22, Deut. xxxii 40, Isa. lxii. 8, Jer xxxii. 22, Dan xii 7, Gen xv 18, xxvi 3, xxviii 13, xxxv 12

d ch vi 12, iv 10

5 Heb *shortness*, or, *straitness.*

n See Job xxi 4, Numb xxi. 4, Judg xvi 16

6 That is, *slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.* Exod iv 10 The Syriac says, "Mine is a stammering tongue"

9 That is, Moses was to be the representative of God.

e ch. iv. 16.

7 That is, *chiefs of the houses of Moses and Aaron* Gen xlvi. 9, 1 Chron v. 3.

15 And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these *are* the families of Simeon.[o]

16 ¶ And these *are* the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari:[p] and the years of the life of Levi *were* an hundred thirty and seven years.

17 The sons of Gershon; Libni, and Shimi,[q] according to their families.

18 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel:[r] and the years of the life of Kohath *were* an hundred thirty and three years.

19 And the sons of Merari; Mahali and Mushi:[s] these *are* the families of Levi according to their generations.

20 And Amram[t] took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the years of the life of Amram *were* an hundred and thirty and seven years.

21 ¶ And the sons of Izhar;[u] Korah, and Nepheg, and Zithri.

22 And the sons of Uzziel;[v] Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri.

23 And Aaron took him Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab,[w] sister of Naashon, to wife; and she bare him Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

24 And the sons of Korah;[x] Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph: these *are* the families of the Korhites.

25 And Eleazar Aaron's son took him *one* of the daughters of Putiel to wife; and she bare him Phinehas:[y] these *are* the heads of the fathers of the Levites according to their families.

26 These *are* that Aaron and Moses, to whom the LORD said, Bring out the children of Israel from the land of Egypt[z] according to their [8]armies.[a]

27 These *are* they which spake to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these *are* that Moses and Aaron.

28 ¶ And it came to pass on the day *when* the LORD spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt,

29 That the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, I *am* the LORD:[b] speak thou[c] unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto thee.

30 And Moses said before the LORD, Behold, I *am* of uncircumcised lips,[d] and how shall Pharaoh hearken unto me?

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Moses is encouraged to go to Pharaoh.* 7 *His age* 8 *His rod is turned into a serpent.* 11 *The sorcerers do the like.* 13 *Pharaoh's heart is hardened.* 14 *God's message to Pharaoh.* 19 *The river is turned into blood.*

AND the LORD said unto Moses, See, I have made thee [9]a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.[e]

2 Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land.

3 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart,[a] and multiply my [1]signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt.

4 But Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you, that I may lay my hand upon Egypt,[b] and bring forth [2]mine armies, *and* my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments.[c]

5 And the Egyptians shall know that I *am* the LORD,[d] when I stretch forth mine hand upon Egypt,[e] and bring out the children of Israel from among them.

6 And Moses and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them, so did they.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

a ch. iv. 21.

1 That is, events adapted to persuade and convince; ch. xi 9.

b ch. x. 1; xi. 9.

2 Heb *my armies, even my people*

h ch viii. 15; x. 1, 20, 27

c ch vi. 6.

d ch vi 17; viii. 22; xiv. 4, 18; Ps. ix. 16.

e ch iii. 20; v 2.

i ch iv 2, 3, verse 10.

j ch. iii. 18.

k ch. iii. 12, 18; v. 1, 3.

13 And he hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them, as the LORD had said.

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart *is* hardened,[k] he refuseth to let the people go

15 Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water; and thou shalt stand by the river's brink against he come; and the rod which was turned to a serpent shalt thou take in thine hand.[i]

16 And thou shalt say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath sent me unto thee,[j] saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness:[k] and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.



AARON'S ROD CHANGED INTO A SERPENT

7 And Moses *was* fourscore years old,[f] and Aaron fourscore and three years old, when they spake unto Pharaoh.

8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

9 When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Shew a miracle for you:[g] then thou shalt say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and cast *it* before Pharaoh, *and* it shall become a serpent.

10 ¶ And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent.

11 Then Pharaoh also called the [3]wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments.

12 For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods.

f Deut xxix 5, xxxi 2, xxxvi. 7, Acts vii 23, 30

l ver. 5, ch. v. 2

g Isa. vii 11, Matt xii 38, John ii 18, vi 30

m ch viii 5, 6, 16, ix. 22, x 12, 21, xiv. 21, 26

4 Heb *gathering of their waters.*

n ch iv. 9.

3 That is, those who practised magical arts, and were *supposed* to be wiser than the multitude.

o Ps. lxxviii. 44; cv 29.

17 Thus saith the LORD, In this thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD:[l] behold, I will smite with the rod that *is* in mine hand upon the waters which *are* in the river, and they shall be turned to blood.

18 And the fish that *is* in the river shall die, and the river shall stink; and the Egyptians shall lothe to drink of the water of the river.

19 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand[m] upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their [4]pools of water, that they may become blood;[n] and *that* there may be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in *vessels of* wood, and in *vessels of* stone.

20 And Moses and Aaron did so, as the LORD commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that *were* in the river,[o] in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that *were* in the river were turned to blood.

21 And the fish that *was* in the river died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians could not drink of the water of the river; and there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt.

22 And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the LORD had said.

23 And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he set his heart to this also.

24 And all the Egyptians digged round about the river for water to drink; for they could not drink of the water of the river.

25 And seven days were fulfilled, after that the LORD had smitten the river.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Frogs are sent.* 8 *Pharaoh sueth to Moses,* 12 *and Moses by prayer removeth them away:* 16 *The dust is turned into lice, which the magicians could not do* 20 *The swarms of flies.* 25 *Pharaoh inclineth to let the people go,* 32 *but yet is hardened*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

2 And if thou refuse to let *them* go, behold, I will smite all thy [1]borders with frogs:

3 And the river shall bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine house, and into thy bedchamber,[a] and upon thy bed, and into the house of thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy [2]kneadingtroughs:

4 And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy servants.

5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth thine hand with thy rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt.

6 And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.[b]

7 And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt.

8 ¶ Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Intreat the LORD, that he may take away the frogs from me, and from my people;[c] and I will let the people go, that they may do sacrifice unto the LORD.

9 And Moses said unto Pharaoh, [3]Glory over me: when shall I intreat for thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, [4]to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses, *that* they may remain in the river only?

10 And he said, To morrow. And he said, *Be it* according to thy word: that thou mayest know that *there is* none like unto the LORD our God.[d]

11 And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a ch viii. 30; ix. 33; x 18; xxxii. 11.

5 That is, the frogs first deserted the houses, then the walled or fenced places, here called "villages," and, afterwards, the open fields.

6 The Greek renders the word gnats, which some suppose to be mosquitos.

f Ps. cv. 31.

g ch xxxi 18, Deut. ix 10, 1 Sam vi 8, 9, Matt xii. 28; Luke xi 20

h ch. vii. 15.

1 By the term "borders," as used in Scripture, is meant not only the coasts or boundaries of a country, but its regions, districts, or provinces.

a Ps cv. 30

2 Or, *dough.*

7 That is, various kinds of noxious creatures.

i ch ix 4, vi 26, x 23, xi 6, 7, xii 13

b Ps. lxxviii. 45, cv. 30

8 Heb *a redemption.*

9 Or, *by to morrow*

j Ps lxxviii 45, cv 31

10 Heb *destroyed*, that is, the people were reduced to the greatest extremities—a state of annoyance scarcely to be endured.

c ch ix 28, x. 17.

3 Or, *Have the honour over me*

4 Heb *to cut off*

11 That is, if we sacrifice after the manner of the Egyptians, that will be an abomination to the Lord, if we, after our own manner, sacrifice animals which the Egyptians worship, that will be an abomination to *them.* Our *only* course, therefore, is to go into the wilderness to offer sacrifice. See also ver. 27; ch. x. 24—26.

d ch. ix. 14; Deut. xxxiii. 26; 2 Sam. vii 22; 1 Chron. xvii 20; Ps. lxxxvi. 8; lxxxix. 6; Isa. xlvi. 9; Jer. x. 6, 7

12 And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto the LORD because of the frogs which he had brought against Pharaoh.[e]

13 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the [5]frogs died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields.

14 And they gathered them together upon heaps: and the land stank.

15 But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his heart, and hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.

16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the land, that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt.

17 And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod, and smote the dust of the earth, and it became [6]lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt.[f]

18 And the magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast.

19 Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This *is* the finger of God:[g] and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said.[h]

20 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh; lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

21 Else, if thou wilt not let my people go, behold, I will send [7]swarms *of flies* upon thee, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people, and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms *of flies*, and also the ground whereon they *are.*

22 And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell,[i] that no swarms *of flies* shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I *am* the LORD in the midst of the earth.

23 And I will put a [8]division between my people and thy people: [9]to morrow shall this sign be.

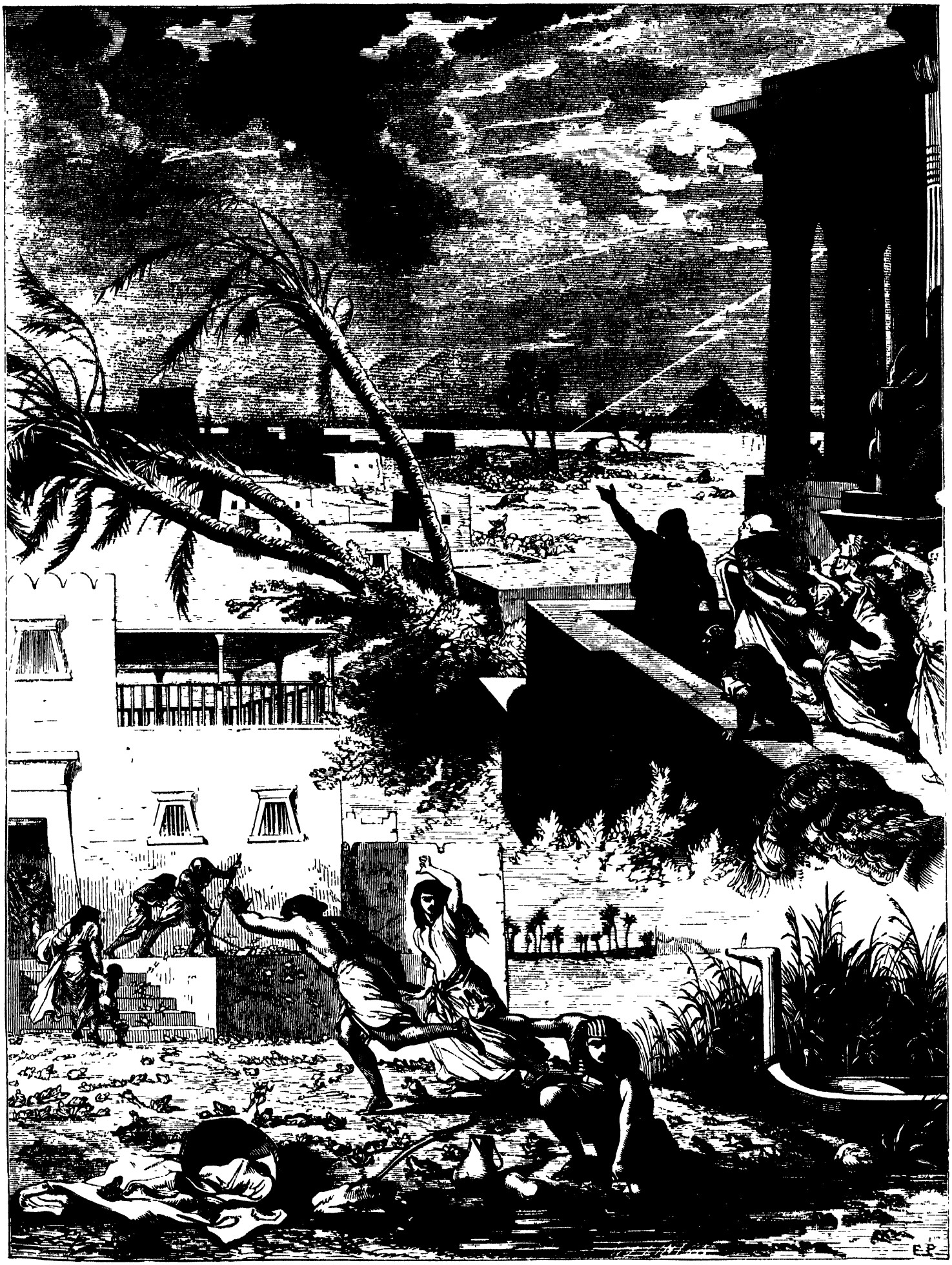
24 And the LORD did so; and there came a grievous swarm *of flies* into the house of Pharaoh,[j] and *into* his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt: the land was [10]corrupted by reason of the swarm *of flies.*

25 ¶ And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to your God in the land.

26 And Moses said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice the [11]abomination of the Egyptians to the LORD our God: lo, shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us?

27 We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our God, as he shall command us.

28 And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to the LORD your God in the wilder-



THE PLAGUE OF HAIL AND THE PLAGUE OF FROGS.

ness; only ye shall not go very far away: intreat for me.[e]

29 And Moses said, Behold, I go out from thee, and I will intreat the LORD that the swarms *of flies* may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, to morrow: but let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully any more in not letting the people go to sacrifice to the LORD.

30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.[b]

31 And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms *of flies* from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people; there remained not one.

32 And Pharaoh hardened his heart at this time also, neither would he let the people go.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

e Ps. lxxviii. 50.

a ch. viii. 8; ix. 28

b ch viii. 12

1 Heb. *budding, germinating, or efflorescing with pustules or blisters.*

c ch iv 21

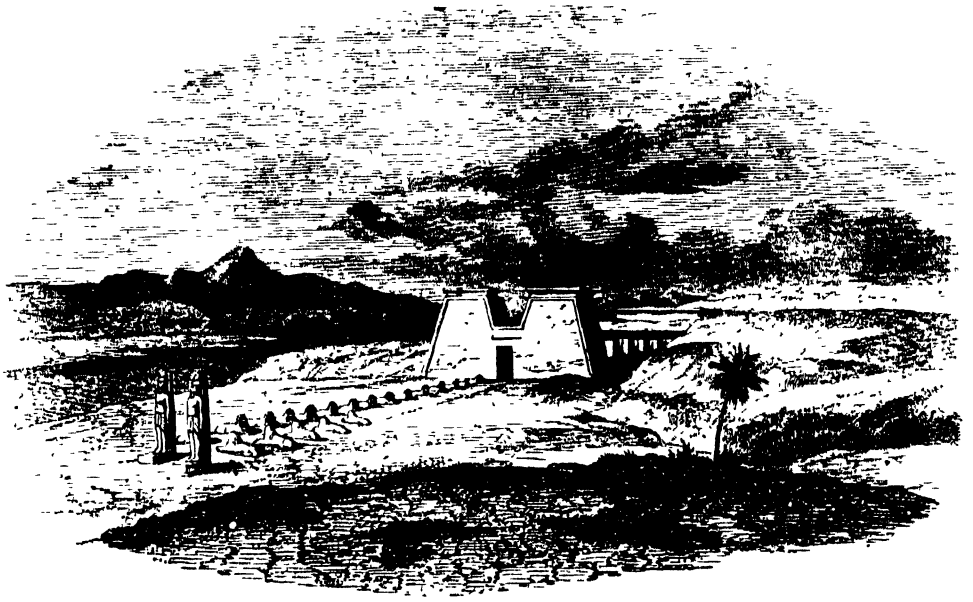
and all the cattle of Egypt died:[a] but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one.

7 And Pharaoh sent, and, behold, there was not one of the cattle of the Israelites dead. And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people go.

8 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh.

9 And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be a [1]boil breaking forth *with* blains upon man, and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt.

10 And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward



AN AVENUE OF SPHYNXES.

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The murrain of beasts.* 8 *The plague of boils and blains.* 13 *His message about the hail.* 22 *The plague of hail.* 27 *Pharaoh sueth to Moses,* 35 *but yet is hardened.*

THEN the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.

2 For if thou refuse to let *them* go, and wilt hold them still,

3 Behold, the hand of the LORD is upon thy cattle which *is* in the field, upon the horses, upon the asses, upon the camels, upon the oxen, and upon the sheep: *there shall be* a very grievous murrain.

4 And the LORD shall sever between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt:[d] and there shall nothing die of all *that is* the children's of Israel.

5 And the LORD appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the LORD shall do this thing in the land.

6 And the LORD did that thing on the morrow,

f Job ii. 7, 8; Deut. xxviii. 27; Rev xvi 2

g ch viii 18, 19, 2 Tim iii. 9

h ch iv 21

i ch. viii 20

j ch. viii. 10

d See ch viii. 22

k ch iii. 20.

2 Heb. *made thee stand.*

l See ch. xiv 17; Rom ix. 17, Prov xvi. 4, 1 Peter ii. 9

heaven; and it became a boil[f] breaking forth *with* blains upon man, and upon beast.

11 And the magicians[g] could not stand before Moses because of the boils; for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians.

12 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken unto Moses.[h]

13 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, Let my people go, that they may serve me.[i]

14 For I will at this time send all my plagues upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and upon thy people; that thou mayest know that *there is* none like me in all the earth.[j]

15 For now I will stretch out my hand,[k] that I may smite thee and thy people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

16 And in very deed for this *cause* have I [2]raised thee up, for to shew *in* thee my power;[l] and that my name may be declared throughout all the earth.

17 As yet exaltest thou thyself against my people, that thou wilt not let them go?

18 Behold, to morrow about this time I will cause it to rain a very grievous hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now.

19 Send therefore now, *and* gather thy cattle, and

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

1 Heb. *set not his heart unto*

a ch. vii. 23

b Rev xvi. 21

21 And he that [1]regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.[a]

22 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt,[b] upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt.



MOSES AND AARON BEFORE PHARAOH.

all that thou hast in the field; *for upon* every man and beast which shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home, the hail shall come down upon them, and they shall die.

20 He that feared the word of the LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his servants and his cattle flee into the houses:

c Josh. x. 11; Ps. xviii. 13; lxxviii. 47, 48; Ps. cv 32; cxlviii. 8; Isa. xxx 30; Ezek xxxviii. 22; Rev. viii. 7.

23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the LORD sent thunder and hail, and the fire ran along upon the ground;[c] and the LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation.

25 And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt [1]all that *was* in the field, both man and beast;[a] and the hail smote every herb of the field, and brake every tree of the field.

26 Only in the land of Goshen,[b] where the children of Israel *were*, was there no hail.

27 ¶ And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moses and Aaron, and said unto them, I have sinned this time:[c] the LORD *is* righteous, and I and my people *are* wicked.[d]

28 Intreat the LORD[e] (for *it is* enough) that there be no *more* mighty thunderings and hail; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer.

29 And Moses said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the city, I will spread abroad my hands unto the LORD;[f] *and* the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that thou mayest know how that the earth *is* the LORD'S.[g]

30 But as for thee and thy servants, I know that ye will not yet fear the LORD God.[h]

31 And the flax and the barley was smitten: for the barley *was* in the ear,[i] and the flax *was* [2]boiled.

32 But the wheat and the rie were not smitten: for they *were* [3]not grown up.

33 And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and spread abroad his hands unto the LORD:[j] and the thunders and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth.

34 And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his heart, he and his servants.

35 And the heart of Pharaoh was hardened,[k] neither would he let the children of Israel go; as the LORD had spoken by Moses.

CHAPTER X.

1 *God threateneth to send locusts.* 7 *Pharaoh, moved by his servants, inclineth to let the Israelites go.* 12 *The plague of the locusts.* 16 *Pharaoh sueth to Moses.* 21 *The plague of darkness.* 24 *Pharaoh sueth unto Moses,* 27 *but yet is hardened.*

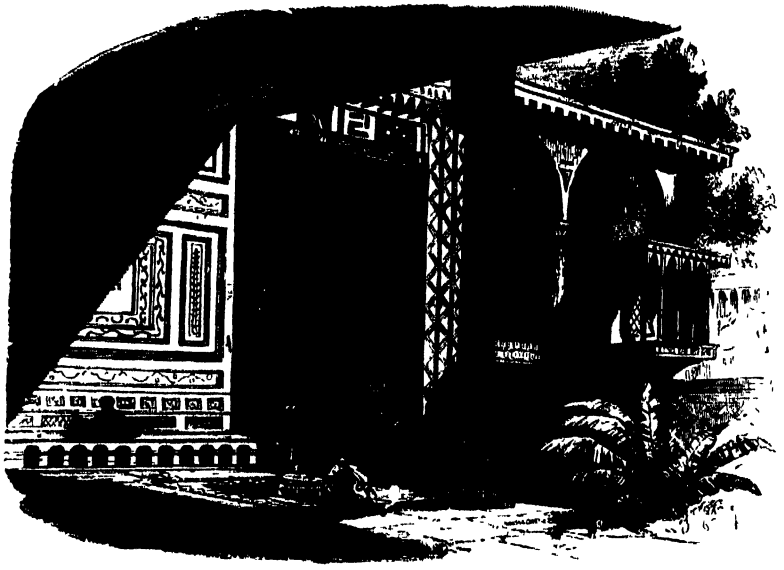
AND the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants,[l] that I might show these my signs before him:[m] that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy son, and of thy son's son,[n] what things I have wrought in Egypt, and my signs which I have done among them; that ye may know how that I *am* the LORD.

3 And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me?[o] let my people go, that they may serve me.

4 Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, to morrow will I bring the locusts into thy coast:[p]

5 And they shall cover the face of the earth,[q] that one cannot be able to see the earth: and they shall eat the residue of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which groweth for you out of the field:

6 And they shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all thy servants, and the houses of all the Egyptians; which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.



AN EGYPTIAN HOUSE.

7 And Pharaoh's servants said unto him, How long shall this man be a snare unto us?[r] let the men go, that they may serve the LORD their God: knowest thou not yet that Egypt is destroyed?

8 And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto Pharaoh: and he said unto them, Go, serve the LORD your God: *but* [4]who *are* they that shall go?

9 And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we *must hold* a feast unto the LORD.[s]

10 And he said unto them, Let the LORD be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look *to it;* for evil *is* before you.

11 Not so: go now ye *that are* men, and serve the LORD; for that ye did desire. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt[t] for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land,[u] *even* all that the hail hath left.

13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the LORD brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all *that* night; *and* when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts.

14 And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt:[v] very grievous *were they;* before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such.[w]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

1 *Some of all sorts:* Psa. cv. 33.

a See ch. x. 15, 25; Acts x. 12.

b ch. viii. 22; ix. 4; vi. 10, 23; xi. 7; xii. 13; Isa. xxxii. 18.

c ch. x. 16.

d 2 Chron. xii. 6; Ps. cxxix. 4; cxlv. 17; Lam. i. 18; Dan. ix. 14

e ch. viii. 8; xxviii. 10, 17; Acts viii. 24, Ps. xxix. 3, 4.

f 1 Kings viii. 22, 38; Ps. cxliii. 6; Isa. i. 15.

g Ps. xxiv. 1, 1 Cor. x. 26, 28.

h Isa. xxvi. 10

i Ruth i. 22; ii. 23

2 Heb. *podded.*

3 Heb. *hidden* or *dark.*

j ch. viii. 29; ch. viii. 12

k Deut. vii. 16; Judg. ii. 3; 1 Sam. xviii. 21; Job xviii. 8, 10; Ps. lxix. 22; Prov. xviii. 7; Isa. viii. 14; 1 Cor. vii. 35; 1 Tim. iii. 7; 2 Tim. ii. 26.

l ch. iv. 21.

4 Heb. *who and who.*

m ch. v. 1

n ch. iv. 21; vii. 14

o ch. vii. 4.

p ch. viii. 19

q Deut. iv. 9; Ps. xliv. 1—3, lxxi. 18; lxxviii. 5; Joel i. 3.

u ver. 5.

o 1 Kings xxi. 29, 2 Chron. vii. 14, xii. 6, 7, 12, xxx. 11; xxxii. 26, xxxiii. 12, 19, 23, xxxvi. 12, Ps. xxxv. 13; Isa. ii. 11, v. 15; x. 33, Jer. xliv. 10; Lam. iii. 20, Dan. v. 22

v Ps. lxxviii. 46, cv. 34

p Deut. xxviii. 38, 2 Chron. vii. 13; Ps. cv. 34, Prov. xxx. 27, Isa. xxxiii. 4; Matt. iii. 4.

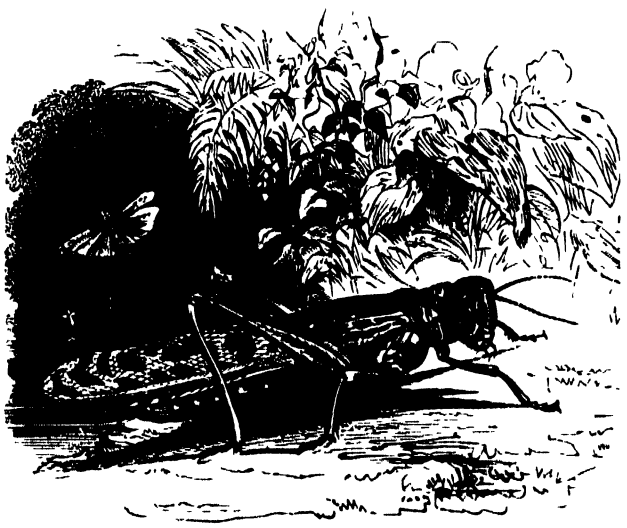
q Gen. i. 29; Exod. xxxii. 12; Numb. xii. 3; Ps. civ. 30; Ezek. xxxviii. 20; Luke xxi. 35, Acts xvii. 26.

v Joel ii. 2



THE PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS.

15 For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land,[a] and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt.



THE LOCUST.

16 ¶ Then Pharaoh [1]called for Moses and Aaron in haste; and he said, I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you.[b]

17 Now therefore forgive, I pray thee, my sin only this once, and intreat the LORD your God,[c] that he may take away from me this death only.

18 And he went out from Pharaoh, and intreated the LORD.[d]

19 And the LORD turned a mighty strong west wind, which took away the locusts, and cast them into the Red sea; there remained not one locust in all the coasts of Egypt.

20 But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart,[e] so that he would not let the children of Israel go.

21 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, [2]even darkness *which* may be felt.

22 And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and there was a [3]thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days:

23 They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.[f]

24 ¶ And Pharaoh called unto Moses, and said, Go ye, serve the LORD; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you.

25 And Moses said, Thou must give [4]us also sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice unto the LORD our God.

26 Our cattle also shall go with us; there shall not an hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve the LORD our God; and we know not with

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

c ch ix. 28; 1 Kings xiii. 6.

a Ps. cv 35.

d ch viii. 30

e ch. iv. 21; xi. 10

2 Heb *that one may feel darkness*, denoting its intensity

3 A darkness of preternatural density See Ps. cv., Rev xvi 10

f ch viii 22

4 Heb *into our hands*; that is, let us take that which is our own.

1 Heb. *hasted to call*

b ch ix. 27

what we must serve the LORD, until we come thither.

27 ¶ But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart,[a] and he would not let them go.

28 And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in *that* day thou seest my face thou shalt die.

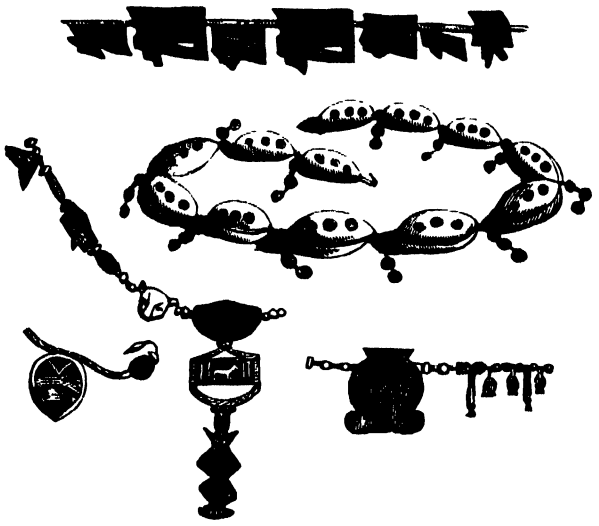
29 And Moses said, Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again no more.[b]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *God's message to the Israelites to borrow jewels of their neighbours.* 4 *Moses threateneth Pharaoh with the death of the firstborn.*

AND the LORD [1]said unto Moses, Yet will I bring one plague *more* upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence: when he shall let *you* go, he shall surely thrust you out hence altogether.

2 Speak now in the ears of the people, and let every man [2]borrow of his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold.[c]



ANCIENT EGYPTIAN JEWELS.

3 And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man Moses *was* very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people.

4 And Moses said, Thus saith the LORD, About midnight will I go out into the midst of Egypt:[d]

5 And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sitteth upon his throne, even unto the firstborn of the maidservant that *is* behind the mill; and all the firstborn of beasts.

6 And there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt,[e] such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.

7 But against any of the children of Israel shall not a dog move his tongue, against man or beast: that ye may know how that the LORD doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.

8 And all these thy servants shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, Get thee out, and all the people that follow thee:[f] and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in a [3]great anger.

9 And the LORD [4]said unto Moses, Pharaoh shall not hearken unto you; that my wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt.

10 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

CHAPTER XII.

1 *The beginning of the year is changed.* 8 *The passover is instituted.* 11 *The rite of the passover.* 15 *Unleavened bread.* 29 *The firstborn are slain.* 31 *The Israelites are driven out of the land.* 37 *They come to Succoth.* 43 *The ordinance of the passover.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,

2 This [5]month *shall be* unto you the beginning of months: it *shall be* the first month of the year to you.

3 ¶ Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth *day* of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the [6]house of *their* fathers, a lamb for an house:

4 And if the houshold be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take *it* according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

5 Your lamb shall be [7]without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take *it* out from the sheep, or from the goats:

6 And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it [8]in the evening.

7 And they shall take of the blood, and strike *it* on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

8 And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread;[g] *and* with bitter *herbs* they shall eat it.

9 Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast *with* fire;[h] his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.

10 And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning;[i] and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire.

11 ¶ And thus shall ye eat it; *with* your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it *is* the LORD's passover.[j]

12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a ver. 20; ch. iv. 21; xiv. 4, 8.

f ch. xii. 33

3 Heb. *heat of anger* the indignation of Moses burning intensely at Pharaoh's rebellion against God.

b Heb. xi. 27.

4 Rather, the Lord *had* said; this verse, with the following, being designed as a general recapitulation of the wonders God had wrought in Egypt, while Pharaoh hardened himself in his iniquity.

1 Probably, the Lord *had* said, for it appears that Moses, after announcing the eighth plague, went out from Pharaoh in great anger. See ver 8. This plague must therefore have been threatened *before* Moses said, "I will see thy face again no more." Exod. ix. 29.

Heb *to ask, solicit, demand, without implying any promise of restoration* See Ps ii. 8. ch iii 22, xii 35.

5 Heb *the head of months* The month Abib, see ch xiii. 4, had formerly been reckoned the *seventh*, but it was now to stand *first* of the *sacred* year; the *civil* year, commencing in the month Tisri, remaining unaltered

6 The entire host of Israel was divided into twelve *tribes*, these tribes into *families*, and the families into *houses*; the last being composed of particular individuals. There might, therefore, be several *houses* in one family

7 That is, a lamb or a kid, having neither defect nor redundancy See Lev xxii. 21—24, Mal i. 14, Heb ix. 14, 1 Peter i. 19

8 Heb *between the two evenings*, that is, in the afternoon between the time of the sun's beginning to decline, which was called the *first* evening, and that of his setting, which was termed the *second*.

g ch. xxxiv 25; Numb ix. 11, Deut. xvi. 8, 1 Cor v. 8.

d ch. xii. 12; xxiii. 29

h Gen. ix. 4, Deut. xvi. 7

i ch. xxiii. 18, xxxiv. 25

e ch. xii. 30

j Deut. xvi 5.

this night,[a] and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the [1]gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I *am* the LORD.

13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye *are:* and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy *you,* when I smite the land of Egypt.

14 And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations;[b] ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.

15 Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread;[c] even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.[d]

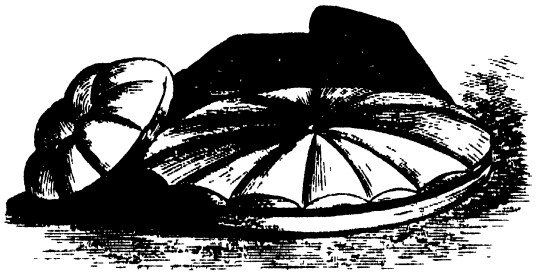
16 And in the first day *there shall be* an holy convocation,[e] and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, save *that* which every man must eat, that only may be done of you.

17 And ye shall observe *the feast of* unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt:[f] therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.

18 ¶ In the first *month,*[g] on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.

19 Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses:[h] for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land.

20 Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.



UNLEAVENED BREAD.

21 ¶ Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them, Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families, and kill the passover.[i]

22 And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip *it* in the blood that *is* in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that *is* in the bason; and none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning.

23 For the LORD will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side-posts, the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite *you.*[j]

24 And ye shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever.

25 And it shall come to pass, when ye be come to the land which the LORD will give you, according as he hath promised, that ye shall keep this service.

26 And it shall come to pass, when your children shall say unto you, What mean ye by this service?[k]

27 That ye shall say, It *is* the sacrifice of the LORD'S passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Egyptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped.



HYSSOP PLANT

28 And the children of Israel went away, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.[l]

29 ¶ And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt,[m] from the firstborn of Pharaoh that sat on his throne unto the firstborn of the captive that *was* in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle.

30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Egypt;[n] for *there was* not a house where *there was* not one dead.

31 ¶ And he called for Moses and Aaron by night,[o] and said, Rise up, *and* get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as ye have said.

32 Also take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also.[p]

33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a ch. xi. 4, 5; Amos v. 17.

1 Or, *princes,* the word "gods" probably including the powers which were human, as well as those accounted divine. See ch xxii. 28; Ps. lxxxii. 1—6; John x. 34, 35.

j 2 Sam. xxiv. 16; 1 Cor. x. 10; Heb. xi. 28.

k ch. xiii. 8, 14; Deut. xxxii. 7; Josh. iv. 6; Ps. lxxviii. 6.

b Lev xxiii. 4, 5; 2 Kings xxiii. 21.

c ch. xiii 6, 7; xxiii. 15; xxxiv. 18—25, Lev xxiii. 5, 6; Numb xxviii. 17, Deut. xvi. 3—8, 1 Cor v. 7.

d Gen. xvii. 14; Numb. ix. 13

e Lev xxiii. 7, 8; Numb. xxviii. 18, 25

f ch xiii. 3.

g Lev xxiii. 5, Numb xxviii. 16.

h Exod. xxiii 15, xxxiv 18, Deut. xvi 3, 1 Cor v. 7, 8

i Heb xi. 28

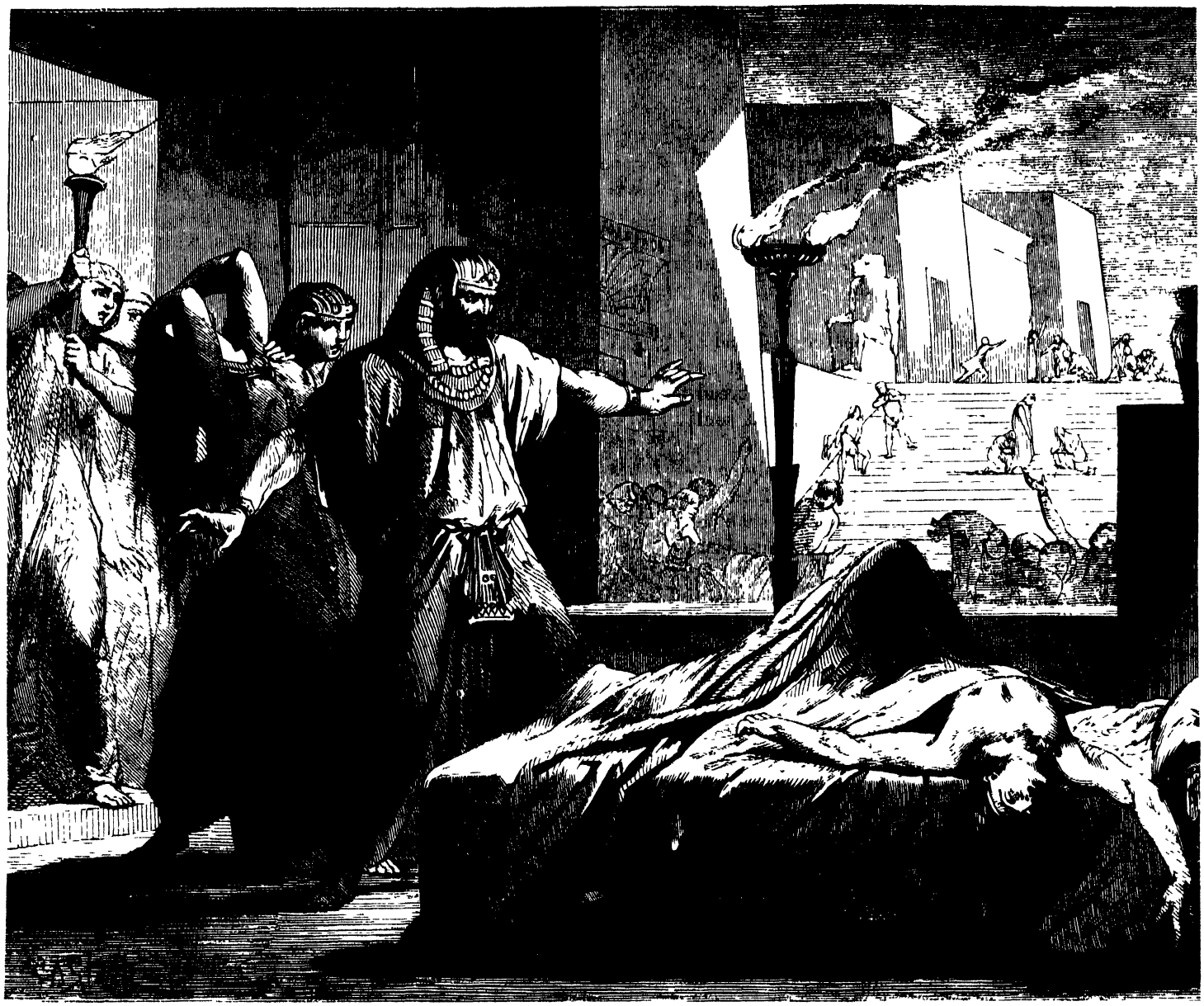
l Numb. viii. 17, xxxiii 4, Ps lxxviii 51, cv. 36, cxxxvi 10

m ch. xi. 6, Zech xii. 10.

n ver 3; Numb ix. 4, Josh. v. 10, 2 Kings xxiii 21; Ezra vi. 20, Matt. xxvi. 18, 19, Mark xiv 12—16; Luke xxii 7, John ii 13; xi. 55, xix 14; 1 Cor. v. 7; Heb. xi. 28.

o ch. xi. 8.

p Gen. xxvii. 34



DEATH OF THE FIRSTBORN OF EGYPT

people,[a] that they might send them out of the land in haste; for they said, We *be* all dead *men.*

34 And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their [1]kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders.

35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold,[b] and raiment:

36 And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them *such things as they required.* And they spoiled the Egyptians.[c]

37 ¶ And the children of Israel journeyed from [2]Rameses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand on foot *that were* men, beside children.

38 And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, *even* very much cattle.

39 And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Egypt, and could not tarry, neither had they prepared for themselves any victual.

40 ¶ Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, *was* four hundred and thirty years.[d]

41 And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

42 It *is* a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this *is* that night of the LORD to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations.

43 ¶ And the LORD [3]said unto Moses and Aaron, This *is* the ordinance of the passover: There shall no stranger eat thereof:

44 But every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him, then shall he eat thereof.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

a ch. xi 8; Ps cv 38

1 Or, *kneading bowls*, small portable vessels

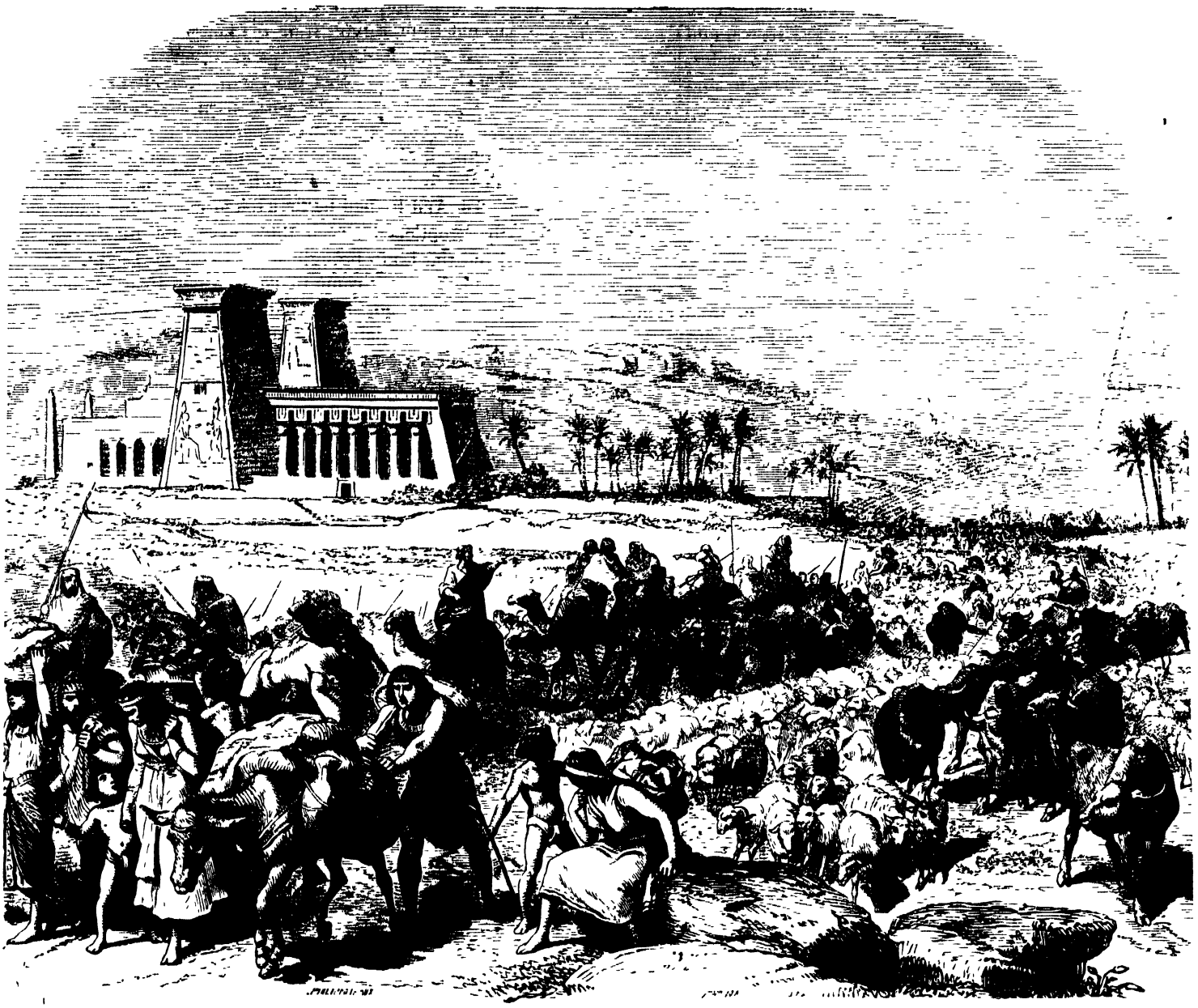
d Gen xv 13, Acts vii 6, Gal. iii 17

b ch iii. 22, xi 2

c Gen xv 14; Exod. xl. 2, Ps cv 37, Ezek. xxxix. 10

2 Rameses is one of the cities which the Israelites are said to have built for Pharaoh. Exod. i. 11 Succoth is the place where Jacob, on his return from Mesopotamia, pitched his *succoth*, or tents Gen. xxxiii. 17, see also Numb xxxiii. 5, 6

3 Probably, the Lord *had* said, when he instituted the Passover



THE DEPARTURE OF THE ISRAELITES.

45 A foreigner[a] and an hired servant shall not eat thereof.

46 In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.[b]

47 All the congregation of Israel shall keep it.

48 And when a stranger shall sojourn with thee,[c] and will keep the passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof.

49 One law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you.[d]

50 Thus did all the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they.

51 And it came to pass the selfsame day, *that* the LORD did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their armies.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a Lev. xxii. 10.

b Numb. ix. 12; John xix.

c Numb. ix. 14.

e vs. 12, 13, 15; ch. xxii. 29, 30; xxxiv. 19; Lev. xxvii. 26; Numb. iii. 13; viii. 16, 17; xviii. 15—17; Deut. xv. 19; Luke ii. 23.

d Numb. ix. 14, 15; xv. 16.

f ch. xii. 42; Deut. xvi. 3.

1 Heb *of servants.*

g ch. xii. 8.

h ch. xxiii. 15; xxxiv. 18; Deut. xvi. 1.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *The firstborn are sanctified to God.* 3 *The memorial of the passover is commanded.* 11 *The firstlings of beasts are set apart.* 17 *The Israelites go out of Egypt, and carry Joseph's bones with them.* 20 *They come to Etham.* 21 *God guideth them by a pillar of a cloud, and a pillar of fire.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Sanctify unto me[e] all the firstborn, whatsoever openeth the womb among the children of Israel, *both* of man and of beast: it *is* mine.

3 ¶ And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day,[f] in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of [1]bondage, for by strength of hand the LORD brought you out from this *place:* there shall no leavened bread be eaten.[g]

4 This day came ye out in the month Abib.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

5 ¶ And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this service in this month.[a]

6 Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread,[b] and in the seventh day *shall be* a feast to the LORD.

7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters.[c]

8 ¶ And thou shalt shew thy son in that day, saying, *This is done* because of that *which* the LORD did unto me when I came forth out of Egypt.

9 And it shall be for a sign unto thee[d] upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine eyes, that the LORD's law may be in thy mouth: for with a strong hand hath the LORD brought thee out of Egypt.

10 Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in his season from year to year.

11 ¶ And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites, as he sware unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it thee,

12 That thou shalt set apart unto the LORD[e] all that openeth the matrix, and every firstling that cometh of a beast which thou hast; the males *shall be* the LORD's.

13 And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb;[f] and if thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break his neck: and all the firstborn of man among thy children shalt thou redeem.

14 ¶ And it shall be when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What *is* this?[g] that thou shalt say unto him, By strength of hand the LORD brought us out from Egypt, from the house of bondage:

15 And it came to pass, when Pharaoh would hardly let us go, that the LORD slew all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man, and the firstborn of beast: therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all that openeth the matrix, being males; but all the firstborn of my children I redeem.

16 And it shall be for a token upon thine hand, and for [1]frontlets between thine eyes: for by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt.

17 ¶ And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that God led them not *through* the way of the land of the Philistines, although that *was* near; for God said, Lest peradventure the people repent[h] when they see war, and they return to Egypt:

18 But God led the people about, *through* the way of the wilderness of the Red sea: and the children of Israel went up [2]harnessed out of the land of Egypt.

19 And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for [3]he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you;[i] and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you.

20 ¶ And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham, in the edge of the wilderness.

21 And the LORD went before them[j] by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

22 He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, *from* before the people.

a ch. xii 25, 26.
b ch. xii. 15, 16.

1 These were strips worn upon the forehead and on the left arm.

c ch. xii. 19

d See ver 16; ch. xii. 14; Numb xv. 39; Deut. vi. 8, xi. 18; Prov. i. 9, Isa. xlix. 16; Jer xxii. 24; Matt. xxiii. 5.

h ch xiv. 11, 12; Numb. xiv. 1—4

2 That is, equipped for their journey.

3 That is, Joseph

i Gen l. 25; Josh xxiv 32, Acts vii 16

e See ver 2

j ch xiv 19, 24, xl. 38, Numb ix. 15; x. 34, xiv 14; Deut. i 33, Neh ix 12, 19, Ps lxxviii 14, xcix 7, cv. 39, Isa. iv 5, 1 Cor x. 1.

f ch xxxiv 20, Numb. xviii 15, 16

g ch xii 26, Deut vi 20, Josh iv 6 21



THE EDGE OF THE WILDERNESS.

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *God instructeth the Israelites in their journey.* 5 *Pharaoh pursueth after them.* 10 *The Israelites murmur.* 13 *Moses comforteth them.* 15 *God instructeth Moses.* 19 *The cloud removeth behind the camp.* 21 *The Israelites pass through the Red sea,* 28 *which drowneth the Egyptians.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before [1]Pi-hahiroth, between Migdol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall ye encamp by the sea.

3 For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel, They *are* entangled in the land, the wilderness hath shut them in.

4 And I will harden Pharaoh's heart,[a] that he shall follow after them; and I will be honoured upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host; that the Egyptians may know that I *am* the LORD.[b] And they did so.

5 ¶ And it was told the king of Egypt that the people fled: and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants was turned against the people,[c] and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Israel go from serving us?

6 And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him:

7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

d ch. vi. 1; xiii. 9; Numb. xxxiii. 8.

e Josh. xxiv. 6; Ps. cvi. 7—11

1 This word means, most probably, the entrance of the valley, or pass. To reach it the Israelites had to "turn," deviating from their direct course, which would have been due east, till they had rounded the upper extremity of the gulf. Numb xxxiii. 7

8 And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with an high hand.[d]

9 But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses *and* chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-zephon.[e]

10 ¶ And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were sore afraid and the children of Israel cried out unto the LORD.

11 And they said unto Moses, Because *there were* no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt?



PHARAOH AND HIS HOST IN PURSUIT OF THE ISRAELITES

12 *Is* not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For *it had been* better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should die in the wilderness.[f]

13 ¶ And Moses said unto the people, Fear ye not,[g] stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will shew to you to day: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to day, ye shall see them again no more for ever.

14 The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.[h]

15 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward:

16 But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine

a ch ix 16, Ezek. xxxviii. 22, 23, Rom ix 17.

f ch v. 21; vi. 9

b ch vii. 5

g Gen. xxvi 24, Exod xx. 10; Numb xiv 9; Deut. i. 21; 2 Chron. xx. 17; Isa. xxxv 4, Lam. iii. 57; Ezek. iii. 9; Matt. x. 28.

c Ps. cv. 25

h Isa. xxx. 7.

hand over the sea,[a] and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry *ground* through the midst of the sea.

17 And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians,[b] and they shall follow them: and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh,[c] and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

18 And the Egyptians shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

19 ¶ And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel,[d] removed and went behind them; and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them:

20 And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness *to them*, but it gave light by night *to these:* so that the one came not near the other all the night.

21 And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go *back* by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea dry *land*,[e] and the waters were divided.[f]

22 And the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea upon the dry *ground:* and the waters *were* a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.[g]

23 ¶ And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, *even* all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen.

24 And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the LORD looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians,

25 And took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.[h]

26 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.

27 And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the LORD [1]overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

28 And the waters returned, and covered the chariots, and the horsemen, *and* all the host of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them;[i] there remained not so much as one of them.

29 But the children of Israel walked upon dry *land* in the midst of the sea; and the waters *were* a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

30 Thus the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.

31 And Israel saw that great [2]work which the LORD did upon the Egyptians: and the people feared the LORD, and believed the LORD,[j] and his servant Moses.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a vs. 21, 26; ch. vii. 19.

b ver. 8; ch. vii. 3.

c See ver. 4.

k Ps. cvi. 12.

3 Heb. *he is exceedingly exalted.*

d ch. xiii. 21; xxiii. 20; xxxii. 34.

l Neh. ix. 11.

4 Heb *My strength and my song is Jah.* A contraction of the name Jehovah, which occurs here for the first time in the Scriptures. See Ps. lxviii. 4; Rev. xix 1—4.

5 That is, *mighty in battle* See 1 Sam. xvii. 33.

e Exod. xv 19; Ps lxvi 6

f ch xv. 8, Josh iii. 16; iv 23, Neh ix. 11, Ps. lxxiv 13; cvi 9; cxiv 3, Isa. lxiii. 11—13.

m Neh ix. 11

n Ps. cxviii. 15, 16.

g Ps. lxxvii. 16—20, lxxviii. 13, 1 Cor. x. 1, Hab iii 15

o Deut. xxxiii 26.

p Isa. v. 24; xlvii. 14.

q See ch. xiv. 26, 27; Job iv. 9; 2 Thess. ii. 8.

6 Heb. *My hand shall repossess them;* that is, bring them back to slavery

h ver. 14.

7 Heb *the mighty ones, the potentates.*

r Isa. vi. 3.

s Job v. 9

t Jonah ii. 6

1 Heb *shook off* See Neh. v 13; Job xxxviii 13; Ps. cxxxvi. 15; Exod. xv 1, 7

8 Heb *guided gently.* See Ps. lxxvii. 20; Isa. xl. 11

u Josh v 1; xlviii. 6

i Ps lxxviii 53; cvi. 8—11; Heb. xi. 29

v Deut xi. 25· Josh. ii. 9—11.

w Deut. xxxii. 6; Ps. lxxiv. 2; 2 Pet. ii. 1.

x Ps. lxxx. 8—16.

2 Heb *hand.* See Ps. cix. 27.

y Deut. iii. 25; Ps. lxxviii. 54.

j Ps. cvi. 12.

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Moses' song.* 22 *The people want water.* 23 *The waters at Marah are bitter.* 25 *A tree sweeteneth them.* 27 *At Elim are twelve wells, and seventy palm trees.*

THEN sang Moses and the children of Israel[t] this song unto the LORD, and spake, saying, I will sing unto the LORD, for [3]he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.[t]

2 The [4]LORD *is* my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he *is* my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him.

3 The LORD *is* [5]a man of war: the LORD *is* his name.

4 Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea.

5 The depths have covered them: they sank into the bottom as a stone.[m]

6 Thy right hand,[n] O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.

7 And in the greatness of thine excellency[o] thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, *which* consumed them as stubble.[p]

8 And with the blast of thy nostrils[q] the waters were gathered together, the floods stood upright as an heap, *and* the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea.

9 The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my [6]hand shall destroy them.

10 Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters.

11 Who *is* like unto thee, O LORD, among the [7]gods? who *is* like thee, glorious in holiness,[r] fearful *in* praises, doing wonders?[s]

12 Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.[t]

13 Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people *which* thou hast redeemed: thou hast [8]guided *them* in thy strength unto thy holy habitation.

14 The people shall hear,[u] *and* be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of Palestina.

15 Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moab, trembling shall take hold upon them; all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.

16 Fear and dread shall fall upon them;[v] by the greatness of thine arm they shall be *as* still as a stone; till thy people pass over, O LORD, till the people pass over, *which* thou hast purchased.[w]

17 Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them[x] in the mountain of thine inheritance,[y] *in* the place, O LORD, *which* thou hast made for thee to dwell in, *in* the Sanctuary, O LORD, *which* thy hands have established.

18 The LORD shall reign for ever and ever.[a]
19 For the horse of Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his horsemen into the sea, and the LORD brought again the waters of the sea upon them; but the children of Israel went on dry *land* in the midst of the sea.

[a] Ps xxix 10; cxlvi 10.



PHARAOH AND HIS HOST DROWNED IN THE RED SEA.

20 ¶ And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a timbrel[b] in her hand: and all the

[b] 1 Sam. xviii. 6.

women went out after her with timbrels and with dances.

21 And Miriam answered them,[a] Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

a 1 Sam. xviii. 7.

b 2 Kings ii. 22.

24 And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink?

25 And he cried unto the LORD; and the LORD shewed him a tree, *which* when he had cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet:[b] there he made



MIRIAM THE PROPHETESS.

22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red sea, and they went out into the wilderness of [1]Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness, and found no water.

23 ¶ And when they came to [2]Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they *were* bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah.

c Josh. xxiv. 25.

1 Shur is said to be (see 1 Sam. xv 7) "before Egypt," that is, the western extremity of Arabia, at the bottom of the Red Sea. See also Gen xvi. 7: xxv. 18.

2 That is, *bitterness* Ruth i. 20; Numb xxxiii. 8.

for them a statute and an ordinance,[c] and there he proved them,

26 And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none

of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I *am* the LORD that healeth thee.[a]



THE PALM TREE

27 ¶ And they came to [1]Elim, where *were* twelve wells of water, and threescore and ten palm trees and they encamped there by the waters.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *The Israelites come to Sin.* 2 *They murmur for want of bread.* 4 *God promiseth them bread from heaven.* 11 *Quails are sent,* 14 *and manna.* 16 *The ordering of manna* 25 *It was not to be found on the sabbath.* 32 *An omer of it is preserved*

AND they took their journey[b] from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of [2]Sin, which *is* between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of the land of Egypt.

2 And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured[c] against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness:

3 And the children of Israel said unto them, Would to God we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots,[d] *and* when we did eat bread to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness, to kill this whole assembly with hunger.

4 ¶ Then said the LORD unto Moses, Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you;[e] and the people shall go out and gather a [3]certain rate every day, that I may prove them,[f] whether they will walk in my law, or no.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a ch. xxiii. 25; Deut. xxviii 27, 60; Ps. xli. 3, 4, ciii. 3; cxlvii. 3.

g See vs. 12, 13.

h See ver. 10; ch xv. 6; xxiv 17; xl. 34; Lev ix. 6,23; Numb. xiv. 10, xvi. 19, 42, xx. 6; xxiv. 16; 1 Kings viii. 11; 2 Chron. v. 14; vii 1—3, Ps. civ. 31; cxxxviii. 5; Isa. xxxv 2, xl 5; lviii. 8, lx. 1; Ezek i 28; iii. 23, x. 4, 18; xi. 23

i ch x. 16; Lev v 19, Numb v 6; xiv 9, xvi 11, xxi 7; xxvi 9; xxxii 33; Deut. i 41, ix 7; Josh xxii 16, 18, 22, 29, 31, 1 Sam ii 25, xii 23, xiv 33, 34, 2 Kings xvii. 7, 9, 1 Chron x. 13; 2 Chron xii 2, xxviii 13, 19, 22, Ps ii 2; ii 4, Isa iii 6, Jer xxviii 16, l 7, Dan. v 23, Hos v 7; Nahum i 9,11, Luke x 16, Rom xiii 2

j Numb xvi 16

k ch xxiv 15—18, xxxiv 5, Lev ix 6, 23, xvi 2, Numb xii 5, 1 Kings viii 10—12, Deut xxxi 15, 2 Kings xix 15, 2 Chron v 13, Ps lxxx 1, Isa xxxvii 16, lxiv 1—4.

l ver 8

m ver 6.

n ver 7

1 Elim is now known as the Wady Ghurundel, the largest of all the torrent-beds on the western side of the peninsula, where are still nine wells, and the palm trees have increased to a large plantation Numb xxxiii 9, Ps xcii. 12—14, Rev. vii. 9

b Numb x 12; xxxiii 10, 11

2 The whole country to the east of the Gulf of Suez and the Sinaitic range of mountains is commonly regarded as "the wilderness of Sin" The reference here is to that portion of it "which is between Elim and Sinai."

o Numb xi. 31, 32, Ps lxxviii. 27—31, cv 40

Ps cvi. 6, 7, 13, 14; 1 Cor x. 10.

p Numb xi. 9

q Numb xi 7; Deut. viii. 3, Neh ix 15, Ps. lxxviii.24, cv 40

c Numb xi 4, 5

4 Or, *what is this?* Numb xi 6—9; Deut. viii 3, 16; Neh ix. 20; Ps. lxxviii. 24

r John vi. 31—33, 49—51, 57, 58, 1 Cor x. 3; Rev. ii. 17.

e Deut. viii 3; Neh ix. 15; Ps. lxxviii. 4, 5; civ 15, cv 40; Prov. xxii. 9; Isa. xxxiii. 16; Luke iv. 4; Matt. iv. 4; John vi. 31, 32; 1 Cor x. 3

3 Heb. *the portion of a day in his day*, that is, so much as was required in the day, but no more.

s See ver. 4.

f ch xv 25; Deut. viii 2, 16.

5 Heb *souls*

5 And it shall come to pass, that on the sixth day they shall prepare *that* which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.

6 And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, At even,[g] then ye shall know that the LORD hath brought you out from the land of Egypt:

7 And in the morning, then ye shall see the glory of the LORD; for that he heareth your murmurings against the LORD:[h] and what *are* we, that ye murmur against us?

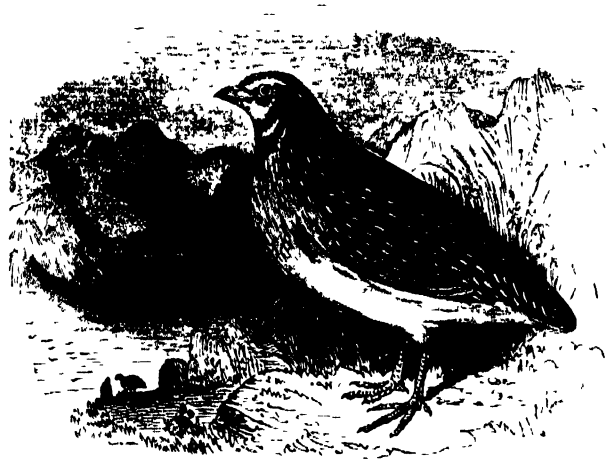
8 And Moses said, *This shall be*, when the LORD shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that the LORD heareth your murmurings which ye murmur against him: and what *are* we? your murmurings *are* not against us, but against the LORD.

9 ¶ And Moses spake unto Aaron, Say unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, Come near before the LORD:[j] for he hath heard your murmurings.

10 And it came to pass, as Aaron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.[k]

11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel:[l] speak unto them, saying, At even[m] ye shall eat flesh, and in the morning[n] ye shall be filled with bread; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD your God.



THE QUAIL.

13 And it came to pass, that at even the quails[o] came up, and covered the camp: and in the morning the dew[p] lay round about the host.

14 And when the dew that lay was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness *there lay* a small round thing, *as* small as the hoar frost on the ground.[q]

15 And when the children of Israel saw *it*, they said one to another, [4]It *is* manna: for they wist not what it *was*. And Moses said unto them, This *is* the bread which the LORD hath given you to eat.

16 ¶ This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded, Gather of it every man according to his eating, an omer for every man,[r] *according to* the number of your [5]persons; take ye every man for *them* which *are* in his tents.

17 And the children of Israel did so, and gathered, some more, some less.

18 And when they did mete *it* with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack;[a] they gathered every man according to his eating.

19 And Moses said, Let no man leave of it till the morning.

20 Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto Moses; but some of them left of it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank: and Moses was wroth with them.

21 And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his eating: and when the sun waxed hot, it melted.

22 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* on the sixth day they gathered twice as much bread, two omers for one *man:* and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses.

23 And he said unto them, This *is that* which the LORD hath said, To morrow *is* the rest of the holy sabbath unto the LORD:[b] bake *that* which ye will bake *to day*, and seethe that ye will seethe; and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be kept until the morning.

24 And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not stink,[c] neither was there any worm therein.

25 And Moses said, Eat that to day; for to day *is* a sabbath unto the LORD: to day ye shall not find it in the field.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a 2 Cor viii. 15

d ch. x. 3; 2 Kings xvii. 14; Ps. lxxviii. 10, cvi. 13; Prov. viii. 23, Isa. l. 20, Jer. viii. 5, ix. 6; xiii. 10; xxv. 28, xxxviii. 21; Heb xii 25.

e Numb xi 7, 8

b Gen ii 3, viii 21; Exod. xv 35, Lev xvi. 31; Ezra vi. 10, Ps. xcv 11, Heb iv. 3—11.

f Heb ix. 4

g ch. xxv 16, 21, xxvii. 21, xl. 20; Numb. xvii. 10, Deut. x. 5, 1 Kings viii. 9.

c ver 20.

h Numb. xxxiii. 38, Deut. viii. 2, 3; Neh ix. 20, 21; John vi. 31, 49

i Josh v. 12, Neh ix. 15

26 Six days ye shall gather it; but on the seventh day, *which is* the sabbath, in it there shall be none.

27 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* there went out *some* of the people on the seventh day for to gather, and they found none.

28 And the LORD said unto Moses, How long refuse ye to keep my commandments and my laws?[d]

29 See, for that the LORD hath given you the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out of his place on the seventh day.

30 So the people rested on the seventh day.

31 And the house of Israel called the name thereof Manna: and it *was* like coriander seed,[e] white; and the taste of it *was* like wafers *made* with honey.

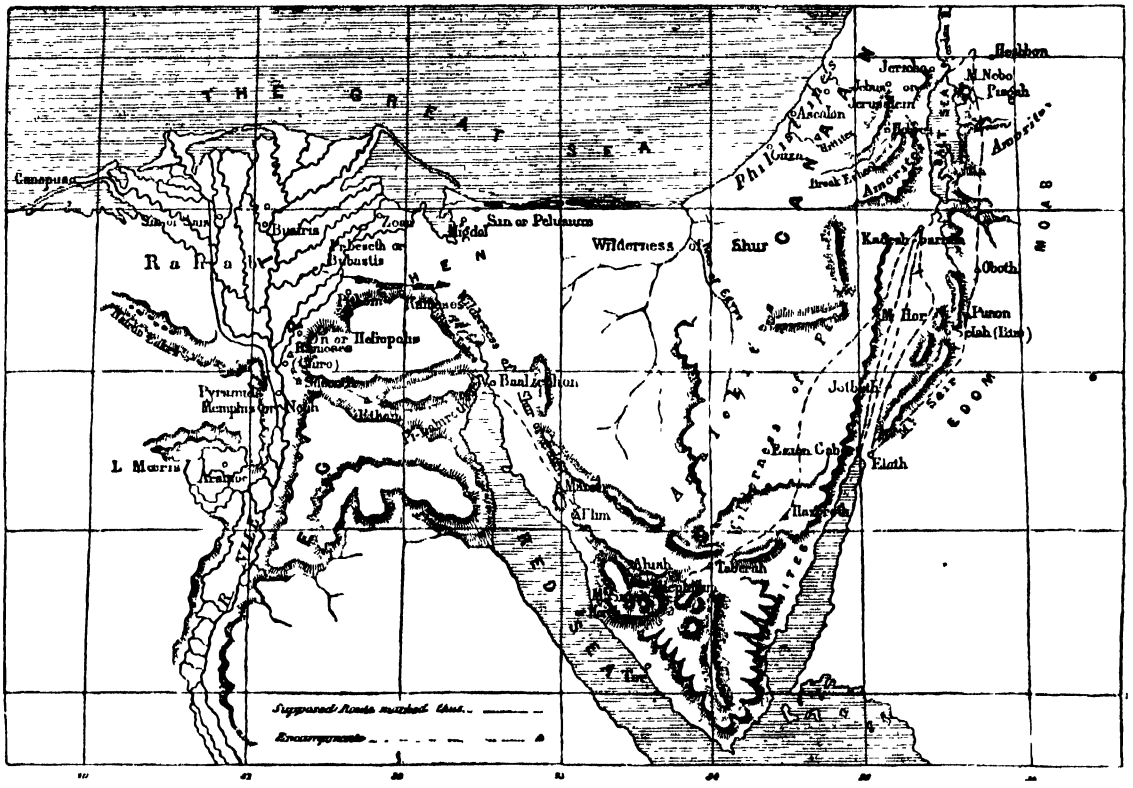
32 ¶ And Moses said, This *is* the thing which the LORD commandeth, Fill an omer of it to be kept for your generations; that they may see the bread wherewith I have fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt.

33 And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a pot, and put an omer full of manna therein,[f] and lay it up before the LORD, to be kept for your generations.

34 As the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the Testimony, to be kept.[g]

35 And the children of Israel did eat manna forty years,[h] until they came to a land inhabited; they did eat manna, until they came unto the borders of the land of Canaan.[i]

36 Now an omer *is* the tenth *part* of an ephah.



MAP SHOWING THE JOURNEYINGS OF THE



MOSES STRIKING THE

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *The people murmur for water at Rephidim.* 5 *God sendeth him for water to the rock in Horeb* 8 *Amalek is overcome by the holding up of Moses' hands.* 15 *Moses buildeth the altar Jehovah-nissi.*

AND all the congregation of the children of Israel journeyed from the wilderness of Sin,[a] after their journeys, according to the commandment of the LORD, and pitched in Rephidim: and *there was* no water for the people to drink.

Wherefore the people did chide with Moses,[b] and , Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said unto them, Why chide ye with me? wherefore do ye tempt the LORD?[c]

3 And the people thirsted there for water; and the people murmured against Moses,[d] and said, Wherefore *is* this *that* thou hast brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle with thirst?

4 And Moses cried unto the LORD,[e] saying, What shall I do unto this people? they be almost ready to stone me.

5 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go on before the people, and take with thee of the elders of Israel, and thy rod, wherewith thou smotest the river,[f] take in thine hand, and go.

6 Behold, I will stand before thee there upon the rock in Horeb;[g] and thou shalt smite the rock, and there shall come water out of it, that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.

7 And he called the name of the place [1]Massah, and [2]Meribah, because of the chiding of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the LORD, saying, Is the LORD among us, or not?

8 ¶ Then came Amalek,[h] and fought with Israel in Rephidim.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

c ch viii. 12, xiv 10, xv. 25, xvii 4, Numb xii 13, xiv 10, xx. 16, Deut xxvi. 7, Josh xxiv 7, 1 Sam vii 9, xv 11, 1 Kings xvii 20, 21, 2 Kings xx 11, 2 Chron xiv 11; Ps. lii. 4, cvii. 6, 13, cxx. 1, cxlii 1, Lam ii. 18, Jonah i. 14

a See ch. xvi. 1, Numb xxxiii. 12, 14

f ch vii. 20, xiv 6

g Numb xx. 10, 11, Ps. lxxviii. 15, 20, cv. 41; cxiv 8, 1 Cor. x. 4.

b Numb. xx. 3, 4

1 Or, *temptation* Deut vi. 16, ix. 22, xxxiii. 8, Ps. xcv 8, Heb. iii. 8, 15, iv. 7

2 That is, *chiding*, or, *strife*. Numb. xx. 13; xxvii. 14, 24, Deut. xxxii. 51, xxxiii. 8; Ps lxxxi 7

Deut. vi. 16; Ps. lxxviii 18, 41; Isa. vii. 12, Mal iii. 15; Matt. iv. 7, Luke iv. 12, Acts v. 9; 1 Cor. x. 9 — xvi. 2, 7, 8, Numb xiv 2, 27, 36; xvii. 5, 10, Deut. i. 27; Ps cvi. 25, 1 Cor x. 10; Phil. ii. 14.

9 And Moses said unto [1]Joshua, Choose us out men, and go out, fight with Amalek: to morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand.

10 So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur[a] went up to the top of the hill.

11 And it came to pass, when Moses held up his hand,[b] that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed.

12 But Moses' hands *were* heavy; and they took a stone, and put *it* under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun.

13 And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

14 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write this *for* a memorial in a book,[c] and rehearse *it* in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven.[d]

15 And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it [2]Jehovah-nissi:

16 For he said, Because the LORD hath sworn *that* the LORD *will have* war with Amalek from generation to generation.

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

1 Called *Oshea*, Numb. xiii. 9; called *Jesus*, Acts vii. 45; Heb. iv. 8

h ch. iii. 1, iv 12; 1 Kings xix. 8.

a 1 Chron. ii. 18; Exod. xxiv 14; xxxi. 2; xxxv. 30; xxxviii. 22

i Gen. xxxvii. 7, 9; xliii. 28; 2 Sam. 1, 2; xiv 4; xv 5, 1 Kings i. 16, 2 Chron. xxiv. 17

j Gen xxvii. 27, xxix. 13; xxxiii. 4; xlv 15, xlviii. 10; l. 1; Exod. iv. 27; 1 Sam. x. 1, xx. 41, 2 Sam. xiv 33, xv. 5, xix. 39

b James v. 15, Heb. vii. 24, 25

k Gen. xliii. 27, 2 Sam xi 7, 1 Chron. xviii. 10

l ch iii. 8, Deut vii. 2, 23, Josh xi. 6, Judg xi 9, xx. 28, 1 Chron xiv. 10; 2 Chron xxv. 20, Neh ix. 28, Ps. xxii 4, xxxvii. 40; cvi. 43; Isa. xix. 20; Ezek. xxxiv. 12; Zech xi. 6, Acts vii 25, 34.

m See references to ver 1

c ch. xxxiv 27

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CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Jethro bringeth to Moses his wife and two sons.* 7 *Moses entertaineth him.* 13 *Jethro's counsel is accepted.* 27 *Jethro departeth.*

WHEN Jethro,[e] the priest of Midian, Moses' father in law, heard of all that God had done for Moses,[f] and for Israel his people, *and* that the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt;

2 Then Jethro, Moses' father in law, took Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had sent her back,

3 And her two sons;[g] of which the name of the one *was* [3]Gershom; for he said, I have been an alien in a strange land:

4 And the name of the other *was* [4]Eliezer; for the God of my father, *said he*, *was* mine help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh:

5 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of God:[h]

6 And he said unto Moses, I thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee, and thy wife, and her two sons with her.

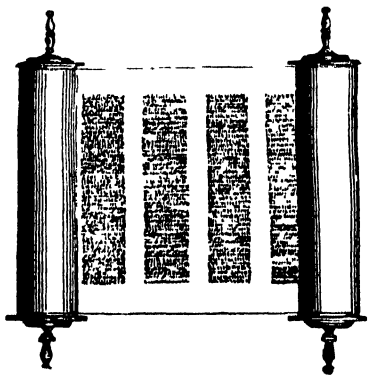
7 ¶ And Moses went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance,[i] and kissed him;[j] and they asked each other of *their* welfare;[k] and they came into the tent.

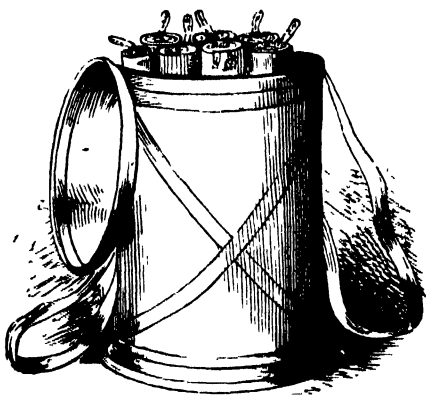
8 And Moses told his father in law all that the LORD had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, *and* all the travail that had come upon them by the way, and *how* the LORD delivered them.[l]

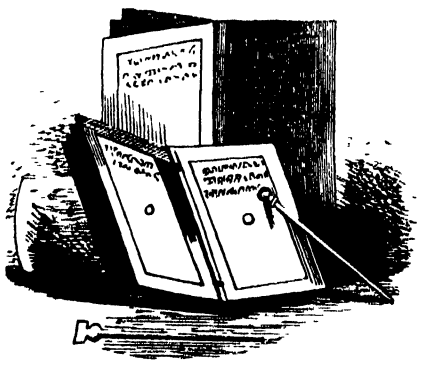
9 And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness[m] which the LORD had done to Israel, whom he had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.

10 And Jethro said, Blessed *be* the LORD,[n] who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who hath delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

n Gen ix. 26, xxiv 27, Ruth iv 14, 1 Sam xxv 32, 39







WRITING MATERIALS.

d Numb xxiv 20; Deut. xxv 19, 1 Sam xv 3, 7, xxx 1, 17, 2 Sam. viii 12, Ezra ix. 14

o 2 Chron ii 5, Ps xcv 3, xcvii. 9, cxxxv 5

p 1 Sam ii 3, Neh ix 10, 16, 29, Job xl. 11.

2 That is, *the Lord my banner* Judg vi 24

q Deut. xii. 7, 1 Chron xxix. 22, 1 Cor x. 31

e ch iii. 1, iv 18, vs 6, 9, 12

f 1 Sam xii. 24, 2 Chron. xvi. 12, Ps. xliv 1, lxvi 16, lxxvii 14, 15, lxxviii 4, xcviii 1; cv. 5, 43 cvi. 2, 8, cxv 8, Isa. xii. 5

r Gen xxv 22; Lev. xxiv. 12; Numb. xv 24; 1 Sam. ix. 9; xxii. 15.

s 1 Cor ii. 16, compared with Isa. xl. 13.

g Acts vii. 29

3 That is, *a stranger there.*

5 Heb. *fading thou wilt fade*, as the leaves of a tree for want of water. Numb. xi 14.

4 That is, *

11 Now I know that the LORD *is* greater than all gods:[o] for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly[p] *he was* above them.

12 And Jethro, Moses' father in law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses' father in law before God.[q]

13 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people: and the people stood by Moses from the morning unto the evening.

14 And when Moses' father in law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What *is* this thing that thou doest to the people? why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the people stand by thee from morning unto even?

15 And Moses said unto his father in law, Because the people come unto me to enquire of God:[r]

16 When they have a matter, they come unto me; and I judge between one and another, and I do make *them* know the statutes of God, and his laws.[s]

17 And Moses' father in law said unto him, The thing that thou doest *is* not good.

18 Thou wilt [5]surely wear away, both thou, and this people that *is* with thee: for this thing *is* too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone.

19 Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee: Be thou for the people[a] to God-ward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God:

20 And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws,[b] and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do.

21 Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men,[c] such as fear God,[d] men of truth,[e] hating covetousness; and place *such* over them, *to be* rulers of thousands, *and* rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:

22 And let them judge the people at all seasons:[f] and it shall be, *that* every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear *the burden* with thee.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

a ch. iv 16; xx 19; Numb. xxvii. 5.

b ch. xxiv 12; Deut. iv. 9; v. 31; vi. 7

c v 25; Deut. i. 15, 16; xvi. 18.

d Gen. xlii. 18; Exod. i 17, 21.

e Deut. i. 16; xvi. 19

f ver. 26; Lev. xxiv. 11; Numb. xv. 33.

g ch. xviii. 1, 8

g Numb. xi 17

m ch. iii 1—12

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *The people come to Sinai.* 3 *God's message by Moses unto the people out of the mount.* 8 *The people's answer returned again.* 10 *The people are prepared against the third day.* 12 *The mountain must not be touched.* 16 *The fearful presence of God upon the mount*

IN the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they *into* the wilderness of Sinai.

2 For they were departed from Rephidim,[l] and were come *to* the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.[m]



JETHRO MEETS MOSES IN THE DESERT.

23 If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee *so*, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to their place in peace.[h]

24 So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did all that he had said.

25 And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens.[i]

26 And they judged the people at all seasons: the hard causes they brought unto Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves.[j]

27 ¶ And Moses let his father in law depart; and he went his way into his own land.[k]

f ver 22; Deut. i. 17; xvii. 8; Job xxix. 16. h Numb. x. 29, 30.

n ch. iii. 4; xix. 20; Numb. xii 5, 1 Sam iii. 4, 6, 8, 10

h Gen. xviii. 33; xxxi. 55, Exod. x. 23; xvi. 29, Numb. xxiv 25

o Deut. xxxii. 11; Isa. lxiii. 9; Rev. xii. 14.

i See ver 21.

1 Heb. *to gain, to acquire to one's self, to make one's own, to appropriate.* Deut. vii. 6; xxxii. 9; 1 Chron. xxix. 3; Ps. cxxxv. 4; Eccles. ii. 8; Mal. iii. 17, Titus ii. 14; 1 Peter ii. 9.

p ch. ix. 14; Numb. xiv. 21, Deut. x. 14; Josh. iii. 11; 1 Sam. xvii. 46; 2 Kings xv. 15; Ps. viii. 1; lxvi. 4; lxxxiii. 18; xcvi. 1, xcvii. 9; cv 7, 23; 1 Cor x. 26, 28.

q Deut. xxxiii. 2—4.

3 And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him[n] out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;

4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and *how* I bare you on eagles' wings,[o] and brought you unto myself.

5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a [1]peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth *is* mine:[p]

6 And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests,[q] and an holy nation.[r] These *are* the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

7 ¶ And Moses came and called for the elders of

r Deut xxvi 19; 1 Peter ii. 5, 9; Rev i 6, v 10, xx. 6.

the people, and laid before their faces all these words which the LORD commanded him.

8 And all the people answered together, and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD.

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c ver 22, 23; ch. xxviii. 41; xxix. 33, 36, 37, 44; Lev. viii. 11, 12; xi. 44; xx. 7; Numb. xi. 18; Josh iii. 5; vii. 13. 1 Sam. xvi. 5; 1 Chron xv. 12; 2 Chron xxx. 17, Neh. iii 1; xii. 47; Job i. 5; Isa. v 6

people, and sanctify them[c] to day and to morrow, and let them wash their clothes,

11 And be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

12 And thou shalt set bounds unto the people round



MOSES ON MOUNT SINAI.

9 And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud,[a] that the people may hear when I speak with thee,[b] and believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of the people unto the LORD.

10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Go unto the

a ver 16, ch xx 21, Lev xvi 2, 1 Kings viii. 12; Job xxvi 8; Ps. xviii. 11, xcvii 2

b ch iv 5, Numb. xiv 11; 2 Chron xx 20

d Heb xii. 20

about, saying, Take heed to yourselves, *that ye* go *not* up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth the mount shall be surely put to death:[d]

13 There shall not an hand touch it, but he shall surely be stoned, or shot through; whether *it be* beast

or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet soundeth[a] long, they shall come up to the mount.

14 ¶ And Moses went down from the mount unto the people, and sanctified the people;[b] and they washed their clothes.

15 And he said unto the people, Be ready against the third day: come not at *your* wives.

16 ¶ And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings,[c] and a thick cloud[d] upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that *was* in the camp trembled.

17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount.

18 And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire:[e] and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace,[f] and the whole mount quaked greatly.[g]

19 And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.[h]

20 And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses *up* to the top of the mount; and Moses went up.

21 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish.

22 And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD, sanctify themselves,[i] lest the LORD break forth upon them.[j]

23 And Moses said unto the LORD, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou chargedst us, saying, Set bounds about the mount,[k] and sanctify it.

24 And the LORD said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto the LORD, lest he break forth upon them.

25 So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them.

CHAPTER XX.

1 *The ten commandments.* 18 *The people are afraid.* 20 *Moses comforteth them.* 22 *Idolatry is forbidden.* 24 *Of what sort the altar should be.*

AND God spake all these words,[l] saying,

2 I *am* the LORD[m] thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.[n]

3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.[o]

4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image,[p] or any likeness *of any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth:

5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God,[q] visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children[r] unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me;

6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.[s]

7 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain;[t] for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.[u]

9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:[v]

10 But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God:[w] *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates:[x]

11 For *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth,[y] the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

12 ¶ Honour thy father and thy mother:[z] that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

13 Thou shalt not kill.[a]

14 Thou shalt not commit adultery.[b]

15 Thou shalt not steal.[c]

16 Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.[d]

17 Thou shalt not covet[e] thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that *is* thy neighbour's.

18 ¶ And all the people saw the thunderings,[f] and the lightnings, and the noise of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw *it*, they removed, and stood afar off.

19 And they said unto Moses, Speak thou with us, and we will hear: but let not God speak with us, lest we die.[g]

20 And Moses said unto the people, Fear not:[h] for God is come to prove you, and that his fear may be before your faces, that ye sin not.

21 And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where God *was*.

22 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel, Ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.[i]

23 Ye shall not make with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.[j]

24 ¶ An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all places where I record my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.[k]

25 And if thou wilt make me an altar of stone, thou shalt not build it of hewn stone: for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast polluted it.

26 Neither shalt thou go up by steps unto mine altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.

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a ver. 16, 19.
q ch xxxiv. 14; Deut. iv. 24; v 9; vi. 15.
r ch. xxxiv. 7; Lev. xviii. 25; xx. 5; xxvi 38, 39; Numb. xiv 18; Deut. v. 9; Job iv. 8.
b See ver. 10
s ch. xxxiii. 19; xxxiv. 7; Numb. xiv. 18; Deut. vii 9; 2 Sam. vii. 15; 1 Kings viii. 23; 1 Chron. xvi. 34, 41
t Lev. xix. 12; Deut. v. 11; xxviii. 58; Josh ix. 19, 20; Ps. xv. 4; lxix. 30; xcix. 3; cxiii. 3.
c 1 Sam. vii 10; Job xxvi. 14; xxviii 26; xxxviii. 25, Ps. lxxvii. 18; lxxxi. 7, Rev vi. 1; xiv 2
d See ver 9
u ch xvi. 23, 25, 29; xxxi. 13, 14, Lev. xix. 3, 30, xxvi 2; Deut. v 12, 14; xxxi. 14, 16
v ch xxiii 12; xxxi. 15; xxxiv 21; Lev xix. 3; xxvi. 2; Deut. v 13
w Gen ii 2; Exod. xii 16, xiii 6; xvi. 26, 27
x Deut. v 14; Neh. xiii 15—22.
e ch. iii 2, xl. 38, Numb. ix 16; Deut. i. 33, iv. 11; ix. 15; xxxiii 2
f 2 Sam xxii 9, Ps xviii. 8; civ 32; cxliv 5, Isa. iv. 5.
y Gen ii. 2; Exod. xxxi. 17; Heb iv. 3—10
g 1 Sam xiv 15; Nah. i. 5; Heb xii. 21.
z ch xxiii. 26; Lev xix. 3; xxvii 16; Deut. iv. 26, 33, 40; v 16; xxxii. 46, 47; Ezek xxii 7, 12, 15
h Gen. xxxv 3; Exod xx 21; 1 Sam vii. 9; 2 Sam xxi 1; 1 Chron xxi. 26, 28, Ps. lxxxi 7, xcix 6; cxviii 5, Jer xxiii 35, 37, Heb. ii 2
a Deut v 17; Ps x 8, xciv 6, Jer vii 9, Hos vi. 9, Mark xv 7
b Lev xx 10; Deut. v 18, Prov vi 32, Jer vii 9, xliii. 27, xxiii 14, xxix. 23; Ezek xvi 32, Hos. ii 2, iv 2, Mal. iii. 5; Matt. v 27, 28, xv 19
c ch xxii 1, Lev. xix. 11, Deut. v 19, Jer vii 9, Zech v 3, Matt. xix. 18; Mark x. 19
d ch. xxiii 1, 7; Deut. v 20; xix. 16—19; Job xxxvi. 4; Ps. cxix 104; cxx 3, Prov xvii 4, xix. 5, 9; xxi. 18, xxv 18; Jer xxiii. 32
e Deut. v 21, Josh vii 21; Ps. x. 3, xxi. 26; cxix 36, Prov. xxi 26, xxviii. 16, Isa. lvii 17, Jer vi. 13, xxii 17, li 13
i Lev. viii 30, x 3, 1 Chron xv 14; 2 Chron v 11; ix. 34, xxx. 3, 8, 15, 17, 24
j See ver 24
f Heb xii 18, 21
k ver 12; Heb xii 20
g Deut xviii 16—19, Gal. iii 19, 20, Heb xii 19; Deut v 25
h ch. xv. 25, xvi. 4, Deut. viii 2, 16, xiii 3, xxxiii 8, Judg ii 22, 1 Sam xii 20—22.
i ch xix. 9, 19, xxiv 16; Deut. iv. 36, Neh. ix. 13; Heb. xii. 25.
l Deut. v. 12, 13, 22, 32, 33; xviii. 19.
m Lev. xxvi. 1, 13; Deut. v 6; Ps. lxxxi. 10.

n Deut. v 7; vi. 14; 2 Kings xvii. 35, 36.
o Lev xxvi. 1; Deut iv. 12—15, 23; v. 8; xvi. 22; xxvii. 15; Judg. xvii. 3, 4. 1 Kings xiv. 9. 15, 23; 2 Kings xvii. 10.
p Deut. iv. 16, 25; v. 8; xvi. 22; xxvii. 15; Judg. xvii. 3, 4. 1 Kings xiv. 9. 15, 23; 2 Kings xvii. 10.
q ch xxxiv. 14; Deut. iv. 24; v 9; vi. 15.
r ch. xxxiv. 7; Lev. xviii. 25; xx. 5; xxvi 38, 39; Numb. xiv 18; Deut. v. 9; Job iv. 8.
s ch. xx. 6; Deut. v. 10; vii. 9; 1 Kings iii. 6; Neh. i. 5; Dan. ix. 4; Rom. xi. 28.
t Lev. xix. 12; Deut. v. 11; xxviii. 58; Josh ix. 19, 20; Ps. xv. 4; lxix. 30; xcix. 3; cxiii. 3.
u ch. xxiii. 12; xxxiv. 21; Deut. v. 12—14; Luke xiii. 14; xiv. 3; Acts xiii. 14, 42, 44; xvi. 13; xvii. 2; xviii. 4; Heb iv. 4, 9, 10.
v Luke xiii. 14.
w Lev. xxiii. 3; Deut. v. 14; Isa. lviii. 13; Jer. xvii. 21, 22; Luke xiii. 14; xiv. 3; Acts xiii. 14, 42, 44; xvi. 13; xvii. 2; xviii. 4; Heb iv. 4, 9, 10.
x Deut. v. 14; Neh. xiii. 15—22; Jer. xvii. 21, 22; Luke xiii. 14; xiv. 3; Acts xiii. 14, 42, 44; xvi. 13; xvii. 2; xviii. 4; Heb iv. 4, 9, 10.
y Gen. i. 1, 2; Exod. xxxi. 17; Heb. iv. 3—10; Rev. x. 6; xiv. 7.
z ch. xxi. 15, 17; Lev. xx. 9; Deut. v. 16; xxvii. 16; Prov. xx. 20; xxiii. 22; xxviii. 24; xxx. 11, 17; Ezek. xxii. 7; Matt. xv. 4; Mark vii. 10; Eph. vi. 2; Col. iii. 20.
a Gen. ix. 6; Lev. xxiv. 17; Deut. xix. 11—13; Matt. v. 21; xix. 18; Rom. xiii. 9; 1 John iii. 15.
b Lev. xviii. 20; Deut. v. 18; Prov. vi. 32; Jer. vii. 9; xxiii. 14; xxix. 23; Ezek. xvi. 32; Hos. ii. 2; iv. 2; Mal. iii. 5; Matt. v. 27, 28; xv. 19; Rom. xiii. 9; 1 John iii. 15.
c Lev. xix. 11; Deut. v. 19; Jer. vii. 9; Zech. v. 3; Matt. xix. 18; Mark x. 19; Rom. xiii. 9; 1 John iii. 15.
d Deut. v. 20; xix. 16—19; Job xxxvi. 4; Ps. cxix. 104; cxx. 3; Prov. xvii. 4; xix. 5, 9; xxi. 18; xxv. 18; Jer. xxiii. 32; Rom. xiii. 9; 1 John iii. 15.
e Deut. v. 21; Josh. vii. 21; Ps. x. 3; xxi. 26; cxix. 36; Prov. xxi. 26; xxviii. 16; Isa. lvii. 17; Jer. vi. 13; xxii. 17; li. 13; Rom. xiii. 9; 1 John iii. 15.
f ch. xix. 16; Heb. xii. 18, 19.
g Deut. xviii. 16—19; Gal. iii. 19, 20; Heb. xii. 19; Deut. v. 25.
h ch. xiv. 13; Deut. xx. 3; 2 Chron. xx. 15, 17; Isa. xli. 10, 13, 14; xliii. 1, 5; xliv. 2; Jer. xxx. 10; xlvi. 27, 28; Luke i. 30; ii. 10; xii. 32.
i ch. xix. 9, 19; xxiv. 16; Deut. iv. 36; Neh. ix. 13; Heb. xii. 25.
j ch. xv. 11; xxiii. 13; xxxiv. 17; Lev. xix. 4; Deut. vi. 14; viii. 19; xxx. 17; xxxi. 18—20; Josh. xxiv. 20; Judg. ii. 12, 17, 19; x. 16.
k Deut. xii. 5, 11, 21; xiv. 23; xvi. 5, 6, 11, 16; xxvi. 2; 1 Kings viii. 43; ix. 3.

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Laws for menservants.* 5 *For the servant whose ear is bored.* 7 *For womenservants.* 12 *For manslaughter.* 16 *For stealers of men.* 17 *For cursers of parents.* 18 *For smiters.* 22 *For a hurt by chance.* 28 *For an ox that goreth.* 33 *For him that is an occasion of harm.*

NOW these *are* the judgments which thou shalt set before them.

2 If thou buy an Hebrew servant,[a] six years he shall serve: and in the seventh he shall go out free for nothing.

3 If he came in [1]by himself, he shall go out by himself: if he were married, then his wife shall go out with him.

4 If his master have given him a wife, and she have born him sons or daughters; the wife and her children shall be her master's, and he shall go out by himself.

5 And if the servant shall plainly say, I love my master, my wife, and my children; I will not go out free:[b]

6 Then his master shall bring him unto the judges;[c] he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post; and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul; and he shall serve him for ever.[d]

7 ¶ And if a man sell his daughter[e] to be a maidservant, she shall not go out as the menservants do.

8 If she please not her master, who hath betrothed her to himself, then shall he let her be redeemed: to sell her unto a strange nation he shall have no power, seeing he hath dealt deceitfully with her.

9 And if he have betrothed her unto his son, he shall deal with her after the manner of daughters.

10 If he take him another *wife;* her food, her raiment, and her duty of marriage, shall he not diminish.

11 And if he do not these three unto her, then shall she go out free without money.

12 ¶ He that smiteth a man,[f] so that he die, shall be surely put to death.

13 And if a man lie not in wait, but God deliver *him* into his hand; then I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee.[g]

14 But if a man come presumptuously upon his neighbour, to slay him with guile; thou shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die.[h]

15 ¶ And he that smiteth his father, or his mother, shall be surely put to death.

16 ¶ And he that stealeth a man,[i] and selleth him,[j] or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death.

17 ¶ And he that curseth his father, or his mother, shall surely be put to death.[k]

18 ¶ And if men strive together, and one smite another with a stone, or with *his* fist, and he die not, but keepeth *his* bed:

19 If he rise again, and walk abroad upon his staff, then shall he that smote *him* be quit: only he shall pay *for* the loss of his time, and shall cause *him* to be thoroughly healed.

20 ¶ And if a man smite his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he die under his hand; he shall be surely punished.

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i Lev. xxv. 45, 46.

a Lev xxv. 39—46; Deut. xv. 12—15; Jer. xxxiv. 12.

m Lev. xxiv 20; Deut. xix. 21; Matt. v. 38.

1 Heb. *with his body;* that is, alone, unmarried.

b Deut. xv. 16, 17.

c ver. 22; ch. xxii 8, 28.

n Gen. ix. 5

d Deut. xv. 17

e Neh v 5.

f Gen ix. 6; Exod xxi. 15; Numb xxxv 16—19; Deut. xix. 11, Matt. xxvi. 52

g Numb xxxv 11; Deut. xix. 4—10, Josh xx 2—9

h Numb xv 30, xxxv 20; Deut. xix. 11, 12; 1 Kings ii 28—34

i ch xx 15, Deut. xxiv. 7, Zech v 3, Eph. iv. 28; 1 Tim i. 10.

j Neh v 8.

k Lev xx 9, Prov xx. 20; xxx. 11; Matt. xv. 4; Mark vii 10.

o Job xxiv. 16; Ezek viii. 8, Matt. xxiv 43.

21 Notwithstanding, if he continue a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he *is* his money.[l]

22 ¶ If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart *from her*, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges *determine.*

23 And if *any* mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life,

24 Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot,[m].

25 Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe.

26 ¶ And if a man smite the eye of his servant, or the eye of his maid, that it perish; he shall let him go free for his eye's sake.

27 And if he smite out his manservant's tooth, or his maidservant's tooth; he shall let him go free for his tooth's sake.

28 ¶ If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die. then the ox shall be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten;[n] but the owner of the ox *shall be* quit.

29 But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to death.

30 If there be laid on him a sum of money, then he shall give for the ransom of his life whatsoever is laid upon him.

31 Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter, according to this judgment shall it be done unto him.

32 If the ox shall push a manservant or a maidservant; he shall give unto their master thirty shekels of silver, and the ox shall be stoned.

33 ¶ And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit, and not cover it, and an ox or an ass fall therein;

34 The owner of the pit shall make *it* good, *and* give money unto the owner of them; and the dead *beast* shall be his.

35 ¶ And if one man's ox hurt another's, that he die; then they shall sell the live ox, and divide the money of it; and the dead *ox* also they shall divide.

36 Or if it be known that the ox hath used to push in time past, and his owner hath not kept him in; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and the dead shall be his own.

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Of theft.* 5 *Of damage.* 7 *Of trespasses.* 14 *Of borrowing.* 16 *Of fornication.* 18 *Of witchcraft.* 19 *Of beastiality.* 20 *Of idolatry.* 21 *Of strangers, widows, and fatherless.* 25 *Of usury.* 26 *Of pledges.* 28 *Of reverence to magistrates.* 29 *Of the firstfruits.*

IF a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep.

2 ¶ If a thief be found breaking up,[o] and be smitten that he die, *there shall* no blood *be shed* for him.



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3 If the sun be risen upon him, *there shall be* blood *shed* for him; *for* he should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft.

4 If the theft be certainly found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or ass, or sheep; he shall restore double.

5 ¶ If a man shall cause a field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall put in his beast, and shall feed in another man's field; of the best of his own field, and of the best of his own vineyard, shall he make restitution.

6 ¶ If fire break out, and catch in thorns, so that the stacks of corn, or the standing corn, or the field, be consumed *therewith;* he that kindled the fire shall surely make restitution.

7 ¶ If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or [1]stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, let him pay double.

8 If the thief be not found, then the master of the house shall be brought unto the judges,[a] *to see* whether he have put his hand unto his neighbour's goods.

9 For all manner of trespass, *whether it be* for ox, for ass, for sheep, for raiment, *or* for any manner of lost thing, which *another* challengeth to be his, the cause of both parties shall come before the judges; *and* whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double unto his neighbour.

10 If a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, or

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b Deut. xxix 12

c Lev vi 4, 5, xxiv 21, xxv. 27, Deut. xxii. 2.

1 That is, *articles of value*, as distinguished from animals, afterwards mentioned

a ch. xxi 6, 22; see ver. 9, Deut. xxv 1, 2 Chron xix 5—10

2 Heb *weigh*, Gen. xxiii 16

d Gen xxx 20, xxxiv. 12, 1 Sam xviii. 25.

e Lev xix 26, 31; xx. 6, 27; Deut. xviii 10, 11, 1 Sam xv. 23, xxviii. 3, 9, Isa. viii. 19, xix 3; Micah v. 12; Nah iii. 4; Gal. v 20

f Lev. xviii. 23, xx. 15, 16.

g Exod xxxii. 8; Lev. xvii. 7; Numb. xxv 2 Deut xxxii 17; 1 Kings xii. 32; 2 Kings xvii. 32; 2 Chron v. 6, xxviii. 23; xxxiii. 22; Ps. cvi. 37, 38.

h ch. xxxiii. 9; Lev. xix. 33; Deut. xxiv. 14; Ps. ix. 9; x. 18; Prov. xiv. 31; xxii. 16, 22; Jer. vii. 6; xxx. 20; Ezek xxii. 29.

an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep, and it die, or be hurt, or driven away, no man seeing *it*.

11 *Then* shall an oath of the LORD[b] be between them both, that he hath not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods; and the owner of it shall accept *thereof*, and he shall not make *it* good.

12 And if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the owner thereof.[c]

13 If it be torn in pieces, *then* let him bring it *for* witness, *and* he shall not make good that which was torn.

14 ¶ And if a man borrow *ought* of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof *being* not with it, he shall surely make *it* good.

15 *But* if the owner thereof *be* with it, he shall not make *it* good: if it *be* an hired *thing*, it came for his hire.

16 ¶ And if a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife.

17 If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall [2]pay money according to the dowry of virgins.[d]

18 ¶ Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live.[e]

19 ¶ Whosoever lieth with a beast shall surely be put to death.[f]

20 ¶ He that sacrificeth unto *any* god, save unto the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed.[g]

21 ¶ Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.[h]

22 ¶ Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child.[a]

23 If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry;

24 And my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.[b]

25 ¶ If thou lend money to *any of* my people *that is* poor by thee, thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury.[c]

26 If thou at all take thy neighbour's raiment to pledge, thou shalt deliver it unto him by that the sun goeth down:[d]

27 For that *is* his covering only, it *is* his raiment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? and it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto me, that I will hear; for I *am* gracious.[e]

28 ¶ Thou shalt not revile the [1]gods, nor curse the ruler of thy people.

29 ¶ Thou shalt not delay *to offer* the [2]first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy [3]liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me.

30 Likewise shalt thou do with thine oxen, *and* with thy sheep: seven days it shall be with his dam; [f] on the eighth day thou shalt give it me.

31 ¶ And ye shall be holy men unto me:[g] neither shall ye eat *any* flesh *that is* torn of beasts in the field;[h] ye shall cast it to the dogs.

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *Of slander and false witness.* 3, 6 *Of justice.* 4 *Of charitableness.* 10 *Of the year of rest* 12 *Of the sabbath.* 13 *Of idolatry* 14 *Of the three feasts.* 18 *Of the blood and the fat of the sacrifice.* 20 *An Angel is promised, with a blessing, if they obey him.*

THOU shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness.[i]

2 ¶ Thou shalt not follow a multitude to *do* evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest *judgment*:[j]

3 ¶ Neither shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause.[k]

4 ¶ If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.[l]

5 If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him.

6 Thou shalt not wrest the judgment of thy poor in his cause.[m]

7 Keep thee far from a false matter; and the innocent and righteous slay thou not: for I will not justify the wicked.[n]

8 ¶ And thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth the wise, and perverteth the words of the righteous.[o]

9 ¶ Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger: for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.[p]

10 And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the fruits thereof:

11 But the seventh *year* thou shalt let it rest and lie still; that the poor of thy people may eat: and what they leave the beasts of the field shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy vineyard, *and* with thy [4]oliveyard.[q]

12 Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the seventh day thou shalt rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest, and the son of thy handmaid, and the stranger, may be refreshed.[r]

13 And in all *things* that I have said unto you be [5]circumspect: and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.[s]

14 ¶ Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.[t]

15 Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)[u]

16 And the feast of [6]harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, *which is* in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.[v]

17 Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD.[w]

18 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leavened bread; neither shall the fat of my sacrifice remain until the morning.[x]

19 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.[y]

20 ¶ Behold, I send an Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.[z]

21 Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions: for my name *is* in him.[a]

22 But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.[b]

23 For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I will cut them off.

24 Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works: but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and quite break down their images.[c]

25 And ye shall serve the LORD your God, and he shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.

26 ¶ There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a Deut. x. 18; xiv. 29, xvi. 11, 14, xx. 21; xxiv 17—19; xxvi. 13, xxvii. 19; Job vi 27, xxii. 9; xxiv 3, 21; xxix. 12, 13, 16; Ps. x. 14, 18; lxviii. 5; xciv 6; cxlvi. 9; Prov. xv. 25, xxiii. 10; Isa. i. 17, 23; x 2; Jer. vii. 6; xxii. 3; xlix. 11; Ezek. xxii. 7; Hos. xiv. 3; Mal iii. 5.

p Deut. x. 19; xxiv. 14—18; xxvii. 19; Ps. xciv 6; Ezek. xxii 7, Mal. iii. 5.

b Ps. cix. 9; Lam. v. 3.

4 Or, *olive trees*

q Lev. xxv 3, 4.

c Lev xxv. 36, 37, Deut. xxiii. 19, Neh v 7, 10, Ps xv 5; Prov xxviii. 8; Isa. xxiv 2, Jer. xv. 10; Ezek. xviii. 8, 17, xxii. 12.

d Deut. xxiv. 6—17; Job xxii 6; xxiv. 3, 9; Ezek. xviii. 7, 12, 16; xxxiii 15.

r See ch. xx. 8—11; Deut. v. 13—15; xxxi. 15—17; Luke xiii. 14.

5 Heb *keep yourselves*

s Numb. xxxii. 38, Deut. iv 9, 15; vi. 6, 17; xii. 3, Josh xxii. 5; xxiii. 7, 1 Chron xxviii. 7—9, Ps xvi. 4; xxxix. 1, cxix 4; Eph. v 11—15

e ch xxiii 19, xxxiv. 6, Numb vi 25; 2 Chron xxx. 9; Neh. ix. 7, 31, Job xxxiii. 24, Ps. iv 1, lxxvii. 9; lxxxvi. 15, cxl 4, cxii 4, Isa. xxx 18, 19, xxxii 2, Amos v 15, Jonah iv. 2.

1 Or, *judges.*

t ch xxxiv. 22; Lev xxiii. 5, 16, 34; Deut. xvi. 16

2 Heb. *thy fulness*; that is, fruits of full maturity, sufficiently ripe to be gathered

3 Heb *tears*, for as such the first fruits of the vine and olive drop, on being pressed

u ch xii. 17, xxxiv 18—20, Numb ix. 2—14, Lev xxiii 6—10, xxvii. 16—25, Deut. xvi. 16, 2 Chron viii. 13, xxx. 13, 21, xxxv 17, Ezra vi 22, Prov iii 9, 10, Ezek xiv 21, Mal. iii. 10, Matt. xxvi. 17, 1 Cor v 7, 8

f Lev xxii 27.

6 Or, *feast*

g Lev. xi. 44, 45, xix. 2, xx. 26, Numb vi 5, xvi 7, xviii. 10, Deut vii 6, xiv 2, 21, xxvi 19, xxviii 9

v ch xxii. 29, xxxiv 22, Lev xxiii 9-21, 39, Deut xvi 9—15, Acts ii. 1, Neh viii 13—18, Zech xiv 16—19

h Lev vii 24, xvii 15, xxii 8, Ezek iv 14, xliv 31, Mal 13

w ch xxxiv 23, Deut. xii 5, xvi 16, xxxi 11, Ps lxxxiv 7, Luke ii 41, 42

x ch xii 8—15, xxxiv 25, Lev ii 11, vii 12—15, Deut xxii 4

y ch xxii 29, Lev ii 12, Numb xviii 12, Deut xiv 21, xviii 4, 2 Chron xxxi 5; Neh x 35, Prov. iii 9, Ezek xx. 40

i Lev xix 16, Deut xix 16—21, 1 Kings xxi 10—13, Ps xv 3, xxvii 12, ci 5, cxx. 3; Prov vi. 16—19, x. 18, xvii 4; xxv. 18—23; Jer xx 10; Matt. xxviii. 14, 15

z ch xxxii. 34; xxxiii. 2, 14, 19; Numb xx. 16; Josh. v. 13; vi. 2; Isa. lxiii. 9

a Judg xiii. 8—21, Isa. ix. 6; xlii. 8; 1 Cor. x. 9

b See ver. 27; Numb x. 9, 35, 36; Deut. xx. 4; 1 Sam. xii 11, 2 Kings xvii. 39, Judg v. 31; Ps lxvi. 3; lxviii. 20—23; lxxxix. 10; xcii. 9; Micah iv. 10; v. 9, 15

c ch. xx. 3—5; xxxiv. 13, 14; Numb. xxxiii. 51, 52; Deut. vii. 5, 25, 26; xii. 3; 2 Chron. xxxiv 3—7.

d Deut. vi. 13. vii. 13—15; xxv 15; xxx. 20; Job v. 26; Ps. lv 23· Isa. lxv. 20.

j ch xxxii. 1—5, Numb xiv 1—10, 1 Kings xix. 10, Job xxxi. 34, Prov. i. 10, 11, 15, iv. 14; Jer vi. 28, Micah iii 1—4; Lev xix 15, Deut. i. 17; xvi. 19, xxvii 19; Ps. lxxii. 2

k Ps. lxxxii. 2—4, James iii 17

l Prov xxiv 17, 18, xxv 21; Matt. v 44, Rom. xii. 17—21.

m See ver. 3, Job xxxi. 13-22, Eccles. v 8, Isa. x. 1, 2; Jer. vii. 6; Amos v. 11, 12; Mal. iii. 5; James ii 5, 6.

n Lev. xix. 11, Deut xix. 16—21; xxvii. 25, Prov. iv 14, 15; vii. 15, Isa. xxxiii. 15.

o Deut. xvi. 19, 1 Sam viii 3, xii 3, Ps xxvi 10, Prov xv 27, xvii. 8—23; Eccles. vii. 7, Isa. i. 23, Ezek. xxii 12, Hos. iv 18, Micah vii. 3



MOSES RECEIVING THE LAW.

27 I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee.[a]

28 And I will send [1]hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee.[b]



THE HORNET.

29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee.

30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a See ver 22, Deut. ii 25

1 The hornet is a large species of wasp, but whether or not the common one is here referred to, is uncertain

d Numb xxi. 34, xxxiv 3—15, Deut. iii. 2, xi 24, Josh i. 4, viii 7, 18, x 8, 19, xxi. 44, xxiii. 14, xxiv 8, 1 Sam xxiii 4, 1 Kings iv 21—24, xv 13

e ch xxxiv 12—15, Numb xxv 1—3, Deut. vii. 2, 16, Josh ix. 14—23, 2 Sam xxi. 1, 2

f Deut. xii. 29—32, Josh. xxiii 13, Judg. ii. 3, Psa cvi 36

b Deut. vii. 20, Josh xxiv 11, 12.

g ch. xx. 1; xxiv. 15

c Deut. vii. 22—26; Josh. xvii. 12, 13; Judg. iii. 1—4.

31 And I will set thy bounds from the Red sea even unto the sea of the Philistines, and from the desert unto the river: for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee.[d]

32 Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.[e]

33 They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against me: for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee.[f]

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Moses is called up into the mountain.* 3 *The people promise obedience* 4 *Moses buildeth an altar, and twelve pillars.* 6 *He sprinkleth the blood of the covenant.* 9 *The glory of God appeareth* 14 *Aaron and Hur have the charge of the people.* 15 *Moses goeth into the mountain, where he continueth forty days and forty nights.*

AND he said unto Moses, Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel; and worship ye afar off.

2 And Moses alone shall come near the LORD: but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people go up with him.[g]

3 ¶ And Moses came and told the people all the words of the LORD, and all the judgments: and all



MOSES AND THE SEVENTY ELDERS.

the people answered with one voice, and said, All the words which the LORD hath said will we do.[a]

4 And Moses wrote all the words of the LORD, and rose up early in the morning, and builded an altar under the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel.[b]

5 And he sent young men of the children of Israel, which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the LORD.[c]

6 And Moses took half of the blood, and put *it* in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.[d]

7 And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.[e]

8 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled *it* on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.[f]

9 ¶ Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

[a] ch xix. 8; Deut. v 27, 28, Josh xxiv 22

[h] Isa. vi 1; Ezek i 26; xliii. 1, 2

[b] Deut xxxi 9, Josh xxiv 26

[c] Numb iii 41

[d] ch xxxi. 18; Deut. iv 14, v 22, vi. 1; Lev. x. 8

[e] See ver. 8, xxix 16, 20; Lev i. 5, 11; iii. 2, 8, 13; iv. 6, 17; vii 2, 14; viii. 19, 24; xvii. 6, Numb. xix. 4, 2 Kings xvi. 15.

[f] ch. xvi. 9, 10; xxxiv. 5, Numb xi. 25.

[g] See ver 8.

[f] Zech. ix. 11; Heb. x. 29; xiii. 20.

[g] See ver 1

10 And they saw the God of Israel: and *there was* under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in *his* clearness.[h]

11 And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink.

12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there: and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written; that thou mayest teach them.[i]

13 And Moses rose up, and his minister Joshua: and Moses went up into the mount of God.[j]

14 And he said unto the elders, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you: and, behold, Aaron and Hur *are* with you: if any man have any matters to do, let him come unto them.

15 And Moses went up into the mount, and a cloud covered the mount.

16 And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days: and the



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seventh day he called unto Moses out of the midst of the cloud.[a]

17 And the sight of the glory of the LORD *was* like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.[b]

18 And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses was in the mount forty days and forty nights.[c]

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *What the Israelites must offer for the making of the tabernacle.* 10 *The form of the ark.* 17 *The mercy seat, with the cherubims.* 23 *The table, with the furniture thereof* 31 *The candlestick, with the instruments thereof.*



AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me [1]an offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering.[d]

3 And this *is* the offering which ye shall take of them; gold, and silver, and brass,

4 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen,[e] and [2]goats' *hair*,

5 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and shittim wood,

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

3 It was to be "pure olive oil, beaten." See ch xxvii 20

a ch xvi. 7, 10, xxiv 16, 17; Lev ix. 23, Numb xiv 10, xvi 19, 42; xx. 6; 1 Kings viii 11; 2 Chron v 14, vii 1—3; Ezek xliii. 5, xliv 4.
f ch xxx 22—28.
g See ch xxviii. 4, 15
b ch xix 18; Deut. iv 36
h Lev xix. 30, xxi. 12, Numb xviii 5, 1 Chron xxii. 19, xxviii. 10; Ps xx. 2; xxvii 2, xxix. 2, lxviii 24, lxxvii. 13, Exod. xxix 42—46, Deut. xii. 11; Ezra vi. 12; 1 Kings vi 11—13; 2 Kings xix. 15; Ps. lxxx 1
c See ver 15; ch xxxiv 28; Deut. ix. 9, x. 10
i ch xxxvii 1; Deut. x. 3
j ver 24; ch xxx 3

1 Heb *a heave-offering*—probably, because it was lifted up towards heaven, as consecrated to God.
k ch. xxxvii. 3.

d ch. xxxv. 5, 21, 22, 29; Judg. v. 2, 9; 1 Chron. xxix. 6, 9, 14, 17; 2 Chron. xxxv. 8; Ezra i. 6, iii. 5; vii. 16; Neh. xi. 2.
l ver. 28; ch. xxxvii. 4, 5; xxx. 5.

e ch xxiv. 10; xxvi. 1, 31, 36; xxvii. 9, 16, 18; xxxvi. 37.
m ch. xxvii. 7; xxxvii. 5, xxxviii. 7; Numb. iv. 6; 1 Kings viii. 8; 1 Chron. xv. 15.

2 The finest part of the wool. The hair of some Eastern goats is of the most delicate and silky softness.
n ver. 21; ch. xxxi. 18; xl. 3, 20; 1 Kings viii. 9, Heb ix. 4.

6 Oil [3]for the light, spices for anointing oil, and for sweet incense,[f]

7 Onyx stones, and stones to be set in the ephod, and in the breastplate.[g]

8 And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.[h]

9 According to all that I shew thee, *after* the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make *it*.

10 ¶ And they shall make an ark *of* shittim wood: two cubits and a half *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.[i]

11 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou overlay it, and shalt make upon it a crown of gold round about.[j]

12 And thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it, and put *them* in the four corners thereof; and two rings *shall be* in the one side of it, and two rings in the other side of it.[k]

13 And thou shalt make staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.[l]

14 And thou shalt put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, that the ark may be borne with them.

15 The staves shall be in the rings of the ark; they shall not be taken from it.[m]

16 And thou shalt put into the ark the testimony which I shall give thee.[n]

17 And thou shalt make a mercy seat *of* pure gold

two cubits and a half *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof.[a]

18 And thou shalt make two cherubims *of* gold, *of* beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat.

19 And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: *even* of the mercy seat shall ye make the cherubims on the two ends thereof.

20 And the cherubims shall stretch forth *their* wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces *shall look* one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be.

21 And thou shalt put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee.

22 And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubims which *are* upon the ark of the testimony, of all *things* which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel.[b]

23 ¶ Thou shalt also make a table *of* shittim wood: two cubits *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.[c]

24 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a crown of gold round about.[d]

25 And thou shalt make unto it a border of an hand breadth round about, and thou shalt make a golden crown to the border thereof round about.[e]

26 And thou shalt make for it four rings of gold, and put the rings in the four corners that *are* on the four feet thereof.

27 Over against the border shall the rings be for places of the staves to bear the table.[f]

28 And thou shalt make the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold, that the table may be borne with them.[g]

29 And thou shalt make the dishes thereof, and spoons thereof, and covers thereof, and bowls thereof, to cover withal: *of* pure gold shalt thou make them.[h]

30 And thou shalt set upon the table [1]shewbread before me alway.[i]

31 ¶ And thou shalt make a [2]candlestick *of* pure gold: *of* beaten work shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same.

32 And six branches shall come out of the sides of it, three branches of the candlestick out of the one side, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side:

33 Three bowls made like unto almonds, *with* a knop and a flower in one branch; and three bowls made like almonds in the other branch, *with* a knop and a flower: so in the six branches that come out of the candlestick.

34 And in the candlestick *shall be* four bowls made like unto almonds, *with* their knops and their flowers.

35 And *there shall be* a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches that proceed out of the candlestick.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

[a] vs. 20—22; ch. xxvi. 34; xxxvii. 6; xl. 20, Lev. xvi. 2, 13; Numb. vii. 89; 1 Chron. xxviii. 11.

[j] vs. 33, 34; ch. xxxvii. 17—22; Numb. viii. 4.

[k] ch xxvii. 20, 21; xxx. 8; Lev. xxiv. 1—4; Numb viii. 2; 2 Chron. xiii. 11; Zech. iv. 1, 2.

[l] ch xxxvii.23; Numb iv. 9; 1 Kings vii. 50; 2 Chron. iv. 22.

[m] ver. 9; ch. xxvi. 30; Numb viii. 4; Acts vii 44, Heb viii.4,5

3 That is, ten curtains *for* the tabernacle; in fact, the *inner* set.

[b] Gen. iii. 24, v. 22; Exod xxvi.1, 31; xxxvii. 7—9, Numb vii. 89; 1 Sam iv 4; 2 Sam vi. 2, 1 Kings vi. 23—28; viii. 7, 2 Kings xix. 15; 2 Chron iii. 10; v. 8; Ps lxxx 1; xcix. 1; Isa. xxxvii 16.

4 That is, wrought with skill.

[n] ch. xxxvi 9; Numb iv 25, 2 Sam. vii 2; 1 Chron. xvii. 1 See Exod. xxv 18—20, 1 Kings vi 29

[c] ver 10

[d] ver 11

[e] ver 24

[f] ver. 12.

[g] vs 13, 14

[h] ch xxxvii. 16, Numb iv 7.

5 That is, one continuous range of curtains. Coupled means, literally, *twinned*, that is, like twins, or exactly alike

1 Heb *bread of faces*

[i] ch. xxxv 13, xxxix 36, Lev xxiv 5, 6, Numb iv 7, 1 Sam xxi. 6, 1 Kings vii. 48, 1 Chron. ix. 32; xxiii. 29, xxviii. 16, 2 Chron ii. 4, iv 19; xiii 11; xxix. 18, Neh. x. 33, Matt. xii. 4, Mark ii. 26, Luke vi. 4, Heb. ix. 2.

2 Heb *a lamp-bearer*

6 That is, for the *outer* set of curtains; these serving as a *covering* to the inner.

[o] ch xxv. 4; xxxv 6, 23, 26; xxxvi. 14.

7 The Hebrew word rendered *tent* is different from that used for tabernacle (ver. 1), and sustains the distinction already made, the tent being the curtains of goat's hair—the tabernacle those of exquisite fabric and rich embroidery The framework is not mentioned till ver 15

36 Their knops and their branches shall be of the same: all it *shall be* one beaten work *of* pure gold.[j]

37 And thou shalt make the seven lamps thereof: and they shall light the lamps thereof, that they may give light over against it.[k]

38 And the tongs thereof, and the snuffdishes thereof, *shall be of* pure gold.[l]

39 *Of* a talent of pure gold shall he make it, with all these vessels.

40 And look that thou make *them* after their pattern, which was shewed thee in the mount.[m]

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *The ten curtains of the tabernacle.* 7 *The eleven curtains of goats' hair.* 14 *The covering of rams' skins.* 15 *The boards of the tabernacle, with their sockets and bars.* 31 *The vail for the ark.* 36 *The hanging for the door.*

MOREOVER thou shalt make the tabernacle *with* ten [3]curtains *of* fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: *with* cherubims of [4]cunning work shalt thou make them.[n]

2 The length of one curtain *shall be* eight and twenty cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: and every one of the curtains shall have one measure.

3 The five curtains shall be coupled together one to another; and *other* five curtains *shall be* coupled one to another.

4 And thou shalt make loops of blue upon the edge of the one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling; and likewise shalt thou make in the uttermost edge of *another* curtain, in the coupling of the second.

5 Fifty loops shalt thou make in the one curtain, and fifty loops shalt thou make in the edge of the curtain that *is* in the coupling of the second; that the loops may take hold one of another.

6 And thou shalt make fifty taches of gold, and couple the curtains [5]together with the taches: and it shall be one tabernacle.

7 ¶ And thou shalt make curtains *of* goats' *hair* to be a [6]covering upon the tabernacle: eleven curtains shalt thou make.[o]

8 The length of one curtain *shall be* thirty cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: and the eleven curtains *shall be all* of one measure.

9 And thou shalt couple five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves, and shalt double the sixth curtain in the forefront of the tabernacle.

10 And thou shalt make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain *that is* outmost in the coupling, and fifty loops in the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.

11 And thou shalt make fifty taches of brass, and put the taches into the loops, and couple the [7]tent together, that it may be one.

12 And the remnant that remaineth of the curtains of the tent, the half curtain that remaineth, shall hang over the backside of the tabernacle.

13 And a cubit on the one side, and a cubit on the other side of that which remaineth in the length of the

curtains of the tent, it shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this side and on that side, to cover it.

14 And thou shalt make a [1]covering for the tent *of* rams' skins dyed red, and a covering above *of* badgers' skins.[a]

15 ¶ And thou shalt make boards for the tabernacle *of* shittim wood standing up.

16 Ten cubits *shall be* the length of a board, and a cubit and a half *shall be* the breadth of one board.

17 Two tenons *shall there be* in one board, set in order one against another: thus shalt thou make for all the boards of the tabernacle.

18 And thou shalt make the boards for the tabernacle, twenty boards on the south side southward.[b]

19 And thou shalt make forty [2]sockets of silver under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.

20 And for the second side of the tabernacle on the north side *there shall be* twenty boards:

21 And their forty sockets *of* silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

22 And for the sides of the tabernacle westward thou shalt make six boards.

23 And two boards shalt thou make for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides.

24 And they shall be coupled together beneath, and they shall be coupled together above the head of it unto one ring: thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners.

25 And they shall be eight boards, and their sockets *of* silver, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

26 ¶ And thou shalt make bars *of* shittim wood; five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle,

27 And five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the side of the tabernacle, for the two sides westward.

28 And the middle bar in the midst of the boards shall reach from end to end.

29 And thou shalt overlay the boards with gold, and make their rings *of* gold *for* places for the bars: and thou shalt overlay the bars with gold.[c]

30 And thou shalt rear up the tabernacle according to the fashion thereof which was shewed thee in the mount.[d]

31 ¶ And thou shalt make a vail *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen of cunning work: with cherubims shall it be made:[e]

32 And thou shalt hang it upon four pillars of shittim *wood* overlaid with gold: their hooks *shall be of* gold, upon the four sockets of silver.

33 ¶ And thou shalt hang up the vail under the taches, that thou mayest bring in thither within the vail the ark of the testimony: and the vail shall divide unto you between the holy *place* and the most holy.

34 And thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy *place*.[f]

35 And thou shalt set the table without the vail, and the candlestick over against the table on the side of the tabernacle toward the south: and thou shalt put the table on the north side.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

1 As the tent was a covering for the tabernacle, so here were coverings for the tent.

a ch xxxv 23; xxxvi. 19.

b ch xxxvi. 37, 38; Numb iii. 37; iv. 31, 32.

b ch xxxvi 21—23; Numb iii. 36

2 Heb *vases of silver*, ver 21, 25, ch xxxvi 24—26, 30, 36, xl. 18, Numb. iii. 36, 37, iv 31, 32.

c ch xl 6—10, 29; Lev vi. 9

d ch. xxix. 12, Lev. iv. 7, 18, 25; viii. 15, xvi. 18; 1 Kings i. 50; ii. 28, viii. 64, Ps cxviii. 27.

e ch xxxv 16, xxxviii. 3, Lev xvi. 12, Numb iv 13, 14, 1 Sam ii 13, 14, 1 Kings vii 48, 2 Kings xxv 14; 2 Chron iv 1—16, Jer lii. 17—19

f ch xxxv. 16, xxxviii. 4, *b*

m ch xxxv 5, xxxviii. 6, 7

c ch xxxvi. 31-34; Numb iii. 36; iv. 31.

n ch xxxv. 17, xxxviii. 9, xxxix. 40, Numb. iii. 26; iv. 26.

d ch. xxv 40.

ch xxxvi 35; xl. 3, Lev. xvi. 2, 15, xxi. 23; xxiv 3, 2 Chron. iii 14, Matt. xxvii. 51, Mark xv. 38; Luke xxiii 45; Heb vi. 19, ix. 3.

f ch. xxv. 16, 21; xl. 21; Lev. xvi. 2; 1 Kings viii. 6; Heb. ix. 2, 3, 5.

g ch. xl. 22—24; Heb. ix. 2.

36 And thou shalt make an hanging for the door of the tent, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework.

37 And thou shalt make for the hanging five pillars *of* shittim *wood*, and overlay them with gold, *and* their hooks *shall be of* gold: and thou shalt cast five sockets of brass for them.[h]

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *The altar of burnt offering, with the vessels thereof.* 9 *The court of the tabernacle inclosed with hangings and pillars* 18 *The measure of the court.* 20 *The oil for the lamp.*

AND thou shalt make an altar *of* shittim wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be four square: and the height thereof *shall be* three cubits.[i]

2 And thou shalt make the horns of it upon the four corners thereof: his horns shall be of the same: and thou shalt overlay it with brass.[j]

3 And thou shalt make his pans to receive his ashes, and his shovels, and his basons, and his fleshhooks, and his firepans: all the vessels thereof thou shalt make *of* brass.[k]

4 And thou shalt make for it a grate of network *of* brass; and upon the net shalt thou make four brasen rings in the four corners thereof.

5 And thou shalt put it under the compass of the altar beneath, that the net may be even to the midst of the altar.[l]

6 And thou shalt make staves for the altar, staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with brass.

7 And the staves shall be put into the rings, and the staves shall be upon the two sides of the altar, to bear it.

8 Hollow with boards shalt thou make it: as it was shewed thee in the mount, so shall they make *it*.[m]

9 ¶ And thou shalt make the court of the tabernacle: for the south side southward *there shall be* hangings for the court *of* fine twined linen of an hundred cubits long for one side:[n]

10 And the twenty pillars thereof and their twenty sockets *shall be of* brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *shall be of* silver.

11 And likewise for the north side in length *there shall be* hangings of an hundred *cubits* long, and his twenty pillars and their twenty sockets *of* brass; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver.

12 ¶ And *for* the breadth of the court on the west side *shall be* hangings of fifty cubits: their pillars ten, and their sockets ten.

13 And the breadth of the court on the east side eastward *shall be* fifty cubits.

14 The hangings of one side *of the gate shall be* fifteen cubits: their pillars three, and their sockets three.

15 And on the other side *shall be* hangings fifteen *cubits:* their pillars three, and their sockets three.

16 ¶ And for the gate of the court *shall be* an hanging of twenty cubits, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework: *and* their pillars *shall be* four, and their sockets four.

17 All the pillars round about the court *shall be* filleted with silver; their hooks *shall be of* silver, and their sockets *of* brass.

18 ¶ The length of the court *shall be* an hundred cubits, and the breadth fifty every where, and the height five cubits *of* fine twined linen, and their sockets *of* brass.

19 All the vessels of the tabernacle in all the service thereof, and all the pins thereof, and all the pins of the court, *shall be of* brass.[a]

20 ¶ And thou shalt command the children of Israel, that they bring thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamp to burn always.[b]

21 In the tabernacle of the congregation without the vail, which *is* before the testimony, Aaron and his sons shall order it from evening to morning before the LORD: *it shall be* a statute for ever unto their generations on the behalf of the children of Israel.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *Aaron and his sons are set apart for the priest's office.* 2 *Holy garments are appointed.* 6 *The ephod* 15 *The breastplate with twelve precious stones.* 30 *The Urim and Thummim.* 31 *The robe of the ephod, with pomegranates and bells.* 36 *The plate of the mitre.* 39 *The embroidered coat* 40 *The garments for Aaron's sons.*

AND take thou unto thee Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office, *even* Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.[c]

2 And thou shalt make holy garments for Aaron thy brother for glory and for beauty.[d]

3 And thou shalt speak unto all *that are* [1]wise hearted, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments to consecrate him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.

4 And these *are* the garments which they shall make; a breastplate, and an ephod, and a robe, and a broidered coat, a mitre, and a girdle: and they shall make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, and his sons, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.[e]

5 And they shall take gold, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen.[f]

6 ¶ And they shall make the ephod *of* gold, *of* blue, and *of* purple, *of* scarlet, and fine twined linen, with cunning work.

7 It shall have the two shoulderpieces thereof joined at the two edges thereof; and *so* it shall be joined together.

8 And the curious girdle of the ephod, which *is* upon it, shall be of the same, according to the work thereof; *even of* gold, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.[g]

9 And thou shalt take two onyx stones, and grave on them the names of the children of Israel:

10 Six of their names on one stone, and *the other* six names of the rest on the other stone, [2]according to their birth.

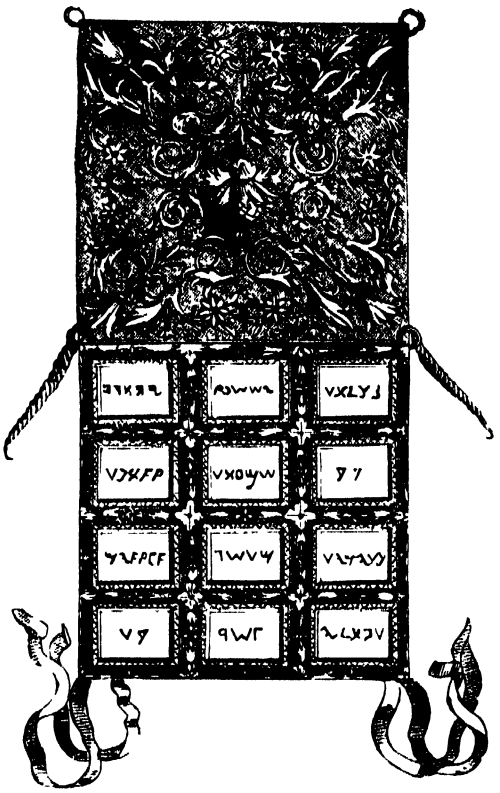
11 With the work of an engraver in stone, *like* the engravings of a signet, shalt thou engrave the two stones with the names of the children of Israel: thou shalt make them to be set in ouches of gold.

12 And thou shalt put the two stones upon the shoulders of the ephod *for* stones of memorial unto the children of Israel:[h] and Aaron shall bear their names before the LORD upon his two shoulders for a [3]memorial.

13 ¶ And thou shalt make ouches *of* gold;

14 And two chains *of* pure gold at the ends; *of* wreathen work shalt thou make them, and fasten the wreathen chains to the ouches.[i]

15 ¶ And thou shalt make the breastplate of judgment with cunning work; after the work of the



THE BREASTPLATE.

ephod thou shalt make it; *of* gold, *of* blue, and *of* purple, and *of* scarlet, and *of* fine twined linen, shalt thou make it.[j]

16 Foursquare it shall be *being* doubled; a span *shall be* the length thereof, and a span *shall be* the breadth thereof.[k]

17 And thou shalt [4]set in it settings of stones, *even* four rows of stones: *the first* row *shall be* a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: *this shall be* the first row.

18 And the second row *shall be* an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.

19 And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.

20 And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their inclosings.

2 That is, according to their respective

a ch xxxviii. 10-12, 17, 19.

b ch. xxxviii. 9—20; xxxix. 40; Numb iii. 26, iv. 26; Exod. xxix. 40, xxx. 24; Lev. xxiv. 2; 2 Chron. xiii 11.

c ver. 25; ch xxxix 15.

c vs. 3, 4, 41, ch xxix 1, 44, xxix 9, xxx. 30, xxxi 10; xxxv 19, xxxix 41, xl 13—15, Lev vii 35, xvi 32, Numb iii 3, 4, xviii 7, Deut x 6, Luke i 8, Heb v. 1—4, vii 11, 28

d ver 4, ch xxxi 10, Lev viii 7, 30, xvi 4, 32; Numb xx 26—28, Ezek xlii 14

1 That is, persons whom God has specially endowed as ingenious, expert, and skilful artisans. Exod. xxxv 30—35

e See vs 1, 3

f See references to ver. 2

g ch xxxix 1—5; Lev. viii. 7; 1 Sam. ii. 18, 28; xiv 3; xxii 18; xxiii. 6, 9, xxx. 7, 1 Chron xv 27; Hos iii 4

h vs. 21, 29, ch. xxxix. 6, 7.

3 That is, a memorial to Aaron and to Israel, that he appeared before God in their behalf.

i ch xxxix. 15—17

j See vs. 4, 30, ch. xxxix 8, Lev viii.8

k vs 15, 22, 23, 26, 28—30, ch xxxix. 8, 9

4 Heb *Thou shalt fill* ... *it fillings of* because the stones when inserted into it filled up the cavities prepared to receive them. Exod.xxxix. 10.



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21 And the stones shall be with the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names, *like* the engravings of a signet; every one with his name shall they be according to the twelve tribes.

22 ¶ And thou shalt make upon the breastplate chains at the ends *of* wreathen work *of* pure gold.[a]

23 And thou shalt make upon the breastplate two rings of gold, and shalt put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate.[b]

24 And thou shalt put the two wreathen *chains* of gold in the two rings *which are* on the ends of the breastplate.

25 And *the other* two ends of the two wreathen *chains* thou shalt fasten in the two ouches, and put *them* on the shoulderpieces of the ephod before it.[c]

26 ¶ And thou shalt make two rings of gold, and thou shalt put them upon the two ends of the breastplate in the border thereof, which *is* in the side of the ephod inward.

27 And two *other* rings of gold thou shalt make, and shalt put them on the two sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart thereof, over against the *other* coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of the ephod.[d]

28 And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings thereof unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that *it* may be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed from the ephod.[e]

29 And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of Israel in the breastplate of judgment upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy *place*, for a memorial before the LORD continually.[f]

30 ¶ And thou shalt put in the breastplate of judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before the LORD continually.[g]

31 ¶ And thou shalt make the robe of the ephod all *of* blue.[h]

32 And there shall be an hole in the top of it, in the midst thereof: it shall have a binding of woven work round about the hole of it, as it were the hole of an habergeon, that it be not rent.[i]

33 ¶ And *beneath* upon [1]the hem of it thou shalt make pomegranates *of* blue, and *of* purple, and *of* scarlet, round about the hem thereof; and bells of gold between them round about:[j]

34 A golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the hem of the robe round about.[k]

35 And it shall be upon Aaron to minister: and his sound shall be heard when he goeth in unto the holy *place* before the LORD, and when he cometh out, that he die not.[l]

36 ¶ And thou shalt make [2]a plate *of* pure gold, and grave upon it, *like* the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

f vs 12, 15, 30, Jer xxx. 20—22.

a See ver 14.

g Lev viii 8, Numb xxvii 21, Deut. xxxiii 8, 1 Sam xxviii 6, Ezra ii. 63, Neh vii 65

b ch xxviii 6—29, xxxix. 8—21.

h ch xxxix. 22, Lev viii. 7

i ch. xxxix 28, 2 Chron xxvi. 14, Job xli. 26 (marg), in which "habergeon" is rendered "breastplate"

c ch xxxix 15—21

1 Or, *the skirts*

j ch xxxix. 24, 26; 1 Kings vii. 18.

k ch xxxix. 25, 26

d ver. 8; ch. xxviii. 6—29, xxxix. 8—21.

l ch. xxxix. 22—26; Lev. xvi. 2.

2 Or, *flower*, that is, a plate in the form of a flower, or leaf, worked into a crown.

e See vs. 31, 37, ch xxxix. 30, 31

m ch. xxxix. 30

37 And thou shalt put it on a blue lace, that it may be upon the mitre; upon the forefront of the mitre it shall be.[a]

38 And it shall be upon Aaron's forehead, that Aaron may bear the iniquity of the holy things, which the children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always upon his forehead, that they may be accepted before the LORD.[b]

39 ¶ And thou shalt embroider the coat of fine linen, and thou shalt make the mitre *of* fine linen, and thou shalt make the girdle *of* needlework.[c]

40 ¶ And for Aaron's sons thou shalt make coats, and thou shalt make for them girdles, and [1]bonnets shalt thou make for them, for glory and for beauty.[d]

41 And thou shalt put them upon Aaron thy brother, and his sons with him; and shalt anoint them, and [2]consecrate them, and sanctify them, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office.[e]

42 And thou shalt make them linen breeches to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach:[f]

43 And they shall be upon Aaron, and upon his sons, when they come in unto the tabernacle of the congregation, or when they come near unto the altar to minister in the holy *place;* that they bear not iniquity, and die: *it shall be* a statute for ever unto him and his seed after him.[g]

CHAPTER XXIX.

The sacrifice and ceremonies of consecrating the priests. 38 *The continual burnt offering.* 45 *God's promise to dwell among the children of Israel.*

AND this *is* the thing that thou shalt do unto them to hallow them, to minister unto me in the priest's office: Take one young bullock, and two rams without blemish,[h]

2 And unleavened bread, and cakes unleavened tempered with oil, and wafers unleavened anointed with oil: *of* wheaten flour shalt thou make them.[i]

3 And thou shalt put them into one basket, and bring them in the basket, with the bullock and the two rams.

4 And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and shalt wash them with water.[j]

5 And thou shalt take the garments, and put upon Aaron the coat, and the robe of the ephod, and the ephod, and the breastplate, and gird him with the curious girdle of the ephod:

6 And thou shalt put the mitre upon his head, and put the holy crown upon the mitre.[k]

7 Then shalt thou take the anointing oil, and pour *it* upon his head, and anoint him.[l]

8 And thou shalt bring his sons, and put coats upon them.

9 And thou shalt gird them with girdles, Aaron and his sons, and put the bonnets on them: and the priest's office shall be their's for a perpetual statute: and thou shalt consecrate Aaron and his sons.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

[a] ch. xxxix. 30, 31.

[n] Lev i. 4; viii. 14; Ezek. xliii. 18, 19.

[b] ver 43; Numb. xviii. 1; Ps. xcix. 6; Ezek. xliii. 27.

[o] Lev ix. 9; Ezek. xliii. 20; Heb. ix. 22.

[c] ver 4; xxix. 5; Lev. viii. 7, 13; xvi. 4.

1 As a different word is used here from that translated "mitre," there was probably a difference in the form of the two articles, the bonnet being, perhaps, more conical than the mitre.

[d] ch. xxix. 8, 9; xl. 14; Lev. viii. 13; x 5.

[p] Lev. viii. 14—17, ix. 18 — 20, Ezek. xliii. 21; Heb. xiii. 11

2 Heb *fill their hands.*

[e] ch. xxviii. 3; xxix. 1—36, 44; xxx. 30—38; xl. 13, 15; Lev. vi 19—22, viii. 35, 36; viii. 1—36, Numb iii. 2, 3.

[f] ch xxxix. 28; Lev vi. 10; xvi. 4; Ezek. xliv 18.

[g] ch. xxvi. 21.

[q] Lev. viii. 18 — 21, Ezek. xliii. 23

[r] vs. 3, 10; Lev viii 22—29

[s] Lev viii 22 — 24, xiv 14, xvi 16—19, Isa. lii 15, Heb ix. 19—21

[h] Lev viii. 2

[i] Lev. vi. 21

[t] ch xxx 25 — 31, Lev viii 30, Ps. cxxxiii 2

[j] ch xxx 19—21, xl 12, Lev viii 6

[u] Lev viii. 22—26

[k] ch xl. 13, Lev. viii. 7—9.

[v] Lev. viii. 27

[l] ch xxx 25, 30, xl 13; Lev vi 20, viii 12, x 7, xxi. 10, Numb xxxv. 25; Ps. cxxxiii 1, 2.

[w] Lev viii 28, Ezek. xliii. 24.

[m] ch. xxviii 1, 40; xxxix. 27—29; Lev. viii. 13; Numb. xviii. 7.

10 And thou shalt cause a bullock to be brought before the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the bullock.[n]

11 And thou shalt kill the bullock before the LORD, *by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

12 And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullock, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar with thy finger, and pour all the blood beside the bottom of the altar.[o]

13 And thou shalt take all the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul *that is* above the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, and burn *them* upon the altar.

14 But the flesh of the bullock, and his skin, and his dung, shalt thou burn with fire without the camp. it *is* a sin offering.[p]

15 ¶ Thou shalt also take one ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.

16 And thou shalt slay the ram, and thou shalt take his blood, and sprinkle *it* round about upon the altar.

17 And thou shalt cut the ram in pieces, and wash the inwards of him, and his legs, and put *them* unto his pieces, and unto his head.

18 And thou shalt burn the whole ram upon the altar: it *is* a burnt offering unto the LORD: it *is* a sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[q]

19 ¶ And thou shalt take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.[r]

20 Then shalt thou kill the ram, and take of his blood, and put *it* upon the tip of the right ear of Aaron, and upon the tip of the right ear of his sons, and upon the thumb of their right hand, and upon the great toe of their right foot, and sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.[s]

21 And thou shalt take of the blood that *is* upon the altar, and of the anointing oil, and sprinkle *it* upon Aaron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon the garments of his sons with him: and he shall be hallowed, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.[t]

22 Also thou shalt take of the ram the fat and the rump, and the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, and the right shoulder; for it *is* a ram of consecration:

23 And one loaf of bread, and one cake of oiled bread, and one wafer out of the basket of the unleavened bread that *is* before the LORD:[u]

24 And thou shalt put all in the hands of Aaron, and in the hands of his sons; and shalt wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD.[v]

25 And thou shalt receive them of their hands, and burn *them* upon the altar for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour before the LORD: it *is* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[w]

26 And thou shalt take the breast of the ram of Aaron's consecration, and wave it *for* a wave offering before the LORD: and it shall be thy part.

27 And thou shalt sanctify the breast of the wave



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offering, and the shoulder of the heave offering, which is waved, and which is heaved up, of the ram of the consecration, *even* of *that* which *is* for Aaron, and of *that* which is for his sons :[e]

28 And it shall be Aaron's and his sons' by a statute for ever from the children of Israel: for it *is* an heave offering: and it shall be an heave offering from the children of Israel of the sacrifice of their peace offerings, *even* their heave offering unto the LORD.[b]

29 ¶ And the holy garments of Aaron shall be his sons' after him, to be anointed therein, and to be consecrated in them.[c]

30 *And* that son that is priest in his stead shall put them on seven days, when he cometh into the tabernacle of the congregation to minister in the holy *place*.[d]

31 ¶ And thou shalt take the ram of the consecration, and seethe his flesh in the holy place.

32 And Aaron and his sons shall eat the flesh of the ram, and the bread that *is* in the basket, *by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.[e]

33 And they shall eat those things wherewith the atonement was made, to consecrate *and* to sanctify them: but a stranger shall not eat *thereof*, because they *are* holy.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

a Lev ix. 21
g See vs. 26—28, ch xii. 10, Lev. viii 18, 19
h Lev viii 31—36
b Lev. viii 28, Numb xviii 8—11, 28
c Numb xx. 26—28
i ver 44, ch xxx 28, 29, xl. 10, Lev viii 11; xvi. 33, Numb vii. 84, 1 Chron vi. 49
d Lev viii 35; ix 1—21, Ezek. xliii. 25—27, Heb vii. 23, 28
j Numb xxviii 3, 4, 2 Kings xvi. 15, 1 Chron. xvi 40, 2 Chron. ii. 4, xiii. 11, xxxi. 3; Ezra iii 3, Ezek. xlvi. 13—15.
e Lev. x. 12—14.
1 That is, a tenth of an ephah, or about three quarts wine measure.
2 About a quart and a quarter of a pint, a hin containing a gallon and two pints.
k Numb xxviii. 5—7, 1 Kings xvii 29, 36.
f Lev. xxii. 10.

34 And if ought of the flesh of the consecrations, or of the bread, remain unto the morning, then thou shalt burn the remainder with fire: it shall not be eaten, because it *is* holy.[g]

35 And thus shalt thou do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to all *things* which I have commanded thee: seven days shalt thou consecrate them.[h]

36 And thou shalt offer every day a bullock *for* a sin offering for atonement: and thou shalt cleanse the altar, when thou hast made an atonement for it, and thou shalt anoint it, to sanctify it.

37 Seven days thou shalt make an atonement for the altar, and sanctify it; and it shall be an altar most holy: whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be holy.[i]

38 ¶ Now this *is that* which thou shalt offer upon the altar; two lambs of the first year day by day continually.

39 The one lamb thou shalt offer in the morning; and the other lamb thou shalt offer at even :[j]

40 And with the one lamb a [1]tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth part of an [2]hin of beaten oil; and the fourth part of an hin of wine *for* a drink offering.[k]

41 And the other lamb thou shalt offer at even, and shalt do thereto according to the meat offering

of the morning, and according to the drink offering thereof, for a sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[a]

42 *This shall be* a continual burnt offering throughout your generations *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD: where I will meet you, to speak there unto thee.[b]

43 And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and *the tabernacle* shall be sanctified by my glory.[c]

44 And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office.[d]

45 ¶ And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their God.

46 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God, that brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, that I may dwell among them: I *am* the LORD their God.[e]

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *The altar of incense.* 11 *The ransom of souls.* 17 *The brasen laver.* 22 *The holy anointing oil.* 34 *The composition of the perfume.*



make an [1]altar to burn incense upon: *of* shittim wood shalt thou make it.

2 A cubit *shall be* the length thereof, and a cubit thereof; foursquare shall it be: and two cubits *shall be* the height thereof: the horns thereof *shall be* of the same.

3 And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, the top thereof, and the sides thereof round about, and the horns thereof; and thou shalt make unto it a crown of gold round about.

4 And two golden rings shalt thou make to it under the crown of it, by the two corners thereof, upon the two sides of it shalt thou make *it;* and they shall be for places for the staves to bear it withal.

5 And thou shalt make the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlay them with gold.[f]

6 And thou shalt put it before the vail that *is* by the ark of the testimony, before the mercy seat that *is* over the testimony, where I will meet with thee.[g]

7 And Aaron shall burn thereon sweet incense every morning: when he dresseth the lamps, he shall burn incense upon it.

8 And when Aaron lighteth the lamps at even, he shall burn incense upon it, a perpetual incense before the LORD throughout your generations.

9 Ye shall offer no strange incense thereon, nor burnt sacrifice, nor meat offering; neither shall ye pour drink offering thereon.[h]

10 And Aaron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it once in a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the year shall he make atonement upon it throughout your generations: it *is* most holy unto the LORD.[i]

11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

[a] Numb xxviii 8; 2 Kings xvi 15; Ezra ix. 4, 5; Ps. cxli. 2, Dan. ix. 21.

[b] Numb i. 2, 3; xxvi. 2, 4.

[c] ver. 38; Numb. xxviii. 6, Dan viii. 11—13; Exod. xxv 22; xxx. 6, 36; Numb. xvii. 4.

[d] ch xl. 34, 1 Kings viii. 10, 11, 2 Chron. v. 14; vii. 1—3

[e] ch xl. 13, Lev. viii 12, xxi 8

[f] ch xxxviii 26.

[g] ch xxv 8; Lev xxvi 11—13, Ezek. xxxvii 21—28, Zech ii 10—12

[h] Numb xvi 50—54

[i] ver 28; ch xxxi 9, xxxv 16, xxxviii 8, xxxix. 39, xl 7, 11, 30, Lev. viii 11

1 The Hebrew word for altar, as previously used, differs from that here employed, that is derived from the words "to slay," this from the words "to fume, to make to smoke," and thus there is a clear distinction between the altar *of burnt offering* and the altar *of incense.* See ver 9

[f] vs. 7—10; ch xxxvii. 25—28; Numb iv 11

[g] ch xxv. 21, 22, xl. 5

[h] vs. 33—38, ch xxxvii. 29, Lev x 1, 2, xvi. 12; Numb xvi 40, 46, 47, Deut xxxiii 10, 2 Chron. xxx 14; xxxiv 25; Ps. cxli 2, Isa. lxv 3, lxvi. 3, Jer vi 20, xi 12-14, xli 5, xlviii. 35, Mal. i. 11

[i] ch xl. 31, 32

[k] Lev iv 7, 18; xvi. 18

2 Myrrh is a white gum, issuing from the trunk and the larger branches of a thorny tree, not unlike the acacia

12 When thou takest the sum of the children of Israel after their number, then shall they give every man a ransom for his soul unto the LORD, when thou numberest them; that there be no plague among them, when *thou* numberest them.[j]

13 This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are numbered, half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary: (a shekel *is* twenty gerahs:) an half shekel *shall be* the offering of the LORD.

14 Every one that passeth among them that are numbered, from twenty years old and above, shall give an offering unto the LORD.

15 The rich shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less than half a shekel, when *they* give an offering unto the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.[k]

16 And thou shalt take the atonement money of the children of Israel, and shalt appoint it for the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; that it may be a memorial unto the children of Israel before the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.[l]

17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

18 Thou shalt also make a laver *of* brass, and his foot *also of* brass, to wash *withal:* and thou shalt put it between the tabernacle of the congregation and the altar, and thou shalt put water therein.[m]



ALTAR OF INCENSE.

19 For Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet thereat:

20 When they go into the tabernacle of the congregation, they shall wash with water, that they die not; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn offering made by fire unto the LORD:

21 So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they die not: and it shall be a statute for ever to them, *even* to him and to his seed throughout their generations.[n]

22 ¶ Moreover the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

23 Take thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure [2]myrrh five hundred *shekels,* and of sweet cinna-

mon half so much, *even* two hundred and fifty *shekels*, and of sweet [1]calamus two hundred and fifty *shekels*,

24 And of cassia five hundred *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary, and of oil olive an hin:

25 And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment, an ointment compound after the art of the [2]apothecary: it shall be an holy anointing oil.

26 And thou shalt anoint the tabernacle of the congregation therewith, and the ark of the testimony,[a]

27 And the table and all his vessels, and the candlestick and his vessels, and the altar of incense,

28 And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels, and the laver and his foot.

29 And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy: whatsoever toucheth them shall be holy.[b]

30 And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that *they* may minister unto me in the priest's office.

31 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, This shall be an holy anoihting oil unto me throughout your generations.

32 Upon man's flesh shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make *any other* like it, after the composition of it: it *is* holy, *and* it shall be holy unto you.

33 Whosoever compoundeth *any* like it, or whosoever putteth *any* of it upon a stranger, shall even be cut off from his people.[c]



THE CINNAMON.[3]

34 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Take unto thee sweet spices, stacte, and onycha, and galbanum; *these* sweet spices with pure frankincense: of each shall there be a like *weight:*

35 And thou shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary, tempered together, pure *and* holy:

36 And thou shalt beat *some* of it very small, and put of it before the testimony in the tabernacle of the congregation, where I will meet with thee: it shall be unto you most holy.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

1 Calamus is a reed, which grows in Egypt and other places, and, from its peculiar fragrance, is an ingredient in the richest perfumes.

[c] ver. 31, 32; ch. xl. 26, 27

2 Or, perfumer Exod. xxxvii. 29; 1 Chron. ix. 30

[f] ver 33

[a] ch. xl 9, Lev. viii. 10; Numb vii. 1

[b] ch xl 10, 11.

[c] ch xxviii 41; xxix 7, xl. 13; Lev viii 12, 30, x. 7, xxi 10, Numb iv 16.

[g] ch. xxxv 31, 1 Kings vii. 14.

[h] ch. xxviii. 3, xxxv. 10, 34, 35, xxxvi. 1, 2, 8.

4 Heb

[i] ch xxxiii 7, xxvi. 15, 21, xxv 17; xxxix. 33, Lev. viii 11

[j] ch xxv 23 — 29; 17—22, xxx. 1.

[k] ch xxvii. 1 — 8, 1, 2, xxx 18, xxxviii 8

[l] ch xxxv 19, xxxix. 1, 41, xxviii 2, 40—43; xxix. 5—9

[h] xxx. 23—25, 31, 34—38

3 Cinnamon is the bark of the canella, a small tree of the size of the willow growing in Ceylon.

[n] ch xx. 8—10, xxxv 2, 3; Lev. xix. 3, 30; Deut. v 12, Neh ix. 14, Isa. lvi. 2; lviii. 13, 14, Ezek. xliv. 24.

[o] Numb xv 32—36

[d] ch. xvi. 34; xxv. 22, xxix. 42; Lev xvi. 2

37 And *as for* the perfume which thou shalt make, ye shall not make to yourselves according to the composition thereof: it shall be unto thee holy for the LORD.[e]

38 Whosoever shall make like unto that, to smell thereto, shall even be cut off from his people.[f]

CHAPTER XXXI.

1 *Bezaleel and Aholiab are called and made meet for the work of the tabernacle.* 12 *The observation of the sabbath is again commanded* 18 *Moses receiveth the two tables.*



AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 See, I have called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah:

3 And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship,

4 To devise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,

5 And in cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of timber, to work in all manner of workmanship.[g]

6 And I, behold, I have given with him Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all that I have commanded thee;[h]

7 The tabernacle of the congregation, and the ark of the testimony, and the mercy seat that *is* thereupon, and all the [4]furniture of the tabernacle,[i]

8 And the table and his furniture, and the pure candlestick with all his furniture, and the altar of incense,[j]

9 And the altar of burnt offering with all his furniture, and the laver and his foot,[k]

10 And the cloths of service, and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office,[l]

11 And the anointing oil, and sweet incense for the holy *place:* according to all that I have commanded thee shall they do.[m]

12 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

13 Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it *is* a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that *ye* may know that I *am* the LORD that doth sanctify you.[n]

14 Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it *is* holy unto you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth *any* work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people.[o]

15 Six days may work be done; but in the seventh *is* the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth *any* work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.

16 Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the

sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, *for* a perpetual covenant.[a]

17 It *is* a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.[b]

18 ¶ And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

[a] ch. xvi. 26; xx. 8—10; Lev. xxiii. 3; Isa. lvi. 2; lviii. 13, 14; Ezek. xlvi. 1, Gen. ii. 2; Numb. xv. 32—36; Mark ii. 27, 28; Jer. xvii. 24—27; Heb. iv. 9.

[c] Deut. ix. 16; Ps. cvi. 19; Acts vii. 41; 1 Kings xii. 28; Isa. xlvi. 6.

[b] ver. 13; Ezek. xx. 12, 20; Gen. i. 31; ii. 2, Exod. xx. 11.

[c] ch. xxxii. 15, 16, 19; xxxiv 1, Deut. x. 1—5.

4 And he received *them* at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had made it a molten calf: and they said, These *be* thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.[d]

5 And when Aaron saw *it*, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation, and said, To morrow *is* a feast to the LORD.

6 And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings;



THE MOLTEN CALF

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 *The people, in the absence of Moses, cause Aaron to make a calf.* 7 *God is angered thereby.* 11 *At the intreaty of Moses he is appeased.* 15 *Moses cometh down with the tables.* 19 *He breaketh them.* 20 *He destroyeth the calf.* 22 *Aaron's excuse for himself.* 25 *Moses causeth the idolaters to be slain.* 30 *He prayeth for the people.*

AND when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount, the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up, make us gods, which shall go before us; for *as for* this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.[d]

2 And Aaron said unto them, Break off the golden earrings, which *are* in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters, and bring *them* unto me.

3 And all the people brake off the golden earrings which *were* in their ears, and brought *them* unto Aaron.

[d] Deut. ix 9, 11, Acts vii. 40

[e] Deut. ix. 14, 19; Numb xiv. 12

[f] Acts vii. 41, 1 Cor x. 7.

and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play.[f]

7 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted *themselves:*

8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These *be* thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.[e]

9 And the LORD said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it *is* a stiffnecked people:[h]

10 Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of thee a great nation.[i]

11 And Moses besought the LORD his God, and said, LORD, why doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand?

[g] ver 4; Deut. iv 14—16, ix 12

[h] ch xxiii. 3—5; xxxiv 9, Deut ix. 6, 13; x. 16; 2 Chron. xxx. 8

[i] Deut. ix. 14, 19; Numb xiv. 12

12 Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say, For mischief did he bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against thy people.

13 Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit *it* for ever.

14 And the LORD repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

[d] Deut. ix. 16, 17

[e] Deut. ix. 21

[a] Deut ix. 18—20, 23—29; xxxii. 26, 27; Josh vii. 6—9, Ps cvi. 43—45, Joel ii. 12, 13

[f] ch xiv 11; xv 24; xvi 2, 20, 28, xvii 2, 4

and Moses' anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands, and brake them beneath the mount.[d]

20 And he took the calf which they had made, and burnt *it* in the fire, and ground *it* to powder, and strawed *it* upon the water, and made the children of Israel drink *of it*.[e]

21 And Moses said unto Aaron, What did this people unto thee, that thou hast brought so great a sin upon them?

22 And Aaron said, Let not the anger of my lord wax hot: thou knowest the people, that they *are set* on mischief.[f]



MOSES AND JOSHUA COMING DOWN FROM THE MOUNT.

15 ¶ And Moses turned, and went down from the mount, and the two tables of the testimony *were* in his hand: the tables *were* written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other *were* they written.[b]

16 And the tables *were* the work of God, and the writing *was* the writing of God, graven upon the tables.[c]

17 And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said unto Moses, *There is* a noise of war in the camp.

18 And he said, *It is* not the voice of *them that* shout for mastery, neither *is it* the voice of *them that* cry for being overcome: *but* the noise of *them that* sing do I hear.

19 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the camp, that he saw the calf, and the dancing:

[g] ver 1

[b] Deut. ix 15

[c] ch xxxi 18; xxxiv 1; Deut. x. 1—5

1 Heb. *those that rose up against them.*

23 For they said unto me, Make us gods, which shall go before us: for *as for* this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.[g]

24 And I said unto them, Whosoever hath any gold, let them break *it* off. So they gave *it* me: then I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf.

25 ¶ And when Moses saw that the people *were* naked; (for Aaron had made them naked unto *their* shame among their [1]enemies:)

26 Then Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who *is* on the LORD'S side? *let him come* unto me. And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together unto him.

27 And he said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Put every man his sword by his side, go in and out from gate to gate throughout the

camp, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour.

28 And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.

29 For Moses had said, Consecrate yourselves to day to the LORD, even every man upon his son, and upon his brother; that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day.

30 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people, Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the LORD; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin.

31 And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold.[a]

32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin— ; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written.

33 And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book.[b]

34 Therefore now go, lead the people unto *the place* of which I have spoken unto thee: behold, mine Angel shall go before thee: nevertheless in the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them.[c]

35 And the LORD plagued the people, because they made the calf, which Aaron made.

CHAPTER XXXIII.

1 *The Lord refuseth to go as he had promised with the people.* 4 *The people murmur thereat.* 7 *The tabernacle is removed out of the camp.* 9 *The Lord talketh familiarly with Moses.* 12 *Moses desireth to see the glory of God.*

AND the LORD said unto Moses, Depart, *and* go up hence, thou and the people which thou hast brought up out of the land of Egypt, unto the land which I sware unto Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, Unto thy seed will I give it:[d]

2 And I will send an angel before thee; and I will drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite:[e]

3 Unto a land flowing with milk and honey: for I will not go up in the midst of thee; for thou *art* a stiffnecked people: lest I consume thee in the way.[f]

4 ¶ And when the people heard these evil tidings, they mourned: and no man did put on him his ornaments.

5 For the LORD had said unto Moses, Say unto the children of Israel, Ye *are* a stiffnecked people: I will come up into the midst of thee in a moment, and consume thee: therefore now put off thy ornaments from thee, that I may know what to do unto thee.

BEFORE CHRIST 1491

g ver. 3.

1 Or, And Moses said, Consecrate yourselves to day to the Lord, because every man *hath been* against his son, and against his brother.

h ch xxix. 10, 42—44, Lev iii. 6—8, 13, iv 5; ix. 5—7, Numb viii. 9, xii. 4, xix. 10, xxv 6; Deut. xxxi. 14, 15; 1 Kings viii 1—5; 2 Chron. i. 3; v 2—6.

a Deut. ix. 18.

i ch xvi. 10, 11, Numb. xi. 17, 25; Ps. xcix. 7

b ch. xii. 15, 19, xxxi. 14; Lev vii. 20, 21, 25, 27, xvii 4, 9, xix. 8; xxiii. 29, 30, Numb ix. 13, xv 30, 31; xix. 13, 20, Ps. xxxvii. 9, 38, lxxv 10; xcii 7; xciv 23; Prov ii. 22; xiii. 13, 20, Isa. xxix. 20; Micah ii. 1, Ezek. xviii. 4, Rom. iii. 16, vi. 21, 23

j Numb. xii. 8; Deut. v. 4; xxxiv. 10

c ch. xxiii. 20; xxxiii 2, 14, 15, Numb xiv. 27—30, xx. 16, xxxii 35; Deut. xxxii. 18—28, 32—35, 39—43

k ch xxxii. 11, Numb xiv 13—16, Deut. ix 27—29, Ps lxxiv 18, lxxix 9, Isa. lxiii 17—19, Ezek. xx 6—22; Joel ii. 17

l ch. xxiii 20—23, xxxii 34; Numb xx 16; Deut. i. 31, xxxi. 6—8, Josh xxiv 17, Neh ix 19, 20; Isa lxiii. 9

m ch xxxiv 9

n ch iii 12, Numb xiv 14, Josh i 9, Lev ii 24, 26, Deut xiv 2, xxxii 9—14, 1 Kings viii 53, Ps cxlvii 19, 20

d Gen xii 7; xiii 15, xv 18, xvii 8, xxiv 7, xxvi 3, xxviii 4, 13, xxxv 12, xlviii. 4

o vs 12, 16, xxxiv 9; Judg vi 17, Jer xxxi 2

e See ch xxxii 34, xxiii 28, xxxiv 11, Numb xxxiii. 50—53, Deut. iv 38, ix. 4, 5, xi 22, 23, xviii 12, Josh iii 10; xiii 6, xvii 18, xxiii. 5, 9; 2 Chron xx 7, Ps. xliv. 2

p 1 Sam ii 6—10; Job v 18, ix. 12, xxxiv 29, xxxvi 7; Ps lxxv 7, Dan iv 17, 35, Luke i. 50—55; Rom ix 14—28, Eph i. 11; James i. 18, Rev xv. 3.

f ch iii 6, 17, xiii. 5; xxxiii. 3, Jer xi 5; xxxii 22, Ezek xx. 6, 15; Exod. xxxii 9, xxxiii 3, 5, xxxiv. 9, Deut. ix. 6, 13, xi 16, 17; v 5.

6 And the children of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments by the mount Horeb.[g]

7 And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched it without the camp, afar off from the camp, and called it the Tabernacle of the congregation. And it came to pass, *that* every one which sought the LORD went out unto the tabernacle of the congregation, which *was* without the camp.[h]

8 And it came to pass, when Moses went out unto the tabernacle, *that* all the people rose up, and stood every man *at* his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he was gone into the tabernacle.

9 And it came to pass, as Moses entered into the tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended, and stood *at* the door of the tabernacle, and *the LORD* talked with Moses.[i]

10 And all the people saw the cloudy pillar stand *at* the tabernacle door: and all the people rose up and worshipped, every man *in* his tent door.

11 And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the tabernacle.[j]

12 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

13 Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation *is* thy people.[k]

14 And he said, My presence shall go *with thee*, and I will give thee rest.[l]

15 And he said unto him, If thy presence go not *with me*, carry us not up hence.[m]

16 For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? *is it* not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that *are* upon the face of the earth.[n]

17 And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.[o]

18 And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.

19 And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.[p]

20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live.

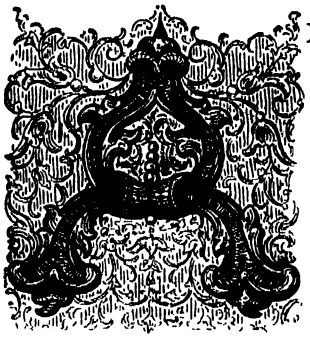
21 And the LORD said, Behold, *there is* a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock:

22 And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by:

23 And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall not be seen.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *The tables are renewed.* 5 *The name of the LORD proclaimed.* 8 *Moses intreateth God to go with them.* 10 *God maketh a covenant with them, repeating certain duties of the first table.* 28 *Moses after forty days in the mount cometh down with the tables.* 29 *His face shineth, and he covereth it with a vail.*



AND the LORD said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first: and I will write upon *these* tables the words that were in the first tables, which thou brakest.[a]

2 And be ready in the morning, and come up in the morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself there to me in the top of the mount.[b]

3 And no man shall come up with thee, neither let any man be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed before that mount.

4 ¶ And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and Moses rose up early in the morning, and went up unto mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand the two tables of stone.

5 And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD.[c]

6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,[d]

7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear *the guilty;* visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth *generation.*[e]

8 And Moses made haste, and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshipped.

9 And he said, If now I have found grace in thy sight, O Lord, let my Lord, I pray thee, go among us; for it *is* a stiffnecked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for thine inheritance.[f]

10 ¶ And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people I will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which thou *art* shall see the work of the LORD: for it *is* a terrible thing that I will do with thee.[g]

11 Observe thou that which I command thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

12 Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee:

13 But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves:[h]

14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name *is* Jealous, *is* a jealous God:[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

j Judg iii. 6; Hos. iv. 13, 14; Ezra ix. 1, 2, 12

k ch. xxxii. 8; Lev. xix. 4; Deut. ix. 16; Neh. ix. 18, Isa. xlvi. 6, 7, Jer x 14; Acts xvii. 29, xix. 26.

a Deut. x. 1, 2

l ch. xii 17, xxiii. 15; Lev xxiii. 6; Deut. xvi 16, 2 Chron. viii. 13, xxx. 13, 21; xxxv 17, Ezra vi. 22, Ezek. xlv 21, Matt. xxvi. 17; Mark xiv 1; Luke xxii. 1

m ch. xiii 12, 15, xxii. 29, Numb iii. 12; xviii 15, Luke ii 23.

b ch xix. 20, 24, xxiv 12

1 The old English word *earing* means *ploughing*, but here, apparently, the *gathering of ears*

n Lev xix. 30; xxvi. 2; Deut v 12—15; Luke xiii. 14—16; xxiii. 56

2 The Greek word *Pentecost* is derived from the circumstance of the feast of weeks, or of harvest, being kept on the *fiftieth* day after the first of unleavened bread

o ch. xxiii. 16, Lev xxiii 14-21, Numb xxviii 26-31, Deut. xvi 10, 16, 2 Chron viii. 13

c ch iii. 15, ix. 16; xxxiii 19, 2 Sam vii 26; xxii 50, Neh i 9, Ps. viii 1, xlviii. 10, lxxv 1, cxxxv. 13, Prov xviii 10, Isa. xlii. 8, lxiii 16, Jer. vii. 12; x. 6, Matt. vi. 9

p Deut. xvi. 16

d ch. xxx. 19; Numb xiv 18, 19, 2 Chron. xxx 9, Neh ix 17, 31; Ps. lxxxvi. 15, ciii 8, cxvii. 2, cxlv 8; Isa. xxx 18, Jer iii. 12; Joel ii 13, Jonah iv 2, Luke vi 36, Neh ix. 25, Ps. xxxi 19, lxxxvi 15, ciii. 8, cxlv 8, xxxiii. 5, Isa lxiii. 7, Zech. ix. 17, Rom ii 4; Deut. xxxii 4; Ps. xxv 10, lxxxvi. 15; Isa. xxv 1, Jer x 10; Jonah iv 2, 1 Peter iii. 20; 2 Peter iii. 15

q ch xxiii. 27 — 31; xxxiii. 2; Deut. vii 1; xii 20, xix 8, 1 Chron. iv 10, 2 Chron xvii 10, Ps lxxviii. 55, lxxx. 8—11, Prov xvi 7

e See ver 6, ch xx. 5, 6, Deut. v 10; 2 Chron vii. 14, xiii. 18, Ps. lxxxv 2, lxxxvi. 5, cm 3, cxxx. 4, Isa. xl 2, lv. 7; Jer xxxi. 34, xxxiii. 8, Dan ix. 9, Micah vii 18, Luke vi 37; Acts xxvi. 18, Eph i. 7, Col i. 14, 1 John i 9

r Deut. xvi. 3, 1 Cor v 6, 7

s ver 22, ch xxii. 29, xxiii. 16, 19, Lev ii 12, 14, xxiii. 10, 17, 20, Numb xviii. 12; xxviii. 26, Deut. xviii. 4; xxvi 2, 10, 2 Chron. xxxi. 5; Neh. x. 35, 37; xii 44; xiii. 31, Ezek. xx. 40; xliv 30, xlviii. 14, James i. 18.

t ver 10, ch xxiv 4, 7; Deut. v 2, 3, 29, 31; xxix. 14; xxxi. 9; 1 Kings viii. 9, 2 Chron. vi. 11; Ps lxxxix. 3

f See ch. xxxiii. 13

u Deut. iv. 13; ix. 9, 18, 25.

g Deut. x 21; 2 Sam. vii. 23, Neh ix. 17; Ps. xiv. 4; lxv 5, lxvi. 3, 5; lxviii. 35; cvi. 22; cxiv. 6; Isa. lxiv 3

h Deut. vii. 5, 25, 26, xii 2, 3, Judg vi 25, 2 Kings xviii. 4, xxiii 14; 2 Chron. xxxi. 1; xxxiv 3, 4.

i ch. xx. 5; Deut. iv 24; v. 9; vi. 15; Josh xxiv 19 Ezek xxxix 25, Nahum i 2, 1 Cor x 22

15 Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and *one* call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice;

16 And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.[j]

17 Thou shalt make thee no molten gods.[k]

18 ¶ The feast of unleavened bread shalt thou keep. Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, as I commanded thee, in the time of the month Abib: for in the month Abib thou camest out from Egypt.[l]

19 All that openeth the matrix *is* mine; and every firstling among thy cattle, *whether* ox or sheep, *that is male.*[m]

20 But the firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb: and if thou redeem *him* not, then shalt thou break his neck. All the firstborn of thy sons thou shalt redeem. And none shall appear before me empty.

21 ¶ Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in [1]earing time and in harvest thou shalt rest.[n]

22 ¶ And thou shalt observe the [2]feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end.[o]

23 ¶ Thrice in the year shall all your menchildren appear before the Lord GOD, the God of Israel.[p]

24 For I will cast out the nations before thee, and enlarge thy borders: neither shall any man desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the LORD thy God thrice in the year.[q]

25 Thou shalt not offer the blood of my sacrifice with leaven; neither shall the sacrifice of the feast of the passover be left unto the morning.[r]

26 The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.[s]

27 And the LORD said unto Moses, Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel.[t]

28 And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the ten commandments.[u]

29 ¶ And it came to pass, when Moses came down from mount Sinai with the two tables of testimony in Moses' hand, when he came down from the mount, that Moses wist not that the skin of his face shone while he talked with him.

30 And when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone; and they were afraid to come nigh him.

31 And Moses called unto them; and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned unto him: and Moses talked with them.

32 And afterward all the children of Israel came nigh: and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him in mount Sinai.

33 And *till* Moses had done speaking with them, he put a vail on his face.

34 But when Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he took the vail off, until he came out. And he came out, and spake unto the children of Israel *that* which he was commanded.

35 And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face shone: and Moses put the vail upon his face again, until he went in to speak with him.[a]

CHAPTER XXXV.

1 *The sabbath.* 4 *The free gifts for the tabernacle.* 20 *The readiness of the people to offer.* 30 *Bezaleel and Aholiab are called to the work.*

AND Moses gathered all the congregation of the children of Israel together, and said unto them, These *are* the words which the LORD hath commanded, that *ye* should do them.[b]

2 Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you an holy day, a sabbath of rest to the LORD: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.[c]

3 Ye shall kindle no fire throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day.

4 ¶ And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded, saying,

5 Take ye from among you an offering unto the LORD: whosoever *is* of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the LORD; gold, and silver, and brass,[d]

6 And blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*,[e]

7 And rams' skins dyed red, and badgers' skins, and shittim wood,

8 And oil for the light, and spices for anointing oil, and for the sweet incense,

9 And onyx stones, and stones to be set for the ephod, and for the breastplate.[f]

10 And every wise hearted among you shall come, and make all that the LORD hath commanded;

11 The tabernacle, his tent, and his covering, his taches, and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his sockets,[g]

12 The ark, and the staves thereof, *with* the mercy seat, and the vail of the covering,[h]

13 The table, and his staves, and all his vessels, and the shewbread,[i]

14 The candlestick also for the light, and his furniture, and his lamps, with the oil for the light,[j]

15 And the incense altar, and his staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the door at the entering in of the tabernacle,[k]

16 The altar of burnt offering, with his brasen grate, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,[l]

17 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets, and the hanging for the door of the court,[m]

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[a] ch. xxviii. 1—14, xxxi. 10; xxxix. 1, 31.

[a] 2 Cor iii. 13—16

[c] ch xxv 2; xxxvi 2

[b] ch. xix. 5, 6, Numb xv 40, Deut. vi 25, xv 5; xxviii 1, 13, 15; xxix 9, xxx 8, 2 Kings xxiii 3; 1 Chron xxviii 7, 2 Chron xxxiv 31, Ps cili 18, cxi 10, Jer xi 2—6

[c] ch xxxiv 21, Numb xv 32—36

[p] vs. 5 7

[d] ch xxv 2, 3

[q] ver 9

[e] ch xxv 4

[r] ver 8

[s] vs 21, 22

[f] ch. xxv 5—7

[g] ch xxxi 1—11, xxxvi 1, 2, 8—34.

[h] ch xxv. 10—22, xxxvii 1—9.

[i] ch xxv 23—30; xxxvii 10—16

[j] ch xxv 31—39; xxxvii 17—24.

[k] ch xxxi 1—10, 22—38; xxxvii 25—28; xxvi. 36, 37; xxxvi 37, 38.

[l] ch. xxvii 1—8; xxx. 18—21; xxxviii 1—8.

[m] ch. xxvii. 9—19. xxxviii. 9—20

[t] ch xxxi. 1—11; xxxvi. 1, 2

18 The pins of the tabernacle, and the pins of the court, and their cords,

19 The cloths of service, to do service in the holy *place*, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office.[n]

20 ¶ And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from the presence of Moses.

21 And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, *and* they brought the LORD'S offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments.[o]

22 And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing hearted, *and* brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that offered *offered* an offering of gold unto the LORD.

23 And every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' *hair*, and red skins of rams, and badgers' skins, brought *them*.

24 Every one that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought the LORD'S offering: and every man, with whom was found shittim wood for any work of the service, brought *it*.[p]

25 And all the women that were wise hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, *both* of blue, and of purple, *and* of scarlet, and of fine linen.

26 And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun goats' *hair*.

27 And the rulers brought onyx stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the breastplate;[q]

28 And spice, and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.[r]

29 The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the LORD, every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.[s]

30 ¶ And Moses said unto the children of Israel, See, the LORD hath called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah;

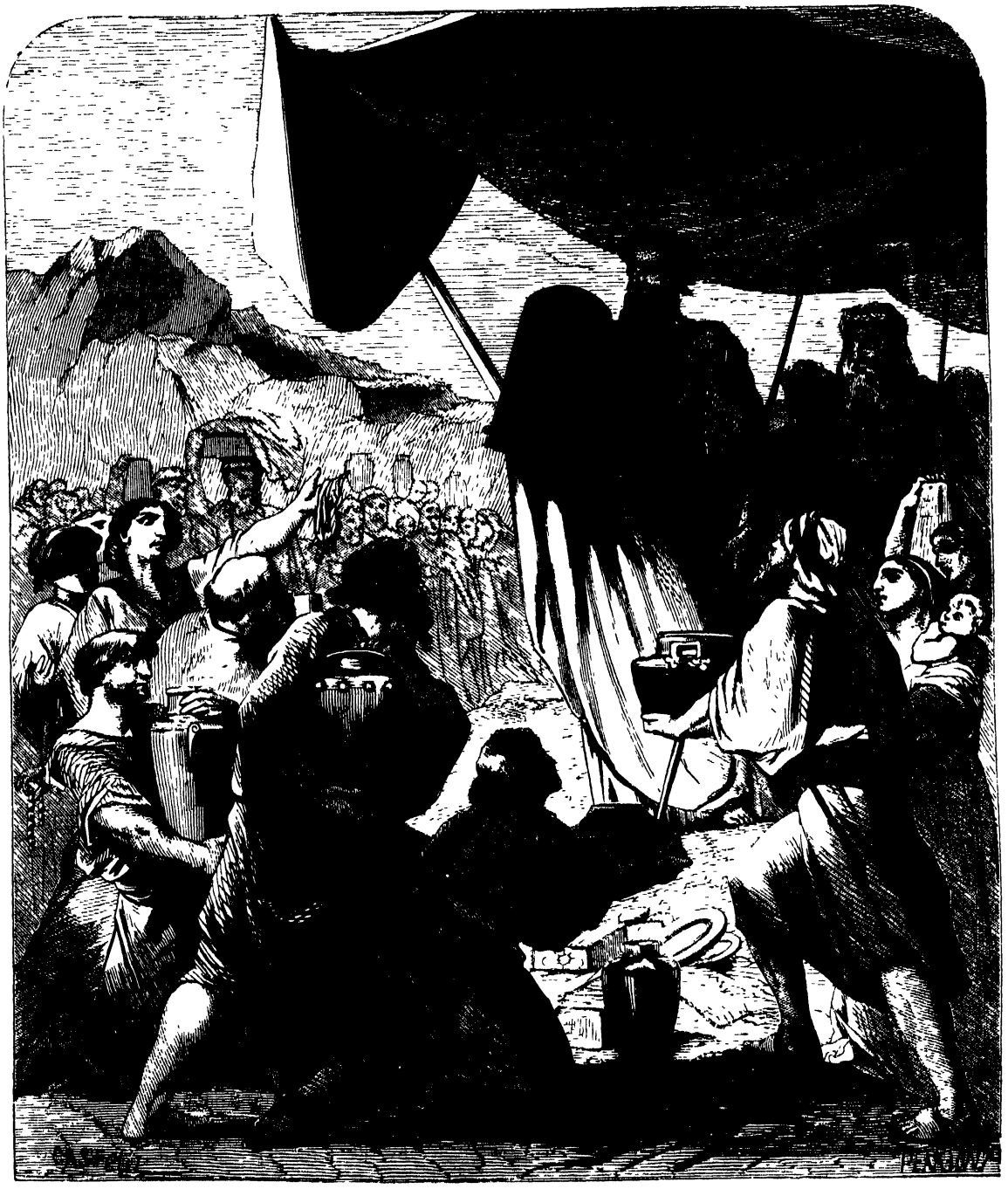
31 And he hath filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship;

32 And to devise curious works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass,

33 And in the cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of wood, to make any manner of cunning work.

34 And he hath put in his heart that he may teach, *both* he, and Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

35 Them hath he filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of work, of the engraver, and of the cunning workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, *even* of them that do any work, and of those that devise cunning work.[t]



THE PEOPLE PRESENTING GIFTS TO MOSES.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

1 *The offerings are delivered to the workmen.* 5 *The liberality of the people is restrained.* 8 *The curtains of cherubims.* 14 *The curtains of goats' hair.* 19 *The covering of skins.* 20 *The boards with their sockets.* 31 *The bars.* 35 *The vail.* 37 *The hanging for the door.*

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Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whom the LORD put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the LORD had commanded.[a]

2 And Moses called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whose heart the LORD had put wisdom, *even* every one whose heart stirred him up to come unto the work to do it:[b]

3 And they received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it *withal*. And they brought yet unto him free offerings every morning.[c]

4 And all the wise men, that wrought all the work of the sanctuary, came every man from his work which they made;

5 ¶ And they spake unto Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which the LORD commanded to make.

6 And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing.

a ch. xxxi. 30—36

b ch xxviii 3, xxxi 6; xxxv 10, 21—35

c ch. xxxv 5—29

1 To avoid the incongruity of Bezaleel and Aholiab working *before* they were "called" by Moses, it is desirable to read this verse as the close of the preceding chapter; from which it has been injudiciously separated.

7 For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

8 ¶ And every wise hearted man among them that wrought the work of the tabernacle made ten curtains *of* fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: *with* cherubims of cunning work made he them.[a]

9 The length of one curtain *was* twenty and eight cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: the curtains *were* all of one size.

10 And he coupled the five curtains one unto another: and *the other* five curtains he coupled one unto another.

11 And he made loops of blue on the edge of one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling: likewise he made in the uttermost side of *another* curtain, in the coupling of the second.

12 Fifty loops made he in one curtain, and fifty loops made he in the edge of the curtain which *was* in the coupling of the second: the loops held one *curtain* to another.

13 And he made fifty taches of gold, and coupled the curtains one unto another with the taches: so it became one tabernacle.[b]

14 ¶ And he made curtains *of* goats' *hair* for the tent over the tabernacle: eleven curtains he made them.[c]

15 The length of one curtain *was* thirty cubits, and four cubits *was* the breadth of one curtain: the eleven curtains *were* of one size.

16 And he coupled five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves.

17 And he made fifty loops upon the uttermost edge of the curtain in the coupling, and fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.

18 And he made fifty taches *of* brass to couple the tent together, that it might be one.

19 And he made a covering for the tent *of* rams' skins dyed red, and a covering *of* badgers' skins above *that*.[d]

20 ¶ And he made boards for the tabernacle *of* shittim wood, standing up.[e]

21 The length of a board *was* ten cubits, and the breadth of a board one cubit and a half.

22 One board had two tenons, equally distant one from another: thus did he make for all the boards of the tabernacle.

23 And he made boards for the tabernacle; twenty boards for the south side southward:

24 And forty sockets of silver he made under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.

25 And for the other side of the tabernacle, *which is* toward the north corner, he made twenty boards,

26 And their forty sockets of silver; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.

27 And for the sides of the tabernacle westward he made six boards.

28 And two boards made he for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides.

29 And they were coupled beneath, and coupled together at the head thereof, to one ring: thus he did to both of them in both the corners.

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1 Heb *two sockets, two sockets, under one board.*

a ch. xxxi. 6, xxxv. 10; xxvi. 1—6; xxv. 18—22

2 Heb *the work of a needleworker, or embroiderer*

f ch xxvi 31—35

b ch xxvi 3—6.

g ch xxvi. 36, 37

c ch xxxv 11; xxvi. 7-13

d ch xxvi 14

e ch xxvi 15—25

30 And there were eight boards; and their sockets *were* sixteen sockets of silver, [1]under every board two sockets.

31 ¶ And he made bars of shittim wood; five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle,

32 And five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the tabernacle for the sides westward.

33 And he made the middle bar to shoot through the boards from the one end to the other.

34 And he overlaid the boards with gold, and made their rings *of* gold *to be* places for the bars, and overlaid the bars with gold.

35 ¶ And he made a vail *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: *with* cherubims made he it of [2]cunning work.[f]

36 And he made thereunto four pillars *of* shittim *wood*, and overlaid them with gold: their hooks *were of* gold; and he cast for them four sockets of silver.

37 ¶ And he made an hanging for the tabernacle door *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, of needlework;[g]

38 And the five pillars of it with their hooks: and he overlaid their chapiters and their fillets with gold: but their five sockets *were of* brass.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

1 *The ark.* 6 *The mercy seat with cherubims.* 10 *The table with his vessels.* 17 *The candlestick with his lamps and instruments.* 25 *The altar of incense.* 29 *The anointing oil and sweet incense.*

AND Bezaleel made the ark *of* shittim wood: two cubits and a half *was* the length of it, and a cubit and a half the breadth of it, and a cubit and a half the height of it:

2 And he overlaid it with pure gold within and without, and made a crown of gold to it round about.

3 And he cast for it four rings of gold, *to be set* by the four corners of it; even two rings upon the one side of it, and two rings upon the other side of it.

4 And he made staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.

5 And he put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, to bear the ark.[h]

6 ¶ And he made the mercy seat *of* pure gold: two cubits and a half *was* the length thereof, and one cubit and a half the breadth thereof.[i]

7 And he made two cherubims *of* gold, beaten out of one piece made he them, on the two ends of the mercy seat;

8 One cherub [3]on the end on this side, and another cherub [4]on the *other* end on that side: out of the mercy seat made he the cherubims on the two ends thereof.[j]

9 And the cherubims spread out *their* wings on high, *and* covered with their wings over the mercy seat, with their faces one to another; *even* to the mercy seatward were the faces of the cherubims.[k]

10 ¶ And he made the table *of* shittim wood: two

h ch xxv 10—16

i ch xxv 17 — 22, xxix 17

3 Or, *out of.*

4 Or, *out of*

j ch. xxv. 18—20.

k Isa. vi. 2; Ezek. i. 5, 13; x. 2—5; 1 Peter i. 12.

cubits *was* the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof:

11 And he overlaid it with pure gold, and made thereunto a crown of gold round about.

12 Also he made thereunto a border of an hand-breadth round about; and made a crown of gold for the border thereof round about.

13 And he cast for it four rings of gold, and put the rings upon the four corners that *were* in the four feet thereof.

14 Over against the border were the rings, the places for the staves to bear the table.

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e ch xxv 35. Numb viii. 4

f ch xxv 31—39, xxvii. 20, xxx 8, Zech iv 2

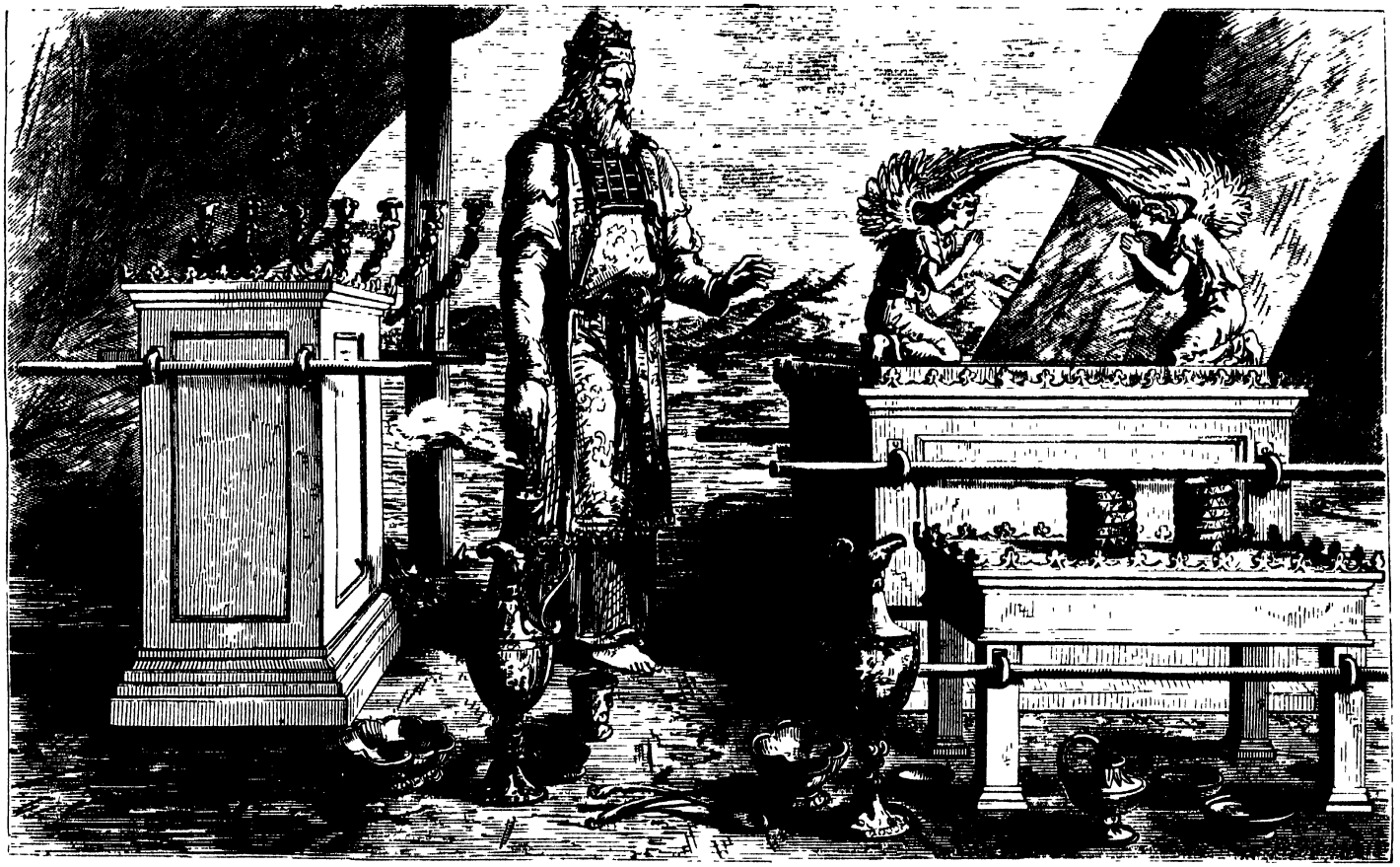
20 And in the candlestick *were* four bowls made like almonds, his knops, and his flowers:

21 And a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches going out of it.[e]

22 Their knops and their branches were of the same: all of it *was* one beaten work *of* pure gold.

23 And he made his seven lamps, and his snuffers, and his snuffdishes, *of* pure gold.[f]

24 *Of* a talent of pure gold made he it, and all the vessels thereof.



THE FURNITURE OF THE TABERNACLE, AND THE PRIEST CLOTHED, TO SHOW THE RELATIVE SIZE OF THE ALTAR AND ALL THE VESSELS

15 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold, to bear the table.[a]

16 And he made the vessels which *were* upon the table, his dishes, and his spoons, and his bowls, and his covers [1]to cover withal, *of* pure gold.[b]

17 ¶ And he made the candlestick *of* pure gold: *of* beaten work made he the candlestick; his shaft, and his branch, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, were of the same:[c]

18 And six branches going out of the sides thereof; three branches of the candlestick out of the one side thereof, and three branches of the candlestick out of the other side thereof:

19 Three bowls made after the fashion of almonds in one branch, a knop and a flower; and three bowls made like almonds in another branch, a knop and a flower: so throughout the six branches going out of the candlestick.[d]

a ch xxv 23—29

g ch xxx 2—10, xl 5, 26, 27

1 Or, *to pour out withal.*

b ch. xxv 29; 1 Kings vii. 50, Jer. lii 18, 19

h ch. xxx. 2.

c ch xxv 31—39, xl. 24, 25, Lev. xxiv 4, 2 Chron. xiii. 11; Heb ix 2

i ch. xxx. 3

j ch. xxx. 4

k ch. xxx. 1

d ch xxv 33; 1 Kings 49; Zech. iv 2

l ch. xxx. 23—38.

25 ¶ And he made the incense altar *of* shittim wood: the length of it *was* a cubit, and the breadth of it a cubit; [g] *it was* foursquare; and two cubits *was* the height of it; the horns thereof were of the same.[a]

26 And he overlaid it with pure gold, *both* the top of it, and the sides thereof round about, and the horns of it: also he made unto it a crown of gold round about.[h]

27 And he made two rings of gold for it under the crown thereof, by the two corners of it, upon the two sides thereof, to be places for the staves to bear it withal.[j]

28 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.[k]

29 ¶ And he made the holy anointing oil, and the pure incense of sweet spices, according to the work of the apothecary.[l]

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

1 *The altar of burnt offering.* 8 *The laver of brass.* 9 *The court.* 21 *The sum of that the people offered.*

AND he made the altar of burnt offering *of* shittim wood: five cubits *was* the length thereof, and five cubits the breadth thereof; *it was* foursquare; and three cubits the height thereof.[a]

2 And he made [1]the horns thereof on the four corners of it; the horns thereof were of the same: and he overlaid it with brass.[b]

3 And he made all the vessels of the altar, the pots, and the shovels, and the basons, *and* the fleshhooks, and the firepans: all the vessels thereof made he *of* brass.[c]

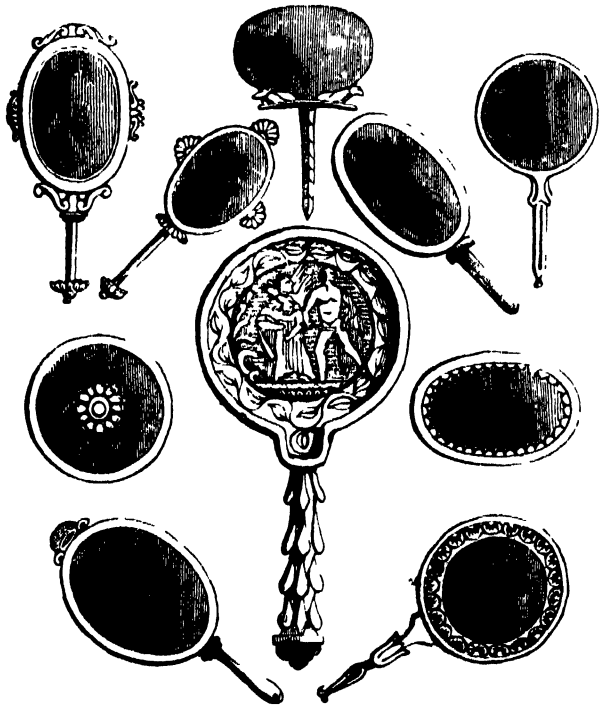
4 And he made for the altar a brasen grate of network under the compass thereof beneath unto the midst of it.[d]

5 And he cast four rings for the four ends of the grate of brass, *to be* places for the staves.[e]

6 And he made the staves *of* shittim wood, and overlaid them with brass.

7 And he put the staves into the rings on the sides of the altar, to bear it withal; he made the altar hollow with boards.[f]

8 ¶ And he made the laver *of* brass, and the foot of it *of* brass, of the [2]lookingglasses of *the women* assembling, which assembled *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.[g]



ANCIENT METALLIC MIRRORS.

9 ¶ And he made the court: on the south side southward the hangings of the court *were of* fine twined linen, an hundred cubits:[h]

10 Their pillars *were* twenty, and their brasen sockets twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *were of* silver.[i]

11 And for the north side *the hangings were* an hundred cubits, their pillars *were* twenty, and their sockets of brass twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver.[j]

12 And for the west side *were* hangings of fifty cubits, their pillars ten, and their sockets ten; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver.[k]

13 And for the east side eastward fifty cubits.[l]

14 The hangings of the one side *of the gate were* fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.[m]

15 And for the other side of the court gate, on this hand and that hand, *were* hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.[n]

16 All the hangings of the court round about *were* of fine twined linen.[o]

17 And the sockets for the pillars *were of* brass, the hooks of the pillars and their fillets *of* silver; and the overlaying of their chapiters *of* silver; and all the pillars of the court *were* filleted with silver.[p]

18 And the hanging for the gate of the court *was* needlework, *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: and twenty cubits *was* the length, and the height in the breadth *was* five cubits, answerable to the hangings of the court.[q]

19 And their pillars *were* four, and their sockets *of* brass four; their hooks *of* silver, and the overlaying of their chapiters and their fillets *of* silver.[r]

20 And all the pins of the tabernacle, and of the court round about, *were of* brass.[s]

21 ¶ This is [3]the sum of the tabernacle, *even* of the tabernacle of testimony, as it was counted, according to the commandment of Moses, *for* the service of the Levites, by the hand of Ithamar, son to Aaron the priest.[t]

22 And Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, made all that the LORD commanded Moses.[u]

23 And with him *was* Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver, and a cunning workman, and an embroiderer in blue, and in purple, and in scarlet, and fine linen.[v]

24 All the gold that was occupied for the work in all the work of the holy *place*, even the gold of the offering, was twenty and nine talents, and seven hundred and thirty shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary.[w]

25 And the silver of them that were numbered of the congregation *was* an hundred talents, and a thousand seven hundred and threescore and fifteen shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary:

26 A bekah for every man, *that is*, half a shekel, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for every one that went to be numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty *men*.

27 And of the hundred talents of silver were cast the sockets of the sanctuary, and the sockets of the vail; an hundred sockets of the hundred talents, a talent for a socket.[x]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

a ch xxvii 1—8, xl 6, 29; 2 Chron iv 1; Ezek. xliii. 13—18

1 Horns were much used on all ancient altars Among the ruins of ancient Rome the fragments of some stone altars with horns were seen so late as the beginning of the seventeenth century These may have been designed as trophies; but on the altar erected by Moses, the horns, while partly ornamental, were chiefly used as points to which to bind the sacrificial victim.

b ch xxvii 2

c ch xxvii 3.

d ch xxvii 4, 5

e ch xxvii 4, 6

f ch xxvii 1—8.

2 That is, metallic mirrors

g ch xxvii 16, 17.

h ch. xxvii. 9—19; xl. 8, 33

i ch xxvi. 19, 21, 25, 32

j ch xxvi. 20, 21, xxvii. 11.

k ch xxvii. 12.

l ch xxvii. 13

m ch xxvii. 14

n ch xxvii 15

o ch xxvii. 16

p ch. xxvii 17

q ch. xxvii 16

r ch xxvii 19

s ch xxvii 19

t ch xxxi 1—5, xxxv 30—33

u ch xxxi 2, 6

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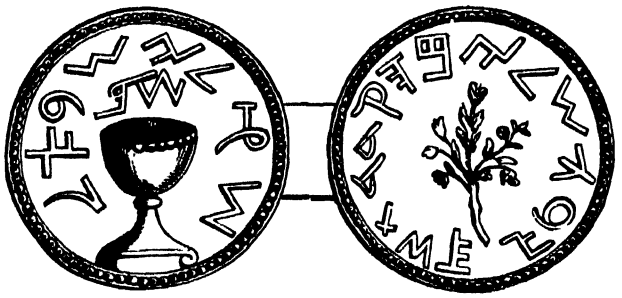
w ch xxx 13, Lev. v. 15

x ch. xxvi. 19, 21, 25, 32

3 That is, *the account* —the summary, or inventory, of the various articles

28 And of the thousand seven hundred seventy and five [1]*shekels* he made hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their chapiters, and filleted them.

29 And the brass of the offering *was* seventy talents, and two thousand and four hundred shekels.



SHEKEL OF THE SANCTUARY.

30 And therewith he made the sockets to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the brasen altar, and the brasen grate for it, and all the vessels of the altar,

31 And the sockets of the court round about, and the sockets of the court gate, and all the pins of the tabernacle, and all the pins of the court round about.

CHAPTER XXXIX.

1 *The cloths of service and holy garments.* 2 *The ephod* 8 *The breastplate.* 22 *The robe of the ephod.* 27 *The coats, mitre, and girdle of fine linen.* 30 *The plate of the holy crown.* 32 *All is viewed and approved by Moses.*

AND of the blue, and purple, and scarlet, they made cloths of service, to do service in the holy *place*, and made the holy garments for Aaron; as the LORD commanded Moses.[a]

2 And he made the ephod *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

3 And they did beat the gold into thin plates, and cut *it into* wires, to work *it* in the blue, and in the purple, and in the scarlet, and in the fine linen, *with* cunning work.

4 They made shoulderpieces for it, to couple *it* together: by the two edges was it coupled together.[c]

5 And the curious girdle of his ephod, that *was* upon it, *was* of the same, according to the work thereof; *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen; as the LORD commanded Moses.[d]

6 ¶ And they wrought onyx stones inclosed in ouches of gold, graven, as signets are graven, with the names of the children of Israel.[e]



SEALS OR SIGNETS.

7 And he put them on the shoulders of the ephod, *that they should be* stones for a memorial to the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

1 A *shekel* is about half an ounce troy weight. At half a shekel each, 6,000 persons collected a *talent* of silver; consequently, a talent consisted of about a hundred and hundredweight. This passage fixes the weight of a talent at 3,000 shekels, for both the round sum and the residue agree with this computation, and can agree with no other. This seems, indeed, to have been the *weight* of a talent, of whatever metal.

g ch. xxviii. 15.
h ch. xxviii. 16
i ch xxviii. 17
j ch. xxviii. 18
k ch xxviii. 19
l ch. xxviii. 20
m ch xxviii. 21
n ch. xxviii. 22
a ch xxxi 10 xxxv 19
o ch xxviii 23
b ch xxviii. 6
p ch xxviii. 24
q ch. xxviii 25
c ch xxviii 7
r ch. xxviii. 26
d ch. xxviii. 8
s ch. xxviii 27
e ch xxviii. 9.
t ch xxviii 28.
u ch. xxviii. 31.
v ch. xxviii. 32.
f ch. xxviii. 12.

8 ¶ And he made the breastplate *of* cunning work, like the work of the ephod; *of* gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.[g]

9 It was foursquare; they made the breastplate double: a span *was* the length thereof, and a span the breadth thereof, *being* doubled.[h]

10 And they set in it four rows of stones: *the first* row *was* a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: this *was* the first row.[i]

11 And the second row, an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond.[j]

12 And the third row, a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst.[k]

13 And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper: *they were* inclosed in ouches of gold in their inclosings.[l]

14 And the stones *were* according to the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names, *like* the engravings of a signet, every one with his name, according to the twelve tribes.[m]

15 And they made upon the breastplate chains at the ends, *of* wreathen work *of* pure gold.[n]

16 And they made two ouches *of* gold, and two



gold rings; and put the two rings in the two ends of the breastplate.[o]

17 And they put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two rings on the ends of the breastplate.[p]

18 And the two ends of the two wreathen chains they fastened in the two ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod, before it.[q]

19 And they made two rings of gold, and put *them* on the two ends of the breastplate, upon the border of it, which *was* on the side of the ephod inward.[r]

20 And they made two *other* golden rings, and put them on the two sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart of it, over against the *other* coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of the ephod.[s]

21 And they did bind the breastplate by his rings unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it might be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate might not be loosed from the ephod; as the LORD commanded Moses.[t]

22 ¶ And he made the robe of the ephod *of* woven work, all *of* blue.[u]

23 And *there was* an hole in the midst of the robe, as the hole of an habergeon, *with* a band round about the hole, that it should not rend.[v]

24 And they made upon the hems of the robe pomegranates *of* blue, and purple, and scarlet, *and* twined *linen.*

25 And they made bells *of* pure gold, and put the bells between the pomegranates upon the hem of the robe, round about between the pomegranates;[a]

26 A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, round about the hem of the robe to minister *in;* as the LORD commanded Moses.[b]



THE POMEGRANATE.

27 ¶ And they made coats *of* fine linen *of* woven work for Aaron, and for his sons,

28 And a mitre *of* fine linen, and goodly bonnets *of* fine linen, and linen breeches *of* fine twined linen,

29 And a girdle *of* fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, *of* needlework; as the LORD commanded Moses.[c]

30 ¶ And they made the plate of the holy crown *of* pure gold, and wrote upon it a writing, *like to* the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.[d]

31 And they tied unto it a lace of blue, to fasten *it* on high upon the mitre; as the LORD commanded Moses.[e]

32 ¶ Thus was all the work of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation finished: and the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.[f]

33 ¶ And they brought the tabernacle unto Moses, the tent, and all his furniture, his taches, his boards, his bars, and his pillars, and his sockets,[g]

34 And the covering of rams' skins dyed red, and the covering of badgers' skins, and the vail of the covering,[h]

35 The ark of the testimony, and the staves thereof, and the mercy seat,[i]

36 The table, *and* all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread,[j]

37 The pure candlestick, *with* the lamps thereof, *even with* the lamps to be set in order, and all the vessels thereof, and the oil for light,[k]

38 And the golden altar, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the tabernacle door,[l]

39 The brasen altar, and his grate of brass, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,[m]

40 The hangings of the court, his pillars, and his sockets, and the hanging for the court gate, his cords,

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

[a] ch xxvii. 9—19; xxxv. 17; xxxviii. 9—20.

[b] ch. xxviii. 33

[c] ch xxviii. 34, 35

[d] ch xxxi 10; xxxv. 19.

[e] ver 7

[f] ver 17, ch xxvi 1, 30

[g] ch xxv 10—21, Numb iv 5

[h] ch xxv 23—30, 31—37.

[i] ch xxviii. 40

[j] ch. xxv 1-5, xxxvii 25—28, xxvi 36, 37, xxxvi 37, 38

[k] ch xxviii 36

[l] ch xxvii 1—8; xxxviii 1—7

[m] ch xxviii 37

[n] ch xxx 18—21, xxxviii 8

[o] ch xxvii 9—19, xxxviii 9—19

[p] ch xxv 40, Deut xii 22

[q] ch xxx 23—33, xxxvi 29

[r] ch xxxi. 7

[s] ch xxix 36, 37.

[t] ch xxv 5, xxvi 14, xxxv 7, xxxvi 19

[u] Lev viii 11

[v] ch xxv 10—21

[w] ch xxv 23—30

[x] ch xxix. 1—35, Lev viii. 1—13.

[y] ch xxv 6, 31—39.

[z] ch xxviii 41

[a] ch xxix 8, 9.

[b] ch xxx 1—5, 23—25, 34—37, xxvi. 36.

[c] ch xxvii 1-8, xxx. 18; xxxviii 8

and his pins, and all the vessels of the service of the tabernacle, for the tent of the congregation,[n]

41 The cloths of service to do service in the holy *place,* and the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and his sons' garments, to minister in the priest's office.[o]

42 According to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel made all the work.

43 And Moses did look upon all the work, and, behold, they had done it as the LORD had commanded, even so had they done it: and Moses blessed them.[p]

CHAPTER XL.

1 *The tabernacle is commanded to be reared,* 9 *and anointed.* 13 *Aaron and his sons to be sanctified.* 16 *Moses performeth all things accordingly.* 34 *A cloud covereth the tabernacle*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 On the first day of the first month shalt thou set up the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation.[q]

3 And thou shalt put therein the ark of the testimony, and cover the ark with the vail.[r]

4 And thou shalt bring in the table, and set in order the things that are to be set in order upon it; and thou shalt bring in the candlestick, and light the lamps thereof.[s]

5 And thou shalt set the altar of gold for the incense before the ark of the testimony, and put the hanging of the door to the tabernacle.[t]

6 And thou shalt set the altar of the burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation.[u]

7 And thou shalt set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and shalt put water therein.[v]

8 And thou shalt set up the court round about, and hang up the hanging at the court gate.[w]

9 And thou shalt take the anointing oil, and anoint the tabernacle, and all that *is* therein, and shalt hallow it, and all the vessels thereof: and it shall be holy.[x]

10 And thou shalt anoint the altar of the burnt offering, and all his vessels, and sanctify the altar: and it shall be an altar most holy.[y]

11 And thou shalt anoint the laver and his foot, and sanctify it.[z]

12 And thou shalt bring Aaron and his sons unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and wash them with water.[a]

13 And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy garments, and anoint him, and sanctify him; that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.[b]

14 And thou shalt bring his sons, and clothe them with coats:[c]

15 And thou shalt anoint them, as thou didst anoint their father, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office: for their anointing shall surely be an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations.

16 Thus did Moses: according to all that the LORD commanded him, so did he.

17 ¶ And it came to pass in the first month in the second year, on the first *day* of the month, *that* the tabernacle was reared up.

18 And Moses reared up the tabernacle, and fastened his sockets, and set up the boards thereof, and put in the bars thereof, and reared up his pillars.[a]

19 And he spread abroad the tent over the tabernacle, and put the covering of the tent above upon it; as the LORD commanded Moses.[b]

20 ¶ And he took and put the testimony into the ark, and set the staves on the ark, and put the mercy seat above upon the ark:

21 And he brought the ark into the tabernacle, and set up the vail of the covering, and covered the ark of the testimony; as the LORD commanded Moses.[c]

22 ¶ And he put the table in the tent of the congregation, upon the side of the tabernacle northward, without the vail.

23 And he set the bread in order upon it before the LORD; as the LORD had commanded Moses.[d]

24 ¶ And he put the candlestick in the tent of the congregation, over against the table, on the side of the tabernacle southward.[e]

25 And he lighted the lamps before the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.[f]

26 ¶ And he put the golden altar in the tent of the congregation before the vail:[g]

27 And he burnt sweet incense thereon; as the LORD commanded Moses.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1491.

[i] ch xxvi. 36, 37; xxxviii. 9—19

[j] ch xxvii. 1—8, xxxviii. 1—7.

[a] ch. xxvi. 1—37; xxxvi. 8—38.

[k] ch. xxx. 18—21; xxxviii. 8.

[l] ch v. 12

[b] ch xxvi. 7—14, xxxvi 14—19

[m] ch. xxvii 9—19

[c] ver 3.

[d] ver 4, ch xxv 30

[n] ver 38; ch xvi. 7, 9, 10, xxiv 15—18, xxix 23, xxxiv 5, Lev ix 6, 23, xvi 2, Numb x. 34, xi. 25, xiv 10, xvi 19, 42, xx. 6, 1 Kings viii. 10, 11, 2 Chron v 13, 14, vii. 1—3, xiii. 21, 22, xiv 24

[e] ch xxv 31—35, xxxvii 17—24

[f] ch. xxv 37

[g] ch xxx. 1—10

[h] ch. xxv 6; xxxv 8, 28, xxxi. 11, xxxix 38, Numb. iv. 16

[o] Numb ix 15—23, Neh. ix. 19

28 ¶ And he set up the hanging *at* the door of the tabernacle.[i]

29 And he put the altar of burnt offering *by* the door of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation, and offered upon it the burnt offering and the meat offering; as the LORD commanded Moses.[j]

30 ¶ And he set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and put water there, to wash *withal*.[k]

31 And Moses and Aaron and his sons washed their hands and their feet thereat:[l]

32 When they went into the tent of the congregation, and when they came near unto the altar, they washed; as the LORD commanded Moses.

33 And he reared up the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the hanging of the court gate. So Moses finished the work.[m]

34 ¶ Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

35 And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.[n]

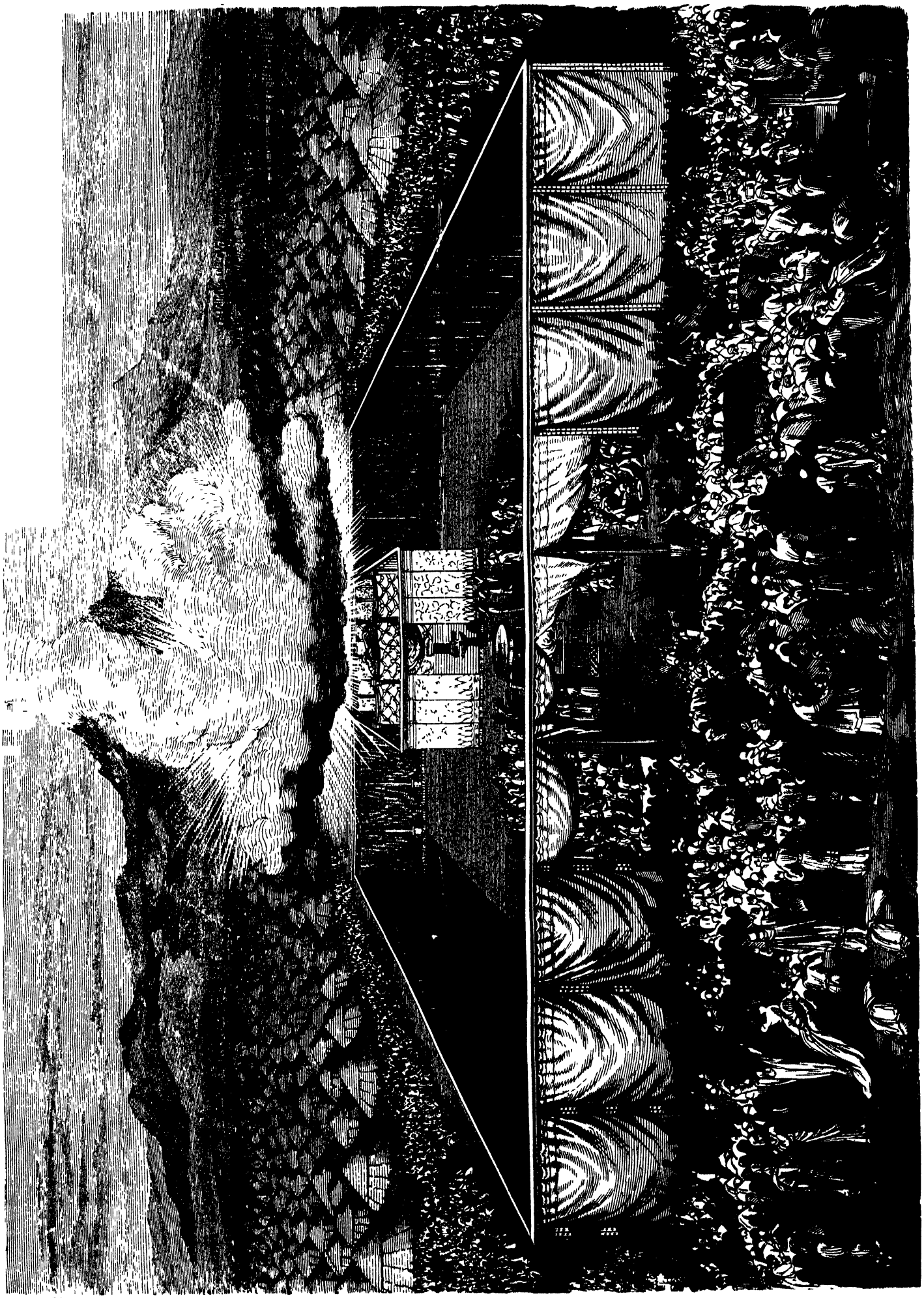
36 And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel went onward in all their journeys:

37 But if the cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up.

38 For the cloud of the LORD *was* upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.[o]



REARING THE TABERNACLE.



THE TABERNACLE SET UP.

THE THIRD BOOK OF MOSES,

CALLED

LEVITICUS.



CHAPTER I.

1 *The burnt offerings.* 3 *Of the herd,* 10 *of the flocks,* 14 *of the fowls.*

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

AND the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man of you bring an offering unto the LORD, ye shall bring your offering of the cattle, *even* of the herd, and of the flock.[1]

3 If his offering *be* a burnt sacrifice of the herd, let him offer a male without blemish: he shall offer it of his own voluntary will at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD.[a]

4 And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt

The word LEVITICUS is the Latin form of the Greek name given to the book by the Septuagint The Talmudists, or Jewish commentators, called it "the law of the priests," which name has been adopted both in the Arabic and Syriac versions.

1 By animals of the herd are meant distinctively oxen and calves, forming the class of larger cattle. The animals included in the flock are sheep and goats, forming the class of smaller cattle.

a ver 10, ch iv. 23; xxii. 18—20, Exod xiii. 12; xxxiv 19; Ps. lxv 16, Isa. l. 11; Mal i. 8, 14



offering; and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him.[a]

5 And he shall kill the bullock before the LORD: and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall bring the blood, and sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar that *is by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.[b]

6 And he shall flay the burnt offering, and cut it into his pieces.[c]

7 And the sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire upon the altar, and lay the wood in order upon the fire:[d]

8 And the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay the parts, the head, and the fat, in order upon the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:

9 But his inwards and his legs shall he wash in water: and the priest shall burn all on the altar, *to be* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.[e]

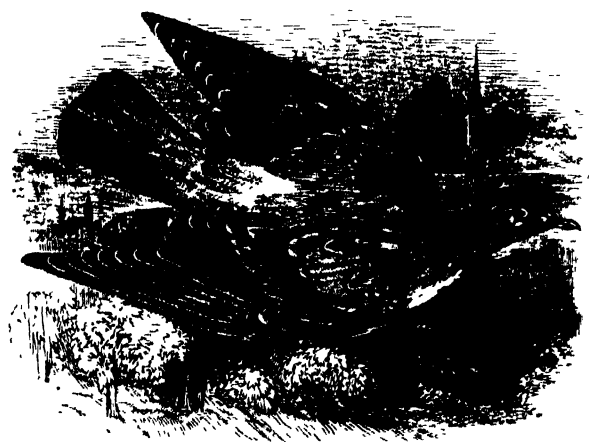
10 ¶ And if his offering *be* of the flocks, *namely*, of the sheep, or of the goats, for a [1]burnt sacrifice; he shall bring it a male without blemish.[f]

11 And he shall kill it on the side of the altar northward before the LORD: and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall sprinkle his blood round about upon the altar.[g]

12 And he shall cut it into his pieces, with his head and his fat: and the priest shall lay them in order on the wood that *is* on the fire which *is* upon the altar:

13 But he shall wash the inwards and the legs with water: and the priest shall bring *it* all, and burn *it* upon the altar: it *is* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.[h]

14 ¶ And if the burnt sacrifice for his offering to the LORD *be* of fowls, then he shall bring his offering of [2]turtledoves, or of young pigeons.[i]



THE DOVE.

15 And the priest shall bring it unto the altar, and [3]wring off his head, and burn *it* on the altar; and the blood thereof shall be wrung out at the side of the altar:

16 And he shall pluck away his crop with his [4]feathers, and cast it beside the altar on the east part, by the place of the ashes:

17 And he shall cleave it with the wings thereof, *but* shall not divide *it* asunder: and the priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that *is* upon the fire: it *is* a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.[j]

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a ch iii. 2; iv 20, 26, 31, 35; v 6; vi 7, ix. 7, xvi 24; xxii 27, Numb xv 28, xxv 13; 2 Chron xxix. 22—24

j vs. 9, 13, 17, ch ii 9, iii 5; viii 21, Gen viii 21, Exod xxix. 18, 25, Numb xv 3, xxviii 13, 24, xxix 13, 36, Ezra vi 10, 2 Cor ii. 15, Eph. v 2, Heb x 1—14; xiii. 10—15.

b ch iv 4—6; ix. 18; Exod xxix. 11, Numb xviii. 17.

c ver 12, ch viii 20, Exod xxix 17.

d ch. vi. 9—13.

5 *Meat* is an old English word for *food* generally See Gen i 29, ix. 3, Lev xi 34; Deut. ii. 6, 28, Judg i 7

k vs 4, 5, 7, 14; vi 14, vii. 37, Exod xxix. 41, xl 29, Numb. viii. 13, 19, 31, 37, 43, 49, 55, 61, 67, 73, 79, xv 12, 13, xxviii. 8, 9, 12, 13

e ch ix. 12—14

1 The Hebrew word, meaning a *burnt* offering, denotes to *ascend*, this offering ascending, as it were, in flame to God, was entirely consumed Thus it is often called a holocaust—a *whole* burnt offering

f ver 3

l ch vi 14, 15

g ch ix. 18

m ch v 13, vi 16, Numb iv 16, xviii 9

n ch vii 12, Exod xxix. 2

6 Or, *on a flat plate*, such as that still used by the Arabs for baking cakes

h ch ix 14

o ver 1

2 The turtle is a variety of the dove, as is also the common pigeon The former is somewhat the smaller of the two, but the principal difference between this and the other birds is in its migratory disposition See Jer viii 7, ch xii. 8, xv. 14, 15

i ch v 7, 11, xii 8; xiv 22, 30, 31, xv 14, 29, Numb vi 10, Luke ii. 24

7 Probably, a shallow earthen vessel, such as the Arabs call a *tayen*

p v 1, ch vi 20, 21, vii 12, xxiii 13, Numb vi 15, vii 13, 19

q ver 3

r ch vi 17; x 12; Exod xxxiv 25.

3 Or, *pinch off the head with the nail.*

s ch xxiii 10, 17; Exod. xxii 29, xxiii. 16, 19; xxxiv 26; Numb xviii. 12, xxviii 26; Deut. xviii 4; xxvi 1—11; 2 Chron xxxi. 5; Neh. x. 35.

4 Or, *the filth thereof.* Lev. iv. 12.

t Numb. xviii 19; 2 Chron xiii 5; Ezek. xliii. 24; Mark ix 49

CHAPTER II.

1 *The meat offering of flour with oil and incense,* 4 *either baken in the oven,* 5 *or on a plate,* 7 *or in a fryingpan,* 12 *or of the firstfruits in the ear.* 13 *The salt of the meat offering.*

AND when any will offer a [5]meat offering unto the LORD, his offering shall be *of* fine flour; and he shall pour oil upon it, and put frankincense thereon:[k]

2 And he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests: and he shall take thereout his handful of the flour thereof, and of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof; and the priest shall burn the memorial of it upon the altar, *to be* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD:[l]

3 And the remnant of the meat offering *shall be* Aaron's and his sons': *it is* a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.[m]

4 ¶ And if thou bring an oblation of a meat offering baken in the oven, *it shall be* unleavened cakes of fine flour mingled with oil, or unleavened wafers anointed with oil.[n]

5 ¶ And if thy oblation *be* a meat offering *baken* in a [6]pan, it shall be *of* fine flour unleavened, mingled with oil.

6 Thou shalt part it in pieces, and pour oil thereon: it *is* a meat offering.[o]

7 ¶ And if thy oblation *be* a meat offering *baken* in the [7]fryingpan, it shall be made *of* fine flour with oil.[p]

8 And thou shalt bring the meat offering that is made of these things unto the LORD: and when it is presented unto the priest, he shall bring it unto the altar.

9 And the priest shall take from the meat offering a memorial thereof, and shall burn *it* upon the altar: *it is* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

10 And that which is left of the meat offering *shall be* Aaron's and his sons': *it is* a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.[q]

11 No meat offering, which ye shall bring unto the LORD, shall be made with leaven: for ye shall burn no leaven, nor any honey, in any offering of the LORD made by fire.[r]

12 ¶ As for the oblation of the firstfruits, ye shall offer them unto the LORD: but they shall not be burnt on the altar for a sweet savour.[s]

13 And every oblation of thy meat offering shalt thou season with salt; neither shalt thou suffer the salt of the covenant of thy God to be lacking from thy meat offering: with all thine offerings thou shalt offer salt.[t]

14 And if thou offer a meat offering of thy first-

fruits unto the LORD, thou shalt offer for the meat offering of thy firstfruits green ears of corn dried by the fire, *even* corn beaten out of full ears.[a]

15 And thou shalt put oil upon it, and lay frankincense thereon: it *is* a meat offering.[b]

16 And the priest shall burn the memorial of it, *part* of the beaten corn thereof, and *part* of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof: *it is* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[c]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The peace offering of the herd,* 6 *of the flock,* 7 *either a lamb,* 12 *or a goat.*

AND if his oblation *be* a sacrifice of peace offering, if he offer *it* of the herd; whether *it be* a male or female, he shall offer it without blemish before the LORD.[d]

2 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill it *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons the priests shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about.[e]

3 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the [1]fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,[f]

4 And the two [2]kidneys, and the fat that *is* on them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.[g]

5 And Aaron's sons shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt sacrifice, which *is* upon the wood that *is* on the fire: *it is* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.[h]

6 ¶ And if his offering for a sacrifice of peace offering unto the LORD *be* of the flock; male or female, he shall offer it without blemish.[i]

7 If he offer a lamb for his offering, then shall he offer it before the LORD.

8 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of his offering, and kill it before the tabernacle of the congregation: and Aaron's sons shall sprinkle the blood thereof round about upon the altar.[j]

9 And he shall offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat thereof, *and* the whole rump, it shall he take off hard by the backbone; and the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,

10 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

11 And the priest shall burn it upon the altar: *it is* the food of the offering made by fire unto the LORD.

12 ¶ And if his offering *be* a goat, then he shall offer it before the LORD.[k]

13 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of it, and kill it before the tabernacle of the congregation: and the sons of Aaron shall sprinkle the blood thereof upon the altar round about.

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

a ver. 12

b ver 1

c vs 2, 9

l ch vii 25—27; xvii 10—14, Deut. xii 16, 23; 1 Sam. xiv 32-34, Ezek xxxiii 25, xliv 7, 15; Acts xv. 20, 21.

d ch vii 11—21, xvii 5, Exod. xx. 24, Numb vi 17, Josh viii 31, Judg xx. 26, 1 Sam x. 8, xi. 15, 2 Sam vi 17, xxiv 25, 1 Kings iii 15, viii 63, ix. 25, 2 Chron xxxi 2, xxxiii. 16, Ezek xlv 15, 17; xlvi 2, Amos v 22

e ch i 3, 5

m ch vi 25, x 17, xvi. 25, Exod xxix 14, xxx. 10, Numb vii 16, 22, 28, viii 8, 2 Chron xxix 24, Ezra viii. 35, Ps xl 6; Ezek xliii 19, 22, 25, xlv 27, 29, xlvi. 20, 2 Cor v 21.

1 Or, *suet*

f ver 16, ch iv. 8, vii 4

2 Or, *midriff over the liver, and over the kidneys*

n ch i. 3; xvi. 3, 27; Numb viii 8

g ch iv 9, Exod. xxix 22

o ver 29, ch i 4, xvi 21, Isa. liii 6

h ch i 9, iv 31, 35, vi 12, ix.10, Exod xxix 13

p ver 16, ch. v 9

i ch i. 3

q ch. xvi. 14, 19, Numb xix 4

j vs. 2 5

r vs. 18, 25, 30, 34, ch viii. 15; ix 9, xvi. 18

s ch. iii 3—5, 9—11, 14—16

t ver 21, ch viii 17, ix 11; xvi. 27; Exod xxix. 14; Numb xix 5, Heb xiii. 11—13.

k vs. 2—5, 6—11.

14 And he shall offer thereof his offering, *even* an offering made by fire unto the LORD; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,

15 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

16 And the priest shall burn them upon the altar: *it is* the food of the offering made by fire for a sweet savour: all the fat *is* the LORD's.

17 *It shall be* a perpetual statute for your generations throughout all your dwellings, that ye eat neither fat nor blood.[l]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The sin offering of ignorance,* 3 *for the priest,* 13 *for the congregation,* 22 *for the ruler,* 27 *for any of the people.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a soul shall sin through ignorance against any of the commandments of the LORD *concerning things* which ought not to be done, and shall do against any of them:[m]

3 If the priest that is anointed do sin according to the sin of the people; then let him bring for his sin, which he hath sinned, a young bullock without blemish unto the LORD for a sin offering.[n]

4 And he shall bring the bullock unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD; and shall lay his hand upon the bullock's head, and kill the bullock before the LORD.[o]

5 And the priest that is anointed shall take of the bullock's blood, and bring it to the tabernacle of the congregation:[p]

6 And the priest shall dip his finger in the blood, and sprinkle of the blood seven times before the LORD, before the vail of the sanctuary.[q]

7 And the priest shall put *some* of the blood upon the horns of the altar of sweet incense before the LORD, which *is* in the tabernacle of the congregation; and shall pour all the blood of the bullock at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which *is at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.[r]

8 And he shall take off from it all the fat of the bullock for the sin offering; the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that *is* upon the inwards,[s]

9 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* upon them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away,[t]

10 As it was taken off from the bullock of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest shall burn them upon the altar of the burnt offering.

11 And the skin of the bullock, and all his flesh, with his head, and with his legs, and his inwards, and his dung,

12 Even the whole bullock shall he carry forth without the camp unto a clean place, where the ashes



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are poured out, and burn him on the wood with fire: where the ashes are poured out shall he be burnt.

13 ¶ And if the whole congregation of Israel sin through ignorance, and the thing be hid from the eyes of the assembly, and they have done *somewhat against* any of the commandments of the LORD *concerning things* which should not be done, and are[a] guilty;

14 When the sin, which they have sinned against it, is known, then the congregation shall offer a young bullock for the sin, and bring him before the tabernacle of the congregation.[b]

15 And the elders of the congregation shall lay their hands upon the head of the bullock before the LORD: and the bullock shall be killed before the LORD.[c]

16 And the priest that is anointed shall bring of the bullock's blood to the tabernacle of the congregation:[d]

17 And the priest shall dip his finger *in some* of the blood, and sprinkle *it* seven times before the LORD, *even* before the vail.

18 And he shall put *some* of the blood upon the horns of the altar which *is* before the LORD, that *is* in the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall pour out all the blood at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which *is at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

19 And he shall take all his fat from him, and burn *it* upon the altar.

20 And he shall do with the bullock as he did with the bullock for a sin offering, so shall he do with this: and the priest shall make an atonement for them, and it shall be forgiven them.

21 And he shall carry forth the bullock without the camp, and burn him as he burned the first bullock: it *is* a sin offering for the congregation.[e]

22 ¶ When a [1]ruler hath sinned, and done *somewhat* through ignorance *against* any of the commandments of the LORD his God *concerning things* which should not be done, and is guilty;

23 Or if his sin, wherein he hath sinned, come to his knowledge; he shall bring his offering, a kid of the goats, a male without blemish:[f]

24 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat, and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt offering before the LORD: it *is* a sin offering.[g]

25 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out his blood at the bottom of the altar of burnt offering.[h]

26 And he shall burn all his fat upon the altar, as

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

a ver 2; Numb xv.25—29

b ch. i. 3

c ch. xvi 15, 21, 2 Chron. xxix 21-24, Ezra viii. 35

d vs. 5—12

e ch. iii. 8, 13, xvi 21.

f 2 Kings xxii. 8—13

g ch. i. 3.

h ver. 7

1 The original word from which "ruler" is derived, means one preferred or exalted above others Exod xviii 21; Numb xvi. 2

the fat of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest shall make an atonement for him as concerning his sin, and it shall be forgiven him.[a]

27 ¶ And if any one of the [1]common people sin through ignorance, while he doeth *somewhat against* any of the commandments of the LORD *concerning things* which ought not to be done, and be guilty;

28 Or if his sin, which he hath sinned, come to his knowledge: then he shall bring his offering, a

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

[a] ver. 10.

[1] Heb. *people of the land*; that is, any one not a king, priest, or ruler

[c] ch. iii. 16.

[d] vs. 29—31.

offerings; and the priest shall burn *it* upon the altar for a sweet savour unto the LORD; and the priest shall make an atonement for him, and it shall be forgiven him.[c]

32 And if he bring a lamb for a sin offering, he shall bring it a female without blemish.

33 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay it for a sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering.[d]



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kid of the goats, a female without blemish, for his sin which he hath sinned.

29 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slay the sin offering in the place of the burnt offering.[b]

[b] ch. iv. 15, 24

30 And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar.

31 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice of peace

34 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar:

35 And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat of the lamb is taken away from the sacrifice of the peace offerings; and the priest shall burn them upon the altar, according to the offerings made by fire unto the LORD: and the priest shall make an atonement for his sin that he hath committed, and it shall be forgiven him.

CHAPTER V.

1 *He that sinneth in concealing his knowledge,* 2 *in touching an unclean thing,* 4 *or in making an oath* 6 *His trespass offering, of the flock,* 7 *of fowls,* 11 *or of flour.* 14 *The trespass offering in sacrilege,* 17 *and in sins of ignorance*

AND if a soul sin, and hear the voice of swearing, and *is* a witness, whether he hath seen or known *of it;* if he do not utter *it*, then he shall bear his iniquity.[a]

2 Or if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether *it be* a carcase of an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and *if* it be hidden from him; he also shall be unclean, and guilty.[b]

3 Or if he touch the uncleanness of man, whatsoever uncleanness *it be* that a man shall be defiled withal, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guilty.[c]

4 Or if a soul swear, pronouncing with *his* lips to do evil, or to do good, whatsoever *it be* that a man shall pronounce with an oath, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth *of it*, then he shall be guilty in one of these.

5 And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these *things*, that he shall confess that he hath sinned in that *thing:*

6 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD for his sin which he hath sinned, a female from the flock, a lamb or a kid of the goats, for a sin offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his sin.[d]

7 And if he be not able to bring a lamb, then he shall bring for his trespass, which he hath committed, two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, unto the LORD; one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering.[e]

8 And he shall bring them unto the priest, who shall offer *that* which *is* for the sin offering first, and wring off his head from his neck, but shall not divide *it* asunder:

9 And he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin offering upon the side of the altar; and the rest of the blood shall be wrung out at the bottom of the altar: it *is* a sin offering.[f]

10 And he shall offer the second *for* a burnt offering, according to the manner: and the priest shall make an atonement for him for his sin which he hath sinned, and it shall be forgiven him.[g]

11 ¶ But if he be not able to bring two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, then he that sinned shall bring for his offering the tenth part of an [1]ephah of fine flour for a sin offering; he shall put no oil upon it, neither shall he put *any* frankincense thereon: for it *is* a sin offering.

12 Then shall he bring it to the priest, and the priest shall take his handful of it, *even* a memorial thereof, and burn *it* on the altar, according to the offerings made by fire unto the LORD: it *is* a sin offering.[h]

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[a] ver. 17; ch. vii. 18; xvii 16; xix. 8, xx. 17

[b] ch vii. 7; xix. 21, 22, Numb xv 11, Ezra x. 19; Ezek. xliii. 23, 25, xlv. 24, 25; xlvi. 4, 5, 7, 11; Exod xxx. 13

[c] ch. vi. 4, 5; Numb. v. 7

[d] ch vii. 21; xi 24, 28, 31, 39; Numb xix 11, 13, 16, xiv 8

[e] ch. xxii 4—6, Numb. xix 11—16

[f] ch. i. 5, iv 25, 30, 34, vii 2

[g] ch xix 12, Jer vii 9, Zech v 3, 4, Mal iii 5

[h] ch ii 2, 9, 16; v 12; vi. 15; xxiv 7

[i] ch. iv 20, 31.

[k] ch. ii. 3, vii. 6; 1 Cor ix. 13.

[l] ch vii 4, 5, iv 2—4; v. 1.

[m] vs. 15, 16

[n] ver 6

[o] vs 15, 16, 18, ch vi 5, 6, vii 37, xiv 12—14, 21, 24, 25, Numb vi 12, 1 Sam vi. 3, 4, 8, 17, Ezek. xl 39, xlii 13, xliv 29, xlvi 20

[p] ch i 14, 15

1 A Hebrew measure of the same size as the *bath*, containing ten *homers* Exod xvi 36, Numb v 15

2 Or, *dealing*, Heb *in putting of the hand*

[q] Exod. xxii. 7—12, Amos viii 5, Micah vi 10—12, Ezek xviii 1—9

[r] Exod xxii 1, 4; Lev. xxiv 21, xxv 27; Deut. xxii 2; Ezek xxxiii 15, 16

3 Or, *of his being found guilty*, Heb. *of his trespass*

13 And the priest shall make an atonement for him[i] as touching his sin that he hath sinned in one of these, and it shall be forgiven him: and *the remnant* shall be the priest's, as a meat offering.[k]

14 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

15 If a soul commit a trespass, and sin through ignorance, in the holy things of the LORD; then he shall bring for his trespass unto the LORD a ram without blemish out of the flocks, with thy estimation by shekels of silver, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for a trespass offering:[l]

16 And he shall make amends for the harm that he hath done in the holy thing, and shall add the fifth part thereto, and give it unto the priest: and the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering, and it shall be forgiven him.[l]

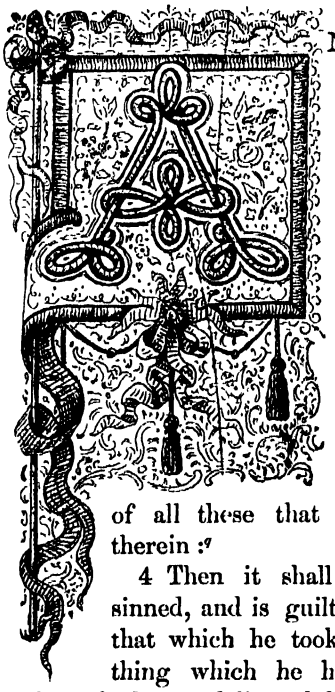
17 ¶ And if a soul sin, and commit any of these things which are forbidden to be done by the commandments of the LORD; though he wist *it* not, yet is he guilty, and shall bear his iniquity.[m]

18 And he shall bring a ram without blemish out of the flock, with thy estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest: and the priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his ignorance wherein he erred and wist *it* not, and it shall be forgiven him.[n]

19 It *is* a trespass offering: he hath certainly trespassed against the LORD.[o]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The trespass offering for sins done wittingly.* 8 *The law of the burnt offering,* 14 *and of the meat offering* 19 *The offering at the consecration of a priest.* 24 *The law of the sin offering*



AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 If a soul sin, and commit a trespass against the LORD, and lie unto his neighbour in that which was delivered him to keep, or in [2]fellowship, or in a thing taken away by violence, or hath deceived his neighbour;[p]

3 Or have found that which was lost, and lieth concerning it, and sweareth falsely; in any of all these that a man doeth, sinning therein:[q]

4 Then it shall be, because he hath sinned, and is guilty, that he shall restore that which he took violently away, or the thing which he hath deceitfully gotten, or that which was delivered him to keep, or the lost thing which he found,[r]

5 Or all that about which he hath [3]sworn falsely; he shall even restore it in the principal, and shall add the fifth part more thereto, *and* give it unto him to whom it appertaineth, in the day of his trespass offering.

6 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, a ram without blemish out of the flock, with

thy estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest:[a]

7 And the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD: and it shall be forgiven him for any thing of all that he hath done in trespassing therein.[b]

8 ¶ [1]And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

9 Command Aaron and his sons, saying, This *is* the law of the burnt offering: It *is* the burnt offering, [2]because of the burning upon the altar all night unto the morning, and the fire of the altar shall be burning in it.[c]

10 And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen breeches shall he put upon his flesh, and take up the ashes which the fire hath consumed with the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar.[d]

11 And he shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry forth the ashes without the camp unto a clean place.[e]

12 And the fire upon the altar shall be burning in it; it shall not be put out: and the priest shall burn wood on it every morning, and lay the burnt offering in order upon it; and he shall burn thereon the fat of the peace offerings.[f]

13 The fire shall ever be burning upon the altar; it shall never go out.

14 ¶ And this *is* the law of the meat offering: the sons of Aaron shall offer it before the LORD, before the altar.[g]

15 And he shall take of it his handful, of the flour of the meat offering, and of the oil thereof, and all the frankincense which *is* upon the meat offering, and shall burn *it* upon the altar *for* a sweet savour, *even* the memorial of it, unto the LORD.[h]

16 And the remainder thereof shall Aaron and his sons eat: with unleavened bread shall it be eaten in the holy place; in the court of the tabernacle of the congregation they shall eat it.[i]

17 It shall not be baken with leaven. I have given it *unto them for* their portion of my offerings made by fire; it *is* most holy, as *is* the sin offering, and as the trespass offering.[j]

18 All the males among the children of Aaron shall eat of it. *It shall be* a statute for ever in your generations concerning the offerings of the LORD made by fire: every one that toucheth them shall be holy.[k]

19 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

20 This *is* the offering of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall offer unto the LORD in the day when he is anointed; the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a meat offering perpetual, half of it in the morning, and half thereof at night.[l]

21 In a pan it shall be made with oil; *and when it is* baken, thou shalt bring it in: *and* the baken pieces of the meat offering shalt thou offer *for* a sweet savour unto the LORD.[m]

22 And the priest of his sons that is anointed in his stead shall offer it: *it is* a statute for ever unto the LORD; it shall be wholly burnt.[n]

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[a] ch. v. 15, 18
[o] ch. ii. 9

[b] ch. iv. 26, 31, 35; v. 7, 10, 13, 16.

[1] As the inspired writer now enters on a fresh subject, the sixth chapter should begin here, where the Jews commence the twenty-fifth section of the Law. The *people* having been instructed as to their offerings, it will be observed that the *priests* now receive directions as to their official services.

[p] ch. iv. 1—12, 38

[2] Or, *for the burning*

[q] ch. x. 17, 18, Numb. xviii. 9, 10; Ezek. xliv. 28, 29.

[c] ch. i. 12, 13, Exod. xxix. 38—42, Numb. xxviii. 3

[d] ch. xvi. 4, Exod. xxviii. 40—43, xxxix. 27—29; Ezek. xliv. 17, 18, Lev. i. 16

[r] ch. xi. 33, x. 5, 12

[s] ver. 18.

[e] ch. xvi. 23, 24, Ezek. xliv. 19.

[f] vs. 9, 13.

[g] ch. ii. 1—3, Numb. xv. 4—6

[t] ch. v. 14—19.

[h] ch. ii. 2, 9

[u] ch. i. 5, iii. 2, 8, 13; iv. 24, 29, 33; vii. 2, xvii. 6

[v] ch. iii. 3—5, 9—11, iv. 8—10, Exod. xxix. 13

[i] ver. 26, ch. ii. 3, 10, x. 12, 13, Numb. xviii. 9, 10, Ezek. xliv. 27—29, 1 Cor. ix. 13

[j] chs. ii., xi.

[w] ch. i. 9, 13; ii. 2, 9, 16, iii. 16

[x] ch. vi. 16—18, 29, Numb. xviii. 9, 10

[k] ver. 29, ch. xxi. 22, Numb. xviii. 9, 10

[y] ch. vi. 25, 26

[3] The skins of animals are very valuable in the East. That a skin was used for sitting or lying on by the people of Israel, is evident from ch. xv. 17. Skins are still used as carpets and mattresses.

[l] ch. ii. 2, 3, vii. 36, Exod. xxix. 7; Numb. xxviii. 8.

[z] ch. ii. 5, 7

[m] ch. ii. 5

[a] ch. iii. 1—16; xxii. 21.

[n] ch. ii. 8, 9; Deut. x. 6; Heb. vii. 23.

23 For every meat offering for the priest shall be wholly burnt: it shall not be eaten.[o]

24 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

25 Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, saying, This *is* the law of the sin offering: In the place where the burnt offering is killed shall the sin offering be killed before the LORD: it *is* most holy.[p]

26 The priest that offereth it for sin shall eat it: in the holy place shall it be eaten, in the court of the tabernacle of the congregation.[q]

27 Whatsoever shall touch the flesh thereof shall be holy: and when there is sprinkled of the blood thereof upon any garment, thou shalt wash that whereon it was sprinkled in the holy place.

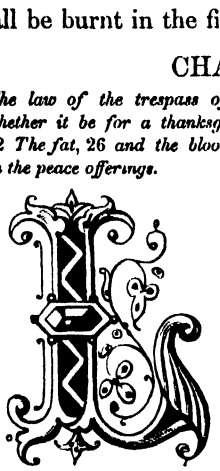
28 But the earthen vessel wherein it is sodden shall be broken: and if it be sodden in a brasen pot, it shall be both scoured, and rinsed in water.[r]

29 All the males among the priests shall eat thereof: it *is* most holy.[s]

30 And no sin offering, whereof *any* of the blood is brought into the tabernacle of the congregation to reconcile *withal* in the holy *place*, shall be eaten: it shall be burnt in the fire.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *The law of the trespass offering,* 11 *and of the peace offerings,* 12 *whether it be for a thanksgiving,* 16 *or a vow, or a freewill offering.* 22 *The fat,* 26 *and the blood, are forbidden.* 28 *The priests' portion in the peace offerings.*



IKEWISE this *is* the law of the trespass offering: it *is* most holy.[t]

2 In the place where they kill the burnt offering shall they kill the trespass offering: and the blood thereof shall he sprinkle round about upon the altar.[u]

3 And he shall offer of it all the fat thereof; the rump, and the fat that covereth the inwards,[v]

4 And the two kidneys, and the fat that *is* on them, which *is* by the flanks, and the caul *that is* above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away:

5 And the priest shall burn them upon the altar *for* an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it *is* a trespass offering.[w]

6 Every male among the priests shall eat thereof: it shall be eaten in the holy place: it *is* most holy.[x]

7 As the sin offering *is*, so *is* the trespass offering: *there is* one law for them: the priest that maketh atonement therewith shall have *it*.[y]

8 And the priest that offereth any man's burnt offering, *even* the priest shall have to himself the [3]skin of the burnt offering which he hath offered.

9 And all the meat offering that is baken in the oven, and all that is dressed in the fryingpan, and in the pan, shall be the priest's that offereth it.[z]

10 And every meat offering, mingled with oil, and dry, shall all the sons of Aaron have, one *as much* as another.

11 And this *is* the law of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which he shall offer unto the LORD.[a]

12 If he offer it for a thanksgiving, then he shall

offer with the sacrifice of thanksgiving unleavened cakes mingled with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil, and cakes mingled with oil, of fine flour, fried.

13 Besides the cakes, he shall offer *for* his offering leavened bread with the sacrifice of thanksgiving of his peace offerings.

14 And of it he shall offer one out of the whole oblation *for* an heave offering unto the LORD, *and* it shall be the priest's that sprinkleth the blood of the peace offerings.[a]

15 And the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten the same day that it is offered; [1]he shall not leave any of it until the morning.[b]

16 But if the sacrifice of his offering *be* a vow, or a voluntary offering, it shall be eaten the same day that he offereth his sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall be eaten:

17 But the remainder of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire.[c]

18 And if *any* of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten at all on the third day, it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be imputed unto him that offereth it: it shall be an abomination, and the soul that eateth of it shall bear his iniquity.[d]

19 And the flesh that toucheth any unclean *thing* shall not be eaten, it shall be burnt with fire: and as for the flesh, all that be clean shall eat thereof.[e]

20 But the soul that eateth *of* the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, that *pertain* unto the LORD, having his uncleanness upon him, even that soul shall be cut off from his people.[f]

21 Moreover the soul that shall touch any unclean *thing*, *as* the uncleanness of man, or *any* unclean beast, or any abominable unclean *thing*, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which *pertain* unto the LORD, even that soul shall be cut off from his people.[g]

22 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

23 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Ye shall eat no manner of fat, of ox, or of sheep, or of goat.[h]

24 And the fat of the beast that dieth of itself, and the fat of that which is torn with beasts, may be used in any other use: but ye shall in no wise eat of it.

25 For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, even the soul that eateth *it* shall be cut off from his people.[i]

26 Moreover ye shall eat no manner of blood, *whether it be* of fowl or of beast, in any of your dwellings.[j]

27 Whatsoever soul *it be* that eateth any manner of blood, even that soul shall be cut off from his people.

28 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

29 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, He that offereth the sacrifice of his peace offerings unto the LORD shall bring his oblation unto the LORD of the sacrifice of his peace offerings.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

l ch iii. 3, 4, 9, 14; viii. 27; ix 21; Exod. xxix. 24–28, Numb. vi. 20.

m ch. vi. 16, 26; viii. 29; Numb. vi. 20, xviii. 18.

n ver. 14.

a ch. vi. 26; Exod xxix. 27, Numb. xv. 19–21; xviii. 8–11, 19, 24, 28; xxxi. 29, 41

o ch. vi. 26.

1 Because in a hot country it would putrefy.

b ch xxii. 29, 30; Exod. xii. 10

p vs. 30–32.

c ch. xix. 5, 6.

d ch xix 7, 8.

e ch xi 24–39; Numb. xix 11–16.

g ch i 1–17; vi. 1–7, 9–18, 20–30, Exod. xxix. 1, 38–42.

f ch xv 1–12.

g ch xi. 10–42; xiii. 1–3; xv 3–12; xxii 4, Numb xix. 11–16, Deut. xiv 7, 8, 10, 12–19; Ezek. iv 14.

h ch iii. 16, 17, iv 8–10, xvii. 6, Deut xxxii 38, 1 Sam. ii. 15–17.

r Exod xxviii. 2–4, 40–43, xxix 1–4, xxxix. 1–31, 41, xxx. 23–37; xl 12–15, Heb. vii. 21.

i ver. 28

j vs. 20, 21, 25; ch iii. 17; xvii. 10–14; 1 Sam xiv. 33, 34; Ezek. xxxiii. 25; Acts xv. 20, 29.

s ver. 1

t Exod. xxix. 4; xl. 12.

k ch. iii. 1

30 His own hands shall bring the offerings of the LORD made by fire, the fat with the breast, it shall he bring, that the breast may be waved *for* a wave offering before the LORD.[l]

31 And the priest shall burn the fat upon the altar: but the breast shall be Aaron's and his sons'.[m]

32 And the right shoulder shall ye give unto the priest *for* an heave offering of the sacrifices of your peace offerings.[n]

33 He among the sons of Aaron, that offereth the blood of the peace offerings, and the fat, shall have the right shoulder for *his* part.[o]

34 For the wave breast and the heave shoulder have I taken of the children of Israel from off the sacrifices of their peace offerings, and have given them unto Aaron the priest and unto his sons by a statute for ever from among the children of Israel.[p]

35 ¶ This *is the portion* of the anointing of Aaron, and of the anointing of his sons, out of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, in the day *when* he presented them to minister unto the LORD in the priest's office;

36 Which the LORD commanded to be given them of the children of Israel, in the day that he anointed them, *by* a statute for ever throughout their generations.

37 This *is* the law of the burnt offering, of the meat offering, and of the sin offering, and of the trespass offering, and of the consecrations, and of the sacrifice of the peace offerings;[q]

38 Which the LORD commanded Moses in mount Sinai, in the day that he commanded the children of Israel to offer their oblations unto the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Moses consecrateth Aaron and his sons.* 14 *Their sin offering.* 18 *Their burnt offering.* 22 *The ram of consecrations.* 31 *The place and time of their consecration.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Take Aaron and his sons with him, and the garments, and the anointing oil, and a bullock for the sin offering, and two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread;[r]

3 And gather thou all the congregation together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

4 And Moses did as the LORD commanded him; and the assembly was gathered together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

5 And Moses said unto the congregation, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded to be done.[s]

6 And Moses brought Aaron and his sons, and washed them with water.[t]

7 And he put upon him the coat, and girded him with the girdle, and clothed him with the robe, and



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put the ephod upon him, and he girded him with the curious girdle of the ephod, and bound *it* unto him therewith.[e]

8 And he put the breastplate upon him: also he put in the breastplate the Urim and the Thummim.[h]

9 And he put the mitre upon his head; also upon the mitre, *even* upon his forefront, did he put the golden plate, the holy crown; as the LORD commanded Moses.[c]



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10 And Moses took the anointing oil, and anointed the tabernacle and all that *was* therein, and sanctified them.[d]

11 And he sprinkled thereof upon the altar seven times, and anointed the altar and all his vessels, both the laver and his foot, to sanctify them.[e]

12 And he poured of the anointing oil upon Aaron's head, and anointed him, to sanctify him.[f]

13 And Moses brought Aaron's sons, and [1]put coats upon them, and girded them with girdles, and put bonnets upon them; as the LORD commanded Moses.[g]

14 And he brought the bullock for the sin offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the bullock for the sin offering.[h]

15 And he slew *it;* and Moses took the blood, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar round about with his finger, and purified the altar, and poured the blood at the bottom of the altar, and sanctified it, to make reconciliation upon it.[i]

16 And he took all the fat that *was* upon the inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and Moses burned *it* upon the altar.[j]

17 But the bullock, and his hide, his flesh, and his dung, he burnt with fire without the camp; as the LORD commanded Moses.[k]

18 ¶ And he brought the ram for the burnt offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram.[l]

19 And he killed *it;* and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

n Exod. xxix. 17.

a ch. viii. 7, Exod. xxviii. 4, xxix. 5, xxxix. 1—5, 22—26.

b Exod xxxix. 8 — 21; xxviii. 30

c Exod. xxxix. 28, 30, 31.

d Exod. xxx. 23—29, xl 9—11

e Exod xxix. 36, xl. 9, 11; Numb vii 1

f Exod xxviii 41, xxix. 7, xxx 30, Ps. cxxxiii 2

1 Heb. *bound.*

g Exod. xxviii. 40, 41; xxix 8, 9; xl 14, 15

h ch iv 3 — 12, xvi. 6, Exod. xxix 10 — 14, Ezek. xliii. 18—21

i ch iv 7, 18, 30, Exod. xxix 12, 36, 37; Ezek. xliii. 20

j ch. iii 3—5; iv 8, 9; Exod xxix. 13

k Exod. xxix. 30, 35; Ezek. xliii 25—27.

l ch. iv 11, 12, 21; xvi. 27; Exod. xxix 14.

m Exod. xxix 15.

n Numb. iii. 7; Deut. xi. 1.

o Exod. xxix. 16.

p Exod. xxix. 19.

q Exod. xxix. 20.

r ch iii 9, 10; Exod. xxix 22.

s Exod xxix. 23

t ch vii 30, Exod. xxix. 24.

u Exod. xxix 25.

v Exod xxix 26, 27

w Exod. xxix 21, xxx. 30.

x Exod xxix 31, 32; Ezek xlvi 20

y ch vii. 17, Exod. xii 10, xxix 34.

20 And he cut the ram into pieces; and Moses burnt the head, and the pieces, and the fat.[n]

21 And he washed the inwards and the legs in water; and Moses burnt the whole ram upon the altar: it *was a* burnt sacrifice for a sweet savour, *and* an offering made by fire unto the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.[o]

22 ¶ And he brought the other ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram.[p]

23 And he slew *it;* and Moses took of the blood of it, and put *it* upon the tip of Aaron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot.[q]

24 And he brought Aaron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right ear, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and upon the great toes of their right feet: and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about.

25 And he took the fat, and the rump, and all the fat that *was* upon the inwards, and the caul *above* the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and the right shoulder:[r]

26 And out of the basket of unleavened bread, that *was* before the LORD, he took one unleavened cake, and a cake of oiled bread, and one wafer, and put *them* on the fat, and upon the right shoulder:[s]

27 And he put all upon Aaron's hands, and upon his sons' hands, and waved them *for* a wave offering before the LORD.[t]

28 And Moses took them from off their hands, and burnt *them* on the altar upon the burnt offering: they *were* consecrations for a sweet savour: it *is* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[u]

29 And Moses took the breast, and waved it *for* a wave offering before the LORD: *for* of the ram of consecration it was Moses' part; as the LORD commanded Moses.[v]

30 And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which *was* upon the altar, and sprinkled *it* upon Aaron, *and* upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him; and sanctified Aaron, *and* his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him.[w]

31 ¶ And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons, Boil the flesh *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and there eat it with the bread that *is* in the basket of consecrations, as I commanded, saying, Aaron and his sons shall eat it.[x]

32 And that which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread shall ye burn with fire.[y]

33 And ye shall not go out of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation *in* seven days, until the days of your consecration be at an end: for seven days shall he consecrate you.[z]

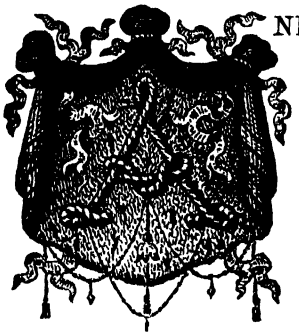
34 As he hath done this day, *so* the LORD hath commanded to do, to make an atonement for you.

35 Therefore shall ye abide *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation day and night seven days, and keep the charge of the LORD, that ye die not: for so I am commanded.[a]

36 So Aaron and his sons did all things which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

CHAPTER IX.

1 The first offerings of Aaron, for himself and the people. 8 The sin offering, 12 and the burnt offering for himself. 15 The offerings for the people 23 Moses and Aaron bless the people. 24 Fire cometh from the Lord, upon the altar.



AND it came to pass on the [1]eighth day, *that* Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel;

2 And he said unto Aaron, Take thee a young calf for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering, without blemish, and offer *them* before the LORD.[a]

3 And unto the children of Israel thou shalt speak, saying, Take ye a kid of the goats for a sin offering; and a calf and a lamb, *both* of the first year, without blemish, for a burnt offering;[b]

4 Also a bullock and a ram for peace offerings, to sacrifice before the LORD, and a meat offering mingled with oil: for to day the LORD will appear unto you.[c]

5 ¶ And they brought *that* which Moses commanded before the tabernacle of the congregation: and all the congregation drew near and stood before the LORD.[d]

6 And Moses said, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded that ye should do: and the glory of the LORD shall appear unto you.[e]

7 And Moses said unto Aaron, Go unto the altar, and offer thy sin offering, and thy burnt offering, and make an atonement for thyself, and for the people: and offer the offering of the people, and make an atonement for them; as the LORD commanded.[f]

8 ¶ Aaron therefore went unto the altar, and slew [2]the calf of the sin offering, which *was* for himself.

9 And the sons of Aaron brought the blood unto him: and he dipped his finger in the blood, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the bottom of the altar:[g]

10 But the fat, and the kidneys, and the caul above the liver of the sin offering, he burnt upon the altar; as the LORD commanded Moses.[h]

11 And the flesh and the hide he burnt with fire without the camp.[i]

12 And he slew the burnt offering; and Aaron's sons presented unto him the blood, which he sprinkled round about upon the altar.[j]

13 And they presented the burnt offering unto him, with the pieces thereof, and the head: and he burnt *them* upon the altar.

14 And he did wash the inwards and the legs, and burnt *them* upon the burnt offering on the altar.

15 ¶ And he brought the people's offering, and took the goat, which *was* the sin offering for the people, and slew it, and offered it for sin, as the first.[k]

16 And he brought the burnt offering, and offered it according to the manner.[l]

17 And he brought the meat offering, and took an [3]handful thereof, and burnt *it* upon the altar, beside the burnt sacrifice of the morning.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

n ch. iii. 1—17; vii. 11—18.

1 That is, the first day of the consecration of Aaron and his sons, which occupied seven days

o ver 10

p ch vii. 31

q ch. vii. 32—34

a ch. viii. 14, 18

r Numb. vi. 23—27, Deut. x. 8, xxi. 5, 1 Kings viii. 55—61, 1 Chron xxiii 13; 2 Chron. vi. 3.

b ver 2, ch. iv 23, xvi. 5, 15, Ezra vi. 17

s ver. 6.

c ch iii. 1—17

t Judg vi. 21; xiii. 19, 20, 23, 1 Kings xviii. 38, 1 Chron. xxi 26, 2 Chron vii. 1—3

d Exod. xix. 17; Deut xxxi. 11

e Exod. xvi. 10, xxiv 16, xl. 34, 35, 1 Kings viii 10—12, Ezek xliii. 2

f vs 2—4.

u ch xvi. 12

2 The calf was not one of the ordinary sacrifices, and the Rabbins say that it was appointed as *Aaron's* sin offering, in reference to the molten calf.

v ch ix 24, xvi. 1, Numb iii 4, xvi 35, xxvi 61; 1 Chron xxiv 2

g ch. iv 6, 7, 17, 18, 25, 30, viii. 15, xvi 18, Heb ix. 22, 23, x 4—22

w ch xxi 6, xxii 9, Exod xix. 22, xxix. 43, 44, Numb xx. 12; Deut. xxxii 51, 1 Sam vi. 20, 1 Chron. xv 13, Ps lxxxix. 7, Isa. lii. 11, Ezek xx 40, 41, Heb xii 28, 29, 1 Sam ii 30, Isa xlix. 3, Ezek xxviii 22; John xii 31, 32; xiv 3, 2 Thess i. 10.

h ch. iii. 3—5, 9—11, iv 8—12, viii 16

i ch. iv 11, 12, viii 17, xvi 27 28

x Exod. vi 18, 22, Numb. iii. 19

j ch. i. 5, viii. 19.

y Numb xvi. 21, 22, 41—46, Josh vii 1, 11, 12, xxii. 17, 18, 20, 2 Sam xxiv 1, 15

k ch. iv 27—31

l ch. iv. 7—10

z ch. xxi 12, viii 12, 30, Exod. xxviii. 41; xxx. 30; xl. 13—15.

3 Heb. *filled his hand out of it.*

m ch. ii. 1—3: Exod. xxix. 38, 39.

18 He slew also the bullock and the ram *for* a sacrifice of peace offerings, which *was* for the people: and Aaron's sons presented unto him the blood, which he sprinkled upon the altar round about,[n]

19 And the fat of the bullock and of the ram, the rump, and that which covereth *the inwards*, and the kidneys, and the caul *above* the liver:[o]

20 And they put the fat upon the breasts, and he burnt the fat upon the altar:[p]

21 And the breasts and the right shoulder Aaron waved *for* a wave offering before the LORD; as Moses commanded.[q]

22 And Aaron lifted up his hand toward the people, and blessed them, and came down from offering of the sin offering, and the burnt offering, and peace offerings.[r]

23 And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of the congregation, and came out, and blessed the people: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the people.[s]

24 And there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: *which* when all the people saw, they shouted, and fell on their faces.[t]

CHAPTER X.

1 Nadab and Abihu, for offering of strange fire, are burnt by fire 6 Aaron and his sons are forbidden to mourn for them. 8 The priests are forbidden wine when they are to go into the tabernacle. 12 The law of eating the holy things. 16 Aaron's excuse for transgressing thereof



AND Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.[u]

2 And there went out fire from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD.[v]

3 Then Moses said unto Aaron, This *is it* that the LORD spake, saying, I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me, and before all the people I will be glorified. And Aaron held his peace.[w]

4 And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said unto them, Come near, carry your brethren from before the sanctuary out of the camp.[x]

5 So they went near, and carried them in their coats out of the camp; as Moses had said.

6 And Moses said unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons, Uncover not your heads, neither rend your clothes; lest ye die, and lest wrath come upon all the people: but let your brethren, the whole house of Israel, bewail the burning which the LORD hath kindled.[y]

7 And ye shall not go out from the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: for the anointing oil of the LORD *is* upon you. And they did according to the word of Moses.[z]

8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, saying,

9 Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of

the congregation, lest ye die: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations:[a]

10 And that ye may put difference between holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;[b]

11 And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the LORD hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses.[c]

12 ¶ And Moses spake unto Aaron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons that were left, Take the meat offering that remaineth of the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and eat it without leaven beside the altar: for it *is* most holy:[d]

13 And ye shall eat it in the holy place, because it *is* thy due, and thy sons' due, of the sacrifices of the LORD made by fire: for so I am commanded.

14 And the wave breast and heave shoulder shall ye eat in a clean place; thou, and thy sons, and thy daughters with thee: for *they be* thy due, and thy sons' due, *which* are given out of the sacrifices of peace offerings of the children of Israel.[e]

15 The heave shoulder and the wave breast shall they bring with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave *it for* a wave offering before the LORD: and it shall be thine, and thy sons' with thee, by a statute for ever; as the LORD hath commanded.

16 ¶ And Moses diligently sought the goat of the sin offering, and, behold, it was burnt: and he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron *which were* left *alive*, saying,[f]

17 Wherefore have ye not eaten the sin offering in the holy place, seeing it *is* most holy, and *God* hath given it you to bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for them before the LORD?[g]

18 Behold, the blood of it was not brought in within the holy *place:* ye should indeed have eaten it in the holy *place*, as I commanded.[h]

19 And Aaron said unto Moses, Behold, this day have they offered their sin offering and their burnt offering before the LORD; and such things have befallen me: and *if* I had eaten the sin offering to day, should it have been accepted in the sight of the LORD?[i]

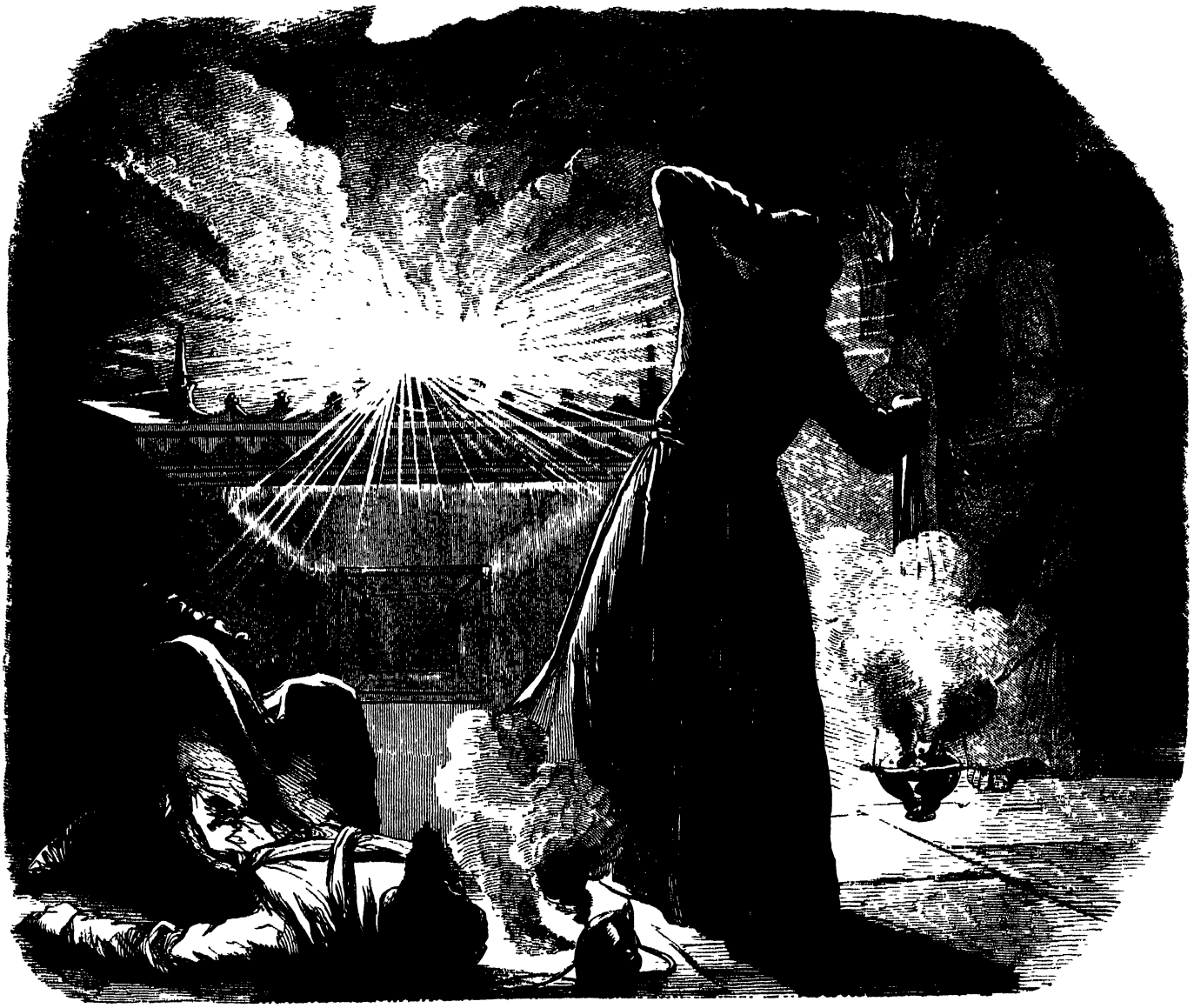
20 And when Moses heard *that*, he was content.

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

[a] Numb vi. 3; Isa. xxviii. 7, Jer xxxv. 5, 6; Ezek. xliv. 21, Luke i. 15, ch. iii. 17

[b] ch. xi. 46, 47; xx. 25; Jer xv. 19, Ezek. xliv. 23

[c] ch. xiv 57; Exod. xviii. 16; Numb. xxx. 16; Deut. iv. 1, 14; vi. 24, xxiv. 8, xxxiii. 10; 1 Sam xii. 23; 2 Chron xvii. 7—9, xxx. 22, Ezra vii. 10, Neh. viii. 2, 8, 13, 14; Jer. ii. 8, 18, Mal ii. 7. vi. 26, 30, ix



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[d] ch. ii 6, 15—18, vii 9, xxi. 22, Numb xviii. 9, 10, Ezek xliv 29; ch. xxi 22

[e] ver 13

[f] ch vi 26

[g] ch. ix. 21; Exod. xxix. 24—28; Numb. xviii. 8—11.

[h] ch. ix. 8, 12

CHAPTER XI.

What beasts may, 4 *and what may not be eaten.* 9 *What fishes.* 13 *What fowls.* 29 *The creeping things which are unclean.*

Before Christ 1490.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These *are* the beasts which ye shall eat among all the beasts that *are* on the earth.[a]

3 Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted, *and* cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall eat.[b]

4 Nevertheless these shall ye not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the hoof: *as* the camel, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.[c]

5 And the coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.

6 And the hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he *is* unclean unto you.

7 And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; he *is* unclean to you.[d]

8 Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they *are* unclean to you.

9 ¶ These shall ye eat of all that *are* in the waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat.[e]

10 And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which *is* in the waters, they *shall be* an abomination unto you:[f]

11 They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall have their carcases in abomination.

12 Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that *shall be* an abomination unto you.[g]

13 ¶ And these *are they which* ye shall have in abomination among the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they *are* an abomination: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray,[h]

14 And the vulture, and the kite after his kind;[i]



GROUP OF ANIMALS PROHIBITED TO BE USED AS FOOD.

15 Every raven after his kind;[j]

16 And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,[k]

17 And the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl,[l]

18 And the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle,[m]

19 And the stork, the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.[n]

20 All fowls that creep, going upon *all* four, *shall be* an abomination unto you.[o]

21 Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon *all* four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth;

22 *Even* these of them ye may eat; the locust after his kind, and the bald locust after his kind, and the beetle after his kind, and the grasshopper after his kind.

23 But all *other* flying creeping things, which have four feet, *shall be* an abomination unto you.

[a] Gen. ix. 3; Deut. xiv. 4; Acts x. 12, 14.
[b] Deut. xiv. 6
[c] Deut. xiv. 7
[d] Deut. xiv. 8; Isa. lxvi. 17
[e] Deut. xiv. 9.
[f] Deut. xiv. 10
[g] ver. 10
[h] Deut. xiv. 12
[i] Deut. xiv. 13
[j] Deut. xiv. 14
[k] Deut. xiv. 15
[l] Deut. xiv. 16
[m] Deut. xiv. 16, 17.
[n] Deut. xiv. 18
[o] Deut. xiv. 19

24 And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be unclean until the even.[a]

25 And whosoever beareth *ought* of the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.[b]

26 *The carcases* of every beast which divideth the hoof, and *is* not clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud, *are* unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.[c]

27 And whatsoever goeth upon his paws, among all manner of beasts that go on *all* four, those *are* unclean unto you: whoso toucheth their carcase shall be unclean until the even.

28 And he that beareth the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they *are* unclean unto you.

29 ¶ These also *shall be* unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth; the weasel, and the mouse, and the tortoise after his kind,

30 And the ferret, and the chameleon, and the lizard, and the snail, and the mole.



THE CHAMELEON.

31 These *are* unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth touch them, when they be dead, shall be unclean until the even.

32 And upon whatsoever *any* of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether *it be* any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel *it be*, wherein *any* work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; so it shall be cleansed.[d]

33 And every earthen vessel, whereinto *any* of them falleth, whatsoever *is* in it shall be unclean; and ye shall break it.

34 Of all meat which may be eaten, *that* on which *such* water cometh shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every *such* vessel shall be unclean.

35 And every *thing* whereupon *any part* of their carcase falleth shall be unclean; *whether it be* oven, or ranges for pots, they shall be broken down: *for* they *are* unclean, and shall be unclean unto you.

36 Nevertheless a fountain or pit, *wherein there is* plenty of [1]water, shall be clean: but that which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean.

37 And if *any part* of their carcase fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it *shall be* clean.

38 But if *any* water be put upon the seed, and *any part* of their carcase fall thereon, it *shall be* unclean unto you.

39 And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; he that toucheth the carcase thereof shall be unclean until the even.[e]

40 And he that eateth of the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: he also that beareth the carcase of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.[f]

41 And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth *shall be* an abomination; it shall not be eaten.[g]

42 Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon *all* four, or whatsoever hath more [2]feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; for they *are* an abomination.

43 Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make [3]yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.

44 For I *am* the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I *am* holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.[h]

45 For I *am* the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I *am* holy.[i]

46 This *is* the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth:

47 To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten.[j]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *The purification of women after childbirth.* 6 *Her offerings for her purifying.*



AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a woman have conceived seed, and born a man child: then she shall be unclean seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.[k]

3 And in the eighth day the flesh of his foreskin shall be circumcised.[l]

4 And she shall then continue in the blood of her purifying three and thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled.[m]

5 But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be

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1 Heb. *a gathering together of waters.*

[a] vs. 27, 31

[b] vs. 28, 40

[c] vs. 4, 5.

[e] vs 6, 27; ch. v 2; Deut. xiv 8.

[f] ch xvii. 15.

[g] vs. 29—31

2 Heb *doth multiply feet.*

3 Heb. *your souls*

[h] ch. x. 3, xix. 2; xx. 7, 26; Exod. xix. 6; Deut. xiv 2; 1 Sam vi. 20; Ps. xcix. 5, 9, Isa. vi 3—5; Matt. v 48, 1 Peter i. 15, 16; ii. 9

[i] ver 44, ch xix. 2; Exod. xx. 1, Ps. cv 43—45, Isa. xliii. 3

[j] ch x 10; Ezek. xxii. 26, xliv. 23

[d] ch vi. 28, xv 12

[k] ch. xv 19

[l] Gen xvii. 12; Luke ii. 21; John vii. 22; Acts vii 8; Phil. iii. 5, Col ii 11.

[m] ch. xv 25—28; Luke ii. 22

unclean two weeks, as in her separation: and she shall continue in the blood of her purifying threescore and six days.

6 And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled, for a son, or for a daughter, she shall bring a [1]lamb of the first year for a burnt offering, and a young pigeon, or a turtledove, for a sin offering, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:[a]

7 Who shall offer it before the LORD, and make an atonement for her; and she shall be cleansed from the issue of her blood. This *is* the law for her that hath born a male or a female.[b]

8 And if she be not [2]able to bring a lamb, then she shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a sin offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for her, and [illegible] shall be clean.[c]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *The manifold tokens whereby the priest is to be guided in discerning the leprosy.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, saying,

2 When a man shall have in the skin of his flesh [3]a rising, a scab, or bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh *like* the plague of leprosy; then he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the priests:[d]

3 And the priest shall look on the plague in the skin of the flesh: and *when* the hair in the plague is turned white, and the plague in sight *be* deeper than the skin of his flesh, it *is* a plague of leprosy: and the priest shall look on him, and pronounce him unclean.[e]

4 If the bright spot *be* white in the skin of his flesh, and in sight *be* not deeper than the skin, and the hair thereof be not turned white; then the priest shall shut up *him that hath* the plague seven days:[f]

5 And the priest shall look on him the seventh day: and, behold, *if* the plague in his sight be at a stay, *and* the plague spread not in the skin; then the priest shall shut him up seven days more:[g]

6 And the priest shall look on him again the seventh day: and, behold, *if* the plague *be* somewhat dark, *and* the plague spread not in the skin, the priest shall pronounce him clean: it *is but* a scab: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.

7 But if the scab spread much abroad in the skin, after that he hath been seen of the priest for his cleansing, he shall be seen of the priest again:

8 And *if* the priest see that, behold, the scab spreadeth in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a leprosy.[h]

9 ¶ When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought unto the priest;[i]

10 And the priest shall see *him:* and, behold, *if* the rising *be* white in the skin, and it have turned the hair white, and *there be* [4]quick raw flesh in the rising;

11 It *is* an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean, and shall not shut him up: for he *is* unclean.

12 And if a leprosy break out abroad in the skin, and the leprosy cover all the skin of *him that hath* the plague from his head even to his foot, wheresoever the priest looketh;

13 Then the priest shall consider: and, behold, *if* the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce *him* clean *that hath* the plague: it is all turned white: he *is* clean.

14 But when raw flesh appeareth in him, he shall be unclean.[j]

15 And the priest shall see the raw flesh, and pronounce him to be unclean: *for* the raw flesh *is* unclean: it *is* a leprosy.

16 Or if the raw flesh turn again, and be changed unto white, he shall come unto the priest;

17 And the priest shall see him: and, behold, *if* the plague be turned into white; then the priest shall pronounce *him* clean *that hath* the plague: he *is* clean.

18 ¶ The flesh also, in which, *even* in the skin thereof, was a boil, and is healed,

19 And in the place of the boil there be a white rising, or a bright spot, white, and somewhat reddish, and it be shewed to the priest;

20 And if, when the priest seeth it, behold, it *be* in sight lower than the skin, and the hair thereof be turned white; the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a plague of leprosy broken out of the boil.

21 But if the priest look on it, and, behold, *there be* no white hairs therein, and *if* it *be* not lower than the skin, but *be* somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days:

22 And if it spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a plague.

23 But if the bright spot stay in his place, *and* spread not, it *is* a burning boil; and the priest shall pronounce him clean.

24 ¶ Or if there be *any* flesh, in the skin whereof *there is* a [5]hot burning, and the quick *flesh* that burneth have a white bright spot, somewhat reddish, or white;

25 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, behold, *if* the hair in the bright spot be turned white, and it *be in* sight deeper than the skin; it *is* a leprosy broken out of the burning: wherefore the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* the plague of leprosy.

26 But if the priest look on it, and, behold, *there be* no white hair in the bright spot, and it *be* no lower than the *other* skin, but *be* somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days:[k]

27 And the priest shall look upon him the seventh day: *and* if it be spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* the plague of leprosy.[l]

28 And if the bright spot stay in his place, *and* spread not in the skin, but it *be* somewhat dark; it *is* a rising of the burning, and the priest shall pronounce him clean: for it *is* an inflammation of the burning.

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4 Heb *the quickening of living flesh*; ver. 5.

1 Heb *a son of his year*

a ch. i. 10; v 6—10

b ch. i. 4; iv 20, 26

2 Heb *her hand find not sufficiency of a lamb*

c ver. 6; Luke ii. 22—24, ch. iv 26.

3 Or, *swelling*

d Numb. xii. 10, 12; Deut. xxiv. 8; 2 Sam. iii. 29, 2 Kings v 1, 27; 2 Chron. xxvi. 19—21, Hagg. ii. 11; Mal. ii. 7, Matt. viii. 4, Mark i. 44; Luke v 14; xvii. 14.

e ch x. 10; Ezek. xliv. 23

f vs. 5, 21, 26, 31, 50, Numb v 1—4, xii 15, xiii. 45, 46, 2 Kings xv 5

5 Heb *a burning fire*

g vs. 3, 6—8, 10, 15, 17, 20, 21, 25—27, 30—32, 34, 36, 39, 43, 50, 51, 53, 55, 56.

h vs. 5, 21, 31, 50

i ver 3.

j ver 2.

k ver 2

29 ¶ If a man or woman have a plague upon the head or the beard;

30 Then the priest shall see the plague: and, behold, if it *be* in sight deeper than the skin; *and there be* in it a yellow thin hair; then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it *is* a dry scall, *even* a leprosy upon the head or beard.[a]

31 And if the priest look on the plague of the scall, and, behold, it *be* not in sight deeper than the skin, and *that there is* no black hair in it; then the priest shall shut up *him that hath* the plague of the scall seven days:

32 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the plague: and, behold, *if* the scall spread not, and there be in it no yellow hair, and the scall *be* not in sight deeper than the skin;

33 He shall be shaven, but the scall shall he not shave; and the priest shall shut up *him that hath* the scall seven days more:

34 And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the scall: and, behold, *if* the scall be not spread in the skin, nor *be* in sight deeper than the skin; then the priest shall pronounce him clean: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.[b]

35 But if the scall spread much in the skin after his cleansing;

36 Then the priest shall look on him: and, behold, if the scall be spread in the skin, the priest shall not seek for yellow hair; he *is* unclean.

37 But if the scall be in his sight at a stay, and *that* there is black hair grown up therein; the scall is healed, he *is* clean: and the priest shall pronounce him clean.

38 ¶ If a man also or a woman have in the skin of their flesh bright spots, *even* white bright spots;

39 Then the priest shall look: and, behold, *if* the bright spots in the skin of their flesh *be* darkish white; it *is* a freckled spot *that* groweth in the skin; he *is* clean.

40 And the man whose [1]hair is fallen off his head, he *is* bald; *yet is* he clean.

41 And he that hath his hair fallen off from the part of his head toward his face, he *is* forehead bald: *yet is* he clean.

42 And if there be in the bald head, or bald forehead, a white reddish sore; it *is* a leprosy sprung up in his bald head, or his bald forehead.

43 Then the priest shall look upon it: and, behold, *if* the rising of the sore *be* white reddish in his bald head, or in his bald forehead, as the leprosy appeareth in the skin of the flesh;

44 He is a leprous man, he *is* unclean: the priest shall pronounce him utterly unclean; his plague *is* in his head.

45 And the leper in whom the plague *is*, his clothes shall be rent, and his head bare, and he shall put a covering upon his upper lip, and shall cry, Unclean, unclean.

46 All the days wherein the plague *shall be* in him he shall be defiled; he *is* unclean: he shall dwell alone; without the camp *shall* his habitation *be*.[c]

47 ¶ The garment also that the plague of leprosy is in, *whether it be* a woollen garment, or a linen garment;

48 Whether *it be* in the warp, or woof; of linen, or of woollen; whether in a skin, or in any [2]thing made of skin;

49 And if the plague be greenish or reddish in the garment, or in the skin, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any [3]thing of skin; it *is* a plague of leprosy, and shall be shewed unto the priest:

50 And the priest shall look upon the plague, and shut up *it that hath* the plague seven days:

51 And he shall look on the plague on the seventh day: if the plague be spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in a skin, *or* in any work that is made of skin; the plague *is* a fretting leprosy; it *is* unclean.

52 He shall therefore burn that garment, whether warp or woof, in woollen or in linen, or any thing of skin, wherein the plague is: for it *is* a fretting leprosy; it shall be burnt in the fire.[d]

53 And if the priest shall look, and, behold, the plague be not spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin;

54 Then the priest shall command that they wash *the thing* wherein the plague *is*, and he shall shut it up seven days more:

55 And the priest shall look on the plague, after that it is washed: and, behold, *if* the plague have not changed his colour, and the plague be not spread; it *is* unclean; thou shalt burn it in the fire; it *is* fret inward, *whether* it *be* [4]bare within or without.

56 And if the priest look, and, behold, the plague *be* somewhat dark after the washing of it; then he shall rend it out of the garment, or out of the skin, or out of the warp, or out of the woof:

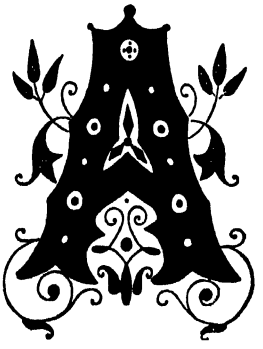
57 And if it appear still in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin; it *is* a spreading *plague:* thou shalt burn that wherein the plague *is* with fire.

58 And the garment, either warp, or woof, or whatsoever thing of skin *it be*, which thou shalt wash, if the plague be departed from them, then it shall be washed the second time, and shall be clean.

59 This *is* the law of the plague of leprosy in a garment of woollen or linen, either in the warp, or woof, or any thing of skins, to pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean.[e]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *The rites and sacrifices in cleansing of the leper.* 33 *The signs of leprosy in a house.* 43 *The cleansing of that house.*



AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 This shall be the law of the leper in the day of his cleansing: He shall be brought unto the priest:[f]

3 And the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look, and, behold, *if* the plague of leprosy be healed in the leper;[g]

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a vs 34—37, xiv 54

1 Heb *head is pilled or peeled*

2 Heb *work of.*

3 Heb *vessel*, or *instrument*

b ver 6

c ch xiv; Numb v 1—4, Deut xxiv 8 9

d ch xiv 44, 45

4 Heb *it be bald in the head thereof, or in the forehead thereof*

e ch xiv 54—57; ch xiii 59, Matt viii 2—4; Mark i 40—44; Luke v 12—14

f Numb v 2, xii 14, 15; 2 Kings vii 3, xv 5; 2 Chron xxvi 21.

g ch xiii 46

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4 Then shall the priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed two birds alive *and* clean, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop :[a]

5 And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over running water :

6 As for the living bird, he shall take it, and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall

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[a] Numb xix. 6; Heb. ix. 19.

[d] Numb vi. 9, viii. 7, xix. 12, 19, xxxi 19, 24

in water, that he may be clean : and after that he shall come into the camp, and shall tarry abroad out of his tent seven days.

9 But it shall be on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even all his hair he shall shave off : and he shall wash his clothes, also he shall wash his flesh in water, and he shall be clean.[d]



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dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird *that was* killed over the running water :[b]

7 And he shall sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose into the [1]open field.[c]

8 And he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and shave off all his hair, and wash himself

[b] ver 4

2 Heb *the daughter of her years.*

3 A Hebrew measure of liquids, containing about three-quarters of a pint.

1 Heb. *upon the face of the field.*

[c] ch. iv 6, 17; viii. 11; xiv 7, 16, 27; xvi. 14, 16, 51; Numb xix. 4

[e] ch. viii. 3; Exod. xxix 4; Numb. viii.

10 And on the eighth day he shall take two he lambs without blemish, and one [2]ewe lamb of the first year without blemish, and three tenth deals of fine flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, and one [3]log of oil.

11 And the priest that maketh *him* clean shall present the man that is to be made clean, and those things, before the LORD, *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation :[e]

12 And the priest shall take one he lamb, and offer him for a trespass offering, and the log of oil, and wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD:[a]

13 And he shall slay the lamb in the place where he shall kill the sin offering and the burnt offering, in the holy place: for as the sin offering *is* the priest's, *so is* the trespass offering: it *is* most holy:[b]

14 And the priest shall take *some* of the blood of the trespass offering, and the priest shall put *it* upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:[c]

15 And the priest shall take *some* of the log of oil, and pour *it* into the palm of his own left hand:

16 And the priest shall dip his right finger in the oil that *is* in his left hand, and shall sprinkle of the oil with his finger seven times before the LORD:[d]

17 And of the rest of the oil that *is* in his hand shall the priest put upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the blood of the trespass offering:[e]

18 And the remnant of the oil that *is* in the priest's hand he shall pour upon the head of him that is to be cleansed: and the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD.[f]

19 And the priest shall offer the sin offering, and make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed from his uncleanness; and afterward he shall kill the burnt offering:[g]

20 And the priest shall offer the burnt offering and the meat offering upon the altar: and the priest shall make an atonement for him, and he shall be clean.[h]

21 And if he *be* poor, and [1]cannot get so much; then he shall take one lamb *for* a trespass offering [2]to be waved, to make an atonement for him, and one tenth deal of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering, and a log of oil;

22 And two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, such as he is able to get; and the one shall be a sin offering, and the other a burnt offering.

23 And he shall bring them on the eighth day for his cleansing unto the priest, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, before the LORD.[i]

24 And the priest shall take the lamb of the trespass offering, and the log of oil, and the priest shall wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD:[j]

25 And he shall kill the lamb of the trespass offering, and the priest shall take *some* of the blood of the trespass offering, and put *it* upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:[k]

26 And the priest shall pour of the oil into the palm of his own left hand:[l]

27 And the priest shall sprinkle with his right finger *some* of the oil that *is* in his left hand seven times before the LORD:[m]

28 And the priest shall put of the oil that *is* in his hand upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the place of the blood of the trespass offering:[n]

29 And the rest of the oil that *is* in the priest's hand he shall put upon the head of him that is to be cleansed, to make an atonement for him before the LORD.[o]

30 And he shall offer the one of the turtledoves, or of the young pigeons, such as he can get;[p]

31 *Even* such as he is able to get, the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering, with the meat offering: and the priest shall make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed before the LORD.

32 This *is* the law *of him* in whom *is* the plague of leprosy, whose hand is not able to get *that which pertaineth* to his cleansing.[q]

33 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

34 When ye be come into the land of Canaan,[r] which I give to you for a possession, and I put the plague of leprosy in a house of the land of your possession;[s]

35 And he that owneth the house shall come and tell the priest, saying, It seemeth to me *there is* as it were a plague in the house:

36 Then the priest shall command that they [3]empty the house, before the priest go *into it* to see the plague, that all that *is* in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest shall go in to see the house:

37 And he shall look on the plague, and, behold, *if* the plague *be* in the walls of the house with hollow strakes, greenish or reddish, which in sight *are* lower than the wall;[t]

38 Then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house seven days:[u]

39 And the priest shall come again the seventh day, and shall look: and, behold, *if* the plague be spread in the walls of the house;[v]

40 Then the priest shall command that they take away the stones in which the plague *is*, and they shall cast them into an unclean place without the city:[w]

41 And he shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they shall pour out the dust that they scrape off without the city into an unclean place:[x]

42 And they shall take other stones, and put *them* in the place of those stones; and he shall take other morter, and shall plaister the house.

43 And if the plague come again, and break out in the house, after that he hath taken away the stones, and after he hath scraped the house, and after it is plaistered;

44 Then the priest shall come and look, and, behold, *if* the plague be spread in the house, it *is* a fretting leprosy in the house: it *is* unclean.[y]

45 And he shall break down the house, the stones of it, and the timber thereof, and all the morter of the house; and he shall carry *them* forth out of the city into an unclean place.[z]

46 Moreover he that goeth into the house all the while that it is shut up shall be unclean until the even.[a]

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n ver. 17.

a ch. v. 6, 15, 18; vi. 6; vii. 1—7, 37; viii. 27; xxiii. 11, 20; Numb. xviii. 11.

o vs. 18, 20; Exod. xxx. 15, 16; John xvii. 19; 1 John ii. 1, 2.

b ver 12; ch. i. 11; iv. 3, 4, 13, 14, 22—24, 27—29; vi. 25; x. 17; xvi. 25

p ver. 22, ch xii. 8; xv. 14, 15; Luke ii 24; Rom. viii. 3, 4.

c ver. 17; ch. viii. 23, 24; Exod. xxix. 20; Rom. vi. 13, 19; xii. 1; 2 Cor. vii. 1, Phil. i. 20

q vs. 2, 54—57; ch xiii 59; Ps. lxxii. 13; cxxxvi. 23; Matt viii 4; xi. 5; 1 Cor. i. 27, 28; 2 Cor. viii 12.

d ver 7; ch iv. 6, 17; Luke xvii. 18; 1 Cor. x. 31.

r ch. xxiii. 10; xxv. 2, Numb xxxv. 10; Deut. vii. 2, xii. 1, 8, xix. 1; xxvi. 1, xxvii 3; Gen. xii 7, xiii 17, xvii. 8; Numb xxxii. 32, Deut. xii. 9, 10, xxxii 49, Jos xiii. 1

s Exod xv 26, Deut. vii. 15, 1 Sam ii 6; Prov. iii 33, Isa. xiv 7; Amos iii 6, vi. 11; Micah vi 9

e ver. 14; ch. viii 30, Exod. xxix 20, 21

3 Or, *prepare the house.*

f ch. viii. 12; Exod. xxix. 7; 2 Cor. i. 21; 1 John ii. 20; Lev. iv. 26, 31; v. 16.

g ver 12; ch. v. 1, 6; xii. 6; 2 Cor v 21.

t ch. xiii. 3, 19, 20, 42, 49. 50.

h ver. 10; Eph v. 2

u ch. xiii. 50.

1 Heb. *his hand reach not*

2 Heb. *for a waving*

v ch. xiii. 7, 8, 22, 27, 36, 51.

w vs. 41, 45

i ver. 11

x ver 40

j ver. 12

k ver 14, Ps xl 6, 7

y ver 39

l ver 15

m ver 16

z ver 41.

a ch. xi. 24, 25, 27, 28; xv 5, 8, 10; xvii. 15; xxii. 6; Numb xix. 7, 8, 10, 21, 22.

47 And he that lieth in the house shall wash his clothes; and he that eateth in the house shall wash his clothes.[a]

48 And if the priest [1]shall come in, and look *upon it*, and, behold, the plague hath not spread in the

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[a] vs. 8, 9.

[1] Heb *in coming in shall come in*

52 And he shall cleanse the house with the blood of the bird, and with the running water, and with the living bird, and with the cedar wood, and with the hyssop, and with the scarlet:

53 But he shall let go the living bird out of the



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house, after the house was plaistered: then the priest shall pronounce the house clean, because the plague is healed.

49 And he shall take to cleanse the house two birds, and cedar wood, and scarlet, and hyssop:[c]

50 And he shall kill the one of the birds in an earthen vessel over running water:[d]

51 And he shall take the cedar wood, and the hyssop, and the scarlet, and the living bird, and dip them in the blood of the slain bird, and in the running water and sprinkle the house seven times:[e]

[f] vs 7, 20

[b] ver. 3, Job v. 18, Hos. vi. 1, Mark v. 29, 34, Luke vii. 21.

[g] vs. 2, 32, ch. xiii. 30, 31.

[c] ver 4

[h] vs 34—48; ch. xiii 47—59.

[d] ver. 5.

[i] ch. xiii. 2

[2] Heb. *in the day of the unclean, and in the day of the clean*, Deut. xxiv. 8.

[e] vs. 6, 7

city into the open fields, and make an atonement for the house: and it shall be clean.[f]

54 This *is* the law for all manner of plague of leprosy, and scall,[g]

55 And for the leprosy of a garment, and of a house,[h]

56 And for a rising, and for a scab, and for a bright spot:[i]

57 To teach [2]when *it is* unclean, and when *it is* clean: this *is* the law of leprosy.

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The uncleanness of men in their issues.* 13 *The cleansing of them.* 19 *The uncleanness of women in their issues.* 28 *Their cleansing.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When any man hath a [1]running issue out of his flesh, *because of* his issue he *is* unclean.[a]

3 And this shall be his uncleanness in his issue: whether his flesh run with his issue, or his flesh be stopped from his issue, it *is* his uncleanness.

4 Every bed, whereon he lieth that hath the issue, is unclean: and every [2]thing, whereon he sitteth, shall be unclean.[b]

5 And whosoever toucheth his bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.[c]

6 And he that sitteth on *any* thing whereon he sat that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

7 And he that toucheth the flesh of him that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.

8 And if he that hath the issue spit upon him that is clean; then he shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.[d]

9 And what [3]saddle soever he rideth upon that hath the issue shall be unclean.

10 And whosoever toucheth any thing that was under him shall be unclean until the even: and he that beareth *any of* those things shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.[e]

11 And whomsoever he toucheth that hath the issue, and hath not rinsed his hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.[f]

12 And the vessel of earth, that he toucheth which hath the issue, shall be broken: and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water.[g]

13 And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue; then he shall number to himself seven days for his cleansing, and wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean.[h]

14 And on the eighth day he shall take to him two turtledoves, or two young pigeons, and come before the LORD unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and give them unto the priest:[i]

15 And the priest shall offer them, the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for him before the LORD for his issue.[j]

16 And if any man's seed of copulation go out from him, then he shall wash all his flesh in water, and be unclean until the even.[k]

17 And every garment, and every [4]skin, whereon is the seed of copulation, shall be washed with water, and be unclean until the even.

18 The woman also with whom man shall lie *with* seed of copulation, they shall *both* bathe *themselves* in water, and be unclean until the even.[l]

19 ¶ And if a woman have an issue, *and* her issue in her flesh be blood, she shall be [5]put apart seven days: and whosoever toucheth her shall be unclean until the even.[m]

20 And every thing that she lieth upon in her separation shall be unclean: every thing also that she sitteth upon shall be unclean.[n]

21 And whosoever toucheth her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.[o]

22 And whosoever toucheth any thing that she sat upon shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.[p]

23 And if it *be* on *her* bed, or on any thing whereon she sitteth, when he toucheth it, he shall be unclean until the even.[q]

24 And if any man lie with her at all, and her flowers be upon him, he shall be unclean seven days; and all the bed whereon he lieth shall be unclean.[r]

25 And if a woman have an issue of her blood many days out of the time of her separation, or if it run beyond the time of her separation; all the days of the issue of her uncleanness shall be as the days of her separation: she *shall be* unclean.[s]

26 Every bed whereon she lieth all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the bed of her separation: and whatsoever she sitteth upon shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her separation.

27 And whosoever toucheth those things shall be unclean, and shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.[t]

28 But if she be cleansed of her issue, then she shall number to herself seven days, and after that she shall be clean.[u]

29 And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two turtles, or two young pigeons, and bring them unto the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.[v]

30 And the priest shall offer the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for her before the LORD for the issue of her uncleanness.[w]

31 Thus shall ye separate the children of Israel from their uncleanness; that they die not in their uncleanness, when they defile my tabernacle that *is* among them.[x]

32 This *is* the law of him that hath an issue, and *of him* whose seed goeth from him, and is defiled therewith;[y]

33 And of her that is sick of her flowers, and of him that hath an issue, of the man, and of the woman, and of him that lieth with her that is unclean.[z]

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k ver. 5; ch. xxii. 4; Deut. xxiii. 10, 11.

4 The skin of goats and other animals have been, and still are, used to sit upon in the East.

l ver 5

5 Heb. *in her separation.*

1 Or, *running of the reins*

m ver 13; ch xii 2, 4, xx. 18; Lam i. 9, 17; Ezek. xxxvi. 17; Matt. xv. 19, Mark v 25.

a ch. xxii. 4; Numb v. 2, 2 Sam iii. 29; Mark v 25, vii. 20, 23, Luke viii. 43

n vs 4, 9, 19

o vs. 5, 6.

2 Heb. *vessel.*

p vs. 5—11, 16—19, 21.

b ch. v 2, xlii. 3, 8, 11, 15, 20, 22, 25, 27, 30, 44, 59.

q ver. 20

c vs. 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, 23, 27; ch. xi. 25, 28, 31, 32, 33, 39, 40; xiv. 46, xvii. 15; xxii. 6; Numb xix. 7, 8, 10, 21, 22.

r ver 33; ch xx. 18, Ezek. xviii. 6, xxii. 10

s vs. 19, 24, Matt. ix. 20; Mark v 25, vii. 23, Luke viii. 43.

d ver 6

3 The Heb. word rendered in this passage *saddle*, is translated also *chariot*, it therefore most probably means, in this instance, the *covering* of the animal, or seat, on which the rider sat.

t vs. 5, 8, 13, 21; ch xvii. 15, 16.

e ver. 5.

u ver. 13

f ver. 5.

v ver. 14

g ch vi. 28, xi 33

w ver 15

h ver 28, ch xiv 8, 10, Numb xii 14, xix. 11, 12; vs. 5, 10, 11

x ch. xl. 47, xlii. 59, Numb. v. 3, Deut. xxiv 8; Ps lxvi 18, Ezek. xliv. 23; Heb xii. 15, Jude 23

i vs. 29, 30, ch i 14; xii. 6, 8, xiv 22—31, Numb vi 10; Luke ii. 24.

y vs. 1—18

ch. i. 3, 10, 14; iv. 3, 13, 14, 20, 22, 23, 26, 27—29, 31, 35, xii. 7; xiv. 18; vi. 25; x. 17; xvi. 25; Exod. xxix. 14; xx. 24; Ps. lxvi. 15.

z vs 19—30; ch. v. 24; xx. 18.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *How the high priest must enter into the holy place.* 11 *The sin offering for himself.* 15 *The sin offering for the people.* 20 *The scapegoat.* 29 *The yearly feast of the expiations.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they offered before the LORD, and died;[a]

2 And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother, that he come not at all times into the holy *place* within the vail before the mercy seat, which *is* upon the ark; that he die not: for I will appear in the cloud upon the mercy seat.[b]

3 Thus shall Aaron come into the holy *place:* with a young bullock for a sin offering, and a ram for a burnt offering.[c]

4 He shall put on the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: these *are* holy garments; therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and *so* put them on.[d]

5 And he shall take of the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.[e]

6 And Aaron shall offer his bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and make an atonement for himself, and for his house.[f]



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7 And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.[g]

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[h] Josh. xviii. 10; 1 Sam. xiv. 42; 1 Chron. xxvi. 13; Ps. xxii. 18; Isa. xxxiv. 17; Ezek. xlviii. 29; Joel iii. 3, Obad. 11; Nahum iii. 10; Matt. xxvii. 35, John xix. 24; Acts i. 23—26.

1 Heb *went up.*

[i] Josh. xiii. 6, 1 Sam. xiv. 41, 1 Chron. xvi. 18, Prov xvi. 33; Isa xxxiv. 17, Jer. xiii. 25, Acts xiii. 19.

[a] ch. x. 1, 2.

[j] vs. 8, 21, 22; xiv 7, 26, Isa. liii. 5, 6, 10, 11, Rom. iv 25, 2 Cor v 21, Heb. vii. 26, 27, ix. 23, 24; 1 John ii. 2; iii. 16.

[k] vs. 3, 6

[b] ch. viii 35, xxiii 27, Exod xxvi. 33, 34, xxx. 10, xl. 20, 21, Numb. iv 19; 1 Kings viii. 6, Heb iv. 14—16, ix. 3, 7, 8; x. 19—24.

[c] ch i. 3, 10, iv 3—8, 14; viii 18, ix. 2, 3; Numb. xxix 7—11.

[d] ch vi. 10; viii. 6, 7, Exod xxviii 2, xxix. 4; xxx. 20, xxxix 27—29, 43; xl 12, 31, 32, Ezek xliv 18, Rev i. 5, 6.

ch iv 14, viii. 2, 14; ix 8, 16, Numb. xxix. 11; 2 Chron xix. 21; Ezra vi. 17, Ezek. xlv 22, 23; Heb vii. 26—28, x. 1—14

[f] ch viii. 14—17; ix. 7; Ezra x. 19, Job i 5; Ezek xliii. 18—27; Heb. v 1—3, ix. 7

[l] Exod xxv 6, xxx 34—38, xxxi 11, xxxv 8, 28, xxxvii. 29, xxxix 38; Numb iv 16; Rev viii. 3, 4.

[m] ver. 2, 13; ch. viii. 35; Exod. xxx. 1, 7, 8; Numb. xvi. 7, 18, 46; Rev viii. 3, 4, Exod. xxviii. 35; xxx. 20, 21, Numb. iv. 19; xvii. 10

[n] ch. iv 5, 6, 17; viii. 11; Rom iii. 24—26, Heb. ix. 7, 13, 25; x. 4, 10—12, 19 xii. 24.

[o] vs. 2, 5—9; Heb. ii. 17; v. 3—9; ix. 3, 7—14, 18—28.

2 Heb. *dwelleth.*

[p] vs. 17, 18, 20, 27 ch. viii. 15; Exod xxix. 36, 37; Ezek. xlv. 18, 19.

.4; xii. 6, 7.

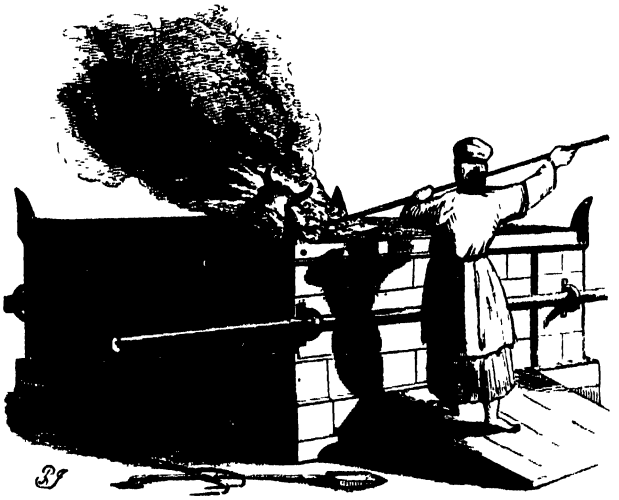
[g] vs. 6, 11, 16, 24; ch. ix. 7.

8 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the scapegoat.[h]

9 And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD'S [1]lot fell, and offer him *for* a sin offering.[i]

10 But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the LORD, [2]to make an atonement with him, *and* to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.[j]

11 And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which *is* for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sin offering which *is* for himself:[k]



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12 And he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from off the altar before the LORD, and his hands full of sweet incense beaten small, and bring *it* within the vail:[l]

13 And he shall put the incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that *is* upon the testimony, that he die not:[m]

14 And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle *it* with his finger upon the mercy seat eastward; and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger seven times.[n]

15 ¶ Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that *is* for the people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat:[o]

16 And he shall make an atonement for the holy *place,* because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that [2]remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness.[p]

17 And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy *place,* until he come out, and have made an atonement for himself, and for his houshold, and for all the congregation of Israel.[q]



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18 And he shall go out unto the altar that *is* before the LORD, and make an atonement for it; and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put *it* upon the horns of the altar round about.[a]

19 And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times, and cleanse it, and hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.[b]

20 ¶ And when he hath made an end of reconciling the holy *place*, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat:[c]

21 And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel,[d] and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send *him* away by the hand of a [1]fit man into the wilderness:

22 And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land [2]not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness.[e]

23 And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy *place*, and shall leave them there:[f]

24 And he shall wash his flesh with water in the holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer his burnt offering, and the burnt offering of the people, and make an atonement for himself, and for the people.[g]

25 And the fat of the sin offering shall he burn upon the altar.[h]

26 And he that let go the goat for the scapegoat shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the camp.[i]

27 And the bullock *for* the sin offering, and the goat *for* the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy *place*, shall *one* carry forth without the camp; and they shall burn in the fire their skins, and their flesh, and their dung.[j]

28 And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.[k]

29 ¶ And *this* shall be a statute for ever unto you: *that* in the seventh month, on the tenth *day* of the month, ye shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, *whether it be* one of your own country, or a stranger that sojourneth among you:[l]

30 For on that day shall *the priest* make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, *that* ye may be clean from all your sins before the LORD.[m]

31 It *shall be* a sabbath of rest unto you, and ye shall afflict your souls, by a statute for ever.[n]

32 And the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall [3]consecrate to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen clothes, *even* the holy garments:[o]

33 And he shall make an atonement for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make an atonement for the tabernacle of the congregation, and for the altar, and he shall make an atonement for the priests, and for all the people of the congregation.[p]

34 And this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to make an atonement for the children of Israel for all their sins once a year. And he did as the LORD commanded Moses.[q]

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p vs. 6, 16, 18, 19, 24; Exod. xx. 29, 30.

a ch. iv. 7, 18, 25, 30, 34; viii. 15; ix. 9; Exod. xxix. 12

q ch. xxiii. 31; Numb. xxix. 7; Exod. xxx. 10; Heb. ix. 7, 25; x. 3, 14.

b vs. 14, 15; ch. iv. 6, 17; viii. 11; xiv 16, 17, 27. 51; Numb xix. 4; Ezek. xliii. 18-27; Zech. xiii 1.

c ver. 16; ch. vi. 30; viii. 15, Ezek. xiv. 20; 2 Cor. v 19; Col. i. 20

d ch iii. 2, 8, 13; iv 4, 15, 24, 29, 33; xxiv. 14; xxvi. 40—42; Numb viii. 12, Ezra x. 1, Neh. i 6, 7, Ps xxxii. 5; li 3; Prov xxviii 13; Isa. liii. 6; Dan. ix. 3—20; Rom x.10, 2 Cor. v 21.

1 Heb. *a man of opportunity*

2 Heb *of separation.*

e Isa. liii. 11, 20, John i. 29; Gal. iii 13; Heb. ix. 28; 1 Peter ii 24.

f ver. 4; Ezek. xlii 14; xliv 19

g vs. 3—5; ch. viii. 6, 7—9; xiv 9, xxii. 6; Exod xxviii 4, xxix. 4, 5, Heb ix. 10; x. 19—22, Rev. i. 5, 6

h ch iv. 8—10, 19, Exod. xxix. 13

r vs. 10, 14; ch i. 3, Exod xii 15, 19, xviii. 29, xx. 3, 16, 18; Deut xii 5, 6, 13, 14; Ezek xx. 40, John x. 7, 9; xiv 6, Numb xv 30-32

i vs 10, 21, 22, 28, ch xiv 8, xv. 5—11, 27, Numb xix 7, 8, 21.

s ch iii 7, 11—21, iv 10, 26, 31, 35; vi 12, vii 11; ix 4, 18, x 14, xvii 5; xix. 5, Numb vi 14, 17, vii. 17, 23, 29, 35, 41, Josh viii. 31, xxii 23, Judg xx. 26, xxi 4; 1 Sam. x 8, xi 15, 2 Sam vi. 17, 24, 25; 1 Kings iii 15, viii 63, ix 25, 1 Chron xxi. 6; 2 Chron. xxxi 2, xxxiii 16; Prov vii. 14, Ezek xiv 15, 17, xlvi 2, 12

j ch iv 11, 12, 21; vi. 30, viii 17; Matt. xxvii 31—33; Heb. xiii 11—14

t ch i 5, 11, iii. 2, 8, 13, iv 19, 26, 31, v. 9, vii 2, 31, viii 19, 24, xvi 25, xvii 6, Numb. xviii 17, Ezek xliii 18, Exod xxiv 6, xxix 16, 20; Ezek. xliii 18

k ver 26

u ch xx 5, 6, Exod xxxiv. 15, 16, Numb xv 39, Deut xxxi 16; xxxii. 17, 2 Chron. xi 15, xxi 13; Ps lxxiii. 27, cvi 37; Ezek vi 9, 1 Cor x. 20, 21; Eph ii 2, 1 Tim. iv 1; Rev ix. 20

l ch xvii 15, xxiii 3, 7, 8, 21, 27, 28, 36, xxv 9, Numb xv. 30, xxix 7.

m Ps. xix. 12, li. 2, cxix. 9, Jer. xxxiii. 8; Ezek. xxxvi 25—27; Joel iii. 21; Eph v. 26; Titus ii 14; Heb. ix. 13, 14; x. 1, 2; 1 John i. 7—9.

n ch. xxiii. 32; xxv 4; Exod. xxxi. 15; xxxv 2

v vs 3—5

3 Heb *fill his hand.*

o vs 4, 6, 10, 11, 16—18, 20, 24—27, 30; Exod. xxix. 29, 30, 34; Numb xxi. 26—28.

w ch. iii. 17; vii. 26, 27; xix. 26; xx. 3, 6; Gen. ix. 4; Deut. xii. 16, 23; xv. 23; 1 Sam. xiv. 33; Ps. xxxiv. 16; Jer. xliv. 11; Ezek. xiv. 8; xv. 7; xxxiii. 25; xliv. 7; Acts xv. 20, 29.

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *The blood of all slain beasts must be offered to the Lord at the door of the tabernacle.* 7 *They must not offer to devils* 10 *All eating of blood is forbidden,* 15 *and all that dieth alone, or is torn.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them; This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded, saying,

3 What man soever *there be* of the house of Israel, that killeth an ox, or lamb, or goat, in the camp, or that killeth *it* out of the camp,

4 And bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer an offering unto the LORD before the tabernacle of the LORD; blood shall be imputed unto that man; he hath shed blood; and that man shall be cut off from among his people:[r]

5 To the end that the children of Israel may bring their sacrifices, which they offer in the open field, even that they may bring them unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest, and offer them *for* peace offerings unto the LORD.[s]

6 And the priest shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of the LORD *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and burn the fat for a sweet savour unto the LORD.[t]

7 And they shall no more offer their sacrifices unto devils, after whom they have gone a whoring. This shall be a statute for ever unto them throughout their generations.[u]

8 ¶ And thou shalt say unto them, Whatsoever man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers which sojourn among you, that offereth a burnt offering or sacrifice,

9 And bringeth it not unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer it unto the LORD; even that man shall be cut off from among his people.[v]

10 ¶ And whatsoever man *there be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.[w]

11 For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atone-

ment for your souls: for it *is* the blood *that* maketh an atonement for the soul.[e]

12 Therefore I said unto the children of Israel, No soul of you shall eat blood, neither shall any stranger that sojourneth among you eat blood.[b]

'13 And whatsoever man *there be* of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, which [1]hunteth and catcheth any beast or fowl that may be eaten; he shall even pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust.[c]

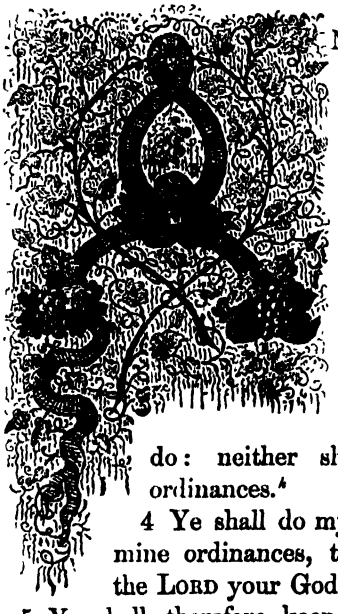
14 For *it is* the life of all flesh; the blood of it *is* for the life thereof: therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh: for the life of all flesh *is* the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.[d]

15 And every soul that eateth that which died *of itself*, or that which was torn *with beasts, whether it be* one of your own country, or a stranger, he shall both wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even: then shall he be clean.[e]

16 But if he wash *them* not, nor bathe his flesh; then he shall bear his iniquity.[f]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Unlawful marriages.* 19 *Unlawful lusts.*



AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, I am the LORD your God.[g]

3 After the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ye dwelt, shall ye not do: and after the doings of the land of Canaan, whither I bring you, shall ye not do: neither shall ye walk in their ordinances.[h]

4 Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I *am* the LORD your God.[i]

5 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which if a man do, he shall live in them: I *am* the LORD.[j]

6 ¶ None of you shall approach to any that is [2]near of kin to him, to uncover *their* nakedness: I *am* the LORD.[k]

7 The nakedness of thy father, or the nakedness of thy mother, shalt thou not uncover: she *is* thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.[l]

8 The nakedness of thy father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it *is* thy father's nakedness.[m]

9 The nakedness of thy sister, the daughter of thy father, or daughter of thy mother, *whether she be* born at home, or born abroad, *even* their nakedness thou shalt not uncover.[n]

10 The nakedness of thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's daughter, *even* their nakedness thou shalt not uncover: for their's *is* thine own nakedness.

11 The nakedness of thy father's wife's daughter, begotten of thy father, she *is* thy sister, thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.[o]

12 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister: she *is* thy father's near kinswoman.[p]

13 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister: for she *is* thy mother's near kinswoman.

14 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy father's brother, thou shalt not approach to his wife: she *is* thine aunt.[q]

15 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy daughter in law: she *is* thy son's wife; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.[r]

16 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife: it *is* thy brother's nakedness.[s]

17 Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of a woman and her daughter, neither shalt thou take her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter, to uncover her nakedness; *for* they *are* her near kinswomen: it *is* wickedness.[t]

18 Neither shalt thou take a wife to her [3]sister, to vex *her*, to uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life *time*.[u]

19 Also thou shalt not approach unto a woman to uncover her nakedness, as long as she is put apart for her uncleanness.[v]

20 Moreover thou shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's wife, to defile thyself with her.[w]

21 And thou shalt not let any of thy seed pass through *the fire* to Molech, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.[x]

22 Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it *is* abomination.[y]

23 Neither shalt thou lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith: neither shall any woman stand before a beast to lie down thereto: it *is* confusion.[z]

24 Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in all these the nations are defiled which I cast out before you:[a]

25 And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.[b]

26 Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall not commit *any* of these abominations; *neither* any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you:[c]

27 (For all these abominations have the men of the land done, which *were* before you, and the land is defiled;)[d]

28 That the land spue not you out also, when ye defile it, as it spued out the nations that *were* before you.[e]

29 For whosoever shall commit any of these abominations, even the souls that commit *them* shall be cut off from among their people.[f]

30 Therefore shall ye keep mine ordinance, that *ye* commit not *any one* of these abominable customs, which were committed before you, and that ye defile not yourselves therein: I *am* the LORD your God.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a ver. 14, ch. viii. 15; xvi 11, 14, 19; Gen. ix. 4, Deut. xii. 23; Matt. xx. 28; xxvi. 28; Mark xiv. 24, Rom iii 25; v. 9; Eph. i. 7; Col. i. 14, 20; Heb. ix. 22; xiii. 12; 1 Peter i. 2; 1 John i. 7; ii. 2; Rev. i. 5.

b ver. 10; Exod. xii. 49

o ver. 9.

p ch xx. 19; Exod. vi 20.

1 Heb *hunteth any hunting.*

c Deut. xii. 16, 24, xv. 23; 1 Sam. xiv 32—34, Job xvi 18, Ezek. xxiv 7.

q ch. xx. 20

d va. 11, 12

r ch xx. 12, Gen xxxviii 18 — 26, Ezek xxii. 11.

s ch. xx. 21; Deut. xxv. 5; Matt. xiv. 3, 4; xxii 24.

e ch. xi. 25; xv. 5; xxii. 8; Exod xxii. 31; Numb. xix. 8, 19; Deut. xiv. 21; Ezek. iv. 14, xliv 31.

f ch. v 1; vii. 18; xix. 8; xx 17, 19, 20, Numb xix. 19, 20.

t ch xx. 14; Deut. xxvii. 23; Amos ii. 7

3 Or, *one wife to another*

u Gen iv 19, xxix. 28, xxx. 15

v ch xv 19, 24; xx 18, Ezek xviii 6, xxii 10.

w ch xx. 10; Exod xx. 14, Prov. vi. 32; Matt. v. 28, 32, xv. 19, John viii. 3; 1 Cor vi. 9; Heb xiii 4.

g va. 4, 30, ch x 34; xi 44, xix 3, 4, xx 7.

x ch xx. 2—4, xxi 6

y ch xx. 13; Gen xix 5, Rom. i. 26, 27

z ch xx. 15, 16, Exod xxii. 19.

h ch xx. 23, Exod. xxiii 24; Deut. xii. 4, 30, 31, Jer x 1—7, Ezek. xx. 7, 8; xxiii. 8.

a va. 23, 30

i va. 5, 30, ch xxii. 9, xxv 18, xxvi. 15, 43; Exod xviii. 20, xxi 1, xxiv. 3, Numb xxxvi 13, Deut. vii. 12.

b ver. 28; ch. xx 22, Numb. xxxv 33, 34

j va. 2, 4; ch x 11, Exod xviii. 16; Numb xxx 16; Deut. iv 6, vi 24, xvii. 19, 1 Kings iii 14, 2 Kings xvii. 37, 1 Chron. xxix. 19

2 Heb. *remainder of his flesh.*

c va. 5, 30; ch xvii. 8, 10; xix 19, xx. 8, 22; Exod. xv. 26, Deut. iv. 1, 2, 40.

k va. 6—8, 10—12, 14, 15, 17—19; ch. xx. 11, 17—20, xxii. 32; Deut. xxvii. 20; Hab. ii. 16.

d ver. 24; Deut. xx. 18, xxv. 16; 1 Kings xiv. 24; 2 Kings xvi. 3; xxi 2

l ch. xx. 11; Gen. ix. 22, 23, 1 Sam. xx. 30, Ezek. xxii. 10.

e ver. 25; ch xx. 22, Jer. ix. 19; Ezek. xxxvi. 13—20.

m ch. xx. 11; Gen. xxxv 22; xlix. 4; Deut. xxii. 30.

f ch. xvii. 10; xx. 3, 6, 18; Exod. xii. 15, 19; xxxi. 14; Numb xv. 30, 31; Ps. xxxi. 17, xxxvii. 9, 28, 34, 38.

n ch. xx. 17; Deut. xxvii. 22; 2 Sam. xiii. 11—14; Ezek. xxii. 11

g va. 2, 3, 4, 24, 26, 27; ch xx. 23; Deut. xviii. 9—12.



GLEANERS AND GLEANING.

CHAPTER XIX.

A repetition of sundry laws.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God *am* holy.[a]

3 ¶ Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and keep my sabbaths: I *am* the LORD your God.[b]

4 ¶ Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods: I *am* the LORD your God.[c]

5 ¶ And if ye offer a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, ye shall offer it at your own will.[d]

6 It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow: and if ought remain until the third day, it shall be burnt in the fire.[e]

7 And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it *is* abominable; it shall not be accepted.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

g ch xviii 29

a Exod xix 6; Numb xv 40, xvi. 3, Ezra viii 28, ix 2, Ps xxii 3, xcix 5, cxiv 7, Isa. vi 3, Matt v 48, Rom xii 1, 1 Cor vii 14, Eph i 4, v 27

b ver 3, ch xviii 2, xxiii 22, Deut. xxiv 19—21, Judg viii 2, Ruth ii 2,15, Isa. xvii. 6, xxiv 13; Jer xlix 9, Obad 5, Micah vii 1

b ver 30; Exod xvi. 29, xx 8, 12; xxvi 2, xxxi 13—17; Deut. v 12

i ch vi. 2, Exod xx 15, 17; Deut. v. 19; Jer vi. 13; viii. 9—11; ix 3, 5; Acts v 3, 4; Rom. iii 4, 1 Cor vi. 8, Eph iv 25, 28.

c ch. xviii. 2; xxvi 1, Exod. xx 3—5, 23, Deut. xxvii. 15.

j ch. xviii 2, 21; xxiv. 11; Exod. xx 7; Deut. v. 11; Ps. xv. 4.

d ch. iii.

k Deut. xxiv. 14, 15; Luke iii. 13; 1 Thess. iv. 6; James v. 4.

e ch. vii. 11—17.

f ch. vii 18—21.

l ver 32.

8 Therefore *every one* that eateth it shall bear his iniquity, because he hath profaned the hallowed thing of the LORD: and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.[g]

9 ¶ And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest.

10 And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather *every* grape of thy vineyard; thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.[h]

11 ¶ Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another.[i]

12 ¶ And ye shall not swear by my name falsely, neither shalt thou profane the name of thy God: I *am* the LORD.[j]

13 ¶ Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob *him:* the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning.[k]

14 ¶ Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before the blind, but shalt fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.[l]

15 ¶ Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: *but* in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbour.[a]

16 ¶ Thou shalt not go up and down *as* a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I *am* the LORD.[b]

17 ¶ Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not [1]suffer sin upon him.[c]

18 ¶ Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I *am* the LORD.[d]

19 ¶ Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee.[e]

20 ¶ And whosoever lieth carnally with a woman, that *is* a bondmaid, [2]betrothed to an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; [3]she shall be scourged; they shall not be put to death, because she was not free.

21 And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, *even* a ram for a trespass offering.[f]

22 And the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering before the LORD for his sin which he hath done: and the sin which he hath done shall be forgiven him.[g]

23 ¶ And when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food, then ye shall count the fruit thereof as uncircumcised: three years shall it be as uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of.



OLIVE TREES.

24 But in the fourth year all the fruit thereof shall be [4]holy to praise the LORD *withal*.

25 And in the fifth year shall ye eat of the fruit thereof, that it may yield unto you the increase thereof: I *am* the LORD your God.[h]

26 ¶ Ye shall not eat *any thing* with the blood: neither shall ye use enchantment, nor observe times.[i]

27 Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard.

28 Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I *am* the LORD.[j]

29 ¶ Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness.[k]

30 ¶ Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.[l]

31 ¶ Regard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I *am* the LORD your God.[m]

32 ¶ Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I *am* the LORD.[n]

33 ¶ And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not vex him.[o]

34 *But* the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.[p]

35 ¶ Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.[q]

36 Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.[r]

37 Therefore shall ye observe all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: I *am* the LORD.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a ver. 35; Exod. xviii. 21; xxiii. 2, 3, 7, 8; Deut. i. 17; xvi. 19.

f ch. xxi. 5; Deut. xiv. 1; Jer. xvi. 6; xlviii. 37.

b vs. 3, 10, 12, 14; Exod. xx. 16; xxiii. 1, 7; 1 Kings xxi. 10—13, Ps. xv. 3, 1-20; Prov. xi. 13.

k ch. xxi. 7; Gen. xxxviii. 24; Deut. xxii. 21.

1 Or, *that thou bear not sin for him.*

c Gen. xxvi. 41; Ps. cxii. 5; Prov. ix. 8; xxvi. 24—26; xxvii. 5, 6; Matt. xviii. 15—17; Luke xvii. 3; Rom. i. 32; 1 Cor. v. 2.

l vs. 3, 10, 14, 16, 18; ch. x. 3; xv. 31; xvi. 2; xxi. 23; xxvi. 2.

d vs. 3, 10, 14, 16; Exod. xxiii. 4, 5; Deut. xxxii. 35; 2 Sam. xiii. 22, 28; Prov. xx. 22; Matt. v. 43, 44; xix. 19.

m vs. 3, 10, 14, 16, 18, 30; ch. xx. 6, 27; Exod. xxii. 18; Deut. xviii. 10.

n ver. 14; ch. xviii. 5' 6, 21; Exod. vi. 2' 6, 8, 29; xii. 12.

e ch. xviii. 26, 30; Gen. xxxvi. 24; Deut. xxii. 9—11.

o Exod. xxii. 21; xxiii. 9; Deut. x. 18, 19.

2 Or, *abused by any.* Heb *reproached by*, or, *for man.*

3 Or, *they.* Heb *there shall be a scourging.*

p ver. 18; ch xix. 3, 10, 25, 33, 34, 36.

q ver. 15; Deut. xxv. 14, 15; Prov. xi. 1; xvi. 11; xx. 10.

f ch v. 6, 14, 17; vi 6; vii. 1—7, 37

r ver. 35; ch xxiii. 43; Exod xiii 3, 9, 14, 16

g ch. iv. 20, 26.

s vs 12, 14, 16, 18, 28, 30, 32, ch xviii 4, 5

t vs 3, 4; ch. xviii. 21; Deut. xii. 31; xviii 10, 1 Kings xi 17, 2 Kings xvii. 17, xxiii 10.

u ver 2; ch xviii. 21; xx 3, xxi. 6; xxii. 2, 32, Numb. xix. 20, Ps. lxxiv. 5; lxxix. 1; Ezek. v. 11; xxiii. 38

4 Heb. *holiness of praises to the Lord.*

h vs. 3, 10, 14, 16, 18.

v ver. 6; Exod. xx. 5; xxxiv 15, 16; Numb. xv 39; Deut. xxxi. 16; 2 Chron. xxi. 13.

i ch. iii. 17; vii. 26; xvii. 10—14; xviii. 10—14; Exod. vii. 11; viii. 7.

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Of him that giveth of his seed to Molech.* 4 *Of him that favoureth such an one.* 6 *Of going to wizards.* 7 *Of sanctification.* 9 *Of him that curseth his parents.* 10 *Of adultery.* 11, 14, 17, 19 *Of incest.* 13 *Of sodomy.* 15 *Of beastiality.* 18 *Of uncleanness.* 22 *Obedience is required with holiness.* 27 *Wizards must be put to death.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Again, thou shalt say to the children of Israel, Whosoever *he be* of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn in Israel, that giveth *any* of his seed unto Molech; he shall surely be put to death: the people of the land shall stone him with stones.[t]

3 And I will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people; because he hath given of his seed unto Molech, to defile my sanctuary, and to profane my holy name.[u]

4 And if the people of the land do any ways hide their eyes from the man, when he giveth of his seed unto Molech, and kill him not:

5 Then I will set my face against that man, and against his family, and will cut him off, and all that go a whoring after him, to commit whoredom with Molech, from among their people.[v]

6 ¶ And the soul that turneth after such as have

familiar spirits, and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people.[a]

7 ¶ Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I *am* the LORD your God.[b]

8 And ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: I *am* the LORD which sanctify you.[c]

9 ¶ For every one that curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death: he hath cursed his father or his mother; his blood *shall be* upon him.[d]

10 ¶ And the man that committeth adultery with *another* man's wife, *even he* that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wife, the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely be put to death.[e]

11 And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath uncovered his father's nakedness: both of them shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.[f]

12 And if a man lie with his daughter in law, both of them shall surely be put to death: they have wrought confusion; their blood *shall be* upon them.[g]

13 If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.[h]

14 And if a man take a wife and her mother, it *is* wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you.[i]

15 And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.[j]

16 And if a woman approach unto any beast, and lie down thereto, thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast: they shall surely be put to death; their blood *shall be* upon them.

17 And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it *is* a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his iniquity.[k]

18 And if a man shall lie with a woman having her sickness, and shall uncover her nakedness; he hath [1]discovered her fountain, and she hath uncovered the fountain of her blood: and both of them shall be cut off from among their people.[l]

19 And thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's sister: for he uncovereth his near kin: they shall bear their iniquity.[m]

20 And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin; they shall die childless.[n]

21 And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it *is* an [2]unclean thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be childless.[o]

22 ¶ Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spue you not out.[p]

23 And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you: for they committed all these things, and therefore I abhorred them.[q]

24 But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I *am* the LORD your God, which have separated you from *other* people.[r]

25 Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that [3]creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean.[s]

26 And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD *am* holy, and have severed you from *other* people, that ye should be mine.[t]

27 ¶ A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that is a wizard, shall surely be put to death: they shall stone them with stones: their blood *shall be* upon them.[u]

Before Christ 1490.

r ver. 26; Exod. xix. 5, 6; xxxiii. 16; Deut. iv. 20; vii. 6; xiv. 2; xxvi. 18; 1 Kings viii. 53; Ps. cxxxv. 4; Isa. xli. 8, 9; xliii. 1; Jer. x. 16.

a vs.5,27; ch.xix.31; Deut. xviii. 11; 1 Sam. xxviii. 3, 7—9; 2 Kings xxi. 6; xxiii. 24; 1 Chron x. 13, 14; 2 Chron xxxiii. 6; Isa. viii. 19; xix.3, xxix. 4.

b ver 26, ch xi. 44; xix. 2; Eph. i. 4; Philipp. ii 12, 13; Col. iii. 12; 1 Thess. iv. 3, 7; Heb xii. 14; 1 Peter i. 15, 16.

c ch. xviii. 4, 5; xix. 37; xxi. 8; Exod. xxxi. 13; Ezek xx.12; xxxvii. 28; Matt. v. 19; vii 24, xii. 50; John xiii. 17.

3 Or, *moveth.*

s ch. xi.; Deut. xiv. 3—21; Acts x. 11—15, 28.

d vs 11—13, 16, 27; Exod. xxi 17, Deut xxvii. 16; Josh ii. 19, Judg ix. 24; 2 Sam. i. 16, 1 Kings ii. 32; Prov. xx. 20; xxx. 11, 17; Matt. xv. 4.

t vs. 7, 24; ch xix. 2, Ps. xcix. 5, 9, Isa. vi 3; xxx. 11; 1 Peter i. 15, 16; Rev iii 7, iv 8.

e Deut xxii. 22—24, 2 Sam xii. 13, 14, Ezek. xxiii. 36—49, John viii. 3, 4.

u vs. 6, 9, ch. xix. 31, Exod. xxii 18, Deut. xviii 10—12, 1 Sam xxviii. 7—9

f ver 9, ch xviii 8, Deut xxvii 20, 23, Amos ii 7, 1 Cor v 1

g ch xviii 15, 23, Gen xxxviii. 16, 18, Deut xxvii 23

h ch xviii 22, Gen xix 5; Deut. xxiii 17; Judg xix 22, Rom i. 26, 27

v ver. 11, ch x. 6, 7, xxii 4, Numb v 2, ix 6, 7, xix, Deut. xxi 23, 14, 16; Ezek. xliv 25

i ch xviii 17; xxi 9, Deut. xxvii 23; Josh vii 15, 25, Amos ii 7

j ch xviii. 23, Exod. xxii 19, Deut xxvii. 21

4 Or, *being a husband among his people, he shall not defile himself for his wife, &c.*

w Ezek xxiv 16, 17

x Deut. xiv 1, Jer xvi 6, xlviii 37, Ezek xliv 20, Micah i 16.

k ch xviii. 9, Gen. xx 12, Deut xxvii 22, 2 Sam xiii. 12, Ezek xxii. 14

y ver 8; ch iii 11, x 3, xviii. 21; xix. 12, Exod xxviii 36, xxix 44, Ezra viii 28, Mal i. 6, 7, 11, 12

1 Heb *made naked*

l ch. xv. 24; xviii 19, Ezek xviii 6, xxii 10

z ver 8, Ezek xliv 22

m ch xviii 6, 12, 13, Exod. vi. 20

a ver 6, ch xi 44, 45; xix. 2, xx 7, 8, Exod xix 10, 14; xxviii 41, xxix. 1, 43, 44, John x. 36, xvii. 17—19, Heb vii 26

n ch xviii 14

2 Heb *a separation.*

o ch xviii 16; Matt xiv 3, 4.

b ch viii 7—12 x 7; xvi. 32; Exod. xxviii. 2—4; xxix. 29, 30, Numb xxxv. 25, Ps. cxxxiii. 2

p ch. xviii. 4, 5, 25—28; xix. 37, xxvi 33; Exod xxi. 1, Deut iv 45, v. 1, xxviii 25, 26.

c vs. 1, 2, Numb vi. 7, xix. 14

q ch. xviii 3, 24, 27, 30, Deut. ix. 5; xii. 30, 31; Ps. lxxviii. 59, Jer x. 1, 2; Zech. xi. 8.

d ver. 10; ch. viii. 9—12, 30; x. 7; Exod. xxviii. 36; xxix. 6, 7, Isa. lxi. 1; Acts x. 38.

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Of the priests' mourning.* 6 *Of their holiness.* 8 *Of their estimation.* 7, 13 *Of their marriages.* 17 *The priests that have blemishes must not minister in the sanctuary.*

AND the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto the priests the sons of Aaron, and say unto them, There shall none be defiled for the dead among his people:[v]

2 But for his kin, that is near unto him, *that is,* for his mother, and for his father, and for his son, and for his daughter, and for his brother,

3 And for his sister a virgin, that is nigh unto him, which hath had no husband; for her may he be defiled.

4 *But* he [4]shall not defile himself, *being* a chief man among his people, to profane himself.[w]

5 They shall not make baldness upon their head, neither shall they shave off the corner of their beard, nor make any cuttings in their flesh.[x]

6 They shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the name of their God: for the offerings of the LORD made by fire, *and* the bread of their God, they do offer: therefore they shall be holy.[y]

7 They shall not take a wife *that is* a whore, or profane; neither shall they take a woman put away from her husband: for he *is* holy unto his God.[z]

8 Thou shalt sanctify him therefore; for he offereth the bread of thy God: he shall be holy unto thee: for I the LORD, which sanctify you, *am* holy.[a]

9 ¶ And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.

10 And *he that is* the high priest among his brethren, upon whose head the anointing oil was poured, and that is consecrated to put on the garments, shall not uncover his head, nor rend his clothes;[b]

11 Neither shall he go in to any dead body, nor defile himself for his father, or for his mother;[c]

12 Neither shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his God; for the crown of the anointing oil of his God *is* upon him: I *am* the LORD.[d]

13 And he shall take a wife in her virginity.

14 A widow, or a divorced woman, or profane, *or* an harlot, these shall he not take: but he shall take a virgin of his own people to wife.[a]

15 Neither shall he profane his seed among his people: for I the LORD do sanctify him.[b]

16 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

17 Speak unto Aaron, saying, Whosoever *he be* of thy seed in their generations that hath *any* blemish, let him not approach to offer the [1]bread of his God.[c]

18 For whatsoever man *he be* that hath a blemish, he shall not approach: a blind man, or a lame, or he that hath a flat nose, or any thing superfluous,[d]

19 Or a man that is brokenfooted, or brokenhanded,

20 Or crookbackt, or a [2]dwarf, or that hath a blemish in his eye, or be scurvy, or scabbed, or hath his stones broken;[e]

21 No man that hath a blemish of the seed of Aaron the priest shall come nigh to offer the offerings of the LORD made by fire: he hath a blemish; he shall not come nigh to offer the bread of his God.[f]

22 He shall eat the bread of his God, *both* of the most holy, and of the holy.[g]

23 Only he shall not go in unto the vail, nor come nigh unto the altar, because he hath a blemish, that he profane not my sanctuaries: for I the LORD do sanctify them.[h]

24 And Moses told *it* unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel.

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *The priests in their uncleanness must abstain from the holy things.* 6 *How they shall be cleansed.* 10 *Who of the priest's house may eat of the holy things.* 17 *The sacrifices must be without blemish.* 26 *The age of the sacrifice.* 29 *The law of eating the sacrifice of thanksgiving*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of the children of Israel, and that they profane not my holy name *in those things* which they hallow unto me: I *am* the LORD.[i]

3 Say unto them, Whosoever *he be* of all your seed among your generations, that goeth unto the holy things, which the children of Israel hallow unto the LORD, [3]having his uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut off from my presence: I *am* the LORD.[j]

4 What man soever of the seed of Aaron *is* a leper, or hath a [4]running issue; he shall not eat of the holy things, until he be clean. And whoso toucheth any thing *that is* unclean *by* the dead, or a man whose seed goeth from him;[k]

5 Or whosoever toucheth any creeping thing, whereby he may be made unclean, or a man of whom he may take uncleanness, whatsoever uncleanness he hath;[l]

6 The soul which hath touched any such shall be unclean until even, and shall not eat of the holy things, unless he wash his flesh with water.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a ver. 7; Ezek. xliv. 22.

s ver. 6; ch. xxi. 22; Numb. xviii. 11—19; Deut. xviii. 3—5; 1 Cor. ix. 13, 14.

b ver. 8; Ezra ii. 62; ix. 2; Neh. xiii. 28—29; Mal. ii. 11—15; Rom. xi. 16.

o ch. xvii. 15; Exod. xxii. 31; Deut. xiv. 21; Ezek. xliv. 31.

5 Or, *be punished.*

1 Or, *food.*

c vs. 20, 21, 22; ch. iii. 11, 16; xxii. 20—25; Deut. xv. 21.

p ch. x. 1, 2; xvi. 2; Exod. xxviii. 43; Numb. xviii. 22, 32.

6 That is, any one who is not an offspring of Aaron.

d ver. 17; ch. xxii. 23.

q 1 Sam. xxi. 6.

7 Heb. *the purchase of his money*

2 Or, *too slender*

r Gen. xvii. 23; Numb xviii. 11—13.

e Deut. xxiii. 1.

8 Heb. *a man, a stranger.*

f vs. 6, 8, 17.

g ch. ii. 3, 10; vi. 16, 17, 29; vii. 1; xxii 10—13, xxiv. 8, 9; Numb. xviii. 9, 10, 19.

s ch x. 14; Numb xviii. 11—19

t ch. v. 15—19; xxvii 13, 15

h vs. 8, 12; ch xv. 31; Exod. xxx. 6—8; xl 26, 27; Ezek. xliv 9—14.

u ver 9, ch xix. 8, Numb. xviii 32, Ezek xxii. 26

9 Or, *lade themselves with the iniquity of trespass in their eating*

v ver 9; ch vii. 18, xx. 8

w ch i. 2, 10; vii 16, xvii. 10, 13; xxiii 38; Numb xv 3, 14—16; Deut. xii 6, 17, xvi. 10

x ver 29; ch. i. 3, 10, iv 32, xix. 5, Exod xii 5

y ver 25; Deut. xv 21; xvii. 1, Mal. i. 8, 13, 14

i vs 3—6, 32, ch xv 31; xviii 21; xix 12, 14, 16, 18, 28, 32, 37; xx. 3, xxi. 6; Exod. xiii 12; xxviii. 38; Numb vi. 3—8; xviii. 32; Deut. xv 19

z ch i. 3, 10, iv 23, 28, v 15, 18, vi. 6; ix. 2, xxi. 17, 23; xxii. 20, 21, xxiv. 19, 20, Numb vi. 14, xix. 2, xxix. 2; Deut. xv. 21; xvii. 1, Ezek. xlvi. 4; 1 Peter i. 19

3 Or, *when he is unclean.*

j ch. vii. 20, 21; Exod. xxxiii 14, 15

a vs. 20, 21; ch. i. 9, 13; iii. 3—5; Mal. i. 8.

4 Heb *running of the reins*

b vs. 19—22

k ch ii 3, 10; vi 25—29; xiv. 2; xv. 2, 3, 13—16; xxi. 1; Numb. xviii. 9, 19; xix. 11—16.

c ver 23

l ch xi. 24, 43, 44; xv. 7, 19.

d ch. xxi. 6, 8, 21, 22; Mal i 7, 8, 12—14.

m ch. xi. 24, 25; xv. 5; xvi. 24—28; Numb. xix. 7—10; Hagg ii 13.

7 And when the sun is down, he shall be clean, and shall afterward eat of the holy things; because it *is* his food.[n]

8 That which dieth of itself, or is torn *with beasts*, he shall not eat to defile himself therewith: I *am* the LORD.[o]

9 They shall therefore keep mine ordinance, lest they [5]bear sin for it, and die therefore, if they profane it: I the LORD do sanctify them.[p]

10 There shall no [6]stranger eat *of* the holy thing: a sojourner of the priest, or an hired servant, shall not eat *of* the holy thing.[q]

11 But if the priest buy *any* soul with [7]his money, he shall eat of it, and he that is born in his house: they shall eat of his meat.[r]

12 If the priest's daughter also be *married* unto a [8]stranger, she may not eat of an offering of the holy things.

13 But if the priest's daughter be a widow, or divorced, and have no child, and is returned unto her father's house, as in her youth, she shall eat of her father's meat: but there shall no stranger eat thereof.[s]

14 ¶ And if a man eat *of* the holy thing unwittingly, then he shall put the fifth *part* thereof unto it, and shall give *it* unto the priest with the holy thing.[t]

15 And they shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel, which they offer unto the LORD;[u]

16 Or suffer them to [9]bear the iniquity of trespass, when they eat their holy things: for I the LORD do sanctify them.[v]

17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

18 Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them, Whatsoever *he be* of the house of Israel, or of the strangers in Israel, that will offer his oblation for all his vows, and for all his freewill offerings, which they will offer unto the LORD for a burnt offering;[w]

19 *Ye shall offer* at your own will a male without blemish, of the beeves, of the sheep, or of the goats.[x]

20 *But* whatsoever hath a blemish, *that* shall ye not offer: for it shall not be acceptable for you.[y]

21 And whosoever offereth a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD to accomplish *his* vow, or a freewill offering in beeves or sheep, it shall be perfect to be accepted; there shall be no blemish therein.[z]

22 Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a wen, or scurvy, or scabbed, ye shall not offer these unto the LORD, nor make an offering by fire of them upon the altar unto the LORD.[a]

23 Either a bullock or a lamb that hath any thing superfluous or lacking in his parts, that mayest thou offer *for* a freewill offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted.[b]

24 Ye shall not offer unto the LORD that which is bruised, or crushed, or broken, or cut; neither shall ye make *any offering thereof* in your land.[c]

25 Neither from a stranger's hand shall ye offer the bread of your God of any of these; because their corruption *is* in them, *and* blemishes *be* in them: they shall not be accepted for you.[d]

26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

n ver. 6; ch. xxi. 22; Numb. xviii. 11—19; Deut. xviii. 3—5; 1 Cor. ix. 13, 14.

o ch. xvii. 15; Exod. xxii. 31; Deut. xiv. 21; Ezek. xliv. 31.

5 Or, *be punished.*

p ch. x. 1, 2; xvi. 2; Exod. xxviii. 43; Numb. xviii. 22, 32.

6 That is, any one who is not an offspring of Aaron.

q ver. 17; ch. xxii. 23.

r 1 Sam. xxi. 6.

7 Heb. *the purchase of his money*

8 Or, *too slender*

s Gen. xvii. 23; Numb xviii. 11—13.

t Deut. xxiii. 1.

8 Heb. *a man, a stranger.*

u vs. 6, 8, 17.

v ch. ii. 3, 10; vi. 16, 17, 29; vii. 1; xxii 10—13, xxiv. 8, 9; Numb. xviii. 9, 10, 19.

s ch x. 14; Numb xviii. 11—19

t ch. v. 15—19; xxvii 13, 15

w vs. 8, 12; ch xv. 31; Exod. xxx. 6—8; xl 26, 27; Ezek. xliv 9—14.

u ver 9, ch xix. 8, Numb. xviii 32, Ezek xxii. 26

9 Or, *lade themselves with the iniquity of trespass in their eating*

v ver 9; ch vii. 18, xx. 8

w ch i. 2, 10; vii 16, xvii. 10, 13; xxiii 38; Numb xv 3, 14—16; Deut. xii 6, 17, xvi. 10

x ver 29; ch. i. 3, 10, iv 32, xix. 5, Exod xii 5

y ver 25; Deut. xv 21; xvii. 1, Mal. i. 8, 13, 14

z vs 3—6, 32, ch xv 31; xviii 21; xix 12, 14, 16, 18, 28, 32, 37; xx. 3, xxi. 6; Exod. xiii 12; xxviii. 38; Numb vi. 3—8; xviii. 32; Deut. xv 19

a ch i. 3, 10, iv 23, 28, v 15, 18, vi. 6; ix. 2, xxi. 17, 23; xxii. 20, 21, xxiv. 19, 20, Numb vi. 14, xix. 2, xxix. 2; Deut. xv. 21; xvii. 1, Ezek. xlvi. 4; 1 Peter i. 19

3 Or, *when he is unclean.*

b ch. vii. 20, 21; Exod. xxxiii 14, 15

a vs. 20, 21; ch. i. 9, 13; iii. 3—5; Mal. i. 8.

4 Heb *running of the reins*

b vs. 19—22

c ch ii 3, 10; vi 25—29; xiv. 2; xv. 2, 3, 13—16; xxi. 1; Numb. xviii. 9, 19; xix. 11—16.

c ver 23

d ch xi. 24, 43, 44; xv. 7, 19.

d ch. xxi. 6, 8, 21, 22; Mal i 7, 8, 12—14.

27 When a bullock, or a sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then it shall be seven days under the dam; and from the eighth day and thenceforth it shall be accepted for an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[a]

28 And *whether it be* cow or [1]ewe, ye shall not kill it and her young both in one day.

29 And when ye will offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving unto the LORD, offer *it* at your own will.[b]

30 On the same day it shall be eaten up; ye shall leave none of it until the morrow: I *am* the LORD.[c]

31 Therefore shall ye keep my commandments, and do them: I *am* the LORD.[d]

32 Neither shall ye profane my holy name, but I will be hallowed among the children of Israel: I *am* the LORD which hallow you,[e]

33 That brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I *am* the LORD.[f]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *The feasts of the Lord.* 3 *The sabbath.* 4 *The passover.* 9 *The sheaf of firstfruits.* 15 *The feast of Pentecost.* 22 *Gleanings to be left for the poor.* 23 *The feast of trumpets.* 26 *The day of atonement.* 33 *The feast of tabernacles.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, *Concerning* the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations, *even* these *are* my feasts.

3 Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day *is* the sabbath of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work *therein:* it *is* the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.[g]

4 ¶ These *are* the feasts of the LORD, *even* holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.[h]

5 In the fourteenth *day* of the first month at even *is* the LORD'S passover.[i]

6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month *is* the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.[j]

7 In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.[k]

8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days: in the seventh day *is* an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work *therein.*[l]

9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

10 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a [2]sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:[m]

11 And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.[n]

12 And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

p Gen. xxxv. 14, ch. ii 1, 3 5, 7, 10, 14; v 13; Exod xxix. 40, 41, xxx. 9; xl. 29; Numb iv 16; vi. 17; vii. 13, 19; Josh xxii. 23, 29, Judg vi 18, xiii. 19, 23; 1 Kings viii. 64; 2 Kings iii 20, 1 Chron. xxi 23; Isa. lvii. 6; lxv 11; Jer. vii. 18; xvii. 26; xix. 13; xxxii 29, Amos v 22, Joel i. 9, 13; ii 14

a ch i 9, ii. 2, iii. 3; iv 35, v 12, vi. 17, 18, vii 5, viii 21; Deut. xviii. 1, 1 Sam. ii. 28.

1 Or, *she goat*

b ch vii. 12—15.

q ver. 10

c ver. 2, ch vii 15—18, xix. 7; Exod xvi 19, 20

d ch.xviii.5, xix 37, Numb xv 40, Deut iv. 40

r ver 11, Deut. xvi 9.

e vs. 2, 16, ch x. 3, xviii. 21; xx. 8; Exod xx. 11; xxix. 43

s ver 18.

f ver. 2; ch xi 4, xix 36, xxv. 38; Exod. vi 7, xx 2; Numb xv 41

t vs. 10, 13, ch vii. 18; xxiv 5, Exod. xxii. 29, xxiii. 16, 19; Numb xv. 17, xix. 21, xxviii 9, 20, Deut xxvi 1

u vs 12, 13, ch xxii. 27; Numb xv 2—12, xxviii 11, 2 Chron xxix. 21

v ch iii. 7, 11—18; iv. 23, 28; v 6, xxiii 19, Numb. vii. 16, 22, 28, xv 24, xxviii 15, 30, Ezek. xliii. 22, xlv 23

w ver 17, ch vii 29, 30, 31—34, viii. 29, x. 14, 15, Exod. xxix 24, Numb. xviii 8—12, Deut. xviii. 4

g ch xvi 31; xix. 30, xxiii 3, 22, xxv 4, xxvi 2, Gen ii 2, 3, Exod xvi 23, 26, xx. 8—11, Neh xiii 19, Jer xvii 21, 24, 27, Deut. v. 12, Heb iv 9—11.

x vs 2—4, 14, 27, 36, Exod xii 16, Numb xviii 23, xxviii. 18, 25, 26, xxix. 1, 7, 12

h vs 2, 37, Exod xxiii. 14.

i Exod xii 6, 18, Numb ix 3, 5, 11, xxviii 16, Josh v 10, 2 Chron xxx 15, xxxv 1, Ezra vi. 19; Ezek xlv 21

j Exod xii 17, xxiii. 15, xxxiv. 18, Deut. xvi 16, 2 Chron viii 13, xxx 13—21, xxxv 17, Ezra vi. 22, Ezek. xlv 21.

y ch. xi 44; xviii 30, xix. 2, 3, 9, 10, xx 7, xxiii. 12, Deut. xvi 11—14; xxiv. 19—21; Judg vi. 10, Ruth ii. 3—7, 15, 16, Ezek. xx 5, 7, 19, 20, Joel ii 27.

k vs. 8, 21, 25, 35, 36, Numb. xxviii 18, 25, 26; xxix 1, 12, 35.

l ver 7, ch xxii 27.

z vs 3, 4, 7, 8, 21, ch xxv 9, Numb x. 10, xxix 1—6

a vs 8, 21, 25, 35, 36, Numb xxviii 18,25, 26, xxix. 1, 12, 35

2 Or, *handful.*

m ch ii. 12, 14; xxiii. 10, 17, 20, Numb. xxviii 26, Deut. xviii. 4, xxvi 10; 2 Chron. xxxi. 5; Neh. x. 35, 37, xii 44, xiii 31; Ezek. xx. 40

b ver. 24; ch. ii 3, 10; iv. 35, v. 12, vi. 17; xxi 21, xxiv 9.

n ver 12; ch. vii. 30; viii 27, ix. 21; x. 15; xiv. 21; xxiii. 11, 12, 30

o ver. 18; ch. xii 6, xxiii. 19; Exod. xii 5; Numb vi. 12; vii. 15; xxix. 13

c ch. xvi. 10, xviii. 29.

13 And the meat offering thereof *shall be* two tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD *for* a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof *shall be* of wine, the fourth *part* of an hin.[p]

14 And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto your God: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.[q]

15 ¶ And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete:[r]

16 Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the LORD.[s]

17 Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baken with leaven; *they are* the firstfruits unto the LORD.[t]

18 And ye shall offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams: they shall be *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD, with their meat offering, and their drink offerings, *even* an offering made by fire, of sweet savour unto the LORD.[u]

19 Then ye shall sacrifice one kid of the goats for a sin offering, and two lambs of the first year for a sacrifice of peace offerings.[v]

20 And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits *for* a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs: they shall be holy to the LORD for the priest.[w]

21 And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day, *that* it may be an holy convocation unto you: ye shall do no servile work *therein: it shall be* a statute for ever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.[x]

22 ¶ And when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not make clean riddance of the corners of thy field when thou reapest, neither shalt thou gather any gleaning of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them unto the poor, and to the stranger: I *am* the LORD your God.[y]

23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

24 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first *day* of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.[z]

25 Ye shall do no servile work *therein:* but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[a]

26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

27 Also on the tenth *day* of this seventh month *there shall be* a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[b]

28 And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it *is* a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God.

29 For whatsoever soul *it be* that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people.[c]

30 And whatsoever soul *it be* that doeth any work in that same day, the same soul will I destroy from among his people.[a]

31 Ye shall do no manner of work: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.[b]

32 It *shall be* unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth *day* of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye celebrate your [1]sabbath.[c]

33 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

34 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month *shall be* the feast of tabernacles *for* seven days unto the LORD.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

k vs. 14, 21, 31; ch. vi. 18, 22; vii. 34, 36; x. 9, 15; xvi. 29, 31; xxv. 9; xvii. 7; xxiii. 14, 21, 24, 27, 31, 41; Exod. xxvii. 21; xxviii. 43, xxx. 21; Numb xviii. 11, 19, 23, xix. 10; xxix. 1, 12; 1 Kings viii. 2; Neh. viii. 2.

a ver 29; ch xx. 3, 6; Ezek. xiv. 9.

b vs 3, 7, 14, 21, 25, 35, 41.

l ver.42; Neh. viii. 14, 16.

1 Heb *rest.*

c ch xvi. 31; xxiii. 3, 32; xxv 4; Exod. xxxi. 15; xxxv. 2, Ezra vi. 10; Heb. iii. 11, 18; iv. 1, 3, 5, 8—11.

m vs. 1—4, 37.

d Deut. xvi. 13, 16; xxxi. 10; 2 Chron viii. 13; Ezra iii. 4; Zech. xiv. 16, 18, 19; John vii. 2.



CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES BY GERMAN JEWS.

35 On the first day *shall be* an holy convocation. ye shall do no servile work *therein.*[e]

36 Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it *is* a [2]solemn assembly; *and* ye shall do no servile work *therein.*[f]

37 These *are* the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, every thing upon his day:[g]

38 Beside the sabbaths of the LORD, and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD.[h]

39 Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days: on the first day *shall be* a sabbath, and on the eighth day *shall be* a sabbath.[i]

40 And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the [3]boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days.[j]

41 And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year. *It shall be* a statute for ever in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month.[k]

42 Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths:

43 That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.[l]

44 And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the feasts of the LORD.[m]

4 Heb *ascen.*

n Exod xxvii. 20, 21, xxxix 37, xl 24, 25, Numb viii 2—4, 1 Sam iii 3, 4, 2 Chron xiii. 11

o ch xxiii 41

p Exod xxv 31—34, xxvi. 35; xxxvi. 17—20; xl 24; Numb viii 2, 1 Kings vii 49, 2 Chron iv 7

q Exod xx 6, xxv 23, 24, 30, xxxv 13, xxxvii 10—16, xxxix. 36, xl 22, 23, 1 Sam xxi 6, 1 Kings vii 48, 1 Chron ix 32, xxiii 29, xxviii 16, 2 Chron. ii 4, iv 19, xiii 11; Neh x 33; Matt xii 4, Mark ii 26, Luke vi 4, Heb ix 2

e vs 2, 3, 24, 27, 36, Exod xii. 16, Numb xxviii 18, 25, 26, xxix. 1, 7, 12

r ch ii 2, 9, 16, v 12; vi 15, Numb. v 26

2 Heb *day of restraint.*

f vs 27, 35, Numb xxix. 35—40, 2 Chron vii. 8—11, Neh viii. 18; John vii 37, 38

g vs 2, 4, Deut xvi. 16, 17; Eccles iii 1.

h Numb xxix 39, Deut. xii. 6, 1 Chron. xxix. 3—8, 2 Chron. xxxv. 7, 8, Ezra ii 68, 69

i vs 24, 32, 34; Exod. xxiii 16, Numb xxix. 12, Deut. xvi. 13; Ezek. xlv. 25

3 Heb *fruit*

s ch. i 7, 8, 10—12; vi 12; xxiv. 8; Exod xl. 4, 23; Numb iv 7; 1 Chron ix. 32; xxiii. 29; 2 Chron ii. 4; xiii. 11, xxix. 35; Neh. x 33.

j Deut. xii. 12, 18; xvi. 9—11; xxvii. 7

t ch. vi. 16, 26; vii. 6; x. 13.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *The oil for the lamps.* 5 *The shewbread.* 10 *Shelomith's son blasphemeth.* 13 *The law of blasphemy.* 17 *Of murder.* 18 *Of damage* 23 *The blasphemer is stoned.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamps to [4]burn continually.[n]

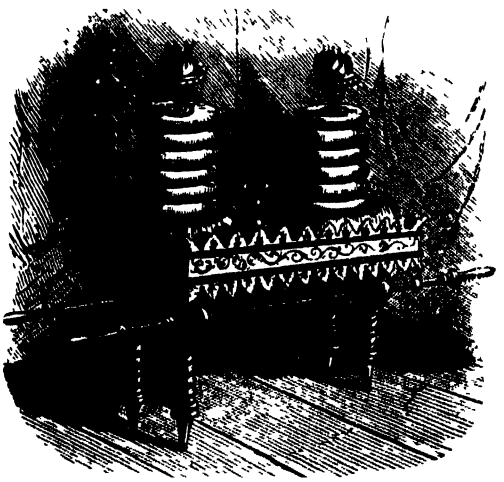
3 Without the vail of the testimony, in the tabernacle of the congregation, shall Aaron order it from the evening unto the morning before the LORD continually: *it shall be* a statute for ever in your generations.[o]

4 He shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the LORD continually.[p]

5 ¶ And thou shalt take fine flour, and bake twelve cakes thereof: two tenth deals shall be in one cake.

6 And thou shalt set them in two rows, six on a row, upon the pure table before the LORD.[q]

7 And thou shalt put pure frankincense upon *each* row, that it may be on the bread for a memorial, *even* an offering made by fire unto the LORD.[r]



THE CAKES OF SHEWBREAD.

8 Every sabbath he shall set it in order before the LORD continually, *being taken* from the children of Israel by an everlasting covenant.[s]

9 And it shall be Aaron's and his sons'; and they shall eat it in the holy place: for it *is* most holy unto him of the offerings of the LORD made by fire by a perpetual statute.[t]

10 ¶ And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose father *was* an Egyptian, went out among the children of Israel: and this son of the Israelitish *woman* and a man of Israel strove together in the camp;

11 And the Israelitish woman's son blasphemed the name *of the* LORD, and cursed. And they brought him unto Moses: (and his mother's name *was* Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan:)[a]

12 And they put him in ward, that the [1]mind of the LORD might be shewed them.[b]

13 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

14 Bring forth him that hath cursed without the camp; and let all that heard *him* lay their hands upon his head, and let all the congregation stone him.[c]

15 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Whosoever curseth his God shall bear his sin.[d]

16 And he that blasphemeth the name of the LORD, he shall surely be put to death, *and* all the congregation shall certainly stone him: as well the stranger, as he that is born in the land, when he blasphemeth the name *of the* LORD, shall be put to death.[e]

17 ¶ And he that [2]killeth any man shall surely be put to death.[f]

18 And he that killeth a beast shall make it good; [3]beast for beast.[g]

19 And if a man cause a blemish in his neighbour; as he hath done, so shall it be done to him;[h]

20 Breach for breach, eye for eye, tooth for tooth: as he hath caused a blemish in a man, so shall it be done to him *again*.[i]

21 And he that killeth a beast, he shall restore it: and he that killeth a man, he shall be put to death.[j]

22 Ye shall have one manner of law, as well for the stranger, as for one of your own country: for I *am* the LORD your God.[k]

23 ¶ And Moses spake to the children of Israel, that they should bring forth him that had cursed out of the camp, and stone him with stones. And the children of Israel did as the LORD commanded Moses.[l]

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *The sabbath of the seventh year.* 8 *The jubile in the fiftieth year.* 14 *Of oppression.* 18 *A blessing of obedience.* 23 *The redemption of land.* 29 *Of houses.* 35 *Compassion of the poor.* 39 *The usage of bondmen.* 47 *The redemption of servants.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a [4]sabbath unto the LORD.[m]

3 Six years thou shalt sow thy field, and six years thou shalt prune thy vineyard, and gather in the fruit thereof;

4 But in the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest unto the land, a sabbath for the LORD: thou shalt neither sow thy field, nor prune thy vineyard.[n]

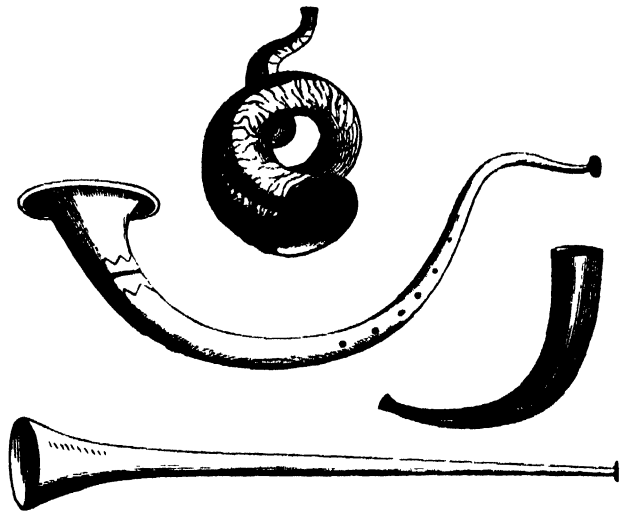
5 That which groweth of its own accord of thy harvest thou shalt not reap, neither gather the grapes of thy vine undressed: *for* it is a year of rest unto the land.[o]

6 And the sabbath of the land shall be meat for you; for thee, and for thy servant, and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant, and for thy stranger that sojourneth with thee,[p]

7 And for thy cattle, and for the beast that *are* in thy land, shall all the increase thereof be meat.[q]

8 ¶ And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years.

9 Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound on the tenth *day* of the seventh month, in the day of atonement shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout all your land.[r]



VARIOUS FORMS OF TRUMPETS.

10 And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout *all* the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.[s]

11 A jubile shall that fiftieth year be unto you: ye shall not sow, neither reap that which groweth of itself in it, nor gather *the grapes* in it of thy vine undressed.[t]

12 For it *is* the jubile; it shall be holy unto you: ye shall eat the increase thereof out of the field.[u]

13 In the year of this jubile ye shall return every man unto his possession.[v]

14 And if thou sell ought unto thy neighbour, or buyest *ought* of thy neighbour's hand, ye shall not oppress one another:[w]

15 According to the number of years after the jubile thou shalt buy of thy neighbour, *and* according unto the number of years of the fruits he shall sell unto thee:

16 According to the multitude of years thou shalt increase the price thereof, and according to the fewness of years thou shalt diminish the price of it: for *according* to the number *of the years* of the fruits doth he sell unto thee.

17 Ye shall not therefore oppress one another; but thou shalt fear thy God: for I *am* the LORD your God.[x]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

o ver. 4; 2 Kings xix. 29; Isa. xxxvii. 30.

p ver 7.

a ch. xviii. 21; xix. 12; xxi 6; xxii 2, 32; Ps. lxxiv 10, 18, Isa. lii. 5; Rom. ii. 24; 1 Tim. vi. 1.

1 Heb *to expound unto them according to the mouth of the Lord.*

q ver 6.

b Exod. xviii. 15, 16, Numb xxvii. 5—11; xxxvi 5—7; Ezek vii. 18, John v. 30, Rom. xii. 2, Eph v 17; vi 6, Col iv. 12, Heb x. 36, 1 Peter iv. 2

c ver 23, ch. xvi. 23; xx. 2, 27; Numb xiv. 10; xv 35, 36, Deut. xiii. 10; xxii. 21, 24.

d ver 11; ch xx 20; xxii. 9, Numb ix. 13, xviii. 22, Job i 5, ii 9, Isa. viii. 21; Ezek xxiii. 49, Heb. ix 28

r vs 10—12, ch xvi. 20, 30, xxiii 27, 28; xxv. 24

e vs 14, 23, Exod xx. 7, 1 Kings xxi. 10, 13, Ps. lxxiv 10, 18, cxxxix 20; Isa lii. 5, Rom ii. 24, 1 Tim vi 1, James ii. 7, Rev. xiii. 6.

2 Heb *smiteth the life of a man.*

f Gen ix 5, 6, Exod xx. 13, xxi 12; Numb xxxv 31, Deut. xix. 11, 12

3 Heb *life for life.*

g ver 21; Exod. xxi 34—36

h Deut xix. 21, Matt. v. 38—41, vii. 2

i ver 19, Exod. xxi. 23—25

j vs. 17, 18.

k ch. xi. 44; xvii 10, xviii. 30, xix 3, 33, 34; xx. 7, xxiii 12; Exod. vi 7, xii. 49, xvi. 12, Numb ix. 14, xv 15, 16, 29; Judg vi. 10; Ezek xx. 5, 7, 19, 20, Joel ii. 27.

s ver 11; Numb xxxvi. 4, Isa. lxi. 1, 2.

l vs. 14, 16.

t vs. 4, 5

m vs. 6, 7, 9—11.

v ver 10, ch xxvii 17 — 24; Numb xxxvi. 4.

w ver 17, ch xix. 13; Exod xxii 21, xxiii. 9, Deut xvi. 19, 20, xxiii. 16, xxiv 14, 1 Sam xii 3, 4, 2 Kings xiii 4, Job x 3, Ps. ix 9, x. 18, xvii. 9; Jer vii. 6, xxii 17, Ezek xviii 7, 12, 16; xxii 29, Hos. xii 7, Amos iv 1; 1 Cor. vi. 8; James ii. 6, v. 1—5.

4 Heb. *rest.*

m ch. xvi. 31; xxiii. 3, 32; xxv. 4; xxvi. 34, 35; Exod. xxiii. 10, 11; xxxi. 15, 35; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 21

n vs. 2, 20—23; ch. xxvi. 34, 35, 43.

x vs. 4, 36, 43; ch xi. 44; xviii 30; Exod vi 7; xvi. 12; Judg. vi. 10; Ps. lxvi. 16; Eccles. v. 7; Isa. xxix. 23; Ezek. xx. 5, 7, 19, 20.

18 ¶ Wherefore ye shall do my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them; and ye shall dwell in the land in safety.[a]

19 And the land shall yield her fruit, and ye shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in safety.[b]

20 And if ye shall say, What shall we eat the seventh year? behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase:

21 Then I will command my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and it shall bring forth fruit for three years.[c]



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22 And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat *yet* of old fruit until the ninth year; until her fruits come in ye shall eat *of* the old *store*.[d]

23 ¶ The land shall not [1]be sold for ever: for the land *is* mine; for ye *are* strangers and sojourners with me.[e]

24 And in all the land of your possession ye shall grant a redemption for the land.[f]

25 ¶ If thy brother be waxen poor, and hath sold away *some* of his possession, and if any of his kin come to redeem it, then shall he redeem that which his brother sold.[g]

26 And if the man have none to redeem it, and himself be [2]able to redeem it;[h]

27 Then let him count the years of the sale thereof, and restore the overplus unto the man to whom he sold it; that he may return unto his possession.[i]

28 But if he be not able to restore *it* to him, then that which is sold shall remain in the hand of him that hath bought it until the year of jubile: and in the jubile it shall go out, and he shall return unto his possession.[j]

29 And if a man sell a dwelling house in a walled city, then he may redeem it within a whole year after it is sold; *within* a full year may he redeem it.

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a ver. 19; ch. xviii. 5, 26; xix. 19; xx. 8, 22; xxvi. 5; Exod. xv. 26; Deut. iv 40; vi. 2; xi. 38; 1 Kings xi. 33; Jer xxiii. 6, Ezek. xviii. 21.

b ver. 18; ch xxvi. 5; Ps. lxvii. 6, Isa. xxx. 23; Ezek. xxxiv. 26—28.

3 Or, *redemption belongeth unto it.*

c vs. 4, 8, 11.

k Numb. xxv 33; xxxv 2—8; Josh. xxi. 2, 3

4 Or, *one of the Levites redeem them.*

l ver. 28.

m ver. 23, Acts iv 36, 37

5 Heb. *his hand faileth.*

6 Heb. *strengthen him*

n ch. xix. 34; Exod. xxiii 9; Deut. x 18, 19; Ps xxxvii. 26; Prov. xiv 31; Matt. xxv. 35.

o ver 17; Exod xxii 25, Deut xxiii 19, Neh v 7—10, 15, Ps. xv. 5, xxxvii. 26; Prov xix. 17, Jer xv 10, Ezek. xxii. 12; Luke vi. 34, 35

p ver 36

q ch xi. 45, xix. 36, xxii 32, Numb xv 41, Deut.v 15, Josh xxiv 5, Jer. vii 22, Ezek xxxiv. 30, 31, Hos. xii 13

7 Heb. *serve thyself with him, with the service of*

r Exod xxi. 2, xxii. 3, Deut. xv 12; 1 Kings ix. 22, Jer. xxxi 14

s vs 39, 50, 53, Deut xxiv 14, Matt xx 8, Luke x 7, James v 4

d ch xxvi. 10, Josh v 11

t vs. 10, 28

1 Or, *be quite cut off* Heb *for cutting off*

e ver 10; Deut xxxii 43, 2 Chron vii 20, Ps xxxix 12, lxxxv 1, Isa. viii 8, Ezek xlviii 14, Hos ix 3, 1 Peter ii. 11

8 Heb *with the sale of a bondman*

u vs 38, 55, Isa. lxv 9—11.

f vs 26, 31, 51—53

v vs 17, 46, 53, ch xix 14, Gen xlii 18, Exod xxii 21, Ps lxvi. 16, Acts xiii 16, 1 Peter ii 17, Rev xiv 7

g Ruth ii. 20, iii 2, 9—12, iv 4—6, Jer xxxii 7, 8

w ver 46, 1 Kings xix 22, 2 Chron xxviii 10, Ezra ix. 9

2 Heb *his hand hath attained and found sufficiency*

h ch. v 7

x ver 44

i vs. 50—53.

9 Heb *ye shall serve yourselves with them.*

y ver 43

j ver 13.

10 Heb. *the hand of a sojourner or stranger obtain.*

z vs. 25, 35, Neh. v. 5.

30 And if it be not redeemed within the space of a full year, then the house that *is* in the walled city shall be established for ever to him that bought it throughout his generations: it shall not go out in the jubile.

31 But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be counted as the fields of the country: [3]they may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubile.

32 Notwithstanding the cities of the Levites, *and* the houses of the cities of their possession, may the Levites redeem at any time.[k]

33 And if a man [4]purchase of the Levites, then the house that was sold, and the city of his possession, shall go out in *the year of* jubile: for the houses of the cities of the Levites *are* their possession among the children of Israel.[l]

34 But the field of the suburbs of their cities may not be sold; for it *is* their perpetual possession.[m]

35 ¶ And if thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in [5]decay with thee; then thou shalt [6]relieve him: *yea, though he be* a stranger, or a sojourner; that he may live with thee.[n]

36 Take thou no usury of him, or increase: but fear thy God; that thy brother may live with thee.[o]

37 Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, nor lend him thy victuals for increase.[p]

38 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, *and* to be your God.[q]

39 ¶ And if thy brother *that dwelleth* by thee be waxen poor, and be sold unto thee; thou shalt not [7]compel him to serve as a bondservant:[r]

40 *But* as an hired servant, *and* as a sojourner, he shall be with thee, *and* shall serve thee unto the year of jubile:[s]

41 And *then* shall he depart from thee, *both* he and his children with him, and shall return unto his own family, and unto the possession of his fathers shall he return.[t]

42 For they *are* my servants, which I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: they shall not be sold as [8]bondmen.[u]

43 Thou shalt not rule over him with rigour; but shalt fear thy God.[v]

44 Both thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have, *shall be* of the heathen that are round about you; of them shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids.[w]

45 Moreover of the children of the strangers that do sojourn among you, of them shall ye buy, and of their families that *are* with you, which they begat in your land: and they shall be your possession.[x]

46 And ye shall take them as an inheritance for your children after you, to inherit *them for* a possession; they shall be your [9]bondmen for ever: but over your brethren the children of Israel, ye shall not rule one over another with rigour.[y]

47 ¶ And if a sojourner or stranger wax rich by thee, and thy brother *that dwelleth* by him wax poor, and sell himself unto the stranger *or* [10]sojourner by thee, or to the stock of the stranger's family:[z]



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48 After that he is sold he may be redeemed again; one of his brethren may redeem him:

49 Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or *any* that is nigh of kin unto him of his family may redeem him; or if he be able, he may redeem himself.[a]

50 And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that he was sold to him unto the year of jubile: and the price of his sale shall be according unto the number of years, according to the time of an hired servant shall it be with him.

51 If *there be* yet many years *behind*, according unto them he shall give again the price of his redemption out of the money that he was bought for.

52 And if there remain but few years unto the year of jubile, then he shall count with him, *and* according unto his years shall he give him again the price of his redemption.

53 *And* as a yearly hired servant shall he be with him: *and the other* shall not rule with rigour over him in thy sight.[b]

54 And if he be not redeemed [1]in these *years*, then he shall go out in the year of jubile, *both* he, and his children with him.

55 For unto me the children of Israel *are* servants; they *are* my servants whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *Of idolatry.* 2 *Religiousness.* 3 *A blessing to them that keep the commandments.* 14 *A curse to those that break them.* 40 *God promiseth to remember them that repent.*

YE shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a [2]standing image, neither shall ye set up *any* [3]image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I *am* the LORD your God.[d]

2 ¶ Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I *am* the LORD.[e]

3 ¶ If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them;[f]

4 Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.[g]

5 And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time: and ye shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely.[h]

6 And I will give peace in the land, and ye shall lie down, and none shall make *you* afraid: and I will [4]rid evil beasts out of the land, neither shall the sword go through your land.

7 And ye shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

8 And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

k Gen. vi. 18; ix. 9; xvii. 7, 19, 21; Exod. i 7, 12, 20, Ps. cvii. 38, Isa. vii 9; lx 3, Jer iii. 16, Ezek. xvi 22, 60; Hos. ii. 8, Heb vi 14

l ch xxv 22; Josh v 11, 2 Kings xix. 29

a ver 26

m ch. xx. 23, Exod. xxv. 8, Deut. xxxii. 19, Josh xxii 19; 1 Kings viii. 13, 27; Ps lxxvi. 2; lxxviii. 59, 68, 69; Jer. xiv 21; Lam ii. 7, Ezek. xxxvii. 26–28; Zech. xi. 8.

n ch xi. 45; xxii. 23; Numb. x. 10, Josh. xxiv. 27, Isa. i. 3; iii. 13—15, x. 24, xxxii. 18; xl. 1; li. 4, 16; Jer. ii 11, 13, 31, 32; vii 23; xxiii. 2, 22, 23, Ezek. xiii. 9, 10, 19, 21; Hos i. 9, 10, Joel ii 26, 27

o ch. xxv 38, 42, 55, Exod. xx. 2; Ps. lxxxi. 6—10; Isa li. 23; Jer. ii. 20, Ezek xxxiv. 27.

p ver 18; Deut. xxviii. 15, 68; Acts iii. 23; Heb. xii 25.

q ver. 43, Gen. xvii. 14, Exod. xix. 5; Numb xv 31; Deut. xxxi. 16

b vs. 27, 40, 43, 53; Deut. xv 18, Job vii. 1; xiv 6, Isa. xvi 14; xxi. 16

5 Heb *upon you.*

1 Or, *by these means*

r Exod xv 26, Deut xxviii 21, 22, 34, 35, 65—67, Judg. vi 3—6; Ezek xxxiii 10

c ver 42; ch xi. 44, xviii 30, xix 3, xx. 7, xxiii 22, Exod vi 7, xvi. 12, Judg vi 10, Ezek. xx 5, 7, 19, Joel ii. 27

s ver 36, ch xvii 10, xx 5, 6, Deut. xxviii 25, Jer xix 7 vs 21, 24, 28

t Deut. xxviii 23, Prov viii 13, Isa. xxiii. 9, Jer xiii 9, Ezek xxx 6, 1 Tim iii. 6

2 Or, *pillar*

v vs. 4, 19, Deut xi 17, xxviii 18, 38—40, 42; Ps cvii 34, Isa.xlix 4, Hab ii 13

3 Heb *a stone of picture, a figured stone*

d ch xix 4, xxiii. 22; Exod xx. 4, Deut. iv 16—26, v 8, 2 Kings xvii 12, Ps xcvii 7, cvi. 36, 38, Isa ii 8, xlii 8, 17, Jer x. 14, Ezek viii 10, xiv 3

e ch xix. 30

f ch xviii 1—5

w ver 6; Deut xxxii 24, Judg v 6, 2 Kings ii. 24, Ezek xiv 15, 21

g Deut. xi 13, xxviii 1; Job xxxviii 25, Ps lxv 9, Isa. i. 19, Jer xiv 22, Matt. v 45, vii 24, 25, Acts xiv 17

x vs. 18, 21, 28, 2 Sam xxii 27, Isa. l 16; lxiii. 10, Ezek xvi 34

h ch. xxv 18, Exod xvi. 8, Deut xi 15, Ps xc 1, xci 1, 14, Jer xxiii 6

y Numb xiv 12, Deut. xxviii. 21; Judg ii 14—16, Ezek. vi 3, xxi 4–17, Heb x. 28–30

4 Heb *cause to cease*

i Exod. xxiii. 29; Job v. 23; Ps. iv. 8, cxxvii. 1; Jer. xxx 10; Ezek. xiv. 15, Hos. ii 18, Micah iv 4, Hagg. ii. 9; Zeph iii. 13

z Ps cv 16; Isa. iii. 1; ix. 20, Jer xiv. 12; Lam. iv 3—9.

j ver. 36; Numb xiv. 9; Deut. xxviii. 7; xxxii. 30, Josh. xxiii. 10; Judg. vii. 19; 1 Sam. xiv. 6, 16.

a vs. 21, 22; Isa. xxvii. 4, Jer. iv. 4; vi. 11; Ezek. v. 13, 15; Zech. viii. 2

9 For I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and multiply you, and establish my covenant with you.[k]

10 And ye shall eat old store, and bring forth the old because of the new.[l]

11 And I will set my tabernacle among you: and my soul shall not abhor you.[m]

12 And I will walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be my people.[n]

13 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen; and I have broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go upright.[o]

14 ¶ But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments;[p]

15 And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, *but* that ye break my covenant:[q]

16 I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint [5]over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes, and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.[r]

17 And I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you; and ye shall flee when none pursueth you.[s]

18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins.[t]

19 And I will break the pride of your power; and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass:[u]

20 And your strength shall be spent in vain: for your land shall not yield her increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits.[v]

21 ¶ And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins.

22 I will also send wild beasts among you, which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number; and your *high* ways shall be desolate.[w]

23 And if ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me;

24 Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your sins.[x]

25 And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall avenge the quarrel of *my* covenant: and when ye are gathered together within your cities, I will send the pestilence among you; and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy.[y]

26 *And* when I have broken the staff of your bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver *you* your bread again by weight: and ye shall eat, and not be satisfied.[z]

27 And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk contrary unto me;

28 Then I will walk contrary unto you also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins.[a]

29 And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.[a]

30 And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images, and cast your carcases upon the carcases of your idols, and my soul shall abhor you.[b]

31 And I will make your cities waste, and bring your sanctuaries unto desolation, and I will not smell the savour of your sweet odours.[c]

32 And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it.[d]

33 And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.[e]

34 Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye *be* in your enemies' land; *even* then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths.[f]

35 As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it.[g]

36 And upon them that are left *alive* of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; and the sound of a [1]shaken leaf shall chase them, and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.[h]

37 And they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword, when none pursueth: and ye shall have no power to stand before your enemies.[i]

38 And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up.[j]

39 And they that are left of you shall pine away in their iniquity in your enemies' lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them.[k]

40 If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me;[l]

41 And *that* I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity:[m]

42 Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land.[n]

43 The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they despised my judgments, and because their soul abhorred my statutes.[o]

44 And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I *am* the LORD their God.[p]

45 But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I *am* the LORD.[q]

46 These *are* the statutes and judgments and laws, which the LORD made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses.[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a Deut. xxviii 53—57, Isa. ix. 20, Jer xix. 9.

q ch. xxii. 23; xxv 38; Exod vi. 2; Numb iii 13; Deut. i. 37, iii. 26; Rom xi. 28.

r ch. viii. 36; xxv. 1; Exod. xx. 1—16; Ps. lxxvii 20

b vs. 11, 15; ch. xx. 23; 2 Kings xxiii. 8, 16, 20, Ezek. vi. 3—6, 13

c 2 Kings xxv. 4—10; Ps lxxiv 3—8, Isa. i 7, 11, 14; Jer iv 7, lii. 13; Ezek. vi 6, ix. 6, Matt. xxiv 1, 2

d Deut xxix. 23—28, Isa. v 6—9, vi. 11; Jer ix. 11, Lam iv 12, 15; Luke xxi. 20

e Deut. xxviii 64—66; Jer xliv 6, Ezek. xii. 14—16, Luke xxi 24; James i. 1

f ch xxv 2—4, 10; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 21.

s vs 3—7, 12, 14, 16—19, 23, 25, 27, ch. vii 16, xxii 18, 21, 23, Deut. xii 6, 11, 17, 26; xxiii 21, 1 Sam i. 11, 21; 2 Sam xv 7, Job xxii. 27, Ps l. 14; lxi. 8, lxv 1, lxvi. 13, lxxvi. 11, cxvi. 14, 18, Eccles v 4, Jer xxiv 25, Nahum i. 15, Jonah ii 9.

g Isa. xxiv 5, 6

1 Heb *driven.*

h vs. 7, 8, 17, Numb xvi 34; Deut i. 44, Josh viii. 15, Judg vii. 21, 22, Isa. vii 2—4, Ezek. xxi 7—15

i ver 36; Numb xiv 42, Josh vii. 12, 13, Sam xiv 15,16, Isa. x. 4, Jer xxxvii. 10

j Deut. iv 27, Isa. xxvii. 13, Jer. xliv 12—28

2 ver 4. The male child is estimated at 15s, and the female at 9s.; the difference in their value during infancy being not so great as at mature age.

k Exod. xx 5, Deut. v. 9, Ezek xxxiii 10, 11.

3 vs 4, 6 In age, the value of the two sexes is nearer than during their previous life, thus the man is estimated at £2 5s., and the woman at £1 10s.

l vs. 21, 24, 27, 28, Numb. v. 7; Deut. iv 29—31; Dan ix 3—20, Hos. v. 15, 1 John i. 8—10.

m 1 Kings xxi. 29; 2 Chron. vi. 22—42, Jer xliv 10; Dan ix. 7—19

n ver 45; Gen. ix. 16; Exod. vi. 5—24; Deut. iv 31; Ezek. xxxvi. 1—15, 33, 34.

t Deut. v. 27; xxiii. 18; Mal i 14

4 Heb. *according to thy estimation.*

o vs. 15, 34, 35, 41

u vs. 15, 19; ch. v. 16; vi. 4, 5; xxii 14

v vs. 12. 21

p ver. 11; Deut. iv 29—31; Rom. xi. 26

w ver 13

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *He that maketh a singular vow must be the Lord's.* 2 *The estimation of the person.* 9 *Of a beast given by vow.* 14 *Of a house.* 16 *Of a field, and the redemption thereof.* 28 *No devoted thing may be redeemed.* 32 *The tithe may not be changed.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When a man shall make a singular vow, the persons *shall be* for the LORD by thy estimation.[s]

3 And thy estimation shall be of the male from twenty years old even unto sixty years old, even thy estimation shall be fifty shekels of silver, after the shekel of the sanctuary.

4 And if it *be* a female, then thy estimation shall be thirty shekels.

5 And if *it be* from five years old even unto twenty years old, then thy estimation shall be of the male twenty shekels, and for the female ten shekels.

6 And if *it be* from a month old even unto five years old, then thy estimation shall be of the male five shekels of silver, and for the female thy estimation *shall be* three shekels of silver.[2]

7 And if *it be* from sixty years old and above; if *it be* a male, then thy estimation shall be fifteen shekels, and for the female ten shekels.[3]

8 But if he be poorer than thy estimation, then he shall present himself before the priest, and the priest shall value him; according to his ability that vowed shall the priest value him.

9 And if *it be* a beast, whereof men bring an offering unto the LORD, all that *any man* giveth of such unto the LORD shall be holy.

10 He shall not alter it, nor change it, a good for a bad, or a bad for a good: and if he shall at all change beast for beast, then it and the exchange thereof shall be holy.

11 And if *it be* any unclean beast, of which they do not offer a sacrifice unto the LORD, then he shall present the beast before the priest:[t]

12 And the priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad: as thou [4]valuest it, *who art* the priest, so shall it be.

13 But if he will at all redeem it, then he shall add a fifth *part* thereof unto thy estimation.[u]

14 ¶ And when a man shall sanctify his house *to be* holy unto the LORD, then the priest shall estimate it, whether it be good or bad: as the priest shall estimate it, so shall it stand.[v]

15 And if he that sanctified it will redeem his house, then he shall add the fifth *part* of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be his.[w]

16 And if a man shall sanctify unto the LORD *some part* of a field of his possession, then thy estimation shall be according to the seed thereof: an [1]homer of barley seed *shall be valued* at fifty shekels of silver.



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17 If he sanctify his field from the year of jubile, according to thy estimation it shall stand.

18 But if he sanctify his field after the jubile, then the priest shall reckon unto him the money according to the years that remain, even unto the year of the jubile, and it shall be abated from thy estimation.

19 And if he that sanctified the field will in anywise redeem it, then he shall add the fifth *part* of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be assured to him.[c]

20 And if he will not redeem the field, or if he have sold the field to another man, it shall not be redeemed any more.

21 But the field, when it goeth out in the jubile, shall be holy unto the LORD, as a field [2]devoted; the possession thereof shall be the priest's.[h]

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1 Or, the land of a homer; that is, as much land as would grow a homer of barley The difference between *homer* and an *omer* should be carefully observed· the *homer* held seventy-five gallons and three pints; the *omer* only about three quarts

2 The *gerah*, supposed to be the same as a rendered (1 Sam. ii. 36) a piece of money, is stated also (Exod xxx 13), to be the twentieth part of the shekel, which was kept in the sanctuary as a standard by which to test all the weights used by the people.

c ver 3, ch v 15, Exod xxxviii 24—26; Numb iii 47, 50, vii 13, 19, 25, 31, 37, xviii 16

d Exod. xiii 2, 12, 13, xxii 30; Numb xviii 17, Deut. xv 19

e vs. 11—13

f ver 21

4 Of this devotion the Canaanites were special examples.

g Numb xviii 24—28, Deut xii. 6, 17, 18, xiv 22—29, 2 Chron xxxi 5, 6, 11, 12, Neh x 37, 38, Amos iv. 4, Mal. iii 8, 8—10, Matt. xxiii 23, Luke xi. 42, Heb vii 5, 6, 8, 9

h vs 13, 19, 27, 31, ch v 16, vi 5, xx. 14, Numb v. 7.

ver 13.

i ver 10

That is, *devoted to God*, so that it was exclusively *his*, and could be redeemed no more.

ch xxv 15, 27, 51, 52

j ch xxvi. 46; Numb i 1; Deut. iv 45,

22 And if *a man* sanctify unto the LORD a field which he hath bought, which *is* not of the fields of his possession;

23 Then the priest shall reckon unto him the worth of thy estimation, *even* unto the year of the jubile: and he shall give thine estimation in that day, *as* a holy thing unto the LORD.

24 In the year of the jubile the field shall return unto him of whom it was bought, *even* to him to whom the possession of the land *did belong.*

25 And all thy estimations shall be according to the shekel of the sanctuary: twenty [3]gerahs shall be the shekel.

26 ¶ Only the firstling of the beasts, which should be the LORD'S firstling, no man shall sanctify it; whether *it be* ox, or sheep: it *is* the LORD'S.[d]

27 And if *it be* of an unclean beast, then he shall redeem *it* according to thine estimation, and shall add a fifth *part* of it thereto: or if it be not redeemed, then it shall be sold according to thy estimation.[e]

28 Notwithstanding no devoted thing, that a man shall devote unto the LORD of all that he hath, *both* of man and beast, and of the field of his possession, shall be sold or redeemed: every devoted thing *is* most holy unto the LORD.[f]

29 None devoted, which shall be devoted of men, shall be redeemed; *but* shall surely be put to death.[4]

30 And all the tithe of the land, *whether* of the seed of the land, *or* of the fruit of the tree, *is* the LORD'S: *it is* holy unto the LORD.[g]

31 And if a man will at all redeem *ought* of his tithes, he shall add thereto the fifth *part* thereof.[h]

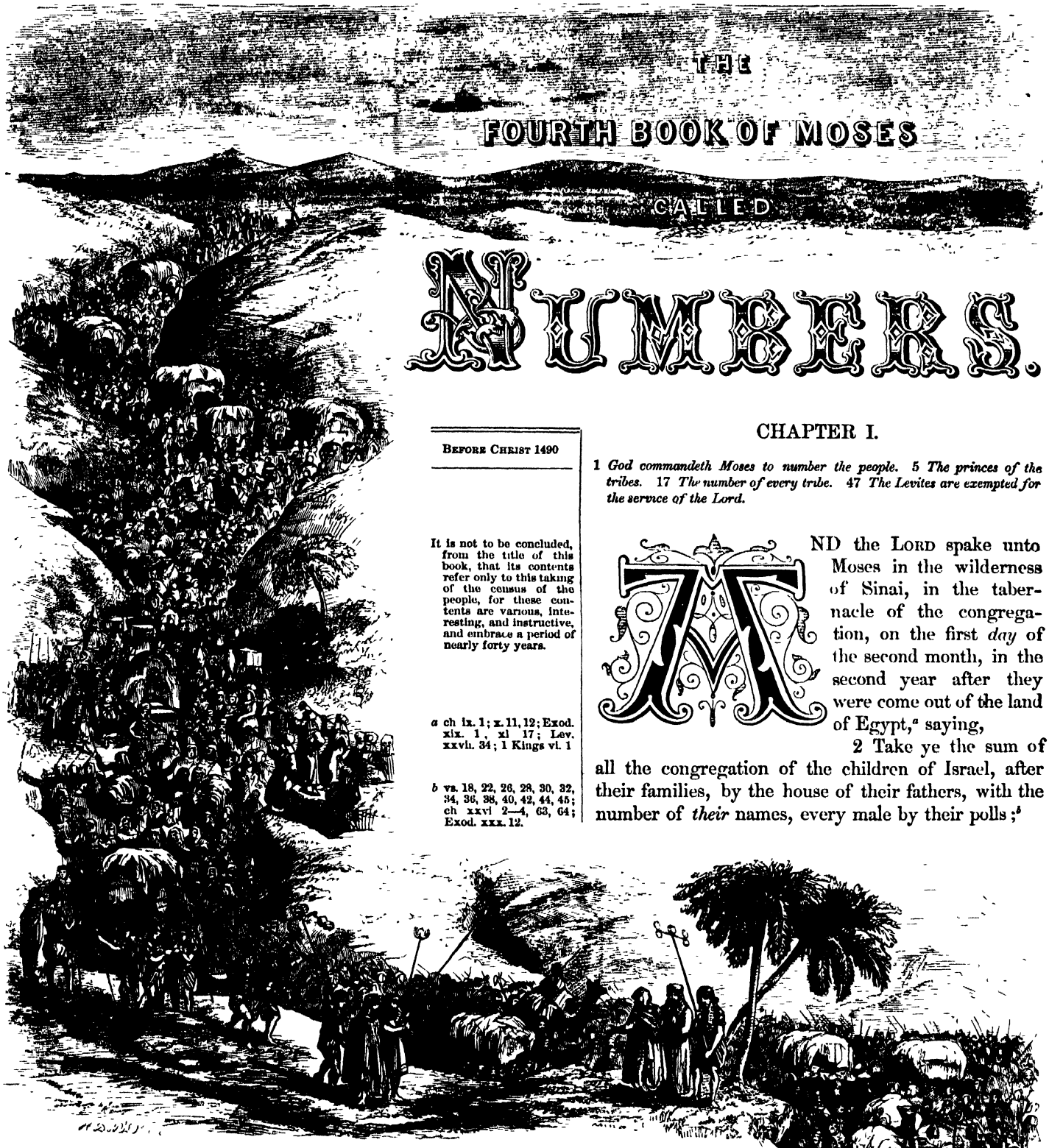
32 And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, *even* of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the LORD.

33 He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.[i]

34 These *are* the commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses for the children of Israel in mount Sinai.[j]



Bas-relief from the Column of Titus at Rome, showing the form of the Vessels of the Sanctuary, &c.



NUMBERS.

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It is not to be concluded, from the title of this book, that its contents refer only to this taking of the census of the people, for these contents are various, interesting, and instructive, and embrace a period of nearly forty years.

CHAPTER I.

1 *God commandeth Moses to number the people.* 5 *The princes of the tribes.* 17 *The number of every tribe.* 47 *The Levites are exempted for the service of the Lord.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the tabernacle of the congregation, on the first *day* of the second month, in the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt,[a] saying,

2 Take ye the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, after their families, by the house of their fathers, with the number of *their* names, every male by their polls;[b]

3 From twenty years old and upward, all that are able to go forth to war in Israel: thou and Aaron shall number them by their armies.[c]

4 And with you there shall be a man of every tribe; every one head of the house of his fathers.[d]

5 ¶ And these *are* the names of the men that shall stand with you: of *the tribe of* Reuben; Elizur the son of Shedeur.[e]

6 Of Simeon; Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.[f]

7 Of Judah; [1]Nahshon the son of Amminadab.[g]

8 Of Issachar; Nethaneel the son of Zuar.[h]

a ch ix. 1; x. 11, 12; Exod. xix. 1, xl 17; Lev. xxvii. 34; 1 Kings vi. 1

b vs. 18, 22, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 45; ch xxvi 2—4, 63, 64; Exod. xxx. 12.

c ch. xxvi. 2; Deut. iii. 18

d ver 16; ch. ii 2—31; vii 10—83, x. 14—27; xiii. 2—15, xvii. 3; xxxiv 18—28.

e ch. ii. 10; vii. 30; x. 18; Deut. xxxiii 6.

f ch ii. 12; vii 36.

1 *Naashon*, or, *Nashon.*

g ch. ii 3, vii. 12, 17; x. 14; Exod vi. 23; Ruth iv 20; 1 Chron ii. 10, 11; Matt. i. 4; Luke iii. 32

h ch. ii. 5; vii. 18, 23; x. 15

9 Of Zebulun; Eliab the son of Helon.[a]

10 Of the children of Joseph: of Ephraim; Elishama the son of Ammihud: of Manasseh, Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.[b]

11 Of Benjamin; Abidan the son of Gideoni.[c]

12 Of Dan; Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.[d]

13 Of Asher; Pagiel the son of Ocran.[e]

14 Of Gad; Eliasaph the son of [1]Deuel.[f]

15 Of Naphtali; Ahira the son of Enan.[g]

16 These *were* the [2]renowned of the congregation, princes of the tribes of their fathers, heads of thousands in Israel.

17 ¶ And Moses and Aaron took these men which are expressed by *their* names:[h]

18 And they assembled all the congregation together on the first *day* of the second month, and they declared their pedigrees after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, by their polls.[i]

19 As the LORD commanded Moses, so he numbered them in the wilderness of Sinai.[j]

20 And the children of Reuben, Israel's eldest son, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[k]

21 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Reuben, *were* forty and six thousand and five hundred.

22 ¶ Of the children of Simeon, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, those that were numbered of them, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[l]

23 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Simeon, *were* fifty and nine thousand and three hundred.

24 ¶ Of the children of Gad, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[m]

25 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Gad, *were* forty and five thousand six hundred and fifty.

26 ¶ Of the children of Judah, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[n]

27 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Judah, *were* threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.

28 ¶ Of the children of Issachar, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[o]

29 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Issachar, *were* fifty and four thousand and four hundred.

30 ¶ Of the children of Zebulun, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[p]

31 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Zebulun, *were* fifty and seven thousand and four hundred.

32 ¶ Of the children of Joseph, *namely*, of the children of Ephraim, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[q]

33 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Ephraim, *were* forty thousand and five hundred.

34 ¶ Of the children of Manasseh, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[r]

35 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Manasseh, *were* thirty and two thousand and two hundred.

36 ¶ Of the children of Benjamin, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[s]

37 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Benjamin, *were* thirty and five thousand and four hundred.

38 ¶ Of the children of Dan, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[t]

39 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Dan, *were* threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.

40 ¶ Of the children of Asher, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[u]

41 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Asher, *were* forty and one thousand and five hundred.

42 ¶ Of the children of Naphtali, throughout their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;[v]

43 Those that were numbered of them, *even* of the tribe of Naphtali, *were* fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

44 These *are* those that were numbered, which Moses and Aaron numbered, and the princes of Israel, *being* twelve men: each one was for the house of his fathers.[w]

45 So were all those that were numbered of the

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[a] ch ii. 7; vii. 24, 29; x. 16.

[b] ch. ii. 18, 20, vii 48, 53, 54, 59; x. 22, 23.

[c] ch. ii. 22; vii. 60, 65; x. 24.

[d] ch. ii 25; vii. 66; x. 25.

[e] ch ii. 27; vii. 72; x. 26.

[f] ch. ii. 7, 8; xxvi. 26, 27; Gen xxx. 20; xlvi. 14; xlix. 13

1 Deuel is also called Reuel, the Hebrew D, or *Daleth*, being very much like the Hebrew R, or *Resh*, and the one being mistaken for the other.

[g] ch ii. 14; vii 42, x 20

[h] ch. ii. 29; vii. 78; x. 27.

2 That is, literally, *the called of the congregation*, those who *by name* were required to attend. Numb vii. 2; Exod xviii. 21.

[i] vs. 5—16.

[j] ch ii 18, 19; xxvi 35—37; Gen. xxx 24, xxxvii.; xxxix, xlviii. 3—21; xlix; l.; Deut. xxxiii. 17, Ps. lx. 7

[k] vs. 2, 20, Ezra ii. 59; Neh. vii. 61, 64, Heb vii 3, 6.

[l] ver. 2; ch xxvi. 1, 2

[m] ch ii 12, 13, xxvi. 12—14, Gen.xxix. 33, xxxiv 25—30, xlii 24, xlvi. 10, xlix. 5, 6

[n] ch ii. 14, 15, xxvi. 15—18, Gen xxx 10, 11, xlvi. 16; xlix. 19, Josh iv 12, xiii 24

[o] ch ii 5, 6, xxiii 23—25; Gen xxx 18, xlvi 13, xlix 14, 15

[p] ch. ii. 7, 8; xxvi. 26, 27; Gen xxx. 20; xlvi. 14; xlix. 13

[q] ch ii 18, 19; xxvi 35—37; Gen. xxx 24, xxxvii.; xxxix, xlviii. 3—21; xlix; l.; Deut. xxxiii. 17, Ps. lx. 7

[r] ver 32; ch ii 20, x. 23, xiii. 11

[s] ch. ii. 28; xxvi. 41, Gen. xxxv. 16—18, xliv 20, xlvi. 21; xlix. 27; Judg xx. 44—46, 2 Chron xvii. 17; Ps lxviii. 27; Rev vii 8.

[t] ch ii. 25, 26, xxvi 43, Gen xxx 5, 6, xlvi 23, xlix 16, 17

[u] ch. ii. 28; xxvi 44, 47; Gen xxx. 12, 13; xlvi. 27, xlix. 20; 1 Chron. vii. 30, 40; xii. 36.

[v] ch ii. 30, xxvi 50; Gen xxx 7, 8; xlvi 24, xlix 20

[w] vs 2—16, ch xxvi 64

children of Israel, by the house of their fathers, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war in Israel;

46 Even all they that were numbered were six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty.

47 ¶ But the Levites after the tribe of their fathers were not numbered among them.[a]

48 For the LORD had spoken unto Moses, saying,

49 Only thou shalt not number the tribe of Levi, neither take the sum of them among the children of Israel:[b]

50 But thou shalt appoint the Levites over the tabernacle of testimony, and over all the vessels thereof, and over all things that *belong* to it: they shall bear the tabernacle, and all the vessels thereof; and they shall minister unto it, and shall encamp round about the tabernacle.[c]

51 And when the tabernacle setteth forward, the Levites shall take it down: and when the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall set it up: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.[d]

52 And the children of Israel shall pitch their tents, every man by his own camp, and every man by his own standard, throughout their hosts.[e]

53 But the Levites shall pitch round about the tabernacle of testimony, that there be no wrath upon the congregation of the children of Israel: and the Levites shall keep the charge of the tabernacle of testimony.[f]

54 And the children of Israe. did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did they.[g]

CHAPTER II.

The order of the tribes in their tents.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 Every man of the children of Israel shall pitch by his own standard, with the ensign of their father's house: [1]far off about the tabernacle of the congregation shall they pitch.[h]

3 And on the east side toward the rising of the sun shall they of the standard of the camp of Judah pitch throughout their armies: and Nahshon the son of Amminadab *shall be* captain of the children of Judah.[i]

4 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.[j]

5 And those that do pitch next unto him *shall be* the tribe of Issachar: and Nethaneel the son of Zuar *shall be* captain of the children of Issachar.[k]

6 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, *were* fifty and four thousand and four hundred.[l]

7 *Then* the tribe of Zebulun: and Eliab the son of Helon *shall be* captain of the children of Zebulun.[m]

8 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, *were* fifty and seven thousand and four hundred.[n]

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o ch x. 14.

a ch. ii. 33; xxvi. 57—62; 1 Chron. xxi. 6

p ch. i 5; vii. 30, 35; x. 18, Gen xlix 3, 4; 1 Chron v 4.

q ch. i. 21, xxvi. 7

b ver 47

r ch i 6; vii. 36, 41, x. 19

s ch i. 23, xxvi 14.

2 Or, *son of Deuel*

t ch i 14, vii 42, 47; x 20

c ver 53; ch ii 17; iii 1—10, 23—38, iv 15, 25—33, x 17, 21, xx. 11, Exod. xxxi. 18, xxxii. 26—29, xxxviii. 21, 1 Chron xxiii, xxiv, Ezra viii. 25—30, 33, 34; Neh xii. 8, 22, 47, xiii. 5, 10—13, 22, Ps cxxii 4

u ch. i. 25, xxvi 18.

d ch. iii. 10, 38, iv 5—33; x. 11, 17—21, xvi 40, xxii. 10—13, 1 Sam vi. 19, 2 Sam. vi. 7

v vs 9, 24, 31, ch x 18

e ch ii. 2, 34.

w ch i 50—53, iii 38, x. 17, 21

f ch. iii 7, 8, 24—26, xviii 3—5, xxxi 30, 47, 1 Chron. xxiii 32, 2 Chron xiii 10

g ch ii. 34

x ch i 10, 32; vii 48, 53; x. 22, Gen xlviii. 5, 14—20 Deut. xxxiii. 17, 1 Chron vii. 26, 27, Ps. lxxx 1, 2

y ch i 33, xxvi 37

z ch. i. 10, vii. 54, 59, x 23

a ch i. 37; xxvi 41

b ch i 11; vii 60, 65, x. 24

1 Heb *over against*

c ch i. 37, xxvi 41

h vs 3, 10, ch i 50, 52, 53, x. 14, 18, 22, 25

d vs 9, 16, 31, ch x. 22.

i ch i 7, vii 12, 17, x. 14—16, Ruth iv 20, 1 Chron ii 10, Matt. i 4, Luke iii 32, 33

j ch. i. 27, xxvi. 22

e ch. i. 12; vii. 66, 71, x. 25

k ch. i. 8, 28, 29; vii 18, 23, x. 15; xxvi. 23—25

f ch. i. 39; xxvi. 43.

l ch. i. 29, xxvi. 25

g ch i 13; vii 72, 77.

m ch. i. 1, 9, 31, vii 24, 29; x. 16

h ch i. 41; xxvi 47.

n ch. i. 31; xxvi. 26, 27.

i ch. i 15, 42, 43; vii. 78, 83; x 27; xxvi. 48—50

9 All that were numbered in the camp of Judah *were* an hundred thousand and fourscore thousand and six thousand and four hundred, throughout their armies. These shall first set forth.[o]

10 ¶ On the south side *shall be* the standard of the camp of Reuben according to their armies: and the captain of the children of Reuben *shall be* Elizur the son of Shedeur.[p]

11 And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, *were* forty and six thousand and five hundred.[q]

12 And those which pitch by him *shall be* the tribe of Simeon: and the captain of the children of Simeon *shall be* Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.[r]

13 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* fifty and nine thousand and three hundred.[s]

14 Then the tribe of Gad: and the captain of the sons of Gad *shall be* Eliasaph the son of [2]Reuel.[t]

15 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* forty and five thousand and six hundred and fifty.[u]

16 All that were numbered in the camp of Reuben *were* an hundred thousand and fifty and one thousand and four hundred and fifty, throughout their armies. And they shall set forth in the second rank.[v]

17 ¶ Then the tabernacle of the congregation shall set forward with the camp of the Levites in the midst of the camp: as they encamp, so shall they set forward, every man in his place by their standards.[w]

18 ¶ On the west side *shall be* the standard of the camp of Ephraim according to their armies: and the captain of the sons of Ephraim *shall be* Elishama the son of Ammihud.[x]

19 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* forty thousand and five hundred.[y]

20 And by him *shall be* the tribe of Manasseh: and the captain of the children of Manasseh *shall be* Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.[z]

21 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* thirty and two thousand and two hundred.[a]

22 Then the tribe of Benjamin: and the captain of the sons of Benjamin *shall be* Abidan the son of Gideoni.[b]

23 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* thirty and five thousand and four hundred.[c]

24 All that were numbered of the camp of Ephraim *were* an hundred thousand and eight thousand and an hundred, throughout their armies. And they shall go forward in the third rank.[d]

25 ¶ The standard of the camp of Dan *shall be* on the north side by their armies: and the captain of the children of Dan *shall be* Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.[e]

26 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.[f]

27 And those that encamp by him *shall be* the tribe of Asher: and the captain of the children of Asher *shall be* Pagiel the son of Ocran.[g]

28 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* forty and one thousand and five hundred.[h]

29 ¶ Then the tribe of Naphtali: and the captain of the children of Naphtali *shall be* Ahira the son of Enan.[i]

30 And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* fifty and three thousand and four hundred.[a]

31 All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan *were* an hundred thousand and fifty and seven thousand and six hundred. They shall go hindmost with their standards.[b]

32 ¶ These *are* those which were numbered of the children of Israel by the house of their fathers: all those that were numbered of the camps throughout their hosts *were* six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty.[c]

33 But the Levites were not numbered among the children of Israel; as the LORD commanded Moses.[d]

34 And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses: so they pitched by their standards, and so they set forward, every one after their families, according to the house of their fathers.[e]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The sons of Aaron.* 5 *The Levites are given to the priests for the service of the tabernacle,* 11 *instead of the firstborn.* 14 *The Levites are numbered by their families.* 21 *The families, number, and charge of the Gershonites,* 27 *of the Kohathites,* 33 *of the Merarites.* 38 *The place and charge of Moses and Aaron.* 40 *The firstborn are freed by the Levites.* 44 *The overplus are redeemed.*

THESE also *are* the generations of Aaron and Moses in the day *that* the LORD spake with Moses in mount Sinai.[f]

2 And these *are* the names of the sons of Aaron; Nadab the firstborn, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

3 These *are* the names of the sons of Aaron, the priests which were anointed, whom he [1]consecrated to minister in the priest's office.[g]

4 And Nadab and Abihu died before the LORD, when they offered strange fire before the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai; and they had no children: and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's office in the sight of Aaron their father.[h]

5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

6 Bring the tribe of Levi near, and present them before Aaron the priest, that they may minister unto him.[i]

7 And they shall keep his charge, and the charge of the whole congregation before the tabernacle of the congregation, to do the service of the tabernacle.[j]

8 And they shall keep all the instruments of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of the children of Israel, to do the service of the tabernacle.[k]

9 And thou shalt give the Levites unto Aaron and to his sons: they *are* wholly given unto him out of the children of Israel.[l]

10 And thou shalt appoint Aaron and his sons, and they shall wait on their priest's office: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.[m]

11 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 And I, behold, I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel instead of all the firstborn that openeth the matrix among the children of Israel: therefore the Levites shall be mine;[n]

13 Because all the firstborn *are* mine; *for* on the day that I smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I hallowed unto me all the firstborn in Israel, both man and beast: mine shall they be: I *am* the LORD.[o]

14 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saying,

15 Number the children of Levi after the house of their fathers, by their families: every male from a month old and upward shalt thou number them.[p]

16 And Moses numbered them according to the [2]word of the LORD, as he was commanded.

17 And these were the sons of Levi by their names; [3]Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari.[q]

18 And these *are* the names of the sons of Gershon by their families; [4]Libni, and Shimei.[r]

19 And the sons of Kohath by their families, Amram, and [5]Izehar, Hebron, and Uzziel.[s]

20 And the sons of Merari by their families; Mahli, and Mushi. These *are* the families of the Levites according to the house of their fathers.[t]

21 Of Gershon *was* the family of the Libnites, and the family of the Shimites: these *are* the families of the Gershonites.[u]

22 Those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *even* those that were numbered of them *were* seven thousand and five hundred.[v]

23 The families of the Gershonites shall pitch behind the tabernacle westward.[w]

24 And the chief of the house of the father of the Gershonites *shall be* Eliasaph the son of Lael.

25 And the charge of the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of the congregation *shall be* the tabernacle, and the tent, the covering thereof, and the hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation,[x]

26 And the hangings of the court, and the curtain for the door of the court, which *is* by the tabernacle, and by the altar round about, and the cords of it for all the service thereof.

27 ¶ And of Kohath *was* the family of the Amramites, and the family of the Izeharites, and the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites: these *are* the families of the Kohathites.[y]

28 In the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *were* eight thousand and six hundred, keeping the charge of the sanctuary.

29 The families of the sons of Kohath shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle southward.

30 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of the Kohathites *shall be* Elizaphan the son of Uzziel.

31 And their charge *shall be* the ark, and the table, and the candlestick, and the altars, and the vessels of the sanctuary wherewith they minister, and the hanging, and all the service thereof.[z]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

[a] ch. i. 42, 43; xxvi. 50.

[m] ver. 38; ch. i. 51; xvi. 35, 40; xviii. 3, 7; 1 Sam. vi. 19; 2 Sam. vi. 7; 1 Chron. vi. 49; 2 Chron. xxvi. 16—21; Ezek. xliv. 8.

[b] vs. 9, 16, 24; ch. x. 25.

[n] vs. 41, 45; ch. viii. 16, 18; xviii. 6.

[c] ver. 9; ch. i. 46; xi. 21; xxvi. 51.

[o] ch. viii. 16, 17, xviii. 15; Exod. xiii. 2, 12, 15, xxii. 29; xxxiv. 19; Lev. xxvii. 26; Ezek. xliv. 30; Luke ii. 23

[d] ch. i. 47—49.

[p] vs. 22, 28, 34, 39, 40, 43; ch xviii. 15, 16; xxvi. 62.

[e] ver. 2; ch i. 54; x. 28; xxiii. 9, 10, 21; xxiv. 2, 5, 6.

2 Heb. *mouth.*

3 Or, *Gershom.*

[q] Gen. xlvi. 11; Exod. vi. 16; 1 Chron. vi. 1, 16; xxiii. 6.

4 Or, *Laadan.*

[r] ver 21; Exod. vi. 17; 1 Chron. vi. 17, 20, 21; xxiii. 7—11.

5 Or, *Izhar*

[s] ver 27, Exod vi 18, 20, 1 Chron vi 18, 38, xv 5, 8—10, xvii. 21, xxiii 12, 13, 18—20

[t] ver 33, Exod. vi 19, 1 Chron vi. 19, 29, 44—47, xv 6, xxiii. 21—23, xxiv 27—30, xxv 3

[f] ch i 1, Lev xxv 1; xxvii 34, Gen. ii 4, v 1, x. 1; Exod. vi. 16, 20, Matt. i. 1.

[u] ver. 18.

[v] ch iv 38, 40.

[w] ch. i 53, ii 17.

1 Heb *whose hand he filled*

[g] Lev. viii, ix, xii 30, Exod xxviii. 41, xl 13, 15; Heb vii 28

[x] ver 7; ch iv 24—28, vii 7, x 17, Josh xxi 6, 7

[h] ch. xxvi. 61, Lev x 1, 2

[y] ver. 19; 1 Chron xxiii. 12; xxvi. 23.

[i] ch. i. 49—53; ii 17, 33; viii. 6—15, 22—26; xvi. 9—11, xviii 2—6, Exod. xxxii. 26—29; Deut. xxxiii 8, 9; Mal. ii. 4.

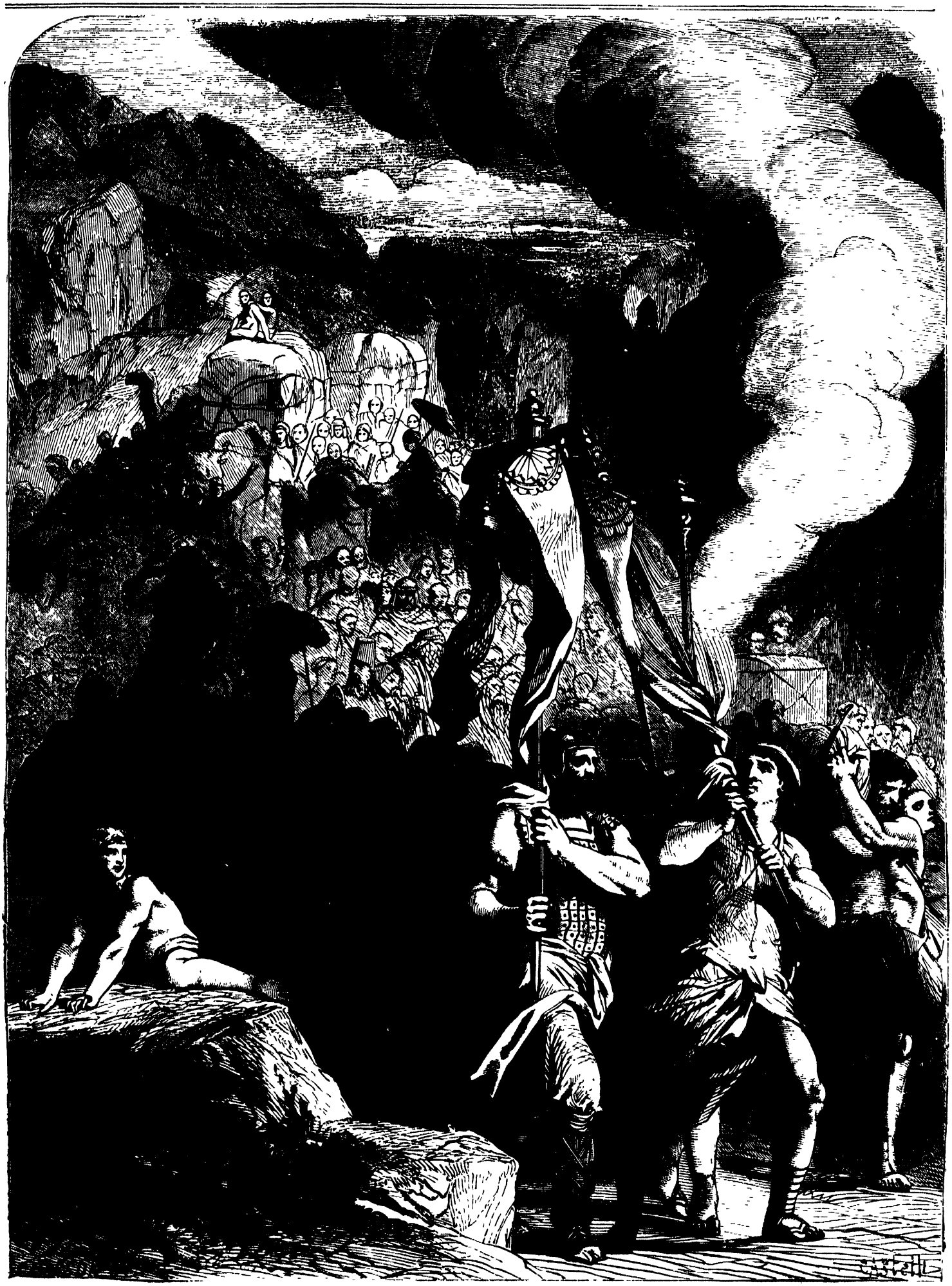
[z] ver 23, ch. i. 53; ii 10

[j] ch. i. 50, iii 32; viii. 11, 15, 19—22, 24—26; 1 Chron xxiii 28—32; xxvi. 20, 22, 26

[k] ch. iv 15, 28, 33; x. 17, 21; 1 Chron xxvi 20—28; Ezra viii 24—30; Isa. lii. 11.

[l] ch. viii. 19; xviii. 6, 7.

[a] ch. iv. 4—16.



THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL, MARCHING THROUGH THE WILDERNESS.

32 And Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *shall be* chief over the chief of the Levites, *and have* the oversight of them that keep the charge of the sanctuary.[a]

33 ¶ Of Merari *was* the family of the Mahlites, and the family of the Mushites: these *are* the families of Merari.

34 And those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, *were* six thousand and two hundred.[b]

35 And the chief of the house of the father of the families of Merari *was* Zuriel the son of Abihail: *these* shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle northward.[c]

36 And *under* the [1]custody and charge of the sons of Merari *shall be* the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and the sockets thereof, and all the vessels thereof, and all that serveth thereto,[d]

37 And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords.

38 ¶ But those that encamp before the tabernacle toward the east, *even* before the tabernacle of the congregation eastward, *shall be* Moses, and Aaron and his sons, keeping the charge of the sanctuary for the charge of the children of Israel; and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.[e]

39 All that were numbered of the Levites, which Moses and Aaron numbered at the commandment of the LORD, throughout their families, all the males from a month old and upward, *were* twenty and two thousand.[f]

40 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Number all the firstborn of the males of the children of Israel from a month old and upward, and take the number of their names.[g]

41 And thou shalt take the Levites for me (I *am* the LORD) instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel; and the cattle of the Levites instead of all the firstlings among the cattle of the children of Israel.[h]

42 And Moses numbered, as the LORD commanded him, all the firstborn among the children of Israel.

43 And all the firstborn males by the number of names, from a month old and upward, of those that were numbered of them, were twenty and two thousand two hundred and threescore and thirteen.[i]

44 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

45 Take the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle; and the Levites shall be mine: I *am* the LORD.[j]

46 And for those that are to be redeemed of the two hundred and threescore and thirteen of the firstborn of the children of Israel, which are more than the Levites;[k]

47 Thou shalt even take five shekels apiece by the poll, after the shekel of the sanctuary shalt thou take *them:* (the shekel *is* twenty gerahs:)[l]

48 And thou shalt give the money, wherewith the odd number of them is to be redeemed, unto Aaron and to his sons.

49 And Moses took the redemption money of them that were over and above them that were redeemed by the Levites:

50 Of the firstborn of the children of Israel took he the money; a thousand three hundred and threescore and five *shekels,* after the shekel of the sanctuary:[m]

51 And Moses gave the money of them that were redeemed unto Aaron and to his sons, according to the word of the LORD, as the LORD commanded Moses.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

[a] ch iii. 2; iv. 16, 27; xxvi. 60; 1 Chron. vi. 3; xxiv. 1; Ezra viii. 33.
[m] vs. 46, 47
[n] ver. 48; ch. xvi. 15; Mal. iv 4.
[b] ch. v. 43, 44.
[c] vs. 28, 29; ch. i. 53, ii. 25.
1 Heb *the office of the charge.*
[d] ch. iv 29—33, vii 8
[e] vs. 7, 8, 10, 28, 29, 35; ch. i. 53; ii. 3
[p] ch iii 3, 7, 8, viii 5—26; xvi 9; 1 Chron vi. 48, xxiii 2—32
[q] vs 15, 19, 24, 30, ch iii. 30, 31
[f] ch iv 47, 48, xxvi 62
[r] ch ii 15, 16, iii 27—31, x 14, Exod xxv 10—16, xxvi.31.
[g] vs. 12, 15, 45.
[s] vs 7, 8, 11—13; Exod xxv. 13—15; xxvi. 14; xxxv 19, xxxix. 1, 41; 1 Kings viii. 8.
2 Or, *pour out withal*
[t] Exod xxv 23—30; xxxvii 10—16, Lev. xxiv 5—8
[h] vs 12, 45; ch viii 16, xviii 15.
[u] vs. 6, 7, 9, 11—13.
[i] ver. 39.
[v] Exod xxv 31—39, xxxvii. 17—24.
[w] vs. 6, 12
[j] vs. 12, 40, 41.
[x] vs 6, 8, 10, 12, 14; Exod. xxx. 1—10; xxxix. 38; xl. 5, 26, 27.
[k] vs. 39—43; ch xviii. 15; Exod. xiii. 13.
[y] vs 7, 9; ch. iii. 8; Exod. xxv 9; xxxi. 10; 2 Kings xxv 14, 15; 1 Chron. ix. 29, 2 Chron. iv. 11, 16, 19, 22
[l] ver. 50; ch. xviii. 16; Exod. xxx. 13; Lev. xxvii. 6, 25; Ezek. xiv. 12
[z] Exod xxvii. 3—5; Lev. vi. 12, 13.
3 Or, *bowls.*

CHAPTER IV.

1 The age and time of the Levites' service. 4 The carriage of the Kohathites, when the priests have taken down the tabernacle. 16 The charge of Eleazar. 17 The office of the priests. 21 The carriage of the Gershonites. 29 The carriage of the Merarites. 34 The number of the Kohathites, 38 of the Gershonites, 42 and of the Merarites.

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 Take the sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, after their families, by the house of their fathers,[o]

3 From thirty years old and upward even until fifty years old, all that enter into the host, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.[p]

4 This *shall be* the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation, *about* the most holy things:[q]

5 ¶ And when the camp setteth forward, Aaron shall come, and his sons, and they shall take down the covering vail, and cover the ark of testimony with it:[r]

6 And shall put thereon the covering of badgers' skins, and shall spread over *it* a cloth wholly of blue, and shall put in the staves thereof.[s]

7 And upon the table of shewbread they shall spread a cloth of blue, and put thereon the dishes, and the spoons, and the bowls, and covers to [2]cover withal: and the continual bread shall be thereon:[t]

8 And they shall spread upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put in the staves thereof.[u]

9 And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover the candlestick of the light, and his lamps, and his tongs, and his snuffdishes, and all the oil vessels thereof, wherewith they minister unto it:[v]

10 And they shall put it and all the vessels thereof within a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put *it* upon a bar.[w]

11 And upon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and cover it with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put to the staves thereof:[x]

12 And they shall take all the instruments of ministry, wherewith they minister in the sanctuary, and put *them* in a cloth of blue, and cover them with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put *them* on a bar:[y]

13 And they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread a purple cloth thereon:[z]

14 And they shall put upon it all the vessels thereof, wherewith they minister about it, *even* the censers, the fleshhooks, and the shovels, and the [3]basons, all



THE LEVITES BEARING THE SACRED VESSELS.

the vessels of the altar; and they shall spread upon it a covering of badgers' skins, and put to the staves of it.[a]

15 And when Aaron and his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the vessels of the sanctuary, as the camp is to set forward; after that, the sons of Kohath shall come to bear *it:* but they shall not touch *any* holy thing, lest they die. These *things are* the burden of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation.[b]

16 ¶ And to the office of Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest *pertaineth* the oil for the light, and the sweet incense, and the daily meat offering, and the anointing oil, *and* the oversight of all the tabernacle, and of all that therein *is*, in the sanctuary, and in the vessels thereof.[c]

17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

18 Cut ye not off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the Levites:

19 But thus do unto them, that they may live, and not die, when they approach unto the most holy things: Aaron and his sons shall go in, and appoint them every one to his service and to his burden:[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a ver 6, 8, 10–12, Exod. xxxviii. 1—7, 2 Chron. iv. 19

e ver 19; Exod xix 21; 1 Sam. vi. 19.

f ch iii. 18, 21, 24.

b ch. iii 27, 30, 31, x 21, 2 Sam vi 6, 7 1 Chron xv 2. 15

1 Heb *war the warfare.*

g ver 3.

2 Or, *carriage*

c ch iii 32, Exod xxv 6; xxvii 20, 21; xxix 39—41; xxx. 23—33, 34—38; Lev. xxiv 2

h ch iii. 25, 26, vii. 5—7, Exod. xxvi. 14.

i Exod. xxvii. 9; xxxv 18.

d ver. 4.

3 Heb *mouth.*

20 But they shall not go in to see when the holy things are covered, lest they die.[e]

21 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

22 Take also the sum of the sons of Gershon, throughout the houses of their fathers, by their families;[f]

23 From thirty years old and upward until fifty years old shalt thou number them; all that enter in to [1]perform the service, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.[g]

24 This *is* the service of the families of the Gershonites, to serve, and for [2]burdens:

25 And they shall bear the curtains of the tabernacle, and the tabernacle of the congregation, his covering, and the covering of the badgers' skins that *is* above upon it, and the hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation,[h]

26 And the hangings of the court, and the hanging for the door of the gate of the court, which *is* by the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and their cords, and all the instruments of their service, and all that is made for them: so shall they serve.[i]

27 At the [3]appointment of Aaron and his sons shall

be all the service of the sons of the Gershonites, in all their burdens, and in all their service: and ye shall appoint unto them in charge all their burdens.

28 This *is* the service of the families of the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of the congregation: and their charge *shall be* under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.[a]

29 ¶ As for the sons of Merari, thou shalt number them after their families, by the house of their fathers;[b]

30 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old shalt thou number them, every one that entereth into the [1]service, to do the work of the tabernacle of the congregation.[c]

31 And this *is* the charge of their burden, according to all their service in the tabernacle of the congregation; the boards of the tabernacle, and the bars thereof, and the pillars thereof, and sockets thereof,[d]

32 And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords, with all their instruments, and with all their service: and by name ye shall reckon the instruments of the charge of their burden.[e]

33 This *is* the service of the families of the sons of Merari, according to all their service, in the tabernacle of the congregation, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.[f]

34 ¶ And Moses and Aaron and the chief of the congregation numbered the sons of the Kohathites after their families, and after the house of their fathers,

35 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation:[g]

36 And those that were numbered of them by their families were [2]two thousand seven hundred and fifty.[h]

37 These *were* they that were numbered of the families of the Kohathites, all that might do service in the tabernacle of the congregation, which Moses and Aaron did number according to the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

38 And those that were numbered of the sons of Gershon, throughout their families, and by the house of their fathers,

39 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation,[i]

40 Even those that were numbered of them, throughout their families, by the house of their fathers, were two thousand and six hundred and thirty.

41 These *are* they that were numbered of the families of the sons of Gershon, of all that might do service in the tabernacle of the congregation, whom Moses and Aaron did number according to the commandment of the LORD.[j]

42 ¶ And those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, throughout their families, by the house of their fathers,

43 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation,[k]

44 Even those that were numbered of them after their families, were three thousand and two hundred.

45 These *be* those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.[l]

46 All those that were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron and the chief of Israel numbered, after their families, and after the house of their fathers,

47 From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that came to do the service of the ministry, and the service of the burden in the tabernacle of the congregation,[m]

48 Even those that were numbered of them, were eight thousand and five hundred and fourscore.

49 According to the commandment of the LORD they were numbered by the hand of Moses, every one according to his service, and according to his burden: thus were they numbered of him, as the LORD commanded Moses.[n]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The unclean are removed out of the camp.* 5 *Restitution is to be made in trespasses.* 11 *The trial of jealousy.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Command the children of Israel, that they put out of the camp every leper, and every one that hath an issue, and whosoever is defiled by the dead:[o]

3 Both male and female shall ye put out, without the camp shall ye put them; that they defile not their camps, in the midst whereof I dwell.[p]

4 And the children of Israel did so, and put them out without the camp: as the LORD spake unto Moses, so did the children of Israel.

5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

6 Speak unto the children of Israel, When a man or woman shall commit any sin that men commit, to do a trespass against the LORD, and that person be guilty,

7 Then they shall confess their sin which they have done: and he shall recompense his trespass with the principal thereof, and add unto it the fifth *part* thereof, and give *it* unto *him* against whom he hath trespassed.[q]

8 But if the man have no kinsman to recompense the trespass unto, let the trespass be recompensed unto the LORD, *even* to the priest; beside the ram of the atonement, whereby an atonement shall be made for him.[r]

9 And every [3]offering of all the holy things of the children of Israel, which they bring unto the priest, shall be his.

10 And every man's hallowed things shall be his: whatsoever any man giveth the priest, it shall be his.

11 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, If any man's wife go aside, and commit a trespass against him,[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

k ver. 3, 23, 30, 47

a ver. 33.

l ver. 29

b ch. iii. 33—35

1 Heb. *warfare.*

c ver 3, 23, 30, 35, 39, 43, 47.

m ver. 3, 15, 23, 24, 30, 37, 43; 1 Chron. xxiii. 3, 27.

d ch iii. 36, 37; vii. 8, 9; Exod. xxvi. 15.

e ch. iii 8; vii. 1; Exod xxv. 9; xxxviii. 17, 21, 1 Chron ix. 29

n ver. 1, 15, 21, 24, 31, 37, 41, 45; ch i. 54, ii. 33; iii. 51

f ver. 28.

o ch ix. 6—10, xii 14; xix. 11—16; xxxi 19; Lev xiii.; xv. 2—27; xxi 1, Deut xxiv 8, 9, 2 Kings vii 3; Isa lii. 11, Luke xvii 12

g ver 3, 23, 30, 39, 43, 47, ch viii 24—26, 1 Chron xxiii. 3,24,26,27 xxviii 13

2 In the third chapter we find that the aggregate number of the Levites was twenty-two thousand three hundred, of whom only eight thousand five hundred and sixty were qualified to serve the Lord in the tabernacle.

h ch iii 28

p ver 2, ch xii. 14, xix. 22, Lev xxvi 11, 12, Deut. xxiii. 10; Ps lxviii. 18, Isa. xii. 6; 2 Cor. vi 16

i ver 3, 23, 30, 43, 47.

q Lev v 5, 15, vi 4—7, vii 7; xxvi. 40, Josh vii. 19; Job xxxiii. 27, 28, Ps xxxii 5; Prov xxviii 13, 1 John i 8—10

r Lev. vi. 6, 7, vii. 7; xxv 25, 26

3 Or, *heave offering.*

j ver 22

s ver. 19, 20; Prov ii. 16—19

13 And a man lie with her carnally, and it be hid from the eyes of her husband, and be kept close, and she be defiled, and *there be* no witness against her, neither she be taken *with the manner;*[a]

14 And the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be defiled: or if the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be not defiled:[b]

15 Then shall the man bring his wife unto the priest, and he shall bring her offering for her, the tenth *part* of an ephah of barley meal; he shall pour no oil upon it, nor put frankincense thereon; for it *is* an offering of jealousy, an offering of memorial, bringing iniquity to remembrance.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a Lev. xviii. 20; xx. 10; Prov. vi. 18, 19; xxx. 20.
5 Heb *to fall.*
g 2 Chron. xxi. 15.
b ver. 30.
h ver. 27; Deut. xxvii. 26; Ps. cix. 18.
c Lev. v. 11.
i vs. 18, 22

16 And the priest shall bring [1]her near, and set her before the LORD:

17 And the priest shall take [2]holy water in an earthen vessel; and of the dust that is in the floor of the tabernacle the priest shall take, and put *it* into the water:[d]

18 And the priest shall set the woman before the LORD, and uncover the woman's head, and put the offering of memorial in her hands, which *is* the jealousy offering: and the priest shall have in his hand the [3]bitter water that causeth the curse:[e]

19 And the priest shall charge her by an oath, and say unto the woman, If no man have lain with thee, and if thou hast not gone aside to uncleanness [4]*with another* instead of thy husband, be thou free from this bitter water that causeth the curse:

20 But if thou hast gone aside *to another* instead of thy husband, and if thou be defiled, and some man have lain with thee beside thine husband:[f]

21 Then the priest shall charge the woman with an oath of cursing, and the priest shall say unto the woman, The LORD make thee a curse and an oath among thy people, when the LORD doth make thy thigh to [5]rot, and thy belly to swell;[g]

22 And this water that causeth the curse shall go into thy bowels, to make *thy* belly to swell, and *thy* thigh to rot: And the woman shall say, Amen, amen.[h]

23 And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and he shall blot *them* out with the bitter water:

24 And he shall cause the woman to drink the bitter water that causeth the curse: and the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, *and become* bitter.[i]



THE TRIAL OF JEALOUSY.

1 Or, "bring *it*" (the offering) "near, and set *it* before the LORD"
2 Or, *water from the laver*, for, being set apart for sacred uses, it was accounted "holy"
j vs. 15, 18; Exod. xxix. 24, Lev. ii. 9, viii. 27.
d Exod. xxx. 18.
3 *Bitter from its effects on the guilty.*
e vs. 24, 27.
k vs. 13, 14, 20, 21—26; Heb. xiii. 4.
4 Heb. *under thy husband*, that is, in the power of thy husband. Rom. vii. 2.
l vs. 19; Job xvii. 9; Ps. xxxvii. 5, 6
m vs. 12, 15, 27
f ver. 13

25 Then the priest shall take the jealousy offering out of the woman's hand, and shall wave the offering before the LORD, and offer it upon the altar:[j]

26 And the priest shall take an handful of the offering, *even* the memorial thereof, and burn *it* upon the altar, and afterward shall cause the woman to drink the water.

27 And when he hath made her to drink the water, then it shall come to pass, *that*, if she be defiled, and have done trespass against her husband, that the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, *and become* bitter, and her belly shall swell, and her thigh shall rot: and the woman shall be a curse among her people.[k]

28 And if the woman be not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be free, and shall conceive seed.[l]

29 This *is* the law of jealousies, when a wife goeth aside *to another* instead of her husband, and is defiled;[m]

30 Or when the spirit of jealousy cometh upon

54 ¶ On the eighth day *offered* Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of the children of Manasseh:[a]

55 His offering *was* one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

56 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

57 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

58 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

59 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

[a] ch. i. 10; ii. 20

[f] vs. 65, 67—71

[g] ch. i. 13, ii. 27.

[b] vs. 13—17, 19—23, 25—29, 37—41, 43—47, 48—53, 54—59

whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

68 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

69 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

70 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

71 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.[f]

72 ¶ On the eleventh day Pagiel the son of Ocran, prince of the children of Asher, *offered*:[c]

73 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight



THE OFFERINGS OF THE PRINCES.

60 ¶ On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideoni, prince of the children of Benjamin, *offered*:[c]

61 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

62 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

63 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

64 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

65 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Abidan the son of Gideoni.[d]

66 ¶ On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai, prince of the children of Dan, *offered*:[e]

67 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight

[c] ch. i. 11, ii. 22

[h] vs. 71, 73—77

[d] vs. 59, 61—65

[e] ch. i. 15; ii. 29

[e] ch. i. 12, ii. 25

whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

74 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

75 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

76 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

77 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Pagiel the son of Ocran.[h]

78 ¶ On the twelfth day Ahira the son of Enan, prince of the children of Naphtali, *offered*:[e]

79 His offering *was* one silver charger, the weight whereof *was* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the

sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

80 One golden spoon of ten *shekels*, full of incense:

81 One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

82 One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

83 And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Ahira the son of Enan.[a]

84 This *was* the dedication of the altar, in the day when it was anointed, by the princes of Israel: twelve chargers of silver, twelve silver bowls, twelve spoons of gold:[b]

85 Each charger of silver *weighing* an hundred and thirty *shekels*, each bowl seventy: all the silver vessels *weighed* two thousand and four hundred *shekels*, after the shekel of the sanctuary:[c]

86 The golden spoons *were* twelve, full of incense, *weighing* ten *shekels* apiece, after the shekel of the sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons *was* an hundred and twenty *shekels*.

87 All the oxen for the burnt offering *were* twelve bullocks, the rams twelve, the lambs of the first year twelve, with their meat offering: and the kids of the goats for sin offering twelve.

88 And all the oxen for the sacrifice of the peace offerings *were* twenty and four bullocks, the rams sixty, the he goats sixty, the lambs of the first year sixty. This *was* the dedication of the altar, after that it was anointed.[d]

89 And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with [1]him, then he heard the voice of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that *was* upon the ark of testimony, from between the two cherubims: and he spake unto him.[e]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *How the lamps are to be lighted.* 5 *The consecration of the Levites* 23 *The age and time of their service.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto Aaron, and say unto him, When thou lightest the lamps, the seven lamps shall give light over against the candlestick.[f]

3 And Aaron did so; he lighted the lamps thereof over against the candlestick, as the LORD commanded Moses.[g]

4 And this work of the candlestick *was of* beaten gold, unto the shaft thereof, unto the flowers thereof, *was* beaten work: according unto the pattern which the LORD had shewed Moses, so he made the candlestick.[h]

5 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

6 Take the Levites from among the children of Israel, and cleanse them.

7 And thus shalt thou do unto them, to cleanse them: Sprinkle water of purifying upon them, and let them [2]shave all their flesh, and let them wash their clothes, and *so* make themselves clean.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

j Lev. ii., iv., v., vi.; Isa. liii. 10; Rom. viii. 3; 2 Cor. v. 21.

3 That is, as the phrase is often rendered, *all the elders, the principal persons in the tribes*; such only could do what is afterwards required.

a vs 77, 79—83

k ver. 9.

4 Heb. *wave.*

5 Heb *wave offering.*

6 Heb *they may be to execute.*

l ch. i 49—53; iii. 5—43.

b vs. 10, 11

m Lev i., iv., v., vi., viii. 34; xvi. 6, 11, 16—19; Heb ix. 22.

c ver 13.

7 Literally, *wave them for a wave offering*, as in ver 11.

n vs. 17, 18, ch. iii 45, xvi 9, 10; xviii. 6, Mal. iii. 17

o vs 11, 13; ch iii 23—37; iv 3—32.

p ch iii. 12, 45

d vs 1, 10, 11, 84.

1 That is, *God.*

q ch iii. 13, Exod xii 29, xiii. 2, 12—15, Luke ii. 23; Ps lxxviii. 51, cv. 36; cxxxv 8; Heb. xi. 28.

e Exod xxv 22, Heb ix. 5

8 Heb *given*

r ch i 53, iii 6, 9; xvi 46; xviii 2—6; 1 Sam. vi. 19; 1 Chron. xxiii 28—32; 2 Chron. xxvi. 16, 20

f Exod. xxv. 31—39; xxxvii. 17—24, xl 4, 25, Lev. xxiv. 2—4.

s vs. 7, 11—13, 15, ch. xix. 12, 19.

g ver. 2.

t vs. 5, 15; 2 Chron. xxx. 15—17, 27; xxxi. 2, xxxv. 8-15.

h Exod. xxv. 31, 40; xxxvii. 17

u vs. 5—22

9 Heb. *return from the warfare of the service.*

2 Heb. *Let them cause a razor to pass over.*

i ch. xix 7, 8, 10, 19, 21; Lev. xiv. 7; Isa liii. 15, Ezek. xxxvi. 25.

8 Then let them take a young bullock with his meat offering, *even* fine flour mingled with oil, and another young bullock shalt thou take for a sin offering.[j]

9 And thou shalt bring the Levites before the tabernacle of the congregation: and thou shalt gather the [3]whole assembly of the children of Israel together:

10 And thou shalt bring the Levites before the LORD: and the children of Israel shall put their hands upon the Levites:[k]

11 And Aaron shall [4]offer the Levites before the LORD *for* an [5]offering of the children of Israel, that they may [6]execute the service of the LORD.[l]

12 And the Levites shall lay their hands upon the heads of the bullocks: and thou shalt offer the one *for* a sin offering, and the other *for* a burnt offering, unto the LORD, to make an atonement for the Levites.[m]

13 And thou shalt set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and [7]offer them *for* an offering unto the LORD.

14 Thus shalt thou separate the Levites from among the children of Israel: and the Levites shall be mine.[n]

15 And after that shall the Levites go in to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation: and thou shalt cleanse them, and offer them *for* an offering.[o]

16 For they *are* wholly given unto me from among the children of Israel; instead of such as open every womb, *even instead of* the firstborn of all the children of Israel, have I taken them unto me.[p]

17 For all the firstborn of the children of Israel *are* mine, *both* man and beast: on the day that I smote every firstborn in the land of Egypt I sanctified them for myself.[q]

18 And I have taken the Levites for all the firstborn of the children of Israel.

19 And I have given the Levites *as* a [8]gift to Aaron and to his sons from among the children of Israel, to do the service of the children of Israel in the tabernacle of the congregation, and to make an atonement for the children of Israel: that there be no plague among the children of Israel, when the children of Israel come nigh unto the sanctuary.[r]

20 And Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of Israel, did to the Levites according unto all that the LORD commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did the children of Israel unto them.

21 And the Levites were purified, and they washed their clothes; and Aaron offered them *as* an offering before the LORD; and Aaron made an atonement for them to cleanse them.[s]

22 And after that went the Levites in to do their service in the tabernacle of the congregation before Aaron, and before his sons: as the LORD had commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did they unto them.[t]

23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

24 This *is it* that *belongeth* unto the Levites: from twenty and five years old and upward they shall go in to wait upon the service of the tabernacle of the congregation:[u]

25 And from the age of fifty years they shall [9]cease waiting upon the service *thereof*, and shall serve no more:

26 But shall minister with their brethren in the

tabernacle of the congregation, to keep the charge, and shall do no service. Thus shalt thou do unto the Levites touching their charge.[a]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The passover is commanded again.* 6 *A second passover allowed for them that were unclean or absent.* 15 *The cloud guideth the removings and encampings of the Israelites.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt, saying,

2 Let the children of Israel also keep the passover at his appointed season.

3 In the fourteenth day of this month, at even, ye shall keep it in his appointed season: according to all the rites of it, and according to all the ceremonies thereof, shall ye keep it.

4 And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, that they should keep the passover.[b]

5 And they kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the first month at even in the wilderness of Sinai: according to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so did the children of Israel.[c]

6 ¶ And there were certain men, who were defiled by the dead body of a man, that they could not keep the passover on that day: and they came before Moses and before Aaron on that day:[d]

7 And those men said unto him, We *are* defiled by the dead body of a man: wherefore are we kept back, that we may not offer an offering of the LORD in his appointed season among the children of Israel?[e]

8 And Moses said unto them, Stand still, and I will hear what the LORD will command concerning you.[f]

9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

10 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If any man of you or of your posterity shall be unclean by reason of a dead body, or *be* in a journey afar off, yet he shall keep the passover unto the LORD.[g]

11 The fourteenth day of the second month at even they shall keep it, *and* eat it with unleavened bread and bitter *herbs*.[h]

12 They shall leave none of it unto the morning, nor break any bone of it: according to all the ordinances of the passover they shall keep it.[i]

13 But the man that *is* clean, and is not in a journey, and forbeareth to keep the passover, even the same soul shall be cut off from among his people: because he brought not the offering of the LORD in his appointed season, that man shall bear his sin.[j]

14 And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will keep the passover unto the LORD; according to the ordinance of the passover, and according to the manner thereof, so shall he do: ye shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the land.[k]

15 ¶ And on the day that the tabernacle was reared up the cloud covered the tabernacle, *namely*, the tent of the testimony: and at even there was upon the tabernacle as it were the appearance of fire, until the morning.[l]

16 So it was alway: the cloud covered it *by day*, and the appearance of fire by night.[m]

17 And when the cloud was taken up from the tabernacle, then after that the children of Israel journeyed: and in the place where the cloud abode, there the children of Israel pitched their tents.[n]

18 At the commandment of the LORD the children of Israel journeyed, and at the commandment of the LORD they pitched: as long as the cloud abode upon the tabernacle they rested in their tents.[o]

19 And when the cloud [1]tarried long upon the tabernacle many days, then the children of Israel kept the charge of the LORD, and journeyed not.[p]

20 And *so* it was, when the cloud was a few days upon the tabernacle; according to the commandment of the LORD they abode in their tents, and according to the commandment of the LORD they journeyed.

21 And *so* it was, when the cloud [2]abode from even unto the morning, and *that* the cloud was taken up in the morning, then they journeyed: whether *it was* by day or by night that the cloud was taken up, they journeyed.

22 Or *whether it were* two days, or a month, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle, remaining thereon, the children of Israel abode in their tents, and journeyed not: but when it was taken up, they journeyed.[q]

23 At the commandment of the LORD they rested in the tents, and at the commandment of the LORD they journeyed: they kept the charge of the LORD, at the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.[r]

CHAPTER X.

1 *The use of the silver trumpets.* 11 *The Israelites remove from Sinai to Paran.* 14 *The order of their march.* 29 *Hobab is intreated by Moses not to leave them.* 33 *The blessing of Moses at the removing and resting of the ark.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Make thee two trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou mayest use them for the calling of the assembly, and for the journeying of the camps.[s]

3 And when they shall blow with them, all the assembly shall assemble themselves to thee at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

4 And if they blow *but* with one *trumpet*, then the princes, *which are* heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee.[t]

5 When ye blow an alarm, then the camps that lie on the east parts shall go forward.[u]

6 When ye blow an alarm the second time, then the camps that lie on the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys.[v]

7 But when the congregation is to be gathered together, ye shall blow, but ye shall not sound an alarm.[w]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

a ch. i. 53; xviii. 4; xxxi. 30; 1 Chron. xxiii. 32.
l ch. x. 34; xiv. 14; Exod. xiii. 21; xl. 34, 38; Neh. ix. 12, 19; Ps. lxxviii. 14; cv 39; Isa. iv 5.
m ver. 15.
n ver. 37; ch. x 11; Exod. xl. 35 36
o ver. 20.
1 Heb *prolonged*
p ver. 18.
2 Heb *was.*
b ch. ii. 2, 12—14; Exod. xii. 6, 48; Deut. xvi. 1, 2 Kings xxiii. 21, 2 Chron xxx. 1, 2, xxxv 18, Matt. xxvi. 18; 1 Cor. v 7, 8; Heb x. 1
c ch viii. 20; xxix. 40, Josh v 10.
q ver. 20
d ch. v. 2; vi. 6, 7; xix. 11, 16; Lev. xxi 11.
r ver. 19; ch. i. 54, viii. 20; Exod. xxxix. 42.
e ver. 6.
f ch. xxvii 5
g vs 6, 7.
h ver. 3; Exod xii 2—14, 43—49; 2 Chron. xxx. 2—17.
s ver. 7
i ver. 8; Exod. xii. 10, 46; John xix. 36.
j ch v 31; xv. 30, 31; Lev. xx. 20; xxii. 9; Ezek. xxiii. 49; Heb. ix. 28.
t ch i 16; vii. 2; Exod xviii. 21; Josh. xxii. 14, 21, 30.
u ch. ii. 3—9.
k Exod. xii. 48, 49; Lev. xxiv. 22; Deut. xxxi. 12; Isa. lvi. 3—7.
v ch. ii. 10, 16.
w ver. 3



BLOWING OF THE SILVER TRUMPETS

8 And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to you for an ordinance for ever throughout your generations.[a]

9 And if ye go to war in your land against the enemy that oppresseth you, then ye shall blow an alarm with the trumpets; and ye shall be remembered before the LORD your God, and ye shall be saved from your enemies.

10 Also in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I *am* the LORD your God.[c]

11 ¶ And it came to pass on the twentieth *day* of the second month, in the second year, that the cloud was taken up from off the tabernacle of the testimony.[d]

12 And the children of Israel took their journeys out of the wilderness of Sinai; and the cloud rested in the wilderness of Paran.[e]

13 And they first took their journey according to the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.[f]

14 ¶ In the first *place* went the standard of the camp of the children of Judah according to their armies: and over his host *was* Nahshon the son of Amminadab.[g]

15 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Issachar *was* Nethaneel the son of Zuar.[h]

16 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Zebulun *was* Eliab the son of Helon.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

a ch xxxi 6, Josh vi 4, 8, 9, 13, 16, 20, 1 Chron xv 24, xvi 6, 42, 2 Chron v 12, vii 6, xiii 12, 14, 28.

b ver 5, ch xxxi 6, Josh vi 4, 5, 2 Chron xiii 12-14, Ps cxxxvi 23

c ver 8, ch xxix 1, Lev xi 44, xviii 30, xxiii 24, 2 Kings xi 14, 2 Chron v 13, xxix 27 28; Ps xcviii 6.

d ch ix 17—23

e ch i 1, ix 1, 5; xii 6; xiii 3, 26; xxxiii 15; Gen xxxi 21, Exod xix 1, 2, Deut i 1; xxxiii 2, 1 Sam xxv 1; Hab iii 3

f ch ix 23.

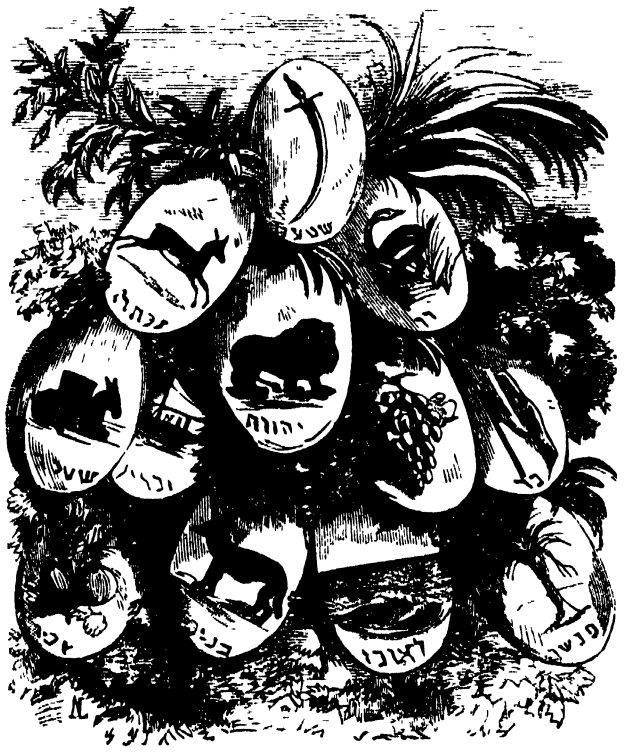
g ch i 7, ii 3—9, vii 12, xxvi 19-27; Gen xlix 8

h ch i 8, vii 18

i ch i 9; vii

17 And the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari set forward, bearing the tabernacle.[j]

18 ¶ And the standard of the camp of Reuben set



THE EMBLEMS ON THE STANDARDS OF THE TRIBES.

j ch i 51, iii 25, 26, 36, 37, iv 24—33; vii 6—8.

forward according to their armies: and over his host *was* Elizur the son of Shedeur.[a]

19 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Simeon *was* Shelumiel the son of [1]Zurishaddai.[b]

20 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Gad *was* Eliasaph the son of [1]Deuel.[c]

21 And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and [2]*the other* did set up the tabernacle against they came.[d]



EGYPTIAN STANDARDS.

22 ¶ And the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set forward according to their armies: and over his host *was* Elishama the son of Ammihud.[e]

23 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh *was* Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.[f]

24 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Benjamin *was* Abidan the son of Gideoni.[g]

25 ¶ And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward, *which was* the rereward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and over his host *was* Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.[h]

26 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Asher *was* Pagiel the son of Ocran.[i]

27 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali *was* Ahira the son of Enan.[j]

28 [3]Thus *were* the journeyings of the children of Israel according to their armies, when they set forward.[k]

29 ¶ And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of [4]Raguel the Midianite, Moses' father in law, We are journeying unto the place of which the LORD said, I will give it you: come thou with us, and we will do thee good: for the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel.[l]

30 And he said unto him, I will not go; but I will depart to mine own land, and to my kindred.

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a ch. i. 5; ii. 10—16; vii. 35; xxvi. 5—18.

b ch. i. 6; vii. 36.

1 Or, *son of Reuel.*

c ch. i. 14; ii. 14; vii. 42. m ver. 29.

2 That is, *the Gershonites and Merarites.*

d ch. ii. 17; iii. 27–32; iv. 4—16; vii. 9; 1 Chron. xv. 2, 12—15.

n Deut. i. 33; Josh. iii. 2—6, 11—17; Jer. xxxi. 8, 9; Ezek. xx. 6.

o ch. ix. 16, 21, 22.

p Ps. vii. 6, 7; lxviii. 1, 2, 30; lxxviii. 65, 66; Isa. ii. 9.

5 Heb. *ten thousand thousands.*

q Ps. lxxx. 14; xc. 13

6 Or, *were as it were complainers.*

7 Heb. *it was evil in the ears of the Lord.*

r ch. xvi. 35; Lev x. 2; Deut. xxxii 22, 2 Kings i. 12; Job i 16; Ps. lxxviii. 21, cvi. 18

s ch. xxi 7, Exod. xxxii 10—14, 30—33; xxxiv. 9, 10; Deut. ix. 20, 26, x. 10, Ps. cvi. 23.

8 That is, *a burning.*

t Deut. ix. 22

e ch i. 10, ii. 18—24; vii. 48; xxvi. 3—41, Gen. xlviii. 19, Ps. lxxx. 1, 2

f ch. i. 10, vii. 54.

g ch. i. 11; vii 60

h ch i. 12, ii 25, 28—31; vii. 66; xxvi. 42—51; Gen xlix. 16, 17, Josh vi. 9—13

i ch i. 13, vii. 72.

j ch. i. 15; vii. 78.

3 Heb. *These.*

k ch. xxxiii. 1; Exod. vii. 4; xii. 17; Ps. xliv. 9.

4 Or, *Reuel;* probably the same person as Jethro.

l Gen. xii. 7; xiii 15; xv. 18; xxxii. 12; Exod. ii. 18; iii. 1, 8; xviii. 1, 27; Judg. i. 16, iv. 11; 1 Sam. xv. 6; Acts vii. 5.

9 Heb. *lusted a lust.*

10 Heb. *returned and wept.*

u Exod xii. 38; Lev. xxiv. 10, 11; Neh. xiii. 3; Ps. lxxviii. 18—20; cvi. 14.

31 And he said, Leave us not, I pray thee; forasmuch as thou knowest how we are to encamp in the wilderness, and thou mayest be to us instead of eyes.

32 And it shall be, if thou go with us, yea, it shall be, that what goodness the LORD shall do unto us, the same will we do unto thee.[m]

33 ¶ And they departed from the mount of the LORD three days' journey: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD went before them in the three days' journey, to search out a resting place for them.[n]

34 And the cloud of the LORD *was* upon them by day, when they went out of the camp.[o]

35 And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said, Rise up, LORD, and let thine enemies be scattered; and let them that hate thee flee before thee.[p]

36 And when it rested, he said, Return, O LORD, unto the [5]many thousands of Israel.[q]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *The burning at Taberah quenched by Moses' prayer.* 4 *The people lust for flesh, and loathe manna.* 10 *Moses complaineth of his charge.* 16 *God divideth his burden unto seventy elders.* 31 *Quails are given in wrath at Kibroth-hattaavah.*

AND *when* the people [6]complained, it [7]displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard *it;* and his anger was kindled; and the fire of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed *them that were* in the uttermost parts of the camp.[r]

2 And the people cried unto Moses; and when Moses prayed unto the LORD, the fire was quenched.[s]

3 And he called the name of the place [8]Taberah: because the fire of the LORD burnt among them.[t]



GARLICK.

4 ¶ And the mixt multitude that *was* among them [9]fell a lusting: and the children of Israel also [10]wept again, and said, Who shall give us flesh to eat?[u]

5 We remember the fish, which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlick:[a]

6 But now our soul *is* dried away: *there is* nothing at all, beside this manna, *before* our eyes.[b]

7 And the manna *was* as coriander seed, and the [1]colour thereof as the colour of bdellium.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

[a] Exod. xvi. 3.

[b] ch. xxvii. 18, Exod. xviii. 22; Isa. lxiii. 11.

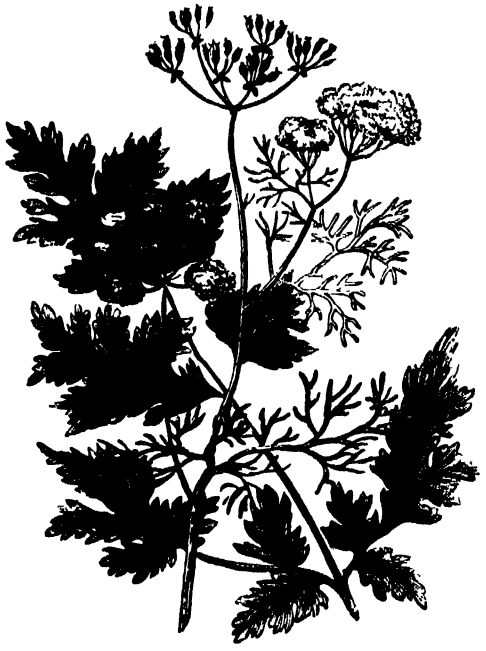
[b] ch. xxi. 5

[1] Heb. *the eye of it as the eye of.*

[c] Gen. ii. 12; Exod. xvi. 14, 15, 31.



MELONS.



THE CORIANDER PLANT.

8 *And* the people went about, and gathered *it*, and ground *it* in mills, or beat *it* in a mortar, and baked *it* in pans, and made cakes of it: and the taste of it was as the taste of fresh oil.[d]

9 And when the dew fell upon the camp in the night, the manna fell upon it.[e]

10 ¶ Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door of his tent: and the anger of the LORD was kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased.[f]

11 And Moses said unto the LORD, Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people upon me?

12 Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing father beareth the sucking child, unto the land which thou swarest unto their fathers?

13 Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat.

14 I am not able to bear all this people alone, because *it is* too heavy for me.[g]

15 And if thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favour in thy sight; and let me not see my wretchedness.[h]

16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them; and bring them unto the tabernacle of the congregation, that they may stand there with thee.

17 And I will come down and talk with thee there: and I will take of the spirit which *is* upon thee, and will put *it* upon them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with thee, that thou bear *it* not thyself alone.[i]

[d] Exod. xvi. 16, 18, 23, 31

[e] Exod. xvi. 13, 14; Ps lxxviii. 23—25, cv 40

[f] vs 1, 4—6; ch xiv 2, 3, Acts vii. 39

[2] Heb. *month of days.*

[f] ver 1; ch xii. 3; xiv 1, 2, xvi. 27, xx. 10—13; xxi. 5, Deut. xxxii. 22; Ps. cvi. 25, 32, 33

[g] ch xxi 5; 1 Sam ii. 30, 2 Sam xii. 10; Ps lxxviii. 27—30; cvi. 15, Mal i. 6.

[i] ch. i. 46; ii. 32

[m] ch xxiii. 19; Gen. xviii 14; 2 Kings vii. 2, 17—19; Ps. lxxviii. 41; Isa. l. 2; Jer. xliv 28, 29, lix. 1; Ezek. xii 25; xxiv. 14; Micah ii. 7; Matt. xix. 26, Luke i. 37.

[g] Exod. xviii. 18; Deut. i. 9—12

[h] Exod. xxxii. 32; 1 Kings xix. 4, Job iii. 20—22; vi. 8—10; vii. 15; Jonah iv. 3, 8, 9; James i. 4.

[n] vs. 16, 26

[o] ver. 17 ch. xii. 6.

18 And say thou unto the people, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow, and ye shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the LORD, saying, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for *it was* well with us in Egypt: therefore the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat.[j]

19 Ye shall not eat one day, nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days;

20 *But* even a [2]whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and it be loathsome unto you: because that ye have despised the LORD which *is* among you, and have wept before him, saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?[k]

21 And Moses said, The people, among whom I *am*, *are* six hundred thousand footmen; and thou hast said, I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month.[l]

22 Shall the flocks and the herds be slain for them, to suffice them? or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to suffice them?

23 And the LORD said unto Moses, Is the LORD'S hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not.[m]

24 ¶ And Moses went out, and told the people the words of the LORD, and gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about the tabernacle.[n]

25 And the LORD came down in a cloud, and spake unto him, and took of the spirit that *was* upon him, and gave *it* unto the seventy elders: and it came to pass, *that*, when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied, and did not cease.[o]

26 But there remained two *of the* men in the camp, the name of the one *was* Eldad, and the name of the

other Medad: and the spirit rested upon them; and they *were* of them that were written, but went not out unto the tabernacle: and they prophesied in the camp.

27 And there ran a young man, and told Moses, and said, Eldad and Medad do prophesy in the camp.

28 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, *one* of his young men, answered and said, My lord Moses, forbid them.[a]

29 And Moses said unto him, Enviest thou for my sake? would God that all the LORD'S people were prophets, *and* that the LORD would put his spirit upon them![b]

30 And Moses gat him into the camp, he and the elders of Israel.

31 ¶ And there went forth a wind from the LORD, and brought quails from the sea, and let *them* fall by the camp, as it were a [1]day's journey on this side, and as it were a day's journey on the other side, round about the camp, and as it were two cubits *high* upon the face of the earth.[c]

32 And the people stood up all that day, and all *that* night, and all the next day, and they gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten homers: and they spread *them* all abroad for themselves round about the camp.[d]

33 And while the flesh *was* yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague.

34 And he called the name of that place [2]Kibroth-hattaavah: because there they buried the people that lusted.[f]

35 *And* the people journeyed from Kibroth-hattaavah unto Hazeroth; and [3]abode at Hazeroth.[g]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *God rebuketh the sedition of Miriam and Aaron.* 10 *Miriam's leprosy is healed at the prayer of Moses.* 14 *God commandeth her to be shut out of the host.*

AND Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses because of the [4]Ethiopian woman whom he had [5]married: for he had married an Ethiopian woman.[h]

2 And they said, Hath the LORD indeed spoken only by Moses? hath he not spoken also by us? And the LORD heard *it*.[i]

3 (Now the man Moses *was* very meek, above all the men which *were* upon the face of the earth.)[j]

4 And the LORD spake suddenly unto Moses, and unto Aaron, and unto Miriam, Come out ye three unto the tabernacle of the congregation. And they three came out.

5 And the LORD came down in the pillar of the cloud, and stood *in* the door of the tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam: and they both came forth.[k]

6 And he said, Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, *I* the LORD will make myself known unto him in a vision, *and* will speak unto him in a dream.[l]

7 My servant Moses *is* not so, who *is* faithful in all mine house.[m]

8 With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of the LORD shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?[n]

9 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against them; and he departed.[o]

10 And the cloud departed from off the tabernacle; and, behold, Miriam *became* leprous, *white* as snow: and Aaron looked upon Miriam, and, behold, *she was* leprous.[p]

11 And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have sinned.[q]

12 Let her not be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed when he cometh out of his mother's womb.[r]

13 And Moses cried unto the LORD, saying, Heal her now, O God, I beseech thee.

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, If her father had but spit in her face, should she not be ashamed seven days? let her be shut out from the camp seven days, and after that let her be received in *again*.[s]

15 And Miriam was shut out from the camp seven days: and the people journeyed not till Miriam was brought in *again*.[t]

16 And afterward the people removed from Hazeroth, and pitched in the wilderness of Paran.[u]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *The names of the men who were sent to search the land.* 17 *Their instructions.* 21 *Their acts.* 26 *Their relation.*



AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Send thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ye send a man, every one a ruler among them.[v]

3 And Moses by the commandment of the LORD sent them from the wilderness of Paran: all those men *were* heads of the children of Israel.[w]

4 And these *were* their names: of the tribe of Reuben, Shammua the son of Zaccur.

5 Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat the son of Hori.

6 Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh.[x]

7 Of the tribe of Issachar, Igal the son of Joseph.

8 Of the tribe of Ephraim, [6]Oshea the son of Nun.[y]

9 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Palti the son of Raphu.

10 Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel the son of Sodi.

11 Of the tribe of Joseph, *namely*, of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi the son of Susi.

12 Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel the son of Gemalli.

13 Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur the son of Michael.

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

l Gen. xv. 1; xxxvii. 5; 1 Kings iii. 5; Job xxxiii. 15; Ezek. xi. 24; Jer xxiii. 28; Dan. viii. 2; Matt. i. 20; ii. 12; Acts ix. 10, 12; x. 3.

m Heb. iii. 2—5.

n ch. xiv. 14; Exod. xxiv 10, 11; xxxiii. 11; Deut. iv. 12, 15, 16; xxxiv. 10

o ch. xi. 1, 33; Deut. xi. 17; 2 Kings xxiii. 13, 17; Ps. cvi. 40.

p Lev. xiii. 2, 3; Deut. xxiv 9; 2 Kings v. 27; xv. 5; 2 Chron. xxvi. 19—21.

q 2 Sam. xix. 19; xxiv. 10.

r Job iii. 16; Ps. lviii 8.

s ch v 2, 3, Lev. xiii 45, 46, xiv 8, xv 8, Deut xxv 9; 2 Chron xxvi. 19—21; Job xxx. 10, Matt xxvi 67

t ver. 14, Deut. xxiv 8, 9

u ch xvi. 49, xxv 9, Deut. xxviii 27, Ps. lxxviii. 30, 31, cvi. 14, 15

v ch. x. 12; xi. 35, xiii 3, 26, xxxiii. 18, Gen xxi. 21, 1 Sam xxv. 1; Hab. iii. 3

w ver 2, ch. xii. 16

x ver 30, ch xiv 24, 30, 38, xxxii. 12; xxxiv 19, Deut. i 36, Josh xiv. 6, 7, 13, xv 14, 16; Judg i. 15.

y ch xi. 10—15.

z ver 16; ch xiv. 30; xxvii. 18, xxxiv. 17; Exod. xvii. 13, 14, xxiv 13, xxxii. 17, xxxiii. 11; Deut. i. 38, iii. 28; xxxiv. 9, Josh. i.—xxiv.

a ch xi. 25; Exod. xxxiv. 5; xl. 38, Ps. xcix. 7.

1 Heb *the way of a day.*

2 That is, *the graves of lust.*

3 Heb. *they were in.*

4 Or, *Cushite.*

5 Heb. *taken.*

6 Called, also, *Jehoshua* and *Joshua.*

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14 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of Vophsi.

15 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel the son of Machi.

16 These *are* the names of the men which Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called Oshea the son of Nun Jehoshua.

17 ¶ And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto them, Get you up this *way* southward, and go up into the mountain:[a]

18 And see the land, what it *is;* and the people that dwelleth therein, whether they *be* strong or weak, few or many;

19 And what the land *is* that they dwell in, whether it *be* good or bad; and what cities *they be* that they dwell in, whether in tents, or in strong holds;

20 And what the land *is*, whether it *be* fat or lean, whether there be wood therein, or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time *was* the time of the firstripe grapes.[b]

21 ¶ So they went up, and searched the land from the wilderness of Zin unto Rehob, as men come to Hamath.[c]

22 And they ascended by the south, and came unto Hebron; where Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmai, the



BEARING BACK THE GRAPES OF ESHCOL.

[b] vs 23, 24, Deut. xxxi. 6

[a] vs. 21, 22, Josh xv. 3; Judg. i. 9, 15.

[c] ch. xx. 1; xxvii. 14; xxxviii. 36; Deut xxxii. 55; Judg. i. 31; xviii. 28; 2 Sam. viii. 9; Amos vi. 2

children of Anak, *were.* (Now Hebron was built seven years before Zoan in Egypt.)[a]

23 And they came unto the [1]brook of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bare it between two upon a staff; and *they brought* of the pomegranates, and of the figs.[b]

24 The place was called the brook [2]Eshcol, because of the cluster of grapes which the children of Israel cut down from thence.

25 And they returned from searching of the land after forty days.

26 ¶ And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh; and brought back word unto them, and unto all the congregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land.[c]

27 And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this *is* the fruit of it.[d]

28 Nevertheless the people *be* strong that dwell in the land, and the cities *are* walled, *and* very great: and moreover we saw the children of Anak there.[e]

29 The Amalekites dwell in the land of the south: and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast of Jordan.[f]

30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.[g]

31 But the men that went up with him said, We be not able to go up against the people; for they *are* stronger than we.[h]

32 And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, *is* a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it *are* men of a [3]great stature.[i]

33 And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, *which come* of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.[j]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *The people murmur at the news.* 6 *Joshua and Caleb labour to still them.* 11 *God threateneth them.* 13 *Moses persuadeth God, and obtaineth pardon.* 26 *The murmurers are deprived of entering into the land.* 36 *The men who raised the evil report die by a plague.* 40 *The people that would invade the land against the will of God are smitten.*

AND all the congregation lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people wept that night.

2 And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness!

3 And wherefore hath the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

a ver. 33; Gen. xxiii. 2; xxxv. 27; Josh. x. 39; xiv. 13, 14; Judg. i. 20.

b Neh. ix. 17.

1 Or, *valley*

m ch. xvi. 4, 22, 45.

b ver. 24; Deut. i. 24.

2 That is, *a cluster of grapes.*

n ch. xiii. 8.

o ch. xiii. 26, 27.

p ver. 7

c ver. 3; ch. xx. 16, xxvii. 14; xxxiii. 36; Gen. xiv. 7; Deut. i. 46; xxxii. 51

4 Heb. *shadow.*

q Deut. vii. 18; xx. 3, 4.

d ch. xiv. 8; Exod. iii. 8, 17; xiii. 5; xxxiii. 3; Lev. xx. 24; Deut. i. 25; Josh. v. 6; Jer. xi. 5; xxxii. 22; Ezek. xx. 6, 15.

r ch. xvi. 19, 42; xx 6; Exod. xvi. 7, 10; xxiv. 16, 17; Lev. ix. 23.

e vs. 22, 23; Deut. i. 28; ii. 10, 11, 21; iii. 5; ix. 1, 2, Josh. xi. 22; xv. 14; Judg. i. 20.

s ver. 27; Exod xvi. 28; Prov. i. 22, Jer iv. 14; Hos. viii. 5; Zech. viii. 14; Matt. xvii. 17.

f Gen. xv. 19—21; Exod. iii. 8, 17.

t ch. xvi. 46—49; xxv 9; Exod. v 3; xxxii. 10; Deut. ix. 14—19.

g ver. 6.

u Exod. xxxii. 12; Deut. ix. 26—28; xxxii. 27; Josh. vii. 8, 9; Ps. cvi. 23; Ezek. xx. 9, 14.

h ch xxxii. 9, Deut. i 28; Josh xiv. 8.

v ch. ix. 15—21; xii. 8, Exod. xv. 14; Neh ix. 12, 19; Ps. lxxviii. 14, cv 39.

3 Heb. *men of statures*

i ch. xiv 36, 37; Ezek. xxxvi. 13, 14.

j vs 22, 28, Judg. vii. 12; Amos ii. 9.

w Deut. ix. 28; xxxii. 26, 27; Josh. vii. 9.

x Exod. xx. 5; xxiv. 7; xxxiv 6, 7; Deut. v. 9, Ps. ciii. 8, cxiv. 8; Jer xxiii. 2; Jonah iv. 2; Micah vii. 18; Nahum i. 2, 3; Rom iii. 24—26, Eph. i. 7, 8.

5 Or, *hitherto.*

y ver. 20; 2 Sam. xxiv. 14, 2 Chron xxx. 18; Neh ix. 17, 19; Ps. xxv 11; ii. 1; lxix. 13, Isa. lv. 7; Jer xxxiii. 8; Lam. iii. 32; Dan. ix. 9.

z ver. 19

a Ps. lxxii 19; Isa. vi. 3; xl. 9; Hab. ii. 14; Zech. xiv. 9; Mal. i. 11; Matt. vi. 10, 13.

b vs. 28, 29, 31; ch. xi. 1—5, 15; xvi. 41; Deut. i. 45; Ps. lxxviii. 11; cvi. 28.

4 And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt.[l]

5 Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the children of Israel.[m]

6 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, *which were* of them that searched the land, rent their clothes:[n]

7 And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to search it, *is* an exceeding good land.[o]

8 If the LORD delight in us, then he will bring us into this land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.[p]

9 Only rebel not ye against the LORD, neither fear ye the people of the land; for they *are* bread for us: their [4]defence is departed from them, and the LORD *is* with us: fear them not.[q]

10 But all the congregation bade stone them with stones. And the glory of the LORD appeared in the tabernacle of the congregation before all the children of Israel.[r]

11 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, How long will this people provoke me? and how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?[s]

12 I will smite them with the pestilence, and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater nation and mightier than they.[t]

13 ¶ And Moses said unto the LORD, Then the Egyptians shall hear *it*, (for thou broughtest up this people in thy might from among them;)[u]

14 And they will tell *it* to the inhabitants of this land: *for* they have heard that thou LORD *art* among this people, that thou LORD art seen face to face, and *that* thy cloud standeth over them, and *that* thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night.[v]

15 ¶ Now *if* thou shalt kill *all* this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saying,

16 Because the LORD was not able to bring this people into the land which he sware unto them, therefore he hath slain them in the wilderness.[w]

17 And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying,

18 The LORD *is* longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing *the guilty*, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation*.[x]

19 Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Egypt even [5]until now.[y]

20 And the LORD said, I have pardoned according to thy word:[z]

21 But *as* truly *as* I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.[a]

22 Because all those men which have seen my glory, and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and have tempted me now

these ten times, and have not hearkened to my voice;

23 Surely they shall not see the land which I sware unto their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it: [n]

24 But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it. [o]

25 (Now the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.) To morrow turn you, and get you into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea. [p]

26 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

27 How long *shall I bear with* this evil congregation, which murmur against me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel, which they murmur against me. [q]

28 Say unto them, *As truly as* I live, saith the LORD, as ye have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you: [r]

29 Your carcases shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from twenty years old and upward, which have murmured against me, [s]

30 Doubtless ye shall not come into the land, *concerning* which I [1]sware to make you dwell therein, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun. [t]

31 But your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ye have despised.

32 But *as for* you, your carcases, they shall fall in this wilderness. [u]

33 And your children shall [2]wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the wilderness. [v]

34 After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, *even* forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, *even* forty years, and ye shall know my [3]breach of promise.

35 I the LORD have said, I will surely do it unto all this evil congregation, that are gathered together against me: in this wilderness they shall be consumed, and there they shall die. [w]

36 And the men, which Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all the congregation to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land,

37 Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land, died by the plague before the LORD.

38 But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, *which were* of the men that went to search the land, lived *still*. [x]

39 And Moses told these sayings unto all the children of Israel: and the people mourned greatly. [y]

40 ¶ And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo, we *be here*, and will go up unto the place which the LORD hath promised: for we have sinned. [z]

41 And Moses said, Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the LORD? but it shall not prosper. [a]

42 Go not up, for the LORD *is* not among you; that ye be not smitten before your enemies. [b]

43 For the Amalekites and the Canaanites *are* there before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from the LORD, therefore the LORD will not be with you. [c]

44 But they presumed to go up unto the hill top: nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and Moses, departed not out of the camp. [d]

45 Then the Amalekites came down, and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and smote them, and discomfited them, *even* unto Hormah. [e]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The law of the meat offering and the drink offering.* 13, 29 *The stranger is under the same law.* 17 *The law of the first of the dough for an heave offering.* 22 *The sacrifice for sin of ignorance.* 30 *The punishment of presumption.* 32 *He that violated the sabbath is stoned.* 37 *The law of fringes.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land of your habitations, which I give unto you, [f]

3 And will make an offering by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, or a sacrifice in [4]performing a vow, or in a freewill offering, or in your solemn feasts, to make a sweet savour unto the LORD, of the herd, or of the flock: [g]

4 Then shall he that offereth his offering unto the LORD bring a meat offering of a tenth deal of flour mingled with the fourth *part* of an hin of oil. [h]

5 And the fourth *part* of an hin of wine for a drink offering shalt thou prepare with the burnt offering or sacrifice, for one lamb.

6 Or for a ram, thou shalt prepare *for* a meat offering two tenth deals of flour mingled with the third *part* of an hin of oil.

7 And for a drink offering thou shalt offer the third *part* of an hin of wine, *for* a sweet savour unto the LORD. [i]

8 And when thou preparest a bullock *for* a burnt offering, or *for* a sacrifice in performing a vow, or peace offerings unto the LORD: [j]

9 Then shall he bring with a bullock a meat offering of three tenth deals of flour mingled with half an hin of oil.

10 And thou shalt bring for a drink offering half an hin of wine, *for* an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

11 Thus shall it be done for one bullock, or for one ram, or for a lamb, or a kid.

12 According to the number that ye shall prepare, so shall ye do to every one according to their number.

13 All that are born of the country shall do these things after this manner, in offering an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

14 And if a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever *be* among you in your generations, and will offer

BEFORE CHRIST 1490.

n Job iv. 8, 9; Prov. xxii. 8.

o Deut. i. 42; Exod. xxiii 21—23; Ps. lxxviii. 32 — 49; lxxxix. 42, 43; xcv. 10.

p ch. xxvi. 64; xxxii. 11; Deut. i. 35; Ps. xcv. 11; cvi. 26; Ezek xx. 15; Heb. iii. 17, 18; iv. 3.

q Lev. xxvi. 17, 21—24, 27, 28; Ps. cvi. 24—27; xviii. 26; Isa. lxiii. 10; Numb. xiii. 29

r vs 6—9; ch. xiii. 6, 30; xxvi. 65; Deut. i. 36; Josh. xiv. 6—14.

s ch. xv. 30; Deut. i. 43; Numb. x. 33—36.

t ver. 14; ch. xiii. 29; Deut. i. 40; Ps. lxxxi. 11—13.

u Exod. xvii. 16; Deut. i. 44; Numb. xxi. 3.

v ver. 11; Exod. xvi. 12, 28; Matt. xvii. 7; 1 Cor x 10.

w vs. 2, 21, 23; ch xxvi 64, 65

x ver. 32, 33; ch. i 45; xxvi. 64; 1 Cor x. 5; Heb. iii. 17; Jude 5

1 Heb *lifted up my hand.*

y Lev xiv. 34; xviii. 3, 4; xxiii 10, xxv 2.

z vs. 23, 38, ch. xxvi. 65; xxxii. 12.

4 Heb. *separating*

a Lev i., vii 16

b ver 29

2 Or, *feed.*

c Exod xxix 40

d vs. 29, 32

3 Or, *altering of my purpose.*

e ch xxviii. 12—14.

f ver. 33

g Lev. iii., vii. 11—21.

h Josh. xiv 6—10; Numb. xxvi 65.

i Exod xxxiii 4; Prov. xix. 3; Isa. xxvi 16

j Deut. i. 41; Ps. ix. 16; xii. 4; xix. 13; Prov. viii. 34—36; x. 27, xi. 19; xix. 20, 21; Matt. vii. 26, 27.

an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD; as ye do, so he shall do.[a]

15 One ordinance *shall be both* for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth *with you*, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye *are*, so shall the stranger be before the LORD.

16 One law and one manner shall be for you, and for the stranger that sojourneth with you.

17 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

BEFORE CHRIST 1490

a vs. 15, 16, 29; ch. ix. 14, Exod. xii. 49, Lev. xxiv. 22

1 Heb. *from the eyes.*

2 Or, *ordinance*

c Lev. iv. 13—21

commanded *Moses*, and henceforward among your generations;

24 Then it shall be, if *ought* be committed by ignorance [1]without the knowledge of the congregation, that all the congregation shall offer one young bullock for a burnt offering, for a sweet savour unto the LORD, with his meat offering, and his drink offering, according to the [2]manner, and one kid of the goats for a sin offering.[c]

25 And the priest shall make an atonement for all



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18 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land whither I bring you,

19 Then it shall be, that, when ye eat of the bread of the land, ye shall offer up an heave offering unto the LORD.[b]

d Lev. iv. 20

b Exod. xxix. 27, 28

20 Ye shall offer up a cake of the first of your dough *for* an heave offering: as *ye do* the heave offering of the threshingfloor, so shall ye heave it.

21 Of the first of your dough ye shall give unto the LORD an heave offering in your generations.

Lev. iv. 27.

22 ¶ And if ye have erred, and not observed all these commandments, which the LORD hath spoken unto Moses,

f ver. 25

3 Heb. *doth*

23 *Even* all that the LORD hath commanded you by the hand of Moses, from the day that the LORD

the congregation of the children of Israel, and it shall be forgiven them; for it *is* ignorance: and they shall bring their offering, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD, and their sin offering before the LORD, for their ignorance:[d]

26 And it shall be forgiven all the congregation of the children of Israel, and the stranger that sojourneth among them; seeing all the people *were* in ignorance.

27 ¶ And if any soul sin through ignorance, then he shall bring a she goat of the first year for a sin offering.[e]

28 And the priest shall make an atonement for the soul that sinneth ignorantly, when he sinneth by ignorance before the LORD, to make an atonement for him; and it shall be forgiven him.[f]

29 Ye shall have one law for him that [3]sinneth through ignorance, *both for* him that is born among

the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them.[a]

30 ¶ But the soul that doeth *ought* presumptuously, *whether he be* born in the land, or a stranger, the same reproacheth the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.[b]

31 Because he hath despised the word of the LORD, and hath broken his commandment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; his iniquity *shall be* upon him.[c]

32 ¶ And while the children of Israel were in the wilderness, they found a man that gathered sticks upon the sabbath day.[d]

33 And they that found him gathering sticks brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto all the congregation.[e]

34 And they put him in ward, because it was not declared what should be done to him.

35 And the LORD said unto Moses, The man shall be surely put to death: all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp.[f]

36 And all the congregation brought him without the camp, and stoned him with stones, and he died; as the LORD commanded Moses.

37 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

38 Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they make them fringes in the borders of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of the borders a ribband of blue:[g]

39 And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the LORD, and do them; and that ye seek not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring:[h]

40 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God.[i]

41 I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I *am* the LORD your God.[j]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *The rebellion of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.* 23 *Moses separateth the people from the rebels' tents.* 31 *The earth swalloweth up Korah, and a fire consumeth others.* 36 *The censers are reserved to holy use.* 41 *Fourteen thousand and seven hundred are slain by a plague for murmuring against Moses and Aaron.* 46 *Aaron by incense stayeth the plague.*

NOW Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took *men*:[k]

2 And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the assembly, famous in the congregation, men of renown:[l]

3 And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, [1] *Ye take* too much upon you, seeing all the congregation *are* holy, every one of them, and the LORD *is* among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the LORD?

BEFORE CHRIST 1471.

a ver. 15.
m ch. xiv 5; xx. 6.

b Deut. xvii. 12.
n ver 3; ch. x 3; xviii 6, 7; Exod. xxviii 1; Lev x. 3; xxi. 6; Ps. cv. 26; Ezek. xl. 46, xliv. 15, 16.

c ch xi 20, 2 Sam. xii 9, Isa. v 24; Ezek. xviii 20; xx. 13, 16, 24; Amos ii. 4

d Exod xx. 8—10; xxxi. 14, 15, xxxv 2, 3.

e Lev xxiv. 12.

f ver 2; Lev. xxiv. 14

o ch iii 41, 45, viii. 14, Deut. x. 8

g Deut xxii. 12, Matt. xxiii 5

h Deut xix. 18—20; Job xxxi 7, 8, Ps lxxiii 27, cvi 39, Jer ix 13—15, James iv 4

i Lev xi 44, 45, Rom xii. 1, Col i 22, 1 Peter i 15, 16

2 Heb. *bore out*

p Exod. iii 8, Lev xx 24

j Lev xi. 44; xviii 30, Deut. xx 1, Josh xxiv 17, 1 Sam xii. 6, Neh. ix 18

q vs 6, 7

k Exod vi 21

r ver 42, ch xiv 10, Exod xvi 7, 10, Lev ix 6, 23.

l ch xxvii 9, Ps cvi 16.

1 Heb. *It is much for you.* ch xiv 14; xxxv 34; Exod. xix 6; xxix. 45

s ver. 4.

4 And when Moses heard *it*, he fell upon his face:[m]

5 And he spake unto Korah and unto all his company, saying, Even to morrow the LORD will shew who *are* his, and *who is* holy; and will cause *him* to come near unto him: even *him* whom he hath chosen will he cause to come near unto him.[n]

6 This do; Take you censers, Korah, and all his company;

7 And put fire therein, and put incense in them before the LORD to morrow: and it shall be *that* the man whom the LORD doth choose, he *shall be* holy: *ye take* too much upon you, ye sons of Levi.

8 And Moses said unto Korah, Hear, I pray you, ye sons of Levi:

9 *Seemeth it but* a small thing unto you, that the God of Israel hath separated you from the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to himself to do the service of the tabernacle of the LORD, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them?

10 And he hath brought thee near *to him*, and all thy brethren the sons of Levi with thee: and seek ye the priesthood also?[o]

11 For which cause *both* thou and all thy company *are* gathered together against the LORD: and what *is* Aaron, that ye murmur against him?

12 ¶ And Moses sent to call Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab: which said, We will not come up:

13 *Is it* a small thing that thou hast brought us up out of a land that floweth with milk and honey, to kill us in the wilderness, except thou make thyself altogether a prince over us?

14 Moreover thou hast not brought us into a land that floweth with milk and honey, or given us inheritance of fields and vineyards: wilt thou [2]put out the eyes of these men? we will not come up.[p]

15 And Moses was very wroth, and said unto the LORD, Respect not thou their offering: I have not taken one ass from them, neither have I hurt one of them.

16 And Moses said unto Korah, Be thou and all thy company before the LORD, thou, and they, and Aaron, to morrow:[q]

17 And take every man his censer, and put incense in them, and bring ye before the LORD every man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers; thou also, and Aaron, each *of you* his censer.

18 And they took every man his censer, and put fire in them, and laid incense thereon, and stood in the door of the tabernacle of the congregation with Moses and Aaron.

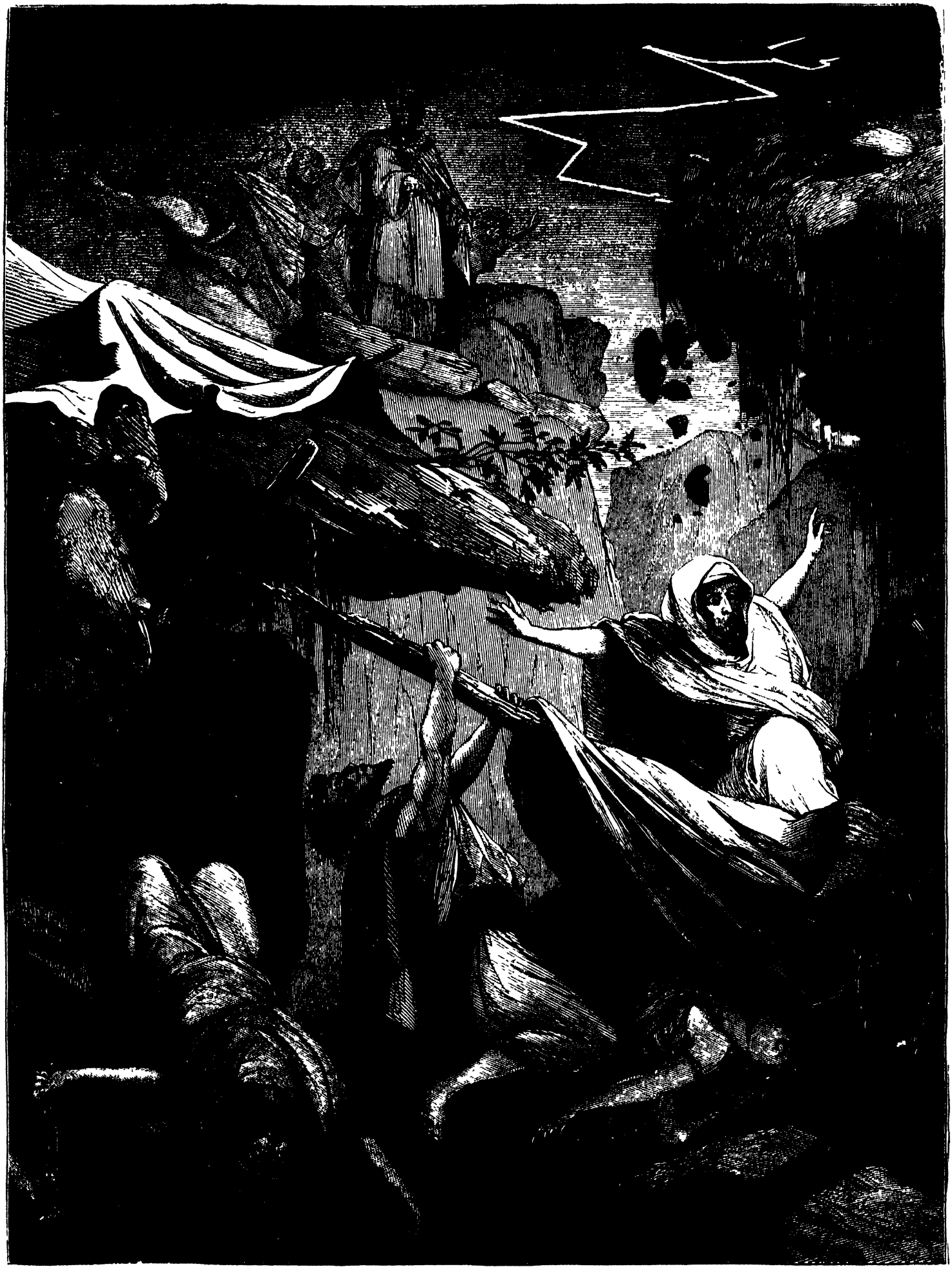
19 And Korah gathered all the congregation against them unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto all the congregation.[r]

20 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

21 Separate yourselves from among this congregation, that I may consume them in a moment.

22 And they fell upon their faces, and said, O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and wilt thou be wroth with all the congregation?[s]

23 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,



KORAH AND HIS ASSOCIATES BEING SWALLOWED UP.

24 Speak unto the congregation, saying, Get you up from about the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram.

25 And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram; and the elders of Israel followed him.

26 And he spake unto the congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of their's, lest ye be consumed in all their sins.

27 So they gat up from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side: and Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood in the door of their tents, and their wives, and their sons, and their little children.

28 And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to do all these works; for *I have* not *done them* of [1]mine own mind.[a]

29 If these men die the [2]common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men; *then* the LORD hath not sent me.

30 But if the LORD [3]make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that *appertain* unto them, and they go down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have provoked the LORD.[b]

31 ¶ And it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave asunder that *was* under them:

32 And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all the men that *appertained* unto Korah, and all *their* goods.

33 They, and all that *appertained* to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation.[c]

34 And all Israel that *were* round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up *also*.

35 And there came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense.[d]

36 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

37 Speak unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, that he take up the censers out of the burning, and scatter thou the fire yonder; for they are [4]hallowed.[e]

38 The censers of these sinners against their own souls, let them make them broad plates *for* a covering of the altar: for they offered them before the LORD, therefore they are hallowed: and they shall be a sign unto the children of Israel.[f]

39 And Eleazar the priest took the brasen censers, wherewith they that were burnt had offered; and they were made broad *plates for* a covering of the altar:

40 *To be* a memorial unto the children of Israel, that no stranger, which *is* not of the seed of Aaron, come near to offer incense before the LORD; that he be not as Korah, and as his company: as the LORD said to him by the hand of Moses.[g]

41 ¶ But on the morrow all the congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron, saying, Ye have killed the people of the LORD.[h]

42 And it came to pass, when the congregation was gathered against Moses and against Aaron, that they looked toward the tabernacle of the congregation: and, behold, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the LORD appeared.[i]

43 And Moses and Aaron came before the tabernacle of the congregation.

44 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

45 Get you up from among this congregation, that I may consume them as in a moment. And they fell upon their faces.[j]

46 ¶ And Moses said unto Aaron, Take a censer, and put fire therein from off the altar, and put on incense, and go quickly unto the congregation, and make an atonement for them: for there is wrath gone out from the LORD; the plague is begun.[k]

47 And Aaron took as Moses commanded, and ran into the midst of the congregation; and, behold, the plague was begun among the people: and he put on incense, and made an atonement for the people.

48 And he stood between the dead and the living; and the plague was stayed.

49 Now they that died in the plague were fourteen thousand and seven hundred, beside them that died about the matter of Korah.

50 And Aaron returned unto Moses unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: and the plague was stayed.

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Aaron's rod among all the rods of the tribes only flourisheth.* 10 *It is left for a monument against the rebels.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and take of every one of them a rod according to the house of *their* fathers, of all their princes according to the house of their fathers twelve rods: write thou every man's name upon his rod.[l]

3 And thou shalt write Aaron's name upon the rod of Levi: for one rod *shall be* for the head of the house of their fathers.[m]

4 And thou shalt lay them up in the tabernacle of the congregation before the testimony, where I will meet with you.[n]

5 And it shall come to pass, *that* the man's rod, whom I shall choose, shall blossom: and I will make to cease from me the murmurings of the children of Israel, whereby they murmur against you.[o]

6 ¶ And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, and every one of their princes gave him a [5]rod apiece, for each prince one, according to their fathers' houses, *even* twelve rods: and the rod of Aaron *was* among their rods.[p]

BEFORE CHRIST 1471.

h ch xiv 2; Ps cvi. 25

i ver. 19

j vs 21, 22 24

1 Heb. *not out of my own heart.*

a Exod. iii. 12, Deut xviii. 22, Zech ii 9, Ezek ii 5, xiii 17, xxxiii. 33

2 Heb *as every man dieth*

k ch i. 53, xviii 5, Josh xxii 20, 1 Chron xxvii 24, Ezra v 12, Job xxi 20; xxxvi 18, Ps cix. 29

3 Heb *create a creation.*

b Job xxxi 3, Isa xlv 7, 12

c ch xxvi 10, 11, xxvii 3; Deut xi 6; Ps cvi 17, 18

d ch xi. 1; Lev x. 2, Ps cvi. 18; Isa lxvi. 15; Heb xii. 29

4 That is, *consecrated to the service of God.*

e vs 7, 18

l ch. i. 5—16; ii. 3—30; x. 14—27

m Josh. xxii. 14

f ver. 37; Prov viii. 36, Ezek. xiv. 8; Hab. ii. 10, 1 Cor. x. 11

n Exod. xxv. 16—22, xxix. 42, 43, xxx. 6, 36

o ch xvi 11

5 Heb *a rod for one prince, a rod for one prince.*

g ch. iii. 10; 2 Chron xxvi. 18, 19; Heb. v 4

p ver 2

7 And Moses laid up the rods before the LORD in the tabernacle of witness.[a]

8 And it came to pass, that on the morrow Moses went into the tabernacle of witness; and, behold, the rod of Aaron for the house of Levi was budded, and brought forth buds, and bloomed blossoms, and yielded almonds.

9 And Moses brought out all the rods from before the LORD unto all the children of Israel: and they looked, and took every man his rod.

10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Bring Aaron's rod again before the testimony, to be kept for a token against the [1]rebels; and thou shalt quite take away their murmurings from me, that they die not.[b]

11 And Moses did *so:* as the LORD commanded him, so did he.

12 And the children of Israel spake unto Moses, saying, Behold, we die, we perish, we all perish.

13 Whosoever cometh any thing near unto the tabernacle of the LORD shall die: shall we be consumed with dying?

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *The charge of the priests and Levites.* 9 *The priests' portion.* 21 *The Levites' portion.* 25 *The heave offering to the priests out of the Levites' portion.*

AND the LORD said unto Aaron, Thou and thy sons and thy father's house with thee shall bear the iniquity of the sanctuary: and thou and thy sons with thee shall bear the iniquity of your priesthood.[c]

2 And thy brethren also of the tribe of Levi, the tribe of thy father, bring thou with thee, that they may [2]be joined unto thee, and minister unto thee: but thou and thy sons with thee *shall minister* before the tabernacle of witness.[d]

3 And they shall keep thy charge, and the charge of all the tabernacle: only they shall not come nigh the vessels of the sanctuary and the altar, that neither they, nor ye also, die.[e]

4 And they shall be joined unto thee, and keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, for all the service of the tabernacle: and a stranger shall not come nigh unto you.[f]

5 And ye shall keep the charge of the sanctuary, and the charge of the altar: that there be no wrath any more upon the children of Israel.[g]

6 And I, behold, I have taken your brethren the Levites from among the children of Israel: to you *they are* given *as* a gift for the LORD, to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.[h]

7 Therefore thou and thy sons with thee shall keep your priest's office for every thing of the altar, and within the vail; and ye shall serve: I have given your priest's office *unto you as* a service of gift: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1471.

a ch. xvii. 2, Exod xxxviii. 21, Acts vii 44.

b Exod. xxix. 21, 29, xl. 13, 15, Lev. viii. 26, viii 30; xxi 10.

k Exod xxix. 31, 32; Lev ii 2, 3; iv 22, 27, v 1, vii. 7; x. 12, 13; xiv 13.

1 Heb *children of rebellion.*

l Lev. vi. 16, 25, 26, 29, vii 6, x 12, 13 17

b Heb ix 4

m Exod xxix. 27; Lev x 14, xxii. 2, 3, 11—13; Deut. xviii 3

3 Heb *fat.*

n ch xv 19—21; Exod xxii. 29, xxiii. 19, xxxiv 26, Lev. ii. 14, Deut. xxvi 1—10

o Lev xxvii 28

p ch iii. 13, Exod xiii 2, 13; xxii. 29, xxxiv 20, Lev xxvii. 26

c Exod. xxviii 38

q ch iii. 47, Exod xxx. 13, Lev xxvii 25

2 That is, the Levites were joined, or associated, with the priests, so that they might *conjointly* conduct the service of God, but the priests were the chief ministers.

d ch. iii. 6, 7, 10, 12, xvii. 7

r Lev. iii. 2, 5, Deut. xv. 19.

e ch iv. 15; xvi 40

s Exod. xxix. 26—28; Lev. vii. 30—34; viii. 29, ix. 21; x. 15

f vs 2, 3; ch. i. 51; iii. 10, 38

t ver 11; Lev ii. 13; 2 Chron. xiii 5.

g ch xvi 46

h ch iii. 9 12, 45; viii. 19.

u Deut. x. 9; xii. 12; xiv 27—29; xviii. 1, 2, Josh. xiii. 14, 33, xiv 3; xviii. 7, Ezek. xliv. 28.

v vs 24, 26—28; ch. iii. 7, 8; Lev. xxvii. 30, 32; Neh x. 37; xii 44; Heb vii. 5, 8, 9.

i vs. 4, 5; ch iii. 38; xvi. 40 · Heb ix. 3, 6

8 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Behold, I also have given thee the charge of mine heave offerings of all the hallowed things of the children of Israel; unto thee have I given them by reason of the anointing, and to thy sons, by an ordinance for ever.[j]

9 This shall be thine of the most holy things, *reserved* from the fire: every oblation of their's, every meat offering of their's, and every sin offering of their's, and every trespass offering of their's, which they shall render unto me, *shall be* most holy for thee and for thy sons.[k]

10 In the most holy *place* shalt thou eat it; every male shall eat it: it shall be holy unto thee.[l]

11 And this *is* thine; the heave offering of their gift, with all the wave offerings of the children of Israel: I have given them unto thee, and to thy sons and to thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: every one that is clean in thy house shall eat of it.[m]

12 All the [3]best of the oil, and all the best of the wine, and of the wheat, the firstfruits of them which they shall offer unto the LORD, them have I given thee.

13 *And* whatsoever is first ripe in the land, which they shall bring unto the LORD, shall be thine; every one that is clean in thine house shall eat *of* it.[n]

14 Every thing devoted in Israel shall be thine.[o]

15 Every thing that openeth the matrix in all flesh, which they bring unto the LORD, *whether it be* of men or beasts, shall be thine: nevertheless the firstborn of man shalt thou surely redeem, and the firstling of unclean beasts shalt thou redeem.[p]

16 And those that are to be redeemed from a month old shalt thou redeem, according to thine estimation, for the money of five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, which *is* twenty gerahs.[q]

17 But the firstling of a cow, or the firstling of a sheep, or the firstling of a goat, thou shalt not redeem; they *are* holy: thou shalt sprinkle their blood upon the altar, and shalt burn their fat *for* an offering made by fire, for a sweet savour unto the LORD.[r]

18 And the flesh of them shall be thine, as the wave breast and as the right shoulder are thine.[s]

19 All the heave offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer unto the LORD, have I given thee, and thy sons and thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: it *is* a covenant of salt for ever before the LORD unto thee and to thy seed with thee.[t]

20 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Thou shalt have no inheritance in their land, neither shalt thou have any part among them: I *am* thy part and thine inheritance among the children of Israel.[u]

21 And, behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their service which they serve, *even* the service of the tabernacle of the congregation.[v]

22 Neither must the children of Israel henceforth

come nigh the tabernacle of the congregation, lest they bear sin, [1]and die.[a]

23 But the Levites shall do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they shall bear their iniquity: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations, that among the children of Israel they have no inheritance.[b]

24 But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer *as* an heave offering unto the LORD, I have given to the Levites to inherit: therefore I have said unto them, Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.[c]

25 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

26 Thus speak unto the Levites, and say unto them, When ye take of the children of Israel the tithes which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then ye shall offer up an heave offering of it for the LORD, *even* a tenth *part* of the tithe.[d]

27 And *this* your heave offering shall be reckoned unto you, as though *it were* the corn of the threshingfloor, and as the fulness of the winepress.

28 Thus ye also shall offer an heave offering unto the LORD of all your tithes, which ye receive of the children of Israel; and ye shall give thereof the LORD's heave offering to Aaron the priest.

29 Out of all your gifts ye shall offer every heave offering of the LORD, of all the best thereof, *even* the hallowed part thereof out of it.

30 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, When ye have heaved the best thereof from it, then it shall be counted unto the Levites as the increase of the threshingfloor, and as the increase of the winepress.

31 And ye shall eat it in every place, ye and your households: for it *is* your reward for your service in the tabernacle of the congregation.

32 And ye shall bear no sin by reason of it, when ye have heaved from it the best of it: neither shall ye pollute the holy things of the children of Israel, lest ye die.[e]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *The water of separation made of the ashes of a red heifer.* 11 *The law for the use of it in purification of the unclean.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2 This *is* the ordinance of the law which the LORD hath commanded, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring thee a red heifer without spot, wherein *is* no blemish, *and* upon which never came yoke:[f]

3 And ye shall give her unto Eleazar the priest, that he may bring her forth without the camp, and *one* shall slay her before his face:[g]

4 And Eleazar the priest shall take of her blood with his finger, and sprinkle of her blood directly before the tabernacle of the congregation seven times:[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1471

1 Heb. *to die.*

a ch. i. 51; Lev. xxii. 9

c Exod. xxix. 14; Lev iv. 11, 12

f Lev. xiv. 4, 6, 49.

b vs 1, 20, 21

k Lev. xvi. 4, 24, 26

c vs 20, 21; Lev. vii 14; Neh. x 34—39.

l Lev xvi. 28.

d ver. 24

m vs 13, 20, 21; ch xxxi 23

2 Heb *soul of man*

n ver. 16; ch. v. 2; ix. 6, 10; xxvi 19; Lev xxi 1

o ch xxxi 19

p ver 9, Lev vii 20, xv 31, xxii 3

e Lev xix 8, xxii 9, 15, 16

q ver 11

3 Heb *dust.*

4 Heb *living waters shall be given.*

r ver 9; Gen xxvi.19

s Exod. xii. 22, Ps li. 7

f Deut xxi. 3; 1 Sam vi. 7.

t Lev xiv 9

g Exod. xxix 14, Lev. viii. 17, ix. 11, xvi. 27, Heb xiii. 11.

u ver. 13.

h Lev. iv. 6; xvi. 14, 19; Heb ix. 13, 14

5 And *one* shall burn the heifer in his sight; her skin, and her flesh, and her blood, with her dung, shall he burn:[i]

6 And the priest shall take cedar wood, and hyssop, and scarlet, and cast *it* into the midst of the burning of the heifer.[j]

7 Then the priest shall wash his clothes, and he shall bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp, and the priest shall be unclean until the even.[k]

8 And he that burneth her shall wash his clothes in water, and bathe his flesh in water, and shall be unclean until the even.[l]

9 And a man *that is* clean shall gather up the ashes of the heifer, and lay *them* up without the camp in a clean place, and it shall be kept for the congregation of the children of Israel for a water of separation: it *is* a purification for sin.[m]

10 And he that gathereth the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: and it shall be unto the children of Israel, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among them, for a statute for ever.

11 ¶ He that toucheth the dead body of any [2]man shall be unclean seven days.[n]

12 He shall purify himself with it on the third day, and on the seventh day he shall be clean: but if he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean.[o]

13 Whosoever toucheth the dead body of any man that is dead, and purifieth not himself, defileth the tabernacle of the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel: because the water of separation was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness *is* yet upon him.[p]

14 This *is* the law, when a man dieth in a tent: all that come into the tent, and all that *is* in the tent, shall be unclean seven days.

15 And every open vessel, which hath no covering bound upon it, *is* unclean.

16 And whosoever toucheth one that is slain with a sword in the open fields, or a dead body, or a bone of a man, or a grave, shall be unclean seven days.[q]

17 And for an unclean *person* they shall take of the [3]ashes of the burnt heifer of purification for sin, and [4]running water shall be put thereto in a vessel:[r]

18 And a clean person shall take hyssop, and dip *it* in the water, and sprinkle *it* upon the tent, and upon all the vessels, and upon the persons that were there, and upon him that touched a bone, or one slain, or one dead, or a grave:[s]

19 And the clean *person* shall sprinkle upon the unclean on the third day, and on the seventh day: and on the seventh day he shall purify himself, and wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and shall be clean at even.[t]

20 But the man that shall be unclean, and shall not purify himself, that soul shall be cut off from among the congregation, because he hath defiled the sanctuary of the LORD: the water of separation hath not been sprinkled upon him; he *is* unclean.[u]

21 And it shall be a perpetual statute unto them,

that he that sprinkleth the water of separation shall wash his clothes; and he that toucheth the water of separation shall be unclean until even.[a]

22 And whatsoever the unclean *person* toucheth shall be unclean; and the soul that toucheth *it* shall be unclean until even.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1471.

a ver. 9, 13, 20

b Lev xv. 5; Hagg ii. 13

f ch. xiv 5, 10; xvi 4, 22, 45

place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither *is* there any water to drink.

6 And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they fell upon their faces: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto them.[f]



PREPARING THE WATER OF SEPARATION.

CHAPTER XX.

The children of Israel come to Zin, where Miriam dieth. 2 They murmur for want of water. 7 Moses smiting the rock bringeth forth water at Meribah. 14 Moses at Kadesh desireth passage through Edom, which is denied him. 22 At mount Hor Aaron resigneth his place to Eleazar, and dieth.

THEN came the children of Israel, *even* the whole congregation, into the desert of Zin in the first month: and the people abode in Kadesh; and Miriam died there, and was buried there.

2 And there was no water for the congregation: and they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron.[c]

3 And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God that we had died when our brethren died before the LORD![d]

4 And why have ye brought up the congregation of the LORD into this wilderness, that we and our cattle should die there?[e]

5 And wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this evil place? it *is* no

g Exod. xvii. 5; Neh ix 15, Ps lxxviii. 15, 16; cv 41; cxiv. 8, Isa. xliii. 20; xlviii. 21

h Ps cvi 33

c ver 8, Exod xvii. 6, Deut viii. 15; 1 Cor. x. 4.

d ch xi 1, 33, xiv. 2, 37; xvi 32, 35, 49, Exod. xvii. 2, 3

e ch xxvii. 12—14; Lev x. 3; Deut. i 37, iii. 26, xxxii. 49—51

1 That is, *chiding*, or, *strife*.

e Exod. xvii 3.

i Exod. xvii. 7

7 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

8 Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink.[g]

9 And Moses took the rod from before the LORD, as he commanded him.

10 And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and he said unto them, Hear now, ye rebels; must we fetch you water out of this rock?[h]

11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their beasts *also*.[i]

12 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, Because ye believed me not, to sanctify me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore ye shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them.[j]

13 This *is* the water of [1]Meribah; because the children of Israel strove with the LORD, and he was sanctified in them.[k]

14 ¶ And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto



MOSES CONSECRATING ELEAZAR AS AARON'S SUCCESSOR.

the king of Edom, Thus saith thy brother Israel, Thou knowest all the travel that hath [1]befallen us:[a]

15 How our fathers went down into Egypt, and we have dwelt in Egypt a long time; and the Egyptians vexed us, and our fathers:[b]

16 And when we cried unto the LORD, he heard our voice, and sent an angel, and hath brought us forth out of Egypt: and, behold, we *are* in Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of thy border:[c]

17 Let us pass, I pray thee, through thy country: we will not pass through the fields, or through the vineyards, neither will we drink *of* the water of the wells: we will go by the king's *high* way, we will not turn to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy borders.[d]

18 And Edom said unto him, Thou shalt not pass by me, lest I come out against thee with the sword.

19 And the children of Israel said unto him, We will go by the high way: and if I and my cattle drink of thy water, then I will pay for it: I will only, without *doing* any thing *else*, go through on my feet.[e]

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1 Heb. *founders*

a Judg. xi. 16, 17

b Gen. xlvi. 6. Exod. xii. 40. Deut. xxvi. 6. Acts vii. 19

f Deut. ii. 4, 5, 8, 27, 29. Judg. xi. 17, 18

c Exod. vi. 28. iii. 2, 7, 14, 19. xxiii. 20. xxxiii. 1, 2. Deut. xxvi. 7, 8

d ch. xxi. 22; Deut. ii. 27.

2 Heb. *mouth.*

g ch. xxvii. 13. xxxi. 2. Gen. xxv. 8. Deut. xxxii. 50

e Deut. ii. 6. 28.

20 And he said, Thou shalt not go through. And Edom came out against him with much people, and with a strong hand.

21 Thus Edom refused to give Israel passage through his border: wherefore Israel turned away from him.[f]

22 ¶ And the children of Israel, *even* the whole congregation, journeyed from Kadesh, and came unto mount Hor.

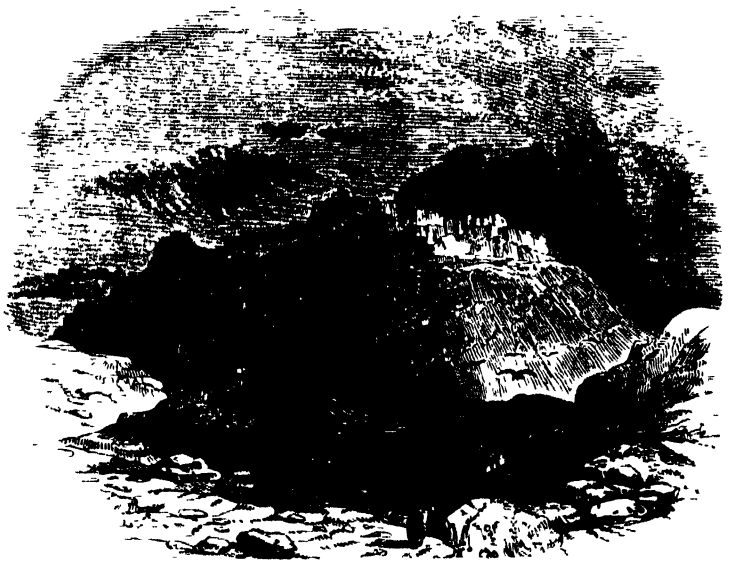
23 And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in mount Hor, by the coast of the land of Edom, saying,

24 Aaron shall be gathered unto his people: for he shall not enter into the land which I have given unto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against my [2]word at the water of Meribah.[g]

25 Take Aaron and Eleazar his son, and bring them up unto mount Hor:

26 And strip Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son: and Aaron shall be gathered *unto his people*, and shall die there.

27 And Moses did as the LORD commanded: and they went up into mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation.



AARON'S TOMB ON MOUNT HOR.

28 And Moses stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them upon Eleazar his son; and Aaron died there in the top of the mount: and Moses and Eleazar came down from the mount.[e]

29 And when all the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they mourned for Aaron thirty days, *even* all the house of Israel.

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Israel with some loss destroy the Canaanites at Hormah.* 4 *The people murmuring are plagued with fiery serpents.* 7 *They repenting are healed by a brasen serpent* 10 *Sundry journeys of the Israelites.* 21 *Sihon is overcome,* 33 *and Og.*

AND *when* king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south, heard tell that Israel came by the way of the spies; then he fought against Israel, and took *some* of them prisoners.[b]

2 And Israel vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou wilt indeed deliver this people into my hand, then I will utterly destroy their cities.

3 And the LORD hearkened to the voice of Israel, and delivered up the Canaanites; and they utterly destroyed them and their cities: and he called the name of the place [1]Hormah.

4 ¶ And they journeyed from mount Hor by the way of the Red sea, to compass the land of Edom: and the soul of the people was much [2]discouraged because of the way.[c]

5 And the people spake against God, and against Moses, Wherefore have ye brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? for *there is* no bread, neither *is there any* water; and our soul loatheth this light bread.[d]

6 And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died.[e]

7 ¶ Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.[f]

8 And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, that every one that is bitten, when he looketh upon it, shall live.

9 And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.[g]

10 ¶ And the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in Oboth.

11 And they journeyed from Oboth, and pitched at [3]Ije-abarim, in the wilderness which *is* before Moab, toward the sunrising.

12 ¶ From thence they removed, and pitched in the valley of Zared.

13 From thence they removed, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, which *is* in the wilderness that cometh out of the coasts of the Amorites: for Arnon *is* the border of Moab, between Moab and the Amorites.

14 Wherefore it is said in the book of the [4]wars of the LORD, What he did in the Red sea, and in the brooks of Arnon,

15 And at the stream of the brooks that goeth down to the dwelling of Ar, and [5]lieth upon the border of Moab.[h]

16 And from thence *they went* to Beer: that *is* the well whereof the LORD spake unto Moses, Gather the people together, and I will give them water.

17 ¶ Then Israel sang this song, Spring up, O well; sing ye unto it:

18 The princes digged the well, the nobles of the people digged it, by *the direction of* the lawgiver, with their staves. And from the wilderness *they went* to Mattanah:

19 And from Mattanah to Nahaliel: and from Nahaliel to Bamoth:

20 And from Bamoth *in* the valley, that *is* in the [6]country of Moab, to the top of [7]Pisgah, which looketh toward [8]Jeshimon.

21 ¶ And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, saying,[i]

22 Let me pass through thy land: we will not turn into the fields, or into the vineyards; we will not drink *of* the waters of the well: *but* we will go along by the king's *high* way, until we be past thy borders.[j]

23 And Sihon would not suffer Israel to pass through his border: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness: and he came to Jahaz, and fought against Israel.

24 And Israel smote him with the edge of the sword, and possessed his land from Arnon unto Jabbok, even unto the children of Ammon: for the border of the children of Ammon *was* strong.[l]

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e Deut. viii. 15; 1 Cor. x. 9

f ver 5

g 2 Kings xviii. 4; John iii. 14, 15.

3 Or, *heaps of Abarim.*

a ch xxxiii 38; Exod. xxix 29, 30, Deut. x. 6; xxxii 50, xxxiv. 8.

4 Or, *Vaheb in Suphah.*

5 Heb. *leaneth*

h ver. 13.

b ch. xiii. 21, xxxiii 40

6 Heb *field*

7 Or, *the hill*

8 Or, *the wilderness*

i Deut ii. 26, 27, Judg xi. 19

1 That is, *utter destruction.*

j ch. xx. 17

2 Or, *grieved.* Heb. *shortened.*

c ch xx. 22, xxxiii. 41; Judg xi. 18

k Deut. ii 32, xxix. 7; Judg. xi. 20.

d ch. xi. 6; xx. 5.

l Deut. xxix. 7; Josh. xii. 1, 2; xxiv. 8; Judg. xi. 21; Neh. ix. 22; Ps. cxxxv. 10, 11; cxxxvi. 19; Amos ii. 9.

25 And Israel took all these cities: and Israel dwelt in all the cities of the Amorites, in Heshbon, and in all the [1]villages thereof.

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1 Heb *daughters*

35 So they smote him, and his sons, and all his people, until there was none left him alive: and they possessed his land.



THE LIFTING UP OF THE BRASEN SERPENT.

26 For Heshbon *was* the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand, even unto Arnon.

27 Wherefore they that speak in proverbs say, Come into Heshbon, let the city of Sihon be built and prepared:

28 For there is a fire gone out of Heshbon, a flame from the city of Sihon: it hath consumed Ar of Moab, *and* the lords of the high places of Arnon.[a]

29 Woe to thee, Moab! thou art undone, O people of Chemosh: he hath given his sons that escaped, and his daughters, into captivity unto Sihon king of the Amorites.[b]

30 We have shot at them; Heshbon is perished even unto Dibon, and we have laid them waste even unto Nophah, which *reacheth* unto Medeba.[c]

31 ¶ Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites.

32 And Moses sent to spy out Jaazer, and they took the villages thereof, and drove out the Amorites that *were* there.

33 ¶ And they turned and went up by the way of Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan went out against them, he, and all his people, to the battle at Edrei.

34 And the LORD said unto Moses, Fear him not: for I have delivered him into thy hand, and all his people, and his land; and thou shalt do to him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.[d]

c ch. xxxiii. 48.

a Isa. xv. 1, Jer. xlviii. 45, 46

b Judg. xi. 24, 1 Kings xi. 7, 33; 2 Kings xxiii. 13; Jer. xlviii. 7, 13

c Jer. xlviii. 18, 22

2 Heb. *eye.*

d ver. 24; Deut. i. 1—6, Ps. cxxxv. 10, 11;

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Balak's first message for Balaam is refused* 15 *His second message obtaineth him.* 22 *An angel would have slain him, if his ass had not saved him.* 36 *Balak entertaineth him.*

AND the children of Israel set forward, and pitched in the plains of Moab on this side Jordan *by* Jericho.[e]

2 ¶ And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites.

3 And Moab was sore afraid of the people, because they *were* many: and Moab was distressed because of the children of Israel.

4 And Moab said unto the elders of Midian, Now shall this company lick up all *that are* round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of the field. And Balak the son of Zippor *was* king of the Moabites at that time.

5 He sent messengers therefore unto Balaam the son of Beor to Pethor, which *is* by the river of the land of the children of his people, to call him, saying, Behold, there is a people come out from Egypt: behold, they cover the [2]face of the earth, and they abide over against me:

6 Come now therefore, I pray thee, curse me this

people; for they *are* too mighty for me: peradventure I shall prevail, *that* we may smite them, and *that* I may drive them out of the land: for I wot that he whom thou blessest *is* blessed, and he whom thou cursest is cursed.[a]

7 And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the rewards of divination in their hand; and they came unto Balaam, and spake unto him the words of Balak.

8 And he said unto them, Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, as the LORD shall speak unto me: and the princes of Moab abode with Balaam.[b]

9 And God came unto Balaam, and said, What men *are* these with thee?

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[2] Heb *be not thou letted from*

[a] ch xxiii. 7

[d] ver 6.

[e] 1 Kings xxii 14, 2 Chron. xviii 13

[b] ver 19

[f] ver 8

16 And they came to Balaam, and said to him, Thus saith Balak the son of Zippor, Let nothing, I pray thee, [2]hinder thee from coming unto me:

17 For I will promote thee unto very great honour, and I will do whatsoever thou sayest unto me: come therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people.[d]

18 And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak, If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the word of the LORD my God, to do less or more.[e]

19 Now therefore, I pray you, tarry ye also here this night, that I may know what the LORD will say unto me more.[f]

20 And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, If the men come to call thee, rise up, *and*



BALAK'S DEPUTATION TO BALAAM.

10 And Balaam said unto God, Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, hath sent unto me, *saying*,

11 Behold, *there is* a people come out of Egypt, which covereth the face of the earth: come now, curse me them; peradventure [1]I shall be able to overcome them, and drive them out.

12 And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they *are* blessed.[c]

13 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and said unto the princes of Balak, Get you into your land: for the LORD refuseth to give me leave to go with you.

14 And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and said, Balaam refuseth to come with us.

15 ¶ And Balak sent yet again princes, more, and more honourable than they.

[g] vs 9, 35, ch xxiii. 12, 26, xxiv 13; Ps xxxiii 10, 11, Prov xxi 30, Isa. xlvi 9, 10

[1] Heb *I shall prevail in fighting against him.*

[c] ch. xxiii. 20, Rom xi. 29.

[h] Exod. iv. 24

[i] Josh v 13—15; 2 Kings vi. 17, Dan. x. 5, 6.

go with them; but yet the word which I shall say unto thee, that shalt thou do.[g]

21 And Balaam rose up in the morning, and saddled his ass, and went with the princes of Moab.

22 ¶ And God's anger was kindled because he went: and the angel of the LORD stood in the way for an adversary against him. Now he was riding upon his ass, and his two servants *were* with him.[h]

23 And the ass saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and the ass turned aside out of the way, and went into the field: and Balaam smote the ass, to turn her into the way.[i]

24 But the angel of the LORD stood in a path of the vineyards, a wall *being* on this side, and a wall on that side.

25 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD,

she thrust herself unto the wall, and crushed Balaam's foot against the wall: and he smote her again.

26 And the angel of the LORD went further, and stood in a narrow place, where *was* no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left.

27 And when the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she fell down under Balaam: and Balaam's anger was kindled, and he smote the ass with a staff.

28 And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass,

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

3 Or, *bowed himself.*

b Gen. xxi. 19; 2 Kings vi. 17; Luke xxiv. 26, 31.

4 Heb. *to be an adversary unto thee.*

c 2 Peter ii. 14, 15.

and his sword drawn in his hand: and he [3]bowed down his head, and fell flat on his face.[b]

32 And the angel of the LORD said unto him, Wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these three times? behold, I went out to [4]withstand thee, because *thy* way is perverse before me:[c]

33 And the ass saw me, and turned from me these three times: unless she had turned from me, surely now also I had slain thee, and saved her alive.



BALAK'S SACRIFICE

and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times?[a]

29 And Balaam said unto the ass, Because thou hast mocked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for now would I kill thee.

30 And the ass said unto Balaam, *Am* not I thine ass, [1]upon which thou hast ridden [2]ever since *I was* thine unto this day? was I ever wont to do so unto thee? And he said, Nay.

31 Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way,

a 2 Peter ii. 15, 16

b Heb. *be evil in thine eyes*

d 1 Sam. xv. 24, 30, xxvi. 21, 2 Sam. xii. 13

1 Heb. *who hast ridden upon me.*

2 Or, *ever since thou wast*

e ver. 20.

34 And Balaam said unto the angel of the LORD, I have sinned; for I knew not that thou stoodest in the way against me: now therefore, if it [5]displease thee, I will get me back again.[d]

35 And the angel of the LORD said unto Balaam, Go with the men: but only the word that I shall speak unto thee, that thou shalt speak. So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.[e]

36 ¶ And when Balak heard that Balaam was come, he went out to meet him unto a city of Moab, which *is* in the border of Arnon, which *is* in the utmost coast.

37 And Balak said unto Balaam, Did I not earnestly send unto thee to call thee? wherefore camest thou not unto me? am I not able indeed to promote thee to honour?[a]

38 And Balaam said unto Balak, Lo, I am come unto thee: have I now any power at all to say any thing? the word that God putteth in my mouth, that shall I speak.[b]

39 And Balaam went with Balak, and they came unto [1]Kirjath-huzoth.

40 And Balak offered oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the princes that *were* with him.

41 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Balak took Balaam, and brought him up into the high places of Baal, that thence he might see the utmost *part* of the people.[c]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1, 13, 28 *Balak's sacrifice.* 7, 18 *Balaam's parable.*

AND Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven oxen and seven rams.[d]

2 And Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered on *every* altar a bullock and a ram.[e]

3 And Balaam said unto Balak, Stand by thy burnt offering, and I will go: peradventure the LORD will come to meet me: and whatsoever he sheweth me I will tell thee. And he [2]went to an high place.[f]

4 And God met Balaam: and he said unto him, I have prepared seven altars, and I have offered upon *every* altar a bullock and a ram.[g]

5 And the LORD put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, Return unto Balak, and thus thou shalt speak.[h]

6 And he returned unto him, and, lo, he stood by his burnt sacrifice, he, and all the princes of Moab.

7 And he took up his parable, and said, Balak the king of Moab hath brought me from Aram, out of the mountains of the east, *saying*, Come, curse me Jacob, and come, defy Israel.[i]

8 How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? or how shall I defy, *whom* the LORD hath not defied?[j]

9 For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him: lo, the people shall dwell alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations.[k]

10 Who can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth *part* of Israel? Let [3]me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his![l]

11 And Balak said unto Balaam, What hast thou done unto me? I took thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast blessed *them* altogether.[m]

12 And he answered and said, Must I not take heed to speak that which the LORD hath put in my mouth?[n]

13 And Balak said unto him, Come, I pray thee, with me unto another place, from whence thou mayest see them: thou shalt see but the utmost part of them, and shalt not see them all: and curse me them from thence.

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

4 Or, *the bull.*

o vs. 1, 2

a ver. 17; ch. xxiv. 11

b ver 18.

p ver 5

1 Or, *a city of streets*

c Deut. xii. 2.

q 1 Sam. xv. 29, Ezek. xxiv. 14, Mal. iii. 6, Rom. ii. 29, xi 29, James i. 17, Heb. xiii. 8, Titus i. 2

r ch. xxii. 12; Gen. xii. 2; xxii. 17.

d ver. 29.

s ch. xxii. 5; Exod. xiii. 21; xxix. 45, 46; xxxiii. 14–16; xxxiv. 9, Deut. xxxii. 9–12; Judg. vi. 13, 2 Chron. xiii. 12, Ps. xlvi. 7, 11, Isa. viii. 10; Ezek. xlviii. 35.

e vs. 14, 30

t ch. xxiv. 8; Exod. xxxiii. 1; Deut. xx. 1; xxxiii. 17; Job xxxix. 10–12.

5 Or, *in*

2 Or, *he went solitary.*

f ver 15, ch. xxiv 1.

u 1 Chron. xvi. 12, 24; Ps. xxxi. 19; xliv. 1; xcii. 5; Isa. xxviii 29; Jer. xxxii. 19; Rev. xv. 3.

g ver. 16.

v Gen. xlix 9, 27

14 ¶ And he brought him into the field of Zophim, to the top of [4]Pisgah, and built seven altars, and offered a bullock and a ram on *every* altar.[o]

15 And he said unto Balak, Stand here by thy burnt offering, while I meet *the* LORD yonder.

16 And the LORD met Balaam, and put a word in his mouth, and said, Go again unto Balak, and say thus.[p]

17 And when he came to him, behold, he stood by his burnt offering, and the princes of Moab with him. And Balak said unto him, What hath the LORD spoken?

18 And he took up his parable, and said, Rise up, Balak, and hear; hearken unto me, thou son of Zippor:

19 God *is* not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do *it?* or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?[q]

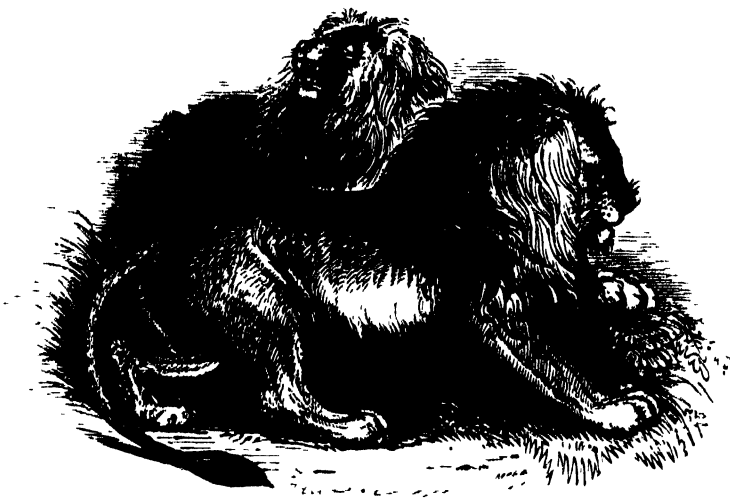
20 Behold, I have received *commandment* to bless: and he hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it.[r]

21 He hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath he seen perverseness in Israel: the LORD his God *is* with him, and the shout of a king *is* among them.[s]

22 God brought them out of Egypt; he hath as it were the strength of an unicorn.[t]

23 Surely *there is* no enchantment [5]against Jacob, neither *is there* any divination against Israel: according to this time it shall be said of Jacob and of Israel, What hath God wrought![u]

24 Behold, the people shall rise up as a great lion, and lift up himself as a young lion: he shall not lie down until he eat *of* the prey, and drink the blood of the slain.[v]



THE LION.

25 ¶ And Balak said unto Balaam, Neither curse them at all, nor bless them at all.

26 But Balaam answered and said unto Balak, Told not I thee, saying, All that the LORD speaketh, that I must do?[w]

27 ¶ And Balak said unto Balaam, Come, I pray thee, I will bring thee unto another place; peradventure it will please God that thou mayest curse me them from thence.

h ver 16, ch. xxii. 35; Deut. xviii 18, Jer. i 9.

i ver. 18, ch. xx. 6, 7, 11, 17; xxiv 3, 15, 23, 1 Sam. xvii. 10, Job xxvii. 1; Ps. lxxviii. 2, Ezek. xvii. 2; Micah ii. 4, Hab. ii 6

j Job xxxiv 29, Isa. xlvii. 12, 13

k Exod. xxxiii 16, Deut. xxxiii. 28; Ezek. ix 21.

3 Heb. *my soul, or my life.*

l Ps. cxvi. 15

m vs. 7, 8; ch. xxiv. 10.

n ch. xxii. 38.

w ver 12, ch. xxii. 38.

28 And Balak brought Balaam unto the top of Peor, that looketh toward Jeshimon.

29 And Balaam said unto Balak, Build me here seven altars, and prepare me here seven bullocks and seven rams.[a]

30 And Balak did as Balaam had said, and offered a bullock and a ram on *every* altar.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Balaam, leaving divinations, prophesieth the happiness of Israel.* 10 *Balak in anger dismisseth him.* 15 *He prophesieth of the Star of Jacob, and the destruction of some nations.*

AND when Balaam saw that it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he went not, as at other times, to [1]seek for enchantments, but he set his face toward the wilderness.[b]

2 And Balaam lifted up his eyes, and he saw Israel abiding *in his tents* according to their tribes; and the spirit of God came upon him.[c]

3 And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man [2]whose eyes are open hath said:

4 He hath said, which heard the words of God, which saw the vision of the Almighty, falling *into a trance*, but having his eyes open:[d]

5 How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, *and* thy tabernacles, O Israel!

6 As the valleys are they spread forth, as gardens by the river's side, as the trees of lign aloes which



LIGN ALOE.

the LORD hath planted, *and* as cedar trees beside the waters.[e]

7 He shall pour the water out of his buckets, and his seed *shall be* in many waters, and his king shall be higher than Agag, and his kingdom shall be exalted.[f]

8 God brought him forth out of Egypt; he hath as it were the strength of an unicorn: he shall eat up the nations his enemies, and shall break their bones, and pierce *them* through with his arrows.[g]

9 He couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a great lion: who shall stir him up? Blessed *is* he that blesseth thee, and cursed *is* he that curseth thee.[h]

10 ¶ And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he smote his hands together: and Balak said unto Balaam, I called thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast altogether blessed *them* these three times.[i]

11 Therefore now flee thou to thy place: I thought to promote thee unto great honour; but, lo, the LORD hath kept thee back from honour.[j]

12 And Balaam said unto Balak, Spake I not also to thy messengers which thou sentest unto me, saying,

13 If Balak would give me his house full of silver and gold, I cannot go beyond the commandment of the LORD, to do *either* good or bad of mine own mind; *but* what the LORD saith, that will I speak?[k]

14 And now, behold, I go unto my people: come *therefore, and* I will advertise thee what this people shall do to thy people in the latter days.

15 ¶ And he took up his parable, and said, Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man whose eyes are open hath said:[l]

16 He hath said, which heard the words of God, and knew the knowledge of the most High, *which* saw the vision of the Almighty, falling *into a trance*, but having his eyes open:[m]

17 I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall [3]smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth.[n]

18 And Edom shall be a possession, Seir also shall be a possession for his enemies; and Israel shall do valiantly.[o]

19 Out of Jacob shall come he that shall have dominion, and shall destroy him that remaineth of the city.[p]

20 ¶ And when he looked on Amalek, he took up his parable, and said, Amalek *was* the [4]first of the nations; but his latter end *shall be* that he [5]perish for ever.[q]

21 And he looked on the Kenites, and took up his parable, and said, Strong is thy dwellingplace, and thou puttest thy nest in a rock.

22 Nevertheless the [6]Kenite shall be wasted, [7]until Asshur shall carry thee away captive.[r]

23 And he took up his parable, and said, Alas, who shall live when God doeth this!

24 And ships *shall come* from the coast of Chittim, and shall afflict Asshur, and shall afflict Eber, and he also shall perish for ever.[s]

25 And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to his place: and Balak also went his way.

BEFORE CHR. AT 1451.

f 1 Sam. xv. 9; 2 Sam. v. 12; 1 Chron. xiv. 2; Jer. li. 13; Rev. xvii. 1, 15.

a ver. 1.

g ch. xxiii. 22, 24

h Gen. xii. 3; xxvii. 29; xlix. 9.

i ch. xxiii. 11; Josh. xxiv. 9, 10; Neh. xiii. 2

1 Heb. *to the meeting of enchantments.*

b ch. xxiii. 3, 15

j ch. xxii. 17, 37

c ch. ii. 2—34; 1 Sam. x. 10, xix. 20; 2 Chron. xv. 1

k ch. xxii. 18.

2 Heb. *who had his eyes shut, but now opened*

d 1 Sam. xix. 24

l ch. xxiii. 7

m ver. 4.

3 Or, *smite through the princes of Moab.*

n Gen. xlix. 10, Ps. cx. 2; Matt. ii. 2, Rev. xxii. 16.

o 2 Sam. viii. 14; Ps. lx. 8, 9, 12.

p Gen. xlix. 10

4 Or, *the first of the nations that warred against Israel*

5 Or, *shall be even to destruction*

q Exod. xvii. 8, 14; 1 Sam. xv. 3, 8.

6 Heb. *Kain*

7 Or, *how long shall it be before Asshur carry thee away captive?*

r Gen. xv. 19.

s Gen. x. 4, 10, 21, 25; Dan. xi. 30.

e Ps. i. 3; cl. 16; Jer. xvii. 8.

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *Israel at Shittim commit whoredom and idolatry.* 6 *Phinehas killeth Zimri and Cozbi* 10 *God therefore giveth him an everlasting priesthood.* 16 *The Midianites are to be vexed.*

AND Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab.[a]

2 And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods.[b]

3 And Israel joined himself unto Baal-peor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.[c]

4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the LORD against the sun, that the fierce anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.[d]

5 And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, Slay ye every one his men that were joined unto Baal-peor.[e]

6 ¶ And, behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, who *were* weeping *before* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

7 And when Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw *it*, he rose up from among the congregation, and took a [1]javelin in his hand;[f]

8 And he went after the man of Israel into the tent, and thrust both of them through, the man of Israel, and the woman through her belly. So the plague was stayed from the children of Israel.[g]

9 And those that died in the plague were twenty and four thousand.[h]

10 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

11 Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, hath turned my wrath away from the children of Israel, while he was zealous [2]for my sake among them, that I consumed not the children of Israel in my jealousy.[i]

12 Wherefore say, Behold, I give unto him my covenant of peace:

13 And he shall have it, and his seed after him, *even* the covenant of an everlasting priesthood; because he was zealous for his God, and made an atonement for the children of Israel.[j]

14 Now the name of the Israelite that was slain, *even* that was slain with the Midianitish woman, *was* Zimri, the son of Salu, a prince of a [3]chief house among the Simeonites.

15 And the name of the Midianitish woman that was slain *was* Cozbi, the daughter of Zur; he *was* head over a people, *and* of a chief house in Midian.[k]

16 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

17 Vex the Midianites, and smite them:[l]

18 For they vex you with their wiles, wherewith they have beguiled you in the matter of Peor, and in the matter of Cozbi, the daughter of a prince of Midian, their sister, which was slain in the day of the plague for Peor's sake.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451

a ch xxxi 15, 16, xxxiii 49, Josh ii 1, Micah vi. 5, 1 Cor x 8.

b Exod xx 5, xxxiv 15, 16, Ps cvi 28, Hos ix 10, 1 Cor x 20, Rev ii. 14.

c Ps cvi 29

n ch i. 1—3

d ver 11; Deut. iv 3, xiii. 17, Josh xxii. 17, Ps lxxviii. 58

o ver 63, ch xxxi 12 xxxiii. 48, xxxv. 1

e Exod xviii 21, 25, xxxii 27, Deut xiii 6, 9, 13, 15

p ch i 1

q Gen xlvi 8, Exod vi. 14, 1 Chron v 1

1 A spear or pike

f Exod vi 25

g Ps cvi 30

h Deut. iv 3, 1 Cor x 8.

r ch xvi. 1, 2, Ps cvi 17

2 Heb *with my zeal*

s ch xvi 32, 35, 38, Ezek. xiv 8, 1 Cor. x 6, 2 Peter ii 6

i Exod xx 5, Deut. iv 24, xxxii 16, Josh xxiv 19, 1 Kings xiv 22, Ezek xxxix 25, Zeph i 18, iii 8, 1 Cor x 22

t Exod vi 24, 1 Chron vi 22

4 Or, *Jemuel*

5 Or, *Jarib*

u Gen xlvi 10, Exod vi 15, 1 Chron iv 24

j Exod xl 15, 1 Chron vi 4—14

6 Or, *Zohar*

v Gen xlvi. 10

3 Heb *house of a father*

7 Or, *Ziphion*

k ch. xxxi. 8, Josh. xiii. 21

w Gen xlvi. 16.

8 Or, *Ezbon*

l ch xxxi 2

x Gen xlvi. 16.

9 Or, *Arodi*

y Gen xlvi. 16

m ch xxxi. 16, Hos. ix. 10, Rev. ii. 14.

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *The sum of all Israel is taken in the plains of Moab* 52 *The law of dividing among them the inheritance of the land.* 57 *The families and number of the Levites.* 63 *None were left of them which were numbered at Sinai, but Caleb and Joshua.*

AND it came to pass after the plague, that the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest, saying,

2 Take the sum of all the congregation of the children of Israel, from twenty years old and upward, throughout their fathers' house, all that are able to go to war in Israel.[n]

3 And Moses and Eleazar the priest spake with them in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho, saying,[o]

4 *Take the sum of the people*, from twenty years old and upward; as the LORD commanded Moses and the children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt.[p]

5 ¶ Reuben, the eldest son of Israel: the children of Reuben; Hanoch, *of whom cometh* the family of the Hanochites: of Pallu, the family of the Palluites:[q]

6 Of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Carmi, the family of the Carmites.

7 These *are* the families of the Reubenites: and they that were numbered of them were forty and three thousand seven hundred and thirty.

8 And the sons of Pallu; Eliab.

9 And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This *is that* Dathan and Abiram, *which were* famous in the congregation, who strove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, when they strove against the LORD:[r]

10 And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died, what time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men: and they became a sign.[s]

11 Notwithstanding the children of Korah died not.[t]

12 ¶ The sons of Simeon after their families: of [4]Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites: of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites: of [5]Jachin, the family of the Jachinites:[u]

13 Of [6]Zerah, the family of the Zarhites: of Shaul, the family of the Shaulites.[v]

14 These *are* the families of the Simeonites, twenty and two thousand and two hundred.

15 ¶ The children of Gad after their families: of [7]Zephon, the family of the Zephonites: of Haggi, the family of the Haggites: of Shuni, the family of the Shunites:[w]

16 Of [8]Ozni, the family of the Oznites: of Eri, the family of the Erites:[x]

17 Of [9]Arod, the family of the Arodites: of Areli, the family of the Arelites.[y]

18 These *are* the families of the children of Gad according to those that were numbered of them, forty thousand and five hundred.

19 ¶ The sons of Judah *were* Er and Onan: and Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan.[a]

20 And the sons of Judah after their families were; of Shelah, the family of the Shelanites: of Pharez, the family of the Pharzites: of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a Gen xxxviii. 2, xlvi 12

1 Or, *Phuvah.*

c Gen. xlvi. 13; 1 Chron vii 1

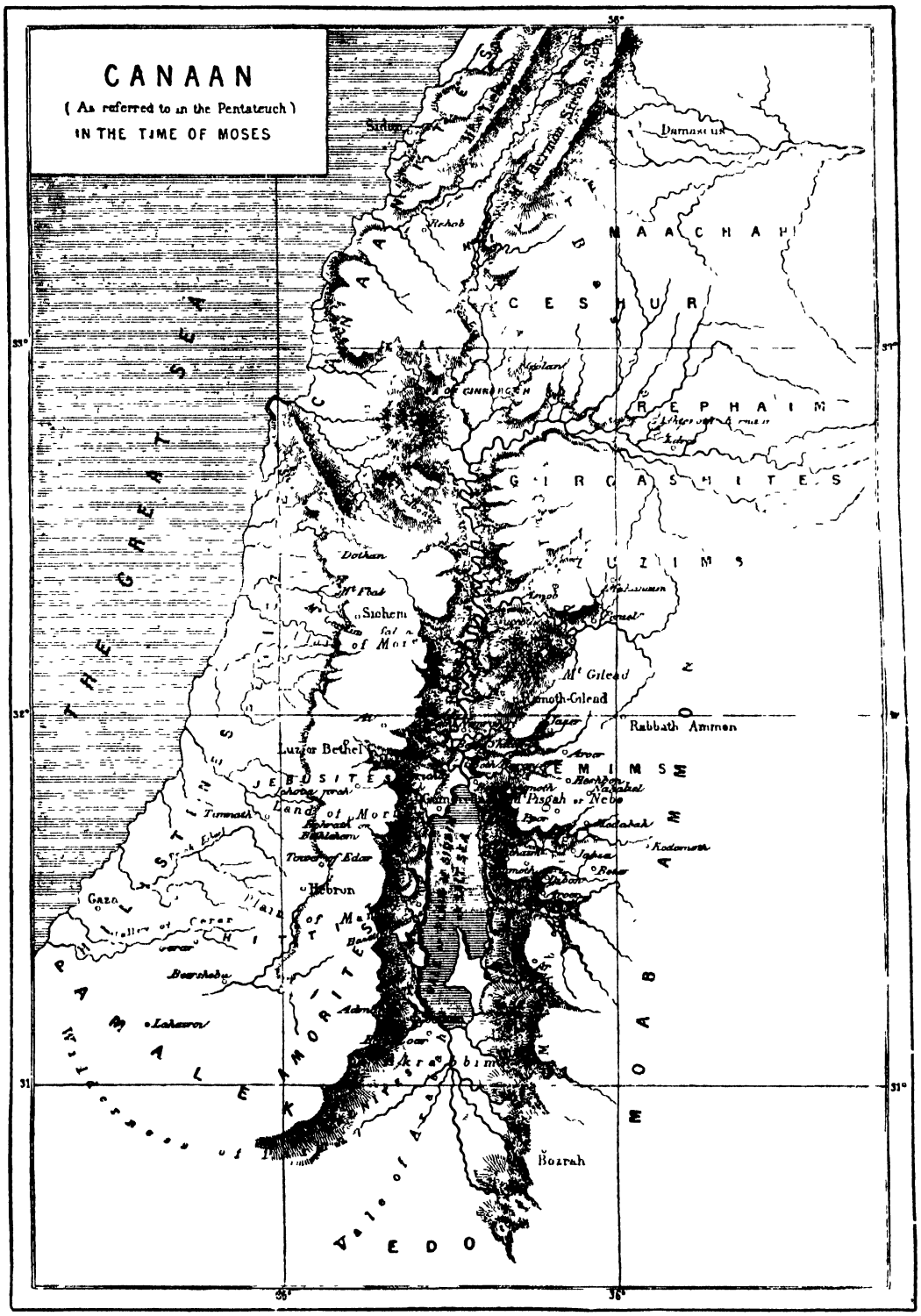
2 Or, *Job.*

b 1 Chron. ii. 3.

23 ¶ *Of* the sons of Issachar after their families: *of* Tola, the family of the Tolaites: of [1]Pua, the family of the Punites:[c]

24 Of [2]Jashub, the family of the Jashubites: of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites.

25 These *are* the families of Issachar according to



21 And the sons of Pharez were; of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites.

22 These *are* the families of Judah according to those that were numbered of them, threescore and sixteen thousand and five hundred.

d Gen. xlvi 14

those that were numbered of them, threescore and four thousand and three hundred.

26 ¶ *Of* the sons of Zebulun after their families: of Sered, the family of the Sardites: of Elon, the family of the Elonites: of Jahleel, the family of the Jahleelites.[d]

27 These *are* the families of the Zebulunites according to those that were numbered of them, threescore thousand and five hundred.

28 ¶ The sons of Joseph after their families *were* Manasseh and Ephraim.[a]

29 Of the sons of Manasseh: of Machir, the family of the Machirites: and Machir begat Gilead: of Gilead *come* the family of the Gileadites.[b]

30 These *are* the sons of Gilead: *of* [1]Jeezer, the family of the Jeezerites: of Helek, the family of the Helekites:[c]

31 And *of* Asriel, the family of the Asrielites: and *of* Shechem, the family of the Shechemites:

32 And *of* Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites: and *of* Hepher, the family of the Hepherites.

33 ¶ And Zelophehad the son of Hepher had no sons, but daughters: and the names of the daughters of Zelophehad *were* Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.[d]

34 These *are* the families of Manasseh, and those that were numbered of them, fifty and two thousand and seven hundred.

35 ¶ These *are* the sons of Ephraim after their families: of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthalhites: of [2]Becher, the family of the Bachrites: of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites.[e]

36 And these *are* the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the Eranites.

37 These *are* the families of the sons of Ephraim according to those that were numbered of them, thirty and two thousand and five hundred. These *are* the sons of Joseph after their families.

38 ¶ The sons of Benjamin after their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaites: of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites: of [3]Ahiram, the family of the Ahiramites:[f]

39 Of Shupham, the family of the Shuphamites: of [4]Hupham, the family of the Huphamites.[g]

40 And the sons of Bela were [5]Ard and Naaman: *of Ard*, the family of the Ardites: *and* of Naaman, the family of the Naamites.[h]

41 These *are* the sons of Benjamin after their families: and they that were numbered of them *were* forty and five thousand and six hundred.

42 ¶ These *are* the sons of Dan after their families: of [6]Shuham, the family of the Shuhamites. These *are* the families of Dan after their families.[i]

43 All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were numbered of them, *were* threescore and four thousand and four hundred.

44 ¶ *Of* the children of Asher after their families: of Jimna, the family of the Jimnites: of Jesui, the family of the Jesuites: of Beriah, the family of the Beriites.[j]

45 Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites: of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites.

46 And the name of the daughter of Asher *was* Sarah.

47 These *are* the families of the sons of Asher according to those that were numbered of them; *who were* fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

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k Gen. xlvi. 24; 1 Chron. vii. 13.
7 *Shallum.*
a Gen. xlvi. 20; Deut. xxxiii. 17.
l 1 Chron vii. 13.
b Josh. xvii. 1; 1 Chron. vii. 14, 15.
1 Called *Abiezer*
c Josh. xvii. 2; Judg vi. 11, 24, 34
m ch. i. 46.
n Josh xi. 23; xiv. 1
8 Heb *multiply his inheritance.*
9 Heb *diminish his inheritance*
o ch. xxxiii 54.
d ch. xxvii 1, xxxvi 11
p ch. xxxiv. 13; Josh. xi. 23; xiv. 2.
2 Or, *Bered.* Deut. xxxiii. 17
e 1 Chron vii. 20
q Gen. xlvi. 11, Exod. vi. 16—19, 1 Chron vi. 1, 16
3 Or, *Ehi*, or, *Aharah*
f Gen xlvi. 21; 1 Chron. vii 6
r Exod. ii. 1, 2; vi. 20
4 Or, *Muppim and Huppim*
g Gen xlvi. 21.
5 Or, *Addar*
s ch. iii. 2.
h 1 Chron. viii. 3
t ch iii 4, Lev x. 1, 2; 1 Chron. xxiv 2
6 Or, *Hushim*
i Gen. xlvi. 23.
u ch. i. 49; iii. 39; xviii. 20, xxiii 24; Deut x 9; Josh. xiii. 14, 33; xiv. 3.
v ver 3
j Gen. xlvi. 17; 1 Chron. vii 30
w ch. xiv. 28—30; Deut. ii. 14, 15; 1 Cor x. 6; Heb. iii. 15, 19; iv. 1, 2.

48 ¶ *Of* the sons of Naphtali after their families: of Jahzeel, the family of the Jahzeelites: of Guni, the family of the Gunites:[k]

49 Of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites: of [7]Shillem, the family of the Shillemites.[l]

50 These *are* the families of Naphtali according to their families: and they that were numbered of them *were* forty and five thousand and four hundred.

51 These *were* the numbered of the children of Israel, six hundred thousand and a thousand seven hundred and thirty.[m]

52 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

53 Unto these the land shall be divided for an inheritance according to the number of names.[n]

54 To many thou shalt [8]give the more inheritance, and to few thou [9]shalt give the less inheritance: to every one shall his inheritance be given according to those that were numbered of him.[o]

55 Notwithstanding the land shall be divided by lot: according to the names of the tribes of their fathers they shall inherit.

56 According to the lot shall the possession thereof be divided between many and few.[p]

57 ¶ And these *are* they that were numbered of the Levites after their families: of Gershon, the family of the Gershonites: of Kohath, the family of the Kohathites: of Merari, the family of the Merarites.[q]

58 These *are* the families of the Levites: the family of the Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Mushites, the family of the Korathites. And Kohath begat Amram.

59 And the name of Amram's wife *was* Jochebed, the daughter of Levi, whom *her mother* bare to Levi in Egypt: and she bare unto Amram Aaron and Moses, and Miriam their sister.[r]

60 And unto Aaron was born Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.[s]

61 And Nadab and Abihu died, when they offered strange fire before the LORD.[t]

62 And those that were numbered of them were twenty and three thousand, all males from a month old and upward: for they were not numbered among the children of Israel, because there was no inheritance given them among the children of Israel.[u]

63 ¶ These *are* they that were numbered by Moses and Eleazar the priest, who numbered the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.[v]

64 But among these there was not a man of them whom Moses and Aaron the priest numbered, when they numbered the children of Israel in the wilderness of Sinai.

65 For the LORD had said of them, They shall surely die in the wilderness. And there was not left a man of them, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh,[w] and Joshua the son of Nun.[x]



THE DAUGHTERS OF ZELOPHEHAD PREFERRING THEIR REQUEST TO MOSES.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *The daughters of Zelophehad sue for an inheritance.* 6 *The law of inheritances.* 12 *Moses, being told of his death, sueth for a successor.* 18 *Joshua is appointed to succeed him.*

THEN came the daughters of Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of Manasseh the son of Joseph: and these *are* the names of his daughters; Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah.[a]

2 And they stood before Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and all the congregation, *by* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, saying,

3 Our father died in the wilderness, and he was not in the company of them that gathered themselves together against the LORD in the company of Korah; but died in his own sin, and had no sons.[b]

4 Why should the name of our father be [1]done away from among his family, because he hath no son? Give unto us *therefore* a possession among the brethren of our father.[c]

5 And Moses brought their cause before the LORD.[d]

6 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

7 The daughters of Zelophehad speak right: thou shalt surely give them a possession of an inheritance among their father's brethren; and thou shalt cause the inheritance of their father to pass unto them.[e]

8 And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a man die, and have no son, then ye shall cause his inheritance to pass unto his daughter.

9 And if he have no daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his brethren.

10 And if he have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his father's brethren.

11 And if his father have no brethren, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his kinsman that is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it: and it shall be unto the children of Israel a statute of judgment, as the LORD commanded Moses.[f]

12 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Get thee up into this mount Abarim, and see the land which I have given unto the children of Israel.[g]

13 And when thou hast seen it, thou also shalt be gathered unto thy people, as Aaron thy brother was gathered.[h]

14 For ye rebelled against my commandment in the desert of Zin, in the strife of the congregation, to sanctify me at the water before their eyes: that *is* the water of Meribah in Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.[i]

15 ¶ And Moses spake unto the LORD, saying,

16 Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation,

17 Which may go out before them, and which may go in before them, and which may lead them out, and which may bring them in; that the congregation of the LORD be not as sheep which have no shepherd.[j]

18 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Take thee Joshua the son of Nun, a man in whom *is* the spirit, and lay thine hand upon him;[k]

19 And set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation; and give him a charge in their sight.[l]

20 And thou shalt put *some* of thine honour upon him, that all the congregation of the children of Israel may be obedient.[m]

21 And he shall stand before Eleazar the priest, who shall ask *counsel* for him after the judgment of Urim before the LORD: at his word shall they go out, and at his word they shall come in, *both* he, and all the children of Israel with him, even all the congregation.[n]

22 And Moses did as the LORD commanded him: and he took Joshua, and set him before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation:

23 And he laid his hands upon him, and gave him a charge, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.[o]

CHAPTER XXVIII.

Offerings are to be observed. 3 *The continual burnt offering.* 9 *The offering on the sabbath,* 11 *on the new moons,* 16 *at the passover,* 26 *in the day of first fruits.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, My offering, *and* my bread for my sacrifices made by fire, [2]*for* a sweet savour unto me, shall ye observe to offer unto me in their due season.[p]

3 And thou shalt say unto them, This *is* the offering made by fire which ye shall offer unto the LORD; two lambs of the first year without spot [3]day by day, *for* a continual burnt offering.[q]

4 The one lamb shalt thou offer in the morning, and the other lamb shalt thou offer [4]at even;[r]

5 And a tenth *part* of an ephah of flour for a meat offering, mingled with the fourth *part* of an hin of beaten oil.[s]

6 *It is* a continual burnt offering, which was ordained in mount Sinai for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.[t]

7 And the drink offering thereof *shall be* the fourth *part* of an hin for the one lamb: in the holy *place* shalt thou cause the strong wine to be poured unto the LORD *for* a drink offering.[u]

8 And the other lamb shalt thou offer at even: as

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j ch. xvi. 22; Deut. xxxi. 2; 1 Sam. viii. 20; xviii. 8; 1 Kings xxii. 17; 2 Chron. i. 10; Zech. x. 2; Matt. ix. 36; Mark vi. 34.

k Gen. xli. 38; Deut. xxxiv. 9; Judg. iii. 10, xi. 29; 1 Sam. xvi. 13, 18.

l Deut. xxxi. 7, 8.

m ch. xi 17, 28; Josh. i. 16—18

a ch. xxvi. 33; xxxvi. 1, 11; Josh xvii. 3.

n Exod. xxviii. 30; Josh. ix. 14, Judg. i. 1; xx. 18, 23, 27; 1 Sam xxii. 10, 13, 15; xxiii. 9—12, xxx 7, 8.

o ver 18, Deut iii 28, xxxi 7

b ch xiv 35, xvi 1. 2, xxvi 64, 6

1 Heb *diminished*

c Josh xvii 4

d Exod xviii 15

e ch. xxxvi 2

2 Heb *a savour of my rest*

p ch xv 3, 14, xxviii 15, Exod xxix. 18, Lev i 9, 13, 17, ii. 9, iii 5, Ezek xx 41, Matt i 11

f ch xxxv 29

3 Heb *in a day*

q ver 9; Exod. xxix. 38; Lev. xiv 10, xxiii 19

g ch. xxxiii. 47, Deut. iii. 27, xxxii. 49, xxxiv. 1—4.

4 Heb *between the two evenings*

r Exod xxix. 39—41; Ezek xlvi. 13—15.

h ch xx. 24, 28, xxxi. 2; Deut x. 6, xxxiv. 5

s ch xv. 4; Exod xxix 40, Lev ii. 1—16

i ch xx. 12, 24; Exod. xvii 7, Deut i. 37, xxxii 51; Ps cvi. 32

t Exod. xxix. 38, 42; Dan viii. 11—13.

u ver 14; ch. xv. 5; Exod xxix. 40, 41; Isa. lvii. 6; Joel i. 9, 13; ii 14.

the meat offering of the morning, and as the drink offering thereof, thou shalt offer *it*, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.[a]

9 ¶ And on the sabbath day two lambs of the first year without spot, and two tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, and the drink offering thereof:

10 *This is* the burnt offering of every sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.[b]

11 ¶ And in the beginnings of your months ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD; two young bullocks, and one ram, seven lambs of the first year without spot;

12 And three tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one bullock; and two tenth deals of flour *for* a meat offering, mingled with oil, for one ram;

13 And a several tenth deal of flour mingled with oil *for* a meat offering unto one lamb; *for* a burnt offering of a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

14 And their drink offerings shall be half an hin of wine unto a bullock, and the third *part* of an hin unto a ram, and a fourth *part* of an hin unto a lamb: this *is* the burnt offering of every month throughout the months of the year.[c]

15 And one kid of the goats for a sin offering unto the LORD shall be offered, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.[d]

16 And in the fourteenth day of the first month *is* the passover of the LORD.[e]

17 And in the fifteenth day of this month *is* the feast: seven days shall unleavened bread be eaten.[f]

18 In the first day *shall be* an holy convocation; ye shall do no manner of servile work *therein*:[g]

19 But ye shall offer a sacrifice made by fire *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD; two young bullocks, and one ram, and seven lambs of the first year: they shall be unto you without blemish:[h]

20 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil: three tenth deals shall ye offer for a bullock, and two tenth deals for a ram;

21 A several tenth deal shalt thou offer for every lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

22 And one goat *for* a sin offering, to make an atonement for you.

23 Ye shall offer these beside the burnt offering in the morning, which *is* for a continual burnt offering.

24 After this manner ye shall offer daily, throughout the seven days, the meat of the sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: it shall be offered beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.[i]

25 And on the seventh day ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work.[j]

26 ¶ Also in the day of the firstfruits, when ye bring a new meat offering unto the LORD, after your weeks *be out*, ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work:[k]

27 But ye shall offer the burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD; two young bullocks, one ram, seven lambs of the first year:

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[a] vs. 4—7.

[b] 1 Chron. xxiii. 31. 2 Chron. ii. 4, Ezra iii. 5, Neh. x. 33, Isa. i. 13, 14, Ezek. xlv. 17, xlvi. 6, Hos. ii. 11, Col. ii. 16.

[l] vs. 11—15, 19, Lev. xxiii. 18, 19.

[m] ch. xxviii. 18, 25, Lev. xxiii. 24.

[c] vs. 20, 28, ch. xv. 4, 6, 10, 12, xxi. 19, xxviii. 20, 28, xxix. 3, 9, 14, Exod. xxix. 40, Lev. xiv. 10, xxiii. 13.

[d] ver. 22, ch. xv. 24, Lev. iv. 23, Ezra vi. 17, viii. 35.

[e] ch. ix. 3, 5, 11, xxviii. 16; Lev. xxiii. 5, Josh. v. 10, 2 Chron. xxx. 15, xxxv. 1, Ezra vi. 19, Ezek. xlv. 21.

[f] Lev. xxiii. 6.

[g] ver. 25, Exod. xii. 16; xiii. 6, Lev. xxiii. 7, 8.

[n] ch. xxviii. 3, 11, xv. 10—12, 26—31; Deut. xvii. 1.

[h] ver. 31; Lev. xxii. 20, Deut. xv. 21, Mal. i. 8, 13, 14.

[o] Lev. xvi. 29, xxiii. 27, Ps. xxxv. 13, Isa. lviii. 5.

[i] vs. 12—15.

[p] ch. xviii. 19, 27—31; Lev. xvi. 3, 5.

[j] ver. 12.

[q] vs. 1, 7; ch. xxviii. 17, 25, 26; Lev. xxiii.; Deut. xvi. 13; Esth. ix. 18, 21; Ezek. xlv. 25.

[k] Exod. xxiii. 16; xxxiv. 22; Lev. xxiii. 10, 15; Deut. xvi. 10.

28 And their meat offering of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals unto one bullock, two tenth deals unto one ram,

29 A several tenth deal unto one lamb, throughout the seven lambs;

30 *And* one kid of the goats, to make an atonement for you.

31 Ye shall offer *them* beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, (they shall be unto you without blemish) and their drink offerings.[l]

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *The offering at the feast of trumpets, 7 at the day of afflicting their souls, 13 and on the eight days of the feast of tabernacles.*

AND in the seventh month, on the first *day* of the month, ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work: it is a day of blowing the trumpets unto you.[m]

2 And ye shall offer a burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD; one young bullock, one ram, *and* seven lambs of the first year without blemish:

3 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals for a bullock, *and* two tenth deals for a ram,

4 And one tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

5 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering, to make an atonement for you:

6 Beside the burnt offering of the month, and his meat offering, and the daily burnt offering, and his meat offering, and their drink offerings, according unto their manner, for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.[n]

7 ¶ And ye shall have on the tenth *day* of this seventh month an holy convocation; and ye shall afflict your souls: ye shall not do any work *therein*:[o]

8 But ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD *for* a sweet savour; one young bullock, one ram, *and* seven lambs of the first year; they shall be unto you without blemish:

9 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals to a bullock, *and* two tenth deals to one ram,

10 A several tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

11 One kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the sin offering of atonement, and the continual burnt offering, and the meat offering of it, and their drink offerings.[p]

12 ¶ And on the fifteenth day of the seventh month ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work, and ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days:[q]

13 And ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrific made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD thirteen young bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year; they shall be without blemish:

14 And their meat offering *shall be of* flour mingled

with oil, three tenth deals unto every bullock of the thirteen bullocks, two tenth deals to each ram of the two rams,

15 And a several tenth deal to each lamb of the fourteen lambs:

16 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.[a]

17 ¶ And on the second day *ye shall offer* twelve young bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs of the first year without spot:

18 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

19 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and the meat offering thereof, and their drink offerings.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[d] ver. 22.

[a] vs. 2—6, 8—11

[e] ver. 25

[b] ver. 16.

beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.[d]

26 ¶ And on the fifth day nine bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year without spot:

27 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

28 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.[e]

29 ¶ And on the sixth day eight bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:

30 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

31 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the



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20 ¶ And on the third day eleven bullocks, two rams, fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish;

21 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

22 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.[c]

23 ¶ And on the fourth day ten bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:

24 Their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

25 And one kid of the goats *for* a sin offering;

ver 28.

[c] ver. 19.

[g] ver. 31

[h] ver 12, Lev. xxiii. 36.

continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.[f]

32 ¶ And on the seventh day seven bullocks, two rams, *and* fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:

33 And their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

34 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.[g]

35 ¶ On the eighth day ye shall have a solemn assembly: ye shall do no servile work *therein*;[h]

36 But ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: one

bullock, one ram, seven lambs of the first year without blemish:

37 Their meat offering and their drink offerings for the bullock, for the ram, and for the lambs, *shall be* according to their number, after the manner:

38 And one goat *for* a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.[a]

39 These *things* ye shall [1]do unto the LORD in your set feasts, beside your vows, and your freewill offerings, for your burnt offerings, and for your meat offerings, and for your drink offerings, and for your peace offerings.[b]

40 And Moses told the children of Israel according to all that the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *Vows are not to be broken.* 3 *The exception of a maid's vow.* 6 *Of a wife's.* 9 *Of a widow's, or her that is divorced.*

AND Moses spake unto the heads of the tribes concerning the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the thing which the LORD hath commanded.[c]

2 If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he shall not [2]break his word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.[d]

3 If a woman also vow a vow unto the LORD, and bind *herself* by a bond, *being* in her father's house in her youth;

4 And her father hear her vow, and her bond wherewith she hath bound her soul, and her father shall hold his peace at her: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she hath bound her soul shall stand.

5 But if her father disallow her in the day that he heareth; not any of her vows, or of her bonds wherewith she hath bound her soul, shall stand: and the LORD shall forgive her, because her father disallowed her.

6 And if she had at all an husband, when [3]she vowed, or uttered ought out of her lips, wherewith she bound her soul;

7 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her in the day that he heard *it:* then her vows shall stand, and her bonds wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.

8 But if her husband disallowed her on the day that he heard *it;* then he shall make her vow which she vowed, and that which she uttered with her lips, wherewith she bound her soul, of none effect: and the LORD shall forgive her.

9 But every vow of a widow, and of her that is divorced, wherewith they have bound their souls, shall stand against her.

10 And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her soul by a bond with an oath;

11 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her, *and* disallowed her not: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.

12 But if her husband hath utterly made them void on the day he heard *them;* *then* whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void; and the LORD shall forgive her.

13 Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void.

14 But if her husband altogether hold his peace at her from day to day; then he establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which *are* upon her: he confirmeth them, because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard *them.*

15 But if he shall any ways make them void after that he hath heard *them;* then he shall bear her iniquity.

16 These *are* the statutes, which the LORD commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between the father and his daughter, *being yet* in her youth in her father's house.

CHAPTER XXXI.

1 *The Midianites are spoiled, and Balaam slain.* 13 *Moses is wroth with the officers, for saving the women alive* 19 *How the soldiers, with their captives and spoil, are to be purified.* 25 *The proportion whereby the prey is to be divided* 48 *The voluntary oblation unto the treasury of the Lord*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Avenge the children of Israel of the Midianites: afterward shalt thou be gathered unto thy people.[e]

3 And Moses spake unto the people, saying, Arm some of yourselves unto the war, and let them go against the Midianites, and avenge the LORD of Midian.

4 Of [4]every tribe a thousand, throughout all the tribes of Israel, shall ye send to the war.

5 So there were delivered out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand of *every* tribe, twelve thousand armed for war.

6 And Moses sent them to the war, a thousand of *every* tribe, them and Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, to the war, with the holy instruments, and the trumpets to blow in his hand.[f]

7 And they warred against the Midianites, as the LORD commanded Moses; and they slew all the males.[g]

8 And they slew the kings of Midian, beside the rest of them that were slain; *namely,* Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five kings of Midian: Balaam also the son of Beor they slew with the sword.[h]

9 And the children of Israel took *all* the women of Midian captives, and their little ones, and took the spoil of all their cattle, and all their flocks, and all their goods.

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a ver. 34.

1 Or, *offer.*

b Lev vii. 11, 16, xxiii 2—44; 1 Chron xxiii 31, 2 Chron. xxxi 3, Ezra iii. 5; Neh x 33; Isa. i. 14, Heb. x 11—14.

c ch i. 4, 16

2 Heb *profane*

d Lev xxvii 2; Deut xxiii 21; Job xxii 27, Ps xxii. 25, lxvi 13, cxvi. 14, 18, Jer xliv 25, Nahum i 15

e ch xxv 17, xxvii 13, Deut xxxii 35, 43, Ps xciv 1

4 Heb *a thousand of a tribe, a thousand of a tribe.*

3 Heb *her vows were upon her*

f ch x 9

g Deut xx. 13, Judg xxi 11; 1 Kings xi. 16.

h Josh. xiii. 21, 22, Ps. lx. 16; Prov. xxvi. 27; Matt. vii. 22, 23; 2 Peter ii. 15; Jude 11.



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10 And they burnt all their cities wherein they dwelt, and all their goodly castles, with fire.

11 And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, *both* of men and of beasts.[a]

12 And they brought the captives, and the prey, and the spoil, unto Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains of Moab, which *are* by Jordan *near* Jericho.

13 ¶ And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp.

14 And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, *with* the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from the [1]battle.

15 And Moses said unto them, Have ye saved all the women alive?

16 Behold, these caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to commit trespass against the LORD in the matter of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD.[d]

17 Now therefore kill every male among the little ones, and kill every woman that hath known man by lying [2]with him.[c]

18 But all the women children, that have not known a man by lying with him, keep alive for yourselves.

19 And do ye abide without the camp seven days: whosoever hath killed any person, and whosoever hath touched any slain, purify *both* yourselves and your captives on the third day, and on the seventh day.[d]

20 And purify all *your* raiment, and all that is made of [3]skins, and all work of goats' *hair*, and all things made of wood.

21 ¶ And Eleazar the priest said unto the men of war which went to the battle, This *is* the ordinance of the law which the LORD commanded Moses;

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

b ch xxv. 1—3, 9.

a Deut xx 14

2 Heb *a male.*

c ver 7

d ch v 2, xix. 11, 16.

1 Heb *host of war*

3 Heb *instrument*, or, *vessel of skins.*

22 Only the gold, and the silver, the brass, the iron, the tin, and the lead,

23 Every thing that may abide the fire, ye shall make *it* go through the fire, and it shall be clean: nevertheless it shall be purified with the water of separation: and all that abideth not the fire ye shall make go through the water.[g]

24 And ye shall wash your clothes on the seventh day, and ye shall be clean, and afterward ye shall come into the camp.[a]

25 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

26 Take the sum [1]of the prey that was taken, *both* of man and of beast, thou, and Eleazar the priest, and the chief fathers of the congregation:

27 And divide the prey into two parts; between them that took the war upon them, who went out to battle, and between all the congregation:[c]

28 And levy a tribute unto the LORD of the men of war which went out to battle: one soul of five hundred, *both* of the persons, and of the beeves, and of the asses, and of the sheep:

29 Take *it* of their half, and give *it* unto Eleazar the priest, *for* an heave offering of the LORD.[d]

30 And of the children of Israel's half, thou shalt take one portion of fifty, of the persons, of the beeves, of the asses, and of the [2]flocks, of all manner of beasts, and give them unto the Levites, which keep the charge of the tabernacle of the LORD.[e]

31 And Moses and Eleazar the priest did as the LORD commanded Moses.

32 And the booty, *being* the rest of the prey which the men of war had caught, was six hundred thousand and seventy thousand and five thousand sheep,

33 And threescore and twelve thousand beeves,

34 And threescore and one thousand asses,

35 And thirty and two thousand persons in all, of women that had not known man by lying with him.

36 And the half, *which was* the portion of them that went out to war, was in number three hundred thousand and seven and thirty thousand and five hundred sheep:

37 And the LORD's tribute of the sheep was six hundred and threescore and fifteen.

38 And the beeves *were* thirty and six thousand; of which the LORD's tribute *was* threescore and twelve.

39 And the asses *were* thirty thousand and five hundred; of which the LORD's tribute *was* threescore and one.

40 And the persons *were* sixteen thousand; of which the LORD's tribute *was* thirty and two persons.

41 And Moses gave the tribute, *which was* the LORD's heave offering, unto Eleazar the priest, as the LORD commanded Moses.[f]

42 And of the children of Israel's half, which Moses divided from the men that warred,

43 (Now the half *that pertained unto* the congregation was three hundred thousand and thirty thousand *and* seven thousand and five hundred sheep,

44 And thirty and six thousand beeves,

45 And thirty thousand asses and five hundred,

46 And sixteen thousand persons;)

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

g ver 20; Exod xxiii 27, Lev xxvi 7—9

a ch xix 9, 17

b Lev. xi 25

3 Heb *hand.*

1 Heb. *of the captivity*

4 Heb *found*

c Josh xxii 8, 1 Sam. xxx 24

h Exod xxx. 12, 16

5 Heb *heave offering*

d vs 30, 47, ch xviii 26

i Deut xx 14

2 Or, *goats*

e vs 42—47, ch. iii. 7, 8, 25, 31, 36 xviii 3, 4

f ch xxi 32, Josh xiii 25, 2 Sam xxiv 5

6 Or, *Beth-nimrah*

7 Or, *Shibmah.*

8 Or, *Baal-meon.*

k vs. 36—38

f ch xviii 8, 19

9 Heb. *went*

47 Even of the children of Israel's half, Moses took one portion of fifty, *both* of man and of beast, and gave them unto the Levites, which kept the charge of the tabernacle of the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.[e]

48 ¶ And the officers which *were* over thousands of the host, the captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds, came near unto Moses:

49 And they said unto Moses, Thy servants have taken the sum of the men of war which *are* under our [3]charge, and there lacketh not one man of us.

50 We have therefore brought an oblation for the LORD, what every man hath [4]gotten, of jewels of gold, chains, and bracelets, rings, earrings, and tablets, to make an atonement for our souls before the LORD.[h]

51 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of them, *even* all wrought jewels.

52 And all the gold of the [5]offering that they offered up to the LORD, of the captains of thousands, and of the captains of hundreds, was sixteen thousand seven hundred and fifty shekels.

53 (*For* the men of war had taken spoil, every man for himself.)[i]

54 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took the gold of the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and brought it into the tabernacle of the congregation, *for* a memorial for the children of Israel before the LORD.

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 *The Reubenites and Gadites sue for their inheritance on that side Jordan.* 6 *Moses reproveth them.* 16 *They offer him conditions to his content.* 33 *Moses assigneth them the land.* 39 *They conquer it*

NOW the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a very great multitude of cattle: and when they saw the land of Jazer, and the land of Gilead, that, behold, the place *was* a place for cattle;[j]

2 The children of Gad and the children of Reuben came and spake unto Moses, and to Eleazar the priest, and unto the princes of the congregation, saying,

3 Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and [6]Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh, and [7]Shebam, and Nebo, and [8]Beon,[k]

4 *Even* the country which the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, *is* a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle:

5 Wherefore, said they, if we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy servants for a possession, *and* bring us not over Jordan.

6 ¶ And Moses said unto the children of Gad and to the children of Reuben, Shall your brethren go to war, and shall ye sit here?

7 And wherefore [9]discourage ye the heart of the children of Israel from going over into the land which the LORD hath given them?

8 Thus did your fathers, when I sent them from Kadesh-barnea to see the land.[a]

9 For when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land, they discouraged the heart of the children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which the LORD had given them.[b]

10 And the LORD'S anger was kindled the same time, and he sware, saying,

11 Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they have not [1]wholly followed me:[c]

12 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite, and Joshua the son of Nun: for they have wholly followed the LORD.[d]

13 And the LORD'S anger was kindled against Israel, and he made them wander in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation, that had done evil in the sight of the LORD, was consumed.[e]

14 And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, an increase of sinful men, to augment yet the fierce anger of the LORD toward Israel.[f]

15 For if ye turn away from after him, he will yet again leave them in the wilderness; and ye shall destroy all this people.[g]

16 ¶ And they came near unto him, and said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities for our little ones:

17 But we ourselves will go ready armed before the children of Israel, until we have brought them unto their place: and our little ones shall dwell in the fenced cities because of the inhabitants of the land.[h]

18 We will not return unto our houses, until the children of Israel have inherited every man his inheritance.

19 For we will not inherit with them on yonder side Jordan, or forward; because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side Jordan eastward.[i]

20 ¶ And Moses said unto them, If ye will do this thing, if ye will go armed before the LORD to war,

21 And will go all of you armed over Jordan before the LORD, until he hath driven out his enemies from before him,

22 And the land be subdued before the LORD: then afterward ye shall return, and be guiltless before the LORD, and before Israel; and this land shall be your possession before the LORD.[j]

23 But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out.[k]

24 Build you cities for your little ones, and folds for your sheep; and do that which hath proceeded out of your mouth.[l]

25 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben spake unto Moses, saying, Thy servants will do as my lord commandeth.

26 Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of Gilead:

27 But thy servants will pass over, every man armed for war, before the LORD to battle, as my lord saith.[m]

28 So concerning them Moses commanded Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the chief fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel:

29 And Moses said unto them, If the children of Gad and the children of Reuben will pass with you over Jordan, every man armed to battle, before the LORD, and the land shall be subdued before you; then ye shall give them the land of Gilead for a possession:[n]

30 But if they will not pass over with you armed, they shall have possessions among you in the land of Canaan.[o]

31 And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben answered, saying, As the LORD hath said unto thy servants, so will we do.

32 We will pass over armed before the LORD into the land of Canaan, that the possession of our inheritance on this side Jordan *may be* our's.[p]

33 And Moses gave unto them, *even* to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and unto half the tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, and the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, the land, with the cities thereof in the coasts, *even* the cities of the country round about.[q]

34 ¶ And the children of Gad built Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer,

35 And Atroth, Shophan, and [2]Jaazer, and Jogbehah,[r]

36 And [3]Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran, fenced cities: and folds for sheep.[s]

37 And the children of Reuben built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kirjathaim,[t]

38 And Nebo, and Baal-meon, (their names being changed,) and Shibmah: and [4]gave other names unto the cities which they builded.[u]

39 And the children of Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead, and took it, and dispossessed the Amorite which *was* in it.

40 And Moses gave Gilead unto Machir the son of Manasseh; and he dwelt therein.[v]

41 And Jair the son of Manasseh went and took the small towns thereof, and called them [5]Havoth-jair.[w]

42 And Nobah went and took Kenath, and the villages thereof, and called it Nobah, after his own name.

CHAPTER XXXIII.

1 *Two and forty journeys of the Israelites.* 50 *The Canaanites are to be destroyed.*

THESE *are* the journeys of the children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt with their armies under the hand of Moses and Aaron.

2 And Moses wrote their goings out according to their journeys by the commandment of the LORD: and these *are* their journeys according to their goings out.

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a ch. xiii. 2—25.

m Josh. i. 14; iv. 12.

b ch. xiii. 24, 28, 29, 31–33

n ch xviii. 26; Josh. i. 13, 1 Chron xxvi. 27, Isa. xxiii 18.

1 Heb *fulfilled after me*

c ch xiv. 28, 29, 33; Deut. i. 35

o ch xviii. 3, 4

d ch. xiv 24, 30, Deut. i. 36; Josh. xiv. 6—9.

e ver 11; ch xiv 33—35, xxvi. 64, 65, Deut. i 34, 35; Ps. xcv 10, Heb. iii. 17—19; iv 1, 2

p vs 17, 27, 30, Josh. iv. 12, 13.

f ver 13

g Deut. xxx. 17, 18, Josh xxii. 16—18, 2 Chron vii 19—22, xv 2

q ch xxi. 24, 33—35; Deut. iii. 12—17; xxix. 8; Josh xii 6; xiii. 8; xxii. 4—6.

2 Or, *Jazer*

r vs. 1, 3

3 Or, *Nimrah*

s ver 3

h Josh. iv. 12, 13

t ch xxi. 27

4 Heb. *they called by names the names of the cities.*

u ver. 3, ch xxii. 41, Exod. xxiii. 13; Josh xxiii. 7

i ver 33, Josh xii 1, xiii 8, xxii. 4

v Deut iii 12, 13, Josh xiii. 31, xvii. 1.

5 Or, *the villages of Jair*

w ch xxiii. 8, 19, Deut iii 14, Josh xiii 30, 1 Chron ii 21—23, Judg. x. 4, 1 Kings iv 13.

j Deut. iii. 12, 15, 16, 18—20; Josh i 14, 15; iv. 12, 13, xi 23, xiii. 8, 32, xviii 1, xxii. 1—4, 9.

k Job xv 20—22, 34; xviii. 5—21, Ps xc. 8, cxxxix. 11; cxl. 11, Prov xiii. 20, 21; Isa. v. 18—25; Hab ii 9, Rom ii 8, 9, vi 21, 23

l vs. 16, 34

3 And they departed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the morrow after the passover the children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians.[a]

4 For the Egyptians buried all *their* firstborn, which the LORD had smitten among them: upon their gods also the LORD executed judgments.[b]

5 And the children of Israel removed from Rameses, and pitched in Succoth.[c]

6 And they departed from Succoth, and pitched in Etham, which *is* in the edge of the wilderness.[d]

7 And they removed from Etham, and turned again unto Pi-hahiroth, which *is* before Baal-zephon: and they pitched before Migdol.[e]

8 And they departed from before Pi-hahiroth, and passed through the midst of the sea into the wilderness, and went three days' journey in the wilderness of Etham, and pitched in Marah.[f]

9 And they removed from Marah, and came unto Elim: and in Elim *were* twelve fountains of water, and threescore and ten palm trees; and they pitched there.[g]

10 And they removed from Elim, and encamped by the Red sea.

11 And they removed from the Red sea, and encamped in the wilderness of Sin.[h]

12 And they took their journey out of the wilderness of Sin, and encamped in Dophkah.

13 And they departed from Dophkah, and encamped in Alush.

14 And they removed from Alush, and encamped at Rephidim, where was no water for the people to drink.[i]

15 And they departed from Rephidim, and pitched in the wilderness of Sinai.[j]

16 And they removed from the desert of Sinai, and pitched at [1]Kibroth-hattaavah.[k]

17 And they departed from Kibroth-hattaavah, and encamped at Hazeroth.

18 And they departed from Hazeroth, and pitched in [2]Rithmah.[m]

19 And they departed from Rithmah, and pitched at Rimmon-parez.

20 And they departed from Rimmon-parez, and pitched in Libnah.

21 And they removed from Libnah, and pitched at Rissah.

22 And they journeyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehelathah.

23 And they went from Kehelathah, and pitched in mount Shapher.

24 And they removed from mount Shapher, and encamped in Haradah.

25 And they removed from Haradah, and pitched in Makheloth.

26 And they removed from Makheloth, and encamped at Tahath.

27 And they departed from Tahath, and pitched at Tarah.

28 And they removed from Tarah, and pitched in Mithcah.

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[a] Deut. x. 6.

[a] Exod. xii. 2, 37; xiii. 4; xiv. 8.

[b] Exod. xii. 12, 29, xviii 11.

[o] Deut. x. 6, 7, 1 Chron. i. 42

[c] Exod. xii. 37

[d] Exod xiii. 20.

[p] Deut. ii 8, 1 Kings ix. 26, xxii 48.

[e] Exod. xiv. 2, 9.

[q] ch. xx. 1; xxvii 14

[r] ch. xx. 22, 23; xxi 4

[f] Exod. xiv. 22; xv. 22, 23

[g] Exod. xv. 27

[s] ch. xx. 25—29, Deut. x. 6, xxxii 50.

[h] Exod. xvi. 1.

[t] ch. xxi. 1—4.

[i] Exod. xvii. 1; xix. 2

[u] ch. xxi. 10

[j] Exod xvi. 1, xix. 1, 2.

3 Or, *heaps of Abarim*

[v] ch. xxi. 11.

1 That is, *the graves of lust.*

[k] ch xi 34.

[w] ch. xxxii. 34.

[l] ch xi. 35.

[x] Jer xlviii. 22; Ezek. vi. 14.

2 Or, *Dathema.*

[m] ch xii 16

[y] ch xxi. 20, Deut. xxxii 49

[z] ch. xxii. 1

4 Or, *the plains of Shittim.*

[a] ch. xxv. 1; Josh ii. 1.

[b] Exod. xxiii. 24, 33; xxxiv. 13; Deut. vii. 1—5; xii. 3; Josh. ii. 1, iii. 17, xi. 12; Judg. ii. 2.

5 Heb. *multiply his inheritance.*

29 And they went from Mithcah, and pitched in Hashmonah.

30 And they departed from Hashmonah, and encamped at Moseroth.[n]

31 And they departed from Moseroth, and pitched in Bene-jaakan.

32 And they removed from Bene-jaakan, and encamped at Hor-hagidgad.[o]

33 And they went from Hor-hagidgad, and pitched in Jotbathah.

34 And they removed from Jotbathah, and encamped at Ebronah.

35 And they departed from Ebronah, and encamped at Ezion-gaber.[p]

36 And they removed from Ezion-gaber, and pitched in the wilderness of Zin, which *is* Kadesh.[q]

37 And they removed from Kadesh, and pitched in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom.[r]

38 And Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor at the commandment of the LORD, and died there, in the fortieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the first *day* of the fifth month.[s]

39 And Aaron *was* an hundred and twenty and three years old when he died in mount Hor.

40 And king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south in the land of Canaan, heard of the coming of the children of Israel.[t]

41 And they departed from mount Hor, and pitched in Zalmonah.

42 And they departed from Zalmonah, and pitched in Punon.

43 And they departed from Punon, and pitched in Oboth.[u]

44 And they departed from Oboth, and pitched in [3]Ije-abarim, in the border of Moab.[v]

45 And they departed from Iim, and pitched in Dibon-gad.[w]

46 And they removed from Dibon-gad, and encamped in Almon-diblathaim.[x]

47 And they removed from Almon-diblathaim, and pitched in the mountains of Abarim, before Nebo.[y]

48 And they departed from the mountains of Abarim, and pitched in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.[z]

49 And they pitched by Jordan, from Beth-jesimoth *even* unto [4]Abel-shittim in the plains of Moab.[a]

50 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho, saying,

51 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye are passed over Jordan into the land of Canaan;

52 Then ye shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their pictures, and destroy all their molten images, and quite pluck down all their high places:

53 And ye shall dispossess *the inhabitants of* the land, and dwell therein: for I have given you the land to possess it.[b]

54 And ye shall divide the land by lot for an inheritance among your families: *and* to the more ye shall [5]give the more inheritance, and to the fewer ye

shall give the less inheritance: every man's *inheritance* shall be in the place where his lot falleth; according to the tribes of your fathers ye shall inherit.[a]

55 But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you; then it shall come to pass, that those which ye let remain of them *shall be* pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell.

56 Moreover it shall come to pass, *that* I shall do unto you, as I thought to do unto them.[b]

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *The borders of the land.* 16 *The names of the men which shall divide the land.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land of Canaan; (this *is* the land that shall fall unto you for an inheritance, *even* the land of Canaan with the coasts thereof:)[c]

3 Then your south quarter shall be from the wilderness of Zin along by the coast of Edom, and your south border shall be the outmost coast of the salt sea eastward:[d]

4 And your border shall turn from the south to the ascent of Akrabbim, and pass on to Zin: and the going forth thereof shall be from the south to Kadesh-barnea, and shall go on to Hazar-addar, and pass on to Azmon:[e]

5 And the border shall fetch a compass from Azmon unto the river of Egypt, and the goings out of it shall be at the sea.[f]

6 And *as for* the western border, ye shall even have the great sea for a border: this shall be your west border.

7 And this shall be your north border: from the great sea ye shall point out for you mount Hor:

8 From mount Hor ye shall point out *your border* unto the entrance of Hamath; and the goings forth of the border shall be to Zedad:[g]

8 ¶ And the border shall go on to Ziphron, and the goings out of it shall be at Hazar-enan: this shall be your north border.[h]

10 And ye shall point out your east border from Hazar-enan to Shepham:

11 And the coast shall go down from Shepham to Riblah, on the east [2]side of Ain; and the border shall descend, and shall reach unto the side of the sea of Chinnereth eastward:[i]

12 And the border shall go down to Jordan, and the goings out of it shall be at the salt sea: this shall be your land with the coasts thereof round about.[j]

13 And Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, This *is* the land which ye shall inherit by lot, which the LORD commanded to give unto the nine tribes, and to the half tribe:[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

1 Heb. *diminish his inheritance.*

a ch. xxvi. 53—55.

ch xxxii. 33; Josh. xiv 2, 3

b Exod. xxiii. 31—33; Josh xxiii 8—13; Judg. ii 3, Ps cvi 34—41, Ezek. xxviii 24

m Josh xiv 1; xix. 51.

n ch i 4, 16.

c Gen xvii 8, Deut i 7, Ps lxxviii. 55; cv. 6—11, Ezek xlvii. 14

d Josh xv 1 Ezek xlvii 13

e ch xiii 26, xxxiv. 8, Gen. xiv 3; Josh. xv. 2—4

f Gen xv. 18; Josh xv. 4, 47.

g ch. xiii 21, xxxiii. 37, 2 Kings xiv 25; Ezek xlvii 15

h Ezek. xlvii 17

2 Heb *shoulder*

o Josh xiv 3, 4; xxi. 2, Ezek xlv 1—5; xlviii 8—14.

i Deut. iii. 17, Josh xi. 2; xix. 35, 2 Kings xxiii. 33; Jer. xxxix. 5, 6; Matt. xiv. 34, Luke v. 1.

j ver. 3.

k ver. 1; Josh. xiv. 1, 2

14 For the tribe of the children of Reuben according to the house of their fathers, and the tribe of the children of Gad according to the house of their fathers, have received *their inheritance;* and half the tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance:[l]

15 The two tribes and the half tribe have received their inheritance on this side Jordan *near* Jericho eastward, toward the sunrising.

16 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

17 These *are* the names of the men which shall divide the land unto you: Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun.[m]

18 And ye shall take one prince of every tribe, to divide the land by inheritance.[n]

19 And the names of the men *are* these: Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb the son of Jephunneh.

20 And of the tribe of the children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of Ammihud.

21 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Elidad the son of Chislon.

22 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Dan, Bukki the son of Jogli.

23 The prince of the children of Joseph, for the tribe of the children of Manasseh, Hanniel the son of Ephod.

24 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Ephraim, Kemuel the son of Shiphtan.

25 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Zebulun, Elizaphan the son of Parnach.

26 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Issachar, Paltiel the son of Azzan.

27 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Asher, Ahihud the son of Shelomi.

28 And the prince of the tribe of the children of Naphtali, Pedahel the son of Ammihud.

29 These *are they* whom the LORD commanded to divide the inheritance unto the children of Israel in the land of Canaan.

CHAPTER XXXV.

1 *Eight and forty cities for the Levites with their suburbs, and measure thereof.* 6 *Six of them are to be cities of refuge.* 9 *The laws of murder.* 31 *No satisfaction for murder.*

AND the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho, saying,

2 Command the children of Israel, that they give unto the Levites of the inheritance of their possession cities to dwell in; and ye shall give *also* unto the Levites suburbs for the cities round about them.[o]

3 And the cities shall they have to dwell in, and the suburbs of them shall be for their cattle, and for their goods, and for all their beasts.

4 And the suburbs of the cities, which ye shall give unto the Levites, *shall reach* from the wall of the city and outward a thousand cubits round about.

5 And ye shall measure from without the city on the east side two thousand cubits, and on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the west side two



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thousand cubits, and on the north side two thousand cubits; and the city *shall be* in the midst: this shall be to them the suburbs of the cities.

6 And among the cities which ye shall give unto the Levites *there shall be* six cities for refuge, which ye shall appoint for the manslayer, that he may flee thither: and [1]to them ye shall add forty and two cities.[a]

7 *So* all the cities which ye shall give to the Levites *shall be* forty and eight cities: them *shall ye give* with their suburbs.[b]

8 And the cities which ye shall give *shall be* of the possession of the children of Israel: from *them that have* many ye shall give many; but from *them that have* few ye shall give few: every one shall give of his cities unto the Levites according to his inheritance which [2]he inheriteth.

9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

10 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come over Jordan into the land of Canaan;

11 Then ye shall appoint you cities to be cities of refuge for you; that the slayer may flee thither, which killeth any person at [3]unawares.[c]

12 And they shall be unto you cities for refuge

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

1 Heb *above them ye shall give.*

a ver 13, Deut iv 41, Josh xx 2, 7, xxi 3, 13, 21, 27, 32, 36, 38

b Josh xxi 3, xxvi 54

d ver 6, ch xv 16, Deut iv 41, xix 6, Josh xx 3—9

e Exod xxi 12—14, Lev xxiv 17, Deut xix 11—13

4 Heb *with a stone of the hand.*

2 Heb *they inherit*

f vs. 21, 27, Deut. xix 6, 12

3 Heb *by error*

c Exod xxi 13; Deut xix 2, Josh xx 2

from the avenger; that the manslayer die not, until he stand before the congregation in judgment.

13 And of these cities which ye shall give six cities shall ye have for refuge.

14 Ye shall give three cities on this side Jordan, and three cities shall ye give in the land of Canaan, *which* shall be cities of refuge.

15 These six cities shall be a refuge, *both* for the children of Israel, and for the stranger, and for the sojourner among them: that every one that killeth any person unawares may flee thither.[d]

16 And if he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die, he *is* a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.[e]

17 And if he smite him [4]with throwing a stone, wherewith he may die, and he die, he *is* a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

18 Or *if* he smite him with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may die, and he die, he *is* a murderer: the murderer shall surely be put to death.

19 The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall slay him.[f]

20 But if he thrust him of hatred, or hurl at him by laying of wait, that he die;

21 Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he

die: he that smote *him* shall surely be put to death; *for* he *is* a murderer: the revenger of blood shall slay the murderer, when he meeteth him.[a]

22 But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or have cast upon him any thing without laying of wait,

23 Or with any stone, wherewith a man may die, seeing *him* not, and cast *it* upon him, that he die, and *was* not his enemy, neither sought his harm:

24 Then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood according to these judgments:

25 And the congregation shall deliver the slayer out of the hand of the revenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the high priest, which was anointed with the holy oil.[b]

26 But if the slayer shall at any time come without the border of the city of his refuge, whither he was fled;

27 And the revenger of blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the revenger of blood kill the slayer; [1]he shall not be guilty of blood:[c]

28 Because he should have remained in the city of his refuge until the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest the slayer shall return into the land of his possession.

29 So these *things* shall be for a statute of judgment unto you throughout your generations in all your dwellings.[d]

30 Whoso killeth any person, the murderer shall be put to death by the mouth of witnesses: but one witness shall not testify against any person *to cause him* to die.[e]

31 Moreover ye shall take no satisfaction for the life of a murderer, which *is* [2]guilty of death: but he shall be surely put to death.[f]

32 And ye shall take no satisfaction for him that is fled to the city of his refuge, that he should come again to dwell in the land, until the death of the priest.

33 So ye shall not pollute the land wherein ye *are:* for blood it defileth the land: and the [3]land cannot be cleansed of the blood that is shed therein, but by the blood of him that shed it.[g]

34 Defile not therefore the land which ye shall inhabit, wherein I dwell: for I the LORD dwell among the children of Israel.[h]

CHAPTER XXXVI.

1 *The inconvenience of the inheritance of daughters* 5 *is remedied by marrying in their own tribes,* 7 *lest the inheritance should be removed from the tribe.* 10 *The daughters of Zelophehad marry their father's brothers' sons.*

AND the chief fathers of the families of the children of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of the sons of Joseph, came near, and spake before Moses, and before the princes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel:[i]

2 And they said, The LORD commanded my lord to give the land for an inheritance by lot to the children of Israel: and my lord was commanded by the LORD to give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother unto his daughters.[j]

3 And if they be married to any of the sons of the *other* tribes of the children of Israel, then shall their inheritance be taken from the inheritance of our fathers, and shall be put to the inheritance of the tribe [4]whereunto they are received: so shall it be taken from the lot of our inheritance.

4 And when the jubile of the children of Israel shall be, then shall their inheritance be put unto the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.[k]

5 And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word of the LORD, saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph hath said well.[l]

6 This *is* the thing which the LORD doth command concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying, Let them [5]marry to whom they think best; only to the family of the tribe of their father shall they marry.[m]

7 So shall not the inheritance of the children of Israel remove from tribe to tribe: for every one of the children of Israel shall [6]keep himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.[n]

8 And every daughter, that possesseth an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Israel, shall be wife unto one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the children of Israel may enjoy every man the inheritance of his fathers.[o]

9 Neither shall the inheritance remove from *one* tribe to another tribe; but every one of the tribes of the children of Israel shall keep himself to his own inheritance.

10 Even as the LORD commanded Moses, so did the daughters of Zelophehad:

11 For Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad, were married unto their father's brothers' sons:[p]

12 *And* they were married [7]into the families of the sons of Manasseh the son of Joseph, and their inheritance remained in the tribe of the family of their father.

13 These *are* the commandments and the judgments, which the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses unto the children of Israel in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a ver. 16; Gen. iv. 8; 2 Sam. iii. 27; xx. 10; 1 Kings ii. 31, 32.

i ch. xxvi. 29

j ch. xxvi. 55; xxvii. 1—12; xxxiii. 54; Josh. xvii. 3, 4.

4 Heb. *unto whom they shall be.*

b ver. 12; Exod xxi. 13; xxix 7; Lev. iv 3, xxi 10; Josh xx 6

k Lev xxv 10

1 Heb. *no blood shall be to him*

c Exod. xxii 2

l ch xxvii 7

5 Heb. *be wives*

m ver 12

d ch xxvii. 11

6 Heb. *cleave to*

n 1 Kings xxi. 3

e Deut xvii. 6, xix 15, Matt. xviii 16; 2 Cor. xiii. 1, Heb. x. 28

2 Heb. *faulty to die.*

f vs 25, 28

o 1 Chron xxiii 22

3 Heb *there can be no expiation for the land.*

g Gen ix. 6; Ps cvi. 38.

h ver 33; Exod xxix. 45, 46, Lev xviii 25, Deut xxi. 23

p ch xxvii 1

7 Heb. *to some that were of the families*

q ch xxvi. 3 xxxiii. 50

THE FIFTH BOOK OF MOSES,

CALLED

DEUTERONOMY.

CHAPTER I.

1 *Moses' speech in the end of the fortieth year, briefly rehearsing the story* 6 *of God's promise,* 18 *of giving them officers,* 19 *of sending the spies to search the land,* 34 *of God's anger for their incredulity,* 41 *and disobedience.*

BEFORE CHRIST 1451

THESE *be* the words which Moses spake unto all Israel on this side Jordan in the wilderness, in the plain over against the [1]Red *sea,* between Paran, and Tophel, and Laban, and Hazeroth, and Dizahab.[a]

2 (*There are* eleven days' *journey* from Horeb by the way of mount Seir unto Kadesh-barnea.)

3 And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month, on the first *day* of the month, *that* Moses spake unto the children of Israel, according unto all that the LORD had given him in commandment unto them;

4 After he had slain Sihon the king of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, which dwelt at Astaroth in Edrei:[b]

5 On this side Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law, saying,

6 The LORD our God spake unto us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long enough in this mount:[c]

1 Or, *Zuph*

a Josh ix 1, 10, xxii 4, 7

b Numb xxi 24, 35; Josh xiii 12

c Exod xix. 1, Numb x 11.



7 Turn you, and take your journey, and go to the mount of the Amorites, and unto [1]all *the places* nigh thereunto, in the plain, in the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the sea side, to the land of the Canaanites, and unto Lebanon, unto the great river, the river Euphrates.

8 Behold, I have [2]set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them.[a]

9 ¶ And I spake unto you at that time, saying, I am not able to bear you myself alone:[b]

10 The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and, behold, ye *are* this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.[c]

11 (The LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye *are*, and bless you, as he hath promised you!)[d]

12 How can I myself alone bear your cumbrance, and your burden, and your strife?

13 [3]Take you wise men, and understanding, and known among your tribes, and I will make them rulers over you.[e]

14 And ye answered me, and said, The thing which thou hast spoken *is* good *for us* to do.

15 So I took the chief of your tribes, wise men, and known, and [4]made them heads over you, captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, and captains over fifties, and captains over tens, and officers among your tribes.[f]

16 And I charged your judges at that time, saying, Hear *the causes* between your brethren, and judge righteously between *every* man and his brother, and the stranger *that is* with him.[g]

17 Ye shall not [5]respect persons in judgment; *but* ye shall hear the small as well as the great; ye shall not be afraid of the face of man; for the judgment *is* God's: and the cause that is too hard for you, bring *it* unto me, and I will hear it.[h]

18 And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should do.

19 ¶ And when we departed from Horeb, we went through all that great and terrible wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us; and we came to Kadesh-barnea.[i]

20 And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the mountain of the Amorites, which the LORD our God doth give unto us.

21 Behold, the LORD thy God hath set the land before thee: go up *and* possess *it*, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath said unto thee; fear not, neither be discouraged.[j]

22 ¶ And ye came near unto me every one of you, and said, We will send men before us, and they shall search us out the land, and bring us word again by what way we must go up, and into what cities we shall come.

23 And the saying pleased me well: and I took twelve men of you, one of a tribe:

24 And they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, and searched it out.

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

1 Heb. *all his neighbours.*

k Numb. xiii. 3, 22-27.

2 Heb. *given*

a Gen xii 7; xv. 18; xvii 7, 8; xxvi 4; xxviii 13

b Exod xviii. 18; Numb. xi. 14

6 Heb. *melted.*

c Gen. xv. 5; Deut. x. 22; xxviii. 62.

d Gen. xv 5; xxii. 17; xxvi 4, Exod xxxii. 13; 2 Sam. xxiv. 3

3 Heb *give*

e Exod xviii 21; Numb. xi 16, 17

m ch xxxii 11, 12; Exod xiv 14, 25; xix 4; Neh ix 20; Isa xlvi 3, 4; lxiii 9, Hos. xi 3, Acts xiii 18

4 Heb *gave*

n Ps cvi 24; Jude 5.

f Exod xviii 25

o Exod xiii 21; Numb x, Neh ix 19, 33, Ps lxxviii. 14, Ezek xx 6

g ch xvi. 18, 19, Lev xxiv 22

5 Heb *acknowledge faces*

h ch. xvi. 19; Exod xviii. 22, 26, Lev. xix 15, 2 Chron xix. 6, 1 Sam xvi. 7; Prov xxiv 23—25; James ii. 1

7 Heb *fulfilled to go after*

p Numb xiv 22—24, 30, Josh xiv 9; Ps. xcv. 11.

q ch iii 26, 27; iv 21, xxxiv 4, Numb xx 12, xxvii 14, Ps. cvi 32

r ch xxxi 7, 23; Numb xxvii. 18—23

i ch viii. 15, Numb x 12; xiii 26, Jer ii. 6

s Numb xiv 3 31.

t Numb xiv 25

j Josh i 9

u Numb xiv 40

v Numb xiv 42

25 And they took of the fruit of the land in their hands, and brought *it* down unto us, and brought us word again, and said, *It is* a good land which the LORD our God doth give us.[k]

26 Notwithstanding ye would not go up, but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God:

27 And ye murmured in your tents, and said, Because the LORD hated us, he hath brought us forth out of the land of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us.

28 Whither shall we go up? our brethren have [6]discouraged our heart, saying, The people *is* greater and taller than we; the cities *are* great and walled up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakims there.[l]

29 Then I said unto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them.

30 The LORD your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you, according to all that he did for you in Egypt before your eyes;

31 And in the wilderness, where thou hast seen how that the LORD thy God bare thee, as a man doth bear his son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came into this place.[m]

32 Yet in this thing ye did not believe the LORD your God,[n]

33 Who went in the way before you, to search you out a place to pitch your tents *in*, in fire by night, to shew you by what way ye should go, and in a cloud by day.[o]

34 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, and was wroth, and sware, saying,

35 Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see that good land, which I sware to give unto your fathers,

36 Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it, and to him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon, and to his children, because he hath [7]wholly followed the LORD.[p]

37 Also the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, saying, Thou also shalt not go in thither.[q]

38 *But* Joshua the son of Nun, which standeth before thee, he shall go in thither: encourage him: for he shall cause Israel to inherit it.[r]

39 Moreover your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, and your children, which in that day had no knowledge between good and evil, they shall go in thither, and unto them will I give it, and they shall possess it.[s]

40 But *as for* you, turn you, and take your journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea.[t]

41 Then ye answered and said unto me, We have sinned against the LORD, we will go up and fight, according to all that the LORD our God commanded us. And when ye had girded on every man his weapons of war, ye were ready to go up into the hill.[u]

42 And the LORD said unto me, Say unto them, Go not up, neither fight; for [7] *am* not among you, lest ye be smitten before your enemies.[v]

43 So I spake unto you; and ye would not hear

but rebelled against the commandment of the LORD, and [1]went presumptuously up into the hill.

44 And the Amorites, which dwelt in that mountain, came out against you, and chased you, as bees do, and destroyed you in Seir, *even* unto Hormah.[a]

45 And ye returned and wept before the LORD; but the LORD would not hearken to your voice, nor give ear unto you.

46 So ye abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that ye abode *there*.[b]

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1 Heb. *ye were presumptuous, and went up.*

a Numb. xiv 44, 45. Ps. cxviii. 12

b Numb. xiii. 26; xx. 1, 22.

6 Ye shall buy meat of them for money, that ye may eat; and ye shall also buy water of them for money, that ye may drink.

7 For the LORD thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness: these forty years the LORD thy God *hath been* with thee; thou hast lacked nothing.[f]

8 And when we passed by from our brethren the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, through the



ELATH, ON THE GULF OF AKABA.

CHAPTER II.

1 *The story is continued, that they were not to meddle with the Edomites,* 9 *nor with the Moabites,* 17 *nor with the Ammonites,* 24 *but Sihon the Amorite was subdued by them*

THEN we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, as the LORD spake unto me: and we compassed mount Seir many days.[c]

2 And the LORD spake unto me, saying,

3 Ye have compassed this mountain long enough: turn you northward.

4 And command thou the people, saying, Ye *are* to pass through the coast of your brethren the children of Esau, which dwell in Seir; and they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed unto yourselves therefore:[d]

5 Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, [2]no, not so much as a foot breadth; because I have given mount Seir unto Esau *for* a possession.[e]

f ch. viii. 2—4

g Judg xi. 18

3 Or, *Use no hostility against Moab.*

c ch. i. 40; Numb xiv 25

h ch. ix 2, Gen xiv 5, Numb xiii. 22, 23

4 Heb. *inherited them.*

5 Or, *room.*

i Gen. xiv. 6; xxxvi 20

6 Or, *valley.*

j Numb. xiii. 23, xxi 12.

d Numb xx 14.

2 Heb *even to the treading of the sole of thy foot.*

e Gen. xxxvi. 8; Josh. xxiv. 4.

k ch. i. 34, 35; Numb. xiii. 26; xiv. 33–35, xxvi. 64; Ezek. xx. 15.

way of the plain from Elath, and from Ezion-gaber, we turned and passed by the way of the wilderness of Moab.[g]

9 And the LORD said unto me, [3]Distress not the Moabites, neither contend with them in battle: for I will not give thee of their land *for* a possession; because I have given Ar unto the children of Lot *for* a possession.

10 The Emims dwelt therein in times past, a people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims;

11 Which also were accounted giants, as the Anakims; but the Moabites call them Emims.[h]

12 The Horims also dwelt in Seir beforetime; but the children of Esau [4]succeeded them, when they had destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their [5]stead; as Israel did unto the land of his possession, which the LORD gave unto them.[i]

13 Now rise up, *said I*, and get you over the [6]brook Zered. And we went over the brook Zered.[j]

14 And the space in which we came from Kadesh-barnea, until we were come over the brook Zered, *was* thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of war were wasted out from among the host, as the LORD sware unto them.[k]

15 For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them from among the host, until they were consumed.[a]

16 ¶ So it came to pass, when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people,

17 That the LORD spake unto me, saying,

18 Thou art to pass over through Ar, the coast of Moab, this day:

19 And *when* thou comest nigh over against the children of Ammon, distress them not, nor meddle with them: for I will not give thee of the land of the children of Ammon *any* possession; because I have given it unto the children of Lot *for* a possession.[b]

20 (That also was accounted a land of giants: giants dwelt therein in old time; and the Ammonites call them [1]Zamzummims;

21 A people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; but the LORD destroyed them before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead:[c]

22 As he did to the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, when he destroyed the Horims from before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead even unto this day:

23 And the Avims which dwelt in Hazerim, *even* unto Azzah, the Caphtorims, which came forth out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.)[d]

24 ¶ Rise ye up, take your journey, and pass over the river Arnon: behold, I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon, and his land: [2]begin to possess *it*, and contend with him in battle.[e]

25 This day will I begin to put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the nations *that are* under the whole heaven, who shall hear report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee.[f]

26 ¶ And I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth unto Sihon king of Heshbon with words of peace, saying,

27 Let me pass through thy land: I will go along by the high way, I will neither turn unto the right hand nor to the left.

28 Thou shalt sell me meat for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink: only I will pass through on my feet;[g]

29 (As the children of Esau which dwell in Seir, and the Moabites which dwell in Ar, did unto me;) until I shall pass over Jordan into the land which the LORD our God giveth us.[h]

30 But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for the LORD thy God hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand, as *appeareth* this day.

31 And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have begun to give Sihon and his land before thee: begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his land.

32 Then Sihon came out against us, he and all his people, to fight at Jahaz.

33 And the LORD our God delivered him before us; and we smote him, and his sons, and all his people.[i]

34 And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed the [3]men, and the women, and the little ones, of every city, we left none to remain:[j]

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[a] Ps. lxxviii. 33; cvi. 26.

[b] ch iii. 12, iv 48; Josh xiii. 9; Ps. xlv 1—3.

[c] vs. 5, 9, 19; ch iii 16, Gen. xxxii 22; Numb. xxi 24

[d] ver 9

1 Or, *Zuzims*

[e] ver 10

[d] ver 12, Gen x 14, xiv 6, xxxvi. 8, 20-30, Josh xii 3 Jer xxv 20, Amos ix 7.

2 Heb *begin, possess*

[e] Numb xxi 13, 14, Judg xi 18—21

[m] ch i 4, xxix 7, Numb xxi 24—30, 33—35, 1 Kings iv. 13

[f] ch xi. 25, Exod xv 14, 15, Josh ii 9, 10

[n] ver 4, ch ii 24, 25, Ps cxxxv 10—12, cxxxvi 19—21

[g] ch xx 10, Numb xx 19, xxi 21, 22, Judg xi 19

[o] ch iv 48, Ps xxix 6, 1 Chron v 23

[h] vs 9, 12, ch xxiii 3, 4, Numb xx 18, Judg xi 17, 18

[p] ch iv 49, Josh xii. 5, xiii 11

[q] Gen xiv 5, 2 Sam. xii 26, Ezek xxi 20, Amos ii. 9

[i] ch i 8, vii 2, xx. 16, xxi. 23, xxix 7, Numb. xxi 23, 24, Josh xi. 20.

3 Heb *every city of men, and women, and little ones.*

[j] ch. vii. 2, 26.

[r] ch ii 36, Numb. xxxii 33, Josh. xii. 6; xiii 8—13, 29—32

35 Only the cattle we took for a prey unto ourselves, and the spoil of the cities which we took.

36 From Aroer, which *is* by the brink of the river of Arnon, and *from* the city that *is* by the river, even unto Gilead, there was not one city too strong for us: the LORD our God delivered all unto us:[k]

37 Only unto the land of the children of Ammon thou camest not, *nor* unto any place of the river Jabbok, nor unto the cities in the mountains, nor unto whatsoever the LORD our God forbad us.[l]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The story of the conquest of Og king of Bashan.* 11 *The bigness of his bed.* 12 *The distribution of those lands to the two tribes and half.* 23 *Moses' prayer to enter into the land.* 26 *He is permitted to see it.*

THEN we turned, and went up the way to Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan came out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei.

2 And the LORD said unto me, Fear him not: for I will deliver him, and all his people, and his land, into thy hand; and thou shalt do unto him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.

3 So the LORD our God delivered into our hands Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people: and we smote him until none was left to him remaining.

4 And we took all his cities at that time, there was not a city which we took not from them, threescore cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan.[m]

5 All these cities *were* fenced with high walls, gates, and bars; beside unwalled towns a great many.

6 And we utterly destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king of Heshbon, utterly destroying the men, women, and children, of every city.[n]

7 But all the cattle, and the spoil of the cities, we took for a prey to ourselves.

8 And we took at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites the land that *was* on this side Jordan, from the river of Arnon unto mount Hermon;

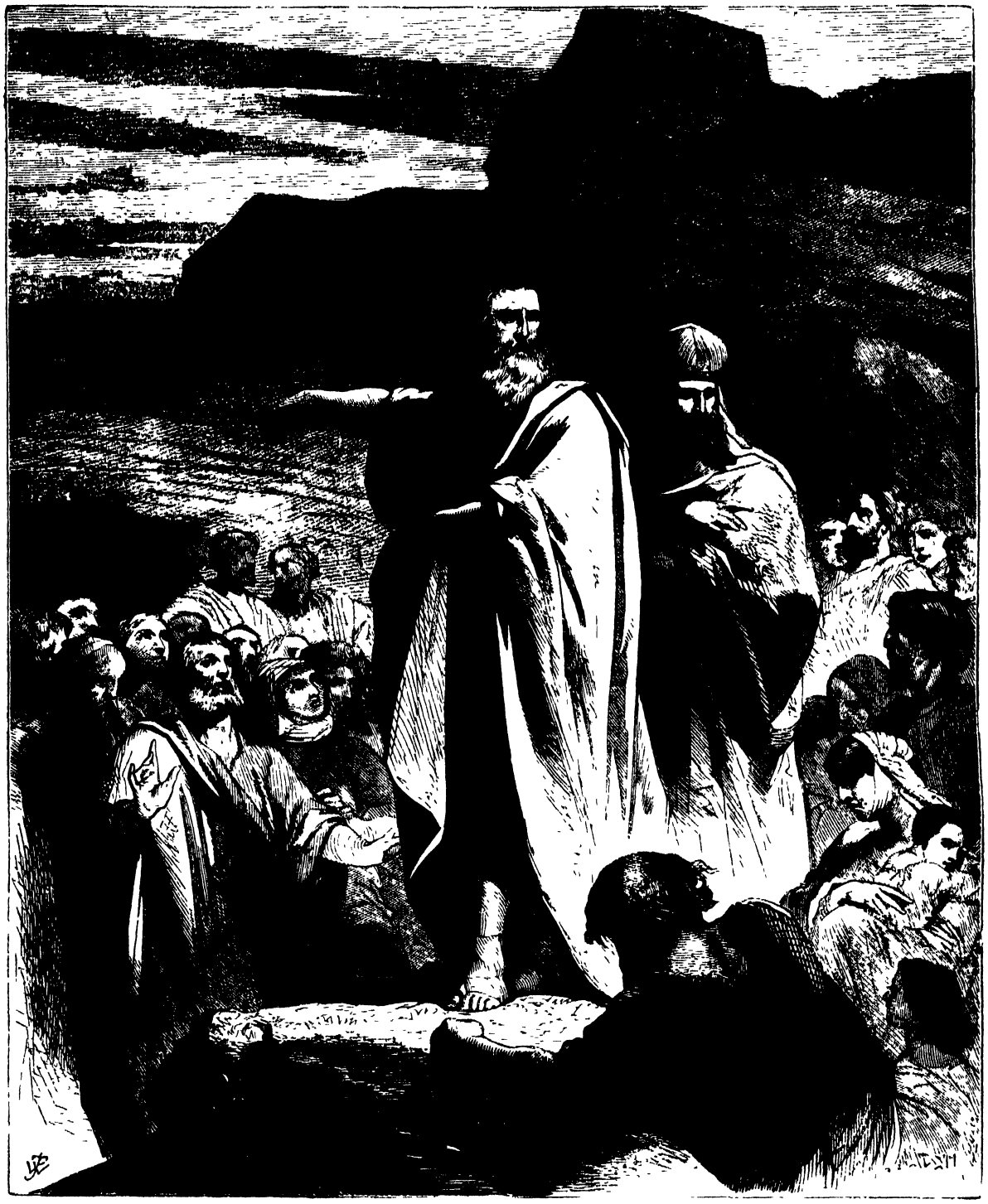
9 (*Which* Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion; and the Amorites call it Shenir;)[o]

10 All the cities of the plain, and all Gilead, and all Bashan, unto Salchah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan.[p]

11 For only Og king of Bashan remained of the remnant of giants; behold, his bedstead *was* a bedstead of iron; *is* it not in Rabbath of the children of Ammon? nine cubits *was* the length thereof, and four cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man.[q]

12 And this land, *which* we possessed at that time, from Aroer, which *is* by the river Arnon, and half mount Gilead, and the cities thereof, gave I unto the Reubenites and to the Gadites.

13 And the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, *being* the kingdom of Og, gave I unto the half tribe of Manasseh; all the region of Argob, with all Bashan, which was called the land of giants.[r]



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14 Jair the son of Manasseh took all the country of Argob unto the coasts of Geshuri and Maachathi; and called them after his own name, Bashan-havoth-jair, unto this day.[a]

15 And I gave Gilead unto Machir.

16 And unto the Reubenites and unto the Gadites I gave from Gilead even unto the river Arnon half the valley, and the border even unto the river Jabbok, *which is* the border of the children of Ammon;

17 The plain also, and Jordan, and the coast *thereof*, from Chinnereth even unto the sea of the plain, *even* the salt sea, [1]under Ashdoth-pisgah east-

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a Numb xxxii 41, Josh xiii 13, 2 Sam iii. 3, x. 6, 1 Chron ii 22.

2 Heb. *sons of power*

c Numb xxxii. 20–27

1 Or, *under the springs of Pisgah*, or, *the hill.*

b ch iv 49; Gen. xiv 3, Numb. xxi. 24; xxxiv. 11; Josh. xii. 2, 3; 2 Sam. xxiv. 5.

d Josh. xxii. 4.

18 ¶ And I commanded you at that time, saying, The LORD your God hath given you this land to possess it: ye shall pass over armed before your brethren the children of Israel, all *that are* [2]meet for the war.[c]

19 But your wives, and your little ones, and your cattle, (*for* I know that ye have much cattle,) shall abide in your cities which I have given you

20 Until the LORD have given rest unto your brethren, as well as unto you, and *until* they also possess the land which the LORD your God hath given them beyond Jordan: and *then* shall ye return every man unto his possession, which I have given you.[d]

21 ¶ And I commanded Joshua at that time, saying, Thine eyes have seen all that the LORD your God hath done unto these two kings: so shall the LORD do unto all the kingdoms whither thou passest.[e]

22 Ye shall not fear them: for the LORD your God he shall fight for you.[f]

23 And I besought the LORD at that time, saying,

24 O Lord GOD, thou hast begun to shew thy servant thy greatness, and thy mighty hand: for what God *is there* in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and according to thy might?[g]

25 I pray thee, let me go over, and see the good land that *is* beyond Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon.[d]

26 But the LORD was wroth with me for your sakes, and would not hear me: and the LORD said unto me, Let it suffice thee; speak no more unto me of this matter.

27 Get thee up into the top of [1]Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and behold *it* with thine eyes: for thou shalt not go over this Jordan.[e]

28 But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shalt see.[f]

29 So we abode in the valley over against Beth-peor.[g]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *An exhortation to obedience.* 41 *Moses appointeth the three cities of refuge on that side Jordan.*

NOW therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I teach you, for to do *them*, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers giveth you.[h]

2 Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish *ought* from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.[i]

3 Your eyes have seen what the LORD did because of Baal-peor: for all the men that followed Baal-peor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them from among you.[j]

4 But ye that did cleave unto the LORD your God *are* alive every one of you this day.

5 Behold, I have taught you statutes and judgments, even as the LORD my God commanded me, that ye should do so in the land whither ye go to possess it.

6 Keep therefore and do *them;* for this *is* your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation *is* a wise and understanding people.[k]

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f 2 Sam. vii. 23, Ps. xlvi. 1, cxlv. 18, cxlviii. 14; Isa. lv 5

a Numb. xxvii. 18.

b ch. i. 30, xx. 4; Exod. xiv. 14.

m vs. 1, 2, 5, 6

c ch. xi 12, Exod. xv. 11; 2 Sam. vii. 20—23; Ps. xxxv. 10; lxxi. 19; lxxxvi 8, 10; lxxxix. 6, 8, 13, cxxxvi 12; Isa. xl. 25–31, Rev. xv. 3

n ch vi 7; xi 19; Gen xviii. 19, Prov iii 1—4, iv. 21, 23; Ps. lxxviii. 1—8; Eph. vi. 4.

d ch iv 22, Exod. iii. 8

o Exod. xix. 9—25; xx.; Heb. xii. 18, 19

1 Or, *the hill.*

2 Heb *heart.*

p ch v 23, Exod. xix 18

e ch i 37, xxxi 2, xxxii 51, 52; xxxiv 4, Numb xx 12, xxvii. 12—14, Ps cvi 32

3 Heb *save a voice*

q vs 33, 36; Exod xx. 22, 1 Kings xix 12.

f ch i 38, xxxi. 3, 7, 8, Numb xxviii 18—23

g ch iv 46, xxxiv 6

r ch ix 9, 11, Exod xxiv 12, xxxi. 18, xxxiv. 28

s chs xxii, xxiii.

t ver 12, Josh xxiii. 11, Isa. xl. 18, 25.

u ver 23, ch v 8, Exod xx 4, xxxii 7; Rom i 23.

h vs 5, 6, 8, ch v 1, viii 1, Lev xix 37, xx 8, xxii 31, Neh ix 13, 14, Ps cxlvii 19, 20, Ezek. xx 11, Rom. x 5

i ch xii 32, Josh i 7, Prov xxx 6, Eccles xii 13, Rev xxii 18, 19

4 Or, *imparted*

v ch xvii 3, 2 Kings xvii 16, xxi 3, Job xxxi 26, 27, Rom i. 25

w ch ix 29, xxxii 9, Exod. xix. 5, 1 Kings viii 51; Jer xi 4

j Numb xxv 4—9, Josh xxii 17, Ps cvi. 28, 29.

x ch i. 37; iii 26; Numb xx 12; xxvii. 14, Ps. cvi. 32.

y ch. iii. 25—27.

k vs 1, 2, Job xxviii. 28; Ps. xix. 8; cxl. 10; Prov i. 7.

z vs 9, 16, Exod. xx. 4, 5.

7 For what nation *is there so* great, who *hath* God *so* nigh unto them, as the LORD our God *is* in all *things that* we call upon him *for?*[l]

8 And what nation *is there so* great, that hath statutes and judgments *so* righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?[m]

9 Only take heed to thyself, and keep thy soul diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons;[n]

10 *Specially* the day that thou stoodest before the LORD thy God in Horeb, when the LORD said unto me, Gather me the people together, and I will make them hear my words, that they may learn to fear me all the days that they shall live upon the earth, and *that* they may teach their children.[o]

11 And ye came near and stood under the mountain; and the mountain burned with fire unto the [2]midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and thick darkness.[p]

12 And the LORD spake unto you out of the midst of the fire: ye heard the voice of the words, but saw no similitude; [3]only *ye heard* a voice.[q]

13 And he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, *even* ten commandments; and he wrote them upon two tables of stone.[r]

14 ¶ And the LORD commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and judgments, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go over to possess it.[s]

15 Take ye therefore good heed unto yourselves; for ye saw no manner of similitude on the day *that* the LORD spake unto you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire:[t]

16 Lest ye corrupt *yourselves,* and make you a graven image, the similitude of any figure, the likeness of male or female,[u]

17 The likeness of any beast that *is* on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the air,

18 The likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that *is* in the waters beneath the earth:

19 And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, *even* all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath [4]divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.[s]

20 But the LORD hath taken you, and brought you forth out of the iron furnace, *even* out of Egypt, to be unto him a people of inheritance, as *ye are* this day.[v]

21 Furthermore the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, and sware that I should not go over Jordan, and that I should not go in unto that good land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance:[w]

22 But I must die in this land, I must not go over Jordan: but ye shall go over, and possess that good land.[x]

23 Take heed unto yourselves, lest ye forget the covenant of the LORD your God, which he made with you, and make you a graven image, *or* the likeness of any *thing,* which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee.[y]

24 For the LORD thy God *is* a consuming fire, *even* a jealous God.[a]

25 ¶ When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye shall have remained long in the land, and shall corrupt *yourselves*, and make a graven image, *or* the likeness of any *thing*, and shall do evil in the sight of the LORD thy God, to provoke him to anger:

26 I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong *your* days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed.[b]

27 And the LORD shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number among the heathen, whither the LORD shall lead you.

28 And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell.[c]

29 But if from thence thou shalt seek the LORD thy God, thou shalt find *him*, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.[d]

30 When thou art in tribulation, and all these things [1]are come upon thee, *even* in the latter days, if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice;[e]

31 (For the LORD thy God *is* a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.

32 For ask now of the days that are past, which were before thee, since the day that God created man upon the earth, and *ask* from the one side of heaven unto the other, whether there hath been *any such thing* as this great thing *is*, or hath been heard like it?

33 Did *ever* people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou hast heard, and live?[f]

34 Or hath God assayed to go *and* take him a nation from the midst of *another* nation, by temptations, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by a stretched out arm, and by great terrors, according to all that the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?[g]

35 Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he *is* God; *there is* none else beside him.[h]

36 Out of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might instruct thee: and upon earth he shewed thee his great fire; and thou heardest his words out of the midst of the fire.[i]

37 And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power out of Egypt;

38 To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou *art*, to bring thee in, to give thee their land *for* an inheritance, as *it is* this day.

39 Know therefore this day, and consider *it* in thine heart, that the LORD he *is* God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: *there is* none else.

40 Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong *thy* days upon the earth, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, for ever.

41 ¶ Then Moses severed three cities on this side Jordan toward the sun rising,

42 That the slayer might flee thither, which should kill his neighbour unawares, and hated him not in times past; and that fleeing unto one of these cities he might live:

43 *Namely*, Bezer in the wilderness, in the plain country, of the Reubenites; and Ramoth in Gilead, of the Gadites; and Golan in Bashan, of the Manassites.

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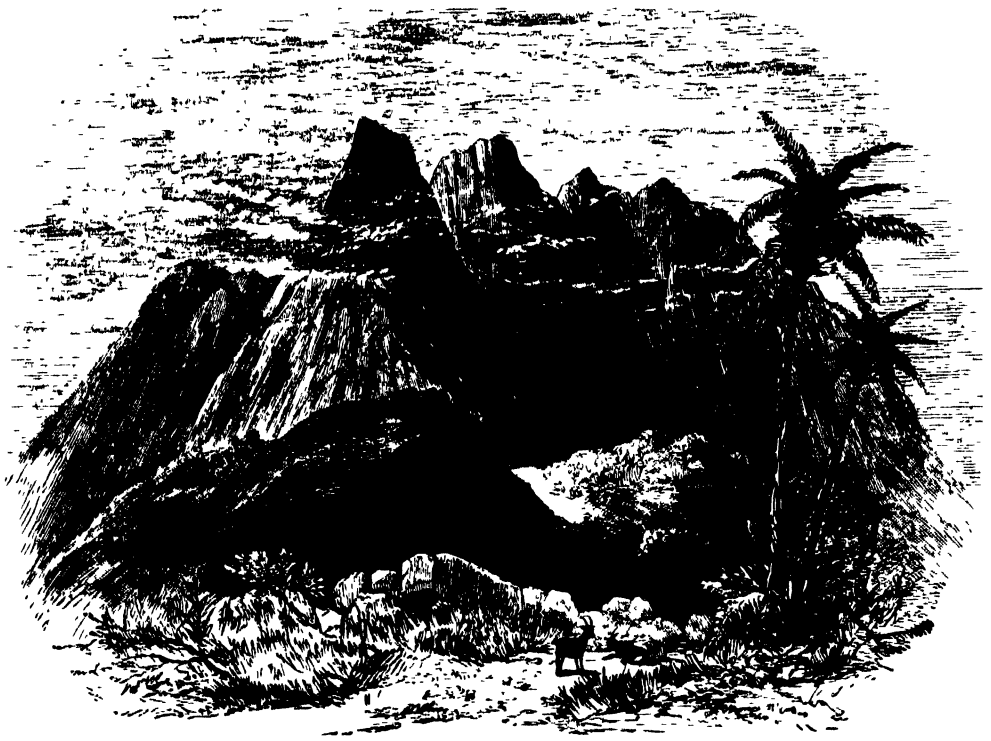
[a] ch vi. 15, ix 3, Exod. xx. 5; xxiv 17; Isa. xxxiii. 14, xlii. 8, Heb. xii. 29

[g] ch. vii. 19, xxvi. 8, xxix. 3, xxxiv 12, Exod. vi. 6; vii. 3; xiii. 3

[h] ch. xxxii. 9—12, 39, 1 Sam. ii. 2, Isa. xlv 5, 18, 22, Mark xii. 29, 32

[b] ver 16, ch xxx. 18, 2 Kings xvii 17—20; Isa. i. 2, Micah vi. 2—4.

[i] Exod xix 9, 19; xx. 18, 22, xxiv 16; Heb. xii. 18.



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[c] ch xxviii. 62—64, Lev xxvi. 33, 1 Sam xxvi.

[d] ch. xxx. 1—3; Lev xxvi. 39, 40; 2 Chron. xv. 4; Neh i. 9; Isa. lv. 6, 7, Jer. xxix. 12—14.

1 Heb. *have found thee.*

[e] ch. xxxi. 17, 29; Ps. lxxxvi. 5, 15; Exod. xxxiv 6; 2 Chron xxx. 9, Neh. ix. 31; Joel ii. 12, 13; Hos. xii. 6; xiv. 1; Jonah iv. 2.

[f] ver. 35; ch. v. 16, vi. 3, 18; vii. 1; ix. 1, 4, 5; x. 15; xii. 25, 28; xxii. 7; Exod. xiii. 3, ix. 14; Josh. ii. 11.

[f] ch v. 24—26; Exod. xxiv. 11; xxxiii. 20.

4; Josh. xx.

44 ¶ And this *is* the law which Moses set before the children of Israel:

45 These *are* the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which Moses spake unto the children of Israel, after they came forth out of Egypt,

46 On this side Jordan, in the valley over against Beth-peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of Israel smote, after they were come forth out of Egypt:[a]

47 And they possessed his land, and the land of Og king of Bashan, two kings of the Amorites, which *were* on this side Jordan toward the sun rising;

48 From Aroer, which *is* by the bank of the river Arnon, even unto mount Sion, which *is* Hermon,

49 And all the plain on this side Jordan eastward, even unto the sea of the plain, under the springs of Pisgah.[b]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The covenant in Horeb* 6 *The ten commandments.* 22 *At the people's request Moses receiveth the law from God.*

AND Moses called all Israel, and said unto them, Hear, O Israel, the statutes and judgments which I speak in your ears this day, that ye may learn them, and [1]keep, and do them.

2 The LORD our God made a covenant with us in Horeb.

3 The LORD made not this covenant with our fathers, but with us, *even* us, who *are* all of us here alive this day.[c]

4 The LORD talked with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire,[d]

5 (I stood between the LORD and you at that time, to shew you the word of the LORD: for ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not up into the mount;) saying,[e]

6 ¶ I *am* the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of [2]bondage.[f]

7 Thou shalt have none other gods before me.

8 Thou shalt not make thee *any* graven image, *or* any likeness *of any thing* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the waters beneath the earth:

9 Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me,

10 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.[g]

11 Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold *him* guiltless that taketh his name in vain.[h]

12 Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee.

13 Six days thou shalt labour, and do all thy work:

14 But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.[i]

15 And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and *that* the LORD thy God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.[j]

16 ¶ Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.[k]

17 Thou shalt not kill.[l]

18 Neither shalt thou commit adultery.[m]

19 Neither shalt thou steal.[n]

20 Neither shalt thou bear false witness against thy neighbour.[o]

21 Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house, his field, or his manservant, or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass, or any *thing* that *is* thy neighbour's.[p]

22 ¶ These words the LORD spake unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice: and he added no more. And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.[q]

23 And it came to pass, when ye heard the voice out of the midst of the darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire,) that ye came near unto me, *even* all the heads of your tribes, and your elders;

24 And ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath shewed us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth.

25 Now therefore why should we die? for this great fire will consume us: if we [3]hear the voice of the LORD our God any more, then we shall die.[r]

26 For who *is there of* all flesh, that hath heard the voice of the living God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we *have*, and lived?

27 Go thou near, and hear all that the LORD our God shall say: and speak thou unto us all that the LORD our God shall speak unto thee; and we will hear *it*, and do *it*.[s]

28 And the LORD heard the voice of your words, when ye spake unto me; and the LORD said unto me, I have heard the voice of the words of this people, which they have spoken unto thee: they have well said all that they have spoken.[t]

29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children for ever![u]

30 Go say to them, Get you into your tents again.

31 But as for thee, stand thou here by me, and I will speak unto thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them, that they may do *them* in the land which I give them to possess it.

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a Gen. ii. 2; Exod. xvi. 29, 30; xx. 8; xxiii. 12; xxxv. 2; Ezek. xx. 12; Heb. iv. 4.

b ch. i. 4, iii. 29; Numb. xxi. 24

c ch. iv 34—37, xv. 15; xvi. 12; xxiv. 18, 22

d ch. iv 40, xxvii. 16; Exod. xx. 12; Lev xix 3, Eph vi 2, 3, Col. iii 20.

e Exod xx. 13; Matt. v. 21

f Exod. xx 14, Luke xviii. 20; James ii 11.

g Exod xx 15, Rom. xiii 9

h ch ii 36, iii. 9, 12, 17; Numb xxi 35, Ps. cxxxiii 3

i ch xix 16—20; Exod. xx 16.

j Exod. xx. 17, Micah ii. 2; Hab ii 9, Luke xii. 15, Rom. vii. 7, xiii. 9.

1 Heb *keep to do them.*

k ch. iv. 13; Exod. xxiv. 12; xxxi. 18.

l ch iv 23; xix. 5; Heb. viii. 7—13.

m ch. iv. 33, 36, xxxiv. 10; Exod. ix. 19; xx. 22

2 Heb *servants*

n Exod. xix. 16, xx 18, 21, xxiv 2, Gal iii. 19, Heb xii 18—21

o ch iv 33, xviii 16, Judg xiii. 22

3 Heb *add to hear*

p ch vi 4, Exod xii 51, xx 2, Lev xxvi. 1; Ps. lxxxi. 10

q Exod. xx. 19; Heb. xii. 19

r ch. xviii. 17.

s Exod. xx. 3, 4; xxxiv. 7, Jer. xxxii. 18, Dan. ix. 4.

t ch iv 40; x. 12, 13; xi 1, xxxii. 29, Ps. lxxxi 13, cxix 165; Isa. xlviii 18, Matt. xxiii. 37, Luke xix. 42

u Exod. xx. 7; Lev. xix. 12; Matt. v. 33.



A FATHER TEACHING THE LAW TO HIS CHILDREN.

32 Ye shall observe to do therefore as the LORD your God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.

33 Ye shall walk in all the ways which the LORD your God hath commanded you, that ye may live, and *that it may be* well with you, and *that* ye may prolong *your* days in the land which ye shall possess.[a]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The end of the law is obedience.* 3 *An exhortation thereto.*

NOW these *are* the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do *them* in the land whither ye [1]go to possess it:[b]

2 That thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.[c]

3 ¶ Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do *it;* that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.[d]

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God *is* one LORD:[e]

5 And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.[f]

6 And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:[g]

7 And thou shalt [2]teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.[h]

8 And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a ch. iv. 40; v. 33; x. 12, 13; Exod. xx. 20; Ps. cxi. 10, cxxviii. 1; Prov. iii. 1, 2; Eccles. xii. 13.

b Gen. xv. 5; xxii. 17; Exod. iii. 8.

c ch. x. 12; xvi. 20, xxviii. 14, Josh. i. 7; xxiii. 6; Ps. cxix. 5, 6, 18, Jer. vii. 23, Luke i. 6.

d ch. xxxii. 26, 27; Isa. xlii. 8; xlviii. 11, Mark xii. 29, 32, John xvii. 3; 1 Cor. viii. 4—6.

e ch. x. 12; 2 Kings xxiii. 25; Matt. xxii. 37; Mark xii. 30; Luke xii. 27.

f ch. xi. 18; xxxii. 46; Ps. xxxvii. 31; xl. 8; cxix. 11, 98; Prov. iii. 3; Isa. li. 7.

2 Heb. *whet*, or, *sharpen.*

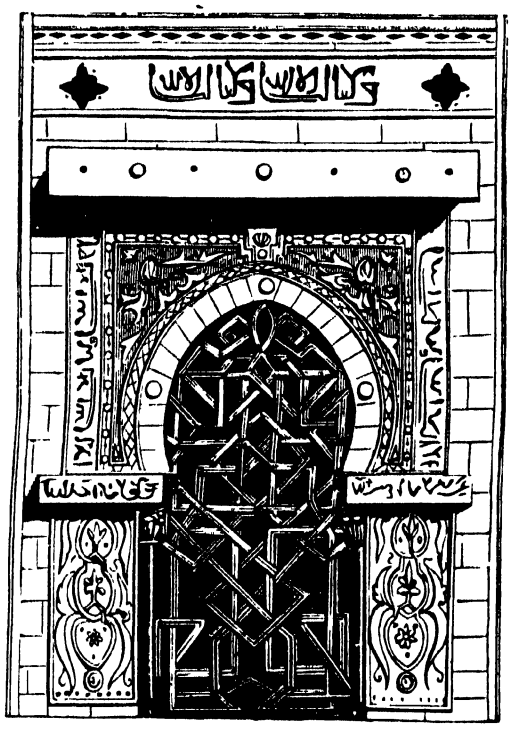
1 Heb. *pass over.*

b ch. iv. 1; v. 31; xii. 1.

h ch. iv. 9; xi. 19; Ps. lxxviii. 4—6; Eph. vi. 4.

i ch. xi. 18; Exod. xxx. 9, 16; Prov. iii. 3; vi. 21; vii. 3.

9 And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates.[a]



WRITING ON A GATEWAY OF AN EASTERN HOUSE.

10 And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not,

11 And houses full of all good *things*, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full;

12 *Then* beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of [1]bondage.[b]

13 Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God, and serve him, and shalt swear by his name.[c]

14 Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which *are* round about you;

15 (For the LORD thy God *is* a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth.[d]

16 ¶ Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as ye tempted *him* in Massah.[e]

17 Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.[f]

18 And thou shalt do *that which is* right and good in the sight of the LORD: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers,[g]

19 To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as the LORD hath spoken.[h]

20 *And* when thy son asketh thee [2]in time to come, saying, What *mean* the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD our God hath commanded you?[i]

21 Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand:

22 And the LORD shewed signs and wonders, great and [3]sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his houshold, before our eyes:[j]

23 And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he sware unto our fathers.

24 And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as *it is* at this day.

25 And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.[k]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *All communion with the nations is forbidden,* 4 *for fear of idolatry,* 6 *for the holiness of the people,* 9 *for the nature of God in his mercy and justice,* 17 *for the assuredness of victory which God will give over them.*



WHEN the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou;

2 And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, *and* utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them:[l]

3 Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.

4 For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly.[m]

5 But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their [4]images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.[n]

6 For thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that *are* upon the face of the earth.[o]

7 The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye *were* the fewest of all people:

8 But because the LORD loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.[p]

9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he *is*

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a ch. xi. 20; Isa. lvii. 8.

i ch. vi. 7; Exod. xiii. 14

3 Heb *evil.*

j Exod. iii. 19, vii.—xii., xiii. 3; Ps. cxxxv 9.

k ver. 2, ch iv. 1, viii 1; x 13; xxiv. 13; Lev. xviii. 5; Ps. xii 2, Jer. xxxii. 39, Luke x. 28.

l ver 23; ch. iv 38, ix 1; xx 16, 17, xxiii. 14; xxxi 3; Lev xxvii 28, 29; Numb xxxiii 52; Josh vi. 17; viii 24; ix. 24; x 28, 40, xi 11, 12

1 Heb *bondmen*, or, *servants.*

b ch viii 10—14, Josh xxiv 13, Ps cv 44

c ch. x. 12, 20, xiii 4, 7; Ps. lxiii. 11, Isa. xlv 23; lxv. 16, Jer iv. 2; v 7, xii 16; Matt. iv. 10, Luke iv 8.

m ch vi 14, 15, Exod xxiii 32, 33; xxxiv. 12—16, Josh xxiii. 11—13, 1 Kings xi. 2, Ezra ix. 2

4 Heb *statues*, or, *pillars.*

d ch iv 24, 26, vii 4, viii. 19, 20, xi. 17, xxx. 18, Exod xx. 5, Josh. xxiii. 13—16

n ch xii 2, 3; Exod. xxiii 24; xxxiv. 13.

e Exod xvii 2, 7; Numb xx 3, 4, xxi 4, 5; Matt. iv 7, Luke iv. 12, 1 Cor x 9

o ch xiv 2; xxvi. 19; Exod xix. 5, 6; Ps. l. 5, Jer ii 3; Amos iii. 2; 1 Peter ii. 9

f ch xi 13, 22, Ps. cxix. 4.

g ch. v 29, 31, 33; xii. 28; xiii. 18.

h Numb xxxiii. 52, 53.

2 Heb. *to-morrow.*

p ch x 15, 22, Exod. xiii. 3, 14; xxxii 13; Ps. cv. 8—10; Isa. xlix 7; Luke i. 55, 72, 73.

God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;[a]

10 And repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.

11 Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which I command thee this day, to do them.[b]

12 ¶ Wherefore it shall come to pass, [1]if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that the LORD thy God shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he sware unto thy fathers:[c]

13 And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land, thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep, in the land which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee.

14 Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle.

15 And the LORD will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all *them* that hate thee.

16 And thou shalt consume all the people which the LORD thy God shall deliver thee; thine eye shall have no pity upon them: neither shalt thou serve their gods; for that *will be* a snare unto thee.[d]

17 If thou shalt say in thine heart, These nations *are* more than I; how can I dispossess them?

18 Thou shalt not be afraid of them: *but* shalt well remember what the LORD thy God did unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt;

19 The great temptations which thine eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched out arm, whereby the LORD thy God brought thee out: so shall the LORD thy God do unto all the people of whom thou art afraid.[e]

20 Moreover the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them, until they that are left, and hide themselves from thee, be destroyed.

21 Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God *is* among you, a mighty God and terrible.[f]

22 And the LORD thy God will [2]put out those nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee.[g]

23 But the LORD thy God shall deliver them [3]unto thee, and shall destroy them with a mighty destruction, until they be destroyed.[h]

24 And he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have destroyed them.[i]

25 The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold *that is* on them, nor take *it* unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it *is* an abomination to the LORD thy God.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[a] ver. 8; ch. v. 10, Exod. xx. 6; Neh. i. 5; Dan ix. 4.

[b] ch. xiii. 17; Josh. vi. 17, 18; vii. 1.

[b] ch. xxii 32—35, Isa. lix 18, lxiii 6, Nahum i. 2.

1 Heb *because*

[c] vs. 8, 9; ch xxviii. 1—6, Lev xxvi 3—5; Ps cv 8, 9

[d] ch iv. 1, v 32, 33; vi 1—3

[e] ch i 8, 7, vii 2, xiii. 3, xxix. 5, Exod. xvi 4, 2 Chron xxxii. 31, Ps cxxxvi 16, Amos ii. 10, Micah vi 4

[f] Exod xvi 2, 3, 12, 14, 35, Numb xi 7, Neh. ix 15, Ps lxxviii 24, 25, civ 29, Matt. iv 4, Luke iv 4, John vi 31, 1 Cor x. 3

[g] ch xxix 5, Neh ix. 21

[h] ver 2, ch xii 30, xiii. 8, xix. 13, 21; xxv 12, xxviii 27, 60, Exod xxiii 26, 33, Judg viii. 27, Ps cvi. 36

[i] ch v 33, 2 Sam vii 14, Ps lxxxix. 32; Prov iii. 12, Heb xii 5, 6, Rev iii 19

4 Heb. *of olive-tree of oil*

[j] ch. iv 34, xxix. 3; xxxi. 6; Ps cv 5

[k] ch. xi. 10—12

[l] ch xxxiii. 28.

[m] ch. x. 17; Exod. xxiii. 28, Numb. xi. 20, xiv. 9, 14, 42, xvi. 3; Josh. iii. 10, xxiv. 12, Neh. i. 5; iv. 14; ix. 32

2 Heb. *pluck off*

[n] Exod xxiii. 29, 30

3 Heb *before thy face.*

[o] ver. 2.

[p] ch ix. 14; xi. 25; xxv. 19; xxix. 20; Exod. xvii. 14, Josh. i. 5; x. 8, 24—26, 42; xii.; xxiii 9.

[q] ch. vi. 11, 12; xxviii. 47; xxxii. 15; Ps. cvi. 21; Prov. xxx. 9; Hos. xiii. 6; 1 Cor iv. 7.

[r] ver. 5; ch. xii. 3; xvii. 1; Exod. xxxii. 20; Josh. vii. 1, 21; Judg. viii. 27; 1 Chron. xiv 12; Zeph. i. 3

26 Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: *but* thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it *is* a cursed thing.[l]

CHAPTER VIII.

An exhortation to obedience in regard of God's dealing with them.

ALL the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers.[m]

2 And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, *and* to prove thee, to know what *was* in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no.[n]

3 And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every *word* that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.[o]

4 Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years.[p]

5 Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, *so* the LORD thy God chasteneth thee.

6 Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him.[q]

7 For the LORD thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills;

8 A land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of [4]oil olive, and honey;[r]

9 A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any *thing* in it; a land whose stones *are* iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass.[s]

10 When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the LORD thy God for the good land which he hath given thee.

11 Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day:

12 Lest *when* thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt *therein;*

13 And *when* thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied;

14 Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the LORD thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage;[t]

15 Who led thee through that great and terrible wilderness, *wherein were* fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where *there was* no water; who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint;

16 Who fed thee in the wilderness with manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might humble thee, and that he might prove thee, to do thee good at thy latter end;

17 And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of *mine* hand hath gotten me this wealth.[a]

18 But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for *it is* he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as *it is* this day.[b]

19 And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the LORD thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish.

20 As the nations which the LORD destroyeth before your face, so shall ye perish; because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of the LORD your God.[c]

CHAPTER IX.

Moses dissuadeth them from the opinion of their own righteousness, by rehearsing their several rebellions.

HEAR, O Israel: Thou *art* to pass over Jordan this day, to go in to possess nations greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fenced up to heaven,

2 A people great and tall, the children of the Anakims, whom thou knowest, and *of whom* thou hast heard *say*, Who can stand before the children of Anak![d]

3 Understand therefore this day, that the LORD thy God *is* he which goeth over before thee; *as* a consuming fire he shall destroy them, and he shall bring them down before thy face: so shalt thou drive them out, and destroy them quickly, as the LORD hath said unto thee.[e]

4 Speak not thou in thine heart, after that the LORD thy God hath cast them out from before thee, saying, For my righteousness the LORD hath brought me in to possess this land: but for the wickedness of these nations the LORD doth drive them out from before thee.

5 Not for thy righteousness, or for the uprightness of thine heart, dost thou go to possess their land: but for the wickedness of these nations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee, and that he may perform the word which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.[f]

6 Understand therefore, that the LORD thy God giveth thee not this good land to possess it for thy righteousness; for thou *art* a stiffnecked people.[g]

7 ¶ Remember, *and* forget not, how thou provokedst the LORD thy God to wrath in the wilderness: from the day that thou didst depart out of the land of Egypt, until ye came unto this place, ye have been rebellious against the LORD.

8 Also in Horeb ye provoked the LORD to wrath, so that the LORD was angry with you to have destroyed you.[h]

9 When I was gone up into the mount to receive the tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant which the LORD made with you, then I abode in the mount forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water:[i]

10 And the LORD delivered unto me two tables of stone written with the finger of God; and on them *was written* according to all the words, which the LORD spake with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.[j]

11 And it came to pass at the end of forty days and forty nights, *that* the LORD gave me the two tables of stone, *even* the tables of the covenant.

12 And the LORD said unto me, Arise, get thee down quickly from hence; for thy people which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt have corrupted *themselves;* they are quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them; they have made them a molten image.[k]

13 Furthermore the LORD spake unto me, saying, I have seen this people, and, behold, it *is* a stiffnecked people:

14 Let me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from under heaven: and I will make of thee a nation mightier and greater than they.[l]

15 So I turned and came down from the mount, and the mount burned with fire: and the two tables of the covenant *were* in my two hands.

16 And I looked, and, behold, ye had sinned against the LORD your God, *and* had made you a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which the LORD had commanded you.

17 And I took the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and brake them before your eyes.[m]

18 And I fell down before the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights: I did neither eat bread, nor drink water, because of all your sins which ye sinned, in doing wickedly in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

19 For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure, wherewith the LORD was wroth against you to destroy you. But the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also.[n]

20 And the LORD was very angry with Aaron to have destroyed him: and I prayed for Aaron also the same time.

21 And I took your sin, the calf which ye had made, and burnt it with fire, and stamped it, *and* ground *it* very small, *even* until it was as small as dust: and I cast the dust thereof into the brook that descended out of the mount.[o]

22 And at Taberah, and at Massah, and at Kibrothhattaavah, ye provoked the LORD to wrath.[p]

23 Likewise when the LORD sent you from Kadeshbarnea, saying, Go up and possess the land which I have given you; then ye rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God, and ye believed him not, nor hearkened to his voice.[q]

24 Ye have been rebellious against the LORD from the day that I knew you.[r]

25 Thus I fell down before the LORD forty days

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[a] ver 3, ch ix. 4; Exod. xvi 15, Numb xx. 11, xxi 6, Ps. lxxviii. 15; cxiv 8; Isa. lxiii 12-14; Jer ii. 6; xxiv 5, 6, Hos xiii 5

[b] ch vii 8—12, Ps lxxxix. 3, Prov x 22, Hos xi 8, 1 Cor iv 7

[c] ch. iv 26; xxx 18; Dan ix. 11, 12

[d] ch i 28; iv 38; vii 1, xi 23, Numb xiii 22, 28, 32, 33, Josh iii 10, iv 19

[e] ch iv 24, vii 23, 24, Exod xxiii 31, Josh iii 11; Heb xii 29

[f] ch viii 17, xviii. 12, Gen xii 7, xiii 15, xv 16, Lev xviii 24, 25; Rom xi 6, 20, 1 Titus iii 5

[g] ver 13, Exod xxxii. 9, xxxiii. 3, xxxiv 9

[h] ch. xxxi. 27; Exod xiv. 11; xvi. 2; xvii. 2, xxxii. 4; Numb. xi 4; xx. 2; xxv 2; Ps. cvi. 19

[i] Exod. xxiv 12, 15, 18, xxxiv. 28

[j] ch iv 10; x. 4; xviii 16; Exod. xix 17, xx 1, xxxi 18.

[k] ch xxxi 29; Exod xxxii. 7; Judg ii 17

[l] ver 6; ch x. 16, xxix 20, xxxi 27, Exod. xxxii 9, 10, Numb xiv 12, Ps ix. 5, cix. 13

[m] ch iv 11; v 23, Exod. xix. 18, xxxii 15, 19.

[n] ch. x 10, Exod xxxii. 10-14, xxxiii 17, Ps cvi 23

[o] Exod xxxii. 20; Isa. xxxi 7

[p] Exod xvii 7, Numb. xi. 1—5, 34

[q] Numb xiii. 3; xiv. 1; Ps cvi. 24, 25

[r] ch. xxxi. 27.



MO DE RO G THE GOLDE 'ALF.

and forty nights, as I fell down *at the first;* because the LORD had said he would destroy you.

26 I prayed therefore unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, destroy not thy people and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatness, which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

27 Remember thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto the stubbornness of this people, nor to their wickedness, nor to their sin:

28 Lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say, Because the LORD was not able to bring them into the land which he promised them, and because he hated them, he hath brought them out to slay them in the wilderness.

29 Yet they *are* thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy mighty power and by thy stretched out arm.[e]

CHAPTER X.

1 *God's mercy in restoring the two tables,* 6 *in continuing the priesthood,* 8 *in separating the tribe of Levi,* 10 *in hearkening unto Moses' suit for the people.* 12 *An exhortation unto obedience.*

AT that time the LORD said unto me, Hew thee two tables of stone like unto the first, and come up unto me into the mount, and make thee an ark of wood.

2 And I will write on the tables the words that were in the first tables which thou brakest, and thou shalt put them in the ark.[b]

3 And I made an ark *of* shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first, and went up into the mount, having the two tables in mine hand.

4 And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten [1]commandments, which the LORD spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gave them unto me.[c]

5 And I turned myself and came down from the mount, and put the tables in the ark which I had made; and there they be, as the LORD commanded me.[d]

6 ¶ And the children of Israel took their journey from Beeroth of the children of Jaakan to Mosera: there Aaron died, and there he was buried; and Eleazar his son ministered in the priest's office in his stead.

7 From thence they journeyed unto Gudgodah; and from Gudgodah to Jotbath, a land of rivers of waters.[e]

8 ¶ At that time the LORD separated the tribe of Levi, to bear the ark of the covenant of the LORD, to stand before the LORD to minister unto him, and to bless in his name, unto this day.

9 Wherefore Levi hath no part nor inheritance with his brethren; the LORD *is* his inheritance, according as the LORD thy God promised him.[f]

10 And I stayed in the mount, according to the [2]first time, forty days and forty nights; and the LORD hearkened unto me at that time also, *and* the LORD would not destroy thee.[g]

11 And the LORD said unto me, Arise, [3]take *thy* journey before the people, that they may go in and possess the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give unto them.[h]

12 ¶ And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God require of thee, but to fear the LORD thy God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

13 To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?[i]

14 Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens *is* the LORD'S thy God, the earth *also*, with all that therein *is*.

15 Only the LORD had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and he chose their seed after them, *even* you above all people, as *it is* this day.[j]

16 Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no more stiffnecked.[k]

17 For the LORD your God *is* God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward:[l]

18 He doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment.

19 Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.[m]

20 Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave, and swear by his name.[n]

21 He *is* thy praise, and he *is* thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things, which thine eyes have seen.[o]

22 Thy fathers went down into Egypt with threescore and ten persons; and now the LORD thy God hath made thee as the stars of heaven for multitude.[p]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *An exhortation to obedience,* 2 *by their own experience of God's great works,* 8 *by promise of God's great blessings,* 16 *and by threatenings.* 18 *A careful study is required in God's words.* 26 *The blessing and curse is set before them.*

THEREFORE thou shalt love the LORD thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, alway.[q]

2 And know ye this day: for *I speak* not with your children which have not known, and which have not seen the chastisement of the LORD your God, his greatness, his mighty hand, and his stretched out arm,

3 And his miracles, and his acts, which he did in the midst of Egypt unto Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and unto all his land;[r]

4 And what he did unto the army of Egypt, unto their horses, and to their chariots; how he made the water of the Red sea to overflow them as they pursued after you, and *how* the LORD hath destroyed them unto this day;[s]

5 And what he did unto you in the wilderness, until ye came into this place;

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

h Exod. xxxii. 34; xxxiii. 1.

i ch. v. 33; vi. 5, 13, 24; xi. 13; xxx. 16—20; Micah vi. 8; Matt. xxii. 37.

j ch. iv 37; Gen. xiv. 19; Exod. xix. 5; 1 Kings viii 27, Ps. xxiv 1; cxv 16; cxlviii. 4,

k ch. ix. 6, 13, xxx 6; Lev. xxvi. 41; Jer iv. 4, Rom ii. 28, 29, Col. ii. 11

a vs. 18, 19; ch. iv. 20; Numb. xiv 16; Josh. vii. 8; 1 Kings viii. 51; Neh. i. 10; Ps. xcv 7

l ch. vii. 21, Josh. xxii. 22, 2 Chron. xix. 7, Job xxxiv 19, Ps. cxxxvi 2, Dan ii 47, xi. 36; Acts x 34, Rom ii 11, Col iii. 25; Rev xvii. 14, xix. 16.

m Lev xix. 33, 34, Ps lxviii 5, cxlvi. 9

n ch vi. 13, xi 22, xiii 4; Ps. lxiii 11; Matt. iv. 10, Luke iv 8.

o Exod xv 2; 1 Sam xii 24, 2 Sam. vii 23, Ps. xxii. 3, cvi. 21, 22, Jer xvii. 14.

b Exod. xxv 10—16, xxxiv 1, 2

p ch i 10; xxviii. 62; Gen xv. 5; xlvi. 27; Exod. i. 1—5; Acts vii. 14.

1 Heb *words*

c ver. 2; ch ix. 10, xviii 16; Exod. xix. 17, xx.; xxv. 5, 10, xxxiv 4, xxxvii. 1.

d Exod. xxxiv 29, xl 20, 1 Kings viii. 9

q ch. x. 12, xxx 16, 20; Lev xviii. 5, 26, xix. 19; xx 8, 22, Ezek. xliv 24, Zech iii. 7

e Numb. xx. 28, xxxiii 30—33, 38.

r ch v 24, vii. 19; viii. 5, Ps. lxxviii. 12; cxxxv 9.

f ch. xviii. 1, 2, 5; Lev. ix. 22; Numb iii. 6; iv. 4, 15; vi. 23, viii. 14; xvi. 9; xviii. 20, 24, Ezek. xliv 28

2 Or, *former days.*

s Exod xiv. 27, 28; xv. 9, 10, Ps. cvi. 11.

g ch. ix. 18, 19, 25; Exod. xxxii. 14, 33, 34; xxxiii. 17; xxxiv 28.

3 Heb *go in journey*



FUNERAL OF AARON.

6 And what he did unto Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben: how the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their housholds, and their tents, and all the [1]substance that *was* [2]in their possession, in the midst of all Israel:[a]

7 But your eyes have seen all the great acts of the LORD which he did.

8 Therefore shall ye keep all the commandments which I command you this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye go to possess it;

9 And that ye may prolong *your* days in the land, which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give unto them and to their seed, a land that floweth with milk and honey.[b]

10 ¶ For the land, whither thou goest in to possess it, *is* not as the land of Egypt, from whence ye came out, where thou sowedst thy seed, and wateredst *it* with thy foot, as a garden of herbs:

11 But the land, whither ye go to possess it, *is* a land of hills and valleys, *and* drinketh water of the rain of heaven:

BEFORE CHRIST 1451

3 Heb *seeketh.*

c ch. viii. 7; 1 Kings ix. 3.

1 Or, *living substance which followed them.*

2 Heb. *was at their feet.*

a ch. v. 3; vii. 19; Numb. xvi. 1, 31; xxvii. 3; Ps. cvi. 17.

4 Heb. *give.*

d ver. 22; ch. vi. 17; x. 12; xxviii. 12; Lev. xxvi. 4; Ps. civ. 14; Joel ii. 19, 23, James v. 7.

b ch. iv. 40; v. 3, 16; vii. 19; Exod. iii. 8; Josh. i. 6, 7; Prov. x. 27.

e ch. iv. 26; vi. 11, 15; viii. 19; xxix. 18; xxx. 18; Josh. xxiii. 13—16; 1 Kings viii. 35; 2 Chron. vi. 26; vii. 13; Job xxxi. 27.

12 A land which the LORD thy God [3]careth for: the eyes of the LORD thy God *are* always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.[c]

13 ¶ And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul,

14 That I will give *you* the rain of your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil.

15 And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mayest [4]eat and be full.[d]

16 Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them;

17 And *then* the LORD'S wrath be kindled against you, and he shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and *lest* ye perish quickly from off the good land which the LORD giveth you.[e]

18 ¶ Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sig

upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes.

19 And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

20 And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates:

21 That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth.[a]

22 ¶ For if ye shall diligently keep all these commandments which I command you, to do them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him;

23 Then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves.[b]

24 Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be your's: from the wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the uttermost sea shall your coast be.[c]

25 There shall no man be able to stand before you: *for* the LORD your God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, as he hath said unto you.[d]

26 ¶ Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;

27 A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day:

28 And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.[e]



MOUNT GERIZIM.

29 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD thy God hath brought thee in unto the land whither thou goest to possess it, that thou shalt put the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and the curse upon mount Ebal.

30 *Are* they not on the other side Jordan, by the way where the sun goeth down, in the land of the Canaanites, which dwell in the champaign over against Gilgal, beside the plains of Moreh?[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[g] ch. v. 32, ix. 1; xii. 32; Josh. i. 11.

[a] ch iv 9, 10, 40; vi. 2—9, Ps. lxxii. 5, lxxxix. 29, Prov iii. 2; iv. 10; ix. 11

[b] ver. 13; ch. iv 38; vi. 17; ix 1, 5; x. 20; xxx. 20

[h] ch. iv. 10; vi. 1, 1 Kings viii 40.

[c] Gen. xv 18; Exod. xxiii. 31; Numb. xxxiv 3—29; Josh i. 3; xiv. 9

1 Or, *inherit.*

[i] ch vii. 5; Exod. xxxiv. 13; 2 Kings xvi 4; xvii 10, 11, Jer. iii. 6; xvii. 2.

2 Heb *break down.*

[d] ch. ii. 25; vii 24; Exod. xxiii. 27

[j] ver. 31; Numb xxxiii. 52; Judg. ii 2.

[e] ch. xxviii 2, 15; xxx. 1, 15, 19

[k] vs. 11, 12, 17, 18; ch xiv. 22, 23; xv. 19, 20, xvi. 11, 14, 15, xxvi. 2, 11, xxvii 7; Lev xxiii. 40; Josh ix. 27; 1 Kings viii 29, 2 Chron. vii. 12; Ps lxxviii. 68

[l] Judg xvii. 6; xxi. 25.

3 Heb *the choice of your vows*

[f] ch. xxvii. 12, 13; Josh. viii. 33.

[m] ver. 7; ch. x. 9; xiv 29

31 For ye shall pass over Jordan to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God giveth you, and ye shall possess it, and dwell therein.

32 And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and judgments which I set before you this day.[g]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Monuments of idolatry are to be destroyed.* 5 *The place of God's service is to be kept.* 15, 23 *Blood is forbidden.* 17, 20, 26 *Holy things must be eaten in the holy place.* 19 *The Levite is not to be forsaken.* 29 *Idolatry is not to be enquired after.*

THESE *are* the statutes and judgments, which ye shall observe to do in the land, which the LORD God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth.[h]

2 Ye shall utterly destroy all the places, wherein the nations which ye shall [1]possess served their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree:[i]

3 And ye shall [2]overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place.

4 Ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God.[j]

5 But unto the place which the LORD your God shall choose out of all your tribes to put his name there, *even* unto his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt come:

6 And thither ye shall bring your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, and your tithes, and heave offerings of your hand, and your vows, and your freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and of your flocks:

7 And there ye shall eat before the LORD your God, and ye shall rejoice in all that ye put your hand unto, ye and your housholds, wherein the LORD thy God hath blessed thee.[k]

8 Ye shall not do after all *the things* that we do here this day, every man whatsoever *is* right in his own eyes.

9 For ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which the LORD your God giveth you.[l]

10 But *when* ye go over Jordan, and dwell in the land which the LORD your God giveth you to inherit, and *when* he giveth you rest from all your enemies round about, so that ye dwell in safety;

11 Then there shall be a place which the LORD your God shall choose to cause his name to dwell there; thither shall ye bring all that I command you; your burnt offerings, and your sacrifices, your tithes, and the heave offering of your hand, and all your [3]choice vows which ye vow unto the LORD:

12 And ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God, ye, and your sons, and your daughters, and your menservants, and your maidservants, and the Levite that *is* within your gates; forasmuch as he hath no part nor inheritance with you.[m]



EVENING MEAL OF THE ISRAELITES.

13 Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in every place that thou seest:

14 But in the place which the LORD shall choose in one of thy tribes, there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee.[a]

15 Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates, whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee: the unclean and the clean may eat thereof, as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.[b]

16 Only ye shall not eat the blood; ye shall pour it upon the earth as water.[c]

17 ¶ Thou mayest not eat within thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or of thy wine, or of thy oil, or the firstlings of thy herds or of thy flock, nor any of thy vows which thou vowest, nor thy freewill offerings, or heave offering of thine hand:

18 But thou must eat them before the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates: and thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God in all that thou puttest thine hands unto.[d]

19 Take heed to thyself that thou forsake not the Levite [1]as long as thou livest upon the earth.[e]

20 ¶ When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy border, as he hath promised thee, and thou shalt say, I will eat flesh, because thy soul longeth to eat flesh; thou mayest eat flesh, whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.

21 If the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to put his name there be too far from thee, then thou shalt kill of thy herd and of thy flock, which the LORD hath given thee, as I have commanded thee, and thou shalt eat in thy gates whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.

22 Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat them: the unclean and the clean shall eat *of* them alike.

23 Only [2]be sure that thou eat not the blood: for the blood *is* the life; and thou mayest not eat the life with the flesh.[f]

24 Thou shalt not eat it; thou shalt pour it upon the earth as water.

25 Thou shalt not eat it; that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of the LORD.[g]

26 Only thy holy things which thou hast, and thy vows, thou shalt take, and go unto the place which the LORD shall choose:[h]

27 And thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, the flesh and the blood, upon the altar of the LORD thy God: and the blood of thy sacrifices shall be poured out upon the altar of the LORD thy God, and thou shalt eat the flesh.

28 Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee for ever, when thou doest *that which is* good and right in the sight of the LORD thy God.

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

3 Heb. *inheritest*, or, *possessest them.*

f ch. xix. 1; Exod. xxiii. 23; Josh. xxiii. 4.

4 Heb. *after them.*

a ver 11; Lev. xvii. 4.

b vs. 21, 22; ch. xiv. 5; xv 22.

5 Heb. *abomination of the.*

c ch xv. 23, 24; Gen. ix. 4; Lev. vii. 26; xvii. 10.

d ver 6; ch. xvii. 10; Lev. xviii. 3, 21; xx. 2, xxvi. 30; 2 Kings xvii. 15; Jer xxxii. 35; Ezek. xxiii. 37

e ch. iv. 2; xiii. 18; Josh. i. 7; Prov. xxx. 6; Rev xxii. 18

d vs. 11, 12, ch xiv 23

1 Heb. *all thy days*

e ch xiv 27

m ch. viii. 2; xviii. 22; Jer xxviii. 9, Zech. x 2; Matt. vii. 22, xxiv. 24, 1 Cor xi. 19; Rev xiii. 14

2 Heb *be strong*

n ch x. 20; xxx 20; 2 Kings xxiii 3, 2 Chron xxxiv. 31.

f vs. 15, 16; ch. xi. 24; xix. 8, Gen. ix. 4; xv. 18; xxviii 14; Exod. xxxiv 24; Lev xvii. 11—14

6 Heb. *spoken revolt against the Lord*

g vs. 28, 24; ch iv. 40; xiii. 18; Exod. xv. 26; 1 Kings xi. 38; Isa. lii. 10, 11.

o ch xvii 7; xviii. 20; xxii. 21—24; Jer. xiv 15; Zech. xiii. 3; 1 Cor v 13

h Numb v. 9, 10; xviii. 19; 1 Sam. xxi. 22—24

i ver. 25; Lev. i. 5, 9, 13; xvii. 11

29 ¶ When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou [3]succeedest them, and dwellest in their land;[j]

30 Take heed to thyself that thou be not [4]snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.

31 Thou shalt not do so unto the LORD thy God: for every [5]abomination to the LORD, which he hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods.[k]

32 What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou shalt not add thereto, nor diminish from it.[l]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Enticers to idolatry, 6 how near soever unto thee, 9 are to be stoned to death.* 12 *Idolatrous cities are not to be spared.*

IF there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth thee a sign or a wonder,

2 And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them;

3 Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the LORD your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.[m]

4 Ye shall walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ye shall serve him, and cleave unto him.[n]

5 And that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams, shall be put to death; because he hath [6]spoken to turn *you* away from the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which the LORD thy God commanded thee to walk in. So shalt thou put the evil away from the midst of thee.[o]

6 ¶ If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which *is* as thine own soul, entice thee secretly, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers;

7 *Namely*, of the gods of the people which *are* round about you, nigh unto thee, or far off from thee, from the *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth;

8 Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him; neither shall thine eye pity him, neither shalt thou spare, neither shalt thou conceal him:

9 But thou shalt surely kill him; thine hand shall

be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

10 And thou shalt stone him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the [1]house of bondage.

11 And all Israel shall hear, and fear, and shall do no more any such wickedness as this is among you.[a]

12 ¶ If thou shalt hear *say* in one of thy cities, which the LORD thy God hath given thee to dwell there, saying,

13 *Certain* men, the [2]children of Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known;[b]

14 Then shalt thou enquire, and make search, and ask diligently; and, behold, *if it be* truth, *and* the thing certain, *that* such abomination is wrought among you;

15 Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, and all that *is* therein, and the cattle thereof, with the edge of the sword.

16 And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the street thereof, and shalt burn with fire the city, and all the spoil thereof every whit, for the LORD thy God: and it shall be an heap for ever; it shall not be built again.[c]

17 And there shall cleave nought of the [3]cursed thing to thine hand: that the LORD may turn from the fierceness of his anger, and shew thee mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers;[d]

18 When thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep all his commandments which I command thee this day, to do *that which is* right in the eyes of the LORD thy God.[e]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *God's children are not to disfigure themselves in mourning.* 3 *What may, and what may not be eaten,* 4 *of beasts,* 9 *of fishes,* 11 *of fowls.* 21 *That which dieth of itself may not be eaten.* 22 *Tithes of divine service.* 28 *Tithes and firstlings of rejoicing before the Lord.* 28 *The third year's tithe of alms and charity.*

YE *are* the children of the LORD your God: ye shall not cut yourselves, nor make any baldness between your eyes for the dead.

2 For thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, above all the nations that *are* upon the earth.[f]

3 ¶ Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing.[g]

4 These *are* the beasts which ye shall eat: the ox, the sheep, and the goat,[h]

5 The hart, and the roebuck, and the fallow deer, and the wild goat, and the [4]pygarg, and the wild ox, and the chamois.

6 And every beast that parteth the hoof, and cleaveth the cleft into two claws, *and* cheweth the cud among the beasts, that ye shall eat.

7 Nevertheless these ye shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the cloven hoof: *as* the camel, and the hare, and the coney: for they chew the cud, but divide not the hoof; *therefore* they *are* unclean unto you.



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8 And the swine, because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the cud, it *is* unclean unto you: ye shall not eat of their flesh, nor touch their dead carcase.[i]

9 ¶ These ye shall eat of all that *are* in the waters: all that have fins and scales shall ye eat:[j]

10 And whatsoever hath not fins and scales ye may not eat; it *is* unclean unto you.

11 ¶ *Of* all clean birds ye shall eat.

12 But these *are they* of which ye shall not eat: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray,[k]

13 And the glede, and the kite, and the vulture after his kind,

14 And every raven after his kind,

15 And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,



WILD SWAN.

16 The little owl, and the great owl, and the swan,

17 And the pelican, and the gier eagle, and the cormorant,

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

1 Heb. *bondmen.*

a ch. xvii. 2—7; xix. 20; Prov. i. 10.

2 Or, *naughty men.*

b ver. 2, 6, Judg xix. 22; 1 Sam. ii. 12; xxv 17, 25; 1 Kings xxi. 10, 13; 2 Cor. vi. 15.

c Exod. xxii. 20, Lev. xxvii. 28, Josh vi. 17—24, viii. 26

3 Or, *devoted.*

d Gen xxii. 17, xxvi 4, 24, xxviii. 14, Josh. vi. 26

e ch. xii. 25, 28, 32.

f ch vii. 6; xxvi 18, 19; Lev. xix. 28; xx. 26; xxi. 5; Jer. xvi. 6.

g Ezek. iv. 14; Acts x. 13, 14

h Lev xi.

4 Or, *bison* Heb. *dishon.*

i Lev xi 26, 27

j Lev. xi. 9

k Lev xi 13

18 And the stork, and the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.



THE STORK

19 And every creeping thing that flieth *is* unclean unto you: they shall not be eaten.[a]

20 *But of* all clean fowls ye may eat.

21 ¶ Ye shall not eat *of* any thing that dieth of itself: thou shalt give it unto the stranger that *is* in thy gates, that he may eat it; or thou mayest sell it unto an alien: for thou *art* an holy people unto the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.[b]

22 Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year.[c]

23 And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always.[d]

24 And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it; *or* if the place be too far from thee, which the LORD thy God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:

25 Then shalt thou turn *it* into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose:

26 And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine, or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul [1]desireth: and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice, thou, and thine houshold,[e]

27 And the Levite that *is* within thy gates; thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no part nor inheritance with thee.[f]

28 ¶ At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year, and shalt lay *it* up within thy gates:

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g ver. 27; ch xii. 12; xv 10, xxvi. 12; Prov. iii. 9, 10; Amos iv. 4, Mal. iii. 10.

2 Heb *master of the lending of his hand*

h ch xxxi 10, Exod xxi. 2, xxiii 10, 11, Lev xxv 2, 4, Jer xxxiv 14

a Lev xi. 20, 21

i ch. xxiii. 20.

3 Or, *To the end that there be no poor among you.*

j ch. xxviii 8

b ver 2, Exod xxiii 19, xxxiv 26, Lev xi 20, 21, xvii 15, xxii 8, Ezek iv 14

c ch xii 6, 17, Lev xxvii 30; Neh x. 37

k ch xxviii 1

l ch xxviii 12, 13, 44, Prov xxii. 7

d ch xii 5—7, 17, 18, xv 19, 20

m Lev xxv 35, Matt. v 42, Luke vi 34, 35, 1 John iii. 17.

4 Heb *word*

5 Heb *Belial*

n ch xxiv 15, xxviii 54—56, Matt. xxv 41, 42

1 Heb. *asketh of thee*

e ch. xii. 7, 18, 21, xxvi. 11.

f ch. xii. 12, 18, 19; xviii. 1, 2; Numb. xviii. 20.

o ch. xiv 29; xxiv. 19, Ps. xli. 1—3; Prov. xxii 9; Matt. xxvi. 11; Mark xiv. 7; John xii. 8

2 Cor. ix. 5—7

29 And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee,) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which *are* within thy gates, shall come, and shall eat and be satisfied; that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest.[g]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The seventh year a year of release for the poor.* 7 *It must be no let of lending or giving.* 12 *An Hebrew servant,* 16 *except he will not depart, must in the seventh year go forth free and well furnished.* 19 *All firstling males of the cattle are to be sanctified unto the Lord.*

AT the end of *every* seven years thou shalt make a release.

2 And this *is* the manner of the release: Every [2]creditor that lendeth *ought* unto his neighbour shall release *it;* he shall not exact *it* of his neighbour, or of his brother; because it is called the LORD'S release.[h]

3 Of a foreigner thou mayest exact *it again:* but *that* which is thine with thy brother thine hand shall release;[i]

4 [3]Save when there shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it:[j]

5 Only if thou carefully hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all these commandments which I command thee this day.[k]

6 For the LORD thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee.[l]

7 ¶ If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother:

8 But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, *in that* which he wanteth.[m]

9 Beware that there be not a [4]thought in thy [5]wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine eye be evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest him nought; and he cry unto the LORD against thee, and it be sin unto thee.[n]

10 Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto.

11 For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.[o]

12 ¶ *And* if thy brother, an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman, be sold unto thee, and serve thee six years; then in the seventh year thou shalt let him go free from thee.

13 And when thou sendest him out free from thee, thou shalt not let him go away empty:

14 Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock, and out of thy floor, and out of thy winepress: *of that* wherewith the LORD thy God hath blessed thee thou shalt give unto him.

15 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day.[a]

16 And it shall be, if he say unto thee, I will not go away from thee; because he loveth thee and thine house, because he is well with thee;

17 Then thou shalt take an aul, and thrust *it* through his ear unto the door, and he shall be thy servant for ever. And also unto thy maidservant thou shalt do likewise.

18 It shall not seem hard unto thee, when thou sendest him away free from thee; for he hath been worth a double hired servant *to thee*, in serving thee six years: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all that thou doest.[b]

19 ¶ All the firstling males that come of thy herd and of thy flock thou shalt sanctify unto the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work with the firstling of thy bullock, nor shear the firstling of thy sheep.[c]

20 Thou shalt eat *it* before the LORD thy God year by year in the place which the LORD shall choose, thou and thy houshold.[d]

21 And if there be *any* blemish therein, *as if it be* lame, or blind, *or have* any ill blemish, thou shalt not sacrifice it unto the LORD thy God.[e]



THE HART.

22 Thou shalt eat it within thy gates: the unclean and the clean *person shall eat it* alike, as the roebuck, and as the hart.

23 Only thou shalt not eat the blood thereof; thou shalt pour it upon the ground as water.[f]

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[g] Exod xii 2, 29, 42, xiii. 4, xxxiv 18

[a] ch v. 15; xvi 12, Exod xxi 2, 3; Lev xxv 39, Prov. x. 22, Jer xxxiv 14

[h] ch xii 5, 26, Numb xxviii 19

[i] Exod xii 15, 19, 39, xiii. 3, 6, 7, xxxiv. 18

[j] Exod xii 10, xiii. 7, xxxiv 25

[b] Exod xxi 5, 6.

1 Or, *kill*

[c] Exod xiii 2, xxxiv 19; Lev xxvii 26, Numb iii. 13

[k] Exod. xii. 6, Matt. xxvi. 17, 30, Mark xiv. 17—21, Luke xxii 14.

[d] ch xii 5—7, 17; xiv. 23, xvi. 11, 14

[l] Exod. xii 8, 9, 2 Chron. xxxv. 13; 2 Kings xxiii. 21–23

[e] ch xvii. 1; Lev xxii. 20.

2 Heb *restraint*

[m] Exod. xii. 16, xiii. 6, Lev. xxiii. 8.

[n] Exod. xxiii. 16, xxxiv. 22; Lev xxiii. 15; Numb xxviii. 26; Acts ii. 1.

3 Or, *sufficiency*

[o] ver. 17, 1 Cor. xvi. 2

[p] ver. 14; ch. xii. 7, 12, 18; xv. 15.

4 Heb. *floor, and thy winepress.*

[q] Exod. xxiii. 16; Lev. xxiii. 34; Numb. xxix. 12.

[f] ch. xii. 15, 16, 22, 23

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *The feast of the passover,* 9 *of weeks,* 13 *of tabernacles.* 16 *Every male must offer, as he is able, at these three feasts.* 18 *Of judges and justice.* 21 *Groves and images are forbidden.*

OBSERVE the month of Abib, and keep the passover unto the LORD thy God: for in the month of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night.[g]

2 Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover unto the LORD thy God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which the LORD shall choose to place his name there.[h]

3 Thou shalt eat no leavened bread with it; seven days shalt thou eat unleavened bread therewith, *even* the bread of affliction; for thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt in haste: that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land of Egypt all the days of thy life.[i]

4 And there shall be no leavened bread seen with thee in all thy coast seven days; neither shall there *any thing* of the flesh, which thou sacrificedst the first day at even, remain all night until the morning.[j]

5 Thou mayest not [1]sacrifice the passover within any of thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee:

6 But at the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the passover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.[k]

7 And thou shalt roast and eat *it* in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: and thou shalt turn in the morning, and go unto thy tents.[l]

8 Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread: and on the seventh day *shall be* a [2]solemn assembly to the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work *therein*.[m]

9 ¶ Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the seven weeks from *such time as* thou beginnest *to put* the sickle to the corn.[n]

10 And thou shalt keep the feast of weeks unto the LORD thy God with a [3]tribute of a freewill offering of thine hand, which thou shalt give *unto the LORD thy God*, according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:[o]

11 And thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that *is* within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that *are* among you, in the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to place his name there.

12 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt observe and do these statutes.[p]

13 ¶ Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered in [4]thy corn and thy wine:[q]

14 And thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and

the fatherless, and the widow, that *are* within thy gates.[a]

15 Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the LORD thy God in the place which the LORD shall choose: because the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.[b]

16 ¶ Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:[c]

17 Every man *shall give* [1]as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee.[d]

18 ¶ Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with just judgment.[e]

19 Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift: for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the [2]words of the righteous.[f]

20 [3]That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou mayest live, and inherit the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.[g]

21 ¶ Thou shalt not plant thee a grove of any trees near unto the altar of the LORD thy God, which thou shalt make thee.

22 Neither shalt thou set thee up *any* [4]image; which the LORD thy God hateth.[h]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *The things sacrificed must be sound.* 2 *Idolaters must be slain.* 8 *Hard controversies are to be determined by the priests and judges.* 12 *The contemner of that determination must die.* 14 *The election,* 16 *and duty of a king.*

THOU shalt not sacrifice unto the LORD thy God *any* bullock, or [5]sheep, wherein is blemish, *or* any evilfavouredness: for that *is* an abomination unto the LORD thy God.[i]

2 ¶ If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee, man or woman, that hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God, in transgressing his covenant,

3 And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded;[j]

4 And it be told thee, and thou hast heard *of it*, and enquired diligently, and, behold, *it be* true, *and* the thing certain, *that* such abomination is wrought in Israel:

5 Then shalt thou bring forth that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, unto thy gates, *even* that man or that woman, and shalt stone them with stones, till they die.[k]

6 At the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he that is worthy of death be put to death; *but* at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.[l]

7 The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterward the hands of all the people. So thou shalt put the evil away from among you.[m]

8 ¶ If there arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment, between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between stroke and stroke, *being* matters of controversy within thy gates: then shalt thou arise, and get thee up into the place which the LORD thy God shall choose;[n]

9 And thou shalt come unto the priests the Levites, and unto the judge that shall be in those days, and enquire; and they shall shew thee the sentence of judgment:[o]

10 And thou shalt do according to the sentence, which they of that place which the LORD shall choose shall shew thee; and thou shalt observe to do according to all that they inform thee:

11 According to the sentence of the law which they shall teach thee, and according to the judgment which they shall tell thee, thou shalt do: thou shalt not decline from the sentence which they shall shew thee, *to* the right hand, nor *to* the left.

12 And the man that will do presumptuously, and [6]will not hearken unto the priest that standeth to minister there before the LORD thy God, or unto the judge, even that man shall die: and thou shalt put away the evil from Israel.[p]

13 And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously.[q]

14 ¶ When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that *are* about me;

15 Thou shalt in any wise set *him* king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: *one* from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which *is* not thy brother.[r]

16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way.[s]

17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold.[t]

18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of *that which is* before the priests the Levites:

19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:[u]

20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, *to* the right hand, or *to* the left: to the end that he may prolong *his* days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a ver 11; Neh. viii. 9—12.

l ch. xix. 15; Numb. xxxv 30; Matt. xviii. 16; John viii. 17; 2 Cor xiii 1; 1 Tim. v. 19; Heb. x. 28.

m ver 12, ch. xiii. 5, 9; xix. 19; Acts vii. 58.

b Lev. xxiii. 39, 40.

n ch x 11; xii. 5; xix. 4, 17; Exod. xxi. 12, 20, 22, 28; xxii. 2; Numb. xxxv 11, 16, 19, Ps. cxxii 5, 2 Chron. xix. 10, Hagg ii. 11; Mal. ii. 7.

c Exod. xxiii. 14, 15, 17; xxxiv 20, 23.

1 Heb *according to the gift of his hand.*

d ver 10, 2 Cor viii. 12

o ver. 8; ch. xix 17, Jer xviii. 18, Ezek. xliv. 24

e ch. i. 16, 1 Chron xxiii. 4; xxvi. 29, 2 Chron. xix. 5—8

2 Or, *matters*

f ch. i. 17; Exod xxiii. 2, 6, Lev xix. 15, Prov xxiv 23, Eccles. vii. 7

3 Heb *justice, justice*

g Ezek. xviii. 5—9.

6 Heb *not to hearken*

p ver 7, ch. xviii 5, Numb. xv. 30, Ezek. x. 8; Hos iv 4.

4 Or, *statue*, or, *pillar*

h Exod. xxxiv 13, Lev xxvi. 1, 1 Kings xiv 15, xvi. 33, 2 Kings xvii 16, xxi. 3, 2 Chron. xxxiii 2—5

q ch xiii. 11; xix. 20

5 Or, *goat*

r 1 Sam. viii 15, 19, 20, ix. 15, x. 24, xvi. 12, 1 Chron. xxii. 10, Jer xxx. 21.

i ch xv 21, Mal. i. 8, 13, 14.

s 1 Kings iv 26, x. 26, 28; Ps xx 7, Isa. xxxi 1, Ezek xvii. 15

t 1 Kings xi 3, 4

j ch iv 19, xiii. 6, Josh vii 11, 15, xxiii 16, Judg ii 20, 2 Kings xviii. 12, Hos. viii. 1; Job xxxi. 26—28.

u ch. xxxi 9, 26; Josh. i. 8; 2 Kings xxii. 8—13; Ps. cxix. 97, 98.

k ch. xiii. 10; Lev. xxiv. 14, 16, Josh. vii. 25.

v ch. v. 32; 1 Kings xv. 5.



PRIESTS AND LEVITES SHEWING THE SENTENCE OF JUDGMENT.

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 The Lord is the priests' and Levites' inheritance. 3 The priest's due. 6 The Levite's portion. 9 The abominations of the nations are to be avoided. 15 Christ the Prophet is to be heard. 20 The presumptuous prophet is to die.

THE Levites, *and* all the tribe of Levi, shall have no part nor inheritance with Israel: they shall eat the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and his inheritance.

2 Therefore shall they have no inheritance among their brethren: the LORD *is* their inheritance, as he hath said unto them.[a]

3 ¶ And this shall be the priest's due from the people, from them that offer a sacrifice, whether *it be* ox or sheep; and they shall give unto the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks, and the maw.[b]

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[c] Exod. xxii. 29; Numb. xviii. 12, 24

[d] ch. x. 8; xvii. 12, Exod. xxviii. 1; Numb iii. 10

[1] Heb. *his sales by the fathers.*

[e] ch. xii. 5; Numb. xxxv 2, 3, 2 Chron. xxxi. 2, 4, Neh xii. 44, 47.

[a] ch. x. 9, Numb. xviii. 8, 9, 20; xxvi. 22, 1 Cor. ix. 13.

[f] ch. xii. 29—31; Lev xviii. 26, 27, 30.

[b] Lev. vii. 30—34

4 The firstfruit *also* of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the first of the fleece of thy sheep, shalt thou give him.[c]

5 For the LORD thy God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes, to stand to minister in the name of the LORD, him and his sons for ever.[d]

6 ¶ And if a Levite come from any of thy gates out of all Israel, where he sojourned, and come with all the desire of his mind unto the place which the LORD shall choose;

7 Then he shall minister in the name of the LORD his God, as all his brethren the Levites *do*, which stand there before the LORD.

8 They shall have like portions to eat, [1]beside that which cometh of the sale of his patrimony.[e]

9 ¶ When thou art come into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations.[f]

10 There shall not be found among you *any one* that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through

the fire, *or* that useth divination, *or* an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch,[a]

11 Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer.

12 For all that do these things *are* an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee.[b]

13 Thou shalt be [1]perfect with the LORD thy God.[c]

14 For these nations, which thou shalt [2]possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so *to do.*

15 ¶ The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken;

16 According to all that thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb in the day of the assembly, saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not.

17 And the LORD said unto me, They have well *spoken that* which they have spoken.[d]

18 I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

19 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require *it* of him.[e]

20 But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.[f]

21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken?

22 When a prophet speaketh in the name of the LORD, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that *is* the thing which the LORD hath not spoken, *but* the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.[g]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *The cities of refuge.* 4 *The privilege thereof for the manslayer.* 14 *The landmark is not to be removed.* 15 *Two witnesses at the least.* 16 *The punishment of a false witness.*

WHEN the LORD thy God hath cut off the nations, whose land the LORD thy God giveth thee, and thou [3]succeedest them, and dwellest in their cities, and in their houses;

2 Thou shalt separate three cities for thee in the midst of thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.[h]

3 Thou shalt prepare thee a way, and divide the coasts of thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee to inherit, into three parts, that every slayer may flee thither.[i]

4 ¶ And this *is* the case of the slayer, which shall flee thither, that he may live: Whoso killeth his neighbour ignorantly, whom he hated not [4]in time past;[j]

5 As when a man goeth into the wood with his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand fetcheth a stroke with the ax to cut down the tree, and the [5]head slippeth from the [6]helve, and [7]lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die; he shall flee unto one of those cities, and live:

6 Lest the avenger of the blood pursue the slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long, and [8]slay him; whereas he *was* not worthy of death, inasmuch as he hated him not [9]in time past.[k]

7 Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt separate three cities for thee.

8 And if the LORD thy God enlarge thy coast, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, and give thee all the land which he promised to give unto thy fathers;

9 If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day, to love the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways; then shalt thou add three cities more for thee, beside these three:

10 That innocent blood be not shed in thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance, and *so* blood be upon thee.[l]

11 ¶ But if any man hate his neighbour, and lie in wait for him, and rise up against him, and smite him [10]mortally that he die, and fleeth into one of these cities:[m]

12 Then the elders of his city shall send and fetch him thence, and deliver him into the hand of the avenger of blood, that he may die.

13 Thine eye shall not pity him, but thou shalt put away *the guilt of* innocent blood from Israel, that it may go well with thee.[n]

14 ¶ Thou shalt not remove thy neighbour's landmark, which they of old time have set in thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.[o]

15 ¶ One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established.[p]

16 ¶ If a false witness rise up against any man to testify against him *that which is* [11]wrong;[q]

17 Then both the men, between whom the controversy *is*, shall stand before the LORD, before the priests and the judges, which shall be in those days;

18 And the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, *if* the witness *be* a false witness, *and* hath testified falsely against his brother;

19 Then shall ye do unto him, as he had thought to have done unto his brother: so shalt thou put the evil away from among you.[r]

20 And those which remain shall hear, and fear, and shall henceforth commit no more any such evil among you.[s]

21 And thine eye shall not pity; *but* life *shall go* for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.[t]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a ch xii 31; Lev. xviii. 21, xix 26, 31; xx. 27; Isa. viii. 19.

4 Heb. *from yesterday the third day.*

j ch. iv. 42—44.

5 Heb. *iron.*

6 Heb. *wood.*

7 Heb. *findeth.*

b ch. ix. 4; Lev. xviii. 24, 25.

1 Or, *upright*, or, *sincere*

c Gen. xvii 1.

2 Or, *inherit*

8 Heb *smite him in life.*

9 Heb. *from yesterday the third day.*

k Numb. xxxv 12

d ver 18; ch. v 28, ix. 10; Exod. xx 19, John i. 45; Acts iii 22; vii 37; Heb xii. 19

l ch. xii. 20; Gen xv 18, Josh xx 7, 8

10 Heb. *in life*

e ver 17; John iv. 25; viii. 28, 29, xii 49, 50, xvii. 8, Acts iii 23

m ch xxvii 24; Exod. xxi 12—14, Numb xxxv. 16, 24; Prov. xxviii 17

f ch xiii. 1—5, Jer ii 8; xiv 14, 15; Zech. xiii. 3.

n ch xiii 8; xxi 9, xxv 12, Numb. xxxv 33, 34, 1 Kings ii 31.

o ch. xxvii 17, Job xxiv 2, Prov xxii 28, Hos. v 10.

g ver 20, ch xiii 2, Jer xxviii 9

p ch xvii 6, Numb. xxxv 30, Matt. xviii 16, John viii. 17, 2 Cor xiii 1, 1 Tim v 19, Heb. x 28

11 Or, *falling away*

q Exod xx 16, Deut. xix 16—18, Ps xxvii 12 xxxv 11, Prov xix *b*, xxi 28, Matt xxvi 59, 60, Mark xiv 56, 57, Acts vi. 13

3 Heb *inheritest*, or, *possessest*

r ch xiii 5, xvii. 7, 9; xxi 5; Prov. xix. 5, 9, Dan vi. 24.

h ch xii 29

s ch xvii 13, xxi. 21.

i Exod. xxi 13; Numb. xxxv. 10—29; Jos. xx. 2—9.

t ver 13; Exod. xxi. 23; Lev. xxiv. 20; Matt. v 38

CHAPTER XX.

The priest's exhortation to encourage the people to battle. 5 *The officers' proclamation who are to be dismissed from the war.* 10 *How to use the cities that accept or refuse the proclamation of peace.* 16 *What cities must be devoted.* 19 *Trees of man's meat must not be destroyed in the siege.*

WHEN thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, *and* a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.[a]

2 And it shall be, when ye are come nigh unto the battle, that the priest shall approach and speak unto the people,

3 And shall say unto them, Hear, O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your enemies: let not your hearts [1]faint, fear not, and do not [2]tremble, neither be ye terrified because of them;

4 For the LORD your God *is* he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.[b]

5 ¶ And the officers shall speak unto the people, saying, What man *is there* that hath built a new house, and hath not dedicated it? let him go and return to his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man dedicate it.

6 And what man *is he* that hath planted a vineyard, and hath not *yet* [3]eaten of it? let him *also* go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man eat of it.

7 And what man *is there* that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not taken her? let him go and return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man take her.[c]

8 And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say, What man *is there that* is fearful and fainthearted? let him go and return unto his house, lest his brethren's heart [4]faint as well as his heart.[d]

9 And it shall be, when the officers have made an end of speaking unto the people, that they shall make captains of the armies [5]to lead the people.

10 ¶ When thou comest nigh unto a city to fight against it, then proclaim peace unto it.

11 And it shall be, if it make thee answer of peace, and open unto thee, then it shall be, *that* all the people *that is* found therein shall be tributaries unto thee, and they shall serve thee.

12 And if it will make no peace with thee, but will make war against thee, then thou shalt besiege it:

13 And when the LORD thy God hath delivered it into thine hands, thou shalt smite every male thereof with the edge of the sword:[e]

14 But the women, and the little ones, and the cattle, and all that is in the city, *even* all the spoil thereof, shalt thou [6]take unto thyself; and thou shalt eat the spoil of thine enemies, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.[f]

15 Thus shalt thou do unto all the cities *which are* very far off from thee, which *are* not of the cities of these nations.

16 But of the cities of these people, which the LORD thy God doth give thee *for* an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth:

17 But thou shalt utterly destroy them; *namely*, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee:[g]

18 That they teach you not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto their gods, so should ye sin against the LORD your God.[h]

19 ¶ When thou shalt besiege a city a long time, in making war against it to take it, thou shalt not destroy the trees thereof by forcing an ax against them: for thou mayest eat of them, and thou shalt not cut them down (for the tree of the field *is* man's *life*) [8]to employ *them* in the siege:

20 Only the trees which thou knowest that they *be* not trees for meat, thou shalt destroy and cut them down; and thou shalt build bulwarks against the city that maketh war with thee, until [9]it be subdued.

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *The expiation of an uncertain murder.* 10 *The usage of a captive taken to wife.* 15 *The firstborn is not to be disinherited upon private affection.* 18 *A stubborn son is to be stoned to death* 22 *The malefactor must not hang all night on a tree.*

IF *one* be found slain in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it, lying in the field, *and* it be not known who hath slain him:

2 Then thy elders and thy judges shall come forth, and they shall measure unto the cities which *are* round about him that is slain:

3 And it shall be, *that* the city *which is* next unto the slain man, even the elders of that city shall take an heifer, which hath not been wrought with, *and* which hath not drawn in the yoke;

4 And the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer unto a rough valley, which is neither eared nor sown, and shall strike off the heifer's neck there in the valley:

5 And the priests the sons of Levi shall come near; for them the LORD thy God hath chosen to minister unto him, and to bless in the name of the LORD; and by their [10]word shall every controversy and every stroke be *tried*:[i]

6 And all the elders of that city, *that are* next unto the slain *man*, shall wash their hands over the heifer that is beheaded in the valley:

7 And they shall answer and say, Our hands have not shed this blood, neither have our eyes seen *it*.[j]

8 Be merciful, O LORD, [11]unto thy people Israel,

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6 Heb. *spoil.*

f Numb. xxxi. 9; Josh. xxii. 8.

g ch. vii 1, 2; Numb xxi. 2, 3, 35; xxxiii 52, Josh xi 14

a ch xxxi. 6, 8; Numb. xxiii 21, 2 Chron. xiii. 12, xxxii. 7, 8

h ch vii 4, xii. 30, 31, xviii. 9; Exod xxiii 33

7 Or, *for a man, the tree of the field is to be employed in the siege*

8 Heb *to go from before thee*

1 Heb. *be tender*

2 Heb. *make haste*

9 Heb *it come down.*

b ver 1; ch 30; iii. 22; Josh xxiii 10

3 Heb. *made it common.*

c ch xxiv 5

4 Heb. *melt*

d Judg vii. 3

5 Heb. *to be in the head of the people.*

10 Heb. *mouth.*

i ch x. 8; xvii. 8, 10; Lev x. 11; 1 Chron. xxiii. 13; Ezra vii. 10; Jer xviii. 18; Hagg. ii. 11; Mal. ii. 7.

e Numb. xxxi. 7.

j Ps. xxvi. 6.

11 Heb *in the midst*



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whom thou hast redeemed, and lay not innocent blood unto thy people of Israel's charge. And the blood shall be forgiven them.[a]

9 So shalt thou put away the *guilt of* innocent blood from among you, when thou shalt do *that which is* right in the sight of the LORD.[b]

10 ¶ When thou goest forth to war against thine enemies, and the LORD thy God hath delivered them into thine hands, and thou hast taken them captive,

11 And seest among the captives a beautiful woman, and hast a desire unto her, that thou wouldest have her to thy wife;

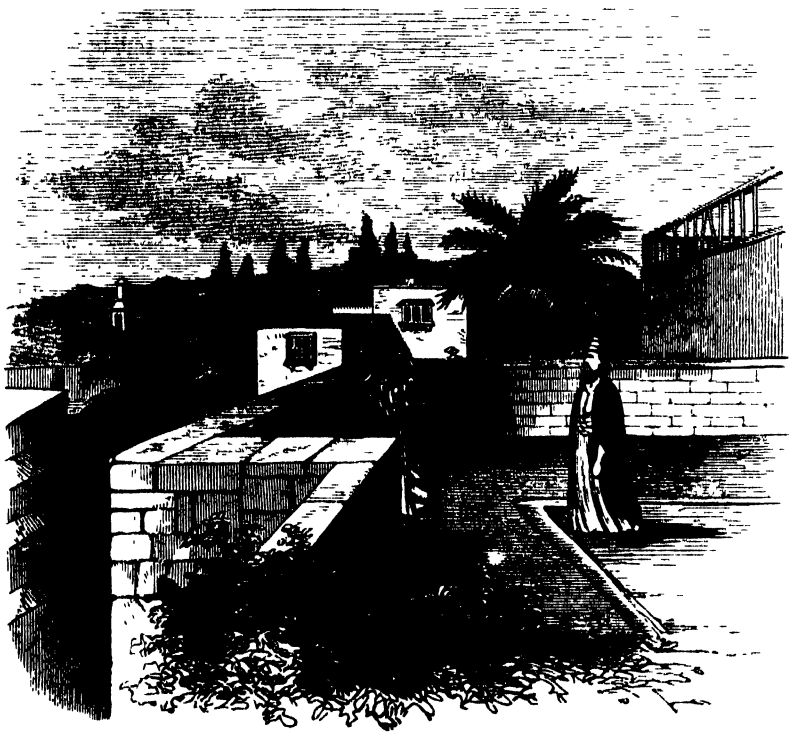
12 Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house; and she shall shave her head, and [1]pare her nails;

13 And she shall put the raiment of her captivity from off her, and shall remain in thine house, and bewail her father and her mother a full month: and after that thou shalt go in unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife.

14 And it shall be, if thou have no delight in her, then thou shalt let her go whither she will; but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, thou shalt not make merchandise of her, because thou hast humbled her.[c]

15 ¶ If a man have two wives, one beloved, and another hated, and they have born him children, *both* the beloved and the hated; and *if* the firstborn son be her's that was hated:

16 Then it shall be, when he maketh his sons to inherit *that* which he hath, *that* he may not make the son of the beloved firstborn before the son of the hated, *which is indeed* the firstborn:[d]



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17 But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated *for* the firstborn, by giving him a double portion of all [2]that he hath: for he *is* the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn *is* his.[e]

18 ¶ If a man have a stubborn and rebellious son, which will not obey the voice of his father, or the voice of his mother, and *that*, when they have chastened him, will not hearken unto them:

19 Then shall his father and his mother lay hold on him, and bring him out unto the elders of his city, and unto the gate of his place;

20 And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son *is* stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; *he is* a glutton, and a drunkard.

21 And all the men of his city shall stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put evil away from among you; and all Israel shall hear, and fear.[f]

22 ¶ And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree:

23 His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; (for he that is hanged *is* [3]accursed of God;) that thy land be not defiled, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.[g]

Before Christ 1451.

a Jonah i. 14

b ch xix 13

f ch xiii 5, 11, xix 19, 20, xxii. 21, 24

1 Or, *suffer them to grow.* Heb *make, or, dress*

3 Heb *the curse of God*

g ch xix 6, xxii 26, Lev xviii 25, Numb xxxv 34, Josh viii 29, x 26, 27, 2 Sam xxi 6, John xix 31, Gal iii 13

d 1 Chron v 2, xxvi. 10, 2 Chron xi 19, 22

h Exod xxiii 4

e Gen. xxv. 31, 33; xlix. 3, 1 Chron. v. 1.

i Exod xxiii. 5.

j Lev xxii 28.

k ch. iv. 40

2 Heb. *that is, found with him.*

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Of humanity toward brethren.* 5 *The sex is to be distinguished by apparel* 6 *The dam is not to be taken with her young ones* 8 *The house must have battlements* 9 *Confusion is to be avoided.* 12 *Fringes upon the vesture.* 13 *The punishment of him that slandereth his wife* 20, 22 *Of adultery,* 25 *of rape,* 28 *and of fornication.* 30 *Incest.*

THOU shalt not see thy brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt in any case bring them again unto thy brother.[h]

2 And if thy brother *be* not nigh unto thee, or if thou know him not, then thou shalt bring it unto thine own house, and it shall be with thee until thy brother seek after it, and thou shalt restore it to him again.

3 In like manner shalt thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do with his raiment; and with all lost thing of thy brother's, which he hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou do likewise: thou mayest not hide thyself.

4 ¶ Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his ox fall down by the way, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt surely help him to lift *them* up again.[i]

5 ¶ The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so *are* abomination unto the LORD thy God.

6 ¶ If a bird's nest chance to be before thee in the way in any tree, or on the ground, *whether they be* young ones, or eggs, and the dam sitting upon the young, or upon the eggs, thou shalt not take the dam with the young:[j]

7 *But* thou shalt in any wise let the dam go, and take the young to thee; that it may be well with thee, and *that* thou mayest prolong *thy* days.[k]

8 ¶ When thou buildest a new house, then thou shalt make a battlement for thy roof, that thou bring not blood upon thine house, if any man fall from thence.

9 ¶ Thou shalt not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds: lest the [1]fruit of thy seed which thou hast sown, and the fruit of thy vineyard, be defiled.[a]

10 ¶ Thou shalt not plow with an ox and an ass together.[b]

11 ¶ Thou shalt not wear a garment of divers sorts, *as* of woollen and linen together.[c]

12 ¶ Thou shalt make thee fringes upon the four [2]quarters of thy vesture, wherewith thou coverest *thyself*

13 ¶ If any man take a wife, and go in unto her, and hate her,

14 And give occasions of speech against her, and bring up an evil name upon her, and say, I took this woman, and when I came to her, I found her not a maid:

15 Then shall the father of the damsel, and her mother, take and bring forth *the tokens of* the damsel's virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate:

16 And the damsel's father shall say unto the elders, I gave my daughter unto this man to wife, and he hateth her;

17 And, lo, he hath given occasions of speech *against her*, saying, I found not thy daughter a maid; and yet these *are the tokens of* my daughter's virginity. And they shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city.

18 And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him;

19 And they shall amerce him in an hundred *shekels* of silver, and give *them* unto the father of the damsel, because he hath brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife; he may not put her away all his days.

20 But if this thing be true, *and the tokens of* virginity be not found for the damsel:

21 Then they shall bring out the damsel to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone her with stones that she die: because she hath wrought folly in Israel, to play the whore in her father's house: so shalt thou put evil away from among you.[d]

22 ¶ If a man be found lying with a woman married to an husband, then they shall both of them die, *both* the man that lay with the woman, and the woman: so shalt thou put away evil from Israel.[e]

23 ¶ If a damsel *that is* a virgin be betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the city, and lie with her;

24 Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, *being* in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so then shalt put away evil from among you.[f]

25 ¶ But if a man find a betrothed damsel in the field, and the man [3]force her, and lie with her: then the man only that lay with her shall die:[g]

26 But unto the damsel thou shalt do nothing; *there is* in the damsel no sin *worthy* of death: for as when a man riseth against his neighbour, and slayeth him, even so *is* this matter:

27 For he found her in the field, *and* the betrothed damsel cried, and *there was* none to save her.

28 ¶ If a man find a damsel *that is* a virgin, which is not betrothed, and lay hold on her, and lie with her, and they be found;

29 Then the man that lay with her shall give unto the damsel's father fifty *shekels* of silver, and she shall be his wife; because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days.[h]

30 ¶ A man shall not take his father's wife, nor discover his father's skirt.[i]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *Who may or may not enter into the congregation.* 9 *Uncleanness to be avoided in the host.* 15 *Of the fugitive servant.* 17 *Of filthiness.* 18 *Of abominable sacrifices.* 19 *Of usury.* 21 *Of vows.* 24 *Of trespasses.*

HE that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut off, shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD.

2 A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the congregation of the LORD.

3 An Ammonite or Moabite shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD; even to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the congregation of the LORD for ever:[j]

4 Because they met you not with bread and with water in the way, when ye came forth out of Egypt; and because they hired against thee Balaam the son of Beor of Pethor of Mesopotamia, to curse thee.[k]

5 Nevertheless the LORD thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because the LORD thy God loved thee.

6 Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their [4]prosperity all thy days for ever.[l]

7 ¶ Thou shalt not abhor an Edomite; for he *is* thy brother: thou shalt not abhor an Egyptian; because thou wast a stranger in his land.[m]

8 The children that are begotten of them shall enter into the congregation of the LORD in their third generation.

9 ¶ When the host goeth forth against thine enemies, then keep thee from every wicked thing.

10 ¶ If there be among you any man, that is not clean by reason of uncleanness that chanceth him by night, then shall he go abroad out of the camp, he shall not come within the camp:

11 But it shall be, when evening [5]cometh on, he shall wash *himself* with water: and when the sun is down, he shall come into the camp *again*.[n]

12 ¶ Thou shalt have a place also without the camp, whither thou shalt go forth abroad:

13 And thou shalt have a paddle upon thy weapon; and it shall be, when thou [6]wilt ease thyself abroad,

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1 Heb. *fulness of thy seed.*
a Lev. xix. 19.
b 2 Cor. vi. 14—16.
c Lev. xix. 19
2 Heb. *wings.*
h ver 24; Exod. xxii. 16, 17.
i ch xxvii. 20, Lev. xviii. 8; xx. 11.
j Neh. xiii. 1, 2
k ch. ii 29; Numb xxii 5, 6.
d ch xiii. 5, Gen xxxiv 7, Judg xx 6, 10, 2 Sam xiii. 12, 13
4 Heb *good.*
l Ezra ix. 12.
e Lev. xx. 10, John viii. 5.
m ch x. 19, Exod xxii 21, xxiii 9; Lev xix. 34, Obad. 10—12
f vs. 21, 22, ch xxi 14.
5 Heb *turneth toward.*
3 Or, *take strong hold of her.*
g 2 Sam. xiii. 14
n Lev. xv 5, 16
6 Heb. *sittest down.*

thou shalt dig therewith, and shalt turn back and cover that which cometh from thee:

14 For the LORD thy God walketh in the midst of thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee; therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he see [1]no unclean thing in thee, and turn away from thee.[a]

15 ¶ Thou shalt not deliver unto his master the servant which is escaped from his master unto thee:

16 He shall dwell with thee, *even* among you, in that place which he shall choose in one of thy gates, where it [2]liketh him best: thou shalt not oppress him.[b]

17 ¶ There shall be no [3]whore of the daughters of Israel, nor a sodomite of the sons of Israel.[c]

18 Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the price of a dog, into the house of the LORD thy God for any vow: for even both these *are* abomination unto the Lord thy God.

19 ¶ Thou shalt not lend upon usury to thy brother; usury of money, usury of victuals, usury of any thing that is lent upon usury:[d]

20 Unto a stranger thou mayest lend upon usury; but unto thy brother thou shalt not lend upon usury: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all that thou settest thine hand to in the land whither thou goest to possess it.[e]

21 ¶ When thou shalt vow a vow unto the LORD thy God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee.

22 But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee.[f]

23 That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform; *even* a freewill offering, according as thou hast vowed unto the LORD thy God, which thou hast promised with thy mouth.[g]

24 ¶ When thou comest into thy neighbour's vineyard, then thou mayest eat grapes thy fill at thine own pleasure; but thou shalt not put *any* in thy vessel.

25 When thou comest into the standing corn of thy neighbour, then thou mayest pluck the ears with thine hand; but thou shalt not move a sickle unto thy neighbour's standing corn.[h]

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Of divorce.* 5 *A new married man goeth not to war.* 6, 10 *Of pledges.* 7 *Of manstealers.* 8 *Of leprosy.* 14 *The hire is to be given.* 16 *Of justice.* 19 *Of charity.*

WHEN a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some [4]uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of [5]divorcement, and give *it* in her hand, and send her out of his house.[i]

2 And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's *wife.*

3 And *if* the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and giveth *it* in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which took her *to be* his wife;

4 Her former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that *is* abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.[j]

5 ¶ When a man hath taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war, [6]neither shall he be charged with any business: *but* he shall be free at home one year, and shall cheer up his wife which he hath taken.[k]

6 ¶ No man shall take the nether or the upper millstone to pledge: for he taketh *a man's* life to pledge.

7 ¶ If a man be found stealing any of his brethren of the children of Israel, and maketh merchandise of him, or selleth him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt put evil away from among you.[l]

8 ¶ Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou observe diligently, and do according to all that the priests the Levites shall teach you: as I commanded them, *so* ye shall observe to do.[m]

9 Remember what the LORD thy God did unto Miriam by the way, after that ye were come forth out of Egypt.[n]

10 ¶ When thou dost [7]lend thy brother any thing, thou shalt not go into his house to fetch his pledge.

11 Thou shalt stand abroad, and the man to whom thou dost lend shall bring out the pledge abroad unto thee.

12 And if the man *be* poor, thou shalt not sleep with his pledge:

13 In any case thou shalt deliver him the pledge again when the sun goeth down, that he may sleep in his own raiment, and bless thee: and it shall be righteousness unto thee before the LORD thy God.[o]

14 ¶ Thou shalt not oppress an hired servant *that is* poor and needy, *whether he be* of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that *are* in thy land within thy gates:[p]

15 At his day thou shalt give *him* his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he *is* poor, and [8]setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee.[q]

16 The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin.[r]

17 ¶ Thou shalt not pervert the judgment of the stranger, *nor* of the fatherless; nor take a widow's raiment to pledge:[s]

18 But thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing.[t]

19 ¶ When thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field, and hast forgot a sheaf in the field, thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands.[u]

20 When thou beatest thine olive tree, [9]thou shalt not go over the boughs again: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.

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1 Heb *nakedness of any thing*

a Lev. xxvi. 12.

j Jer iii. 1.

6 Heb. *not any thing shall pass upon him.*

k ch. xx. 7; Prov. v. 18.

2 Heb. *is good for him.*

b Exod. xxii. 21, 1 Sam. xxx. 15

3 Or, *sodomites*

c Gen. xix 5, Lev xix. 29, 2 Kings xxiii. 7; Prov. ii. 16.

l ch xix. 19, Exod. xxi. 16

d ch. xxiii. 19, 20; Exod. xxii. 25, Lev xxv 36, 37, Neh. v 7, 10, Ps. xv 5; Prov. xxviii. 8, Isa. xxiv. 2, Jer xv 10, Ezek. xviii. 8, 17

m Lev xiv 15

n Numb xii. 10

7 Heb *lend the loan of any thing to*

e ch. xv. 3, 10; Lev xix. 34.

f Numb xxx. 2, Eccles. v. 4, 5

o ch vi, 25; Exod. xx 26; Job xxix 11, 14; Ps. cvi. 31, cxii. 9

g ver 22; Ps. xv 4, lxvi. 13, 14

p Mal iii 5

8 Heb *lifteth his soul unto it*

q Lev xix. 13, Jer xxii. 13, James v. 4.

h Matt xii 1, Mark ii. 23; Luke vi. 1.

r 2 Kings xiv 6; 2 Chron. xxv 4, Jer xxxi 29, 30; Ezek. xviii. 20

s Exod. xxii. 21, 22, Prov xxii. 22, Isa. i. 23, Jer v. 28, xxii. 3, Ezek xxii. 29, Zech vii. 10, Mal. iii. 5.

t ver. 22, ch. xvi. 12, Exod. xxii. 26

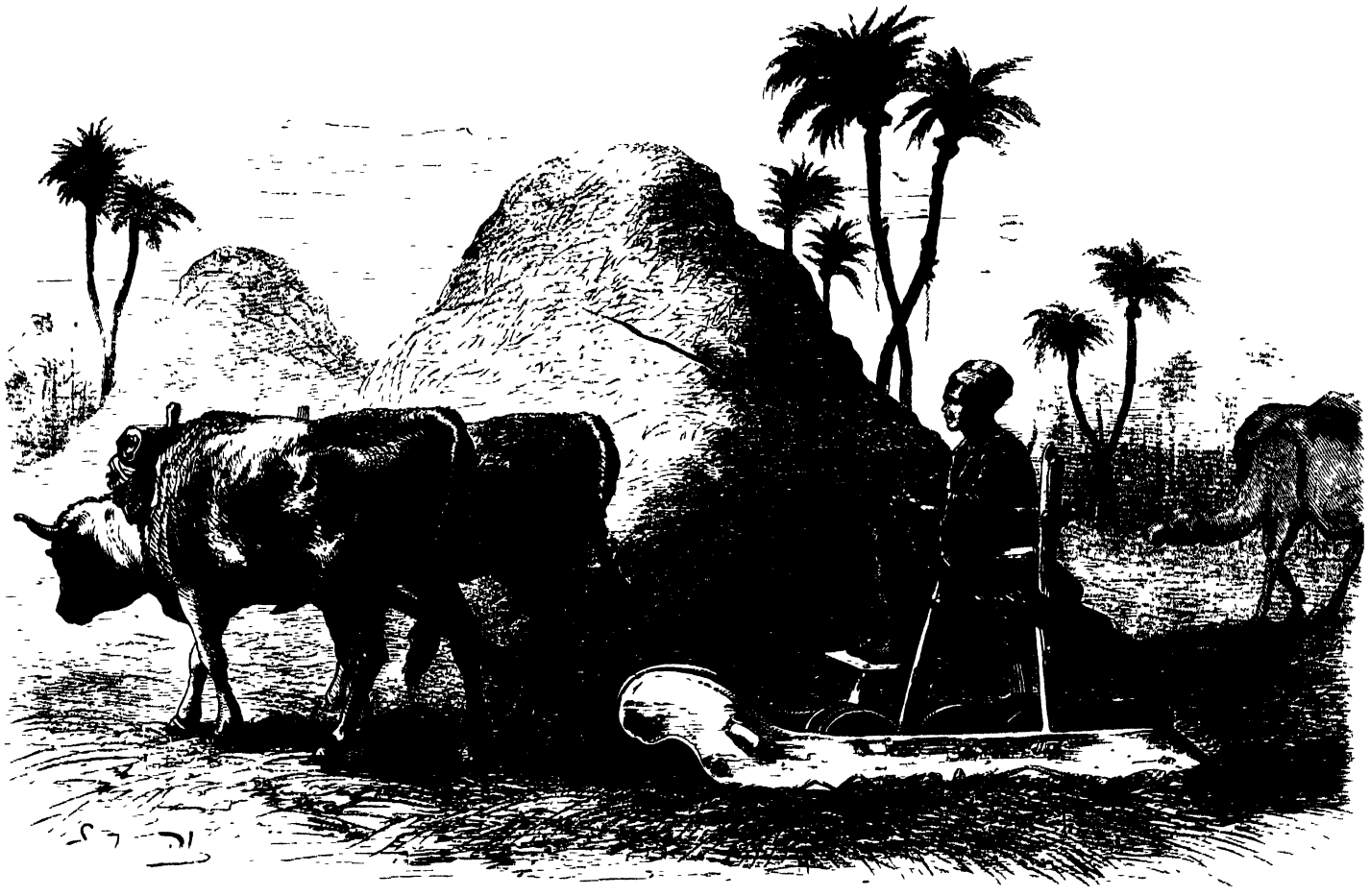
4 Heb *matter of nakedness*

5 Heb. *cutting off.*

i Matt. v. 31; xix. 7, Mark x. 4.

u ver 13; ch xv 10, Lev. xix 9, 10, xxiii. 22, Ps xii 1, Prov xix. 17.

9 Heb. *thou shalt not bough it after thee.*



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21 When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard, thou shalt not glean *it* [1]afterward: it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.

22 And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I demand thee to do this thing.[e]

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *Stripes must not exceed forty.* 4 *The ox is not to be muzzled.* 5 *Of raising seed unto a brother.* 11 *Of the immodest woman.* 13 *Of unjust weights.* 17 *The memory of Amalek is to be blotted out.*

IF there be a controversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that *the judges* may judge them; then they shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked.[b]

2 And it shall be, if the wicked man *be* worthy to be beaten, that the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault, by a certain number.

3 Forty stripes he may give him, *and* not exceed: lest, *if* he should exceed, and beat him above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem vile unto thee.[c]

4 ¶ Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he [2]treadeth out *the corn.*[d]

5 ¶ If brethren dwell together, and one of them

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1 Heb. *after thee.*

e Or, *next kinsman*

e Gen. xxxviii. 8, Ruth i. 12, 13; iii. 9; Matt. xxii. 24, Mark xii. 19; Luke xx. 28.

a ver. 18.

f Ruth iv. 10.

4 Or, *ox*

g Ruth iv. 1, 2.

b ch. xix. 17; Prov. xvii. 15; Ezek. xliv. 24.

Ruth iv. 6, 7, 11.

c Job xviii 3; Matt. x. 17; Luke xii. 48; 2 Cor.

2 Heb. *threshcth.*

d Prov. xii. 10, 1 Cor. ix. 9; 1 Tim. v. 18.

die, and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her [3]husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her.[e]

6 And it shall be, *that* the firstborn which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his brother *which is* dead, that his name be not put out of Israel.[f]

7 And if the man like not to take his [4]brother's wife, then let his brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.[g]

8 Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and *if* he stand *to it*, and say, I like not to take her;

9 Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house.

10 And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.[h]

11 ¶ When men strive together one with another, and the wife of the one draweth near for to deliver her husband out of the hand of him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand, and taketh him by the secrets:

12 Then thou shalt cut off her hand, thine eye shall not pity *her.*



THE BASKET OF FIRSTFRUITS.

13 ¶ Thou shalt not have in thy bag [1]divers weights, a great and a small.[a]

14 Thou shalt not have in thine house [2]divers measures, a great and a small.

15 *But* thou shalt have a perfect and just weight, a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.[b]

16 For all that do such things, *and* all that do unrighteously, *are* an abomination unto the LORD thy God.[c]

17 ¶ Remember what Amalek did unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt;

18 How he met thee by the way, and smote the hindmost of thee, *even* all *that were* feeble behind thee, when thou *wast* faint and wear; and he feared not God.[d]

19 Therefore it shall be, when the LORD thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance to possess it, *that* thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget *it*.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451

1 Heb *a stone and a stone*

a Lev xix 35, 36; Prov xi 1; Ezek. xlv. 10; Micah vi 11

2 Heb *an ephah and an ephah.*

b Exod xx. 12

c Prov. xi. 1; 1 Thess. iv. 6

d Exod xvii. 8; Ps. xxxvi 1, Prov. xvi. 6; Rom iii. 18.

f ch. xii. 5; xvi. 10; Exod. xxiii. 19; xxxiv. 26; Numb. xviii. 13; Prov. iii. 9

e Exod. xvii. 14; 1 1 xv. 3.

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *The confession of him that offereth the basket of firstfruits.* 12 *The prayer of him that giveth his third year's tithes.* 16 *The covenant between God and the people.*

AND it shall be, when thou *art* come in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein;

2 That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt put *it* in a basket, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there.[f]

3 And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess this day unto the LORD thy God, that I am come unto the country which the LORD sware unto our fathers for to give us.

4 And the priest shall take the basket out of thine

hand, and set it down before the altar of the LORD thy God.

5 And thou shalt speak and say before the LORD thy God, A Syrian ready to perish *was* my father, and he went down into Egypt, and sojourned there with a few, and became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous:[a]

6 And the Egyptians evil entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage:

7 And when we cried unto the LORD God of our fathers, the LORD heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression:

8 And the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders:[b]

9 And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, *even* a land that floweth with milk and honey.[c]

10 And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God:

11 And thou shalt rejoice in every good *thing* which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that *is* among you.[d]

12 ¶ When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithes of thine increase the third year, *which is* the year of tithing, and hast given *it* unto the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled;[e]

13 Then thou shalt say before the LORD thy God, I have brought away the hallowed things out of *mine* house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all thy commandments which thou hast commanded me: I have not transgressed thy commandments, neither have I forgotten *them*:[f]

14 I have not eaten thereof in my mourning, neither have I taken away *ought* thereof for *any* unclean *use*, nor given *ought* thereof for the dead: *but* I have hearkened to the voice of the LORD my God, *and* have done according to all that thou hast commanded me.[g]

15 Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and the land which thou hast given us, as thou swarest unto our fathers, a land that floweth with milk and honey.[h]

16 ¶ This day the LORD thy God hath commanded thee to do these statutes and judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.

17 Thou hast avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and to hearken unto his voice:

18 And the LORD hath avouched thee this day to be his peculiar people, as he hath promised thee, and that *thou* shouldest keep all his commandments;

19 And to make thee high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the LORD thy God, as he hath spoken.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[a] ch. x. 22; Gen. xlvi. 1, 2; xlv. 7, 11; xlvi. 1, 6, 27; Hos. xii. 12; Acts vii. 15.

[b] ch iv. 34; Exod. i. 11, 14; ii. 23—25; iii. 9; iv 31; Exod. xii. 37, 51; xiii. 3, 14—16; xv. 1-18.

[c] Exod. iii. 8.

[d] ch. xii. 7, 12, 18; xvi. 11.

[e] ch. xiv 28, 29; Lev. xxvii. 30; Numb. xviii. 24.

[f] Pa. cxix. 141, 153, 176.

[g] Lev vii. 20, xxi. 1, 11; Hos. ix. 4.

[h] Isa. lxiii 15, Zech. ii. 13

[i] ch iv. 16, 23; v. 8, Exod. xx. 4, 23; xxxiv 17, Lev xix. 4, xxvi 1; Numb v 22; Isa. xliv 9; Jer. xl. 5; Hos. xiii. 2.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *The people are commanded to write the law upon stones,* 5 *and to build an altar of whole stones.* 11 *The tribes divided on Gerizim and Ebal.* 14 *The curses pronounced on mount Ebal.*

AND Moses with the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, Keep all the commandments which I command you this day.

2 And it shall be on the day when ye shall pass over Jordan unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, that thou shalt set thee up great stones, and plaister them with plaister:

3 And thou shalt write upon them all the words of this law, when thou art passed over, that thou mayest go in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, a land that floweth with milk and honey; as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee.

4 Therefore it shall be when ye be gone over Jordan, *that* ye shall set up these stones, which I command you this day, in mount Ebal, and thou shalt plaister them with plaister.[j]

5 And there shalt thou build an altar unto the LORD thy God, an altar of stones: thou shalt not lift up *any* iron *tool* upon them.[k]

6 Thou shalt build the altar of the LORD thy God of whole stones: and thou shalt offer burnt offerings thereon unto the LORD thy God:

7 And thou shalt offer peace offerings, and shalt eat there, and rejoice before the LORD thy God.[l]

8 And thou shalt write upon the stones all the words of this law very plainly.

9 ¶ And Moses and the priests the Levites spake unto all Israel, saying, Take heed, and hearken, O Israel; this day thou art become the people of the LORD thy God.

10 Thou shalt therefore obey the voice of the LORD thy God, and do his commandments and his statutes, which I command thee this day.[m]

11 ¶ And Moses charged the people the same day, saying,

12 These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to bless the people, when ye are come over Jordan; Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Joseph, and Benjamin:[n]

13 And these shall stand upon mount Ebal [1]to curse; Reuben, Gad, and Asher, and Zebulun, Dan, and Naphtali.[o]

14 ¶ And the Levites shall speak, and say unto all the men of Israel with a loud voice,[p]

15 Cursed *be* the man that maketh *any* graven or molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth *it* in *a* secret *place*. And all the people shall answer and say, Amen.[q]

[j] ch. xi. 29; Josh. iv. 1; viii. 30, 32.

[k] Exod. xx. 25, Josh viii. 31

[l] Lev i. iii.

[m] ch xxvi. 16—18.

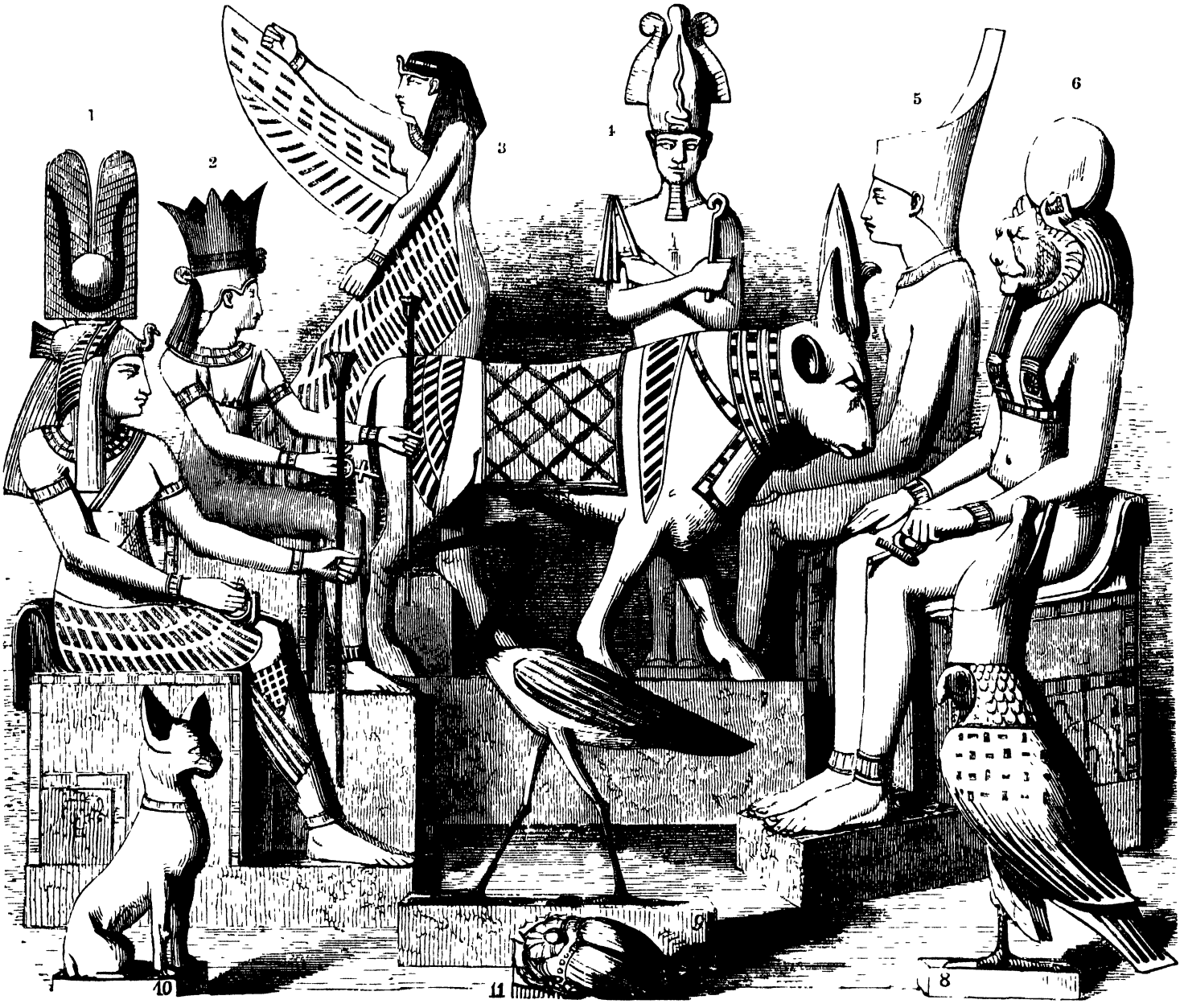
[n] ch xi 29, Josh. viii. 33.

[1] Heb *for a cursing.*

[o] ch xi 29, Josh. viii. 33

[p] ch. xxxiii. 10, Josh. viii. 33.

[q] ch iv. 16, 23; v. 8, Exod. xx. 4, 23; xxxiv 17, Lev xix. 4, xxvi 1; Numb v 22; Isa. xliv 9; Jer. xl. 5; Hos. xiii. 2.



GROUP OF IDOLS.

1 Athor.
2 Tpe' or Tiphe
3 Isis.
4 Osiris.
5 Neith
6 Bubastis.
7 Apis (the Bull)
8 Beg (the Hawk)
9 Isis (the Crane)
10. Shau (the Cat)
11 Scarabæus (Beetle).

16 Cursed *be* he that setteth light by his father or his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.[a]

17 Cursed *be* he that removeth his neighbour's landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen.[b]

18 Cursed *be* he that maketh the blind to wander out of the way. And all the people shall say, Amen.[c]

19 Cursed *be* he that perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen.[d]

20 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen.[e]

21 Cursed *be* he that lieth with any manner of beast. And all the people shall say, Amen.[f]

22 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father, or the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.[g]

23 Cursed *be* he that lieth with his mother in law. And all the people shall say, Amen.[h]

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[a] ch xxi 18, Exod xx 12, xxi 17, Lev xix 3

[b] ch xix 11, Exod xx 13, xxi 12, 14, Lev xxiv 17, Numb xxxv 31

[c] ch xix. 14, Prov xxii 28.

[d] ch x 17, xvi 19; Exod. xxiii 7, 8, Ezek. xxii. 12

[e] Lev xix. 14.

[f] ch xxvii. 15, Ps. cxix 21, Jer xi. 3, Gal iii. 10

[g] ch. x. 18; Exod. xxii 21, 22, Jer vii. 6; Zech vii. 10, Mal. iii. 5.

[h] ch xxii 30; Lev. xviii. 8; xx. 11

[i] Lev. xviii. 23; xx. 15.

[j] Lev. xviii. 9; xx. 17

[k] Lev. xviii. 17; xx. 14

[l] ch xxvi. 19; Exod xv. 26; Lev xxvi. 3; Isa. lv. 2.

24 Cursed *be* he that smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the people shall say, Amen.[i]

25 Cursed *be* he that taketh reward to slay an innocent person. And all the people shall say, Amen.[j]

26 Cursed *be* he that confirmeth not *all* the words of this law to do them. And all the people shall say, Amen.[k]

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *The blessings for obedience.* 15 *The curses for disobedience.*



AND it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe *and* to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:[l]

2 And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.[a]

3 Blessed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and blessed *shalt* thou *be* in the field.[b]

4 Blessed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.[c]

5 Blessed *shall be* thy basket and thy [1]store.

6 Blessed *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and blessed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out.[d]

7 The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.[e]

8 The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy [2]storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.[f]

9 The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.[g]

10 And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD: and they shall be afraid of thee.[h]

11 And the LORD shall make thee plenteous [3]in goods, in the fruit of thy [4]body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee.[i]

12 The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.

13 And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do *them*:[j]

14 And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, *to* the right hand, or *to* the left, to go after other gods to serve them.[k]

15 ¶ But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:

16 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the city, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* in the field.

17 Cursed *shall be* thy basket and thy store.

18 Cursed *shall be* the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

19 Cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou comest in, and cursed *shalt* thou *be* when thou goest out.

20 The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto [5]for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

a ver 15; Zech. i. 6.

b ver. 11, Ps. cxxviii. 1-4.

6 Or, *drought.*

c ch vii. 13; Ps cvii 38; cxxvii. 3; cxxviii. 3; Prov. x. 22, 1 Tim iv 8

n Lev xxvi 16, 25; Jer. xxiv. 10, Amos iv 9

1 Or, *dough*, or, *kneading trough.*

d Ps cxxi 8

o Lev xxvi. 19.

e ver 25, Lev xxvi 7, 8, 2 Sam. xxii. 38—41, Ps. lxxxix. 23

2 Or, *barns*

7 Heb *for a removing*

f ch xv. 10

p ver 7, ch xxxii 30, Lev xxvi 17, 37, Isa. xxx. 17, Jer xv 4, xxiv. 9, Ezek. xxiii. 46

q 1 Sam xvii 44, 46, Ps. lxxix 2, Jer vii 33, xvi. 4, xxxiv 20

g ch vii 6, xxvi. 18, 19, xxix. 13, Exod xix 5, 6

h ch xi 25, Numb vi 27, 2 Chron vii 14, Isa. lxiii 19, Dan ix. 18, 19

3 Or, *for good.*

4 Heb *belly*

i ver 4, ch xxx 9, Prov x 22

r ver 35, Exod ix 9, xv. 26, 1 Sam v 6; Job v 14, Ps lxxviii 66, Isa. lix 10, Jer iv 9

8 Heb *profane*, or, *use it as common meat.*

s ch xx 6, Job xxxi 8, 10, Jer viii 10, xii 13, Amos v 11, Micah vi. 15, Zeph i. 13

9 Heb *shall not return to thee*

j ch xi 14, xiv 29, xv 6, Lev xxvi 4, Isa ix 14, 15

k ch v. 32, xi 16.

l Lev xxvi 14—39, Lam ii 17, Dan ix. 11, Mal ii. 2.

t vs 27, 51, 67, Lev. xxvi 16, Ps cxix. 82, Jer v 17

u ver 64, ch iv 28, 2 Kings xvii. 4, 6, xiv 12, 14, xxv 7, 11, 2 Chron xxxiii. 11, xxxvi. 6, 20, Jer xvi 13

5 Heb *which thou wouldst do*

v 1 Kings ix. 7, 8; Ps. xliv 14, Jer xxiv. 9, xxv. 9, Zech. viii. 13

m ver. 15; Ps. lxxx. 16; Isa. xxx. 17; li. 20; lxvi. 15; Zech. xiv. 12

21 The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it.

22 The LORD shall smite thee with a consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the [6]sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee until thou perish.[n]

23 And thy heaven that *is* over thy head shall be brass, and the earth that *is* under thee *shall be* iron.[o]

24 The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

25 The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them: and shalt be [7]removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.[p]

26 And thy carcase shall be meat unto all fowls of the air, and unto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray *them* away.[q]

27 The LORD will smite thee with the botch of Egypt, and with the emerods, and with the scab, and with the itch, whereof thou canst not be healed.

28 The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart:

29 And thou shalt grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save *thee*.[r]

30 Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her: thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt [8]not gather the grapes thereof.[s]

31 Thine ox *shall be* slain before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass *shall be* violently taken away from before thy face, and [9]shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep *shall be* given unto thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue *them*.

32 Thy sons and thy daughters *shall be* given unto another people, and thine eyes shall look, and fail *with longing* for them all the day long: and *there shall be* no might in thine hand.

33 The fruit of thy land, and all thy labours, shall a nation which thou knowest not eat up; and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed alway:

34 So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.

35 The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the legs, with a sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot unto the top of thy head.[t]

36 The LORD shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set over thee, unto a nation which neither thou nor thy fathers have known; and there shalt thou serve other gods, wood and stone.[u]

37 And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee.[v]

38 Thou shalt carry much seed out into the field

and shalt gather *but* little in; for the locust shall consume it.[a]

39 Thou shalt plant vineyards, and dress *them*, but shalt neither drink *of* the wine, nor gather *the grapes*; for the worms shall eat them.

40 Thou shalt have olive trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou shalt not anoint *thyself* with the oil; for thine olive shall cast *his fruit*.

41 Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but [1]thou shalt not enjoy them; for they shall go into captivity.[b]

42 All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the locust [2]consume.

43 The stranger that *is* within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low.

44 He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail.[c]

45 Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee:

46 And they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed for ever.[d]

47 Because thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all *things*;

48 Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all *things*: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.[e]

49 The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, *as swift* as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not [3]understand;[f]

50 A nation of [4]fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew favour to the young:

51 And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which *also* shall not leave thee *either* corn, wine, or oil, *or* the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee.

52 And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced walls come down, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.[g]

53 And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own [5]body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:[h]

54 *So that* the man *that is* tender among you, and very delicate, his eye shall be evil toward his brother, and toward the wife of his bosom, and toward the remnant of his children which he shall leave:[i]

55 So that he will not give to any of them of the flesh of his children whom he shall eat: because he hath nothing left him in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee in all thy gates.

56 The tender and delicate woman among you, which would not adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye shall be evil toward the husband of her bosom, and toward her son, and toward her daughter,

57 And toward her [6]young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all *things* secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.

58 If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, THE LORD THY GOD;

59 Then the LORD will make thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, *even* great plagues, and of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance.

60 Moreover he will bring upon thee all the diseases of Egypt, which thou wast afraid of; and they shall cleave unto thee.

61 Also every sickness, and every plague, which *is* not written in the book of this law, them will the LORD [7]bring upon thee, until thou be destroyed.[j]

62 And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the LORD thy God.[k]

63 And it shall come to pass, *that* as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it.[l]

64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, *even* wood and stone.[m]

65 And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind:

66 And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee, and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life:

67 In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.[n]

68 And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy *you*.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 1451.

[a] Joel i. 4; Micah vi. 15; Hagg. i. 6.

[1] Heb. *they shall not be thine.*

[b] Lam. i. 5.

[6] ver. 54. Heb. *after her birth.*

[2] Or, *possess.*

[c] vs. 12, 13. Lam. i. 5.

[d] ver. 15. Isa. viii. 18. Ezek. xiv. 8.

[7] Heb. *cause to ascend.*

[j] ch. vii. 15. Dan. ix. 12.

[e] ch. xxxii. 15. Neh. ix. 35—37. Jer. xxviii. 14.

[k] ch. iv. 27. x. 22. Neh. ix. 23.

[3] Heb. *hear.*

[f] Jer. v. 15; vi. 22, 23. xlviii. 40; xlix. 22. Lam. iv. 19; Ezek. xvii. 3, 12; Hos. viii. 1.

[4] Heb. *strong of face.*

[l] ch. xxx. 9. Prov. i. 26. Isa. i. 24. xxxii. 41.

[m] ver. 36. ch. iv. 27, 28. Lev. xxvi. 33. Neh. i. 8. Jer. xvi. 13.

[g] ver. 33; 2 Kings xxv. 1—7. 2 Chron. xxxvi. 17. Prov. vii. 13; Eccles. viii. 1. Isa. i. 7. xlvii. 6; lxii. 8. Dan. viii. 23.

[5] Heb. *belly.*

[h] Lev. xxvi. 29; 2 Kings vi. 28, 29; Jer. xix. 9. Lam. ii. 20; iv. 10.

[n] ver. 34; Lev. xxvi. 16, 36. Job vii. 4. Amos ix. 4.

[i] ver. 56; ch. xv. 9.

[o] ch. xvii. 16. Jer. xliii. 7. Hos. viii. 13. ix. 3.

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *Moses exhorteth them to obedience, by the memory of the works they have seen.* 10 *All are presented before the Lord to enter into his covenant.* 18 *The great wrath on him that flattereth himself in his wickedness.* 29 *Secret things belong unto God.*

THESE *are* the words of the covenant, which the LORD commanded Moses to make with the children of Israel in the land of Moab, beside the covenant which he made with them in Horeb.

2 ¶ And Moses called unto all Israel, and said unto them, Ye have seen all that the LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land;

3 The great temptations which thine eyes have seen, the signs, and those great miracles:[a]

4 Yet the LORD hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.[b]

5 And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot.[c]

6 Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink: that ye might know that I *am* the LORD your God.

7 And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle, and we smote them:

8 And we took their land, and gave it for an inheritance unto the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to the half tribe of Manasseh.[d]

9 Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do.[e]

10 ¶ Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD your God; your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, *with* all the men of Israel,

11 Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that *is* in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water:[f]

12 That thou shouldest [1]enter into covenant with the LORD thy God, and into his oath, which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this day:[g]

13 That he may establish thee to day for a people unto himself, and *that* he may be unto thee a God, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.[h]

14 Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath;[i]

15 But with *him* that standeth here with us this day before the LORD our God, and also with *him* that *is* not here with us this day:

16 (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by;

17 And ye have seen their abominations, and their [2]idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which *were* among them:)

18 Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD our God, to go *and* serve the gods of these nations; lest there should

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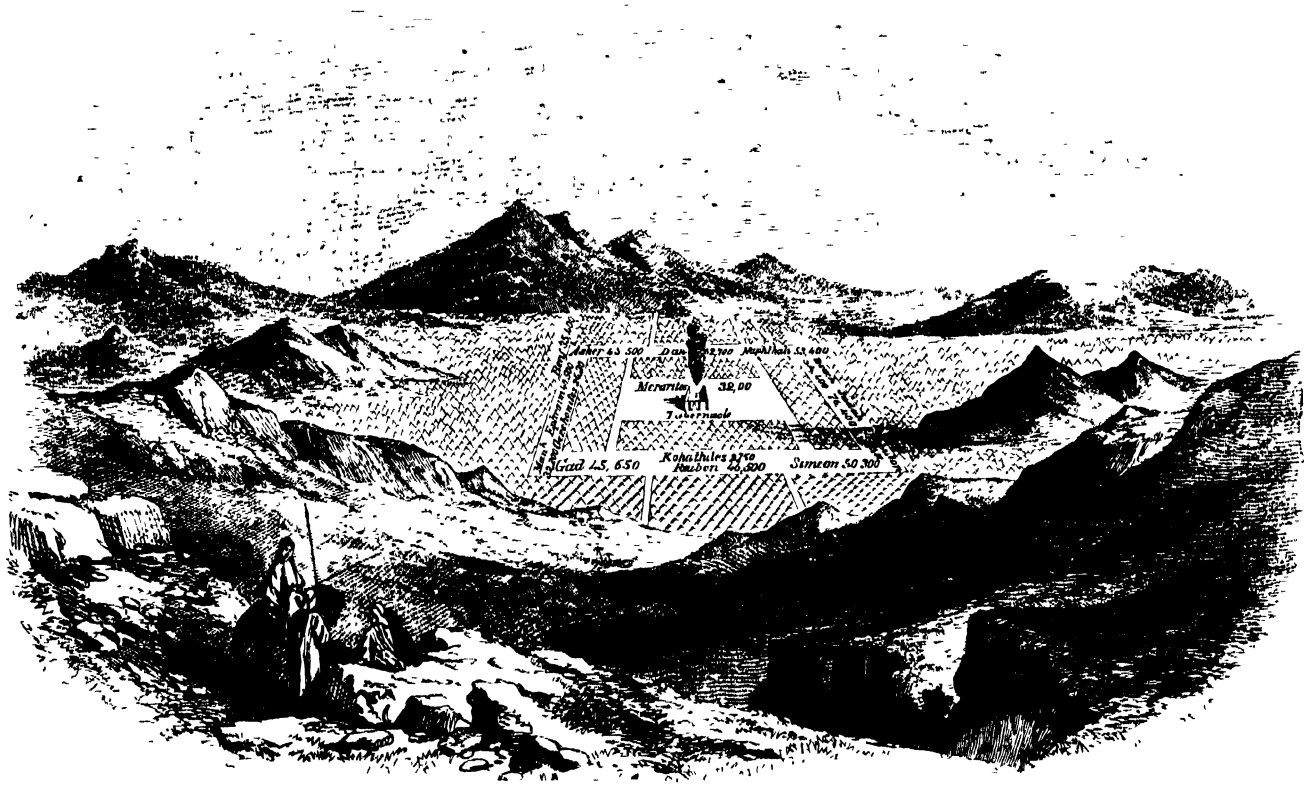
d ch. ii. 32, iii. 1, 12, 13, Numb xxi. 23, 24, 33, xxxii. 33

e ch iv 6; Josh. i. 7; 1 Kings ii. 3

f Josh ix. 21, 23, 27

1 Heb *pass*

g Neh xx 19



ENCAMPMENT OF THE ISRAELITES

h ch xxviii 9, Gen xvii 7, Exod vi 7

i ch iv 34, v 2, 3, vii 19, Exod. xix 4

k Jer xxxi 31—33, Acts ii 39, Heb viii 8—13

l Isa. vi. 9, 10, lxiii 17, John viii 43, Acts xxviii 26, 27, Eph iv 18, 2 Thess ii 11, 12

c ch i 3, viii 2—4

2 Heb *dungy gods*

be among you a root that beareth [1]gall and wormwood;[a]

19 And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the [2]imagination of mine heart, to add [3]drunkenness to thirst:[b]

20 The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven.

21 And the LORD shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that [4]are written in this book of the law:[c]

22 So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses [5]which the LORD hath laid upon it;

23 *And that* the whole land thereof *is* brimstone, and salt, *and* burning, *that* it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath:[d]

24 Even all nations shall say, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this land? what *meaneth* the heat of this great anger?[e]

25 Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:

26 For they went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and [6]*whom* he had not given unto them:

27 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curses that are written in this book:

28 And the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as *it is* this day.[f]

29 The secret *things belong* unto the LORD our God: but those *things which are* revealed *belong* unto us and to our children for ever, that *we* may do all the words of this law.

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *Great mercies promised unto the repentant.* 11 *The commandment is manifest.* 15 *Death and life are set before them.*

AND it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call *them* to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee,[g]

2 And shalt return unto the LORD thy God, and shalt obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy soul;[h]

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1 Or, *a poisonful herb.* Heb. *rosh.*

a ch xi. 16; Heb. xii. 15

b Ps. cvi. 45; cxxvi. 1, 4, cxlvii. 2; Jer. xxix. 14, xxxii 37; Lam. iii 22, 32; Ezek. xxxiv 18; xxxvi. 24

2 Or, *stubbornness.*

3 Heb *the drunken to the thirsty.*

b Numb xv. 39; Eccles. xi 9; Isa. xxx. 1; Jer. iii. 17; vii. 24.

4 Heb *is written.*

c ch ix 14; Ps lxxix 1; lxxix. 5, Ezek. xiv 7, 8; xxiii. 25.

d Gen xix. 24, 25; Ps. cvii 34, Jer xvii 6, xx 16, Zeph ii 9

e ch xxviii. 11, 63, Jer xxxii 41

5 Heb *wherewith the Lord hath made it sick*

f 1 Kings ix. 8, 9, Jer xxii 8, 9

ver 6.

6 Or, *who had not given to them any portion* Heb *divided.*

f 1 Kings xiv 15, 2 Chron vii. 20, Ps lii 5, Prov ii. 22, Dan. ix 11—14

m Isa. xiv 19, Rom x 6—8

n vs 1. 19; ch xi 26

o ch vi 5; x 12–14; xi. 1, 13, 22; xix. 9; xx 6

p ch iv 19, viii 19, xi 16, xxx. 17, Exod xxxiv 14; 1 Kings ix 9, 2 Kings xxi 21, 2 Chron. vii 22, Jer i 16, xvi. 11, xxii. 9

q ch iv. 26; viii. 19.

g ch iv 29; xxviii.; Lev xxvi 40, 1 Kings viii. 47, 48

r vs 15, 18; xxxi. 28.

h Neh i 9; Isa. lv. 7; Lam iii 40 Joel ii. 12, 13

3 That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee.[i]

4 If *any* of thine be driven out unto the outmost *parts* of heaven, from thence will the LORD thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee:

5 And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers.

6 And the LORD thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live.[j]

7 And the LORD thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee.

8 And thou shalt return and obey the voice of the LORD, and do all his commandments which I command thee this day.

9 And the LORD thy God will make thee plenteous in every work of thine hand, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the LORD will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers:[k]

10 If thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, *and* if thou turn unto the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.[l]

11 ¶ For this commandment which I command thee this day, it *is* not hidden from thee, neither *is* it far off.

12 It *is* not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?

13 Neither *is* it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?

14 But the word *is* very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.[m]

15 ¶ See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;[n]

16 In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.[o]

17 But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them;[p]

18 I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, *and that* ye shall not prolong *your* days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.[q]

19 I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, *that* I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:[r]

20 That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, *and* that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest

cleave unto him: for he *is* thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.[a]

CHAPTER XXXI.

1 *Moses encourageth the people.* 7 *He encourageth Joshua.* 9 *He delivereth the law unto the priests to read it in the seventh year to the people* 14 *God giveth a charge to Joshua,* 19 *and a song to testify against the people.* 24 *Moses delivereth the book of the law to the Levites to keep.* 28 *He maketh a protestation to the elders*

AND Moses went and spake these words unto all Israel.

2 And he said unto them, I *am* an hundred and twenty years old this day; I can no more go out and come in: also the LORD hath said unto me, Thou shalt not go over this Jordan.

3 The LORD thy God, he will go over before thee, *and* he will destroy these nations from before thee, and thou shalt possess them: *and* Joshua, he shall go over before thee, as the LORD hath said.

4 And the LORD shall do unto them as he did to Sihon and to Og, kings of the Amorites, and unto the land of them, whom he destroyed.

5 And the LORD shall give them up before your face, that ye may do unto them according unto all the commandments which I have commanded you.[b]

6 Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he *it is* that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.[c]

7 ¶ And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou must go with this people unto the land which the LORD hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.[d]

8 And the LORD, he *it is* that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.[e]

9 ¶ And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and unto all the elders of Israel.[f]

10 And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of *every* seven years, in the solemnity of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles,

11 When all Israel is come to appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose, thou shalt read this law before all Israel in their hearing.

12 Gather the people together, men, and women, and children, and thy stranger that *is* within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law:

13 And *that* their children, which have not known *any thing*, may hear, and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.[g]

14 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thy days approach that thou must die: call Joshua, and present yourselves in the tabernacle of the congregation, that I may give him a charge. And Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the tabernacle of the congregation.

15 And the LORD appeared in the tabernacle in a pillar of a cloud: and the pillar of the cloud stood over the door of the tabernacle.[h]

16 ¶ And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thou shalt [1]sleep with thy fathers; and this people will rise up, and go a whoring after the gods of the strangers of the land, whither they go *to be* among them, and will forsake me, and break my covenant which I have made with them.[i]

17 Then my anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall [2]befall them; so that they will say in that day, Are not these evils come upon us, because our God *is* not among us?[j]

18 And I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evils which they shall have wrought, in that they are turned unto other gods.[k]

19 Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel.

20 For when I shall have brought them into the land which I sware unto their fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke me, and break my covenant.

21 And it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are befallen them, that this song shall testify [3]against them as a witness; for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for I know their imagination which they [4]go about, even now, before I have brought them into the land which I sware.[l]

22 ¶ Moses therefore wrote this song the same day, and taught it the children of Israel.

23 And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land which I sware unto them: and I will be with thee.

24 ¶ And it came to pass, when Moses had made an end of writing the words of this law in a book, until they were finished,

25 That Moses commanded the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, saying,

26 Take this book of the law, and put it in the side of the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.

27 For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck: behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, ye have been rebellious against the LORD; and how much more after my death?[m]

28 ¶ Gather unto me all the elders of your tribes, and your officers, that I may speak these words in their ears, and call heaven and earth to record against them.

29 For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt *yourselves*, and turn aside from the way which

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a vs. 6, 16; Ps. xxvii. 1; lxvi. 9.

h ver. 23; ch. xxxiv 5, Exod. xxxiii. 9; Numb xxvii. 13, 19.

1 Heb. *lie down.*

i ch xxxii 15; Exod. xxxii 6, xxxiv 15; Judg ii 12, 17, 20, x 6, 13, 2 Sam vii. 12

2 Heb *And them.*

j ch xxxii. 20; Numb. xiv 42, Judg vi 13; Neh. ix. 32, 2 Chron xv 2; Ps. civ 29, Isa. viii 17, lxiv 7, Ezek. xxxix. 23

k ver 17

b ch iii. 21, 27, 28, vii 2; ix. 3; xxxiv 7, Exod vii. 7, Numb xx. 12, xxi 24, 33, xxvii 13, 21

c ch i. 29; vii 18, xx. 4, Josh i. 5; x. 25, 1 Chron xxii 13, Heb xiii. 5

3 Heb. *before*

d vs 6, 23, ch i 38, iii 28, Josh i. 6

4 Heb *do*

l vs 16, 17, 28, ch xxxii 15, Neh ix. 25, Hos v 3 xiii 5, 6, Amos v 25, 26

e ch ix. 3, Exod xiii 21, 22, xxxiii 14, Josh i. 5, 9, 1 Chron xxviii 20

f ver 25, ch xvii. 18, Numb iv 15, Josh iii 3, 1 Chron xv 12, 15

m vs 7, 9, 14, 19; ch. ix 6, 24, xxxii. 20; Exod xxxii. 9; Josh i. 6, 2 Kings xxii. 8

g ch. iv 10; xi. 2; xv. 1, xvi. 16; Lev. xxiii. 34; Josh viii. 34, 35; 2 Kings xxiii. 2; Neh. viii. 1—8, Ps. lxxviii. 6—8



MOSES DELIVERING THE LAW INTO THE HANDS OF THE PRIE

I have commanded you; and evil will befall you in the latter days; because ye will do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands.

30 And Moses spake in the ears of all the congregation of Israel the words of this song, until they were ended.[a]

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 *Moses' song, which setteth forth God's mercy and vengeance.* 46 *He exhorteth them to set their hearts upon it.* 48 *God sendeth him up to mount Nebo, to see the land, and die.*

GIVE ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak; and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth.

2 My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass:

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b ch iv 26, xxx 19, xxxi. 28, 1 Chron xxix. 11, Ps l 4, lxxii. 6, Isa. i. 2, lv 10, 11, Jer ii 12, vi 19, Micah v 7, 1 Cor iii. 6—8

c 2 Sam xxii. 3, 31, xxiii 3, Ps xviii 2, xxxi. 46, xcii 15, Jer x. 10, Dan iv 37, Hab i. 12, Rev xv 3

1 Heb *he hath corrupted to himself*

2 Or, that they are *not his children*, that is, *their blot*

a ch iv 30, xxviii 15, xxx 19, xxxii 1, 5, Gen xlix. 1, Judg ii 19, Hos. ix 9

d ch xxxi 29, Matt. xvii. 17, Luke ix. 41, Philipp ii 15

3 Heb *generation and generation.*

e ver 15, Exod xlii. 14, Ps xliv. 1; Isa. lxiii. 16, xxvii. 11; xliv 2, Matt. xvii. 17

f Gen xi. 8; Zech ix 1, 2, Acts xvii. 26

4 Heb *cord.*

g Exod. xv. 16; xix. 5; 1 Sam. x. 1; Ps. lxxviii. 71.

3 Because I will publish the name of the LORD: ascribe ye greatness unto our God.[b]

4 *He is* the Rock, his work *is* perfect: for all his ways *are* judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right *is* he.[c]

5 [1]They have corrupted themselves, [2]their spot *is* not *the spot* of his children: *they are* a perverse and crooked generation.[d]

6 Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? *is* not he thy father *that* hath bought thee? hath he not made thee, and established thee?

7 ¶ Remember the days of old, consider the years of [3]many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee.[e]

8 When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.[f]

9 For the LORD'S portion *is* his people; Jacob *is* the [4]lot of his inheritance.[g]

10 He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he [1]led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye.[a]

11 As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings:[b]

12 *So* the LORD alone did lead him, and *there was* no strange god with him.

13 He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the increase of the fields; and he made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock:

14 Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape.[c]

15 ¶ But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered *with fatness;* then he forsook God *which* made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation.[d]

16 They provoked him to jealousy with strange *gods*, with abominations provoked they him to anger.

17 They sacrificed unto devils, [2]not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new *gods that* came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.[e]

18 Of the Rock *that* begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee.[f]

19 And when the LORD saw *it*, he [3]abhorred *them*, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters.[g]

20 And he said, I will hide my face from them, I will see what their end *shall be:* for they *are* a very froward generation, children in whom *is* no faith.

21 They have moved me to jealousy with *that which is* not God; they have provoked me to anger with their vanities: and I will move them to jealousy with *those which are* not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation.[h]

22 For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and [4]shall burn unto the lowest hell, and [5]shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.[i]

23 I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them.[j]

24 *They shall be* burnt with hunger, and devoured with [6]burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust.[k]

25 The sword without, and terror within, shall [7]destroy both the young man and the virgin, the suckling *also* with the man of gray hairs.[l]

26 I said, I would scatter them into corners, I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men:

27 Were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their adversaries should behave themselves strangely, *and* lest they should say, [9]Our hand *is* high, and the LORD hath not done all this.[m]

28 For they *are* a nation void of counsel, neither *is there any* understanding in them.

29 O that they were wise, *that* they understood this, *that* they would consider their latter end![n]

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1 Or, *compassed him about.*

a ch iv 36, viii 15; Ps xvii 8, Jer ii. 6; Hos xiii 5, Zech ii. 8

b Lev xxvi. 8, Josh. xxiii. 10; 2 Chron xxiv 24; 1 Sam ii 2; iv 8, Ps xliv 12, Isa. xxx 17, 1 1, lii 3, Jer xl 3

10 Or, *is worse than the vine of Sodom.*

p Isa i 10

q Job xiv 17, Ps lviii 4, cxl 3, Jer ii 22, Hos xiii. 12; Rom ii 5, Heb x 26, 27

c ch xxxiii 29, Job xxix 6, Ps. lxxxi 16, cxlvii 14

r Ps xciv 1, Rom xii 19, Heb x 30, 2 Peter ii. 3

11 Heb *hand*

s Judg ii 18, 1 Kings xiv 10, Ps cvi 45, cxxxv 14, Jer xxxi 20, Joel ii 14

d ch xxxi 20, 1 Sam ii 29, 2 Sam xxii 47, Neh ix 25, Ps lxxxix 26, Jer ii 7, v 7, 28

t Judg x 14, Jer ii 28

2 Or, *which were not God*

12 Heb *an hiding for you*

e ver 21, Lev xvii 7, 1 Kings xiv 22, Ps cvi 37, 1 Cor x 20, 22, Rev ix 20

f Isa. xvii. 10, Jer ii 32.

3 Or, *despised*

g Judg ii 14, Isa i 2, Lam ii 6

u ch iv 35, Gen xiv 22, Exod vi 8, 1 Sam ii 6, Job v 18, Ps lxviii 20, Isa xxxii 1, xxxiv 5, xli 4, xlv 5, 18, 22, Jer xlvi 10

h ver 16, ch xxxi 17, 1 Sam xii 21, 1 Kings xvi 13, 26 Ps xxxi 6, lxxviii 58, Jer viii 19, x 8, xiv 22 Jonah ii 8, Rom x 19

13 Or, *Praise his people, ye nations*, or, *Sing ye*

4 Or, *hath burned*

5 Or, *hath consumed*

v ver 41, Ps lxxxv 1 Rom xv. 10, Rev vi 10

i Jer xv 14, xvii 4, Lam iv 11

14 Or, *Joshua*

j Ps vii 12, 13, Isa xxvi 15, Ezek v 16

6 Heb *burning coals*

k Lev xxvi 22, Hab iii 5

7 Heb *from the chambers*

8 Heb *bereave*

l Lam i 20, Ezek vii 15

w ch vi 6, xi 18, xxx 19, Lev xviii 5, Prov iii 2, 22, iv 22, Ezek xl 4, Rom x 5

9 Or, *Our high hand, and not the Lord, hath done all this*

m Ps cxl 8, Jer xix 4, Ezek xx 13, 14, 23

n ch v 29, Ps lxxxi 13, cvii 43, Isa xxvii 11; xlvii 7, Jer iv 22, Lam. i 9, Luke xix 42

30 How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up?

31 For their rock *is* not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves *being* judges.[o]

32 For their vine [10]*is* of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gomorrah: their grapes *are* grapes of gall, their clusters *are* bitter:[p]

33 Their wine *is* the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of asps.

34 *Is* not this laid up in store with me, *and* sealed up among my treasures?[q]

35 To me *belongeth* vengeance, and recompence; their foot shall slide in *due* time: for the day of their calamity *is* at hand, and the things that shall come upon them make haste.[r]

36 For the LORD shall judge his people, and repent himself for his servants, when he seeth that *their* [11]power is gone, and *there is* none shut up, or left.[s]

37 And he shall say, Where *are* their gods, *their* rock in whom they trusted,[t]

38 Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, *and* drank the wine of their drink offerings? let them rise up and help you, *and* be [12]your protection.

39 See now that I, *even* I, *am* he, and *there is* no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither *is there any* that can deliver out of my hand.

40 For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever.

41 If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.

42 I will make mine arrows drunk with blood, and my sword shall devour flesh; *and that* with the blood of the slain and of the captives, from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy.[u]

43 [13]Rejoice, O ye nations, *with* his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful unto his land, *and* to his people.[v]

44 ¶ And Moses came and spake all the words of this song in the ears of the people, he, and [14]Hoshea the son of Nun.

45 And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel:

46 And he said unto them, Set your hearts unto all the words which I testify among you this day, which ye shall command your children to observe to do, all the words of this law.

47 For it *is* not a vain thing for you; because it *is* your life: and through this thing ye shall prolong *your* days in the land, whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.[w]

48 And the LORD spake unto Moses that selfsame day, saying,

49 Get thee up into this mountain Abarim, *unto* mount Nebo, which *is* in the land of Moab, that *is* over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession:

50 And die in the mount whither thou goest up,

and be gathered unto thy people; as Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered unto his people:

51 Because ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel at the waters of [1]Meribah-Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because ye sanctified me not in the midst of the children of Israel.[a]

52 Yet thou shalt see the land before *thee;* but thou shalt not go thither unto the land which I give the children of Israel.[b]

CHAPTER XXXIII.

1 *The majesty of God.* 6 *The blessings of the twelve tribes.* 26 *The excellency of Israel.*

AND this *is* the blessing, wherewith Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death.[c]

2 And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand *went* a [2]fiery law for them.[d]

3 Yea, he loved the people; all his saints *are* in thy hand: and they sat down at thy feet; *every one* shall receive of thy words.[e]

4 Moses commanded us a law, *even* the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob.[f]

5 And he was king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people *and* the tribes of Israel were gathered together.[g]

6 ¶ Let Reuben live, and not die; and let *not* his men be few.

7 ¶ And this *is the blessing* of Judah: and he said, Hear, LORD, the voice of Judah, and bring him unto his people: let his hands be sufficient for him; and be thou an help *to him* from his enemies.[h]

8 ¶ And of Levi he said, *Let* thy Thummim and thy Urim *be* with thy holy one, whom thou didst prove at Massah, *and with* whom thou didst strive at the waters of Meribah;[i]

9 Who said unto his father and to his mother, I have not seen him; neither did he acknowledge his brethren, nor knew his own children: for they have observed thy word, and kept thy covenant.[j]

10 [3]They shall teach Jacob thy judgments, and Israel thy law: they shall put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar.[k]

11 Bless, LORD, his substance, and accept the work of his hands: smite through the loins of them that rise against him, and of them that hate him, that they rise not again.[l]

12 ¶ *And* of Benjamin he said, The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by him; *and the LORD* shall cover him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders.

13 ¶ And of Joseph he said, Blessed of the LORD *be* his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath,

14 And for the precious fruits *brought forth* by the sun, and for the precious things [4]put forth by the [5]moon,[m]

15 And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills,

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1 Or, *strife at Kadesh*

n Gen xlix 26, Exod iii 2—4, Acts vii 30, 35

a ch xxxiv 1, Lev x. 3, Numb xx 11—13, 25, 28, xxvii 12—14, xxxiii. 47, 48

6 Heb *an unicorn*

b ch xxxiv 4; Numb xxvii. 12

o Gen xlviii 19, Numb xxiii 22, Ps. xliv 5, xcii 10

p Gen xlix 13—15, Ps. iv 5, Isa. ii 3

c Ps xc. title.

7 Heb *cried*

2 Heb *a fire of law*

d Exod. xix 18—20, Judg v 4, 5, Ps lxviii 17, Dan. vii 10, Hab iii 3, Acts vii 53, Gal iii 19, Heb ii 2, Rev v 11

q Numb xxxii 16,17, Josh iv 12, xiii 10, 1 Chron xii 8

e ch vii 6—8, Exod xix 5, 1 Sam ii 9, Ps xlvii 4, 1 5, Hos xi 1, Mal i 2

r Josh xix 47, Judg xviii 27

f Ps cxix. 11, John i 17, vii 19

s Gen xlix 21, Josh xix 32—39

g ch xxxii 15, Gen xxxvi 31, Judg ix 2, xvii 6

t Gen xlix 20, Job xxix 6

8 Or, *Under thy shoes shall be iron*

u ch viii 9

h Gen xlix 8, Ps cxlvi 5

i ch viii 2, 3, 16, Exod xvii 7, xxviii 30, Numb xx 13

v ch ix 3—5, Exod xv 11, Ps xxxiii 34, lxviii 4, xc. 1, civ 3, Hab iii 8

j Jer xviii 18, Mal ii 5, 6

3 Or, *Let them teach*

k ch xvii 9, 11, xxiv 8, Exod xxx 7, 8, Lev i 9, 13, 17, x 11, Numb xvi 40, 1 Sam ii 28, Ps li 19, Ezek xliii 27, Mal ii 7

9 Or, *shall be subdued*

w ch viii 7, 8, xi 11, xxxii 13, Gen xxvii 28, Numb xxiii. 9, 2 Sam vii. 23, xxii 45, Ps. xviii 44, cxv 9—11, cxliv 15, Jer xxiii 6, xxxiii 16

l 2 Sam xxiv 23, Ps. xx 3, Ezek xx 40, 41, xliii 27

10 Or, *the hill*

x ch iii 27, xxxii 49, Numb xxvii 12, xxxiii 47, Josh xix 40, 48

4 Heb *thrust forth*

5 Heb *moons*

m Gen xxvii 28, xlix. 25

16 And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and *for* the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let *the blessing* come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him *that was* separated from his brethren.[n]

17 His glory *is like* the firstling of his bullock, and his horns *are like* the horns of [6]unicorns: with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they *are* the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they *are* the thousands of Manasseh.

18 ¶ And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, Zebulun, in thy going out; and, Issachar, in thy tents.

19 They shall call the people unto the mountain, there they shall offer sacrifices of righteousness: for they shall suck *of* the abundance of the seas, and *of* treasures hid in the sand.[p]

20 ¶ And of Gad he said, Blessed *be* he that enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with the crown of the head.

21 And he provided the first part for himself, because there, *in* a portion of the lawgiver, *was he* [7]seated; and he came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the LORD, and his judgments with Israel.[q]

22 ¶ And of Dan he said, Dan *is* a lion's whelp: he shall leap from Bashan.[r]

23 ¶ And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favour, and full with the blessing of the LORD: possess thou the west and the south.[s]

24 ¶ And of Asher he said, *Let* Asher *be* blessed with children; let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil.[t]

25 [8]Thy shoes *shall be* iron and brass; and as thy days, *so shall* thy strength *be.*[u]

26 ¶ *There is* none like unto the God of Jeshurun, *who* rideth upon the heaven in thy help, and in his excellency on the sky.

27 The eternal God *is thy* refuge, and underneath *are* the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy *them.*[v]

28 Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob *shall be* upon a land of corn and wine; also his heavens shall drop down dew.

29 Happy *art* thou, O Israel: who *is* like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and who *is* the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies [9]shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places.[w]

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *Moses from mount Nebo vieweth the land* 5 *He dieth there.* 6 *His burial.* 7 *His age* 8 *Thirty days' mourning for him.* 9 *Joshua succeedeth him* 10 *The praise of Moses*

AND Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto the mountain of Nebo, to the top of [10]Pisgah, that *is* over against Jericho. And the LORD shewed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan,[x]

2 And all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim, and Manasseh, and all the land of Judah, unto the utmost sea.

3 And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, unto Zoar.

4 And the LORD said unto him, This *is* the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed: I have caused thee to see *it* with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither.[a]

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c Gen l. 3, 10, Numb xx. 29

a ch. iii. 27, xi. 24, xxxii. 52, Gen. xii. 7, xiii. 5; xv. 18, Deut. xi. 24; Judg. iii. 13

d Numb. xxvii. 18, 23.

8 ¶ And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days: so the days of weeping *and* mourning for Moses were ended.[c]

9 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the LORD commanded Moses.[d]



MOSES VIEWING THE PROMISED LAND FROM PISGAH.

5 ¶ So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD.

6 And he buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, over against Beth-peor: but no man knoweth of his sepulchre unto this day.[b]

7 ¶ And Moses *was* an hundred and twenty years old when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his [1]natural force [2]abated.

e ch. v. 4; xviii. 15, 18, Exod. xxxiii. 11, Numb. xii. 6—8.

b ch. xxxii. 50, Josh. i. 1, 2, Jude 9.

1 Heb. *moisture.*

2 Heb. *fled.*

f ch. iv. 34; vii. 19.

10 ¶ And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face,[e]

11 In all the signs and the wonders, which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land,

12 And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Moses shewed in the sight of all Israel.[f]





THE BOOK OF JOSHUA.

CHAPTER I.

1 *The Lord appointeth Joshua to succeed Moses* 3 *The borders of the promised land.* 5, 9 *God promiseth to assist Joshua* 8 *He giveth him instructions* 10 *He prepareth the people to pass over Jordan.* 12 *Joshua putteth the two tribes and half in mind of their promise to Moses* 16 *They promise him fealty.*

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There are those who maintain that Joshua himself was the penman of this section of Sacred History, others ascribe it to Ezra, but Calvin favours the conjecture that Eleazar collated the materials, and out of these materials constructed the narrative it being the office of the priest, not only to teach the existing generation through the medium of the living voice, but also to instruct posterity in the ways of God through the medium of written information

NOW after the death of Moses the servant of the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' minister, saying,

2 Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, *even* to the children of Israel.

3 Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses.[a]

4 From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast.[b]

5 There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, *so* I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

6 Be strong and of a good courage: for [1]unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.[c]

7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou

a ch xiv 9, Exod. xxiv 13, Deut i 38, xi 24; xxxiv 5

b Gen xv 18, Exod. xxiii 31, Numb xxxiv 3—12

1 Or, *thou shalt cause this inherit the land*

c vs. 9, 17, ch iii 7; vi. 27; Deut. vii 24, xxxi 6—8, 23, Heb xiii 5

mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it *to* the right hand or *to* the left, that thou mayest [1]prosper whithersoever thou goest.[c]

8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt [2]have good success.[b]

9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God *is* with thee whithersoever thou goest.

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3 Heb *marshalled by five*

d ch xxii 2-4, Exod. xiii 18, Numb xxxii 20—28.

1 Or, *do wisely.*

a ch xi 15, Numb xxvii 23, Deut v 32, xxviii. 14, xxix 9, xxxi 7

c ch xxii 4—9

2 Or, *do wisely*

b ver 7, Deut xvii 18, 19, Ps i 1, 2

ver 5 1 Sam xx 13, 1 Kings i 37

10 ¶ Then Joshua commanded the officers of the people, saying,

11 Pass through the host, and command the people, saying, Prepare you victuals; for within three days ye shall pass over this Jordan, to go in to possess the land, which the LORD your God giveth you to possess it.[c]

12 ¶ And to the Reubenites, and to the Gadites, and to half the tribe of Manasseh, spake Joshua, saying,

13 Remember the word which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, saying, The LORD your God hath given you rest, and hath given you this land.

14 Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall remain in the land which Moses gave you on this side Jordan; but ye shall pass before your brethren [3]armed, all the mighty men of valour, and help them;[d]

15 Until the LORD have given your brethren rest, as *he hath given* you, and they also have possessed the land which the LORD your God giveth them: then ye shall return unto the land of your possession, and enjoy it, which Moses the LORD'S servant gave you on this side Jordan toward the sunrising.[e]

16 ¶ And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou commandest us we will do, and whithersoever thou sendest us, we will go.

17 According as we hearkened unto Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee: only the LORD thy God be with thee, as he was with Moses.[f]



RAHAB CONCEALING THE

18 Whosoever *he be* that doth rebel against thy commandment, and will not hearken unto thy words in all that thou commandest him, he shall be put to death: only be strong and of a good courage.

CHAPTER II.

c ch iii. 2, Deut. ix 1; xi 31

1 *Rahab receiveth and concealeth the two spies sent from Shittim.* 8 *The covenant between her and them.* 23 *Their return and relation.*

4 Or, *had sent*

5 Heb *lay*

g Numb xxv 1, Heb xxi 31, James ii. 25.

AND Joshua the son of Nun [4]sent out of Shittim two men to spy secretly, saying, Go view the land, even Jericho. And they went, and came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and [5]lodged there.[g]

2 And it was told the

king of Jericho, saying, Behold, there came men in hither to night of the children of Israel to search out the country.

3 And the king of Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, Bring forth the men that are come to thee, which are entered into thine house: for they be come to search out all the country.

4 And the woman took the two men, and hid them, and said thus, There came men unto me, but I wist not whence they *were*:[a]

5 And it came to pass *about the time* of shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that the men went out: whither the men went I wot not: pursue after them quickly; for ye shall overtake them.

6 But she had [g]brought them up to the roof of the house, and hid them with the stalks of flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof.

7 And the men pursued after them the way to Jordan unto the fords: and as soon as they which pursued after them were gone out, they shut the gate.

8 ¶ And before they were laid down, she came up unto them upon the roof;

9 And she said unto the men, I know that the LORD hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land [1]faint because of you.[b]

10 For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that *were* on the other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed.[c]

11 And as soon as we had heard *these things*, our hearts did melt, neither [2]did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the LORD your God, he *is* God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.[d]

12 Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto me by the LORD, since I have shewed you kindness, that ye will also shew kindness unto my father's house, and give me a true token:

13 And *that* ye will save alive my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.

14 And the men answered her, [3]Our life for your's, if ye utter not this our business. And it shall be, when the LORD hath given us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with thee.[e]

15 Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her house *was* upon the town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall.

16 And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your way.

17 And the men said unto her, We *will be* blameless of this thine oath which thou hast made us swear.

18 Behold, *when* we come into the land, thou shalt bind this line of scarlet thread in the window which thou didst let us down by: and thou shalt [4]bring thy father, and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's houshold, home unto thee.[f]

19 And it shall be, *that* whosoever shall go out of the doors of thy house into the street, his blood *shall be* upon his head, and we *will be* guiltless: and whosoever shall be with thee in the house, his blood *shall be* on our head, if *any* hand be upon him.

20 And if thou utter this our business, then we will be quit of thine oath which thou hast made us to swear.

21 And she said, According unto your words, [h]so *be* it. And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window.

22 And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought *them* throughout all the way, but found *them* not.

23 ¶ So the two men returned, and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun, and told him all *things* that befell them:

24 And they said unto Joshua, Truly the LORD hath delivered into our hands all the land; for even all the inhabitants of the country do [5]faint because of us.[g]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Joshua cometh to Jordan* 2 *The officers instruct the people for the passage.* 7 *The Lord encourageth Joshua* 9 *Joshua encourageth the people.* 14 *The waters of Jordan are divided*

AND Joshua rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and came to Jordan, he and all the children of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over.[h]

2 And it came to pass after three days, that the officers went through the host;[i]

3 And they commanded the people, saying, When ye see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then ye shall remove from your place, and go after it.[j]

4 Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed *this* way [6]heretofore.[k]

5 And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to morrow the LORD will do wonders among you.[l]

6 And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass over before the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant, and went before the people.

7 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, *so* I will be with thee.

8 And thou shalt command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant, saying, When ye are come to the brink of the water of Jordan, ye shall stand still in Jordan.[m]

9 ¶ And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, Come hither, and hear the words of the LORD your God.

10 And Joshua said, Hereby ye shall know that the living God *is* among you, and *that* he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, and

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[a] 2 Sam xvii 19, 20

[5] Heb *melt*

[g] ver 9 ch vi 2, xxi 44 Exod xxiii 31

[1] Heb *melt*

[b] Gen xxxv 5, Exod xv 15, xxiii 27, Deut ii 25, xi 25

[c] ch ix 23, Exod xiv 21, Numb xxi 24, 34, 35

[h] ch ii 1

[2] Heb *rose up*

[d] ch x 1, vii 5, Exod xv 14 15 Deut iv 39, Isa xiii, 7

[i] ch i 10, 11

[j] Numb x 33, Deut xxxi 9, 25

[6] Heb *since yesterday, and the third day*

[k] Exod xix 12

[3] Heb *Instead of you to die.*

[l] ch. vii. 13, Exod xix. 10, 14, 15, Lev xx 7, Numb iv 15, xi. 18, 1 Sam. xvi. 5, Joel ii 16

[e] ver 18

[m] vs 8, 17, ch i 5, iv 14, Numb iv 15, 1 Chron xxix 25, 2 Chron. i 1

[4] Heb *gather*

[f] ver 12



THE PASSAGE OF THE JORDAN.



SETTING UP THE STONES OF MEMORIAL.

the Hittites, and the Hivites, and the Perizzites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.[a]

11 Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth passeth over before you into Jordan.[b]

12 Now therefore take you twelve men out of the tribes of Israel, out of every tribe a man.

13 And it shall come to pass, as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of Jordan, *that* the waters of Jordan shall be cut off *from* the waters that come down from above; and they shall stand upon an heap.[c]

14 ¶ And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents, to pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people;

15 And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all the time of harvest,)[d]

16 That the waters which came down from above stood *and* rose up upon an heap very far from the city Adam, that *is* beside Zaretan: and those that came down toward the sea of the plain, *even* the salt sea, failed, *and* were cut off: and the people passed over right against Jericho.[e]

17 And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of Jordan, and all the Israelites passed over on dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jordan.[f]

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a Deut x 26, xi 1, 1 Sam xxiii 2, 1 Sam xvii 26, 2 Kings xix 4, Ps xlv 2, Hos i 10

b ver 13, Micah iv 13, Zech iv 14, vi 5

c ch iv 18, x 10, 12, Gen xiv 3, Numb xxxiv 3, Deut iii 17, 1 Kings iv 12, vii 46

d ver 13, 1 Chron xii 15, Jer xii. 5, xlix 19.

e ch iv 18, x 10, 12, Gen xiv 3, Numb xxxiv 3, Deut iii 17, 1 Kings iv 12, vii 46

f Exod xiv 29

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Twelve men are appointed to take twelve stones for a memorial out of Jordan.* 9 *Twelve other stones are set up in the midst of Jordan* 10 19 *The people pass over* 14 *God magnifieth Joshua* 20 *The twelve stones are pitched in Gilgal.*

AND it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over Jordan, that the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,

2 Take you twelve men out of the people, out of every tribe a man,

3 And command ye them, saying, Take you hence out of the midst of Jordan, out of the place where the priests' feet stood firm, twelve stones, and ye shall carry them over with you, and leave them in the lodging place, where ye shall lodge this night.

4 Then Joshua called the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Israel, out of every tribe a man:

5 And Joshua said unto them, Pass over before the ark of the LORD your God into the midst of Jordan, and take you up every man of you a stone upon his shoulder, according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel:[a]

6 That this may be a sign among you, *that* when your children ask *their fathers* [1]in time to come, saying, What *mean* ye by these stones?[b]

7 Then ye shall answer them, That the waters of Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off: and these stones shall be for a memorial unto the children of Israel for ever.[c]

8 And the children of Israel did so as Joshua commanded, and took up twelve stones out of the midst of Jordan, as the LORD spake unto Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them over with them unto the place where they lodged, and laid them down there.

9 And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests which bare the ark of the covenant stood: and they are there unto this day.[d]

10 ¶ For the priests which bare the ark stood in the midst of Jordan, until every thing was finished that the LORD commanded Joshua to speak unto the people, according to all that Moses commanded Joshua: and the people hasted and passed over.

11 And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over, that the ark of the LORD passed over, and the priests, in the presence of the people.

12 And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and half the tribe of Manasseh, passed over armed before the children of Israel, as Moses spake unto them:

13 About forty thousand [2]prepared for war passed over before the LORD unto battle, to the plains of Jericho.[e]

14 ¶ On that day the LORD magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel; and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.[f]

15 And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,

16 Command the priests that bear the ark of the testimony, that they come up out of Jordan.

17 Joshua therefore commanded the priests, saying, Come ye up out of Jordan.

18 And it came to pass, when the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD were come up out of the midst of Jordan, *and* the soles of the priests' feet were [3]lifted up unto the dry land, that the waters of Jordan returned unto their place, and [4]flowed over all his banks, as *they did* before.[g]

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h ver 3, ch v 9

5 Heb *to morrow*

i ver 6

a vs 19 20, ch iii 12, 15, 17, Deut xxvii 2

1 Heb *to morrow*

b ver 21, Exod xii 26, xiii 14, Deut vi 20, Ps xliv 1, lxxviii 3—6

6 Heb *all days*

j Exod xiv 21, 31, Deut vi 2, 1 Kings viii 42 43, 2 Kings xix 19, Ps lxxxix 7, 13, cvi 8, Jer x 7

c ch iii 15 16 Exod xii 11, Numb xvi 40

d ver 4

k ch ii 9—11, Exod xv 14 15, Numb xiii 29, Ps xlviii 6 Ezek xxi 7, 1 Kings x 5

7 Or, *knives of flints*

l Exod iv 25

8 Or, *Gibeah-haaraloth*

m Numb xiv 29, xxvi 64, 65, Deut ii 16

2 Or, *ready armed*

e Numb xxxii 20, 27, 28

f ch iii 7

n Exod iii 8, Numb xiv 23, 33, Deut i 8, ii 7, 14, Ps xcv 10, 11, Heb iii 11

3 Heb *plucked up*

4 Heb *went*

o Numb xiv 31, Deut i 39

g vs 16, 17, Exod xxv 16 22

9 Heb *when the people had made an end to be circumcised.*

19 ¶ And the people came up out of Jordan on the tenth *day* of the first month, and encamped in Gilgal, in the east border of Jericho.

20 And those twelve stones, which they took out of Jordan, did Joshua pitch in Gilgal.[h]

21 And he spake unto the children of Israel, saying, When your children shall ask their fathers [5]in time to come, saying, What *mean* these stones?[i]

22 Then ye shall let your children know, saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land.

23 For the LORD your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you, until ye were passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red sea, which he dried up from before us, until we were gone over:

24 That all the people of the earth might know the hand of the LORD, that it *is* mighty: that ye might fear the LORD your God [6]for ever.[j]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The Canaanites are afraid* 2 *Joshua renewelh circumcision.* 10 *The passover is kept at Gilgal.* 12 *Manna ceaseth.* 13 *An Angel appeareth to Joshua.*

AND it came to pass, when all the kings of the Amorites, which *were* on the side of Jordan westward, and all the kings of the Canaanites, which *were* by the sea, heard that the LORD had dried up the waters of Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were passed over, that their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them any more, because of the children of Israel.[k]

2 ¶ At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, Make thee [7]sharp knives, and circumcise again the children of Israel the second time.[l]

3 And Joshua made him sharp knives, and circumcised the children of Israel at [8]the hill of the foreskins.[m]

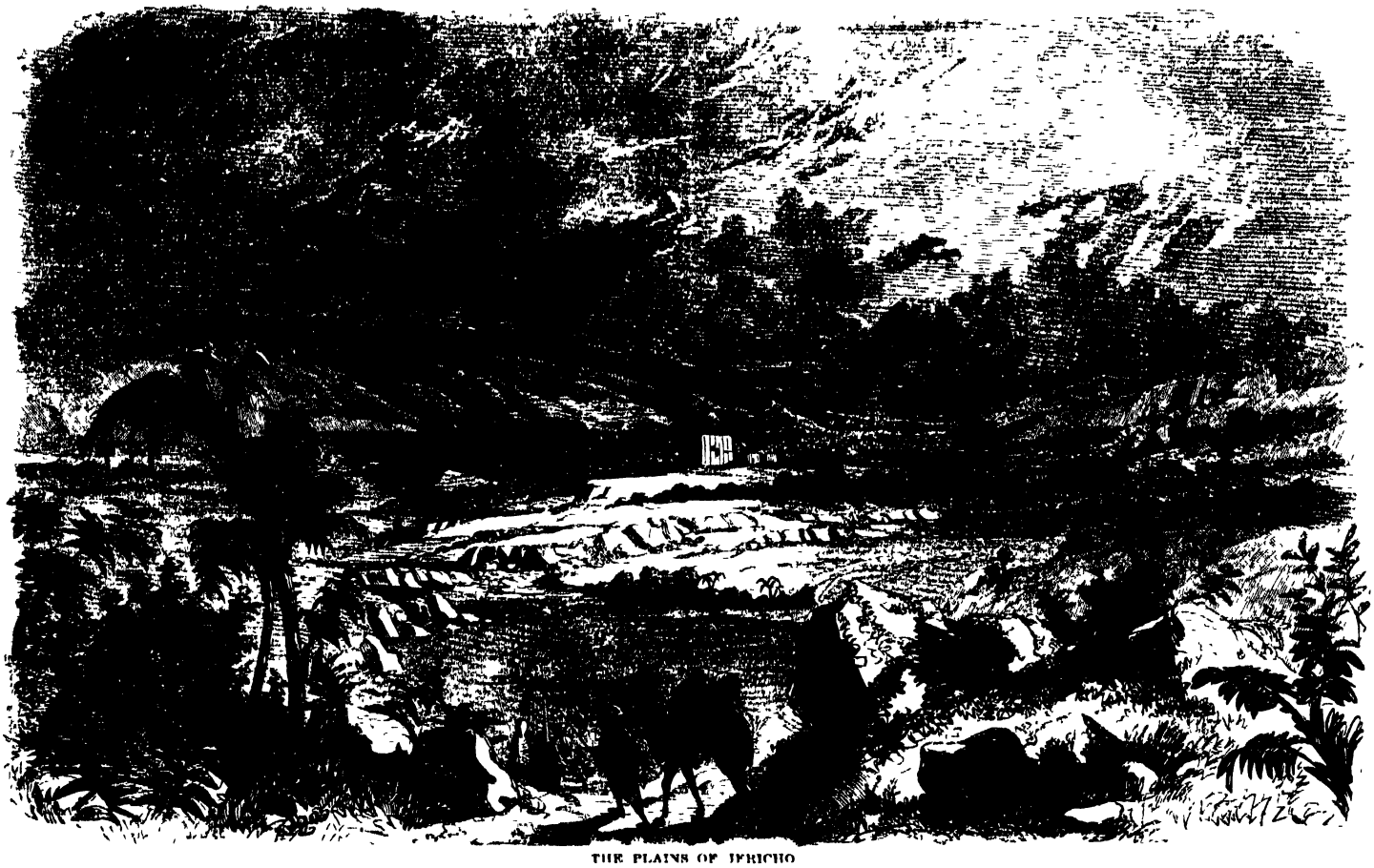
4 And this *is* the cause why Joshua did circumcise: All the people that came out of Egypt, *that were* males, *even* all the men of war, died in the wilderness by the way, after they came out of Egypt.

5 Now all the people that came out were circumcised: but all the people *that were* born in the wilderness by the way as they came forth out of Egypt, *them* they had not circumcised.

6 For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the people *that were* men of war, which came out of Egypt, were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: unto whom the LORD sware that he would not shew them the land, which the LORD sware unto their fathers that he would give us, a land that floweth with milk and honey.[n]

7 And their children, *whom* he raised up in their stead, them Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way.[o]

8 And it came to pass, [9]when they had done



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circumcising all the people, that they abode in their places in the camp, till they were whole.

9 And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called [1]Gilgal unto this day.[a]

10 ¶ And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.[b]

11 And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched *corn* in the selfsame day.

12 ¶ And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.[c]

13 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, *Art* thou for us, or for our adversaries?

14 And he said, Nay; but *as* [2]captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my lord unto his servant?[d]

15 And the captain of the LORD's host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest *is* holy. And Joshua did so.[e]

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1 That is, *rolling*

3 Heb *did shut up, and was shut up*

a ch iv 19, xxiv 14, Lev xviii 3, Ezek xx 7

b Exod xii 6, Numb ix 5

c Exod xvi. 35

f Numb x 8

2 Or, *prince*

4 Heb *under it*

d Rev xix 11—16

e Exod iii 5, Acts vii 33

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Jericho is shut up* 2 *God instructeth Joshua how to besiege it* 15 *The city is compassed* 17 *It must be accursed* 20 *The walls fall down* 22 *Rahab is saved.* 26 *The builder of Jericho is cursed.*

NOW Jericho [3]was straitly shut up because of the children of Israel: none went out, and none came in.

2 And the LORD said unto Joshua, See, I have given into thine hand Jericho, and the king thereof, *and* the mighty men of valour.

3 And ye shall compass the city, all *ye* men of war, *and* go round about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days.

4 And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets.[f]

5 And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long *blast* with the ram's horn, *and* when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down [4]flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him.

6 ¶ And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

7 And he said unto the people, Pass on, and



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compass the city, and let him that is armed pass on before the ark of the LORD.

8 ¶ And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns passed on before the LORD, and blew with the trumpets: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD followed them.

9 ¶ And the armed men went before the priests that blew with the trumpets, and [1]the rereward came after the ark, *the priests* going on, and blowing with the trumpets.[a]

10 And Joshua had commanded the people, saying, Ye shall not shout, [2]nor make any noise with your voice, neither shall *any* word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I bid you shout; then shall ye shout.

11 So the ark of the LORD compassed the city, going about *it* once: and they came into the camp, and lodged in the camp.

12 ¶ And Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the ark of the LORD.[b]

13 And seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD went on continually, and blew with the trumpets: and the armed men went before them; but the rereward came after the ark of the LORD, *the priests* going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

14 And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp: so they did six days.

15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they compassed the city seven times.

16 And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the LORD hath given you the city.

17 ¶ And the city shall be [3]accursed, *even* it, and all that *are* therein, to the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that *are* with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.[c]

18 And ye, in any wise keep *yourselves* from the accursed thing, lest ye make *yourselves* accursed, when ye take of the accursed thing, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.[d]

19 But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, *are* [4]consecrated unto the LORD: they shall come into the treasury of the LORD.

20 So the people shouted when *the priests* blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down [5]flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.[e]

21 And they utterly destroyed all that *was* in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.[f]

22 But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the country, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, as ye sware unto her.[g]

23 And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her [6]kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.[h]

24 And they burnt the city with fire, and all that *was* therein: only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.[i]

25 And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive, and her father's houshold, and all that she had; and she dwelleth in Israel *even* unto this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.[j]

26 ¶ And Joshua adjured *them* at that time, saying, Cursed *be* the man before the LORD, that riseth up and buildeth this city Jericho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his firstborn, and in his youngest *son* shall he set up the gates of it.[k]

27 So the LORD was with Joshua; and his fame was *noised* throughout all the country.[l]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *The Israelites are smitten at Ai* 6 *Joshua's complaint.* 10 *God instructeth him what to do* 16 *Achan is taken by the lot* 19 *His confession* 22 *He and all he had are destroyed in the valley of Achor*

BUT the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for [7]Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of [8]Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, took of the accursed thing: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against the children of Israel.[m]

2 And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which *is* beside Beth-aven, on the east side of Beth-el, and spake unto them, saying, Go up and view the country. And the men went up and viewed Ai.

3 And they returned to Joshua, and said unto him, Let not all the people go up; but let [9]about two or three thousand men go up and smite Ai; *and* make not all the people to labour thither; for they *are but* few.

4 So there went up thither of the people about three thousand men: and they fled before the men of Ai.[n]

5 And the men of Ai smote of them about thirty and six men: for they chased them *from* before the gate *even* unto Shebarim, and smote them [10]in the going down: wherefore the hearts of the people melted, and became as water.[o]

6 ¶ And Joshua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the LORD until the eventide, he and the elders of Israel, and put dust upon their heads.[p]

7 And Joshua said, Alas, O Lord GOD, wherefore hast thou at all brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy

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g ch. ii. 14; Heb. xi. 31.

6 Heb. *families.*

h ch. ii. 13

1 Heb *gathering host*

a Numb. x. 25

i vs. 19, 21

2 Heb *make your voice to be heard.*

j Matt. i. 5

b Deut. xxxi. 25

k 1 Kings xvi. 34

l ch. i. 5, ix. 1—3

7 Or, *Achar*

8 Or, *Zimri.*

m 1 Chron. ii. 6, 7

3 Or, *devoted.*

c ch. ii. 4, Lev. xxvii. 28, Micah iv. 13

9 Heb *about two thousand men, or about three thousand men*

d ch. vii. 1, 11, 12, 25, Deut. vii. 26, xiii. 17

4 Heb *holiness*

n Lev. xxvi. 17; Deut. xxviii. 25

10 Or, *in Morad.*

o ch. ii. 9, 11, Lev. xxvi. 36, Ps. xxii. 14

5 Heb *under it.*

e ver. 5

p Gen. xxxvii. 29, 34; 1 Sam. iv. 12; 2 Sam. i. 2, xiii. 19; Neh. ix. 1; Job ii. 12.

f Deut. vii. 2.

us? would to God we had been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan!

8 O Lord, what shall I say, when Israel turneth their [1]backs before their enemies!

9 For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear *of it*, and shall environ us round, and cut off our name from the earth: and what wilt thou do unto thy great name?[a]

10 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, Get thee up; wherefore [2]liest thou thus upon thy face?

11 Israel hath sinned, and they have also transgressed my covenant which I commanded them: for they have even taken of the accursed thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also, and they have put *it* even among their own stuff.[b]

12 Therefore the children of Israel could not stand before their enemies, *but* turned *their* backs before their enemies, because they were accursed: neither will I be with you any more, except ye destroy the accursed from among you.[c]

13 Up, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves against to morrow: for thus saith the LORD God of Israel, *There is* an accursed thing in the midst of thee, O Israel: thou canst not stand before thine enemies, until ye take away the accursed thing from among you.[d]

14 In the morning therefore ye shall be brought according to your tribes: and it shall be, *that* the tribe which the LORD taketh shall come according to the families *thereof;* and the family which the LORD shall take shall come by households; and the household which the LORD shall take shall come man by man.

15 And it shall be, *that* he that is taken with the accursed thing shall be burnt with fire, he and all that he hath: because he hath transgressed the covenant of the LORD, and because he hath wrought [3]folly in Israel.[e]

16 ¶ So Joshua rose up early in the morning, and brought Israel by their tribes; and the tribe of Judah was taken:

17 And he brought the family of Judah; and he took the family of the Zarhites: and he brought the family of the Zarhites man by man; and Zabdi was taken:

18 And he brought his household man by man; and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken.

19 And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to the LORD God of Israel, and make confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide *it* not from me.[f]

20 And Achan answered Joshua, and said, Indeed I have sinned against the LORD God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done:

21 When I saw among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a [4]wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them; and, behold, they *are* hid in the earth in the midst of my tent, and the silver under it.

22 ¶ So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran unto the tent; and, behold, *it was* hid in his tent, and the silver under it.

23 And they took them out of the midst of the tent, and brought them unto Joshua, and unto all the children of Israel, and [5]laid them out before the LORD.

24 And Joshua, and all Israel with him, took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the garment, and the wedge of gold, and his sons, and his daughters, and his oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent, and all that he had: and they brought them unto the valley of Achor.[g]

25 And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall trouble thee this day. And all Israel stoned him with stones, and burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

26 And they raised over him a great heap of stones unto this day. So the LORD turned from the fierceness of his anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called, The valley of [6]Achor, unto this day.[h]

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1 Heb. *necks*

5 Heb *poured*

a Exod xxxii. 12; Numb xiv. 13, Ps. lxxxiii. 4.

2 Heb *fallest*

g ver 26, ch xv 7.

b ver 1, ch vi. 18, 19

c ch vi. 18; Numb xiv 45, Deut. vii. 26, Judg ii. 14.

6 That is, *trouble*

h ver. 24, ch vi 18, viii. 29, Deut. xiii 17, xvii 5; 2 Sam xviii 17

d ch. iii. 5, Exod xix 10

e ch i 9, vi 2, Deut. i 21, vii. 18; xxxi. 8.

3 Or. *wickedness*

e ver 11, Gen xxxiv 7, Judg xx 6

f ch vi 21, Deut xx 14.

f Judg xx 29. 32

7 Heb *pulled*

f Numb v 6, 7, 2 Chron xxx 22, Ps li. 3; Jer xiii 16, Dan. ix 4, John ix. 24

4 Heb *tongue*

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *God encourageth Joshua* 3 *The stratagem whereby Ai was taken.* 29 *The king thereof is hanged.* 30 *Joshua buildeth an altar,* 32 *writeth the law on stones,* 33 *propoundeth blessings and cursings.*

AND the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed: take all the people of war with thee, and arise, go up to Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land:[i]

2 And thou shalt do to Ai and her king as thou didst unto Jericho and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the city behind it.[j]

3 ¶ So Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go up against Ai: and Joshua chose out thirty thousand mighty men of valour, and sent them away by night.

4 And he commanded them, saying, Behold, ye shall lie in wait against the city, *even* behind the city: go not very far from the city, but be ye all ready:

5 And I, and all the people that *are* with me, will approach unto the city: and it shall come to pass, when they come out against us, as at the first, that we will flee before them,[k]

6 (For they will come out after us) till we have [7]drawn them from the city; for they will say, They flee before us, as at the first: therefore we will flee before them.

7 Then ye shall rise up from the ambush, and seize upon the city: for the LORD your God will deliver it into your hand.

8 And it shall be, when ye have taken the city, *that* ye shall set the city on fire: according to the commandment of the LORD shall ye do. See, I have commanded you.

9 ¶ Joshua therefore sent them forth: and they went to lie in ambush, and abode between Beth-el

and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged that night among the people.

10 And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and numbered the people, and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the people to Ai.

11 And all the people, *even the people* of war that *were* with him, went up, and drew nigh, and came before the city, and pitched on the north side of Ai: now *there was* a valley between them and Ai.[a]

12 And he took about five thousand men, and set

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a ver 5

15 And Joshua and all Israel made as if they were beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderness.

16 And all the people that *were* in Ai were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were drawn away from the city.

17 And there was not a man left in Ai or Beth-el, that went not out after Israel: and they left the city open, and pursued after Israel.

18 And the Lord said unto Joshua, Stretch out



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them to lie in ambush between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side [1]of the city.

13 And when they had set the people, *even* all the host that *was* on the north of the city, and their [2]liers in wait on the west of the city, Joshua went that night into the midst of the valley.[b]

14 ¶ And it came to pass, when the king of Ai saw *it*, that they hasted and rose up early, and the men of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people, at a time appointed, before the plain; but he wist not that *there were* liers in ambush against him behind the city.[c]

1 Or, *of Ai*

2 Heb *their lying in wait*

b ver 4

3 Heb *hand*

c Judg. xx. 34; Eccles. ix. 12.

the spear that *is* in thy hand toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand. And Joshua stretched out the spear that *he had* in his hand toward the city.

19 And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon as he had stretched out his hand: and they entered into the city, and took it, and hasted and set the city on fire.

20 And when the men of Ai looked behind them, they saw, and, behold, the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven, and they had no [3]power to flee this way or that way: and the people that fled to the wilderness turned back upon the pursuers.

21 And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the city, and that the smoke of the city ascended, then they turned again, and slew the men of Ai.

22 And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side: and they smote them, so that they let none of them remain or escape.[a]

23 And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.

24 And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

25 And *so* it was, *that* all that fell that day, both of men and women, *were* twelve thousand, *even* all the men of Ai.

26 For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai.

27 Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey unto themselves, according unto the word of the LORD which he commanded Joshua.[b]

28 And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an heap for ever, *even* a desolation unto this day.

29 And the king of Ai he hanged on a tree until eventide: and as soon as the sun was down, Joshua commanded that they should take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city, and raise thereon a great heap of stones, *that remaineth* unto this day.[c]

30 ¶ Then Joshua built an altar unto the LORD God of Israel in mount Ebal,[d]

31 As Moses the servant of the LORD commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the book of the law of Moses, an altar of whole stones, over which no man hath lift up *any* iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the LORD, and sacrificed peace offerings.[e]

32 ¶ And he wrote there upon the stones a copy of the law of Moses, which he wrote in the presence of the children of Israel.[f]

33 And all Israel, and their elders, and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the ark and on that side before the priests the Levites, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, as well the stranger, as he that was born among them; half of them over against mount Gerizim, and half of them over against mount Ebal; as Moses the servant of the LORD had commanded before, that they should bless the people of Israel.[g]

34 And afterward he read all the words of the law, the blessings and cursings, according to all that is written in the book of the law.[h]

35 There was not a word of all that Moses commanded, which Joshua read not before all the congregation of Israel, with the women, and the little ones, and the strangers that [1]were conversant among them.[i]

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a Deut. vii. 2.

b ver 2, Numb xxxi 22, 26

c ch vii 26, x 26, 27; Deut. xiii 16, xxi 23, Ps cvii 40, cx. 5

d Deut xxvii 4, 5

e Exod xx 24, 25, Deut xxvii 5, 6

f Deut xxvii 2—8

g Deut xi. 29; xxvii 12; xxxi 9, 12, 35

h Deut xxviii. 2, 15, 45; xxix 20, 21; xxx. 19, Neh viii 3

i ver 33; Deut. xxxi. 12.

1 Heb *walked.*

n ch xi 19, Exod xxiii 32, Deut vii 2, xx 11, 16, Judg ii 2

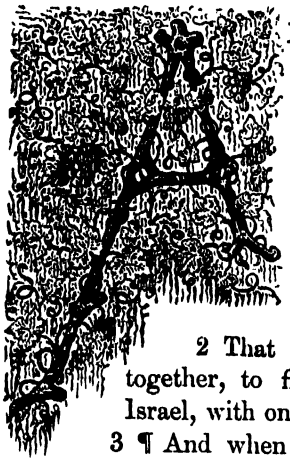
o Exod xv 14; Numb xxi 24, 33, Deut xx 15, Josh ii 10

p Numb xxvii. 21; Judg i 1; 1 Sam. xxii. 10; xxiii. 10, 11, xxx. 8; 2 Sam. ii 1, v. 19; Isa. xxx. 1, 2.

q ch. xi. 19; 2 Sam. xxi. 2.

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The kings combine against Israel.* 3 *The Gibeonites by craft obtain a league.* 16 *For which they are condemned to perpetual bondage.*



AND it came to pass, when all the kings which *were* on this side Jordan, in the hills, and in the valleys, and in all the coasts of the great sea over against Lebanon, the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, heard *thereof;*[j]

2 That they gathered themselves together, to fight with Joshua and with Israel, with one [2]accord.[k]

3 ¶ And when the inhabitants of Gibeon heard what Joshua had done unto Jericho and to Ai,[l]

4 They did work wilily, and went and made as if they had been ambassadors, and took old sacks upon their asses, and wine bottles, old, and rent, and bound up;

5 And old shoes and clouted upon their feet, and old garments upon them; and all the bread of their provision was dry *and* mouldy.

6 And they went to Joshua unto the camp at Gilgal, and said unto him, and to the men of Israel, We be come from a far country: now therefore make ye a league with us.[m]

7 And the men of Israel said unto the Hivites, Peradventure ye dwell among us; and how shall we make a league with you?

8 And they said unto Joshua, We *are* thy servants. And Joshua said unto them, Who *are* ye? and from whence come ye?[n]

9 And they said unto him, From a very far country thy servants are come because of the name of the LORD thy God: for we have heard the fame of him, and all that he did in Egypt,

10 And all that he did to the two kings of the Amorites, that *were* beyond Jordan, to Sihon king of Heshbon, and to Og king of Bashan, which *was* at Ashtaroth.[o]

11 Wherefore our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spake to us, saying, Take victuals with you for the journey, and go to meet them, and say unto them, We *are* your servants: therefore now make ye a league [3]with us.

12 This our bread we took hot *for* our provision out of our houses on the day we came forth to go unto you; but now, behold, it is dry, and it is mouldy:

13 And these bottles of wine, which we filled, *were* new; and, behold, they be rent: and these our garments and our shoes are become old by reason of the very long journey.

14 And [4]the men took of their victuals, and asked not *counsel* at the mouth of the LORD.[p]

15 And Joshua made peace with them, and made a league with them, to let them live: and the princes of the congregation sware unto them.[q]

2 Heb. *mouth.*

k Ps. lxxxiii. 3—5.

l ch. vi. 27, x 2.

3 Heb *in your hand.*

4 Or, *they received the men by reason of their victuals.*

16 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of three days after they had made a league with them, that they heard that they *were* their neighbours, and *that* they dwelt among them.

17 And the children of Israel journeyed, and came unto their cities on the third day. Now their cities *were* Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kirjath-jearim.[a]

18 And the children of Israel smote them not, because the princes of the congregation had sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel. And all the congregation murmured against the princes.[b]

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[g] Exod. xv. 14; xxiii. 32; Deut. vii. 1, 2.

[a] ch. xviii. 25—28; Ezra ii. 25.

[2] Heb *gave*, or, *delivered to be.*

[b] Eccles. v 2.

it was certainly told thy servants, how that the LORD thy God commanded his servant Moses to give you all the land, and to destroy all the inhabitants of the land from before you, therefore we were sore afraid of our lives because of you, and have done this thing.[g]

25 And now, behold, we *are* in thine hand: as it seemeth good and right unto thee to do unto us, do.

26 And so did he unto them, and delivered them out of the hand of the children of Israel, that they slew them not.

27 And Joshua [2]made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water for the congregation, and for



THE GIBEONITES OBTAINING A LEAGUE WITH JOSHUA.

19 But all the princes said unto all the congregation, We have sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel: now therefore we may not touch them.

20 This we will do to them; we will even let them live,[1]lest wrath be upon us, because of the oath which we sware unto them.[c]

21 And the princes said unto them, Let them live; but let them be hewers of wood and drawers of water unto all the congregation; as the princes had promised them.[d]

22 ¶ And Joshua called for them, and he spake unto them, saying, Wherefore have ye beguiled us, saying, We *are* very far from you; when ye dwell among us?[e]

23 Now therefore ye *are* cursed, and there shall [1]none of you be freed from being bondmen, and hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my God.[f]

24 And they answered Joshua, and said, Because

[h] vs. 21, 25, Deut. xii. 5; 1 Chron. ix. 2; Ezra viii. 20.

[c] 2 Sam. xxi. 1—9; Ezek. xvii. 13, 15, 18, 19, Zech. v. 3, 4; Mal. iii. 5.

[d] ver 15; Deut. xxix. 11

. 6, 9, 16.

[1] Heb. *not be cut off from you.*

[f] vs. 21, 27.

[e] ch. vi. 21; viii. 22, 26, 28; ix. 15.

the altar of the LORD, even unto this day, in the place which he should choose.[h]

CHAPTER X.

1 *Five kings war against Gibeon.* 6 *Joshua rescueth it.* 10 *God fighteth against them with hailstones.* 12 *The sun and moon stand still at the word of Joshua.* 16 *The five kings are mured in a cave.* 23 *They are brought forth,* 24 *scornfully used,* 26 *and hanged.* 28 *Seven kings more are conquered.* 43 *Joshua returneth to Gilgal.*

NOW it came to pass, when Adoni-zedec king of Jerusalem had heard how Joshua had taken Ai, and had utterly destroyed it; as he had done to Jericho and her king, so he had done to Ai and her king; and how the inhabitants of Gibeon had made peace with Israel, and were among them,[a]

2 That they feared greatly, because Gibeon *was* a great city, as one of the [1]royal cities, and because it *was* greater than Ai, and all the men thereof *were* mighty.[a]

3 Wherefore Adoni-zedec king of Jerusalem sent unto Hoham king of Hebron, and unto Piram king of Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of Lachish, and unto Debir king of Eglon, saying,

4 Come up unto me, and help me, that we may smite Gibeon: for it hath made peace with Joshua and with the children of Israel.[b]

5 Therefore the five kings of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all their hosts, and encamped before Gibeon, and made war against it.

6 ¶ And the men of Gibeon sent unto Joshua to the camp to Gilgal, saying, Slack not thy hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the mountains are gathered together against us.[c]

7 So Joshua ascended from Gilgal, he, and all the people of war with him, and all the mighty men of valour.

8 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, Fear them not: for I have delivered them into thine hand; there shall not a man of them stand before thee.[d]

9 Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, *and* went up from Gilgal all night.

10 And the LORD discomfited them before Israel, and slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth up to Beth-horon, and smote them to Azekah, and unto Makkedah.[e]

11 And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel, *and* were in the going down to Beth-horon, that the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: *they were* more which died with hailstones than *they* whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.[f]

12 ¶ Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, [2]stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of [3]Ajalon.[g]

13 And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. *Is* not this written in the book of [4]Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.[h]

14 And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel.[i]

15 ¶ And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

16 But these five kings fled, and hid themselves in a cave at Makkedah.

17 And it was told Joshua, saying, The five kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah.

18 And Joshua said, Roll great stones upon the mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to keep them:

BEFORE CHRIST 1450.

1 Heb. *cities of the kingdom.*

5 Heb. *cut off the tail.*

a Exod. xv. 14—16; Deut. xi. 25.

b ver. 1; ch. ix. 15

f Exod. xi. 7.

c ch. v. 10, ix. 2, 6.

d Pa. cvii 40, cx 5; cxlix. 8, 9; Isa. xxvi. 5, 6; Mal. iv. 3.

e ch. i. 5; viii. 1; xi. 6; Judg. iv. 14.

f ch i. 9; Deut. iii. 21, vii. 19, xxxi. 6—8.

e ch. xv. 35, xvi. 3, 5; Judg. iv 15; 1 Sam vii 10—12; Ps. xviii. 14; Isa. xxviii. 21

m ch. viii 29; Deut. xxi. 23.

f Ps. xviii 13, 14, lxxvii. 17; Isa. xxx. 30, Rev. xvi. 21.

n ch. vi. 21.

2 Heb. *be silent.*

3 Or, *Ajalon.*

g Judg xii 12, Isa xxviii. 21, Hab. iii. 11

4 Or, *the upright?*

h 2 Sam. i. 18.

i vs. 42, 43, ch. xxiii. 3; Deut. i. 30.

o ch xii. 19; xvi 3, 10; xxi. 21; Judg. i. 29, 1 Kings ix. 16, 17.

19 And stay ye not, *but* pursue after your enemies, and [5]smite the hindmost of them; suffer them not to enter into their cities: for the LORD your God hath delivered them into your hand.

20 And it came to pass, when Joshua and the children of Israel had made an end of slaying them with a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, that the rest *which* remained of them entered into fenced cities.

21 And all the people returned to the camp to Joshua at Makkedah in peace: none moved his tongue against any of the children of Israel.[j]

22 Then said Joshua, Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out those five kings unto me out of the cave.

23 And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, *and* the king of Eglon.

24 And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto the captains of the men of war which went with him, Come near, put your feet upon the necks of these kings. And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them.[k]

25 And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.[l]

26 And afterward Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged them on five trees: and they were hanging upon the trees until the evening.

27 And it came to pass at the time of the going down of the sun, *that* Joshua commanded, and they took them down off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid, and laid great stones in the cave's mouth, *which remain* until this very day.[m]

28 ¶ And that day Joshua took Makkedah, and smote it with the edge of the sword and the king thereof he utterly destroyed, them, and all the souls that *were* therein; he let none remain: and he did to the king of Makkedah as he did unto the king of Jericho.[n]

29 Then Joshua passed from Makkedah, and all Israel with him, unto Libnah, and fought against Libnah:

30 And the LORD delivered it also, and the king thereof, into the hand of Israel; and he smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein; he let none remain in it; but did unto the king thereof as he did unto the king of Jericho.

31 ¶ And Joshua passed from Libnah, and all Israel with him, unto Lachish, and encamped against it, and fought against it:

32 And the LORD delivered Lachish into the hand of Israel, which took it on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were* therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah.

33 ¶ Then Horam king of Gezer came up to help Lachish; and Joshua smote him and his people, until he had left him none remaining.[o]

34 ¶ And from Lachish Joshua passed unto Eglon,

and all Israel with him; and they encamped against it, and fought against it:[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 1450.

[a] ch. xii. 12; xv. 39.
[b] vs. 32, 37.

therein he utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.[b]



JOSHUA COMMANDING THE SUN TO STAND STILL.

35 And they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that *were*

[c] ch. xiv. 14, 15; 13, 54; Judg. i. 10; 1 Chron. xii. 22, 38.

36 And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto Hebron: and they fought against it:[c]

37 And they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof, and all the souls that *were* therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but destroyed it utterly, and all the souls that *were* therein.[a]

38 ¶ And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, to Debir; and fought against it:[b]

39 And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that *were* therein; he left none remaining: as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; as he had done also to Libnah, and to her king.

40 ¶ So Joshua smote all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale, and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none remaining, but utterly destroyed all that breathed, as the LORD God of Israel commanded.[c]

41 And Joshua smote them from Kadesh-barnea even unto Gaza, and all the country of Goshen, even unto Gibeon.

42 And all these kings and their land did Joshua take at one time, because the LORD God of Israel fought for Israel.[d]

43 And Joshua returned, and all Israel with him, unto the camp to Gilgal.

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Divers kings overcome at the waters of Merom.* 10 *Hazor is taken and burnt.* 16 *All the country taken by Joshua.* 21 *The Anakims cut off*

AND it came to pass, when Jabin king of Hazor had heard *those things*, that he sent to Jobab king of Madon, and to the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph,[e]

2 And to the kings that *were* on the north of the mountains, and of the plains south of Chinneroth, and in the valley, and in the borders of Dor on the west,[f]

3 *And to* the Canaanite on the east and on the west, and *to* the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Jebusite in the mountains, and *to* the Hivite under Hermon in the land of Mizpeh.[g]

4 And they went out, they and all their hosts with them, much people, even as the sand that *is* upon the sea shore in multitude, with horses and chariots very many.[h]

5 And when all these kings were [1]met together, they came and pitched together at the waters of Merom, to fight against Israel.

6 ¶ And the LORD said unto Joshua, Be not afraid because of them: for to morrow about this time will I deliver them up all slain before Israel: thou shalt hough their horses, and burn their chariots with fire.[i]

7 So Joshua came, and all the people of war with him, against them by the waters of Merom suddenly; and they fell upon them.

8 And the LORD delivered them into the hand of Israel, who smote them, and chased them unto [2]great Zidon, and unto [3]Misrephoth-maim, and unto the valley of Mizpeh eastward; and they smote them, until they left them none remaining.[j]

9 And Joshua did unto them as the LORD bade him: he houghed their horses, and burnt their chariots with fire.[k]

10 ¶ And Joshua at that time turned back, and took Hazor, and smote the king thereof with the sword: for Hazor beforetime was the head of all those kingdoms.

11 And they smote all the souls that *were* therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying *them:* there was not [4]any left to breathe: and he burnt Hazor with fire.

12 And all the cities of those kings, and all the kings of them, did Joshua take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, *and* he utterly destroyed them, as Moses the servant of the LORD commanded.[l]

13 But *as for* the cities that stood still [5]in their strength, Israel burned none of them, save Hazor only; *that* did Joshua burn.

14 And all the spoil of these cities, and the cattle, the children of Israel took for a prey unto themselves; but every man they smote with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed them, neither left they any to breathe.[m]

15 ¶ As the LORD commanded Moses his servant, so did Moses command Joshua, and so did Joshua; [6]he left nothing undone of all that the LORD commanded Moses.[n]

16 So Joshua took all that land, the hills, and all the south country, and all the land of Goshen, and the valley, and the plain, and the mountain of Israel, and the valley of the same;[o]

17 *Even* from [7]the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir, even unto Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon under mount Hermon: and all their kings he took, and smote them, and slew them.[p]

18 Joshua made war a long time with all those kings.

19 There was not a city that made peace with the children of Israel, save the Hivites the inhabitants of Gibeon: all *other* they took in battle.

20 For it was of the LORD to harden their hearts, that they should come against Israel in battle, that he might destroy them utterly, *and* that they might have no favour, but that he might destroy them, as the LORD commanded Moses.[q]

21 ¶ And at that time came Joshua, and cut off the Anakims from the mountains, from Hebron, from Debir, from Anab, and from all the mountains of Judah, and from all the mountains of Israel: Joshua destroyed them utterly with their cities.

22 There was none of the Anakims left in the land of the children of Israel: only in Gaza, in Gath, and in Ashdod, there remained.[r]

23 So Joshua took the whole land, according to all that the LORD said unto Moses; and Joshua gave it for an inheritance unto Israel according to their divisions by their tribes. And the land rested from war.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 1450.

2 Or, *Zidon-rabbah.*
3 Or, *salt pits.* Heb. *burnings.*
j ch. xiii. 6.

a ch. xiv. 13; xv. 13; Judg. i. 10.
k ver. 6.
b ch. xv. 15; Judg. i. 11.

4 Heb. *any breath.*

c Deut. xx. 16, 17.
l Numb. xxxiii. 52; Deut. vii. 2; xx. 16, 17.
5 Heb. *on their heap.*

d ver. 14; ch. xi. 16

m ver. 11.

6 Heb *he removed nothing*

n ch. i. 7; Exod. xxxiv 11, 12, Deut. vii. 2

o ch. x. 41; xii 8.

7 Or, *the smooth mountain.*

e ch xii 19; xix. 36, Judg iv 2, 17.
p ch xii. 7; Deut. vii. 24.

f ch x 6, 40; xii. 3, Numb. xxxiv. 11, 12, Judg i. 27, 1 Kings iv. 11.

g ch x. 3, xiii 11, xv 63, xvii. 11, Gen xxxi. 49, Numb xiii 29; xxxiv 11, Judg i 27; iii. 3, Deut iv 37, 38.
q ver 23; ch ix. 3, 7, Deut ii 30, xx. 16, 17, Judg. xiv 4.

h Gen xxii 17, xxxii. 12; Judg vii. 12, 1 Sam. xiii. 5

1 Heb *assembled by appointment.*

r ch. xv. 13, 14, 46; Numb. xiii. 22, 23; Deut. i. 28.

i 2 Sam. viii. 4.

s ch. xiv. 15; xv.—xix.; xxi. 44; xxii. 4; xxiii. 1.

CHAPTER XII.

1 The two kings whose countries Moses took and disposed of. 7 The one and thirty kings on the other side Jordan which Joshua smote.

NOW these *are* the kings of the land, which the children of Israel smote, and possessed their land on the other side Jordan toward the rising of the sun, from the river Arnon unto mount Hermon, and all the plain on the east:

2 Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, *and* ruled from Aroer, which *is* upon the bank of the river Arnon, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gilead, even unto the river Jabbok, *which is* the border of the children of Ammon;[e]

3 And from the plain to the sea of Chinneroth on the east, and unto the sea of the plain, *even* the salt sea on the east, the way to Beth-jeshimoth; and from [1]the south, under [2]Ashdoth-pisgah:[h]

4 ¶ And the coast of Og king of Bashan, *which was* of the remnant of the giants, that dwelt at Ashtaroth and at Edrei,

5 And reigned in mount Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the Geshurites and the Maachathites, and half Gilead, the border of Sihon king of Heshbon.[c]

6 Them did Moses the servant of the LORD and the children of Israel smite: and Moses the servant of the LORD gave it *for* a possession unto the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh.[d]

7 ¶ And these *are* the kings of the country which Joshua and the children of Israel smote on this side Jordan on the west, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon even unto the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir; which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel *for* a possession according to their divisions;[e]

8 In the mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the wilderness, and in the south country; the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:[f]

9 ¶ The king of Jericho, one; the king of Ai, which *is* beside Beth-el, one;[g]

10 The king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one;[h]

11 The king of Jarmuth, one; the king of Lachish, one;

12 The king of Eglon, one; the king of Gezer, one;[i]

13 The king of Debir, one; the king of Geder, one;[j]

14 The king of Hormah, one; the king of Arad, one;

15 The king of Libnah, one; the king of Adullam, one;[k]

16 The king of Makkedah, one: the king of Beth-el, one;[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 1444.

m 1 Kings iv. 10.
3 Or, *Sharon.*
n Isa. xxxiii. 9
o ch. xi. 10.
p ch xi. 1; xix. 15.
q ch. xix. 37

17 The king of Tappuah, one; the king of Hepher, one;[m]

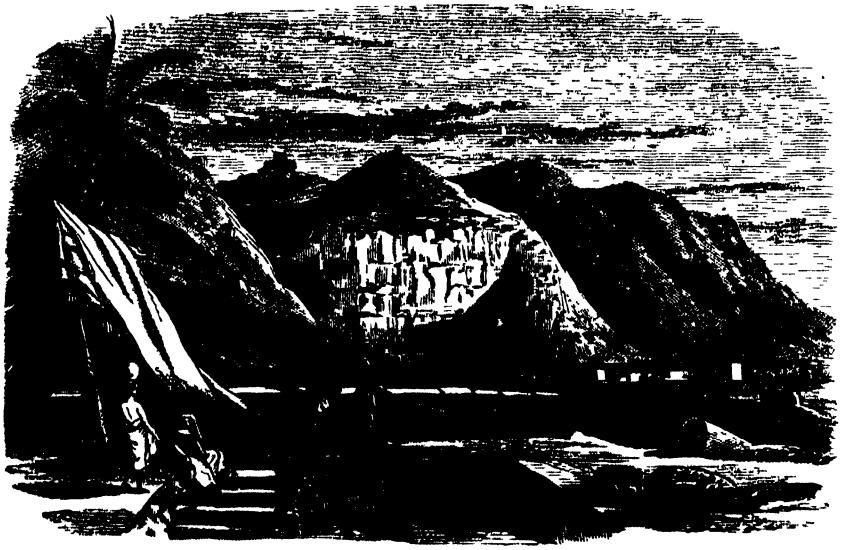
18 The king of Aphek, one; the king of [3]Lasharon, one;[n]

19 The king of Madon, one; the king of Hazor, one;[o]

20 The king of Shimron-meron, one; the king of Achshaph, one;[p]

21 The king of Taanach, one; the king of Megiddo, one;

22 The king of Kedesh, one; the king of Jokneam of Carmel, one;[q]



SITE OF JERICHO.

a Numb. xxi. 24; Deut. ii. 35, 36; iii. 6, 8, 9, 16
1 Or, *Teman.*
2 Or, *the springs of Pisgah*; or, *the hill.*
b ch. xiii. 20; Deut. iii. 17
c ch. xiii. 11, 12; Numb xxi. 35; Deut. i. 4; iii. 4, 8, 10, 14, 17; iv. 49
d ch. xiii. 8; Numb. xxi. 24, 33; xxxii. 29, 33; Deut. iii. 11, 12.
r Isa. ix. 1.
e ch. xi. 17, 23; Gen xiv. 6; xxxii. 3; Deut. ii. 1, 4.
f ch. ix. 1; x. 40; xi 16; Exod. iii. 8; xxiii. 23.
g ch. vi. 2; viii. 29.
4 Heb. *to possess it.*
s ch. xiv. 10; xxiii. 1.
h ch. x. 23.
t ver. 13; Judg. iii. 1; 2 Sam. iii. 3; xiii. 37, 38; Joel iii. 4.
i ch. x. 33.
j ch. x. 38.
u Deut. ii. 23; Judg. iii. 3; 1 Sam. vi. 4, 16; Zeph. ii. 5.
5 Or, *the cave.*
v ch. xix. 30; Judg. i. 34.
k ch. x. 29.
l ch. viii. 17; x. 28; Judg. i. 22.
w ch. xii. 7; 1 Kings v. 18; Ps. lxxxiii. 7; Ezek. xxvii. 9.

23 The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of the nations of Gilgal, one;[r]

24 The king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and one.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 The bounds of the land not yet conquered. 8 The inheritance of the two tribes and half. 14, 33 The Lord and his sacrifices are the inheritance of Levi. 15 The bounds of the inheritance of Reuben. 22 Balaam slain. 24 The bounds of the inheritance of Gad, 29 and of the half tribe of Manasseh.

NOW Joshua was old *and* stricken in years; and the LORD said unto him, Thou art old *and* stricken in years, and there remaineth yet very much land [4]to be possessed.[s]

2 This *is* the land that yet remaineth: all the borders of the Philistines, and all Geshuri,[t]

3 From Sihor, which *is* before Egypt, even unto the borders of Ekron northward, *which* is counted to the Canaanite: five lords of the Philistines; the Gazathites, and the Ashdothites, the Eshkalonites, the Gittites, and the Ekronites; also the Avites:[u]

4 From the south, all the land of the Canaanites, and [5]Mearah that *is* beside the Sidonians, unto Aphek, to the borders of the Amorites:[v]

5 And the land of the Giblites, and all Lebanon, toward the sunrising, from Baal-gad under mount Hermon unto the entering into Hamath.[w]

6 All the inhabitants of the hill country from Lebanon unto Misrephoth-maim, *and* all the Sidonians, them will I drive out from before the children of Israel: only divide thou it by lot unto the Israelites for an inheritance, as I have commanded thee.[a]

7 Now therefore divide this land for an inheritance unto the nine tribes, and the half tribe of Manasseh,

8 With whom the Reubenites and the Gadites have received their inheritance, which Moses gave them, beyond Jordan eastward, *even* as Moses the servant of the LORD gave them;[b]

9 From Aroer, that *is* upon the bank of the river Arnon, and the city that *is* in the midst of the river, and all the plain of Medeba unto Dibon;[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1444

[h] ver. 33; ch. xiv. 3, 4; Numb. xviii. 22, 24.

[a] ch. xi. 8; xiv. 1, 2; xxiii. 13; Judg. ii. 21, 23.

[s] ver. 9, Numb. xxi. 28, 30

1 Or, *the high places of Baal, and house of Baal-meon.*

[j] Numb. xxxii. 38.

[k] Numb. xxi. 23.

[b] ch. xxii. 4; Numb. xxxii. 33, Deut. iii. 12, 13.

[l] Numb. xxxii. 37, 38

2 Or, *springs of Pisgah; or, the hill.*

[c] ver. 16, Numb. xxi. 30.

[m] ch. xii. 3; Deut. iii. 17.

10 And all the cities of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, unto the border of the children of Ammon;[d]

11 And Gilead, and the border of the Geshurites and Maachathites, and all mount Hermon, and all Bashan unto Salcah;[e]

12 All the kingdom of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei, who remained of the remnant of the giants: for these did Moses smite, and cast them out.[f]

13 Nevertheless the children of Israel expelled not the Geshurites, nor the Maachathites: but the Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell among the Israelites until this day.[g]

14 Only unto the tribe of Levi he gave none inheritance; the sacrifices of the LORD God of Israel made by fire *are* their inheritance, as he said unto them.[h]

15 ¶ And Moses gave unto the tribe of the children of Reuben *inheritance* according to their families.

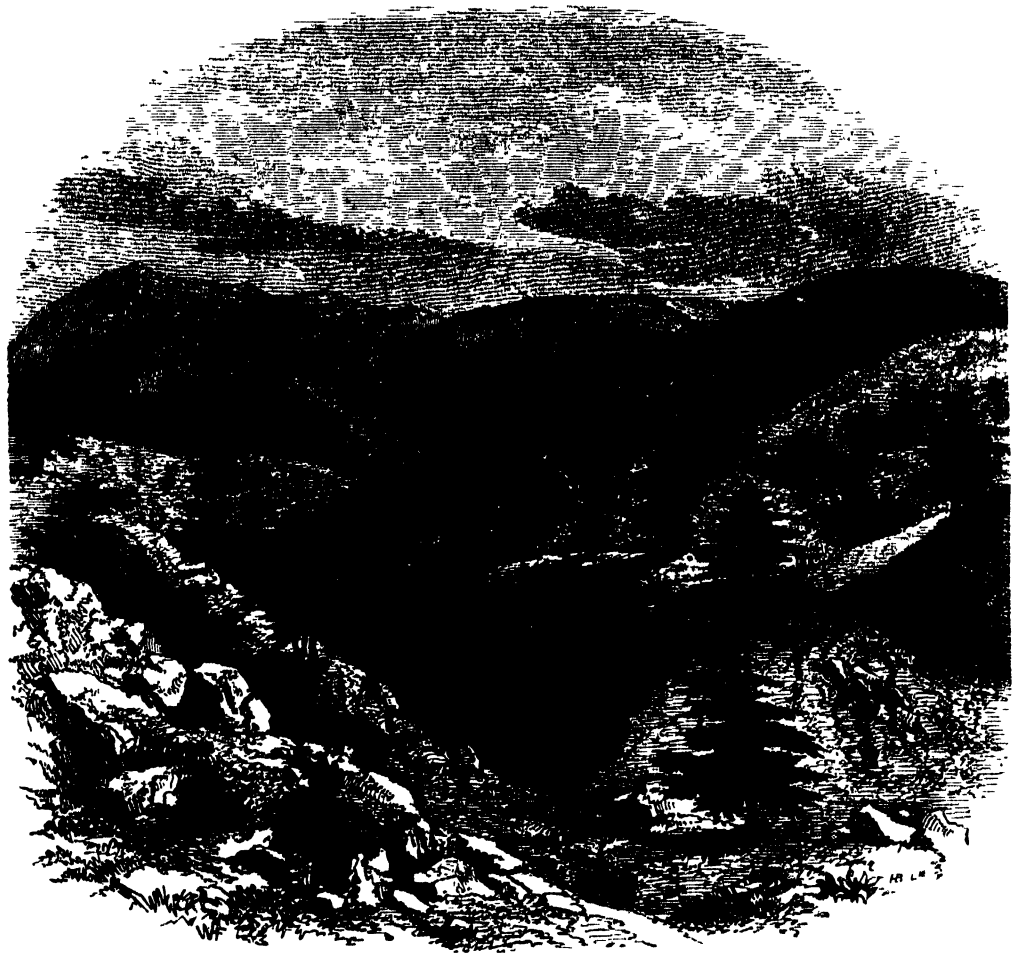
16 And their coast was from Aroer, that *is* on the bank of the river Arnon, and the city that *is* in the midst of the river, and all the plain by Medeba;[i]

17 Heshbon, and all her cities that *are* in the plain; Dibon, and [1]Bamoth-baal, and Beth-baal-meon,[j]

18 And Jahaza, and Kedemoth, and Mephaath,[k]

19 And Kirjathaim, and Sibmah, and Zareth-shahar in the mount of the valley,[l]

20 And Beth-peor, and [2]Ashdoth-pisgah, and Beth-jeshimoth,[m]



HILL COUNTRY OF LEBANON.

21 And all the cities of the plain, and all the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, whom Moses smote with the princes of Midian, Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, *which were* dukes of Sihon, dwelling in the country.[n]

22 ¶ Balaam also the son of Beor, the [3]soothsayer, did the children of Israel slay with the sword among them that were slain by them.[o]

23 And the border of the children of Reuben was Jordan, and the border *thereof.* This *was* the inheritance of the children of Reuben after their families, the cities and the villages thereof.

24 And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the tribe of Gad, *even* unto the children of Gad according to their families.

[d] Numb. xxi. 24, 25.

[n] Numb. xxi. 24; xxxi. 8.

[e] ch. xii. 5.

3 Or, *diviner*

[o] Numb. xxii. 5; xxxi. 8

[f] ch. xii. 4; Numb. xxi. 24, 25; Deut. iii. 11.

[g] ver. 11.

25 And their coast was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, and half the land of the children of Ammon, unto Aroer that *is* before Rabbah;[a]

26 And from Heshbon unto Ramath-mizpeh, and Betonim; and from Mahanaim unto the border of Debir;

27 And in the valley, Beth-aram, and Beth-nimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the kingdom of Sihon king of Heshbon, Jordan and *his* border, *even* unto the edge of the sea of Chinnereth on the other side Jordan eastward.[b]

28 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Gad after their families, the cities, and their villages.

29 ¶ And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the half tribe of Manasseh: and *this* was *the possession* of the half tribe of the children of Manasseh by their families.

30 And their coast was from Mahanaim, all Bashan, all the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, and all the towns of Jair, which *are* in Bashan, threescore cities:[c]

31 And half Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, *were pertaining* unto the children of Machir the son of Manasseh, *even* to the one half of the children of Machir by their families.[d]

32 These *are the countries* which Moses did distribute for inheritance in the plains of Moab, on the other side Jordan, by Jericho, eastward.

33 But unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave not *any* inheritance: the LORD God of Israel *was* their inheritance, as he said unto them.[e]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *The nine tribes and a half are to have their inheritance by lot.* 6 *Caleb by privilege obtaineth Hebron.*



NOW these *are the countries* which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them:[f]

2 By lot *was* their inheritance, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses, for the nine tribes, and *for* the half tribe.

3 For Moses had given the inheritance of two tribes and an half tribe on the other side Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave none inheritance among them.[g]

4 For the children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: therefore they gave no part unto the Levites in the land, save cities to dwell *in*, with their suburbs for their cattle and for their substance.[h]

5 As the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel did, and they divided the land.[i]

6 ¶ Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou knowest the thing that the LORD said unto Moses the man of God concerning me and thee in Kadesh-barnea.[j]

7 Forty years old *was* I when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadesh-barnea to espy out the land; and I brought him word again as *it was* in mine heart.

8 Nevertheless my brethren that went up with me made the heart of the people melt: but I wholly followed the LORD my God.[k]

9 And Moses sware on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet have trodden shall be thine inheritance, and thy children's for ever, because thou hast wholly followed the LORD my God.[l]

10 And now, behold, the LORD hath kept me alive, as he said, these forty and five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while *the children of* Israel [1]wandered in the wilderness: and now, lo, I *am* this day fourscore and five years old.[m]

11 As yet I *am as* strong this day as *I was* in the day that Moses sent me: as my strength *was* then, even so *is* my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.[n]

12 Now therefore give me this mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day; for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims *were* there, and *that* the cities *were* great *and* fenced: if so be the LORD *will be* with me, then I shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.[o]

13 And Joshua blessed him, and gave unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh Hebron for an inheritance.[p]

14 Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite unto this day, because that he wholly followed the LORD God of Israel.[q]

15 And the name of Hebron before *was* Kirjath-arba; *which Arba was* a great man among the Anakims. And the land had rest from war.[r]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The borders of the lot of Judah.* 13 *Caleb's portion and conquest.* 16 *Othniel, for his valour, hath Achsah, Caleb's daughter, to wife.* 18 *She obtaineth a blessing of her father.* 21 *The cities of Judah.* 63 *The Jebusites not conquered.*

THIS then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Judah by their families; *even* to the border of Edom the wilderness of Zin southward *was* the uttermost part of the south coast.[s]

2 And their south border was from the shore of the salt sea, from the [2]bay that looketh southward:

3 And it went out to the south side to [3]Maaleh-acrabbim, and passed along to Zin, and ascended up on the south side unto Kadesh-barnea, and passed along to Hezron, and went up to Adar, and fetched a compass to Karkaa:[t]

4 *From thence* it passed toward Azmon, and went out unto the river of Egypt; and the goings out of that coast were on the sea: this shall be your south coast.

BEFORE CHRIST 1444.

j ch. xv. 17; Numb. xiii. 6, 26; xiv. 6, 24, 30; xxxii. 12; Deut. i. 36, 38.

a Numb. xxi. 26, 28, 29; xxxii. 35; Deut. ii. 19; Judg. xi. 13—15; 2 Sam. xi. 1; xii. 26.

k Numb. xiii. 6, 31, 32; xiv. 6, 24; Deut. i. 36.

b Gen. xxxiii. 17; Numb. xxxii. 36; xxxiv. 11; 1 Kings vii. 46.

l ch. i. 3; Numb. xiii. 22, xiv 23, 24; Deut. i. 36

1 Heb. *walked.*

m Numb. xiv. 30.

c Numb. xxxii. 41; 1 Chron. ii. 23.

n Deut. xxxi. 2; xxxiv. 7

d ch. xii. 4; Numb. xxxii. 39, 40.

o ch. xv. 14; Numb. xiii 28, 33; Judg i. 20, Ps. xviii. 32, 34; lx. 12.

p ch. x 37; xv. 13; xxi. 11, 12; xxii. 6; Judg i 20; 1 Chron. vi. 55, 56.

e ver. 14; ch. xviii. 7; Numb. xviii. 20; Deut. x. 9; xviii. 1, 2.

q ver. 8, 9; ch. xxi. 12.

r ch. xi. 23; xv 13; Gen. xxiii. 2.

f Numb. xxxiv. 17, 18.

s Numb. xxxiii. 36; xxxiv. 3.

g ch. xiii. 8, 32, 33; Numb. xxvi. 55; xxxiii. 54; xxxiv. 13.

2 Heb *tongue.*

3 Or, *the going up to Acrabbim.*

h Gen. xlviii. 5; 1 Chron. v. 1, 2.

t Numb. xxxiv. 4.

i ch. xxi. 2; Numb. xxxv. 2.

5 And the east border *was* the salt sea, *even* unto the end of Jordan. And *their* border in the north quarter *was* from the bay of the sea at the uttermost part of Jordan:

6 And the border went up to Beth-hogla, and passed along by the north of Beth-arabah; and the border went up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben:

7 And the border went up toward Debir from the valley of Achor, and so northward, looking toward Gilgal, that *is* before the going up to Adummim, which *is* on the south side of the river: and the border passed toward the waters of En-shemesh, and the goings out thereof were at En-rogel:[e]

Before Christ 1443.

[d] ver. 47; ch. xiv. 13; xix. 43; Numb. xxxiv. 6, 7; Judg. xiv. 1.

1 Or, *Kirjath-arba.*

[e] ch. xiv 13, 15.

[a] ch vii. 26; xviii. 17, 19; Numb xxxiv. 5; 2 Sam. xvii. 17; 1 Kings i. 9.

[f] Judg i. 10, 20; Numb xiii 22

northward: and the border was drawn to Shicron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and went out unto Jabneel; and the goings out of the border were at the sea.

12 And the west border *was* to the great sea, and the coast *thereof*. This *is* the coast of the children of Judah round about according to their families.[d]

13 ¶ And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the children of Judah, according to the commandment of the LORD to Joshua, *even* the [1]city of Arba the father of Anak, which *city is* Hebron.[e]

14 And Caleb drove thence the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the children of Anak.[f]



CALEB PLEDGING HIS DAUGHTER IN MARRIAGE.

8 And the border went up by the valley of the son of Hinnom unto the south side of the Jebusite; the same *is* Jerusalem: and the border went up to the top of the mountain that *lieth* before the valley of Hinnom westward, which *is* at the end of the valley of the giants northward:[a]

9 And the border was drawn from the top of the hill unto the fountain of the water of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron; and the border was drawn to Baalah, which *is* Kirjath-jearim:[c]

10 And the border compassed from Baalah westward unto mount Seir, and passed along unto the side of mount Jearim, which *is* Chesalon, on the north side, and went down to Beth-shemesh, and passed on to Timnah:

11 And the border went out unto the side of Ekron

[g] ch x 38 Judg i 11

[b] ch xviii 16, 28, xix. 10; Judg i 21, 2 Kings xxiii. 10; Jer xix. 2, 6.

[h] ch. xiv 6; Numb. xxxii. 12; Judg. i. 12—14; iii. 9.

[c] ch. xviii. 15; Judg. xviii. 12; 1 Chron. xiii. 6.

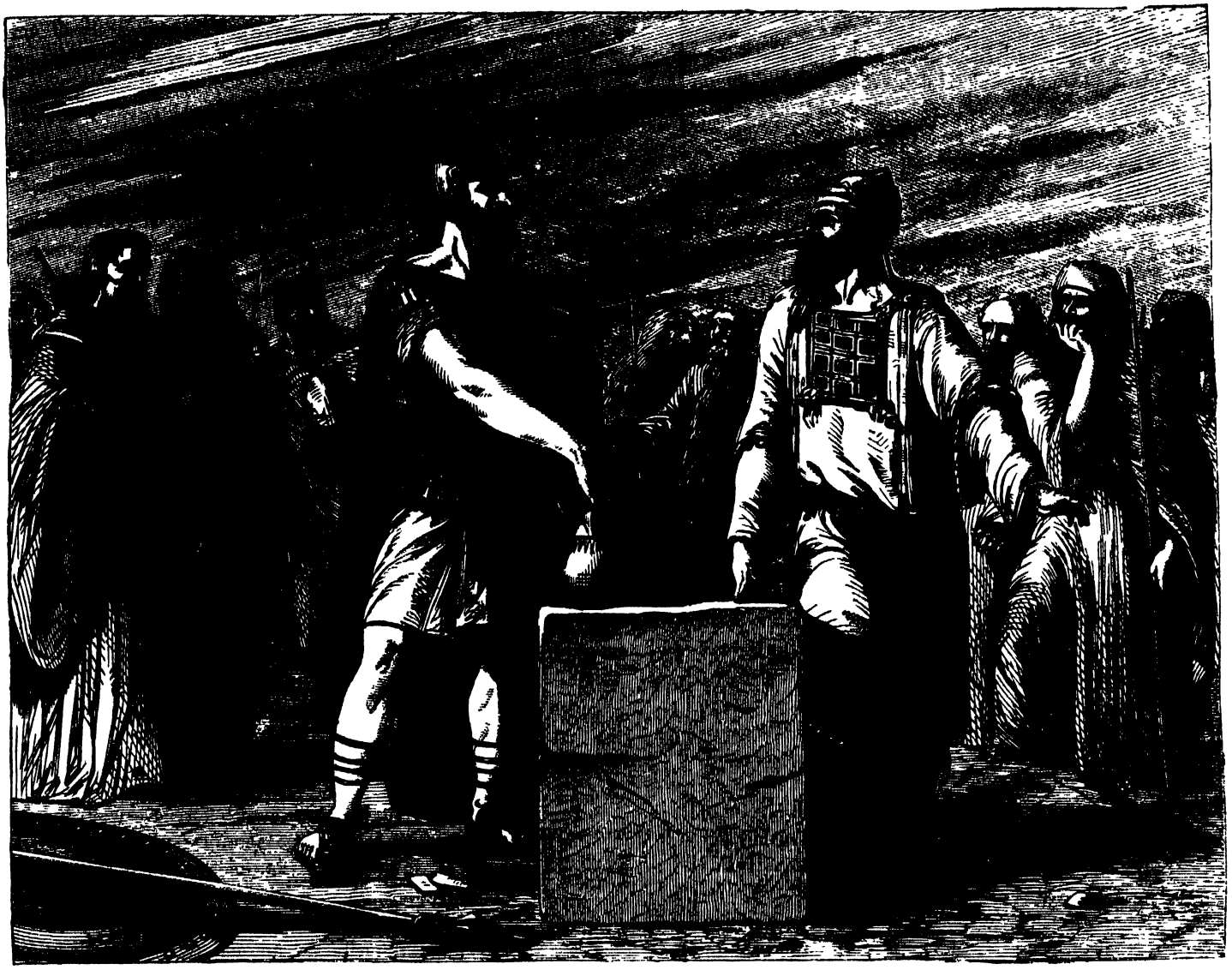
15 And he went up thence to the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before *was* Kirjath-sepher.[g]

16 ¶ And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife.

17 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.[h]

18 And it came to pass, as she came *unto him*, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted off *her* ass; and Caleb said unto her, What wouldest thou?

19 Who answered, Give me a blessing; for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs.



JOSHUA DIVIDING THE LAND BY LOT

20 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families.

21 And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the children of Judah toward the coast of Edom southward were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Jagur,

22 And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah,

23 And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan,

24 Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth,

25 And Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth, *and* Hezron, which *is* Hazor,

26 Amam, and Shema, and Moladah,

27 And Hazar-gaddah, and Heshmon, and Beth-palet,

28 And Hazar-shual, and Beer-sheba, and Biz-jothjah,

29 Baalah, and Iim, and Azem,

30 And Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah,

31 And Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah,[a]

32 And Lebaoth, and Shilhim, and Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities *are* twenty and nine, with their villages:

33 *And* in the valley, Eshtaol, and Zoreah, and Ashnah,[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

1 Or, *or*

c 2 Kings xiv 7.

2 Heb. *by the place of.*

a 1 Sam. xxvii. 6.

d ver. 4; Numb. xxxiv. 6.

b Numb. xiii. 22.

34 And Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, and Enam,

35 Jarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah,

36 And Sharaim, and Adithaim, and [1]Gederah, and Gederothaim; fourteen cities with their villages:

37 Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad,

38 And Dilean, and Mizpeh, and Joktheel,[c]

39 Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon,

40 And Cabbon, and Lahmam, and Kithlish,

41 And Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah; sixteen cities with their villages:

42 Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan,

43 And Jiphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib,

44 And Keilah, and Achzib, and Mareshah; nine cities with their villages:

45 Ekron, with her towns and her villages:

46 From Ekron even unto the sea, all that [2]*lay* near Ashdod, with their villages:

47 Ashdod with her towns and her villages, Gaza with her towns and her villages, unto the river of Egypt, and the great sea, and the border *thereof*:[d]

48 ¶ And in the mountains, Shamir, and Jattir, and Socoh,

49 And Dannah, and Kirjath-sannah, which *is* Debir,
50 And Anab, and Eshtemoh, and Anim,
51 And Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh; eleven cities with their villages:[a]
52 Arab, and Dumah, and Eshean,
53 And [1]Janum, and Beth-tappuah, and Aphekah,
54 And Humtah, and Kirjath-arba, which *is* Hebron, and Zior; nine cities with their villages:[b]
55 Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Juttah,
56 And Jezreel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah,
57 Cain, Gibeah, and Timnah; ten cities with their villages:
58 Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor,
59 And Maarath, and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon; six cities with their villages:
60 Kirjath-baal, which *is* Kirjath-jearim, and Rabbah; two cities with their villages:[c]
61 In the wilderness, Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah,
62 And Nibshan, and the city of Salt, and En-gedi; six cities with their villages.
63 ¶ As for the Jebusites the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the children of Judah could not drive them out: but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Judah at Jerusalem unto this day.[d]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *The general borders of the sons of Joseph.* 5 *The border of the inheritance of Ephraim.* 10 *The Canaanites not conquered.*

AND the lot of the children of Joseph [2]fell from Jordan by Jericho, unto the water of Jericho on the east, to the wilderness that goeth up from Jericho throughout mount Beth-el,
2 And goeth out from Beth-el to Luz, and passeth along unto the borders of Archi to Ataroth,[e]
3 And goeth down westward to the coast of Japhleti, unto the coast of Beth-horon the nether, and to Gezer: and the goings out thereof are at the sea.[f]
4 So the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance.
5 ¶ And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families was *thus:* even the border of their inheritance on the east side was Ataroth-addar, unto Beth-horon the upper;[g]
6 And the border went out toward the sea to Michmethah on the north side; and the border went about eastward unto Taanath-shiloh, and passed by it on the east to Janohah;
7 And it went down from Janohah to Ataroth, and to Naarath, and came to Jericho, and went out at Jordan.[h]
8 The border went out from Tappuah westward unto the river Kanah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim by their families.
9 And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim *were* among the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, all the cities with their villages.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

j Judg. i. 29; 1 Kings ix. 16.

a ch. x. 41; xi. 16.

1 Or, *Janus.*

b ver. 13; ch. xiv. 15.

c Gen. xli. 51; xlvi. 20; xlviii. 18; l. 23; Numb. xxvi. 29; xxxii. 39, 40; Deut. iii. 15; 1 Chron. vii. 14.

c ch. xviii. 14.

3 Or, *Jezer.*

d Numb. xxvi. 30—32, 1 Chron. vii. 18.

d Judg. i. 8, 21; 2 Sam. v. 6.

m Numb. xxvi. 33; xxvii. 1; xxxvi. 2

2 Heb. *went forth.*

n ch. xiv. 1; Numb. xxvii. 6, 7

e ch. xviii. 13, Judg. i. 26

f ch. xviii. 13; 1 Chron. vii. 28, 2 Chron. viii. 5; 1 Kings ix. 15.

o ch. xv. 6.

g ch. xvii. 14, xviii. 13; 2 Chron. viii. 5

p ch. xvi. 8

4 Or, *brook of reeds.*

h ch. xvii. 7, 1 Chron. vii. 28.

q ch. xvi. 9.

i ch. xvii. 9.

10 And they drove not out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve under tribute.[j]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *The lot of Manasseh.* 7 *His coast.* 12 *The Canaanites not driven out.* 14 *The children of Joseph obtain another lot.*

THERE was also a lot for the tribe of Manasseh; for he *was* the firstborn of Joseph; *to wit,* for Machir the firstborn of Manasseh, the father of Gilead: because he was a man of war, therefore he had Gilead and Bashan.[k]
2 There was also *a lot* for the rest of the children of Manasseh by their families; for the children of [3]Abiezer, and for the children of Helek, and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of Shechem, and for the children of Hepher, and for the children of Shemida: these *were* the male children of Manasseh the son of Joseph by their families.[l]
3 ¶ But Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons, but daughters: and these *are* the names of his daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.[m]
4 And they came near before Eleazar the priest, and before Joshua the son of Nun, and before the princes, saying, The LORD commanded Moses to give us an inheritance among our brethren. Therefore according to the commandment of the LORD he gave them an inheritance among the brethren of their father.[n]
5 And there fell ten portions to Manasseh, beside the land of Gilead and Bashan, which *were* on the other side Jordan;
6 Because the daughters of Manasseh had an inheritance among his sons: and the rest of Manasseh's sons had the land of Gilead.
7 ¶ And the coast of Manasseh was from Asher to Michmethah, that *lieth* before Shechem; and the border went along on the right hand unto the inhabitants of En-tappuah.[o]
8 *Now* Manasseh had the land of Tappuah: but Tappuah on the border of Manasseh *belonged* to the children of Ephraim;[p]
9 And the coast descended unto the [4]river Kanah, southward of the river: these cities of Ephraim *are* among the cities of Manasseh: the coast of Manasseh also *was* on the north side of the river, and the outgoings of it were at the sea:[q]
10 Southward *it was* Ephraim's, and northward *it was* Manasseh's, and the sea is his border; and they met together in Asher on the north, and in Issachar on the east.
11 And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher Beth-shean and her towns, and Ibleam and her towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, and the

inhabitants of En-dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of Taanach and her towns, and the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns, *even* three countries.[a]

12 Yet the children of Manasseh could not drive out *the inhabitants of* those cities; but the Canaanites would dwell in that land.[b]

13 Yet it came to pass, when the children of Israel were waxen strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute; but did not utterly drive them out.[c]

14 And the children of Joseph spake unto Joshua, saying, Why hast thou given me *but* one lot and one portion to inherit, seeing I *am* a great people, forasmuch as the LORD hath blessed me hitherto?[d]

15 And Joshua answered them, If thou *be* a great people, *then* get thee up to the wood *country*, and cut down for thyself there in the land of the Perizzites and of [1]the giants, if mount Ephraim be too narrow for thee.[e]

16 And the children of Joseph said, The hill is not enough for us: and all the Canaanites that dwell in the land of the valley have chariots of iron, *both they* who *are* of Beth-shean and her towns, and *they* who *are* of the valley of Jezreel.[f]

17 And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph, *even* to Ephraim and to Manasseh, saying, Thou *art* a great people, and hast great power: thou shalt not have one lot *only:*

18 But the mountain shall be thine; for it *is* a wood, and thou shalt cut it down: and the outgoings of it shall be thine: for thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have iron chariots, *and* though they *be* strong.[g]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *The tabernacle is set up at Shiloh.* 2 *The remainder of the land is described, and divided into seven parts.* 10 *Joshua divideth it by lot.* 11 *The lot and border of Benjamin.* 21 *Their cities.*

AND the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them.[h]

2 And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet received their inheritance.

3 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long *are* ye slack to go to possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?[i]

4 Give out from among you three men for *each* tribe: and I will send them, and they shall rise, and go through the land, and describe it according to the inheritance of them; and they shall come *again* to me.

5 And they shall divide it into seven parts: Judah shall abide in their coast on the south, and the house of Joseph shall abide in their coasts on the north.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

k ver. 10; ch. xiv. 2.

a 1 Sam. xxxi. 10; 1 Kings iv. 12; 1 Chron. vii. 29.

b Judg i. 27, 28

l ch xiii. 8, 33.

c ch. xvi 10

d ch. xvi 4; Gen xlviii. 19, 22; Numb xxvi. 34, 37.

1 Or, *Rephaims*

e Gen xiv 5; xv 20

f ch xix. 18; Judg i 19; iv. 3; 1 Kings iv 12

m ch xvi 1.

g Deut. xx. 1.

n ch. xvi. 3; Gen. xxxviii. 19; Judg i. 23

h ch xix 51, xxi. 2, xxii. 9; Judg. xviii. 31, 1 Sam i. 3, 24, iv 3, 4.

o ch. xv 6—9

i Judg xviii. 9.

2 Or, *the plain.*

3 Heb. *tongue.*

j ch. xv 1; xvi. 1. 4.

6 Ye shall therefore describe the land *into* seven parts, and bring *the description* hither to me, that I may cast lots for you here before the LORD our God.[k]

7 But the Levites have no part among you; for the priesthood of the LORD *is* their inheritance: and Gad, and Reuben, and half the tribe of Manasseh, have received their inheritance beyond Jordan on the east, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave them.[l]

8 ¶ And the men arose, and went away: and Joshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying, Go and walk through the land, and describe it, and come again to me, that I may here cast lots for you before the LORD in Shiloh.

9 And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven parts in a book, and came *again* to Joshua to the host at Shiloh.

10 ¶ And Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before the LORD: and there Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel according to their divisions.

11 ¶ And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their families: and the coast of their lot came forth between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph.

12 And their border on the north side was from Jordan; and the border went up to the side of Jericho on the north side, and went up through the mountains westward; and the goings out thereof were at the wilderness of Beth-aven.[m]

13 And the border went over from thence toward Luz, to the side of Luz, which *is* Beth-el, southward; and the border descended to Ataroth-adar, near the hill that *lieth* on the south side of the nether Beth-horon.[n]

14 And the border was drawn *thence*, and compassed the corner of the sea southward, from the hill that *lieth* before Beth-horon southward; and the goings out thereof were at Kirjath-baal, which *is* Kirjath-jearim, a city of the children of Judah: this *was* the west quarter.

15 And the south quarter *was* from the end of Kirjath-jearim, and the border went out on the west, and went out to the well of waters of Nephtoah:

16 And the border came down to the end of the mountain that *lieth* before the valley of the son of Hinnom, *and* which *is* in the valley of the giants on the north, and descended to the valley of Hinnom, to the side of Jebusi on the south, and descended to En-rogel,

17 And was drawn from the north, and went forth to En-shemesh, and went forth toward Geliloth, which *is* over against the going up of Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben,[o]

18 And passed along toward the side over against Arabah northward, and went down unto [2]Arabah:

19 And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah northward: and the outgoings of the border were at the north [3]bay of the salt sea at the south end of Jordan: this *was* the south coast.

20 And Jordan was the border of it on the east side. This *was* the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, by the coasts thereof round about, according to their families.

21 Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin according to their families were Jericho, and Beth-hoglah, and the valley of Keziz,
22 And Beth-arabah, and Zemaraim, and Beth-el,
23 And Avim, and Parah, and Ophrah,
24 And Chephar-haammonai, and Ophni, and Gaba; twelve cities with their villages:
25 Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth,
26 And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,
27 And Rekem, and Irpeel, and Taralah,
28 And Zelah, Eleph, and Jebusi, which *is* Jerusalem, Gibeath, *and* Kirjath; fourteen cities with their villages. This *is* the inheritance of the children of Benjamin according to their families.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

[a] ch. xv. 8.

7 Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan; four cities and their villages:
8 And all the villages that *were* round about these cities to Baalath-beer, Ramath of the south. This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families.
9 Out of the portion of the children of Judah *was* the inheritance of the children of Simeon: for the part of the children of Judah was too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had their inheritance within the inheritance of them.[d]
10 ¶ And the third lot came up for the children of Zebulun according to their families: and the border of their inheritance was unto Sarid:

[d] ver. 1; 1 Chron. iv. 29, 30.



THE CITY OF TYRE.

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *The lot of Simeon,* 10 *of Zebulun,* 17 *of Issachar,* 24 *of Asher,* 32 *of Naphtali,* 40 *of Dan.* 49 *The children of Israel give an inheritance to Joshua.*

AND the second lot came forth to Simeon, *even* for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Judah.[b]
2 And they had in their inheritance Beer-sheba, and Sheba, and Moladah,[c]
3 And Hazar-shual, and Balah, and Azem,
4 And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah,
5 And Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susah,
6 And Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuhen; thirteen cities and their villages:

[b] ver. 9.

[c] Gen. xxi. 14, 31; 1 Chron iv. 28; Neh. xi. 26.

11 And their border went up toward the sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth, and reached to the river that *is* before Jokneam;[e]
12 And turned from Sarid eastward toward the sunrising unto the border of Chisloth-tabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and goeth up to Japhia,
13 And from thence passeth on along on the east to Gittah-hepher, to Ittah-kazin, and goeth out to Remmon-methoar to Neah;
14 And the border compasseth it on the north side to Hannathon: and the outgoings thereof are in the valley of Jiphthah-el:
15 And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Beth-lehem: twelve cities with their villages.[f]
16 This *is* the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families, these cities with their villages.

[e] ch. xii. 22; Gen. xlix. 13; Numb xxxiv. 6, 7

[f] ch. xi. 1; Judg. i. 30.

17 ¶ *And* the fourth lot came out to Issachar, for the children of Issachar according to their families.

18 And their border was toward Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem,[a]

19 And Haphraim, and Shihon, and Anaharath,

20 And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,

21 And [1]Remeth, and En-gannim, and En-haddah, and Beth-pazzez;[b]

22 And the coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimah, and Beth-shemesh; and the outgoings of their border were at Jordan: sixteen cities with their villages.[c]

23 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar according to their families, the cities and their villages.

24 ¶ And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families.

25 And their border was Helkath, and Hali, and Beten, and Achshaph,

26 And Alammelech, and Amad, and Misheal; and reacheth to Carmel westward, and to Shihor-libnath;[d]

27 And turneth toward the sunrising to Beth-dagon, and reacheth to Zebulun, and to the valley of Jiphthah-el toward the north side of Beth-emek, and Neiel, and goeth out to Cabul on the left hand,[e]

28 And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, *even* unto great Zidon;[f]

29 And *then* the coast turneth to Ramah, and to the strong city [2]Tyre; and the coast turneth to Hosah; and the outgoings thereof are at the sea from the coast to Achzib:[g]

30 Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob: twenty and two cities with their villages.

31 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families, these cities with their villages.

32 ¶ The sixth lot came out to the children of Naphtali, *even* for the children of Naphtali according to their families.

33 And their coast was from Heleph, from Allon to Zaanannim, and Adami, Nekeb, and Jabneel, unto Lakum; and the outgoings thereof were at Jordan:

34 And *then* the coast turneth westward to Aznoth-tabor, and goeth out from thence to Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the south side, and reacheth to Asher on the west side, and to Judah upon Jordan toward the sunrising.[h]

35 And the fenced cities *are* Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Rakkath, and Chinnereth,[i]

36 And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor,

37 And Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,

38 And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth-anath, and Beth-shemesh; nineteen cities with their villages.

39 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their families, the cities and their villages.

40 ¶ *And* the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families.

41 And the coast of their inheritance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh,[j]

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[a] Judg. i. 33.

[a] 1 Sam. xxviii. 4; 1 Kings xxi. 1; 2 Kings iv. 8.

3 Or, *over against.*

4 Or, *Joppa.*

1 Or, *Jarmuth.*

[b] ch. xxi. 29.

[c] Ps. lxxxix. 12

[d] Gen. xlix. 17; Judg. xviii. 29.

[m] Acts xvii. 26.

[d] 1 Kings xviii. 19; Jer. xlvi. 18

[n] ch. xxiv. 30; 1 Chron. vii. 24.

[e] 1 Kings ix. 13.

[f] ch. xi. 8.

[o] ch. xviii 1, 10; Numb. xxxiv. 17.

2 Heb. *Tsor*

[g] Judg i. 31, 2 Sam. v. 11; Micah i. 14.

[p] Exod. xxi. 13, Numb. xxxv. 6, 11, 14, Deut. xix. 2, 9

[h] Numb. xiii. 21, Deut. xxxiii. 23; 1 Kings viii. 65.

[q] Deut. xxi. 19; Ruth iv. 1, 2; Job v. 4; Jer xxxviii. 7.

[i] Mark vi. 53.

[r] Numb. xxxv 12.

[s] Numb. xxxv 25.

5 Heb. *sanctified.*

[j] Judg. xiii. 2.

42 And Shaalabbin, and Ajalon, and Jethlah,[k]

43 And Elon, and Thimnathah, and Ekron,

44 And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath,

45 And Jehud, and Bene-berak, and Gath-rimmon,

46 And Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border [3]before [4]Japho.

47 And the coast of the children of Dan went out *too little* for them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, Dan, after the name of Dan their father.[l]

48 This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.[m]

49 ¶ When they had made an end of dividing the land for inheritance by their coasts, the children of Israel gave an inheritance to Joshua the son of Nun among them:

50 According to the word of the LORD they gave him the city which he asked, *even* Timnath-serah in mount Ephraim: and he built the city, and dwelt therein.[n]

51 These *are* the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, divided for an inheritance by lot in Shiloh before the LORD, at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. So they made an end of dividing the country.[o]

CHAPTER XX.

1 *God commandeth,* 7 *and the children of Israel appoint the six cities of refuge.*

THE LORD also spake unto Joshua, saying,

2 Speak to the children of Israel, saying, Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses:[p]

3 That the slayer that killeth *any* person unawares *and* unwittingly may flee thither: and they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood.

4 And when he that doth flee unto one of those cities shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them.[q]

5 And if the avenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliver the slayer up into his hand; because he smote his neighbour unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime.[r]

6 And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgment, *and* until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from whence he fled.[s]

7 ¶ And they [5]appointed Kedesh in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim,

and Kirjath-arba, which *is* Hebron, in the mountain of Judah.[a]

8 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned Bezer in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh.[b]

9 These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever killeth *any* person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation.[c]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Eight and forty cities given by lot, out of the other tribes, unto the Levites.* 43 *God gave the land, and rest unto the Israelites, according to his promise.*

THEN came near the heads of the fathers of the Levites unto Eleazar the priest, and unto Joshua the son of Nun, and unto the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel;

2 And they spake unto them at Shiloh in the land of Canaan, saying, The LORD commanded by the hand of Moses to give us cities to dwell in, with the suburbs thereof for our cattle.

3 And the children of Israel gave unto the Levites out of their inheritance, at the commandment of the LORD, these cities and their suburbs.[d]

4 And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and the children of Aaron the priest, *which were* of the Levites, had by lot out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Benjamin, thirteen cities.[e]

5 And the rest of the children of Kohath *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.[f]

6 And the children of Gershon *had* by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.[g]

7 The children of Merari by their families *had* out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.[h]

8 And the children of Israel gave by lot unto the Levites these cities with their suburbs, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.[i]

9 ¶ And they gave out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are *here* [1]mentioned by name,

10 Which the children of Aaron, *being* of the families of the Kohathites, *who were* of the children of Levi, had: for their's was the first lot.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

2 Or, *Kirjath-arba.*

a ch. xiv. 15; xxi. 11, 13, 21, 32; 1 Chron. vi. 76; 2 Chron. x. 1; Luke i. 39.

b ch. xv. 13, 14; xx. 7; Gen. xxiii. 2; Luke i. 39.

b ch. xxi 27, 36, 38; Deut. iv. 43; 1 Kings xxii. 3; 1 Chron. vi. 78.

c ver. 6; Numb. xxxv. 15.

d ch xiv 14; 1 Chron. vi. 56.

e ch xv 42, 44; xx. 7; 1 Chron. vi. 57

f ch xv 48, 50.

3 Or, *Hilen*

g ch. xv. 49, 51, 1 Chron vi. 58.

4 Or, *Ashan.*

h ch. xv. 10, 42, 55.

5 Or, *Gaba.*

i ch. xviii 24, 25.

6 Or, *Alemeth.*

k 1 Chron vi. 60.

l ver. 5; 1 Chron. vi 66.

m ch. xx. 7

n ch. xiv 1; xvii 4; xviii. 1, Numb xxxv. 2.

o vs. 8, 19, ch xxiv 33

p ver 20

q ver 6, ch xx. 8, 1 Chron vi 71.

r ver 27

s ver 24.

t ver. 3, Numb. xxxv. 2.

1 Heb. *called.*

u ch. xx. 7

v ver. 4.

11 And they gave them the city of [2]Arba the father of Anak, which *city is* Hebron, in the hill *country* of Judah, with the suburbs thereof round about it.[k]

12 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they to Caleb the son of Jephunneh for his possession.[l]

13 ¶ Thus they gave to the children of Aaron the priest Hebron with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Libnah with her suburbs,[m]

14 And Jattir with her suburbs, and Eshtemoa with her suburbs,[n]

15 And [3]Holon with her suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs,[o]

16 And [4]Ain with her suburbs, and Juttah with her suburbs, *and* Beth-shemesh with her suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes.[p]

17 And out of the tribe of Benjamin, Gibeon with her suburbs, [5]Geba with her suburbs,[q]

18 Anathoth with her suburbs, and [6]Almon with her suburbs; four cities.[r]

19 All the cities of the children of Aaron, the priests, *were* thirteen cities with their suburbs.

20 ¶ And the families of the children of Kohath, the Levites which remained of the children of Kohath, even they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of Ephraim.[s]

21 For they gave them Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Gezer with her suburbs,[t]

22 And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs; four cities.

23 And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, Gibbethon with her suburbs,

24 Aijalon with her suburbs, Gath-rimmon with her suburbs; four cities.

25 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh, Tanach with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs; two cities.

26 All the cities *were* ten with their suburbs for the families of the children of Kohath that remained.

27 ¶ And unto the children of Gershon, of the families of the Levites, out of the *other* half tribe of Manasseh *they gave* Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Beesh-terah with her suburbs; two cities.[u]

28 And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs, Dabareh with her suburbs,

29 Jarmuth with her suburbs, En-gannim with her suburbs; four cities.

30 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon with her suburbs,

31 Helkath with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs; four cities.

32 And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Hammoth-dor with her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs; three cities.[v]

33 All the cities of the Gershonites according to their families *were* thirteen cities with their suburbs.

34 ¶ And unto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the Levites, out of the tribe of

Zebulun, Jokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs,[a]

35 Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal with her suburbs; four cities

36 And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her suburbs, and Jahazah with her suburbs,[b]

37 Kedemoth with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs; four cities.

38 And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, *to be* a city of refuge for the slayer; and Mahanaim with her suburbs,[c]

39 Heshbon with her suburbs, Jazer with her suburbs; four cities in all.

40 So all the cities for the children of Merari by their families, which were remaining of the families of the Levites, were *by* their lot twelve cities.

[a] ver. 7; 1 Chron. vi. 77.

[b] ch. xx. 8.

[c] ch xx. 8.

[h] ch. i. 16, 17; Numb. xxxii 20; Deut. iii. 18

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CHAPTER XXII.

1 *The two tribes and half with a blessing are sent home.* 10 *They build the altar of testimony in their journey.* 11 *The Israelites are offended thereat.* 21 *They give them good satisfaction.*

THEN Joshua called the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh,

2 And said unto them, Ye have kept all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, and have obeyed my voice in all that I commanded you:[h]

3 Ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of the LORD your God.



JOSHUA SENDING BACK THE TWO TRIBES AND A HALF.

41 All the cities of the Levites within the possession of the children of Israel *were* forty and eight cities with their suburbs.[d]

42 These cities were every one with their suburbs round about them: thus *were* all these cities.

43 ¶ And the LORD gave unto Israel all the land which he sware to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.[e]

44 And the LORD gave them rest round about, according to all that he sware unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand.[f]

45 There failed not ought of any good thing which the LORD had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.[g]

[d] Numb. xxxv 7.

[e] ch xiii. 6, xxi. 44; Numb. xxxii. 33; Deut. xxix. 8.

[e] Gen xiii 15; xv. 18; xxvi. 3; xxviii. 4, 13.

[f] Deut. vi. 6, 17; x. 12; xi. 22; Ps. cxix 4.

[f] ch. xi. 23; xxii. 4; Deut. vii. 24.

[g] ch. xiv. 12; Gen. xlvii. 7; Exod. 43; 2 Sam. vi. 18.

4 And now the LORD your God hath given rest unto your brethren, as he promised them: therefore now return ye, and get you unto your tents, *and* unto the land of your possession, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you on the other side Jordan.[i]

5 But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the LORD charged you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and to cleave unto him, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul.[j]

6 So Joshua blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto their tents.[k]

7 ¶ Now to the *one* half of the tribe of Manasseh Moses had given *possession* in Bashan: but unto the *other* half thereof gave Joshua among their brethren

on this side Jordan westward. And when Joshua sent them away also unto their tents, then he blessed them,[a]

8 And he spake unto them, saying, Return with much riches unto your tents, and with very much cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very much raiment: divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren.[b]

9 ¶ And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh returned, and departed from the children of Israel out of Shiloh, which *is* in the land of Canaan, to go unto the country of Gilead, to the land of their possession, whereof they were possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.[c]

10 ¶ And when they came unto the borders of Jordan, that *are* in the land of Canaan, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh built there an altar by Jordan, a great altar to see to.

11 ¶ And the children of Israel heard say, Behold, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh have built an altar over against the land of Canaan, in the borders of Jordan, at the passage of the children of Israel.[d]

12 And when the children of Israel heard *of it*, the whole congregation of the children of Israel gathered themselves together at Shiloh, to go up to war against them.[e]

13 And the children of Israel sent unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead, Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest,[f]

14 And with him ten princes, of each [1]chief house a prince throughout all the tribes of Israel; and each one *was* an head of the house of their fathers among the thousands of Israel.[g]

15 ¶ And they came unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, unto the land of Gilead, and they spake with them, saying,

16 Thus saith the whole congregation of the LORD, What trespass *is* this that ye have committed against the God of Israel, to turn away this day from following the LORD, in that ye have builded you an altar, that ye might rebel this day against the LORD?[h]

17 *Is* the iniquity of Peor too little for us, from which we are not cleansed until this day, although there was a plague in the congregation of the LORD,[i]

18 But that ye must turn away this day from following the LORD? and it will be, *seeing* ye rebel to day against the LORD, that to morrow he will be wroth with the whole congregation of Israel.[j]

19 Notwithstanding, if the land of your possession *be* unclean, *then* pass ye over unto the land of the possession of the LORD, wherein the LORD'S tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession among us: but rebel not against the LORD, nor rebel against us, in building you an altar beside the altar of the LORD our God.[k]

20 Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the congregation of Israel? and that man perished not alone in his iniquity.[l]

21 ¶ Then the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh answered, and said unto the heads of the thousands of Israel,

22 The LORD God of gods, the LORD God of gods, he knoweth, and Israel he shall know; if *it be* in rebellion, or if in transgression against the LORD, (save us not this day,)[m]

23 That we have built us an altar to turn from following the LORD, or if to offer thereon burnt offering or meat offering, or if to offer peace offerings thereon, let the LORD himself require *it*;[n]

24 And if we have not *rather* done it for fear of *this* thing, saying, [2]In time to come your children might speak unto our children, saying, What have ye to do with the LORD God of Israel?

25 For the LORD hath made Jordan a border between us and you, ye children of Reuben and children of Gad; ye have no part in the LORD: so shall your children make our children cease from fearing the LORD.

26 Therefore we said, Let us now prepare to build us an altar, not for burnt offering, nor for sacrifice:

27 But *that* it *may be* a witness between us, and you, and our generations after us, that we might do the service of the LORD before him with our burnt offerings, and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings; that your children may not say to our children in time to come, Ye have no part in the LORD.[o]

28 Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should *so* say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say *again*, Behold the pattern of the altar of the LORD, which our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it *is* a witness between us and you.

29 God forbid that we should rebel against the LORD, and turn this day from following the LORD, to build an altar for burnt offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices, beside the altar of the LORD our God that *is* before his tabernacle.[p]

30 ¶ And when Phinehas the priest, and the princes of the congregation and heads of the thousands of Israel which *were* with him, heard the words that the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the children of Manasseh spake, [3]it pleased them.

31 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest said unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh, This day we perceive that the LORD *is* among us, because ye have not committed this trespass against the LORD: [4]now ye have delivered the children of Israel out of the hand of the LORD.[q]

32 ¶ And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, and the princes, returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad, out of the land of Gilead, unto the land of Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them word again.

33 And the thing pleased the children of Israel;

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

a ch. xvii. 5.
l ch. vii. 1, 5.

b Numb. xxxi. 27; 1 Sam. xxx. 24.

m Deut. x. 17; 1 Kings viii 39; Job x. 7; xxiii 10; Ps. xliv. 21; cxxx. 1, 2; Jer. xii. 3, 2 Cor. xi. 11, 31.

n Deut. xviii. 19, 1 Sam xx. 16.

c Numb xxxii. 1, 26, 29

2 Heb *to morrow*

d Deut. xiii. 12, 14; Judg xx 12.

e Judg xx 1

f ver 11; Exod. vi. 25; Numb xxv. 7; Judg. xiii. 14.

o ver. 34; ch. xxiv. 27; Deut xii. 5, 6, 11, 12, 17, 18, 26, 27.

1 Heb. *house of the father.*

g Numb i. 4.

p Deut. xii. 13, 14.

h Lev xvii 8, 9; Deut. xii. 13, 14.

3 Heb *it was good in their eyes.*

i Numb xxv. 3, 4; Deut. iv 3.

j Numb xvi. 22

4 Heb. *then.*

q Lev xxvi. 11, 12; 2 Chron. xv. 2.

k ch. xviii. 1.



JOSHUA'S CHARGE TO THE ELDERS OF ISRAEL.

and the children of Israel blessed God, and did not intend to go up against them in battle, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and Gad dwelt.[a]

34 And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad called the altar [1]*Ed:* for it *shall be* a witness between us that the LORD *is* God.[b]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *Joshua's exhortation before his death,* 3 *by former benefits,* 5 *by promises,* 11 *and by threatenings.*

AND it came to pass a long [2]time after that the LORD had given rest unto Israel from all their enemies round about, that Joshua waxed old *and* [3]stricken in age.

2 And Joshua called for all Israel, *and* for their elders, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers, and said unto them, I am old *and* stricken in age:

3 And ye have seen all that the LORD your God hath done unto all these nations because of you; for the LORD your God *is* he that hath fought for you.

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

a 1 Chron. xxix. 20; Neh. viii. 6; Dan. ii. 19, Luke ii. 28.

3 Heb. *at the sunset.*

d ch. x. 14, 42; xiii. 2, 6; xviii. 10, xxiv. 1; Exod. xiv. 14; Deut. xxxi. 28; 1 Chron. xxviii. 1.

1 That is, *a witness.*

b ch. xxiv. 27

e ch. i. 7, xiii. 6, Exod. xxiii. 30, xxxiii. 2; xxxiv. 11, Numb. xxxiii. 53, Deut. v. 32; xi. 23, xxviii. 14.

2 Heb. *come into days.*

c ch. xiii. 1; xxi. 24, xxii. 4.

f Exod. xxiii. 13, 33; Numb. xxxii. 38; Deut. vii. 2, 3, Ps. xvi. 4; Prov. iv. 14, Jer. v. 7; Zeph. i. 5; Eph. v. 11.

4 Or, *For if ye will cleave.*

g ch. xxii. 5; Deut. x. 20; xi. 22, xiii. 4.

5 Or, *Then the LORD will drive.*

h ch. i. 5; Deut. xi. 23.

i Exod. xiv. 14; xxiii. 27; Lev. xxvi. 8; Deut. iii. 22; xxxii. 30; Judg. iii. 31; xv. 15; 2 Sam. xxiii. 3.

4 Behold, I have divided unto you by lot these nations that remain, to be an inheritance for your tribes, from Jordan, with all the nations that I have cut off, even unto the great sea [3]westward.[d]

5 And the LORD your God, he shall expel them from before you, and drive them from out of your sight; and ye shall possess their land, as the LORD your God hath promised unto you.

6 Be ye therefore very courageous to keep and to do all that is written in the book of the law of Moses, that ye turn not aside therefrom *to* the right hand or *to* the left;[e]

7 That ye come not among these nations, these that remain among you; neither make mention of the name of their gods, nor cause to swear *by them,* neither serve them, nor bow yourselves unto them:[f]

8 [4]But cleave unto the LORD your God, as ye have done unto this day.[g]

9 [5]For the LORD hath driven out from before you great nations and strong: but *as for* you, no man hath been able to stand before you unto this day.[h]

10 One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the LORD your God, he *it is* that fighteth for you, as he hath promised you.[i]

11 Take good heed therefore unto [1]yourselves, that ye love the LORD your God.

12 Else if ye do in any wise go back, and cleave unto the remnant of these nations, *even* these that remain among you, and shall make marriages with them, and go in unto them, and they to you:

13 Know for a certainty that the LORD your God will no more drive out *any of* these nations from before you; but they shall be snares and traps unto you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes, until ye perish from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.[a]

14 And, behold, this day I *am* going the way of all the earth: and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the LORD your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, *and* not one thing hath failed thereof.[b]

15 Therefore it shall come to pass, *that* as all good things are come upon you, which the LORD your God promised you; so shall the LORD bring upon you all evil things, until he have destroyed you from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you.[c]

16 When ye have transgressed the covenant of the LORD your God, which he commanded you, and have gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good land which he hath given unto you.[d]

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Joshua assembleth the tribes at Shechem.* 2 *A brief history of God's benefits from Terah.* 14 *He reneweth the covenant between them and God.* 26 *A stone the witness of the covenant.* 29 *Joshua's age, death, and burial.* 32 *Joseph's bones are buried.* 33 *Eleazar dieth.*

AND Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God.[e]

2 And Joshua said unto all the people, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the flood in old time, *even* Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor: and they served other gods.

3 And I took your father Abraham from the other side of the flood, and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him Isaac.[f]

4 And I gave unto Isaac Jacob and Esau: and I gave unto Esau mount Seir, to possess it; but Jacob and his children went down into Egypt.[g]

5 I sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to that which I did among them: and afterward I brought you out.[h]

6 And I brought your fathers out of Egypt: and ye came unto the sea; and the Egyptians pursued after your fathers with chariots and horsemen unto the Red sea.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

1 Heb. *your souls.*

j ch. v. 6; Exod. xiv. 20, 27, 28; Deut. iv. 34; xxix 2.

k Numb. xxi. 21, 33; Deut. ii. 32, iii. 1.

a Exod. xxiii. 33; Numb. xxxiii. 55; Deut. vii. 3, 16; Judg. ii. 3; 1 Kings iv 4—13.

l Numb xxii. 5, xxiii. 11, 20; xxiv. 10; Deut. xxiii. 4, 5; Judg. xi. 25.

b ch. xxi. 45; 1 Kings ii. 2; Luke xxi. 33; 1 Peter i. 25.

c Lev xxvi 16, Deut. xxviii. 15—68.

m ch. iii 14, 17, iv 10—12, vi 1; x. 1, xi. 1, 13, Exod xxiii. 28, Deut. vi 10, 11; vii. 20, Ps xliv. 3—6.

d ver 15; Numb xi 33, Deut. xi. 17, Ps ii. 12

n ver. 2, 23; Lev. xvii. 7; Deut. x 12; xviii. 13; 1 Sam xii 24; Ps cxix 1; Ezek. xx 7, 8, 18, xxiii. 3, Eph. vi 24.

o ver 14, Gen xviii. 19; Exod xxiii 24, 32—34, Deut. xiii 7, xxix 18, Judg. vi 10, 1 Kings xviii 21; Ezek. xx 39

e ch xxiii. 2; Gen xxxv 4, 1 Sam. x. 19

f Gen xi 26, 31, xii 1; xxi 2, xxxi. 53; Acts vii 2, 3

p Exod xx 5; xxiii. 21, Lev xix. 2; 1 Sam. vi. 20; Ps. xcix 5, 9; Isa. v. 16.

g Gen xxv. 24-26; xxxvi. 8, xlvi 1; Deut. ii. 5; Acts vii. 15.

q ch xxiii. 15; 1 Chron xxviii. 9; 2 Chron. xv. 2; Ezra viii. 22; Isa. i. 28; lxiii. 10; lxv. 11, 12; Acts vii. 42.

h Exod. iii. 10; vii.—x. xii.

i Exod. xii. 37, 51; xiv 2, 9.

r Ps. cxix. 173.

7 And when they cried unto the LORD, he put darkness between you and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and your eyes have seen what I have done in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the wilderness a long season.[j]

8 And I brought you into the land of the Amorites, which dwelt on [1]the other side Jordan; and they fought with you: and I gave them into your hand, that ye might possess their land; and I destroyed them from before you.[k]

9 Then Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose and warred against Israel, and sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you:

10 But I would not hearken unto Balaam; therefore he blessed you still: so I delivered you out of his hand.[l]

11 And ye went over Jordan, and came unto Jericho: and the men of Jericho fought against you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Girgashites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; and I delivered them into your hand.

12 And I sent the hornet before you, which drave them out from before you, *even* the two kings of the Amorites; *but* not with thy sword, nor with thy bow.

13 And I have given you a land for which ye did not labour, and cities which ye built not, and ye dwell in them; of the vineyards and oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat.[m]

14 ¶ Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD.[n]

15 And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that *were* on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.[o]

16 And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods,

17 For the LORD our God, he *it is* that brought us up and our fathers out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and which did those great signs in our sight, and preserved us in all the way wherein we went, and among all the people through whom we passed:

18 And the LORD drave out from before us all the people, even the Amorites which dwelt in the land: *therefore* will we also serve the LORD; for he *is* our God.

19 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye cannot serve the LORD: for he *is* an holy God; he *is* a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins.[p]

20 If ye forsake the LORD, and serve strange gods, then he will turn and do you hurt, and consume you, after that he hath done you good.[q]

21 And the people said unto Joshua, Nay; but we will serve the LORD.

22 And Joshua said unto the people, Ye *are* witnesses against yourselves that ye have chosen you the LORD, to serve him. And they said, *We are* witnesses.[r]

23 Now therefore put away, *said he,* the strange gods which *are* among you, and incline your heart unto the LORD God of Israel.[a]

24 And the people said unto Joshua, The LORD our God will we serve, and his voice will we obey.

25 So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and set them a statute and an ordinance in Shechem.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

[a] ver. 14; Gen. xxxv. 2; Judg. x. 16; 1 Sam. vii. 3.

[f] Judg. ii. 8

[g] ch. xix. 50; Judg. ii. 9

[b] ver. 26; Exod. xv. 25; 2 Kings xi. 17

[1] Heb. *prolonged their days after Joshua*

29 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, *being* an hundred and ten years old.[f]

30 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-serah, which *is* in mount Ephraim, on the north side of the hill of Gaash.[g]

31 And Israel served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that [1]overlived



JOSHUA MAKING A COVENANT WITH THE PEOPLE.

26 ¶ And Joshua wrote these words in the book of the law of God, and took a great stone, and set it up there under an oak, that *was* by the sanctuary of the LORD.[c]

27 And Joshua said unto all the people, Behold, this stone shall be a witness unto us; for it hath heard all the words of the LORD which he spake unto us: it shall be therefore a witness unto you, lest ye deny your God.[d]

28 So Joshua let the people depart, every man unto his inheritance.[e]

[h] Deut. xi. 2; xxxi. 13; Judg. ii. 7.

[c] Deut. xxxi. 24.

[2] Or, *lambs.*

[i] Gen. xxxiii. 19; l. 25; Exod. xiii. 19.

[d] ch. xxii. 27, 28, 34; Gen. xxxi. 48 52; Deut. xxxi. 19, 21, 26; xxxii. 1.

[e] Judg. ii. 6.

[j] Exod vi. 25; Judg. xx. 28.

Joshua, and which had known all the works of the LORD, that he had done for Israel.[h]

32 ¶ And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up out of Egypt, buried they in Shechem, in a parcel of ground which Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for an hundred [2]pieces of silver: and it became the inheritance of the children of Joseph.[i]

33 And Eleazar the son of Aaron died; and they buried him in a hill *that pertained to* Phinehas his son which was given him in mount Ephraim.[j]





THE BOOK OF JUDGES.

CHAPTER I.

1 *The acts of Judah and Simeon.* 4 *Adoni-bezek justly requited.* 8 *Jerusalem* [illegible]. 10 *Hebron taken.* 11 *Othniel hath Achsah to wife for taking of Debir,* 16 *The Kenites dwell in Judah.* 17 *Hormah, Gaza, Askelon and* [illegible] 21 *The acts of Benjamin.* 22 *Of the house of Joseph, who take Beth-el.* 30 *Of Zebulun.* 31 *Of Asher.* 33 *Of Naphtali.* 34 *Of Dan.*

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

The period embraced in the Book of Judges extends over about three hundred years The time of each judge or leader may be set down thus: Othniel, 40 years, Ehud and Shamgar, 80, Barak and Deborah, 40; Gideon, 40, Abimelech, 3, Tola, 23, Jair, 22, Jephthah, 6, Ibzan, 7, Elon, 10; Abdon, 8; Samson, 20 In Acts xiii 20 the period is said to have been four hundred and fifty years. How can this be? Doddridge, reckoning from the birth of Isaac, renders Paul's words thus: — "After these transactions, which lasted four hundred and fifty years, he gave them judges."

NOW after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel asked the LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them?[a]

2 And the LORD said, Judah shall go up: behold, I have delivered the land into his hand.

3 And Judah said unto Simeon his brother, Come up with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites; and I likewise will go with thee into thy lot. So Simeon went with him.[b]

4 And Judah went up; and the LORD delivered the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them in Bezek ten thousand men.[c]

5 And they found Adoni-bezek in Bezek: and they fought against him, and they slew the Canaanites and the Perizzites.

6 But Adoni-bezek fled; and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his thumbs and his great toes.

7 And Adoni-bezek said, Threescore and ten kings, having

a ch xx. 18, Numb xxvii. 21

b ver. 17

c 1 Sam. xi. 8.

[1]their thumbs and their great toes cut off, [2]gathered *their meat* under my table: as I have done, so God hath requited me. And they brought him to Jerusalem, and there he died.[e]

8 Now the children of Judah had fought against Jerusalem, and had taken it, and smitten it with the edge of the sword, and set the city on fire.[h]

9 ¶ And afterward the children of Judah went down to fight against the Canaanites, that dwelt in the mountain, and in the south, and in the [3]valley.[c]

10 And Judah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron: (now the name of Hebron before *was* Kirjath-arba:) and they slew Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai.[d]

11 And from thence he went against the inhabitants of Debir: and the name of Debir before *was* Kirjath-sepher:[e]

12 And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it, to him will I give Achsah my daughter to wife.

13 And Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother, took it: and he gave him Achsah his daughter to wife.

14 And it came to pass, when she came *to him*, that she moved him to ask of her father a field: and she lighted from off *her* ass; and Caleb said unto her, What wilt thou?

15 And she said unto him, Give me a blessing: for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water. And Caleb gave her the upper springs and the nether springs.[f]

16 ¶ And the children of the Kenite, Moses' father in law, went up out of the city of palm trees with the children of Judah into the wilderness of Judah, which *lieth* in the south of Arad; and they went and dwelt among the people.[g]

17 And Judah went with Simeon his brother, and they slew the Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and utterly destroyed it. And the name of the city was called Hormah.[h]

18 Also Judah took Gaza with the coast thereof, and Askelon with the coast thereof, and Ekron with the coast thereof.[i]

19 And the LORD was with Judah; and [4]he drave out *the inhabitants of* the mountain; but could not drive out the inhabitants of the valley, because they had chariots of iron.[j]

20 And they gave Hebron unto Caleb, as Moses said: and he expelled thence the three sons of Anak.[k]

21 And the children of Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites that inhabited Jerusalem; but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Benjamin in Jerusalem unto this day.[l]

22 ¶ And the house of Joseph, they also went up against Beth-el: and the LORD *was* with them.[m]

23 And the house of Joseph sent to descry Beth-el. (Now the name of the city before *was* Luz.)[n]

24 And the spies saw a man come forth out of the city, and they said unto him, Shew us, we pray thee, the entrance into the city, and we will shew thee mercy.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

1 Heb. *the thumbs of their hands and of their feet.*
2 Or, *gleaned.*
a Lev. xxiv. 19; 1 Sam. xv. 33; James ii. 13.
p ver. 23.
b Josh xv 63
3 Or, *low country*
c Josh. x. 36, xi. 21; xv. 13.
d Josh xiv 15, xv 13, 14.
q Josh xvii 11—13
e Josh. xv 15
r Josh. xvi 10; 1 Kings ix 16.
s Josh. xix. 15.
t Josh. xix. 24—30.
u Ps. cvi 34, 35.
f ch iii. 9, Josh xv 16—19
g ch iv 11, 17; Deut xxxiv 3, Numb x 32; xxi 1, 1 Sam xv. 6; 1 Chron ii. 55, Jer. xxxv. 2.
h ver. 3; Numb xxi 3, Josh xix 4
i Josh. xi. 22.
4 Or, *he possessed the mountain.*
j ver 2; Josh. xvii. 16—18; 2 Kings xviii. 7.
k Numb xiv. 24; Deut. i. 36; Josh. xiv. 9, 13, xv. 13, 14.
l Josh. xv. 63; xviii. 28.
m ver. 19.
v ver. 30, 32; Josh. xix. 38.
n ch xviii. 2; Gen xxviii. 19; Josh. ii. 1; vii. 2.
o Josh ii. 12, 14.

25 And when he shewed them the entrance into the city, they smote the city with the edge of the sword; but they let go the man and all his family.

26 And the man went into the land of the Hittites, and built a city, and called the name thereof Luz: which *is* the name thereof unto this day.[p]

27 ¶ Neither did Manasseh drive out *the inhabitants of* Beth-shean and her towns, nor Taanach and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Ibleam and her towns, nor the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns: but the Canaanites would dwell in that land.

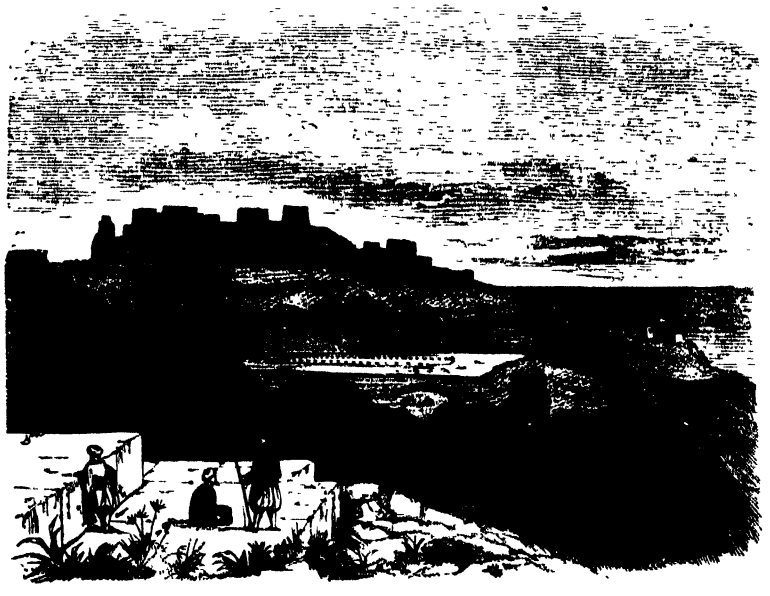
28 And it came to pass, when Israel was strong, that they put the Canaanites to tribute, and did not utterly drive them out.[q]

29 ¶ Neither did Ephraim drive out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer; but the Canaanites dwelt in Gezer among them.[r]

30 ¶ Neither did Zebulun drive out the inhabitants of Kitron, nor the inhabitants of Nahalol; but the Canaanites dwelt among them, and became tributaries.[s]

31 ¶ Neither did Asher drive out the inhabitants of Accho, nor the inhabitants of Zidon, nor of Ahlab, nor of Achzib, nor of Helbah, nor of Aphik, nor of Rehob:[t]

32 But the Asherites dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: for they did not drive them out.[u]



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33 ¶ Neither did Naphtali drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh, nor the inhabitants of Beth-anath; but he dwelt among the Canaanites, the inhabitants of the land: nevertheless the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh and of Beth-anath became tributaries unto them.[v]

34 And the Amorites forced the children of Dan into the mountain: for they would not suffer them to come down to the valley:

35 But the Amorites would dwell in mount Heres in Aijalon, and in Shaalbim: yet the hand of the

house of Joseph [1]prevailed, so that they became tributaries.[a]

36 And the coast of the Amorites *was* [2]from the going up to Akrabbim, from the rock, and upward.[b]

CHAPTER II.

1 An angel reproveth the people at Bochim. 6 The wickedness of the new generation after Joshua. 14 God's anger and pity towards them. 20 The Canaanites are left to prove Israel.

AND an [3]angel of the LORD came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said, I made you to go up out of Egypt, and have brought you unto the land which I sware unto your fathers; and I said, I will never break my covenant with you.[c]

2 And ye shall make no league with the inhabitants of this land; ye shall throw down their altars: but ye have not obeyed my voice: why have ye done this?[d]

3 Wherefore I also said, I will not drive them out from before you; but they shall be *as thorns* in your sides, and their gods shall be a snare unto you.[e]

4 And it came to pass, when the angel of the LORD spake these words unto all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voice, and wept.

5 And they called the name of that place [4]Bochim: and they sacrificed there unto the LORD.

6 ¶ And when Joshua had let the people go, the children of Israel went every man unto his inheritance to possess the land.[f]

7 And the people served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that [5]outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great works of the LORD, that he did for Israel.[g]

8 And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, *being* an hundred and ten years old.[h]

9 And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in [6]Timnath-heres, in the mount of Ephraim, on the north side of the hill Gaash.[i]

10 And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the LORD, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel.[j]

11 ¶ And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim:

12 And they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them out of the land of Egypt, and followed other gods, of the gods of the people that *were* round about them, and bowed themselves unto them, and provoked the LORD to anger.[k]

13 And they forsook the LORD, and served Baal and Ashtaroth.[l]

14 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he delivered them into the hands of spoilers that spoiled them, and he sold them into the hands of their enemies round about, so that they could not any longer stand before their enemies.[m]

15 Whithersoever they went out, the hand of the LORD was against them for evil, as the LORD had said, and as the LORD had sworn unto them: and they were greatly distressed.[n]

16 ¶ Nevertheless the LORD raised up judges, which [7]delivered them out of the hand of those that spoiled them.[o]

17 And yet they would not hearken unto their judges, but they went a whoring after other gods, and bowed themselves unto them: they turned quickly out of the way which their fathers walked in, obeying the commandments of the LORD; *but* they did not so.[p]

18 And when the LORD raised them up judges, then the LORD was with the judge, and delivered them out of the hand of their enemies all the days of the judge: for it repented the LORD because of their groanings by reason of them that oppressed them and vexed them.[q]

19 And it came to pass, when the judge was dead, *that* they returned, and [8]corrupted *themselves* more than their fathers, in following other gods to serve them, and to bow down unto them; [9]they ceased not from their own doings, nor from their stubborn way.

20 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel; and he said, Because that this people hath transgressed my covenant which I commanded their fathers, and have not hearkened unto my voice;

21 I also will not henceforth drive out any from before them of the nations which Joshua left when he died:

22 That through them I may prove Israel, whether they will keep the way of the LORD to walk therein, as their fathers did keep *it*, or not.

23 Therefore the LORD [10]left those nations, without driving them out hastily; neither delivered he them into the hand of Joshua.[r]

CHAPTER III.

1 The nations which were left to prove Israel. 6 By communion with them they commit idolatry. 8 Othniel delivereth them from Chushan-rishathaim. 12 Ehud from Eglon. 31 Shamgar from the Philistines.

NOW these *are* the nations which the LORD left, to prove Israel by them, *even* as many *of Israel* as had not known all the wars of Canaan;

2 Only that the generations of the children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the least such as before knew nothing thereof;

3 *Namely*, five lords of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and the Sidonians, and the Hivites that dwelt in mount Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon unto the entering in of Hamath.

4 And they were to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would hearken unto the commandments

BEFORE CHRIST 1443.

1 Heb. *was heavy.*

a Josh. xix. 42.

m ch. iii. 8; iv. 2; x. 6; Lev. xxvi. 37; Josh. vii. 12, 13; 2 Kings xvii 20; Ps. xliv. 12; cvi. 40–42; Isa. l. 1.

2 Or, *Maaleh-akrabbim.*

b Numb xxxiv. 4; Josh. xv. 3.

n Lev. xxvi. 14—39; Deut. xxvii. 13—26; xxviii. 15—68.

7 Heb. *saved.*

o ch iii. 9, 10, 15; 1 Sam xii. 11; Acts xiii. 20.

3 Or, *messenger.*

p Exod. xxxiv. 15, 16; Lev. xvii. 7.

c ver. 5; Gen. xvii 7

q Gen. vi 6; Deut. xxxii. 36; Ps cvi. 44, 45

8 Or, *were corrupt.*

d ver. 20; Deut. vii. 2; xii. 3; Ps. cvi. 34.

9 Heb. *they let nothing fall of their doings.*

e ch iii 6, Exod. xxiii 33, xxxiv. 12, Deut. vii 16, Ps cvi 36

4 That is, *weepers*

f Josh. xxii. 6; xxiv 28.

10 Or, *suffered.*

5 Heb. *prolonged days after Joshua.*

r ver. 14; ch iii 1, 4; Deut. viii 2, 16, xiii. 3; Josh. xxiii. 13, 16.

g Josh. xxiv. 31

h Josh. xxiv. 29

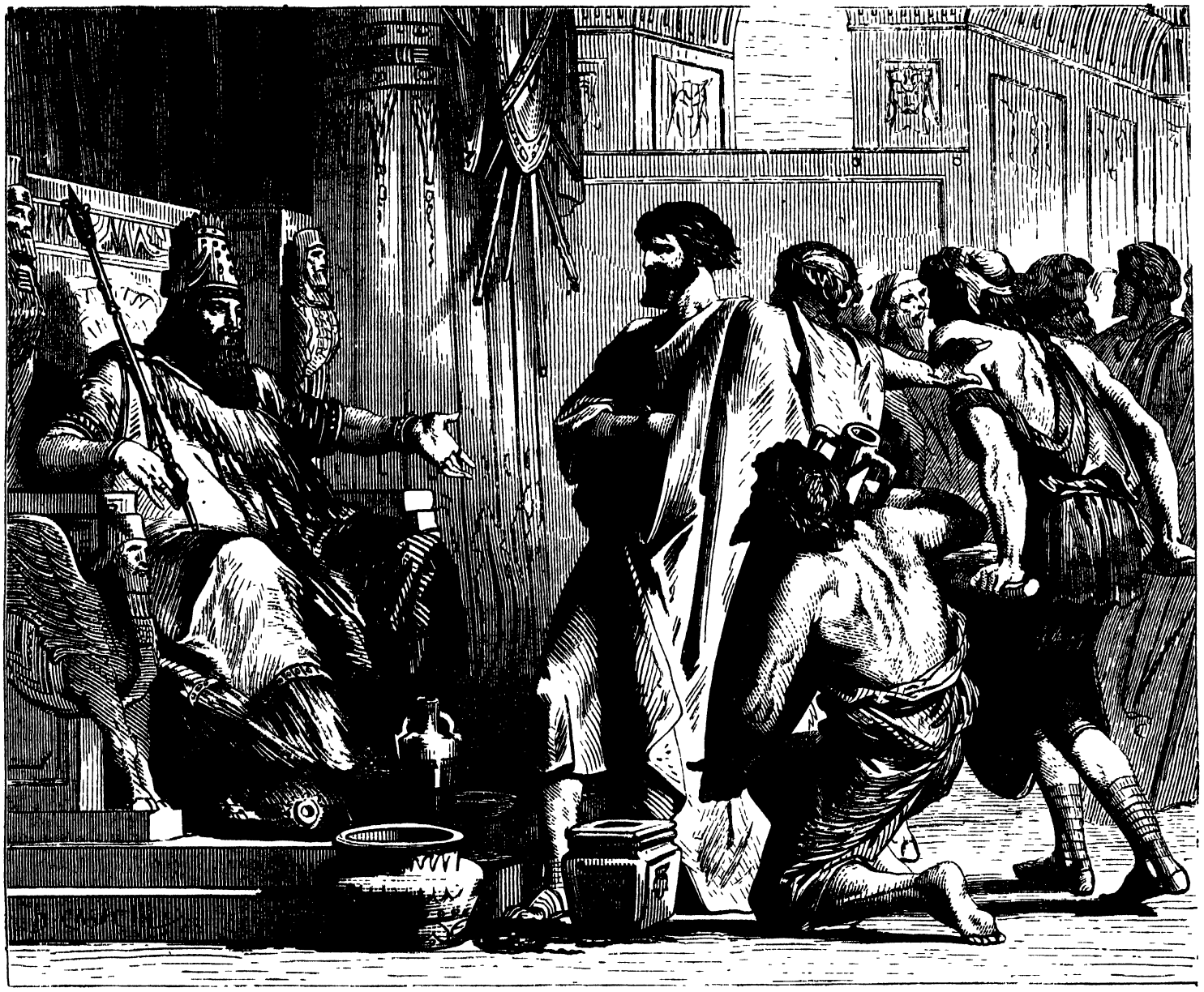
6 Or, *Timnath-serah.*

i Josh xix 50, xxiv 30

j 1 Chron xxviii. 9, Jer. ix. 3; xxii. 16

k Exod. xx 5, Deut. vi. 14; xxxi. 16.

l ch. iii. 7; x. 6; Ps. cvi. 36.



EHUD AND EGLON.

of the LORD, which he commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses.[a]

5 ¶ And the children of Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, Hittites, and Amorites, and Perizzites, and Hivites, and Jebusites:

6 And they took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to their sons, and served their gods.[b]

7 And the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and forgat the LORD their God, and served Baalim and the groves.[c]

8 ¶ Therefore the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he sold them into the hand of Chushan-rishathaim king of [1]Mesopotamia: and the children of Israel served Chushan-rishathaim eight years.[d]

9 And when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised up a [2]deliverer to the children of Israel, who delivered them, *even* Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother.[e]

10 And the Spirit of the LORD [3]came upon him, and he judged Israel, and went out to war: and the LORD delivered Chushan-rishathaim king of [4]Mesopotamia into his hand; and his hand prevailed against Chushan-rishathaim.[f]

11 And the land had rest forty years. And Othniel the son of Kenaz died.

12 ¶ And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD strengthened Eglon the king of Moab against Israel, because they had done evil in the sight of the LORD.

13 And he gathered unto him the children of Ammon and Amalek, and went and smote Israel, and possessed the city of palm trees.

14 So the children of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years.[g]

15 But when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, the LORD raised them up a deliverer, Ehud the [5]son of Gera, a Benjamite, a man [6]lefthanded: and by him the children of Israel sent a present unto Eglon the king of Moab.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1325.

a ch. ii. 21, 22; Josh. xiii 3.

4 Heb. *Aram.*

f ch. i. 13; vi. 34; xi 29; xiii. 25; xiv 6, 19; Numb xxvii. 18; 1 Sam xi. 6, 2 Chron. xv 1.

b Exod. xxxiv. 16; Deut. vii. 3; Ps. cvi. 35

c ch. ii. 11, 13; vi. 25; Exod. xxxiv. 13; Deut. xvi. 21.

1 Heb. *Aram-naharaim*

d ch. ii. 14; Hab. iii. 7.

g ch. i. 16; ii. 19; v. 14; Deut. xxviii. 40; 1 Sam. xii. 9.

2 Heb *saviour.*

5 Or, *the son of Gemini.*

6 Heb *shut of his right hand.*

e ver. 15; ch. ii. 16; iv. 3; vi. 7; x. 10; 1 Sam. xii. 10; Neh. ix. 27; Ps. xxii. 5; cvi. 44; cvii. 13, 19.

3 Heb. *was.*

h ver. 9; ch. xx 16; Ps. lxxviii. 34.

16 But Ehud made him a dagger which had two edges, of a cubit length; and he did gird it under his raiment upon his right thigh.

17 And he brought the present unto Eglon king of Moab: and Eglon *was* a very fat man.

18 And when he had made an end to offer the present, he sent away the people that bare the present.

19 But he himself turned again from the [1]quarries that *were* by Gilgal, and said, I have a secret errand unto thee, O king: who said, Keep silence. And all that stood by him went out from him.[a]

20 And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting in a [2]summer parlour, which he had for himself alone. And Ehud said, I have a message from God unto thee. And he arose out of *his* seat.[b]

21 And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the dagger from his right thigh, and thrust it into his belly:

22 And the haft also went in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, so that he could not draw the dagger out of his belly; and the dirt came out.

23 Then Ehud went forth through the porch, and shut the doors of the parlour upon him, and locked them.

24 When he was gone out, his servants came; and when they saw that, behold, the doors of the parlour *were* locked, they said, Surely he covereth his feet in his summer chamber.[c]

25 And they tarried till they were ashamed: and, behold, he opened not the doors of the parlour; therefore they took a key, and opened *them:* and, behold, their lord *was* fallen down dead on the earth.

26 And Ehud escaped while they tarried, and passed beyond the quarries, and escaped unto Seirath.

27 And it came to pass, when he was come, that he blew a trumpet in the mountain of Ephraim, and the children of Israel went down with him from the mount, and he before them.[d]

28 And he said unto them, Follow after me: for the LORD hath delivered your enemies the Moabites into your hand. And they went down after him, and took the fords of Jordan toward Moab, and suffered not a man to pass over.[e]

29 And they slew of Moab at that time about ten thousand men, all [3]lusty, and all men of valour; and there escaped not a man.

30 So Moab was subdued that day under the hand of Israel. And the land had rest fourscore

31 ¶ And after him was Shamgar the son of Anath, which slew of the Philistines six hundred men with an ox goad: and he also delivered Israel.[g]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Deborah and Barak deliver them from Jabin and Sisera.* 18 *Jael killeth Sisera.*

AND the children of Israel again did evil in the sight of the LORD, when Ehud was dead.[h]

2 And the LORD sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, that reigned in Hazor; the captain of whose host *was* Sisera, which dwelt in Harosheth of the Gentiles.[i]

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j ch. i. 19; v. 8; Ps. cvi. 42

1 Or, *graven images.*

k Gen. xxxv. 8.

a Josh. iv. 20

2 Heb. *a parlour of cooling*

l Josh. xix. 37

b Amos iii. 15

m ch. v. 21; Exod. xiv. 4; 1 Kings xviii. 40; Ps. lxxxiii. 9, 10.

c 1 Sam. xxiv. 3.

n ch. ii. 14.

o ch. v. 18; Exod. xi. 8; 1 Kings xx. 10.

p ver. 6; ch. i. 16; Numb. x. 29.

d ch. vi. 34; 1 Sam. xiii. 3.

e ch. vii. 9, 15; 1 Sam. xvii. 47?

3 Heb. *fat*

f ver. 11.

g ch. ii. 16; v. 6, 8; 1 Sam. xiii. 19, 22. It seems to concern only the country next to the Philistines. 1 Sam. xvii. 47, 50. So part is called Israel. Ch. iv. 1, 3; x. 7, 17; xi 4; 1 Sam. iv. 1.

3 And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD: for he had nine hundred chariots of iron; and twenty years he mightily oppressed the children of Israel.[j]

4 ¶ And Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lapidoth, she judged Israel at that time.

5 And she dwelt under the palm tree of Deborah between Ramah and Beth-el in mount Ephraim: and the children of Israel came up to her for judgment.[k]

6 And she sent and called Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedesh-naphtali, and said unto him, Hath not the LORD God of Israel commanded, *saying,* Go and draw toward mount Tabor, and take with thee ten thousand men of the children of Naphtali and of the children of Zebulun?[l]

7 And I will draw unto thee to the river Kishon Sisera, the captain of Jabin's army, with his chariots and his multitude; and I will deliver him into thine hand.[m]

8 And Barak said unto her, If thou wilt go with me, then I will go: but if thou wilt not go with me, *then* I will not go.

9 And she said, I will surely go with thee: notwithstanding the journey that thou takest shall not be for thine honour; for the LORD shall sell Sisera into the hand of a woman. And Deborah arose, and went with Barak to Kedesh.[n]

10 ¶ And Barak called Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and he went up with ten thousand men at his feet: and Deborah went up with him.[o]

11 Now Heber the Kenite, *which was* of the children of Hobab the father in law of Moses, had severed himself from the Kenites, and pitched his tent unto the plain of Zaanaim, which *is* by Kedesh.[p]

12 And they shewed Sisera that Barak the son of Abinoam was gone up to mount Tabor.



MOUNT TABOR.

13 And Sisera [4]gathered together all his chariots, *even* nine hundred chariots of iron, and all the people that *were* with him, from Harosheth of the Gentiles unto the river of Kishon.

14 And Deborah said unto Barak, Up; for this *is*

h ch. ii. 19

4 Heb. *gathered by cry,* or, *proclamation.*

Josh. xi. 1, 10; xix. 36; 1 Sam. xii. 9, Ps. lxxxiii. 9. It seems to concern only North Israel.

the day in which the LORD hath delivered Sisera into thine hand: is not the LORD gone out before thee? So Barak went down from mount Tabor, and ten thousand men after him.[e]

15 And the LORD discomfited Sisera, and all *his* chariots, and all *his* host, with the edge of the sword before Barak; so that Sisera lighted down off *his* chariot, and fled away on his feet.[f]

16 But Barak pursued after the chariots, and after the host, unto Harosheth of the Gentiles: and all the host of Sisera fell upon the edge of the sword; *and* there was [1]not a man left.

17 Howbeit Sisera fled away on his feet to the tent of Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite: for *there was* peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite.

18 ¶ And Jael went out to meet Sisera, and said unto him, Turn in, my lord, turn in to me; fear not. And when he had turned in unto her into the tent, she covered him with a [2]mantle.

19 And he said unto her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water to drink; for I am thirsty. And she opened a bottle of milk, and gave him drink, and covered him.[c]

20 Again he said unto her, Stand in the door of the tent, and it shall be, when any man doth come and enquire of thee, and say, Is there any man here? that thou shalt say, No.

21 Then Jael Heber's wife took a nail of the tent, and [3]took an hammer in her hand, and went softly unto him, and smote the nail into his temples, and fastened it into the ground: for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died.[d]

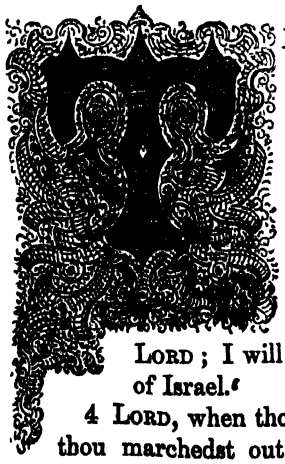
22 And, behold, as Barak pursued Sisera, Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him, Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou seekest. And when he came into her *tent*, behold, Sisera lay dead, and the nail *was* in his temples.

23 So God subdued on that day Jabin the king of Canaan before the children of Israel.[e]

24 And the hand of the children of Israel [4]prospered, and prevailed against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

CHAPTER V.

The song of Deborah and Barak.



THEN sang Deborah and Barak the son of Abinoam on that day, saying,

2 Praise ye the LORD for the avenging of Israel, when the people willingly offered themselves.[f]

3 Hear, O ye kings; give ear, O ye princes; I, *even* I, will sing unto the LORD; I will sing *praise* to the LORD God of Israel.[g]

4 LORD, when thou wentest out of Seir, when thou marchedst out of the field of Edom, the earth trembled, and the heavens dropped, the clouds also dropped water.[h]

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5 Heb. *flowed.*

e Exod. xix. 18; Deut. iv. 11; Ps. xcvii. 5.

a Deut. ix. 3; 2 Sam. v. 24; Ps. lxviii. 7; Isa. lii. 12.

6 Heb. *walkers of paths.*

7 Heb *crooked ways.*

f ch. iii. 31; iv. 17; Lev. xxvi. 22; 2 Chron. xv. 5; Isa. xxxiii. 8, Lam. i. 4; iv. 18.

b Josh. x. 10; Ps. lxxxiii. 9, 10.

1 Heb. *unto one.*

k ch. ii. 12, 17; iv. 3; Deut. xxxii. 16; 1 Sam. xiii. 19, 22.

l ver. 2.

8 Or, *meditate.*

m ch. x. 4; xii. 14; Ps. cv. 2; cvii. 32; cxiv. 5.

5 The mountains [5]melted from before the LORD, *even* that Sinai from before the LORD God of Israel.[i]

6 In the days of Shamgar the son of Anath, in the days of Jael, the highways were unoccupied, and the [6]travellers walked through [7]byways.[j]

7 *The inhabitants of* the villages ceased, they ceased in Israel, until that I Deborah arose, that I arose a mother in Israel.

8 They chose new gods; then *was* war in the gates: was there a shield or spear seen among forty thousand in Israel?[k]

9 My heart *is* toward the governors of Israel, that offered themselves willingly among the people. Bless ye the LORD.[l]

10 [8]Speak, ye that ride on white asses, ye that sit in judgment, and walk by the way.[m]



A JEWISH LAWYER RIDING ON A WHITE ASS.

2 Or, *rug*, or, *blanket.*

c ch v 25.

3 Heb. *put.*

d ch v 26.

e Ps. xviii. 47.

9 Heb *righteousnesses of the LORD*

4 Heb. *going, went, and was hard.*

n 1 Sam. xii 7; Ps. cxiv 7

o Ps. lvii. 8; lxviii 18.

p Ps. xlix. 14

10 Heb *draw with the pen, &c.*

q ch. iii. 13, 27; Numb. xxxii. 39, 40.

f 2 Chron. xvii. 16; Ps. xviii. 47.

11 Heb *his feet.*

12 Or, *In the divisions, &c.*

13 Heb. *impressions.*

r ch. iv. 14.

g Deut. xxxii. 1, 3; Ps. ii. 10.

14 Or, *In the divisions.*

15 Or, *port.*

h Deut. xxxii. 2; 2 Sam. xxii. 8; Ps. lxviii. 8; Isa. lxiv. 3; Hab. iii. 3, 10.

16 Or, *creeks.*

s Josh. xiii. 25, 31; xix. 29, 31.

11 *They that are delivered* from the noise of archers in the places of drawing water, there shall they rehearse the [9]righteous acts of the LORD, *even* the righteous acts *toward the inhabitants* of his villages in Israel: then shall the people of the LORD go down to the gates.[n]

12 Awake, awake, Deborah: awake, awake, utter a song: arise, Barak, and lead thy captivity captive, thou son of Abinoam.[o]

13 Then he made him that remaineth have dominion over the nobles among the people: the LORD made me have dominion over the mighty.[p]

14 Out of Ephraim *was there* a root of them against Amalek; after thee, Benjamin, among thy people; out of Machir came down governors, and out of Zebulun they that [10]handle the pen of the writer.[q]

15 And the princes of Issachar *were* with Deborah; even Issachar, and also Barak: he was sent [11]on foot into the valley. [12]For the divisions of Reuben *there were* great [13]thoughts of heart.[r]

16 Why abodest thou among the sheepfolds, to hear the bleatings of the flocks? [14]For the divisions of Reuben *there were* great searchings of heart.

17 Gilead abode beyond Jordan: and why did Dan remain in ships? Asher continued on the [15]sea shore, and abode in his [16]breaches.[s]

18 Zebulun and Naphtali *were* a people *that* [1]jeoparded their lives unto the death in the high places of the field.

19 The kings came *and* fought, then fought the kings of Canaan in Taanach by the waters of Megiddo; they took no gain of money.[e]

20 They fought from heaven; the stars in their [2]courses fought against Sisera.[h]

21 The river of Kishon swept them away, that ancient river, the river Kishon. O my soul, thou hast trodden down strength.[c]

22 Then were the horsehoofs broken by the means of the [3]pransings, the pransings of their mighty ones.

23 Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the LORD, curse ye bitterly the inhabitants thereof; because they came not to the help of the LORD, to the help of the LORD against the mighty.[d]

24 Blessed above women shall Jael the wife of Heber the Kenite be, blessed shall she be above women in the tent.[e]

25 He asked water, *and* she gave *him* milk; she brought forth butter in a lordly dish.[f]

26 She put her hand to the nail, and her right hand to the workmen's hammer; and [4]with the hammer she smote Sisera, she smote off his head, when she had pierced and stricken through his temples.

27 [5]At her feet he bowed, he fell, he lay down: at her feet he bowed, he fell: where he bowed, there he fell down [6]dead.

28 The mother of Sisera looked out at a window, and cried through the lattice, Why is his chariot *so* long in coming? why tarry the wheels of his chariots?

29 Her wise ladies answered her, yea, she returned [7]answer to herself,

30 Have they not sped? have they *not* divided the prey; [8]to every man a damsel *or* two; to Sisera a prey of divers colours, a prey of divers colours of needlework, of divers colours of needlework on both sides, *meet* for the necks of *them that take* the spoil?

31 So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but *let* them that love him *be* as the sun when he goeth forth in his might. And the land had rest forty years.[g]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The Israelites for their sin are oppressed by Midian.* 8 *A prophet rebuketh them.* 11 *An angel sendeth Gideon for their deliverance.* 17 *Gideon's present is consumed with fire.* 25 *Gideon destroyeth Baal's altar, and offereth a sacrifice upon the altar Jehovah-shalom.* 28 *Joash defendeth his son, and calleth him Jerubbaal.* 33 *Gideon's army.* 36 *Gideon's signs.*

AND the children of Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD delivered them into the hand of Midian seven years.[h]

2 And the hand of Midian [9]prevailed against Israel: *and* because of the Midianites the children of Israel made them the dens which *are* in the mountains, and caves, and strong holds.[i]

3 And *so* it was, when Israel had sown, that the Midianites came up, and the Amalekites, and the children of the east, even they came up against them;[j]

4 And they encamped against them, and destroyed the increase of the earth, till thou come unto Gaza, and left no sustenance for Israel, neither [10]sheep, nor ox, nor ass.[k]

5 For they came up with their cattle and their tents, and they came as grasshoppers for multitude; *for* both they and their camels were without number: and they entered into the land to destroy it.[l]

6 And Israel was greatly impoverished because of the Midianites; and the children of Israel cried unto the LORD.[m]

7 ¶ And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD because of the Midianites,

8 That the LORD sent [11]a prophet unto the children of Israel, which said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought you up from Egypt, and brought you forth out of the house of bondage;

9 And I delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and drave them out from before you, and gave you their land;[n]

10 And I said unto you, I *am* the LORD your God; fear not the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but ye have not obeyed my voice.[o]

11 ¶ And there came an angel of the LORD, and sat under an oak which *was* in Ophrah, that *pertained* unto Joash the Abi-ezrite: and his son [12]Gideon threshed wheat by the winepress, to [13]hide *it* from the Midianites.[p]

12 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto him, The LORD *is* with thee, thou mighty man of valour.[q]

13 And Gideon said unto him, Oh my Lord, if the LORD be with us, why then is all this befallen us? and where *be* all his miracles which our fathers told us of, saying, Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt? but now the LORD hath forsaken us, and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites.[r]

14 And the LORD looked upon him, and said, Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I sent thee?[s]

15 And he said unto him, Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? behold, [14]my family *is* poor in Manasseh, and I *am* the least in my father's house.[t]

16 And the LORD said unto him, Surely I will be with thee, and thou shalt smite the Midianites as one man.[u]

17 And he said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, then shew me a sign that thou talkest with me.[v]

18 Depart not hence, I pray thee, until I come unto thee, and bring forth [15]my present, and set *it* before thee. And he said, I will tarry until thou come again.[w]

19 ¶ And Gideon went in, and made ready [16]a kid, and unleavened cakes of an ephah of flour: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot, and brought *it* out unto him under the oak, and presented *it*.[x]

20 And the angel of God said unto him, Take the

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1 Heb. *exposed to reproach.*
f ch. iii. 13; vii. 12; viii. 10; Gen. xxix. 1; 1 Kings iv. 30; Job i. 3
10 Or, *goat.*
a ver 30; ch. iv. 16; Ps. xliv. 12.
k Lev. xxvi 16; Deut. xxviii. 30, 33, 51; Micah vi. 15.
2 Heb. *paths.*
b ch iv. 15; Josh. x. 11; Ps. lxxvii. 17, 18.
l ch. vii. 12.
c ch. iv. 7.
3 Or, *tramplings, or, plungings.*
m ch. iii. 15; Hos. v. 15.
11 Heb. *a man a prophet.*
d ch xxi. 9, 10; Neh iii. 5, 1 Sam. xvii 47, xviii 17, xxv 28
e ch. iv. 17
f ch. iv. 19.
n Ps. xliv 2, 3
4 Heb *she hammered.*
o 2 Kings xvii 35, 37, 38; Jer x. 2
5 Heb. *between*
12 Or, *Gedeon.*
6 Heb *destroyed.*
13 Heb *to cause it to flee.*
p Heb xi 32
q ch xiii. 3; Josh i 5
7 Heb *her words*
8 Heb *to the head of a man.*
r 2 Chron. xv 2; Ps. xliv. 1; lxxxix. 49, Isa. lix. 1; lxiii. 15.
g Ps xix. 5; lxxxiii. 9, 10; 2 Sam. xxiii. 4.
s ch. iv. 6; Josh. i. 9; 1 Sam xii. 11; Heb. xi. 32, 34.
14 Heb. *my thousand is the meanest*
t 1 Sam. ix 21.
u Exod iii. 12, xviii. 21, 25, Josh i. 5; Micah v. 2
v ve. 36, 37; Exod. iv 1—8; 2 Kings xx. 8; Ps lxxxvi. 17; Isa. vii. 11.
15 Or, *meat offering.*
h ch. ii. 19; Hab iii. 7.
w ch. xiii. 15; Gen. xviii. 3, 5.
9 Heb. *was strong.*
16 Heb *a kid of the goats.*
i 1 Sam xiii. 6.
x Gen. xviii. 6—8.



GIDEON DESTROYING THE ALTAR OF BAAL.

flesh and the unleavened cakes, and lay *them* upon this rock, and pour out the broth. And he did so.[a]

21 ¶ Then the angel of the LORD put forth the end of the staff that *was* in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there rose up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes. Then the angel of the LORD departed out of his sight.[b]

22 And when Gideon perceived that he *was* an angel of the LORD, Gideon said, Alas, O Lord GOD! for because I have seen an angel of the LORD face to face.[c]

23 And the LORD said unto him, Peace *be* unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die.[d]

24 Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD, and called it [1]Jehovah-shalom: unto this day it *is* yet in Ophrah of the Abi-ezrites.[e]

25 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Take thy father's young bullock, [2]even the second bullock of seven years old, and throw down the altar of Baal that thy father hath, and cut down the grove that *is* by it:[f]

26 And build an altar unto the LORD thy God upon the top of this [3]rock, in the [4]ordered place, and take the second bullock, and offer a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the grove which thou shalt cut down.

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a ch. xiii. 19.

b Lev. ix. 24; 1 Kings xviii. 38; 2 Chron vii 1

c ch. xiii. 21, 22; Gen xvi. 13; xxxii. 30; Exod. xxxiii. 20

d Dan. x. 19.

1 That is, *the LORD send peace.*

e ch. viii. 32; Gen. xxii 14; Exod. xvii. 15; Jer. xxxiii. 16; Ezek. xlviii. 35

2 Or, and.

f Exod xxxiv. 13; Deut. vii. 5.

3 Heb *strong place.*

4 Or, *in an orderly manner.*

5 That is, *let Baal plead.*

g 1 Sam. xii. 11; 2 Sam. xi. 21. *Jerubbesheth*, that is, *let the shameful thing plead.* Jer. xi. 13, Hos. ix. 10.

27 Then Gideon took ten men of his servants, and did as the LORD had said unto him: and *so* it was, because he feared his father's houshold, and the men of the city, that he could not do *it* by day, that he did *it* by night.

28 ¶ And when the men of the city arose early in the morning, behold, the altar of Baal was cast down, and the grove was cut down that *was* by it, and the second bullock was offered upon the altar *that was* built.

29 And they said one to another, Who hath done this thing? And when they enquired and asked, they said, Gideon the son of Joash hath done this thing.

30 Then the men of the city said unto Joash, Bring out thy son, that he may die: because he hath cast down the altar of Baal, and because he hath cut down the grove that *was* by it.

31 And Joash said unto all that stood against him, Will ye plead for Baal? will ye save him? he that will plead for him, let him be put to death whilst *it is yet* morning: if he *be* a god, let him plead for himself, because *one* hath cast down his altar.

32 Therefore on that day he called him [5]Jerubbaal, saying, Let Baal plead against him, because he hath thrown down his altar.[g]

33 ¶ Then all the Midianites and the Amalekites and the children of the east were gathered together, and went over, and pitched in the valley of Jezreel.[a]

34 But the Spirit of the LORD [1]came upon Gideon, and he blew a trumpet; and Abi-ezer [2]was gathered after him.[b]

35 And he sent messengers throughout all Manasseh; who also was gathered after him: and he sent messengers unto Asher, and unto Zebulun, and unto Naphtali; and they came up to meet them.

36 ¶ And Gideon said unto God, If thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said,

37 Behold, I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; *and* if the dew be on the fleece only, and *it be* dry upon all the earth *beside*, then shall I know that thou wilt save Israel by mine hand, as thou hast said.[c]

38 And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow, and thrust the fleece together, and wringed the dew out of the fleece, a bowl full of water.

39 And Gideon said unto God, Let not thine anger be hot against me, and I will speak but this once: let me prove, I pray thee, but this once with the fleece; let it now be dry only upon the fleece, and upon all the ground let there be dew.[d]

40 And God did so that night: for it was dry upon the fleece only, and there was dew on all the ground.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Gideon's army of two and thirty thousand is brought to three hundred.* 9 *He is encouraged by the dream and interpretation of the barley cake.* 16 *His stratagem of trumpets and lamps in pitchers.* 24 *The Ephraimites take Oreb and Zeeb.*

THEN Jerubbaal, who *is* Gideon, and all the people that *were* with him, rose up early, and pitched beside the well of Harod: so that the host of the Midianites were on the north side of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.[e]

2 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people that *are* with thee *are* too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me.[f]

3 Now therefore go to, proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, Whosoever *is* fearful and afraid, let him return and depart early from mount Gilead. And there returned of the people twenty and two thousand; and there remained ten thousand.[g]

4 And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people *are* yet *too* many; bring them down unto the water, and I will try them for thee there: and it shall be, *that* of whom I say unto thee, This shall go with thee, the same shall go with thee; and of whomsoever I say unto thee, This shall not go with thee, the same shall not go.

5 So he brought down the people unto the water: and the LORD said unto Gideon, Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink.

6 And the number of them that lapped, *putting* their hand to their mouth, were three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink water.

7 And the LORD said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the *other* people go every man unto his place.[h]

8 So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and he sent all *the rest of* Israel every man unto his tent, and retained those three hundred men: and the host of Midian was beneath him in the valley.

9 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Arise, get thee down unto the host; for I have delivered it into thine hand.[i]

10 But if thou fear to go down, go thou with Phurah thy servant down to the host:

11 And thou shalt hear what they say; and afterward shall thine hands be strengthened to go down unto the host. Then went he down with Phurah his servant unto the outside of the [3]armed men that *were* in the host.[j]

12 And the Midianites and the Amalekites and all the children of the east lay along in the valley like grasshoppers for multitude; and their camels *were* without number, as the sand by the sea side for multitude.[k]

13 And when Gideon was come, behold, *there was* a man that told a dream unto his fellow, and said, Behold, I dreamed a dream, and, lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the host of Midian, and came unto a tent, and smote it that it fell, and overturned it, that the tent lay along.

14 And his fellow answered and said, This *is* nothing else save the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel: *for* into his hand hath God delivered Midian, and all the host.

15 ¶ And it was *so*, when Gideon heard the telling of the dream, and [4]the interpretation thereof, that he worshipped, and returned into the host of Israel, and said, Arise; for the LORD hath delivered into your hand the host of Midian.

16 And he divided the three hundred men *into* three companies, and he put [5]a trumpet in every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and [6]lamps within the pitchers.

17 And he said unto them, Look on me, and do likewise: and, behold, when I come to the outside of the camp, it shall be *that*, as I do, so shall ye do.

18 When I blow with a trumpet, I and all that *are* with me, then blow ye the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and say, *The sword* of the LORD, and of Gideon.

19 ¶ So Gideon, and the hundred men that *were* with him, came unto the outside of the camp in the beginning of the middle watch; and they had but newly set the watch: and they blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers that *were* in their hands.

20 And the three companies blew the trumpets, and brake the pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands, and the trumpets in their right hands to

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a ver. 8; Josh. xvii. 16.

1 Heb. *clothed.*

2 Heb. *was called after him.*

b ch. iii. 27; Numb. x. 8.

c Exod. iv. 3, 4, 6, 7.

d Gen. xviii. 32.

3 Or, *ranks by five.*

e ch. vi. 5, 33; viii. 10

f Deut viii 17; Isa. x 13, 1 Cor i 29, 2 Cor iv 7

g Deut xx 8

h 1 Sam. xiv. 6.

i ver. 13—15; Exod. xiii. 18; 1 Sam. xiv. 9, 10.

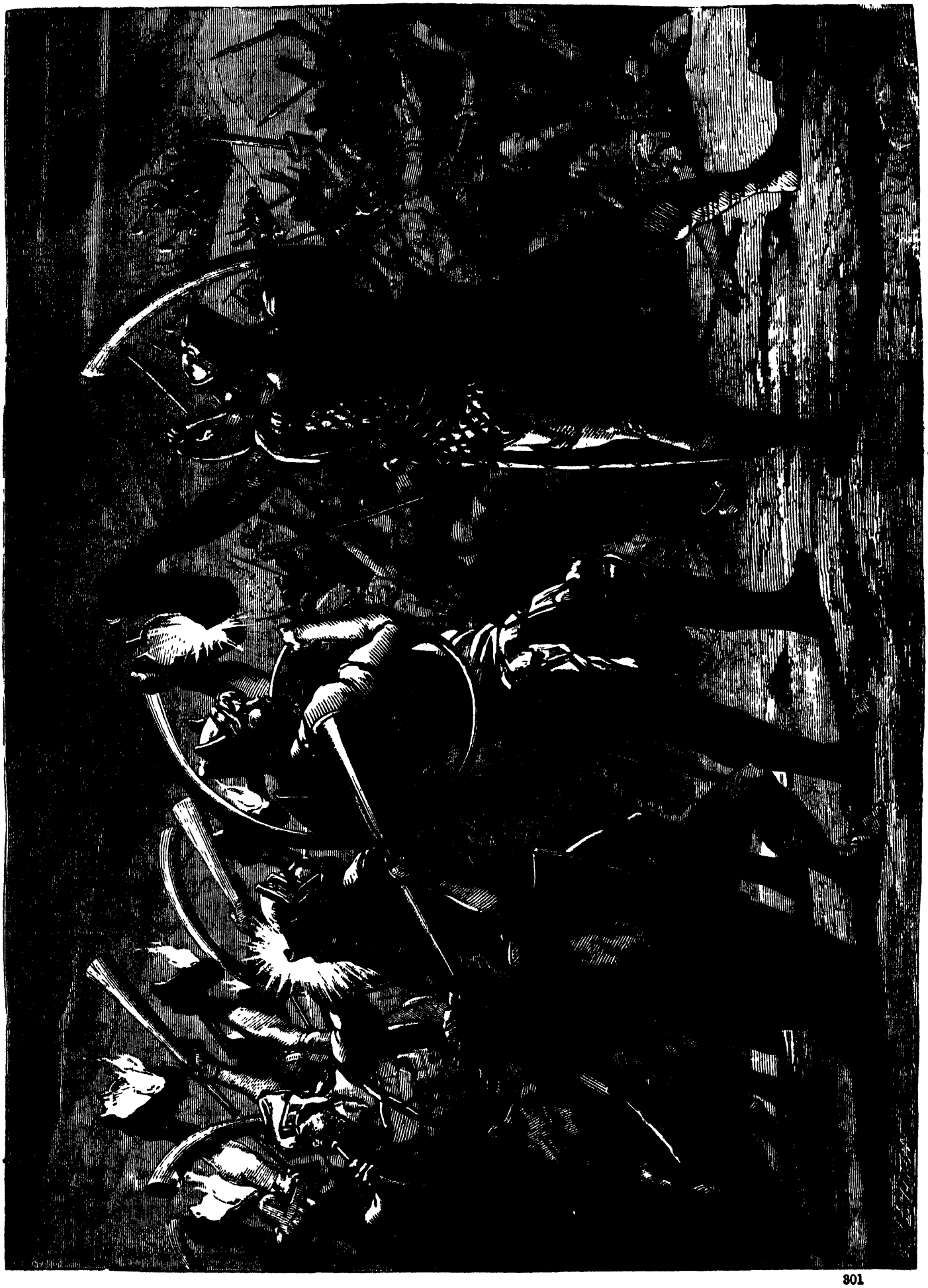
j va. 13—15; Exod. xiii. 18; 1 Sam. xiv. 9, 10.

k ch. vi. 5, 33; viii. 10

4 Heb. *the breaking thereof*

5 Heb. *trumpets in the hand of all of them*

6 Or, *firebrands*, or, *torches*



GIDEON AND FOLLOWERS, BY THE STRATAGEM OF LAMPS AND TRUMPETS, SURPRISING THE ARMY OF THE MIDIANITES.

blow *withal:* and they cried, The sword of the LORD, and of Gideon.

21 And they stood every man in his place round about the camp; and all the host ran, and cried, and fled.[a]

22 And the three hundred blew the trumpets, and the LORD set every man's sword against his fellow, even throughout all the host: and the host fled to Beth-shittah [1]in Zererath, *and* to the [2]border of Abel-meholah, unto Tabbath.

23 And the men of Israel gathered themselves together out of Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manasseh, and pursued after the Midianites.

24 ¶ And Gideon sent messengers throughout all mount Ephraim, saying, Come down against the Midianites, and take before them the waters unto Beth-barah and Jordan. Then all the men of Ephraim gathered themselves together, and took the waters unto Beth-barah and Jordan.[b]

25 And they took two princes of the Midianites, Oreb and Zeeb; and they slew Oreb upon the rock Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the winepress of Zeeb, and pursued Midian, and brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon on the other side Jordan.[c]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Gideon pacifieth the Ephraimites.* 4 *Succoth and Penuel refuse to relieve Gideon's army.* 10 *Zebah and Zalmunna are taken.* 13 *Succoth and Penuel are destroyed.* 18 *Gideon revengeth his brethren's death on Zebah and Zalmunna.* 22 *He refuseth government.* 24 *His ephod cause of idolatry.* 28 *Midian subdued.* 29 *Gideon's children, and death.* 33 *The Israelites' idolatry and ingratitude.*

AND the men of Ephraim said unto him, [3]Why hast thou served us thus, that thou calledst us not, when thou wentest to fight with the Midianites? And they did chide with him [4]sharply.[d]

2 And he said unto them, What have I done now in comparison of you? *Is* not the gleaning of the grapes of Ephraim better than the vintage of Abi-ezer?

3 God hath delivered into your hands the princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what was I able to do in comparison of you? Then their [5]anger was abated toward him, when he had said that.[e]

4 ¶ And Gideon came to Jordan, *and* passed over, he, and the three hundred men that *were* with him, faint, yet pursuing *them.*

5 And he said unto the men of Succoth, Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the people that follow me; for they *be* faint, and I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, kings of Midian.[f]

6 ¶ And the princes of Succoth said, *Are* the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thine army?[g]

7 And Gideon said, Therefore when the LORD hath delivered Zebah and Zalmunna into mine hand, then I will [6]tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness and with briers.[h]

8 ¶ And he went up thence to Penuel, and spake unto them likewise: and the men of Penuel answered him as the men of Succoth had answered *him.*[i]

9 And he spake also unto the men of Penuel, saying, When I come again in peace, I will break down this tower.[j]

10 ¶ Now Zebah and Zalmunna *were* in Karkor, and their hosts with them, about fifteen thousand *men,* all that were left of all the hosts of the children of the east: for there fell [7]an hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword.[k]

11 ¶ And Gideon went up by the way of them that dwelt in tents on the east of Nobah and Jogbehah, and smote the host: for the host was secure.[l]

12 And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, he pursued after them, and took the two kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, and [8]discomfited all the host.[m]

13 ¶ And Gideon the son of Joash returned from battle before the sun *was up,*

14 And caught a young man of the men of Succoth, and enquired of him: and he [9]described unto him the princes of Succoth, and the elders thereof, *even* three-score and seventeen men.

15 And he came unto the men of Succoth, and said, Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, with whom ye did upbraid me, saying, *Are* the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thy men *that are* weary?[n]

16 And he took the elders of the city, and thorns of the wilderness and briers, and with them he [10]taught the men of Succoth.[o]

17 And he beat down the tower of Penuel, and slew the men of the city.[p]

18 ¶ Then said he unto Zebah and Zalmunna, What manner of men *were they* whom ye slew at Tabor? And they answered, As thou *art,* so *were* they; each one [11]resembled the children of a king.[q]

19 And he said, They *were* my brethren, *even* the sons of my mother: *as* the LORD liveth, if ye had saved them alive, I would not slay you.

20 And he said unto Jether his firstborn, Up, *and* slay them. But the youth drew not his sword: for he feared, because he *was* yet a youth.

21 Then Zebah and Zalmunna said, Rise thou, and fall upon us: for as the man *is, so is* his strength. And Gideon arose, and slew Zebah and Zalmunna, and took away the [12]ornaments that *were* on their camels' necks.[r]

22 ¶ Then the men of Israel said unto Gideon, Rule thou over us, both thou, and thy son, and thy son's son also: for thou hast delivered us from the hand of Midian.

23 And Gideon said unto them, I will not rule over you, neither shall my son rule over you: the LORD shall rule over you.[s]

24 ¶ And Gideon said unto them, I would desire a request of you, that ye would give me every man the earrings of his prey. (For they had golden earrings, because they *were* Ishmaelites.)[t]

25 And they answered, We will willingly give

BEFORE CHRIST 1245.

6 Heb. *thresh.*
h ver. 16.

a Exod. xiv. 13, 14; 2 Chron. xx. 17; 2 Kings vii. 7.
i Gen. xxxii. 30; 1 Kings xii. 25.
j ver. 17; 1 Kings xxii. 27.

1 Or, *toward.*
2 Heb. *lip*

7 Or, *an hundred and twenty thousand, every one drawing a sword.*
k ch. vii. 12; xx. 2, 15, 17, 25; 2 Kings iii. 26.
l ch. xviii. 27; Numb. xxxii. 35, 42.

b ch. iii. 27, 28; John i. 28.

8 Heb *terrified.*
m Ps. lxxxiii. 11.

9 Heb. *writ.*

c ch. vii 3, 4; Ps. lxxxiii. 11; Isa. x. 26.

n ver. 6.

10 Heb *made to know.*
o ver 7.

3 Heb *What thing is that thou hast done unto us?*
p ver. 9, 1 Kings xii. 25

11 Heb *according to the form, &c.*
q ch. iv. 6, Ps. lxxxix. 12.

4 Heb. *strongly.*

d ch. xii. 1, 2 Sam. xix. 41.

5 Heb. *spirit.*
12 Or, *ornaments like the moon.*

e ch. vii. 24, 25; Prov. xv. 1.
r Ps. lxxxiii. 11

f Gen. xxxiii. 17; Ps. lx. 6.
s 1 Sam. viii. 7; x. 19; xii. 12.

g 1 Sam. xxv. 11; 1 Kings xx. 11.
t Gen. xxv 12; xxxvii. 25, 28.

them. And they spread a garment, and did cast therein every man the earrings of his prey.

26 And the weight of the golden earrings that he requested was a thousand and seven hundred *shekels* of gold; beside ornaments, and [1]collars, and purple raiment that *was* on the kings of Midian, and beside the chains that *were* about their camels' necks.

27 And Gideon made an ephod thereof, and put it in his city, *even* in Ophrah: and all Israel went thither a whoring after it: which thing became a snare unto Gideon, and to his house.[a]

28 ¶ Thus was Midian subdued before the children of Israel, so that they lifted up their heads no more. And the country was in quietness forty years in the days of Gideon.[b]

29 ¶ And Jerubbaal the son of Joash went and dwelt in his own house.

30 And Gideon had threescore and ten sons of his body begotten: for he had many wives.

31 And his concubine that *was* in Shechem, she also bare him a son, whose name he [2]called Abimelech.[c]

32 ¶ And Gideon the son of Joash died in a good old age, and was buried in the sepulchre of Joash his father, in Ophrah of the Abi-ezrites.

33 And it came to pass, as soon as Gideon was dead, that the children of Israel turned again, and went a whoring after Baalim, and made Baal-berith their god.[d]

34 And the children of Israel remembered not the LORD their God, who had delivered them out of the hands of all their enemies on every side:[e]

35 Neither shewed they kindness to the house of Jerubbaal, *namely*, Gideon, according to all the goodness which he had shewed unto Israel.[f]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Abimelech by conspiracy with the Shechemites, and murder of his brethren, is made king.* 7 *Jotham by a parable rebuketh them, and foretelleth their ruin.* 22 *Gaal conspireth with the Shechemites against him.* 30 *Zebul revealeth it.* 34 *Abimelech overcometh them, and soweth the city with salt.* 46 *He burneth the hold of the god Berith.* 50 *At Thebez he is slain by a piece of a millstone.* 56 *Jotham's curse is fulfilled.*

AND Abimelech the son of Jerubbaal went to Shechem unto his mother's brethren, and communed with them, and with all the family of the house of his mother's father, saying,[h]

2 Speak, I pray you, in the ears of all the men of Shechem, [3]Whether *is* better for you, either that all the sons of Jerubbaal, *which are* threescore and ten persons, reign over you, or that one reign over you? remember also that I *am* your bone and your flesh.[i]

3 And his mother's brethren spake of him in the ears of all the men of Shechem all these words: and their hearts [4]inclined to follow Abimelech; for they said, He *is* our brother.[j]

4 And they gave him threescore and ten *pieces* of silver out of the house of Baal-berith, wherewith Abimelech hired vain and light persons, which followed him.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 1236.

1 Or, *sweet jewels.*
l ch. vi. 24, 2 Kings xi. 1, 2.

5 Or, *by the oak of the pillar.*
m Josh. xxiv. 26.

a ch vi. 24; xvii. 5, Deut. vii. 16; Ps. cvi. 39.

n Deut. xi 29; xxvii 12, Josh. viii. 33; John iv. 20

b ch v 31.

o ch. viii. 22, 23, 2 Kings xiv. 9.

6 Heb *go up and down for other trees.*
p Ps. civ 15.

2 Heb *set.*

c ch. ix. 1.

d ver 27, ch vi. 24; Gen xxv. 8; Job v. 26.

e ch ii 11, 19, ix 4, 46.

q Ps civ 15.

f Ps. lxxviii 11, 42, cvi. 13, 21.

7 Or, *thistle.*

g ch ix. 16—18; Eccles. ix. 14, 15.

r ver 20; Numb xxi. 28, 2 Kings xiv. 9, Isa. ii. 13, xxx. 2, xxxvii. 24, Ezek xix. 14, xxxi 3, Dan. iv. 12; Hos. xiv. 7.

s ch. viii. 35.

8 Heb. *cast his life.*

t vs 5, 6

h ch. viii. 31.

u Isa. viii. 6.

3 Heb *what is good? whether,* &c.

i ch. viii. 30; Gen. xxix. 14.
v vs. 15, 56, 57

4 Heb. *after.*

j Gen. xxix. 15.
w 2 Sam. xx. 14.

k ch. viii. 33; xi. 3; 2 Chron. xiii. 7; Prov. xii. 11; Acts xvii. 5.

5 And he went unto his father's house at Ophrah, and slew his brethren the sons of Jerubbaal, *being* threescore and ten persons, upon one stone: notwithstanding yet Jotham the youngest son of Jerubbaal was left; for he hid himself.[l]

6 And all the men of Shechem gathered together, and all the house of Millo, and went, and made Abimelech king, [5]by the plain of the pillar that *was* in Shechem.[m]

7 ¶ And when they told *it* to Jotham, he went and stood in the top of mount Gerizim, and lifted up his voice, and cried, and said unto them, Hearken unto me, ye men of Shechem, that God may hearken unto you.[n]

8 The trees went forth *on a time* to anoint a king over them; and they said unto the olive tree, Reign thou over us.[o]

9 But the olive tree said unto them, Should I leave my fatness, wherewith by me they honour God and man, and [6]go to be promoted over the trees?[p]

10 And the trees said to the fig tree, Come thou, *and* reign over us.

11 But the fig tree said unto them, Should I forsake my sweetness, and my good fruit, and go to be promoted over the trees?

12 Then said the trees unto the vine, Come thou, *and* reign over us.

13 And the vine said unto them, Should I leave my wine, which cheereth God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees?[q]

14 Then said all the trees unto the [7]bramble, Come thou, *and* reign over us.

15 And the bramble said unto the trees, If in truth ye anoint me king over you, *then* come *and* put your trust in my shadow: and if not, let fire come out of the bramble, and devour the cedars of Lebanon.[r]

16 Now therefore, if ye have done truly and sincerely, in that ye have made Abimelech king, and if ye have dealt well with Jerubbaal and his house, and have done unto him according to the deserving of his hands;[s]

17 (For my father fought for you, and [8]adventured his life far, and delivered you out of the hand of Midian:

18 And ye are risen up against my father's house this day, and have slain his sons, threescore and ten persons, upon one stone, and have made Abimelech, the son of his maidservant, king over the men of Shechem, because he *is* your brother;)[t]

19 If ye then have dealt truly and sincerely with Jerubbaal and with his house this day, *then* rejoice ye in Abimelech, and let him also rejoice in you:[u]

20 But if not, let fire come out from Abimelech, and devour the men of Shechem, and the house of Millo; and let fire come out from the men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo, and devour Abimelech.[v]

21 And Jotham ran away, and fled, and went to Beer, and dwelt there, for fear of Abimelech his brother.[w]

22 ¶ When Abimelech had reigned three years over Israel,

23 Then God sent an evil spirit between Abimelech

and the men of Shechem; and the men of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech:[a]

24 That the cruelty *done* to the threescore and ten sons of Jerubbaal might come, and their blood be laid upon Abimelech their brother, which slew them; and upon the men of Shechem, which [1]aided him in the killing of his brethren.[b]

25 And the men of Shechem set liers in wait for him in the top of the mountains, and they robbed all that came along that way by them: and it was told Abimelech.

26 And Gaal the son of Ebed came with his brethren, and went over to Shechem: and the men of Shechem put their confidence in him.

27 And they went out into the fields, and gathered their vineyards, and trode *the grapes*, and made [2]merry, and went into the house of their god, and did eat and drink, and cursed Abimelech.[c]

28 And Gaal the son of Ebed said, Who *is* Abimelech, and who *is* Shechem, that we should serve him? *is* not *he* the son of Jerubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serve the men of Hamor the father of Shechem: for why should we serve him?[d]

29 And would to God this people were under my hand! then would I remove Abimelech. And he said to Abimelech, Increase thine army, and come out.[e]

30 ¶ And when Zebul the ruler of the city heard the words of Gaal the son of Ebed, his anger was [3]kindled.

31 And he sent messengers unto Abimelech [4]privily, saying, Behold, Gaal the son of Ebed and his brethren be come to Shechem; and, behold, they fortify the city against thee.

32 Now therefore up by night, thou and the people that *is* with thee, and lie in wait in the field:

33 And it shall be, *that* in the morning, as soon as the sun is up, thou shalt rise early, and set upon the city: and, behold, *when* he and the people that *is* with him come out against thee, then mayest thou do to them [5]as thou shalt find occasion.[f]

34 ¶ And Abimelech rose up, and all the people that *were* with him, by night, and they laid wait against Shechem in four companies.

35 And Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in the entering of the gate of the city: and Abimelech rose up, and the people that *were* with him, from lying in wait.

36 And when Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul, Behold, there come people down from the top of the mountains. And Zebul said unto him, Thou seest the shadow of the mountains as *if they were* men.

37 And Gaal spake again and said, See there come people down by the middle of the land, and another company come along by the plain of [6]Meonenim.[g]

38 Then said Zebul unto him, Where *is* now thy mouth, wherewith thou saidst, Who *is* Abimelech, that we should serve him? *is* not this the people that thou hast despised? go out, I pray now, and fight with them.

39 And Gaal went out before the men of Shechem, and fought with Abimelech.

40 And Abimelech chased him, and he fled before him, and many were overthrown *and* wounded, *even* unto the entering of the gate.

41 And Abimelech dwelt at Arumah: and Zebul thrust out Gaal and his brethren, that they should not dwell in Shechem.

42 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people went out into the field; and they told Abimelech.

43 And he took the people, and divided them into three companies, and laid wait in the field, and looked, and, behold, the people *were* come forth out of the city; and he rose up against them, and smote them.

44 And Abimelech, and the company that *was* with him, rushed forward, and stood in the entering of the gate of the city: and the two *other* companies ran upon all *the people* that *were* in the fields, and slew them.

45 And Abimelech fought against the city all that day; and he took the city, and slew the people that *was* therein, and beat down the city, and sowed it with salt.[h]

46 ¶ And when all the men of the tower of Shechem heard *that*, they entered into an hold of the house of the god Berith.[i]

47 And it was told Abimelech, that all the men of the tower of Shechem were gathered together.

48 And Abimelech gat him up to mount Zalmon, he and all the people that *were* with him; and Abimelech took an ax in his hand, and cut down a bough from the trees, and took it, and laid *it* on his shoulder, and said unto the people that *were* with him, [7]What ye have seen me do, make haste, *and* do as I *have done*.[j]

49 And all the people likewise cut down every man his bough, and followed Abimelech, and put *them* to the hold, and set the hold on fire upon them; so that all the men of the tower of Shechem died also, about a thousand men and women.

50 ¶ Then went Abimelech to Thebez, and encamped against Thebez, and took it.

51 But there was a strong tower within the city, and thither fled all the men and women, and all they of the city, and shut *it* to them, and gat them up to the top of the tower.

52 And Abimelech came unto the tower, and fought against it, and went hard unto the door of the tower to burn it with fire.

53 And a certain woman cast a piece of a millstone upon Abimelech's head, and all to brake his scull.[k]

54 Then he called hastily unto the young man his armourbearer, and said unto him, Draw thy sword, and slay me, that men say not of me, A woman slew him. And his young man thrust him through, and he died.[l]

55 And when the men of Israel saw that Abimelech was dead, they departed every man unto his place.

56 ¶ Thus God rendered the wickedness of Abimelech, which he did unto his father, in slaying his seventy brethren:[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1236.

[a] 1 Sam. xvi. 14, xviii. 9, 10, 1 Kings xii 15; xxii. 22, 2 Chron. x. 15, xviii. 19, &c., Isa. xix. 2, 14; xxxiii. 1.

[1] Heb *strengthened his hands to kill.*

[b] 1 Kings ii. 32; Esth ix. 25; Ps. vii. 16; Matt. xxiii. 35, 36.

[2] Or, *songs*

[c] ver 4, Isa xvi 9, 10; Jer. xxv 30.

[h] ver 20, Deut xxix 23, 1 Kings xii. 25, 2 Kings iii. 25.

[d] Gen. xxxiv 2, 6; 1 Sam. xxv. 10; 1 Kings xii. 16.

[i] ch. viii 33

[e] 2 Sam. xv 4

[3] Or, *hot*

[4] Heb. *craftily, or to Tormah*

[7] Heb. *I have done.*

[j] Ps lxviii. 14

[5] Heb *as thine hand shall find.*

[f] 1 Sam x 7, xxv 8.

[k] 2 Sam xi. 21

[6] Or, *the regarders of the times*

[g] Deut xviii. 14.

[l] 1 Sam. xxxi. 4.

[m] ver. 24; Job xxxi. 3; Ps. xciv. 23; Prov. v. 22.



DEATH OF ABIMELECH,

57 And all the evil of the men of Shechem did God render upon their heads: and upon them came the curse of Jotham the son of Jerubbaal.[a]

CHAPTER X.

1 *Tola judgeth Israel in Shamir.* 3 *Jair, whose thirty sons had thirty cities.* 6 *The Philistines and Ammonites oppress Israel.* 10 *In their misery God sendeth them to their false gods.* 15 *Upon their repentance he pitieth them.*

AND after Abimelech there arose to [1]defend Israel Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo, a man of Issachar; and he dwelt in Shamir in mount Ephraim.[b]

2 And he judged Israel twenty and three years, and died, and was buried in Shamir.

3 ¶ And after him arose Jair, a Gileadite, and judged Israel twenty and two years.

4 And he had thirty sons that rode on thirty ass colts, and they had thirty cities, which are called [2]Havoth-jair unto this day, which *are* in the land of Gilead.[c]

5 And Jair died, and was buried in Camon.

6 ¶ And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD, and served Baalim, and Ashtaroth, and the gods of Syria, and the gods of Zidon, and the gods of Moab, and the gods of the children of Ammon, and the gods of the Philistines, and forsook the LORD, and served not him.[d]

7 And the anger of the LORD was hot against Israel, and he sold them into the hands of the Philistines, and into the hands of the children of Ammon.[e]

8 And that year they vexed and [3]oppressed the children of Israel: eighteen years, all the children of Israel that *were* on the other side Jordan in the land of the Amorites, which *is* in Gilead.

9 Moreover the children of Ammon passed over Jordan to fight also against Judah, and against Benjamin, and against the house of Ephraim; so that Israel was sore distressed.

10 ¶ And the children of Israel cried unto the LORD, saying, We have sinned against thee, both because we have forsaken our God, and also served Baalim.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 1233.

2 Or, *the villages of Jair.*

c ch. v 10; xii 14; Numb xxxii. 41; Deut. iii. 14

a ver. 20.

d ch. ii. 11—13; iii. 7; iv. 1; xiii. 1; 1 Kings xi. 33; Ps. cvi. 36.

1 Or, *deliver.* Heb *save.*

e ch. ii. 14; 1 Sam xii. 9.

3 Heb *crushed.*

b ch. ii 16.

f 1 Sam. xii. 10

11 And the LORD said unto the children of Israel, *Did* not *I deliver you* from the Egyptians, and from the Amorites, from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines?

12 The Zidonians also, and the Amalekites, and the Maonites, did oppress you; and ye cried to me, and I delivered you out of their hand.

13 Yet ye have forsaken me, and served other gods: wherefore I will deliver you no more.

14 Go and cry unto the gods which ye have chosen; let them deliver you in the time of your tribulation.[a]

15 ¶ And the children of Israel said unto the LORD, We have sinned: do thou unto us whatsoever [1]seemeth good unto thee; deliver us only, we pray thee, this day.[b]

16 And they put away the [2]strange gods from among them, and served the LORD: and his soul was [3]grieved for the misery of Israel.[c]

17 Then the children of Ammon were [4]gathered together, and encamped in Gilead. And the children of Israel assembled themselves together, and encamped in Mizpeh.[d]

18 And the people *and* princes of Gilead said one to another, What man *is he* that will begin to fight against the children of Ammon? he shall be head over all the inhabitants of Gilead.[e]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *The covenant between Jephthah and the Gileadites, that he should be their head.* 12 *The treaty of peace between him and the Ammonites is in vain.* 29 *Jephthah's vow.* 32 *His conquest of the Ammonites.* 34 *He performeth his vow on his daughter.*

NOW [5]Jephthah the Gileadite was a mighty man of valour, and he *was* the son of [6]an harlot: and Gilead begat Jephthah.[f]

2 And Gilead's wife bare him sons; and his wife's sons grew up, and they thrust out Jephthah, and said unto him, Thou shalt not inherit in our father's house; for thou *art* the son of a strange woman.

3 Then Jephthah [7]fled from his brethren, and dwelt in the land of Tob: and there were gathered vain men to Jephthah, and went out with him.[g]

4 ¶ And it came to pass [8]in process of time, that the children of Ammon made war against Israel.

5 And it was so, that when the children of Ammon made war against Israel, the elders of Gilead went to fetch Jephthah out of the land of Tob:

6 And they said unto Jephthah, Come, and be our captain, that we may fight with the children of Ammon.

7 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, Did not ye hate me, and expel me out of my father's house? and why are ye come unto me now when ye are in distress?[h]

8 And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, Therefore we turn again to thee now, that thou mayest go with us, and fight against the children of Ammon, and be our head over all the inhabitants of Gilead.[i]

9 And Jephthah said unto the elders of Gilead, If ye bring me home again to fight against the children of Ammon, and the LORD deliver them before me, shall I be your head?

10 And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, The LORD [9]be witness between us, if we do not so according to thy words.[j]

11 Then Jephthah went with the elders of Gilead, and the people made him head and captain over them: and Jephthah uttered all his words before the LORD in Mizpeh.[k]

12 ¶ And Jephthah sent messengers unto the king of the children of Ammon, saying, What hast thou to do with me, that thou art come against me to fight in my land?

13 And the king of the children of Ammon answered unto the messengers of Jephthah, Because Israel took away my land, when they came up out of Egypt, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and unto Jordan: now therefore restore those *lands* again peaceably.[l]

14 And Jephthah sent messengers again unto the king of the children of Ammon:

15 And said unto him, Thus saith Jephthah, Israel took not away the land of Moab, nor the land of the children of Ammon:[m]

16 But when Israel came up from Egypt, and walked through the wilderness unto the Red sea, and came to Kadesh;

17 Then Israel sent messengers unto the king of Edom, saying, Let me, I pray thee, pass through thy land: but the king of Edom would not hearken *thereto.* And in like manner they sent unto the king of Moab: but he would not *consent:* and Israel abode in Kadesh.[n]

18 Then they went along through the wilderness, and compassed the land of Edom, and the land of Moab, and came by the east side of the land of Moab, and pitched on the other side of Arnon, but came not within the border of Moab: for Arnon *was* the border of Moab.[o]

19 And Israel sent messengers unto Sihon king of the Amorites, the king of Heshbon; and Israel said unto him, Let us pass, we pray thee, through thy land into my place.[p]

20 But Sihon trusted not Israel to pass through his coast: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and pitched in Jahaz, and fought against Israel.[q]

21 And the LORD God of Israel delivered Sihon and all his people into the hand of Israel, and they smote them: so Israel possessed all the land of the Amorites, the inhabitants of that country.[r]

22 And they possessed all the coasts of the Amorites, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and from the wilderness even unto Jordan.[s]

23 So now the LORD God of Israel hath dispossessed the Amorites from before his people Israel, and shouldest thou possess it?[t]

24 Wilt not thou possess that which Chemosh thy god giveth thee to possess? So whomsoever the LORD

BEFORE CHRIST 1906.

i ch. x. 18

9 Heb. *be hearer between us.*

j Jer. xlii. 5

a ch. iii. 12, 13, 31; v. 19; vi. 3; Exod. xiv. 30; Numb. xxi. 21, 24, 25; Deut. xxxii. 15, 37, 38; 2 Kings iii. 13; Ps. cvi. 42, 43; Jer. ii. 13—28.

k ch. x. 17; xx. 1; 1 Sam. x. 17; xi. 15.

1 Heb. *is good in thine eyes.*

b 1 Sam. iii. 18; 2 Sam. xv. 26.

2 Heb. *gods of strangers.*

3 Heb. *was shortened.*

c 2 Chron. vii. 14; xv. 8; Ps. cvi. 44, 45; Isa. lxiii. 9; Jer. xviii. 7, 8.

4 Heb. *cried together*

d ch. xi. 11, 29; Gen. xxxi. 49.

l Gen. xxxii. 22; Numb. xxi. 24—26.

e ch. xi. 8, 11.

m Deut. ii. 9, 19

5 Called *Jephthae* Heb xi. 32.

6 Heb *a woman, an harlot*

f ch. vi 12, 2 Kings v 1

n Numb xiii 20, xiv 25, xx i. 14, 18, 21, Deut i. 40, 46, Josh v 6

o Numb xxi 4, 11, 13, xxii 36, Deut. ii 1—8.

7 Heb *from the face.*

g ch. ix. 4, 1 Sam xxii. 2.

p Numb xxi. 21, 22; Deut ii 26, 27.

8 Heb *after days.*

q Numb xxi.23; Deut. ii. 32

r Numb xxi 24, 25; Deut. ii. 33, 34.

s Deut. ii. 36.

h Gen xxvi. 27.

t Numb xxi 29; Deut. ix. 4, 5; xviii. 12; Josh iii. 10, 1 Kings xi 7, Jer xlviii. 7.

our God shall drive out from before us, them will we possess.

25 And now *art* thou any thing better than Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab? did he ever strive against Israel, or did he ever fight against them,

26 While Israel dwelt in Heshbon and her towns, and in Aroer and her towns, and in all the cities that *be* along by the coasts of Arnon, three hundred years? why therefore did ye not recover *them* within that time?[a]

27 Wherefore I have not sinned against thee, but thou doest me wrong to war against me: the LORD the Judge be judge this day between the children of Israel and the children of Ammon.[b]

28 Howbeit the king of the children of Ammon

BEFORE CHRIST 1187.

4 Or, *Abel.*

f Ezek. xxvii. 17.

a Numb xxi. 25; xxii. 2; Deut. ii. 36; Josh. xxiv. 9.

5 Or, *he had not of his own either son or daughter.* Heb. *of himself.*

g ver. 11; ch. x. 17; Exod. xv. 20; 1 Sam. xviii. 6; Ps. lxviii. 25, Jer. xxxi. 4.

b Gen. xvi. 5; xviii. 25; xxxi. 53; 1 Sam. xxiv. 12, 15.

h Gen. xxxvii. 29, 34; Numb. xxx. 2; Ps. xv. 4; Eccles. v 2, 4, 5.

33 And he smote them from Aroer, even till thou come to Minnith, *even* twenty cities, and unto [4]the plain of the vineyards, with a very great slaughter. Thus the children of Ammon were subdued before the children of Israel.[f]

34 ¶ And Jephthah came to Mizpeh unto his house, and, behold, his daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and with dances: and she *was his* only child; [5]beside her he had neither son nor daughter.[g]

35 And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he rent his clothes, and said, Alas, my daughter! thou hast brought me very low, and thou art one of them that trouble me: for I have opened my mouth unto the LORD, and I cannot go back.[h]



JEPHTHAH MET BY HIS DAUGHTER.

hearkened not unto the words of Jephthah which he sent him.

29 ¶ Then the Spirit of the LORD came upon [1]Jephthah, and he passed over Gilead, and Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead, and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over *unto* the children of Ammon.[c]

30 And Jephthah vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said, If thou shalt without fail deliver the children of Ammon into mine hands,[d]

31 Then it shall be, [2]that whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, shall surely be the LORD'S, [3]and I will offer it up for a burnt offering.[e]

32 ¶ So Jephthah passed over unto the children of Ammon to fight against them; and the LORD delivered them into his hands.

1 Jephthah seems only to have been judge of North-east Israel.

i Numb. xxx 2; 2 Sam. xviii. 19, 31.

c ch. iii. 10.

6 Heb. *go and go down.*

d Gen. xxviii. 20; 1 Sam. i. 11.

2 Heb. *that which cometh forth, which shall come forth.*

3 Or, *I will offer it, &c.*

e Lev. xxvii. 2—12; 1 Sam. i. 11, 28; ii. 18; Ps. lxvi. 13.

7 Or, *ordinance.*

j ver. 31; 1 Sam. i. 22, 24; ii. 18.

36 And she said unto him, My father, *if* thou hast opened thy mouth unto the LORD, do to me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth; forasmuch as the LORD hath taken vengeance for thee of thine enemies, *even* of the children of Ammon.[i]

37 And she said unto her father, Let this thing be done for me: let me alone two months, that I may [6]go up and down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, I and my fellows.

38 And he said, Go. And he sent her away *for* two months: and she went with her companions, and bewailed her virginity upon the mountains.

39 And it came to pass at the end of two months, that she returned unto her father, who did with her *according* to his vow which he had vowed: and she knew no man. And it was a [7]custom in Israel,[j]

40 *That* the daughters of Israel went [1]yearly to [2]lament the daughter of Jephthah the Gileadite four days in a year.[a]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *The Ephraimites, quarrelling with Jephthah, and discerned by Shibboleth, are slain by the Gileadites.* 7 *Jephthah dieth.* 8 *Ibzan, who had thirty sons and thirty daughters,* 11 *and Elon,* 13 *and Abdon, who had forty sons and thirty nephews, judged Israel.*

AND the men of Ephraim [3]gathered themselves together, and went northward, and said unto Jephthah, Wherefore passedst thou over to fight against the children of Ammon, and didst not call us to go with thee? we will burn thine house upon thee with fire.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1187.

1 Heb. *from year to year.*
2 Or, *to talk with.*
a ch. v. 11.
3 Heb *were called*
b ch viii. 1.

2 And Jephthah said unto them, I and my people were at great strife with the children of Ammon; and when I called you, ye delivered me not out of their hands.

3 And when I saw that ye delivered *me* not, I put my life in my hands, and passed over against the children of Ammon, and the LORD delivered them into my hand: wherefore then are ye come up unto me this day, to fight against me?[c]

4 Then Jephthah gathered together all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the men of Gilead smote Ephraim, because they said, Ye Gileadites *are* fugitives of Ephraim among the Ephraimites, *and* among the Manassites.[d]

5 And the Gileadites took the passages of Jordan before the Ephraimites: and it was *so*, that when those Ephraimites which were escaped said, Let me go over; that the men of Gilead said unto him, *Art* thou an Ephraimite? If he said, Nay;[e]

6 Then said they unto him, Say now [4]Shibboleth and he said Sibboleth: for he could not frame to pronounce *it* right. Then they took him, and slew him at the passages of Jordan: and there fell at that time of the Ephraimites [5]forty and two thousand.[f]

7 And Jephthah judged Israel six years. Then died Jephthah the Gileadite, and was buried in *one of* the cities of Gilead.

8 ¶ And after him [6]Ibzan of [7]Beth-lehem judged Israel.

9 And he had thirty sons, and thirty daughters, *whom* he sent abroad, and took in thirty daughters from abroad for his sons. And he judged Israel seven years.

10 Then died Ibzan, and was buried at Beth-lehem.

11 ¶ And after him [8]Elon, a Zebulonite, judged Israel; and he judged Israel ten years.

12 And Elon the Zebulonite died, and was buried in Aijalon in the country of Zebulun.

13 ¶ And after him [9]Abdon the son of Hillel, a Pirathonite, judged Israel.

14 And he had forty sons and thirty [10]nephews, that rode on threescore and ten ass colts; and he judged Israel eight years.

15 And Abdon the son of Hillel the Pirathonite died, and was buried in Pirathon in the land of Ephraim, in the mount of the Amalekites.[g]

4 That is, *a stream, or, flood.*
5 For "forty-two thousand" it is proposed to read two thousand and forty; since the whole tribe, according to Numb. xxvi. 37, was only thirty-two thousand five hundred.
f Ps. lxix. 2, 15; Isa. xxvii 12.
6 He seems to have been only a civil judge, to do justice in North-east Israel.
7 This Bethlehem was in the tribe of Judah (Josh. xix. 15).



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8 A civil judge in North-east Israel.
c 1 Sam xix 5; xxviii. 21; Job xiii. 14; Ps. cxix. 109
9 A civil judge also in North-east Israel.
10 Heb. *son's sons.*
d 1 Sam. xxv. 10; Ps.
g ch. iii. 13, 27; v. 14.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Israel is in the hand of the Philistines.* 2 *An angel appeareth to Manoah's wife.* 8 *The angel appeareth to Manoah.* 15 *Manoah's sacrifice, whereby the angel is discovered.* 24 *Samson is born.*

AND the children of Israel [1]did evil again in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD [2]delivered them into the hand of the Philistines forty years.[a]

2 ¶ And there was a certain man of Zorah,[b] of the family of the Danites, whose name *was* Manoah; and his wife *was* barren, and bare not.

3 And the angel of the LORD appeared unto the woman, and said unto her, Behold now, thou *art* barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceive, and bear a son.[c]

4 Now therefore beware, I pray thee, and drink not wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean *thing*:[d]

5 For, lo, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and no razor shall come on his head: for the child shall be a Nazarite unto God from the womb: and he shall begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.[e]

6 ¶ Then the woman came and told her husband, saying, A man of God came unto me, and his countenance *was* like the countenance of an angel of God, very terrible: but I asked him not whence he *was*, neither told he me his name:[f]

7 But he said unto me, Behold, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, neither eat any unclean *thing*: for the child shall be a Nazarite to God from the womb to the day of his death.

8 ¶ Then Manoah intreated the LORD, and said, O my Lord, let the man of God which thou didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be born.

9 And God hearkened to the voice of Manoah; and the angel of God came again unto the woman as she sat in the field: but Manoah her husband *was* not with her.

10 And the woman made haste, and ran, and shewed her husband, and said unto him, Behold, the man hath appeared unto me, that came unto me the *other* day.

11 And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and came to the man, and said unto him, *Art* thou the man that spakest unto the woman? And he said, I *am*.

12 And Manoah said, Now let thy words come to pass. [3]How shall we order the child, and [4]*how* shall we do unto him?

13 And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Of all that I said unto the woman let her beware.

14 She may not eat of any *thing* that cometh of the vine, neither let her drink wine or strong drink, nor eat any unclean *thing*: all that I commanded her let her observe.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1156.

5 Heb. *before thee.*
h ch. vi 18.

1 Heb. *added to commit, &c.*

2 This seems a partial captivity

a ch ii 11; iii. 7; iv. 1; vi. 1; x. 6; 1 Sam. xii. 9.

b Josh. xix. 41.

6 Or, *wonderful.* Isa. ix. 6.

c Gen. xxxii. 29.

f ch. vi. 19, 20

c ch vi. 12; Luke i 11, 13, 28, 31.

k Lev. ix. 24, 1 Chron. xxi. 16; Ezek. i. 28; Matt. xvii. 6.

d ver. 14; Numb vi. 2, 3; Luke i. 15.

l ch. vi. 22

m ch. vi. 22; Gen. xxxii. 30; Exod. xxxiii. 20; Deut. v. 26.

e Numb vi 2, 5; 1 Sam. i. 11; vii. 13; 2 Sam viii. 1; 1 Chron. xviii. 1.

f vs. 17, 18; Deut. xxxiii. 1; 1 Sam. ii. 27; ix. 6; 1 Kings xvii. 24, Matt. xxviii. 3; Luke ix. 29; Acts vi 15.

n 1 Sam. iii. 19; Luke i 80, ii. 52; Heb. xi. 32.

7 Heb. *Mahaneh-dan.*

o ch. iii. 10; xviii. 11, 12; Josh. xv. 33; 1 Sam. xi. 6; Matt. iv. 1.

p Gen xxxviii 13; xxxiv. 2; Josh. xv. 10.

3 *What shall be the manner of the, &c.*

4 Or, *what shall he do?* Heb. *what shall be his work?*

8 Heb *she is right in mine eyes.*

q Gen. xxi. 21; xxiv. 3, 4; xxxiv. 4, 14; Exod. xxxiv. 16; Deut. vii. 3.

g ver 4.

r ch. xiii. 1; Deut. xxviii. 48; Josh. xi. 20; 1 Kings xii. 15; 2 Kings vi. 33; 2 Chron. x. 15; xxii. 7; xxv. 20.

15 ¶ And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, I pray thee, let us detain thee, until we shall have made ready a kid [5]for thee.[h]

16 And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah, Though thou detain me, I will not eat of thy bread: and if thou wilt offer a burnt offering, thou must offer it unto the LORD. For Manoah knew not that he *was* an angel of the LORD.

17 And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, What *is* thy name, that when thy sayings come to pass we may do thee honour?

18 And the angel of the LORD said unto him, Why askest thou thus after my name, seeing it *is* [6]secret?[i]

19 So Manoah took a kid with a meat offering, and offered *it* upon a rock unto the LORD: and *the angel* did wonderously; and Manoah and his wife looked on.[j]

20 For it came to pass, when the flame went up toward heaven from off the altar, that the angel of the LORD ascended in the flame of the altar. And Manoah and his wife looked on *it*, and fell on their faces to the ground.[k]

21 But the angel of the LORD did no more appear to Manoah and to his wife. Then Manoah knew that he *was* an angel of the LORD.[l]

22 And Manoah said unto his wife, We shall surely die, because we have seen God.[m]

23 But his wife said unto him, If the LORD were pleased to kill us, he would not have received a burnt offering and a meat offering at our hands, neither would he have shewed us all these *things*, nor would as at this time have told us *such things* as these.

24 ¶ And the woman bare a son, and called his name Samson: and the child grew, and the LORD blessed him.[n]

25 And the Spirit of the LORD began to move him at times in the [7]camp of Dan between Zorah and Eshtaol.[o]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Samson desireth a wife of the Philistines.* 5 *In his journey he killeth a lion.* 8 *In a second journey he findeth honey in the carcase.* 10 *Samson's marriage feast.* 12 *His riddle by his wife is made known.* 19 *He spoileth thirty Philistines.* 20 *His wife is married to another*

AND Samson went down to Timnath, and saw a woman in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistines.[p]

2 And he came up, and told his father and his mother, and said, I have seen a woman in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistines: now therefore get her for me to wife.

3 Then his father and his mother said unto him, *Is there* never a woman among the daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the uncircumcised Philistines? And Samson said unto his father, Get her for me; for [8]she pleaseth me well.[q]

4 But his father and his mother knew not that it *was* of the LORD, that he sought an occasion against the Philistines: for at that time the Philistines had dominion over Israel.[r]

5 ¶ Then went Samson down, and his father and his mother, to Timnath, and came to the vineyards of Timnath: and, behold, a young lion roared [1]against him.

6 And the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid, and *he had* nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he had done.[a]

7 And he went down, and talked with the woman; and she pleased Samson well.

8 ¶ And after a time he returned to take her, and he turned aside to see the carcase of the lion: and, behold, *there was* a swarm of bees and honey in the carcase of the lion.

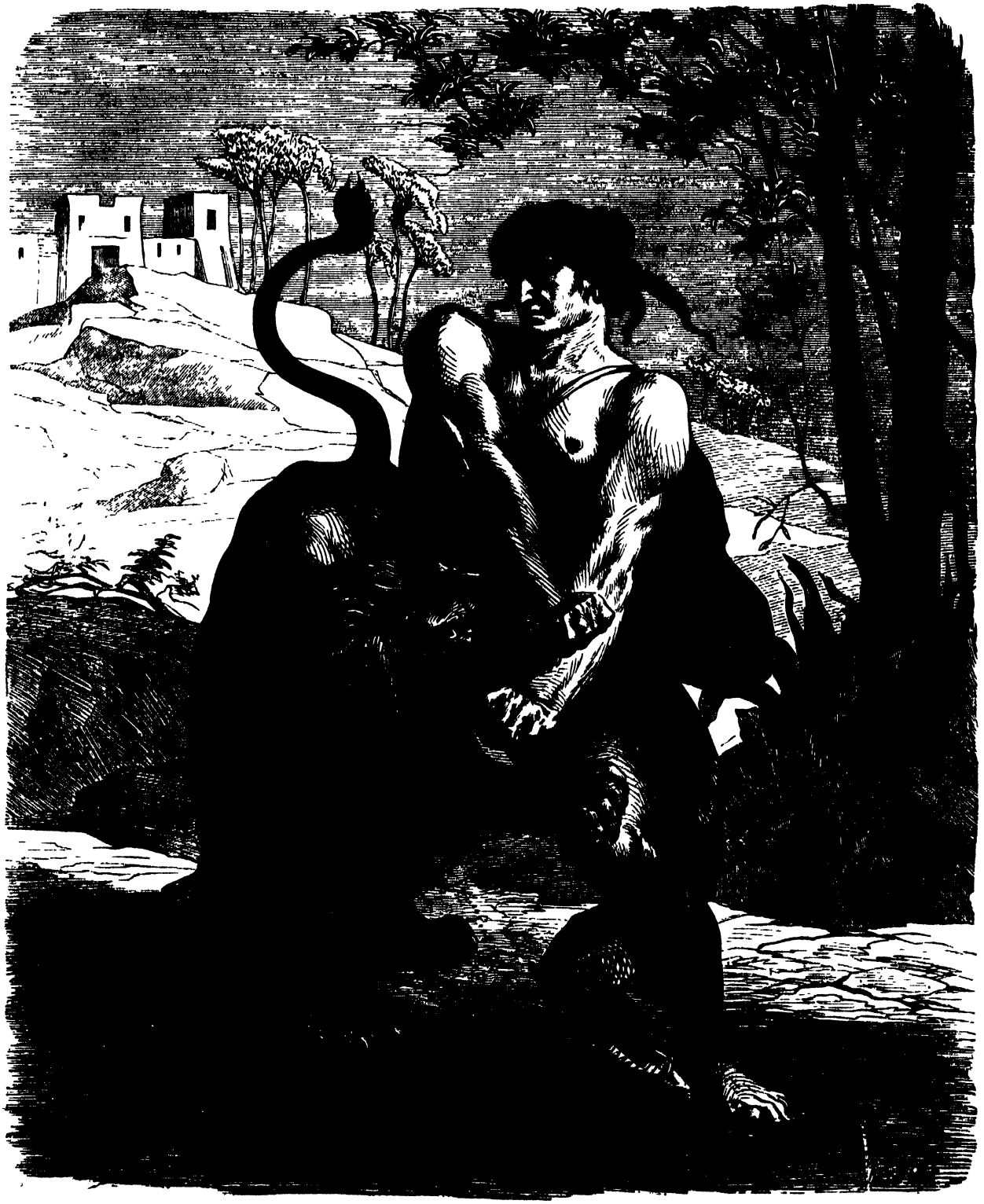
9 And he took thereof in his hands, and went on eating, and came to his father and mother, and he gave them, and they did eat: but he told not them that he had taken the honey out of the carcase of the lion.

10 ¶ So his father went down unto the woman: and Samson made there a feast; for so used the young men to do.

11 And it came to pass, when they saw him, that they brought [2]thirty companions to be with him.

BEFORE CHRIST 1137.

1 Heb *in meeting him.*



SAMSON AND THE LION.

a ch. iii. 10; xiii. 25; 1 Sam. xi. 6.

2 These "thirty companions" being given to him by the Philistines, were no doubt set to act as spies.

12 ¶ And Samson said unto them, I will now put forth a riddle unto you: if ye can certainly declare it me within the seven days of the feast, and find *it* out, then I will give you thirty [1]sheets and thirty change of garments:[a]

13 But if ye cannot declare *it* me, then shall ye give me thirty sheets and thirty change of garments. And they said unto him, Put forth thy riddle, that we may hear it.

14 And he said unto them, Out of the eater came forth meat, and out of the strong came forth sweetness. And they could not in three days expound the [2]riddle.

15 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they said unto Samson's wife, Entice thy husband, that he may declare unto us the riddle, lest we burn thee and thy father's house with fire: have ye called us to [3]take that we have? *is it* not *so?*[b]

16 And Samson's wife wept before him, and said, Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me not: thou hast put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and hast not told *it* me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told *it* my father nor my mother, and shall I tell *it* thee?[c]

17 And she wept before him the [4]seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to pass on the seventh day, that he told her, because she lay sore upon him: and she told the riddle to the children of her people.

18 And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down, What *is* sweeter than honey? and what *is* stronger than a lion? And he said unto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.

19 ¶ And the Spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them, and took their [5]spoil, and gave change of garments unto them which expounded the riddle. And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house.[d]

20 But Samson's wife was *given* to his companion, whom he had used as his friend.[e]

CHAPTER XV.

1 Samson is denied his wife. 3 He burneth the Philistines' corn with foxes and firebrands. 6 His wife and her father are burnt by the Philistines. 7 Samson smiteth them hip and thigh. 9 He is bound by the men of Judah, and delivered to the Philistines. 14 He killeth them with a jawbone. 18 God maketh the fountain En-hakkore for him in Lehi.

BUT it came to pass within a while after, in the time of wheat harvest, that Samson visited his wife with a kid; and he said, I will go in to my wife into the chamber. But her father would not suffer him to go in.

2 And her father said, I verily thought that thou hadst utterly hated her; therefore I gave her to thy companion: *is* not her younger sister fairer than she? [6]take her, I pray thee, instead of her.[f]

3 ¶ And Samson said concerning them, [7]Now shall I be more blameless than the Philistines, though I do them a displeasure.

BEFORE CHRIST 1136.

8 Or, *torches.*

1 Or, *shirts.*

a 2 Kings v. 22; Ezek. xvii. 2.

g ch. xiv 15

2 This putting forth of a riddle was a very ancient custom of relieving the monotony of such festivities.

3 Heb *to possess us*, or, *to impoverish us*

b ch. xv. 6, xvi. 5

h ver. 19

c ch xvi 15

9 Heb. *went down.*

4 Or, *the rest of the seven days*, &c.

e ch xiv. 4

5 Or, *apparel.*

d ch. iii. 10, xiii. 25.

e ch. xv 2

10 Heb. *were melted.*

f ch. iii. 10; xiv 6

11 Heb *moist*

k ch iii 31, Lev xxvi. 8, Josh xxiii. 10

12 Heb *an heap, two heaps*

13 That is, *the lifting up of the jawbone*, or, *casting away of the jawbone.*

14 Or, *Lehi.*

6 Heb. *let her be thine.*

f ch. xiv. 20.

15 That is, *the well of him that called*, or, *cried.*

7 Or, *Now shall I be blameless from the Philistines, though*, &c.

j Gen. xiv. 27; Ps. xxxiv. 6; Isa. xl. 29.

16 He seems to have judged South-west Israel during twenty years of their servitude to the Philistines.

m ch. xiii. 1.

4 And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, and took [8]firebrands, and turned tail to tail, and put a firebrand in the midst between two tails.

5 And when he had set the brands on fire, he let *them* go into the standing corn of the Philistines, and burnt up both the shocks, and also the standing corn, with the vineyards *and* olives.

6 ¶ Then the Philistines said, Who hath done this? And they answered, Samson, the son in law of the Timnite, because he had taken his wife, and given her to his companion. And the Philistines came up, and burnt her and her father with fire.[g]

7 ¶ And Samson said unto them, Though ye have done this, yet will I be avenged of you, and after that I will cease.

8 And he smote them hip and thigh with a great slaughter: and he went down and dwelt in the top of the rock Etam.

9 ¶ Then the Philistines went up, and pitched in Judah, and spread themselves in Lehi.[h]

10 And the men of Judah said, Why are ye come up against us? And they answered, To bind Samson are we come up, to do to him as he hath done to us.

11 Then three thousand men of Judah [9]went to the top of the rock Etam, and said to Samson, Knowest thou not that the Philistines *are* rulers over us? what *is* this *that* thou hast done unto us? And he said unto them, As they did unto me, so have I done unto them.[i]

12 And they said unto him, We are come down to bind thee, that we may deliver thee into the hand of the Philistines. And Samson said unto them, Swear unto me, that ye will not fall upon me yourselves.

13 And they spake unto him, saying, No; but we will bind thee fast, and deliver thee into their hand: but surely we will not kill thee. And they bound him with two new cords, and brought him up from the rock.

14 ¶ *And* when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that *were* upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands [10]loosed from off his hands.[j]

15 And he found a [11]new jawbone of an ass, and put forth his hand, and took it, and slew a thousand men therewith.[k]

16 And Samson said, With the jawbone of an ass, [12]heaps upon heaps, with the jaw of an ass have I slain a thousand men.

17 And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking, that he cast away the jawbone out of his hand, and called that place [13]Ramath-lehi.

18 ¶ And he was sore athirst, and called on the LORD, and said, Thou hast given this great deliverance into the hand of thy servant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the uncircumcised?

19 But God clave an hollow place that *was* in the [14]jaw, and there came water thereout; and when he had drunk, his spirit came again, and he revived: wherefore he called the name thereof [15]En-hakkore, which *is* in Lehi unto this day.[l]

20 And he [16]judged Israel in the days of the Philistines twenty years.[m]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 Samson at Gaza escapeth, and carrieth away the gates of the city. 4 Delilah, corrupted by the Philistines, enticeth Samson. 6 Thrice she is deceived. 15 At last she overcometh him. 21 The Philistines take him, and put out his eyes. 22 His strength renewing, he pulleth down the house upon the Philistines, and dieth.

THEN went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an [1]harlot, and went in unto her.

2 *And it was told* the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed *him* in, and laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were [2]quiet all the night, saying, In the morning, when it is day, we shall kill him.[a]

3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and took the doors of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, [3]bar and all, and put *them* upon his shoulders, and carried them up to the top of an hill that *is* before Hebron.

4 ¶ And it came to pass afterward, that he loved a woman in the [4]valley of Sorek, whose name *was* Delilah.

5 And the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength *lieth*, and by what *means* we may prevail against him, that we may bind him to [5]afflict him: and we will give thee every one of us eleven hundred *pieces* of silver.[b]

6 ¶ And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength *lieth*, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee.

7 And Samson said unto her, If they bind me with seven [6]green withs that were never dried, then shall I be weak, and be as [7]another man.

8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought up to her seven green withs which had not been dried, and she bound him with them.

9 Now *there were* men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber. And she said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a thread of tow is broken when it [8]toucheth the fire. So his strength was not known.

10 And Delilah said unto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: now tell me, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound.

11 And he said unto her, If they bind me fast with [9]new ropes that never were occupied, then shall I be weak, and be as another man.

12 Delilah therefore took new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And *there were* liers in wait abiding in the chamber. And he brake them from off his arms like a thread.

13 And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her, If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web.

14 And she fastened *it* with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awaked out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web.

15 ¶ And she said unto him, How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart *is* not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times, and hast not told me wherein thy great strength *lieth*.[c]

16 And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, *so* that his soul was [10]vexed unto death;

17 That he told her all his heart, and said unto her, There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I

BEFORE CHRIST 1117.

6 Or, *new cords.* Heb *moist.*
7 Heb. *one.*
1 Heb *a woman an harlot.*
8 Heb *smelleth.*
9 Heb *wherewith work hath not been done*
2 Heb *silent*
a 1 Sam. xxiii. 26; Ps. cxviii. 10–12. Acts ix. 24.



3 Heb *with the bar*
4 Or, *by the brook*
5 Or, *humble.*
c ch. xiv. 16.
b ch. xiv. 15.
10 Heb *shortened.*



SAMSON BETRAYED BY DELILAH INTO THE HANDS OF THE PHILISTINES.

have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any *other* man.[a]

18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand.

19 And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.[b]

20 And she said, The Philistines *be* upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.[c]

21 ¶ But the Philistines took him, and [1]put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house.

22 Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again [2]after he was shaven.

23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their god, and to rejoice: for they said, Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand.

24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which [3]slew many of us.[d]

25 And it came to pass, when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he [4]made them sport: and they set him between the pillars.[e]

26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may lean upon them.

27 Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines *were* there; and *there were* upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport.[f]

28 And Samson called unto the LORD, and said, O Lord GOD, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.[g]

29 And Samson took hold of the two middle pillars upon which the house stood, and [5]on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.

30 And Samson said, Let [6]me die with the Philistines. And he bowed himself with *all his* might; and the house fell upon the lords, and upon all the people that *were* therein. So the dead which he slew at his death were more than *they* which he slew in his life.

31 Then his brethren and all the house of his father came down, and took him, and brought *him* up, and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the buryingplace of Manoah his father. And he judged Israel twenty years.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1117.

[a] ch. xiii. 25.

[a] ch. xiii. 5; Numb. vi. 5.

[b] Prov. vii. 26, 27

[c] Numb. xiv. 9, 42, 43, Josh. vii 12; 1 Sam. xvi. 14; xviii. 12; xxviii. 15, 16; 2 Chron xv. 2.

1 Heb. *bored out.*

[d] Gen. xiv. 19; Ruth iii. 10.

2 Or, *as when he was shaven.*

[e] Exod xx. 4, 13, Lev. xix. 4.

3 Heb *and who multiplied our slain.*

[d] Dan. v. 4.

[f] Isa. xlvi. 6.

7 Heb. *filled the hand.*

[f] ch. viii 27; Gen. xxxi. 19, 30; Exod. xxix. 9; 1 Kings xiii. 33, Hos. iii. 4.

4 Heb. *before them.*

[e] ch. ix. 27.

[m] ch. xviii 1; xix. 1; xxi 25; Deut. xii 8, xxxiii. 5.

[n] ch. xix. 1; Josh xix 15; Ruth i. 1, 2; Micah v. 2; Matt. ii. 1, 5, 6.

8 Heb *in making his way*

[f] Deut. xxii. 8

[g] Jer xv 15

9 Or, *a double suit, &c.* Heb *an order of garments.*

5 Or, *he leaned on them.*

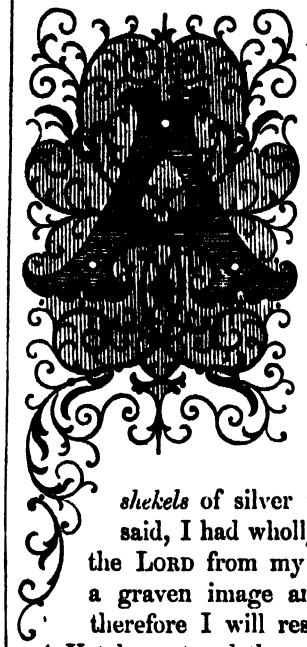
[o] ch. xviii. 19.

6 Heb. *my soul.*

[p] ver. 5; ch. xviii. 30.

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Of the money that Micah first stole, then restored, his mother maketh images, 5 and he ornaments for them. 7 He hireth a Levite to be his priest.*



AND there was a man of mount Ephraim, whose name *was* Micah.

2 And he said unto his mother, The eleven hundred *shekels* of silver that were taken from thee, about which thou cursedst, and spakest of also in mine ears, behold, the silver *is* with me; I took it. And his mother said, Blessed *be thou* of the LORD, my son.[i]

3 And when he had restored the eleven hundred *shekels* of silver to his mother, his mother said, I had wholly dedicated the silver unto the LORD from my hand for my son, to make a graven image and a molten image: now therefore I will restore it unto thee.[j]

4 Yet he restored the money unto his mother; and his mother took two hundred *shekels* of silver, and gave them to the founder, who made thereof a graven image and a molten image: and they were in the house of Micah.[k]

5 And the man Micah had an house of gods, and made an ephod, and teraphim, and [7]consecrated one of his sons, who became his priest.[l]

6 In those days *there was* no king in Israel, *but* every man did *that which was* right in his own eyes.[m]

7 ¶ And there was a young man out of Beth-lehem-judah of the family of Judah, who *was* a Levite, and he sojourned there.[n]

8 And the man departed out of the city from Beth-lehem-judah to sojourn where he could find *a place:* and he came to mount Ephraim to the house of Micah, [8]as he journeyed.

9 And Micah said unto him, Whence comest thou? And he said unto him, I *am* a Levite of Beth-lehem-judah, and I go to sojourn where I may find *a place.*

10 And Micah said unto him, Dwell with me, and be unto me a father and a priest, and I will give thee ten *shekels* of silver by the year, and [9]a suit of apparel, and thy victuals. So the Levite went in.[o]

11 And the Levite was content to dwell with the man; and the young man was unto him as one of his sons.

12 And Micah consecrated the Levite; and the young man became his priest, and was in the house of Micah.[p]

13 Then said Micah, Now know I that the LORD will do me good, seeing I have a Levite to *my* priest.

[i] Gen. xiv. 19; Ruth iii. 10.

[j] Exod xx. 4, 13, Lev. xix. 4.

[k] Isa. xlvi. 6.

7 Heb. *filled the hand.*

[l] ch. viii 27; Gen. xxxi. 19, 30; Exod. xxix. 9; 1 Kings xiii. 33, Hos. iii. 4.

[m] ch. ix. 27.

[n] ch. xix. 1; Josh xix 15; Ruth i. 1, 2; Micah v. 2; Matt. ii. 1, 5, 6.

8 Heb *in making his way*

9 Or, *a double suit, &c.* Heb *an order of garments.*

[o] ch. xviii. 19.

[p] ver. 5; ch. xviii. 30.

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *The Danites send five men to seek out an inheritance.* 3 *At the house of Micah they consult with Jonathan, and are encouraged in their way.* 7 *They search Laish, and bring back news of good hope* 11 *Six hundred men are sent to surprise it.* 14 *In the way they rob Micah of his priest and his consecrate things.* 27 *They win Laish, and call it Dan.* 30 *They set up idolatry, wherein Jonathan inherited the priesthood.*

IN those days *there was* no king in Israel: and in those days the tribe of the Danites sought them an inheritance to dwell in; for unto that day *all their* inheritance had not fallen unto them among the tribes of Israel.[a]

2 And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their coasts, [1]men of valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, to spy out the land, and to search it: and they said unto them, Go, search the land: who when they came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, they lodged there.[b]

3 When they *were* by the house of Micah, they knew the voice of the young man the Levite: and they turned in thither, and said unto him, Who brought thee hither? and what makest thou in this *place?* and what hast thou here?

4 And he said unto them, Thus and thus dealeth Micah with me, and hath hired me, and I am his priest.[c]

5 And they said unto him, Ask counsel, we pray thee, of God, that we may know whether our way which we go shall be prosperous.[d]

6 And the priest said unto them, Go in peace: before the LORD *is* your way wherein ye go.[e]

7 ¶ Then the five men departed, and came to [2]Laish, and saw the people that *were* therein, how they dwelt careless, after the manner of the Zidonians, quiet and secure; and *there was* no [3]magistrate in the land, that might put *them* to shame in *any* thing and they *were* far from the Zidonians, and had no business with *any* man.

8 And they came unto their brethren to Zorah and Eshtaol: and their brethren said unto them, What *say* ye?

9 And they said, Arise, that we may go up against them: for we have seen the land, and, behold, it *is* very good: and *are* ye still? be not slothful to go, *and* to enter to possess the land.[f]

10 When ye go, ye shall come unto a people secure, and to a large land: for God hath given it into your hands; a place where *there is* no want of any thing that *is* in the earth.[g]

11 ¶ And there went from thence of the family of the Danites, out of Zorah and out of Eshtaol, six hundred men [4]appointed with weapons of war.

12 And they went up, and pitched in Kirjath-jearim, in Judah: wherefore they called that place Mahaneh-dan unto this day: behold, *it is* behind Kirjath-jearim.[h]

13 And they passed thence unto mount Ephraim, and came unto the house of Micah.

14 ¶ Then answered the five men that went to spy out the country of Laish, and said unto their brethren, Do ye know that there is in these houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a graven image, and a molten image? now therefore consider what ye have to do.

15 And they turned thitherward, and came to the house of the young man the Levite, *even* unto the house of Micah, and [5]saluted him.

16 And the six hundred men appointed with their weapons of war, which *were* of the children of Dan, stood by the entering of the gate.



SIDON.

BEFORE CHRIST 1406.

3 Heb. *possessor*, or, *heir of restraint.*

f Numb. xiii 30; Deut. viii. 9; Josh. ii 23, 24; 1 Kings xxii. 3

a ch xvii 6; xxi. 25, Josh xix 47.

g vs 7, 27

1 Heb. *sons*

4 Heb. *girded.*

b ch xiii. 25; xvii 1, Numb xiii. 17, Josh ii. 1

h ch xiii. 25; Josh xv. 60.

c ch. xvii. 10.

d ver. 14; ch. xvii 5; 1 Kings xxii. 5; Isa. xxx. 1.

5 Heb. *asked him of peace.*

e ver. 2; ch. xvii. 5; Gen. xliii. 27; 1 Sam. xiv. 28; xvii. 22.

e 1 Kings xxii. 6.

2 Called *Leshem.* Vs. 27, 29; Josh. xix. 47.



MICAH IMPLORING THE DANITES TO RESTORE TO HIM THE LEVITE.

17 And the five men that went to spy out the land went up, *and* came in thither, *and* took the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood in the entering of the gate with the six hundred men *that were* appointed with weapons of war.[a]

18 And these went into Micah's house, and fetched the carved image, the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image Then said the priest unto them, What do ye?

19 And they said unto him, Hold thy peace, lay thine hand upon thy mouth, and go with us, and be to us a father and a priest: *is it* better for thee to be a priest unto the house of one man, or that thou be a priest unto a tribe and a family in Israel?[b]

20 And the priest's heart was glad, and he took the ephod, and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst of the people.

21 So they turned and departed, and put the little ones and the cattle and the carriage before them.

BEFORE CHRIST 1406.

[a] vs 2, 11, 14, ch xvii. 4, 5.

[1] Heb. *that thou art gathered together?*

[2] Heb *bitter of soul.*

[b] ch. xvii. 10; Job xxi. 5; xxix. 9; xl. 4; Prov. xxx. 32; Micah vii. 16.

[c] 2 Sam. xvii. 8.

22 ¶ *And* when they were a good way from the house of Micah, the men that *were* in the houses near to Micah's house were gathered together, and overtook the children of Dan.

23 And they cried unto the children of Dan. And they turned their faces, and said unto Micah, What aileth thee, [1]that thou comest with such a company?

24 And he said, Ye have taken away my gods which I made, and the priest, and ye are gone away: and what have I more? and what *is* this *that* ye say unto me, What aileth thee?

25 And the children of Dan said unto him, Let not thy voice be heard among us, lest [2]angry fellows run upon thee, and thou lose thy life, with the lives of thy household.[c]

26 And the children of Dan went their way: and when Micah saw that they *were* too strong for him, he turned and went back unto his house.

27 And they took *the things* which Micah had made, and the priest which he had, and came unto

Laish, unto a people *that were* at quiet and secure: and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and burnt the city with fire.[a]

28 And *there was* no deliverer, because it *was* far from Zidon, and they had no business with *any* man; and it was in the valley that *lieth* by Beth-rehob. And they built a city, and dwelt therein.[b]

29 And they called the name of the city Dan, after the name of Dan their father, who was born unto Israel: howbeit the name of the city *was* Laish at the first.[c]

30 ¶ And the children of Dan set up the graven image: and Jonathan, the son of Gershom, the son of Manasseh, he and his sons were priests to the tribe of Dan until the day of the captivity of the land.[d]

31 And they set them up Micah's graven image, which he made, all the time that the house of God was in Shiloh.[e]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *A Levite goeth to Beth-lehem to fetch home his wife.* 16 *An old man entertaineth him at Gibeah.* 22 *The Gibeonites abuse his concubine to death.* 29 *He divideth her into twelve pieces, to send them to the twelve tribes.*

AND it came to pass in those days, when *there was* no king in Israel, that there was a certain Levite sojourning on the side of mount Ephraim, who took to him [1]a concubine out of Beth-lehem-judah.[f]

2 And his concubine played the whore against him, and went away from him unto her father's house to Beth lehem-judah, and was there [2]four whole months.

3 And her husband arose, and went after her, to speak [3]friendly unto her, *and* to bring her again, having his servant with him, and a couple of asses: and she brought him into her father's house: and when the father of the damsel saw him, he rejoiced to meet him.[g]

4 And his father in law, the damsel's father, retained him; and he abode with him three days: so they did eat and drink, and lodged there.

5 ¶ And it came to pass on the fourth day, when they arose early in the morning, that he rose up to depart: and the damsel's father said unto his son in law, [4]Comfort thine heart with a morsel of bread, and afterward go your way.[h]

6 And they sat down, and did eat and drink both of them together: for the damsel's father had said unto the man, Be content, I pray thee, and tarry all night, and let thine heart be merry.

7 And when the man rose up to depart, his father in law urged him: therefore he lodged there again.

8 And he arose early in the morning on the fifth day to depart: and the damsel's father said, Comfort thine heart, I pray thee. And they tarried [5]until afternoon, and they did eat both of them.

9 And when the man rose up to depart, he, and his concubine, and his servant, his father in law, the damsel's father, said unto him, Behold, now the day [6]draweth toward evening, I pray you tarry all night: behold, [7]the day groweth to an end, lodge here, that thine heart may be merry; and to morrow get you early on your way, that thou mayest [8]go home.

10 But the man would not tarry that night, but he rose up and departed, and came [9]over against Jebus, which *is* Jerusalem; and *there were* with him two asses saddled, his concubine also *was* with him.[i]

11 *And* when they *were* by Jebus, the day was far spent; and the servant said unto his master, Come, I pray thee, and let us turn in into this city of the Jebusites, and lodge in it.[j]

12 And his master said unto him, We will not turn aside hither into the city of a stranger, that *is* not of the children of Israel; we will pass over to Gibeah.

13 And he said unto his servant, Come, and let us draw near to one of these places to lodge all night, in Gibeah, or in Ramah.[k]

14 And they passed on and went their way; and the sun went down upon them *when they were* by Gibeah, which *belongeth* to Benjamin.

15 And they turned aside thither, to go in *and* to lodge in Gibeah: and when he went in, he sat him down in a street of the city: for *there was* no man that took them into his house to lodging.[l]

16 ¶ And, behold, there came an old man from his work out of the field at even, which *was* also of mount Ephraim; and he sojourned in Gibeah: but the men of the place *were* Benjamites.[m]

17 And when he had lifted up his eyes, he saw a wayfaring man in the street of the city: and the old man said, Whither goest thou? and whence comest thou?

18 And he said unto him, We *are* passing from Beth-lehem-judah toward the side of mount Ephraim; from thence *am* I: and I went to Beth-lehem-judah, but I *am now* going to the house of the LORD; and there *is* no man that [10]receiveth me to house.[n]

19 Yet there is both straw and provender for our asses; and there is bread and wine also for me, and for thy handmaid, and for the young man *which is* with thy servants: *there is* no want of any thing.

20 And the old man said, Peace *be* with thee; howsoever *let* all thy wants *lie* upon me; only lodge not in the street.[o]

21 So he brought him into his house, and gave provender unto the asses: and they washed their feet, and did eat and drink.[p]

22 ¶ *Now* as they were making their hearts merry, behold, the men of the city, certain sons of Belial, beset the house round about, *and* beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man, saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house, that we may know him.[q]

23 And the man, the master of the house, went out unto them, and said unto them, Nay, my brethren, *nay*, I pray you, do not *so* wickedly; seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this folly.

24 Behold, *here is* my daughter a maiden, and his concubine; them I will bring out now, and humble

BEFORE CHRIST 1406.

7 Heb. *it is the yielding time of the day.*

a vs. 7, 10; Josh. xix. 47.

8 Heb. *to thy tent.*

9 Heb. *to over against.*

b ver. 7; Numb. xiii. 21; 2 Sam. x. 6

c Josh. xviii. 28.

c ver 27; ch. xx. 1; Gen. xiv. 14; 1 Kings xii. 29, 30; xv. 20.

d ch. i. 21, Josh. xv 8. 63; 2 Sam. v. 6.

d ch. xiii. 1; 1 Sam. iv 2—11; Ps lxxviii. 60, 61.

e ch. xix. 18; xxi. 12, Josh xviii. 1.

f Josh. xviii. 25, 28.

l ver 18; Matt. xxv 43; Heb. xiii. 2.

1 Heb *a woman a concubine*, or, *a wife a concubine.*

m Ps. civ. 23.

f ch. xvii 6; xviii. 1; xxi. 25.

2 Or, *a year and four months* Heb *days four months*

3 Heb *to her heart*

10 Heb. *gathereth.*

n ver. 15, ch xviii. 31; xx 18, 1 Sam i. 3, 7.

g Gen. xxxiv 3.

o ch. vi. 23; Gen. xix 2; xliii. 23.

4 Heb. *strengthen*

h Gen xviii. 5.

p Gen. xviii. 4; xxiv. 32; xliii. 24.

q ch. xx. 5; Gen. xix 4, 5; Deut. xiii. 13; Hos. ix. 9; x. 9; Rom. i. 26, 27.

5 Heb. *till the day declined.*

r Gen. xix. 6, 7; 2 Sam. xiii. 12.

6 Heb *is weak.*

ye them, and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so [1]vile a thing.[a]

25 But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and brought her forth unto them; and they knew her, and abused her all the night until the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her go.

26 Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord *was*, till it was light.

27 And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down *at* the door of the house, and her hands *were* upon the threshold.

28 And he said unto her, Up, and let us be going. But none answered. Then the man took her *up* upon an ass, and the man rose up, and gat him unto his place.

29 ¶ And when he was come into his house, he took a knife, and laid hold on his concubine, and divided her, *together* with her bones, into twelve pieces, and sent her into all the coasts of Israel.[b]

30 And it was so, that all that saw it said, There was no such deed done nor seen from the day that the children of Israel came up out of the land of Egypt unto this day: consider of it, take advice, and speak *your minds.*[c]

CHAPTER XX.

1 *The Levite in a general assembly declareth his wrong.* 8 *The decree of the assembly.* 12 *The Benjamites, being cited, make head against the Israelites.* 18 *The Israelites in two battles lose forty thousand.* 26 *They destroy by a stratagem all the Benjamites, except six hundred.*

THEN all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was gathered together as one man, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, with the land of Gilead, unto the LORD in Mizpeh.[d]

2 And the chief of all the *people, even of all the tribes* of Israel, presented themselves in the assembly of the people of God, four hundred thousand footmen that drew sword.[e]

3 (Now the children of Benjamin heard that the children of Israel were gone up to Mizpeh.) Then said the children of Israel, Tell *us*, how was this wickedness?

4 And [2]the Levite, the husband of the woman that was slain, answered and said, I came into Gibeah that *belongeth* to Benjamin, I and my concubine, to lodge.[f]

5 And the men of Gibeah rose against me, and beset the house round about upon me by night, *and* thought to have slain me: and my concubine have they [3]forced, that she is dead.[g]

6 And I took my concubine, and cut her in pieces, and sent her throughout all the country of the inheritance of Israel: for they have committed lewdness and folly in Israel.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1406.

1 Heb. *the matter of this folly.*

a Gen. xix. 8; xxxiv. 2; Deut. xxi. 14.

i ch. xix. 30.

4 Heb. *fellows.*

j Deut. xiii 14, Josh xxii. 13, 16.

b ch xx. 6; 1 Sam xi. 7.

k ch. xix. 22; Deut. xiii. 13; xvii. 12.

c ch. xx. 7; Prov. xiii. 10.

l ch. iii. 15; 1 Chron. xii. 2.

d ch xviii. 29; xxi. 5; Deut xiii. 12; Josh xxii. 12, 1 Sam iii 20, vii. 5; x. 17, xi. 7, 2 Sam. iii 10, xxiv. 2.

m vs. 23, 26; ch i. 1; Numb. xxvii. 21.

e ch. viii 10

n Gen. xlix 27.

2 Heb *the man the Levite.*

f ch. xix. 15.

3 Heb. *humbled.*

g ch. xix. 22—26.

h ch. xix. 29; Josh. vii. 15.

7 Behold, ye *are* all children of Israel; give here your advice and counsel.[i]

8 ¶ And all the people arose as one man, saying, We will not any *of us* go to his tent, neither will we any *of us* turn into his house.

9 But now this *shall be* the thing which we will do to Gibeah; *we will go up* by lot against it;

10 And we will take ten men of an hundred throughout all the tribes of Israel, and an hundred of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to fetch victual for the people, that they may do, when they come to Gibeah of Benjamin, according to all the folly that they have wrought in Israel.

11 So all the men of Israel were gathered against the city, [4]knit together as one man.

12 ¶ And the tribes of Israel sent men through all the tribe of Benjamin, saying, What wickedness *is* this that is done among you?[j]

13 Now therefore deliver *us* the men, the children of Belial, which *are* in Gibeah, that we may put them to death, and put away evil from Israel. But the children of Benjamin would not hearken to the voice of their brethren the children of Israel:[k]

14 But the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together out of the cities unto Gibeah, to go out to battle against the children of Israel.

15 And the children of Benjamin were numbered at that time out of the cities twenty and six thousand men that drew sword, beside the inhabitants of Gibeah, which were numbered seven hundred chosen men.

16 Among all this people *there were* seven hundred chosen men lefthanded; every one could sling stones at an hair *breadth*, and not miss.[l]

17 And the men of Israel, beside Benjamin, were numbered four hundred thousand men that drew sword: all these *were* men of war.

18 ¶ And the children of Israel arose, and went up to the house of God, and asked counsel of God, and said, Which of us shall go up first to the battle against the children of Benjamin? And the LORD said, Judah *shall go up* first.[m]

19 And the children of Israel rose up in the morning, and encamped against Gibeah.

20 And the men of Israel went out to battle against Benjamin; and the men of Israel put themselves in array to fight against them at Gibeah.

21 And the children of Benjamin came forth out of Gibeah, and destroyed down to the ground of the Israelites that day twenty and two thousand men.[n]

22 And the people the men of Israel encouraged themselves, and set their battle again in array in the place where they put themselves in array the first day.

23 (And the children of Israel went up and wept before the LORD until even, and asked counsel of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up again to battle against the children of Benjamin my brother? And the LORD said, Go up against him.)

24 And the children of Israel came near against the children of Benjamin the second day.

25 And Benjamin went forth against them out of Gibeah the second day, and destroyed down to the

ground of the children of Israel again eighteen thousand men; all these drew the sword.

26 ¶ Then all the children of Israel, and all the people, went up, and came unto the house of God, and wept, and sat there before the LORD, and fasted that day until even, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.[a]

27 And the children of Israel enquired of the LORD, (for the ark of the covenant of God *was* there in those days,[b]

28 And Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, stood before it in those days,) saying, Shall I yet again go out to battle against the children of Benjamin my brother, or shall I cease? And the LORD said, Go up; for to morrow I will deliver them into thine hand.[c]

29 And Israel set liers in wait round about Gibeah.[d]

30 And the children of Israel went up against the children of Benjamin on the third day, and put themselves in array against Gibeah, as at other times.

31 And the children of Benjamin went out against the people, *and* were drawn away from the city; and they began [1]to smite of the people, *and* kill, as at other times, in the highways, of which one goeth up to [2]the house of God, and the other to Gibeah in the field, about thirty men of Israel.

32 And the children of Benjamin said, They *are* smitten down before us, as at the first. But the children of Israel said, Let us flee, and draw them from the city unto the highways.

33 And all the men of Israel rose up out of their place, and put themselves in array at Baal-tamar: and the liers in wait of Israel came forth out of their places, *even* out of the meadows of Gibeah.

34 And there came against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and the battle was sore: but they knew not that evil *was* near them.[e]

35 And the LORD smote Benjamin before Israel: and the children of Israel destroyed of the Benjamites that day twenty and five thousand and an hundred men: all these drew the sword.

36 So the children of Benjamin saw that they were smitten: for the men of Israel gave place to the Benjamites, because they trusted unto the liers in wait which they had set beside Gibeah.

37 And the liers in wait hasted, and rushed upon Gibeah; and the liers in wait [3]drew *themselves* along, and smote all the city with the edge of the sword.[f]

38 Now there was an appointed [4]sign between the men of Israel [5]and the liers in wait, that they should make a great [6]flame with smoke rise up out of the city.

39 And when the men of Israel retired in the battle, Benjamin began [7]to smite *and* kill of the men of Israel about thirty persons: for they said, Surely they are smitten down before us, as *in* the first battle.

40 But when the flame began to arise up out of the city with a pillar of smoke, the Benjamites looked behind them, and, behold, [8]the flame of the city ascended up to heaven.[g]

41 And when the men of Israel turned again, the men of Benjamin were amazed: for they saw that evil [9]was come upon them.

BEFORE CHRIST 1406.

10 Or, *from Menuchah, &c.*

a vs. 18, 21, 26, 27.

11 Heb. *unto over against.*

b Josh. xviii 1; 1 Sam iv. 3, 4.

h Josh xv. 32.

c Deut. x. 8; xviii. 5; Josh. xxiv. 33.

d Josh viii. 4

i ch. xxi. 13.

1 Heb. *to smite of the people wounded as at, &c.*

12 Heb. *was found.*

2 Or, *Beth-el.*

13 Heb *were found.*

i ch. xx 1.

e Josh. viii. 14; Isa. xlvii. 11.

k ch. xx. 18, 26.

l 2 Sam. xxiv. 25

3 Or, *made a long sound with the trumpets.*

f Josh. vi. 5

4 Or, *time.*

5 Heb. *with.*

m ch. v 23.

6 Heb. *elevation.*

7 Heb. *to smite the wounded*

8 Heb. *the whole consumption.*

g Josh. viii. 20.

n 1 Sam. xi. 1; xxxi. 11.

9 Heb *touched them.*

42 Therefore they turned *their backs* before the men of Israel unto the way of the wilderness; but the battle overtook them; and them which *came* out of the cities they destroyed in the midst of them.

43 *Thus* they inclosed the Benjamites round about, *and* chased them, *and* trode them [10]down with ease [11]over against Gibeah toward the sunrising.

44 And there fell of Benjamin eighteen thousand men; all these *were* men of valour.

45 And they turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the rock of Rimmon: and they gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men; and pursued hard after them unto Gidom, and slew two thousand men of them.[h]

46 So that all which fell that day of Benjamin were twenty and five thousand men that drew the sword; all these *were* men of valour.

47 But six hundred men turned and fled to the wilderness unto the rock Rimmon, and abode in the rock Rimmon four months.[i]

48 And the men of Israel turned again upon the children of Benjamin, and smote them with the edge of the sword, as well the men of *every* city, as the beast, and all that [12]came to hand: also they set on fire all the cities that [13]they came to.

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *The people bewail the desolation of Benjamin.* 8 *By the destruction of Jabesh-gilead they provide them four hundred wives.* 16 *They advise them to surprise the virgins that danced at Shiloh.*

NOW the men of Israel had sworn in Mizpeh, saying, There shall not any of us give his daughter unto Benjamin to wife.[j]

2 And the people came to the house of God, and abode there till even before God, and lifted up their voices, and wept sore;[k]

3 And said, O LORD God of Israel, why is this come to pass in Israel, that there should be to day one tribe lacking in Israel?

4 And it came to pass on the morrow, that the people rose early, and built there an altar, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings.[l]

5 And the children of Israel said, Who *is there* among all the tribes of Israel that came not up with the congregation unto the LORD? For they had made a great oath concerning him that came not up to the LORD to Mizpeh, saying, He shall surely be put to death.[m]

6 And the children of Israel repented them for Benjamin their brother, and said, There is one tribe cut off from Israel this day.

7 How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing we have sworn by the LORD that we will not give them of our daughters to wives?

8 ¶ And they said, What one *is there* of the tribes of Israel that came not up to Mizpeh to the LORD? And, behold, there came none to the camp from Jabesh-gilead to the assembly.[n]

9 For the people were numbered, and, behold, *there were* none of the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead there.

10 And the congregation sent thither twelve thousand men of the valiantest, and commanded them, saying, Go and smite the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead with the edge of the sword, with the women and the children.[a]

11 And this *is* the thing that ye shall do, Ye shall utterly destroy every male, and every woman that hath lain by man.[b]

12 And they found among the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead four hundred young virgins, that had known no man by lying with any male: and they brought them unto the camp to Shiloh, which *is* in the land of Canaan.[c]

13 And the whole congregation sent *some* [1]to speak to the children of Benjamin that *were* in the rock Rimmon, and to [2]call peaceably unto them.[d]

14 And Benjamin came again at that time; and they gave them wives which they had saved alive of the women of Jabesh-gilead: and yet so they sufficed them not.

15 And the people repented them for Benjamin, because that the LORD had made a breach in the tribes of Israel.[e]

16 ¶ Then the elders of the congregation said, How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing the women are destroyed out of Benjamin?

17 And they said, *There must be* an inheritance for them that be escaped of Benjamin, that a tribe be not destroyed out of Israel.

18 Howbeit we may not give them wives of our daughters: for the children of Israel have sworn, saying, Cursed *be* he that giveth a wife to Benjamin.[f]

19 Then they said, Behold, *there is* a feast of the LORD in Shiloh [3]yearly *in a place* which *is* on the north side of Beth-el, [4]on the east side [5]of the highway that goeth up from Beth-el to Shechem, and on the south of Lebonah.

20 Therefore they commanded the children of Benjamin, saying, Go and lie in wait in the vineyards;

21 And see, and, behold, if the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in dances, then come ye out of the vineyards, and catch you every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin.[g]

22 And it shall be, when their fathers or their brethren come unto us to complain, that we will say unto them, [6]Be favourable unto them for our sakes: because we reserved not to each man his wife in the war: for ye did not give unto them at this time, *that* ye should be guilty.

23 And the children of Benjamin did so, and took *them* wives, according to their number, of them that danced, whom they caught: and they went and returned unto their inheritance, and repaired the cities, and dwelt in them.[h]

24 And the children of Israel departed thence at that time, every man to his tribe and to his family, and they went out from thence every man to his inheritance.

25 In those days *there was* no king in Israel: every man did *that which was* right in his own eyes.



BEFORE CHRIST 1406.

f ver. 1; ch. xi. 35.

3 Heb. *from year to year*

a ver. 5; ch. v. 23; 1 Sam. xi. 7.

4 Or, *toward the sunrising.*

5 Or, *on.*

b Numb. xxxi. 17.

c Josh xviii. 1.

g ch. xi. 34; Exod. xv. 20, 1 Sam. xviii. 6; Jer xxxi 13.

1 Heb *and spake and called*

2 Or, *proclaim peace.*

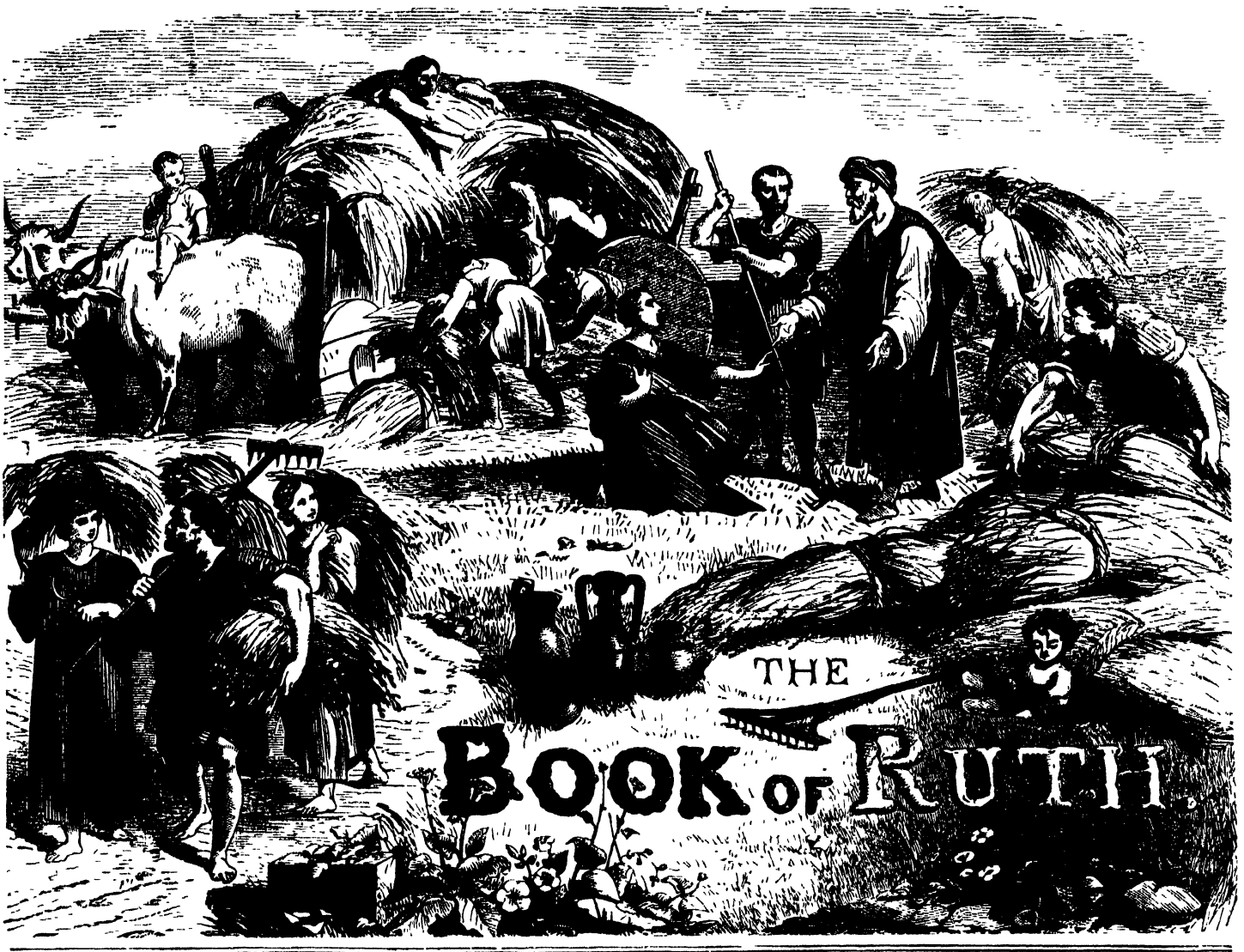
d ch xx 47, Deut xx. 10.

6 Or, *Gratify us in them*

e ver 6

h ch xx. 48.

i ch xvii. 6; xviii. 1; xix. 1, Deut. xii. 8.



CHAPTER I.

1 Elimelech driven by famine into Moab, dieth there 4 Mahlon and Chilion, having married wives of Moab, die also. 6 Naomi returning homeward, 8 dissuadeth her two daughters in law from going with her. 14 Orpah leaveth her, but Ruth with great constancy accompanieth her. 19 They two come to Beth-lehem, where they are gladly received.

BEFORE CHRIST 1312

NOW it came to pass in the days when the judges [1]ruled, that there was a famine in the land. And a certain man of Beth-lehem-judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he, and his wife, and his two sons.[a]

2 And the name of the man *was* Elimelech, and the name of his wife Naomi, and the name of his two sons Mahlon and Chilion, Ephrathites of Beth-lehem-judah. And they came into the country of Moab, and [2]continued there.[b]

3 And Elimelech Naomi's husband died; and she was left, and her two sons.

4 And they took them wives of the women of Moab; the name of the one *was* Orpah, and the name of the other Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten years.

5 And Mahlon and Chilion died also both of them; and the woman was left of her two sons and her husband.

6 ¶ Then she arose with her daughters in law, that she might return from the country of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how that the LORD had visited his people in giving them bread.[c]

7 Wherefore she went forth out of the place where she was, and her two daughters in law with her; and they went on the way to return unto the land of Judah.

8 And Naomi said unto her two daughters in law, Go, return each to her mother's house: the LORD deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me.

9 The LORD grant you that ye may find rest, each *of you* in the house of her husband. Then she kissed them; and they lifted up their voice, and wept.[d]

10 And they said unto her, Surely we will return with thee unto thy people.

11 And Naomi said, Turn again, my daughters: why will ye go with me? *are* there yet *any more* sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands?[e]

12 Turn again, my daughters, go *your way;* for I am too old to have an husband. If I should say, I

c Ps. cxxxii 15

1 Heb *judged.*

a Gen xii. 10; xxvi. 1; Judg ii. 16; xvii. 8; 2 Kings viii. 1.

d ver 5; ch ii. 20; iii. 1.

2 Heb *were.*

b Gen xxxv 16

e Gen. xxxviii 11, Deut. xxv 5

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have hope, [1]*if* I should have an husband also to night, and should also bear sons;

13 Would ye [2]tarry for them till they were grown? would ye stay for them from having husbands? nay, my daughters; for it [3]grieveth me much for your sakes that the hand of the LORD is gone out against me.[a]

14 And they lifted up their voice, and wept again: and Orpah kissed her mother in law; but Ruth clave unto her.

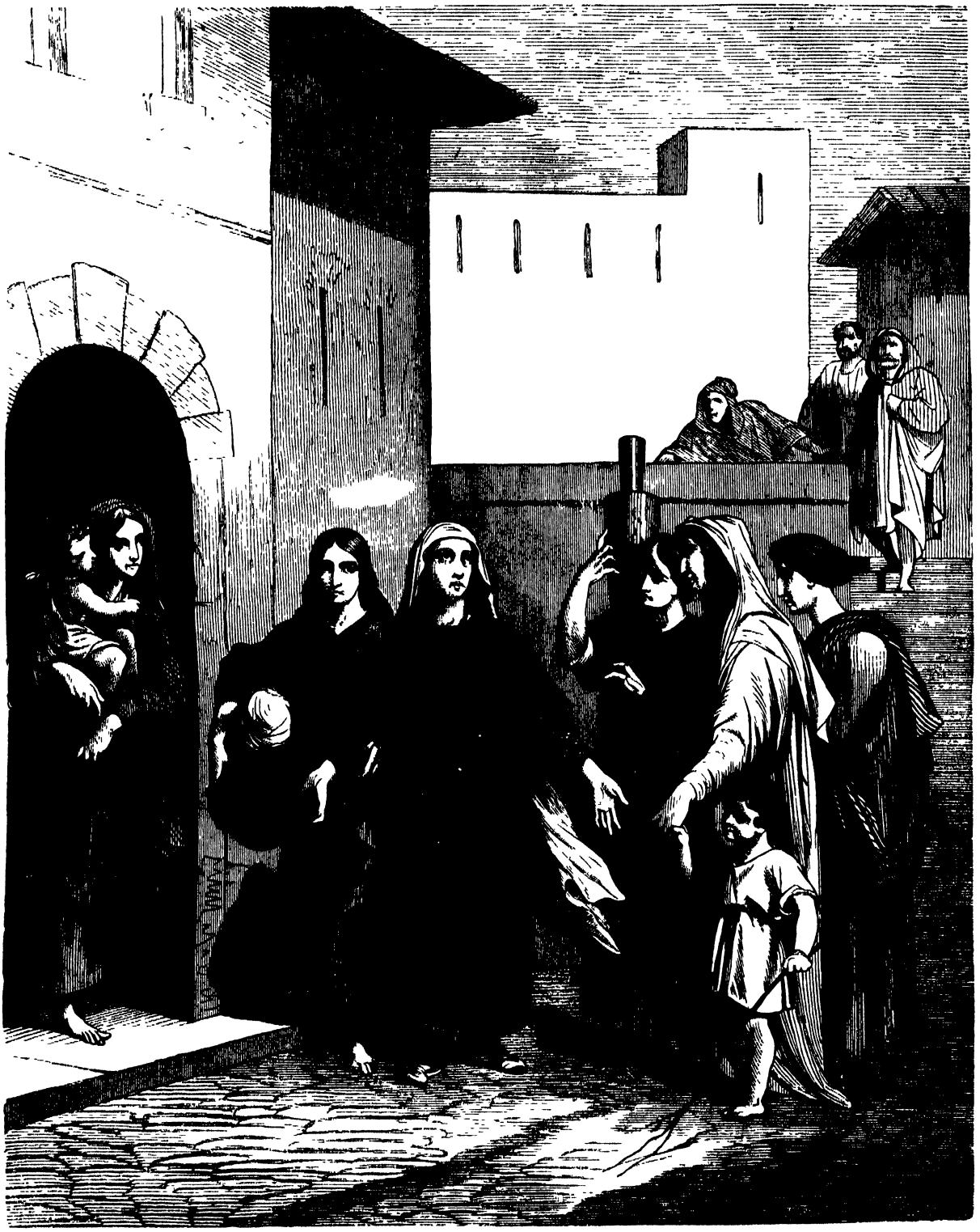
15 And she said, Behold, thy sister in law is gone back unto her people, and unto her gods: return thou after thy sister in law.[b]

16 And Ruth said, [4]Intreat me not to leave thee, *or* to return from following after thee: for whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people *shall be* my people, and thy God my God:[c]

17 Where thou diest, will I die, and there will I be buried: the LORD do so to me, and more also, if *ought* but death part thee and me.[d]

18 When she saw that she was [5]stedfastly minded to go with her, then she left speaking unto her.[e]

1 Or, *if I were with an husband.*
b Josh. xxiv. 15, 19; Judg. xi. 24
2 Heb. *hope*
4 Or, *Be not against me.*



NAOMI ON HER RETURN TO BETHLEHEM.

3 Heb. *I have much bitterness*
c ch. ii. 11, 12
a Judg. ii. 15, Job xix. 21, Ps. xxxii. 4, xxxviii. 2, xxxix. 9, 10
d 1 Sam. iii. 17, xxv. 22, 2 Sam. xix. 13, 2 Kings vi. 31
5 Heb. *strengthened herself*
e Acts xxi. 14



RUTH IN THE CORN-FIELD.

19 ¶ So they two went until they came to Beth-lehem. And it came to pass, when they were come to Beth-lehem, that all the city was moved about them, and they said, *Is* this Naomi?[a]

20 And she said unto them, Call me not [1]Naomi, call me [2]Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.

21 I went out full, and the LORD hath brought me home again empty: why *then* call ye me Naomi, seeing the LORD hath testified against me, and the Almighty hath afflicted me?[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1312

4 Heb *hap happened.*

a Matt. xxi 10

1 That is, *pleasant*

2 That is, *bitter*

f Ps cxxix. 7, 8; Luke i 28; 2 Thess iii 16

b Job i 21

g ch i 22

field after the reapers: and [4]her hap was to light on a part of the field *belonging* unto Boaz, who *was* of the kindred of Elimelech.

4 ¶ And, behold, Boaz came from Beth-lehem, and said unto the reapers, The LORD *be* with you. And they answered him, The LORD bless thee.[f]

5 Then said Boaz unto his servant that was set over the reapers, Whose damsel *is* this?

6 And the servant that was set over the reapers answered and said, It *is* the Moabitish damsel that came back with Naomi out of the country of Moab:



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22 So Naomi returned, and Ruth the Moabitess, her daughter in law, with her, which returned out of the country of Moab: and they came to Beth-lehem in the beginning of barley harvest.[c]

c ch ii 23, Exod ix 31 32, 2 Sam xxi 9

CHAPTER II.

1 *Ruth gleaneth in the fields of Boaz.* 4 *Boaz taking knowledge of her,* 8 *sheweth her great favour.* 18 *That which she got, she carrieth to Naomi.*

AND Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's, a mighty man of wealth, of the family of Elimelech; and his name *was* [3]Boaz.[d]

2 And Ruth the Moabitess said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and glean ears of corn after *him* in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter.[e]

3 And she went and came, and gleaned in the

3 Called *Booz.* Matt. i. 5

d ch. iii. 2, 12; iv 21

h 1 Sam xxv. 23.

e Lev xix. 9; Deut. xxiv 19

7 And she said, I pray you, let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves: so she came, and hath continued even from the morning until now, that she tarried a little in the house.

8 Then said Boaz unto Ruth, Hearest thou not, my daughter? Go not to glean in another field. neither go from hence, but abide here fast by my maidens:

9 *Let* thine eyes *be* on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of *that* which the young men have drawn.

10 Then she fell on her face, and bowed herself to the ground, and said unto him, Why have I found grace in thine eyes, that thou shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I *am* a stranger?[h]

11 And Boaz answered and said unto her, It hath fully been shewed me, all that thou hast done unto thy mother in law since the death of thine husband: and *how* thou hast left thy father and thy mother, and

the land of thy nativity, and art come unto a people which thou knewest not heretofore.[a]

12 The LORD recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the LORD God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.[b]

13 Then she said, Let me find favour in thy sight, my lord; for that thou hast comforted me, and for that thou hast spoken friendly unto thine handmaid, though I be not like unto one of thine handmaidens.

14 And Boaz said unto her, At mealtime come thou hither, and eat of the bread, and dip thy morsel in the vinegar. And she sat beside the reapers: and he reached her parched *corn*, and she did eat, and was sufficed, and left.[c]

15 And when she was risen up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, Let her glean even among the sheaves, and [1]reproach her not:

16 And let fall also *some* of the handfuls of purpose for her, and leave *them*, that she may glean *them*, and rebuke her not.

17 So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had gleaned: and it was about an ephah of barley.

18 ¶ And she took *it* up, and went into the city: and her mother in law saw what she had gleaned: and she brought forth, and gave to her that she had reserved after she was sufficed.[d]

19 And her mother in law said unto her, Where hast thou gleaned to day? and where wroughtest thou? blessed be he that did take knowledge of thee. And she shewed her mother in law with whom she had wrought, and said, The man's name with whom I wrought to day *is* Boaz.[e]

20 And Naomi said unto her daughter in law, Blessed *be* he of the LORD, who hath not left off his kindness to the living and to the dead. And Naomi said unto her, The man *is* near of kin unto us, [2]one of our next kinsmen.[f]

21 And Ruth the Moabitess said, He said unto me also, Thou shalt keep fast by my young men, until they have ended all my harvest.

22 And Naomi said unto Ruth her daughter in law, *It is* good, my daughter, that thou go out with his maidens, that they [3]meet thee not in any other field.

23 So she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto the end of barley harvest and of wheat harvest; and dwelt with her mother in law.

BEFORE CHRIST 1312.

a ch. i. 14, 16, 17
e ver 10, Ps. xli. 1.
b ch i 16; 1 Sam. xxiv. 19, Ps xvii 8, xxxvi. 7, lvii. 1, lxiii. 7.
2 Or, *one that hath right to redeem.* Lev xxv. 25
f ch. iii 10, 2 Sam ii 5, Job xxix. 13, Prov xvii. 17.

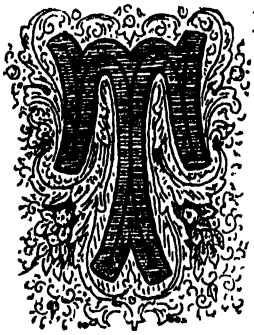


RUTH GLEANING IN THE FIELD.

3 Or, *fall upon thee*
c ver 18.
1 Heb *shame her not.*
g ch. i. 9
d ver. 14.
h ch. ii. 8.

CHAPTER III.

1 *By Naomi's instruction,* 5 *Ruth lieth at Boaz's feet.* 8 *Boaz acknowledgeth the right of a kinsman.* 14 *He sendeth her away with six measures of barley.*

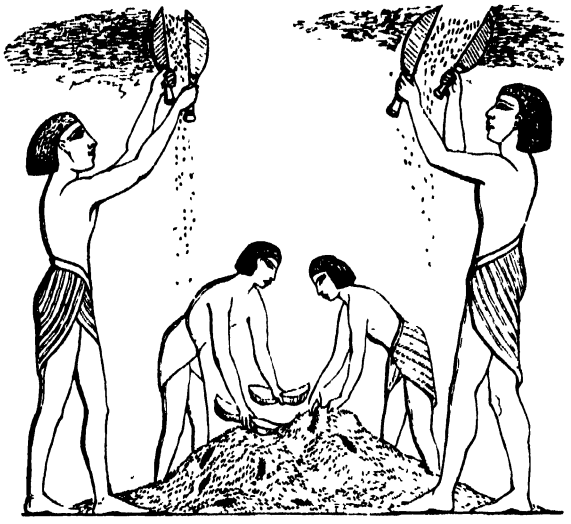


HEN Naomi her mother in law said unto her, My daughter, shall I not seek rest for thee, that it may be well with thee?[g]

2 And now *is* not Boaz of our kindred, with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he winnoweth barley to night in the threshingfloor.[h]

3 Wash thyself therefore, and anoint thee, and put thy raiment upon thee, and

get thee down to the floor: *but* make not thyself known unto the man, until he shall have done eating and drinking.[a]



WINNOWING CORN.

4 And it shall be, when he lieth down, that thou shalt mark the place where he shall lie, and thou shalt go in, and [1]uncover his feet, and lay thee down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do.

5 And she said unto her, All that thou sayest unto me I will do.

6 ¶ And she went down unto the floor, and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.

7 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of corn: and she came softly, and uncovered his feet, and laid her down.[b]

8 ¶ And it came to pass at midnight, that the man was afraid, and [2]turned himself: and, behold, a woman lay at his feet.

9 And he said, Who *art* thou? And she answered, I *am* Ruth thine handmaid: spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou *art* [3]a near kinsman.[c]

10 And he said, Blessed *be* thou of the LORD, my daughter: *for* thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst not young men, whether poor or rich.[d]

11 And now, my daughter, fear not; I will do to thee all that thou requirest: for all the [4]city of my people doth know that thou *art* a virtuous woman.[e]

12 And now it is true that I *am thy* near kinsman: howbeit there is a kinsman nearer than I.[f]

13 Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, *that* if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well; let him do the kinsman's part: but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee, then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, *as* the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning.[g]

14 ¶ And she lay at his feet until the morning: and she rose up before one could know another. And he said, Let it not be known that a woman came into the floor.

15 Also he said, Bring the [5]vail that *thou hast* upon thee, and hold it. And when she held it, he measured six *measures* of barley, and laid *it* on her: and she went into the city.

16 And when she came to her mother in law, she said, Who *art* thou, my daughter? And she told her all that the man had done to her.

17 And she said, These six *measures* of barley gave he me; for he said to me, Go not empty unto thy mother in law.

18 Then said he, Sit still, my daughter, until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day.[h]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Boaz calleth into judgment the next kinsman.* 6 *He refuseth the redemption according to the manner in Israel.* 9 *Boaz buyeth the inheritance* 11 *He marrieth Ruth.* 13 *She beareth Obed the grandfather of David.* 18 *The generation of Pharez.*



THEN went Boaz up to the gate, and sat him down there: and, behold, the kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here. And he turned aside, and sat down.[i]

2 And he took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, Sit ye down here. And they sat down.[j]

3 And he said unto the kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the country of Moab, selleth a parcel of land, which *was* our brother Elimelech's:

4 And [6]I thought to advertise thee, saying, Buy *it* before the inhabitants, and before the elders of my people. If thou wilt redeem *it*, redeem *it:* but if thou wilt not redeem *it*, *then* tell me, that I may know: for *there is* none to redeem *it* beside thee; and I *am* after thee. And he said, I will redeem *it*.[k]

5 Then said Boaz, What day thou buyest the field of the hand of Naomi, thou must buy *it* also of Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of the dead, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance.[l]

6 ¶ And the kinsman said, I cannot redeem *it* for myself, lest I mar mine own inheritance: redeem thou my right to thyself; for I cannot redeem *it*.[m]

7 Now this *was the manner* in former time in Israel concerning redeeming and concerning changing, for to confirm all things; a man plucked off his shoe, and gave *it* to his neighbour: and this *was* a testimony in Israel.[n]

8 Therefore the kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy *it* for thee. So he drew off his shoe.

9 ¶ And Boaz said unto the elders, and *unto* all the people, Ye *are* witnesses this day, that I have bought all that *was* Elimelech's, and all that *was* Chilion's and Mahlon's, of the hand of Naomi.

10 Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon, have I purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name of the dead upon his inheritance, that the

BEFORE CHRIST 1312

a 2 Sam. xiv 2.

h Ps xxxvii. 3, 5

1 Or, *lift up the clothes that are on his feet*

i ch. iii 12

j 1 Kings xxi 8, Prov xxxi. 23

b Judg xix. 6, 9, 22, 2 Sam. xiii. 28, Esth i. 10

2 Or, *took hold on*

6 Heb *I said I will reveal in thine ear*

3 Or, *one that has a right to redeem.*

c ver 12; ch ii 20, Ezek. xvi 8.

k Gen. xxiii. 18, Lev xxv. 25, Jer xxxii 7, 8.

d ch i. 8

l ch iii 13, Gen xxxviii 8, Deut xxv. 5, 6, Matt. xxii. 24

4 Heb *gate.*

e Prov. xii. 4

m ch iii. 12, 13.

f ver 9, ch. iv 1.

n Deut. xxv 7, 9.

g ch iv. 5; Deut. xxv. 5; Judg. viii. 19, Jer iv. 2, Matt. xxii. 24.

5 Or, *sheet, or, apron*

name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: ye *are* witnesses this day.[a]

11 And all the people that *were* in the gate, and the elders, said, *We are* witnesses. The LORD make the woman that is come into thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and [1]do thou worthily in Ephratah, and [2]be famous in Beth-lehem:[b]

12 And let thy house be like the house of Pharez, whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which the LORD shall give thee of this young woman.[c]

13 ¶ So Boaz took Ruth, and she was his wife: and when he went in unto her, the LORD gave her conception, and she bare a son.[d]

14 And the women said unto Naomi, Blessed *be* the LORD, which hath not [3]left thee this day without a [4]kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel.[e]

15 And he shall be unto thee a restorer of *thy* life, and [5]a nourisher of [6]thine old age: for thy daughter in law, which loveth thee, which is better to thee than seven sons, hath born him.[f]

16 And Naomi took the child, and laid it in her bosom, and became nurse unto it.

17 And the women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, There is a son born to Naomi; and they called his name Obed: he *is* the father of Jesse, the father of David.[g]



BOAZ BUYING THE INHERITANCE.

18 ¶ Now these *are* the generations of Pharez: Pharez begat Hezron,[h]

19 And Hezron begat Ram, and Ram begat Amminadab,

20 And Amminadab begat Nahshon, and Nahshon begat [7]Salmon,[i]

21 And Salmon begat Boaz, and Boaz begat Obed,

22 And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1312.

5 Heb *to nourish*
6 Heb *thy gray hairs.*
a Deut. xxv 6.
f Gen xlv. 11; 1 Sam. i. 8, Ps. lv 22.
1 Or, *get thee riches*, or, *power*
2 Heb *proclaim thy name*
b Gen xxxv 16, 19, Deut. xxv 9, Ps cxxvii 3, cxxviii 3
g Luke i. 58, 59
h 1 Chron ii 4, &c.; Matt. i 3
c Gen xxxviii 29; 1 Sam ii 20, 1 Chron. ii. 4, Matt. i. 3.
d ch iii 11
7 Or, *Salmah*
i Numb i. 7; Matt. i. 4, &c.
3 Heb *caused to cease unto thee.*
4 Or, *redeemer*
e Luke i 58, Rom xii. 15
j 1 Chron ii. 15; Matt. i. 6.





THE FIRST BOOK OF SAMUEL.

OTHERWISE CALLED THE FIRST BOOK OF THE KINGS

CHAPTER 1.

BEFORE CHRIST 1171

1 Elkanah a Levite, having two wives, worshippeth yearly at Shiloh 4 He cherisheth Hannah, though barren, and provoked by Peninnah 9 Hannah in grief prayeth for a child. 12 Eli first rebuking her, afterwards blesseth her. 19 Hannah having born Samuel, stayeth at home till he be weaned. 24 She presenteth him, according to her vow, to the LORD.

NOW there was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim, of mount Ephraim, and his name *was* Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite:[a]

a 1 Chron vi 27, 34, Ruth i 2

2 And he had two wives the name of the one *was* Hannah, and the name of the other Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

3 And this man went up out of his city [1]yearly to worship and to sacrifice unto the LORD of hosts in Shiloh. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, the priests of the LORD, *were* there.[b]

1 Heb *from year to year.*

b Exod xxiii 14, Deut xii. 5—7; xvi 16; Josh. xviii. 1; Luke ii 41

4 ¶ And when the time was that Elkanah offered, he gave to Peninnah his wife, and to all her sons and her daughters, portions:[a]

5 But unto Hannah he gave a [1]worthy portion; for he loved Hannah: but the LORD had shut up her womb.

6 And her adversary also [2]provoked her sore, for to make her fret, because the LORD had shut up her womb.[b]

7 And *as* he did so year by year, [3]when she went up to the house of the LORD, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and did not eat.

8 Then said Elkanah her husband to her, Hannah, why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? and why is thy heart grieved? *am* not I better to thee than ten sons?[c]

9 ¶ So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest sat upon a seat by a post of the temple of the LORD.[d]

10 And she *was* [4]in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the LORD, and wept sore.[e]

11 And she vowed a vow, and said, O LORD of hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid [5]a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of his life, and there shall no razor come upon his head.[f]

12 And it came to pass, as she [6]continued praying before the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth.

13 Now Hannah, she spake in her heart; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard: therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.

BEFORE CHRIST 1171.

a Deut. xii. 17, 18, xvi. 11

1 Or, *a double portion.*
7 Heb. *hard of spirit.*

2 Heb. *angered her.*
g Ps. lxii. 8; cxlii. 2.

b Job xxiv 21

8 Or, *meditation.*

3 Or, *from the time that she, &c.* Heb. *from her going up.*
h Deut xii 13
i Judg xviii. 6; Ps. xx 4, 5; Mark v. 34; Luke vii. 50; viii. 48

c Ruth iv. 15
j Gen. xxxiii 15; Ruth ii 13, Eccles. ix. 7.

14 And Eli said unto her, How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee.

15 And Hannah answered and said, No, my lord, I *am* a woman of a [7]sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the LORD.[g]

16 Count not thine handmaid for a daughter of Belial: for out of the abundance of my [8]complaint and grief have I spoken hitherto.[h]

17 Then Eli answered and said, Go in peace: and the God of Israel grant *thee* thy petition that thou hast asked of him.[i]

18 And she said, Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight. So the woman went her way, and did eat, and her countenance was no more *sad.*[j]

19 ¶ And they rose up in the morning early, and worshipped before the LORD, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and the LORD remembered her.[k]

20 Wherefore it came to pass, [9]when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name [10]Samuel, *saying,* Because I have asked him of the LORD.

21 And the man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer unto the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.[l]

22 But Hannah went not up; for she said unto her husband, *I will not go up* until the child be weaned, and *then* I will bring him, that he may appear before the LORD, and there abide for ever.[m]

23 And Elkanah her husband said unto her, Do what seemeth thee good, tarry until thou have weaned



DEDICATION OF SAMUEL.

d ch iii 3

4 Heb *bitter of soul.*
k Gen xxx. 22

e 2 Sam xvii 8, Job vii. 11, x 1.

9 Heb *in revolution of days*

10 That is, *Asked of God*

5 Heb *seed of men.*

l ver 3

f Gen. viii 1; xxviii 20; xxix 32; xxx. 22; Exod. iv 31; Numb. vi. 5, xxx. 3; Judg. xi. 30, xiii 5; 2 Sam. xvi. 12; Ps. xxv. 18.

6 Heb *multiplied to pray.*

m vs. 11—28; ch ii. 11, 18, iii 1; Exod. xxi. 6, Luke ii. 22.

him; only the LORD establish his word. So the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him.[a]

24 ¶ And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bullocks, and one ephah of flour, and a bottle of wine, and brought him unto the house of the LORD in Shiloh: and the child *was* young.[b]

25 And they slew a bullock, and brought the child to Eli.[c]

26 And she said, Oh my lord, *as* thy soul liveth, my lord, I *am* the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the LORD.[d]

27 For this child I prayed; and the LORD hath given me my petition which I asked of him:[e]

28 Therefore also I have lent him to the LORD; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the LORD. And he worshipped the LORD there.

CHAPTER II.

1 *Hannah's song in thankfulness.* 12 *The sin of Eli's sons.* 18 *Samuel's ministry.* 20 *By Eli's blessing Hannah is more fruitful.* 22 *Eli reproveth his sons.* 27 *A prophecy against Eli's house.*

AND Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the LORD, mine horn is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation.[f]

2 *There is* none holy as the LORD: for *there is* none beside thee: neither *is there* any rock like our God.[g]

3 Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let *not* [1]arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the LORD *is* a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.[h]

4 The bows of the mighty men *are* broken, and they that stumbled are girded with strength.[i]

5 *They that were* full have hired out themselves for bread; and *they that were* hungry ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she that hath many children is waxed feeble.[j]

6 The LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up.[k]

7 The LORD maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up.[l]

8 He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, *and* lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set *them* among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth *are* the LORD'S, and he hath set the world upon them.[m]

9 He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail.[n]

10 The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 1165.

a Numb xxx. 7; 2 Sam. vii. 25.

p ver. 18, ch. iii. 1.

q Deut. xiii. 13; Judg. ii. 10; Jer. xxii. 16; Rom. i. 28.

b Deut. xii. 5, 6, 11, Josh. xviii. 1.

c Luke ii. 22.

d Gen. xliii. 15; 2 Kings ii. 2, 4, 6.

e Matt. vii. 7.

r Lev. iii. 3—5, 16

2 Heb. *as on the day.*

s Gen. vi. 11; Mal. ii. 8.

t ver 11, Exod. xxviii. 4, 2 Sam. vi. 14.

f Ps. ix. 14; xiii. 5; xx. 5, xxxv. 9, xcii. 10, cxii. 9, Luke i. 46, &c.

u ch. i. 3.

g Exod. xv. 11, Deut. iii. 24, iv. 35, xxxii. 4; 2 Sam. xxii. 32; Ps. lxxxvi. 8; lxxxix. 6, 8.

3 Or, *petition which she asked*, &c.

v ch. i. 28, Gen. xiv. 19.

1 Heb. *hard*

h Ps. xciv. 4, Mal. iii. 13; Jude 15

w ver 26; ch. iii. 19; Judg. xiii. 24, Luke i. 80; ii. 40

i Ps. xxxvii. 15, 17, lxxvi. 3

4 Heb. *assembled by troops.*

x Exod. xxxviii. 8.

5 Or, *I hear evil words of you.*

j Ps. xxxiv. 10; cxlii. 9, Isa. liv. 1, Jer. xv. 9; Luke i. 53.

6 Or, *to cry out.*

k Deut. xxxii. 39, Job v. 18.

l Job i. 21; Ps. lxxv. 7

7 Or, *therefore the LORD would slay them.*

y Numb. xv. 30; Josh. xi. 20; Prov. xv. 10.

z Prov. iii. 4; Luke ii. 52, Acts ii. 47; Rom. xiv. 18.

m Job xxxvi. 7; xxxviii. 4—6; Ps. xxiv. 2; cii. 25; civ. 5; cxiii. 7, 8; Dan. iv. 17; Heb. i. 3.

n Ps. xci. 11, cxxi. 3.

a Exod. iv. 14, 27; 1 Kings xiii. 1.

o ch. vii. 10; Ps. ii. 9; xviii. 13; lxxxix. 24, xcvi. 13; xcviii. 9

11 And Elkanah went to Ramah to his house. And the child did minister unto the LORD before Eli the priest.[p]

12 ¶ Now the sons of Eli *were* sons of Belial; they knew not the LORD.[q]

13 And the priest's custom with the people *was*, *that*, when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came, while the flesh was in seething, with a fleshhook of three teeth in his hand;

14 And he struck *it* into the pan, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; all that the fleshhook brought up the priest took for himself. So they did in Shiloh unto all the Israelites that came thither.

15 Also before they burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that sacrificed, Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have sodden flesh of thee, but raw.[r]

16 And *if* any man said unto him, Let them not fail to burn the fat [2]presently, and *then* take *as much* as thy soul desireth; then he would answer him, *Nay;* but thou shalt give *it me* now: and if not, I will take *it* by force.

17 Wherefore the sin of the young men was very great before the LORD: for men abhorred the offering of the LORD.[s]

18 ¶ But Samuel ministered before the LORD, *being* a child, girded with a linen ephod.[t]

19 Moreover his mother made him a little coat, and brought *it* to him from year to year, when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice.[u]

20 ¶ And Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife, and said, The LORD give thee seed of this woman for the [3]loan which is lent to the LORD. And they went unto their own home.[v]

21 And the LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel grew before the LORD.[w]

22 ¶ Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that [4]assembled *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.[x]

23 And he said unto them, Why do ye such things? [5]for I hear of your evil dealings by all this people.

24 Nay, my sons; for *it is* no good report that I hear: ye make the LORD'S people [6]to transgress.

25 If one man sin against another, the judge shall judge him: but if a man sin against the LORD, who shall intreat for him? Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto the voice of their father, [7]because the LORD would slay them.[y]

26 And the child Samuel grew on, and was in favour both with the LORD, and also with men.[z]

27 ¶ And there came a man of God unto Eli, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Did I plainly appear unto the house of thy father, when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house?[a]

28 And did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel *to be* my priest, to offer upon mine altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? and did I give unto the house of thy father all the offerings made by fire of the children of Israel?

29 Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice and at mine offering, which I have commanded *in my* habitation; and honourest thy sons above me, to make yourselves fat with the chiefest of all the offerings of Israel my people?[a]

30 Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed *that* thy house, and the house of thy father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from me; for them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.[b]

31 Behold, the days come, that I will cut off thine arm, and the arm of thy father's house, that there shall not be an old man in thine house.[c]

32 And thou shalt see [1]an enemy *in my* [2]habitation, in all *the wealth* which *God* shall give Israel: and there shall not be an old man in thine house for ever.[d]

33 And the man of thine, *whom* I shall not cut off from mine altar, *shall be* to consume thine eyes, and to grieve thine heart: and all the increase of thine house shall die [3]in the flower of their age.

34 And this *shall be* a sign unto thee, that shall come upon thy two sons, on Hophni and Phinehas; in one day they shall die both of them.[e]

35 And I will raise me up a faithful priest, *that* shall do according to *that* which *is* in mine heart and in my mind: and I will build him a sure house; and he shall walk before mine anointed for ever.[f]

36 And it shall come to pass, *that* every one that is left in thine house shall come *and* crouch to him for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread, and shall say, [4]Put me, I pray thee, into [5]one of the priests' offices, that I may eat a piece of bread.

CHAPTER III.

1 *How the word of the Lord was first revealed to Samuel.* 11 *God telleth Samuel the destruction of Eli's house.* 15 *Samuel, though loth, telleth Eli the vision.* 19 *Samuel groweth in credit.*

AND the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; *there was* no open vision.[g]

2 And it came to pass at that time, when Eli *was* laid down in his place, and his eyes began to wax dim, *that* he could not see;

3 And ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God *was*, and Samuel was laid down *to sleep*;[h]

4 That the LORD called Samuel: and he answered, Here *am* I.

5 And he ran unto Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and lay down.

6 And the LORD called yet again, Samuel. And Samuel arose and went to Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, my son; lie down again.

7 [6]Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, neither was the word of the LORD yet revealed unto him.

BEFORE CHRIST 1165.

a Lev ii 3, 10, vi. 16; vii 7 8, 34, 35, x 14, 15; Numb. v 9, 10, xviii. 8—19; Deut. xii. 5, 6, xxxii. 15

b Exod xxix. 9, Ps. xviii 20, xci 14, Jer xviii. 9, 10, Mal. ii 9

c ch. iv. 11, 18, 20, xiv. 3, xxii. 18, &c.; 1 Kings ii. 27; Ezek. xliv. 10.

d 2 Kings xxi. 12; Jer xix. 3

1 Or, *the affliction of the tabernacle for all the wealth which God would have given Israel*

2 The word "habitation" is here used for the tabernacle as the dwelling place of God. According to this prediction, Eli did see the tabernacle deprived of the ark, which was its glory, and lived to hear that the ark was taken by the Philistines (ch iv 4—18) In the East, the absence of age in a family lowers its dignity, and is looked upon as a curse

7 Heb *beginning and ending*

e ch ii 30—36.

d Zech. viii. 4.

3 Or, *And I will tell him, &c.*

9 Or, *accursed.*

10 Heb *frowned not upon them.*

k ch ii 3, 12, 17, 22, 25, 29—31, &c., Ezek. vii. 3; xviii. 30

3 Heb *men.*

l Numb xv 30, 31; Isa. xxii. 14

e ch iv 11; 1 Kings xiii 3.

f 2 Sam vii 11, 27, 1 Kings ii 35, xi. 38, 1 Chron xxix 22, Ps ii. 2, xviii. 50, Ezek. xliv. 15

11 Heb. *so add.*

12 Or, *word.*

4 Heb *jom.*

5 Or, *somewhat about the priesthood*

m Ruth i 17

13 Heb *all the things*, or, *words*

n Job i 21; ii 10, Ps xxxix. 9, Isa. xxxix. 8

o ch ii. 21; ix. 6; Gen. xxxix. 2, 21, 23

14 Or, *faithful.*

p Judg xx. 1

g ver 21, ch ii 11; Ps. lxxiv 9, Amos viii. 11

q vs 1, 4

h ch. i. 9; ii. 22; iv. 15; Gen. xxvii. 1, xlviii. 10, Exod. xxvii. 21; Lev. xxiv 3; 2 Chron. xiii 11.

15 Or, *came to pass.* Heb *was*

r ch. v. 1; vii. 12.

16 Heb *the battle was spread.*

6 Or, *Thus did Samuel before he knew the LORD, and before the word of the LORD was revealed unto him.*

17 Heb. *the array.*

8 And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli, and said, Here *am* I; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that the LORD had called the child.

9 Therefore Eli said unto Samuel, Go, lie down: and it shall be, if he call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, LORD; for thy servant heareth. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

10 And the LORD came, and stood, and called as at other times, Samuel, Samuel. Then Samuel answered, Speak; for thy servant heareth.

11 ¶ And the LORD said to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle.[i]

12 In that day I will perform against Eli all *things* which I have spoken concerning his house: [7]when I begin, I will also make an end.[j]

13 [8]For I have told him that I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity which he knoweth; because his sons made themselves [9]vile, and he [10]restrained them not.[k]

14 And therefore I have sworn unto the house of Eli, that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be purged with sacrifice nor offering for ever.[l]

15 ¶ And Samuel lay until the morning, and opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel feared to shew Eli the vision.

16 Then Eli called Samuel, and said, Samuel, my son. And he answered, Here *am* I.

17 And he said, What *is* the thing that *the LORD* hath said unto thee? I pray thee hide *it* not from me: God do so to thee, and [11]more also, if thou hide *any* [12]thing from me of all the things that he said unto thee.[m]

18 And Samuel told him [13]every whit, and hid nothing from him. And he said, It *is* the LORD: let him do what seemeth him good.[n]

19 ¶ And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him, and did let none of his words fall to the ground.[o]

20 And all Israel from Dan even to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel *was* [14]established *to be* a prophet of the LORD.[p]

21 And the LORD appeared again in Shiloh: for the LORD revealed himself to Samuel in Shiloh by the word of the LORD.[q]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The Israelites are overcome by the Philistines at Eben-ezer.* 3 *They fetch the ark unto the terror of the Philistines.* 10 *They are smitten again, the ark taken, Hophni and Phinehas are slain.* 12 *Eli at the news, falling backward, breaketh his neck.* 19 *Phinehas' wife, discouraged in her travail with I-chabod, dieth.*

AND the word of Samuel [15]came to all Israel. Now Israel went out against the Philistines to battle, and pitched beside Eben-ezer: and the Philistines pitched in Aphek.[r]

2 And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and when [16]they joined battle, Israel was smitten before the Philistines: and they slew of [17]the army in the field about four thousand men.



ARRIVAL OF THE ARK IN THE CAMP OF THE ISRAELITES.

3 ¶ And when the people were come into the camp, the elders of Israel said, Wherefore hath the LORD smitten us to day before the Philistines? [1]Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us, it may save us out of the hand of our enemies.

4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from thence the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth *between* the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, *were* there with the ark of the covenant of God.[a]

5 And when the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp, all Israel shouted with a great shout, so that the earth rang again.

6 And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout, they said, What *meaneth* the noise of this great shout in the camp of the Hebrews? And they understood that the ark of the LORD was come into the camp.

7 And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, God is come into the camp. And they said, Woe unto us! for there hath not been such a thing [2]heretofore.

8 Woe unto us! who shall deliver us out of the hand of these mighty Gods? these *are* the Gods that smote the Egyptians with all the plagues in the wilderness.

9 Be strong, and quit yourselves like men, O ye Philistines, that ye be not servants unto the Hebrews, as they have been to you: [3]quit yourselves like men, and fight.[b]

10 ¶ And the Philistines fought, and Israel was smitten, and they fled every man into his tent: and there was a very great slaughter; for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.[c]

11 And the ark of God was taken; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, [4]were slain.[d]

12 ¶ And there ran a man of Benjamin out of the army, and came to Shiloh the same day with his clothes rent, and with earth upon his head.[e]

13 And when he came, lo, Eli sat upon a seat by the wayside watching: for his heart trembled for the ark of God. And when the man came into the city, and told *it*, all the city cried out.[f]

14 And when Eli heard the noise of the crying, he said, What *meaneth* the noise of this tumult? And the man came in hastily, and told Eli.

15 Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and his eyes [5]were dim, that he could not see.[g]

16 And the man said unto Eli, I *am* he that came out of the army, and I fled to day out of the army. And he said, [6]What is there done, my son?[h]

17 And the messenger answered and said, Israel is fled before the Philistines, and there hath been also a great slaughter among the people, and thy two sons also, Hophni and Phinehas, are dead, and the ark of God is taken.

18 And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of God, that he fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck brake, and he died: for he was an old man, and heavy. And he had judged Israel forty years.[7]

BEFORE CHRIST 1141.

1 Heb. *Take unto us.*

8 Heb. *set not her heart.*

t Gen. xxxv. 17.

a Exod. xxv 18, 22, Numb vii. 89, 2 Sam. vi. 2; Ps. lxxx. 1; xc. 1.

9 That is, *Where is the glory?* or, *there is no glory.*

f ch. xiv 3, Ps xxvi. 8; lxxviii. 61.

2 Heb. *yesterday*, or, *the third day*

h ch iv. 1, vii. 12

3 Heb *be men.*

b Judg xiii 1; 1 Cor. xvi. 13

i Judg. xvi 23.

c ver. 2, Lev xxvi 17, Deut xxviii. 25, Ps lxxviii. 9, 62.

m Isa. xix. 1; xlvi 1, 2, 7

4 Heb *died.*

d ch ii 32, 34; Ps. lxxviii 61, 64.

e Josh vii 6, 2 Sam xiii. 19, xv. 32, Neh. ix. 1; Job ii. 12

f ch i. 9

5 Heb *stood*

g ch. iii. 2

6 Heb *Is the thing?*

h 2 Sam. i. 4.

7 He seems to have been a judge to do justice only, and that in southwest *Israel.*

19 ¶ And his daughter in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, *near* to be delivered: and when she heard the tidings that the ark of God was taken, and that her father in law and her husband were dead, she bowed herself and travailed; for her pains came upon her.

20 And about the time of her death the women that stood by her said unto her, Fear not; for thou hast born a son. But she answered not, [8]neither did she regard *it*.[t]

21 And she named the child [9]I-chabod, saying, The glory is departed from Israel: because the ark of God was taken, and because of her father in law and her husband.[j]

22 And she said, The glory is departed from Israel: for the ark of God is taken.

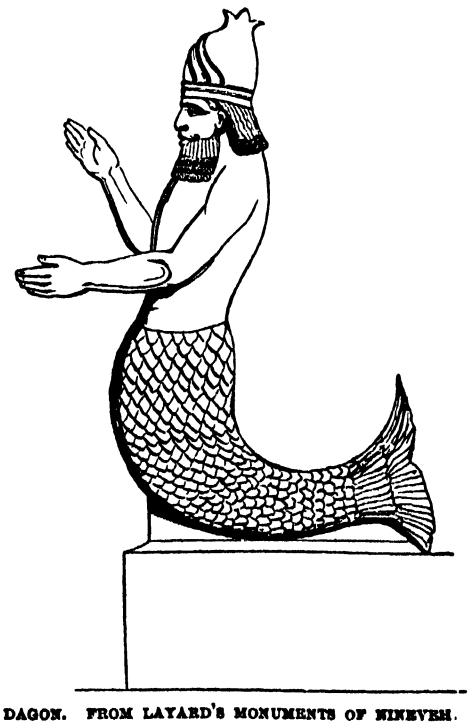
CHAPTER V.

1 *The Philistines having brought the ark into Ashdod, set it in the house of Dagon.* 3 *Dagon is smitten down and cut in pieces, and they of Ashdod smitten with emerods.* 8 *So God dealeth with them of Gath, when it was brought thither:* 10 *and so with them of Ekron, when it was brought thither.*

AND the Philistines took the ark of God, and brought it from Eben-ezer unto Ashdod.[k]

2 When the Philistines took the ark of God, they brought it into the house of Dagon, and set it by Dagon.[l]

3 ¶ And when they of Ashdod arose early on the morrow, behold, Dagon *was* fallen upon his face to the earth before the ark of the LORD. And they took Dagon, and set him in his place again.[m]



DAGON. FROM LAYARD'S MONUMENTS OF NINEVEH.

4 And when they arose early on the morrow morning, behold, Dagon *was* fallen upon his face to

the ground before the ark of the LORD; and the head of Dagon and both the palms of his hands *were* cut off upon the threshold; only [1]*the stump of* Dagon was left to him.[a]

5 Therefore neither the priests of Dagon, nor any that come into Dagon's house, tread on the threshold of Dagon in Ashdod unto this day.[b]

6 But the hand of the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he destroyed them, and smote them with emerods, *even* Ashdod and the coasts thereof.[c]

7 And when the men of Ashdod saw that *it was* so, they said, The ark of the God of Israel shall not abide with us: for his hand is sore upon us, and upon Dagon our god.

8 They sent therefore and gathered all the lords of the Philistines unto them, and said, What shall we do with the ark of the God of Israel? And they answered, Let the ark of the God of Israel be carried

BEFORE CHRIST 1140.

1 Or, *the fishy part.*

a Jer. l. 2, Ezek. vi. 4, 6; Micah i. 7

b Zeph i. 9

c vs. 7, 11; ch. vi. 5, Exod. ix. 3, Deut. xxviii. 27; Ps. xxxii. 4; lxxviii. 66, Acts xiii. 11.

CHAPTER VI.

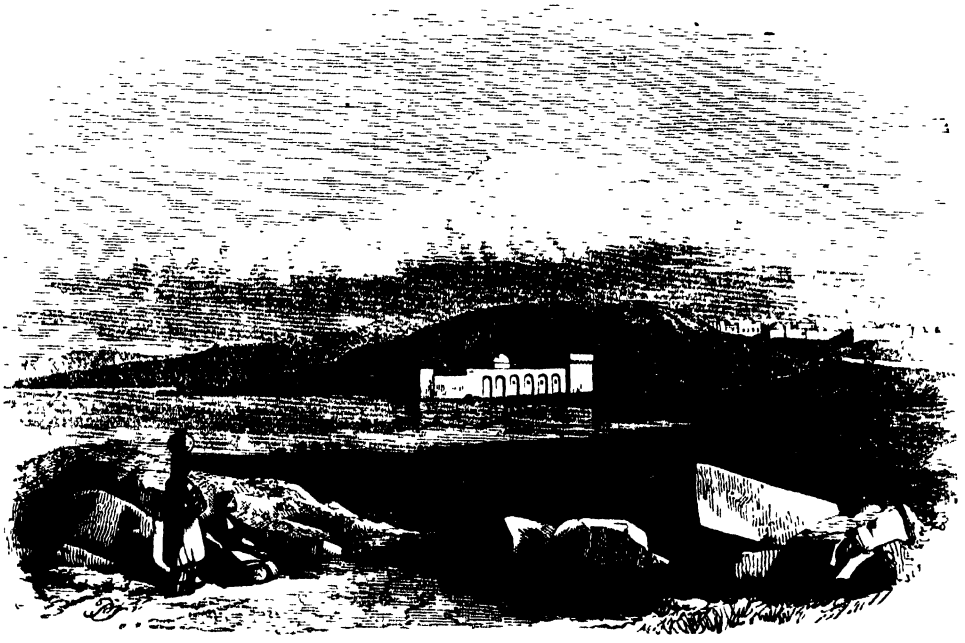
1 *After seven months the Philistines take counsel how to send back the ark.* 10 *They bring it on a new cart with an offering unto Beth-shemesh.* 19 *The people are smitten for looking into the ark.* 21 *They send to them of Kirjath-jearim to fetch it.*

AND the ark of the LORD was in the country of the Philistines seven months.

2 And the Philistines called for the priests and the diviners, saying, What shall we do to the ark of the LORD? tell us wherewith we shall send it to his place.[f]

3 And they said, If ye send away the ark of the God of Israel, send it not empty; but in any wise return him a trespass

f Gen. xli. 8, Exod. vii. 11, Dan. ii. 2, v. 7, Matt. ii. 4.



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about unto Gath. And they carried the ark of the God of Israel about *thither.*

9 And it was *so*, that, after they had carried it about, the hand of the LORD was against the city with a very great destruction: and he smote the men of the city, both small and great, and they had emerods in their secret parts.[d]

10 ¶ Therefore they sent the ark of God to Ekron. And it came to pass, as the ark of God came to Ekron, that the Ekronites cried out, saying, They have brought about the ark of the God of Israel to [2]us, to slay us and our people.

11 So they sent and gathered together all the lords of the Philistines, and said, Send away the ark of the God of Israel, and let it go again to his own place, that it [3]slay us not, and our people: for there was a deadly destruction throughout all the city; the hand of God was very heavy there.[e]

12 And the men that died not were smitten with the emerods: and the cry of the city went up to heaven.

g ver. 9; Exod. xxiii. 15, Lev. v. 15, 16; Deut. xvi. 16.

d vs. 6, 11; ch. vii. 13; xii. 15; Deut. ii. 15.

4 Heb. *them.*

h vs. 17, 18; Josh. xiii. 3, Judg. iii. 3

2 Heb. *me, to slay me and my*

e ch. v. 3, 4, 6, 7, 11, Josh. vii. 19; Ps. xxxix. 10; Isa. xlii. 12; Mal. ii. 2, John ix. 24.

3 Heb. *me not and my.*

5 Or, *reproachfully.* Exod. xii. 31.

6 Heb. *them.*

i Exod. vii. 13; viii. 15, xiv. 17

offering: then ye shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why his hand is not removed from you.[g]

4 Then said they, What *shall be* the trespass offering which we shall return to him? They answered, Five golden emerods, and five golden mice, *according to* the number of the lords of the Philistines: for one plague *was* on [4]you all, and on your lords.[h]

5 Wherefore ye shall make images of your emerods, and images of your mice that mar the land; and ye shall give glory unto the God of Israel: peradventure he will lighten his hand from off you, and from off your gods, and from off your land.[i]

6 Wherefore then do ye harden your hearts, as the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when he had wrought [5]wonderfully among them, did they not let [6]the people go, and they departed?[j]

7 Now therefore make a new cart, and take two milch kine, on which there hath come no yoke, and

tie the kine to the cart, and bring their calves home from them:[a]

8 And take the ark of the LORD, and lay it upon the cart; and put the jewels of gold, which ye return him *for* a trespass offering, in a coffer by the side thereof; and send it away, that it may go.[b]

9 And see, if it goeth up by the way of his own coast to Beth-shemesh, *then* he hath done us this great evil: but if not, then we shall know that *it is* not his hand *that* smote us; it *was* a chance *that* happened to us.[c]

10 ¶ And the men did so; and took two milch kine, and tied them to the cart, and shut up their calves at home:

11 And they laid the ark of the LORD upon the cart, and the coffer with the mice of gold and the images of their emerods.

12 And the kine took the straight way to the way of Beth-shemesh, *and* went along the highway, lowing as they went, and turned not aside *to* the right hand or *to* the left; and the lords of the Philistines went after them unto the border of Beth-shemesh.

13 And *they of* Beth-shemesh *were* reaping their wheat harvest in the valley: and they lifted up their eyes, and saw the ark, and rejoiced to see *it*.

14 And the cart came into the field of Joshua, a Beth-shemite, and stood there, where *there was* a great stone: and they clave the wood of the cart, and offered the kine a burnt offering unto the LORD.

15 And the Levites took down the ark of the LORD, and the coffer that *was* with it, wherein the jewels of gold *were*, and put *them* on the great stone: and the men of Beth-shemesh offered burnt offerings and sacrificed sacrifices the same day unto the LORD.

16 And when the five lords of the Philistines had seen *it*, they returned to Ekron the same day.[d]

17 And these *are* the golden emerods which the Philistines returned *for* a trespass offering unto the LORD; for Ashdod one, for Gaza one, for Askelon one, for Gath one, for [1]Ekron one;[e]

18 And the golden mice, *according to* the number of all the cities of the Philistines *belonging* to the five lords, *both* of fenced cities, and of country villages, even unto the great *stone of* [2]Abel, whereon they set down the ark of the LORD: *which stone remaineth* unto this day in the field of Joshua, the Beth-shemite.

19 ¶ And he smote the men of Beth-shemesh, because they had looked into the ark of the LORD, even he smote of the people fifty thousand and threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because the LORD had smitten *many* of the people with a great slaughter.[f]

20 And the men of Beth-shemesh said, Who is able to stand before this holy LORD God? and to whom shall he go up from us?[g]

21 ¶ And they sent messengers to the inhabitants of [3]Kirjath-jearim, saying, The Philistines have brought again the ark of the LORD; come ye down, *and* fetch it up to you.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1140.

a 2 Sam. vi. 3; Numb. xix. 2.

b vs. 4, 5.

c ver. 3; Josh xv. 10

d ch vi. 21; 2 Sam. vi. 4, Ps. cxxxii. 6

e Gen xxxv. 2; Deut. vi. 13; x. 20, xiii 4; xxx. 2—10; Josh. xxiv 14, 23, Judg ii 13; 1 Kings viii 48, 2 Chron xxx 19, Job xi 13, 14, Isa. lv. 7; Hos vi 1

f Judg ii. 11

g Judg xx. 1; 2 Kings xxv. 22.

h Judg. x 10; 2 Sam xiv 14; 1 Kings viii. 47; Neh ix. 1, 2; Ps cvi 6; Dan. ix. 3—5; Joel ii. 12.

i Josh. xiii. 3

k Heb. *Be not silent from us from crying*

l Isa. xxxvii. 4

1 Ekron was the capital of the most northern of the Philistine states, and was the seat of the worship of Baal-zebub (2 Kings i. 2).

m ver. 4

n Or, *answered.*

o Ps xcix. 6, Jer xv 1.

2 For Abel, as a proper name, it would be better to read AVEN, a stone, which latter word our translators have needlessly supplied. The reading ought to be simply, "a great stone"

p ch ii. 10, Josh x. 10, Judg iv 15; v 20, 2 Sam. xxii. 14, 15

q Exod xix. 21, Numb. iv 5, 15, 20, 2 Sam. vi. 7.

3 That is, *the stone of help*

r ch. iv 1; Gen. xxviii 18, xxxi. 45; xxxv 14; Josh. iv. 9, xxiv. 26.

s 2 Sam. vi. 9, Mal. iii. 2.

t Kirjath-jearim, called also Kirjath-baal (Josh. xv 60), stood on a hill, and Beth-shemesh was in a valley Hence the phrase—"Come down and fetch it up."

u ch. xiii. 5.

v Josh. xviii. 14; Judg. xviii. 12; 1 Chron. xiii. 5, 6

CHAPTER VII.

1 They of Kirjath-jearim bring the ark unto the house of Abinadab, and sanctify Eleazar his son to keep it. 2 After twenty years 3 the Israelites, by Samuel's means, solemnly repent at Mizpeh. 7 While Samuel prayeth and sacrificeth, the Lord discomfiteth the Philistines by thunder at Eben-ezer. 13 The Philistines are subdued. 15 Samuel peaceably and religiously judgeth Israel.

AND the men of Kirjath-jearim came, and fetched up the ark of the LORD, and brought it into the house of Abinadab in the hill, and sanctified Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the LORD.[u]

2 And it came to pass, while the ark abode in Kirjath-jearim, that the time was long; for it was twenty years: and all the house of Israel lamented after the LORD.

3 ¶ And Samuel spake unto all the house of Israel, saying, If ye do return unto the LORD with all your hearts, *then* put away the strange gods and Ashtaroth from among you, and prepare your hearts unto the LORD, and serve him only: and he will deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines.[i]

4 Then the children of Israel did put away Baalim and Ashtaroth, and served the LORD only.[k]

5 And Samuel said, Gather all Israel to Mizpeh, and I will pray for you unto the LORD.[l]

6 And they gathered together to Mizpeh, and drew water, and poured *it* out before the LORD, and fasted on that day, and said there, We have sinned against the LORD. And Samuel judged the children of Israel in Mizpeh.[m]

7 And when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel were gathered together to Mizpeh, the lords of the Philistines went up against Israel. And when the children of Israel heard *it*, they were afraid of the Philistines.

8 And the children of Israel said to Samuel, [4]Cease not to cry unto the LORD our God for us, that he will save us out of the hand of the Philistines.[n]

9 ¶ And Samuel took a sucking lamb, and offered *it for* a burnt offering wholly unto the LORD: and Samuel cried unto the LORD for Israel; and the LORD [5]heard him.[o]

10 And as Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel: but the LORD thundered with a great thunder on that day upon the Philistines, and discomfited them; and they were smitten before Israel.[p]

11 And the men of Israel went out of Mizpeh, and pursued the Philistines, and smote them, until *they came* under Beth-car.

12 Then Samuel took a stone, and set *it* between Mizpeh and Shen, and called the name of it [6]Eben-ezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped us.[q]

13 ¶ So the Philistines were subdued, and they came no more into the coast of Israel: and the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines all the days of Samuel.[r]

14 And the cities which the Philistines had taken from Israel were restored to Israel, from Ekron even



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unto Gath; and the coasts thereof did Israel deliver out of the hands of the Philistines. And there was peace between Israel and the Amorites.

15 And Samuel judged Israel all the days of his life.[a]

16 And he went from year to year [1]in circuit to Beth-el, and Gilgal, and Mizpeh, and judged Israel in all those places.

17 And his return *was* to Ramah; for there *was* his house; and there he judged Israel; and there he built an altar unto the LORD.[b]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *By occasion of the ill government of Samuel's sons, the Israelites ask a king.* 6 *Samuel praying in grief, is comforted by God:* 10 *He telleth the manner of a king.* 19 *God willeth Samuel to yield unto the importunity of the people.*

AND it came to pass, when Samuel was old, that he made his sons judges over Israel.[c]

2 Now the name of his firstborn was [2]Joel; and the name of his second, Abiah: *they were* judges in Beer-sheba.

3 And his sons walked not in his ways, but turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and perverted judgment.[d]

4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered themselves together, and came to Samuel unto Ramah,

5 And said unto him, Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now make us a king to judge us like all the nations.[e]

6 ¶ But the thing [3]displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD.

7 And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto thee: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.[f]

8 According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have forsaken me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee.

9 Now therefore [4]hearken unto their voice: [5]howbeit yet protest solemnly unto them, and shew them the manner of the king that shall reign over them.[g]

10 ¶ And Samuel told all the words of the LORD unto the people that asked of him a king.

11 And he said, This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you: He will take your sons, and appoint *them* for himself, for his chariots, and *to be* his horsemen; and *some* shall run before his chariots.[h]

12 And he will appoint him captains over thousands, and captains over fifties; and *will set them* to ear his ground, and to reap his harvest, and to make his instruments of war, and instruments of his chariots.

13 And he will take your daughters *to be* confectionaries, and *to be* cooks, and *to be* bakers.

BEFORE CHRIST 1120.

i 1 Kings xxi. 7; Ezek. xlvi. 16.

a ver. 6; ch. xii. 11; Judg. ii. 16.

6 Heb. *eunuchs.*

1 Heb. *and he circuited.*

j Gen. xxxvii. 36.

b ch. vii. 4; Judg xxi. 4.

k Prov i. 25—28; Isa i. 15; Micah iii. 4.

l Jer. xliv. 16.

m ver. 5.

c Deut. xvi. 18; 2 Chron xix. 5; Judg. x 4, xii 14, compared with Judg. v. 10.

2 Or, *Vashni.* 1 Chron. vi. 28.

n ver. 7; Hos. xiii. 11.

d Exod. xviii. 21; Deut. xvi 19; Ps xv. 5; Jer. xxii. 15—17; 1 Tim. vi. 10.

e vs 19, 20; Deut. xvii. 14, Hos. xiii 10, Acts xiii. 21

3 Heb *was evil in the eyes of Samuel.*

7 Or, *the son of a man of Jemini.*

8 Or, *substance*

o ch. xiv. 51; 1 Chron. viii 33; ix. 39.

f ch x 19; xii. 17, 19, Exod. xvi. 8; Hos. xiii. 10, 11.

4 Or, *obey*

5 Or, *notwithstanding, when thou hast solemnly protested against them, then thou shalt shew, &c.*

p ch x 23.

g ver. 11.

h ch x 25; xiv. 52; Deut. xvii. 16. &c.

q 2 Kings iv. 42.

14 And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliveyards, *even* the best *of them*, and give *them* to his servants.[i]

15 And he will take the tenth of your seed, and of your vineyards, and give to his [6]officers, and to his servants.[j]

16 And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and your goodliest young men, and your asses, and put *them* to his work.

17 He will take the tenth of your sheep: and ye shall be his servants.

18 And ye shall cry out in that day because of your king which ye shall have chosen you; and the LORD will not hear you in that day.[k]

19 ¶ Nevertheless the people refused to obey the voice of Samuel; and they said, Nay; but we will have a king over us;[l]

20 That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles.[m]

21 And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he rehearsed them in the ears of the LORD.

22 And the LORD said to Samuel, Hearken unto their voice, and make them a king. And Samuel said unto the men of Israel, Go ye every man unto his city.[n]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Saul despairing to find his father's asses,* 6 *by the counsel of his servant,* 11 *and direction of young maidens,* 15 *according to God's revelation,* 18 *cometh to Samuel.* 19 *Samuel entertaineth Saul at the feast.* 25 *Samuel, after secret communication, bringeth Saul on his way.*

NOW there was a man of Benjamin, whose name *was* Kish, the son of Abiel, the son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah, [7]a Benjamite, a mighty man of [8]power.[o]

2 And he had a son, whose name *was* Saul, a choice young man, and a goodly: and *there was* not among the children of Israel a goodlier person than he: from his shoulders and upward *he was* higher than any of the people.[p]

3 And the asses of Kish Saul's father were lost. And Kish said to Saul his son, Take now one of the servants with thee, and arise, go seek the asses.

4 And he passed through mount Ephraim, and passed through the land of Shalisha, but they found *them* not: then they passed through the land of Shalim, and *there they were* not: and he passed through the land of the Benjamites, but they found *them* not.[q]

5 *And* when they were come to the land of Zuph, Saul said to his servant that *was* with him, Come, and let us return; lest my father leave *caring* for the asses, and take thought for us.

6 And he said unto him, Behold now, *there is* in

this city a man of God, and *he is* an honourable man; all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither; peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go.'

7 Then said Saul to his servant, But, behold, *if* we go, what shall we bring the man? for the bread [1]is spent in our vessels, and *there is* not a present to bring to the man of God: what [2]have we?[b]

8 And the servant answered Saul again, and said, Behold, [3]I have here at hand the fourth part of a shekel of silver: *that* will I give to the man of God, to tell us our way.

BEFORE CHRIST 1095.

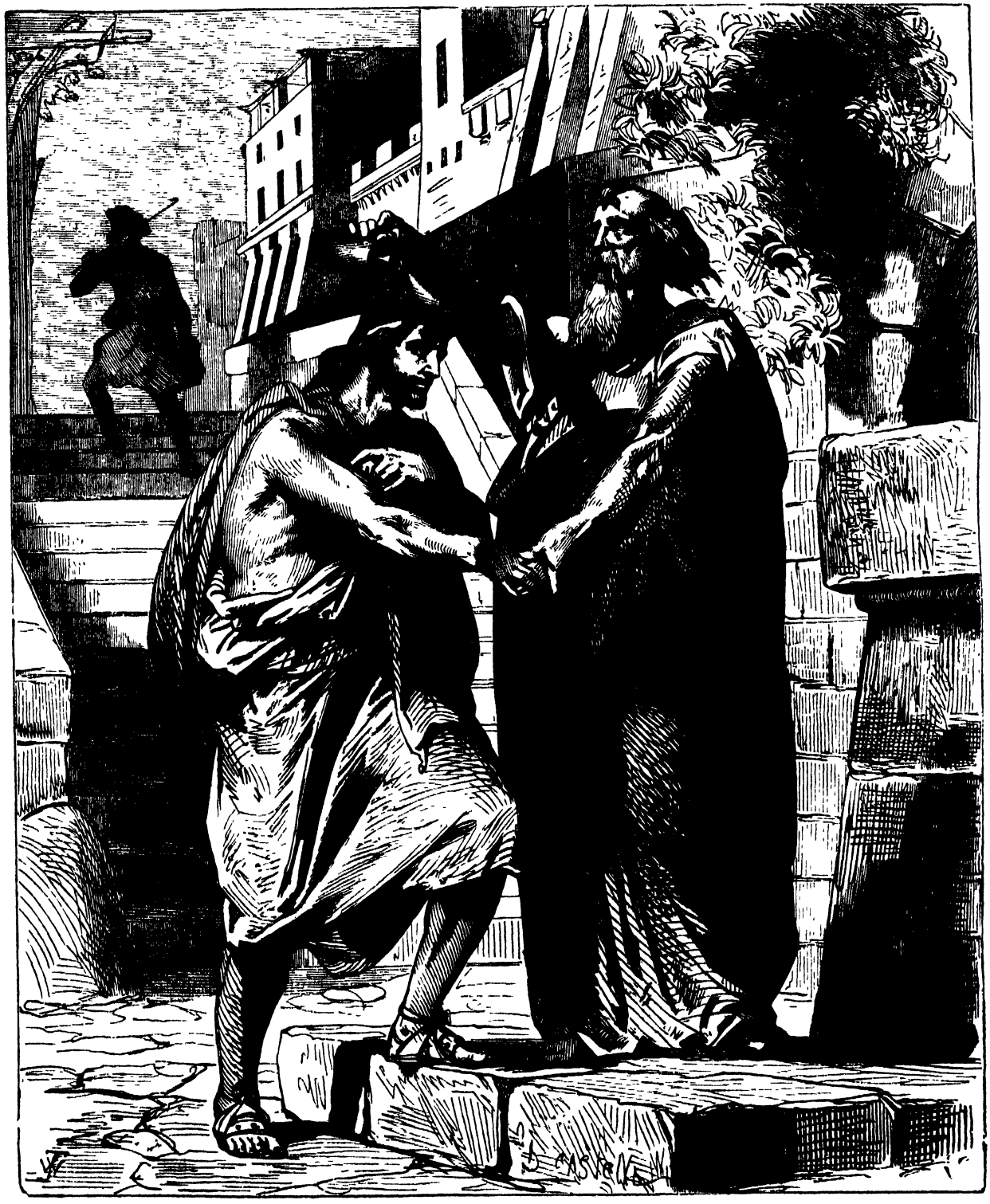
a ch. iii. 19; Deut. xxxiii. 1; 1 Kings xiii 1

c 2 Sam. xxiv. 11, 2 Kings xvii. 13; 1 Chron. xxvi. 28.

4 Heb *Thy word is good.*

9 (Beforetime in Israel, when a man went to enquire of God, thus he spake, Come, and let us go to the seer: for *he that is* now *called* a Prophet was beforetime called a Seer.)[c]

10 Then said Saul to his servant, [4]Well said; come, let us go. So they went unto the city where the man of God *was.*



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11 ¶ *And* as they went [5]up the hill to the city, they found young maidens going out to draw water, and said unto them, Is the seer here?[d]

12 And they answered them, and said, He is; behold, *he is* before you: make haste now, for he

1 Heb. *is gone out of,* &c.

2 Heb. *is with us.*

b Judg. vi. 18; xiii. 17; 1 Kings xiv 3; 2 Kings iv. 42; viii. 8.

5 Heb. *in the ascent of the city.*

3 Heb. *there is found in my hand,* &c.

d Gen. xxiv. 11.

came to day to the city; for *there is* a [1]sacrifice of the people to day in the high place:[a]

13 As soon as ye be come into the city, ye shall straightway find him, before he go up to the high place to eat: for the people will not eat until he come, because he doth bless the sacrifice; *and* afterwards they eat that be bidden. Now therefore get you up; for [2]about this time ye shall find him.

14 And they went up into the city: *and* when they were come into the city, behold, Samuel came out against them, for to go up to the high place.

15 ¶ Now the LORD had [3]told Samuel in his ear a day before Saul came, saying,[b]

16 To morrow about this time I will send thee a man out of the land of Benjamin, and thou shalt anoint him *to be* captain over my people Israel, that he may save my people out of the hand of the Philistines: for I have looked upon my people, because their cry is come unto me.[c]

17 And when Samuel saw Saul, the LORD said unto him, Behold the man whom I spake to thee of! this same shall [4]reign over my people.[d]

18 Then Saul drew near to Samuel in the gate, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, where the seer's house *is*.

19 And Samuel answered Saul, and said, I *am* the seer: go up before me unto the high place; for ye shall eat with me to day, and to morrow I will let thee go, and will tell thee all that *is* in thine heart.

20 And as for thine asses that were lost [5]three days ago, set not thy mind on them; for they are found. And on whom *is* all the desire of Israel? *Is it* not on thee, and on all thy father's house?[e]

21 And Saul answered and said, *Am* not I a Benjamite, of the smallest of the tribes of Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin? wherefore then [6]speakest thou so to me?[f]

22 And Samuel took Saul and his servant, and brought them into the parlour, and made them sit in the chiefest place among them that were bidden, which *were* about thirty persons.

23 And Samuel said unto the cook, Bring the portion which I gave thee, of which I said unto thee, Set it by thee.

24 And the cook took up the shoulder, and *that* which *was* upon it, and set *it* before Saul. And *Samuel* said, Behold that which is [7]left! set *it* before thee, *and* eat: for unto this time hath it been kept for thee since I said, I have invited the people. So Saul did eat with Samuel that day.[g]

25 ¶ And when they were come down from the high place into the city, *Samuel* communed with Saul upon the top of the house.[h]

26 And they arose early: and it came to pass about the spring of the day, that Samuel called Saul to the top of the house, saying, Up, that I may send thee away. And Saul arose, and they went out both of them, he and Samuel, abroad.

27 *And* as they were going down to the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul, Bid the servant pass on before us, (and he passed on,) but stand thou still [8]a while, that I may shew thee the word of God.

BEFORE CHRIST 1095.

1 Or, *feast.*

a ch. xvi. 2; Gen. xxxi 54; 1 Kings iii. 2.

8 Heb. *to day.*

2 Heb. *to day.*

3 Heb. *revealed the ear of Samuel.*

b ch xv. 1; xx. 2; Acts xiii. 21.

c Deut. xxxii. 9; Ps. ii. 12; lxxviii. 71; Acts xiii. 21.

c ch. x. 1; Exod ii. 25; iii. 7, 9.

4 Heb. *restrain in*

d ch. xvi 12, Hos xiii. 11.

9 Heb *the business.*

e Gen. xxxv. 19, 20; Josh. xviii. 28.

5 Heb. *to day three days.*

f Gen. xxviii. 22; xxxv. 1, 3, 7.

10 Heb. *ask thee of peace.*

e ver. 3; ch. viii. 5, 19, xii. 13.

f Judg. xviii 15.

6 Heb. *according to this word.*

f ch. xv 17; Judg. vi. 15; xx. 46 — 48; Ps. lxviii. 27.

m ver 10, ch. ix. 12; xvi 13, xix. 23, 24; Exod. xv 20, 21, Numb xi. 25; 2 Kings iii. 15; 1 Cor xiv 1

11 Heb. *it shall come to pass, that when these signs, &c.*

12 Heb *do for thee as thine hand shall find.* Judg. ix. 33

n Exod. iv. 8; Luke ii 12.

7 Or, *reserved.*

g Lev vii. 32, 33; Ezek. xxiv 4.

o ch xi. 14, 15; xiii. 4, 8.

13 Heb *shoulder.*

14 Heb. *turned.*

h Deut. xxii. 8; 2 Sam. xi. 2, Acts x. 9.

p vs 5, 6; ch. xix. 20

CHAPTER X.

1 *Samuel anointeth Saul.* 2 *He confirmeth him by prediction of three signs.* 9 *Saul's heart is changed, and he prophesieth.* 14 *He concealeth the matter of the kingdom from his uncle.* 17 *Saul is chosen at Mizpeh by lot.* 26 *The different affections of his subjects.*

THEN Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured *it* upon his head, and kissed him, and said, *Is it* not because the LORD hath anointed thee *to be* captain over his inheritance?[a]

2 When thou art departed from me to day, then thou shalt find two men by Rachel's sepulchre in the border of Benjamin at Zelzah; and they will say unto thee, The asses which thou wentest to seek are found: and, lo, thy father hath left [9]the care of the asses, and sorroweth for you, saying, What shall I do for my son?[j]

3 Then shalt thou go on forward from thence, and thou shalt come to the plain of Tabor, and there shall meet thee three men going up to God to Beth-el, one carrying three kids, and another carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine:[k]

4 And they will [10]salute thee, and give thee two *loaves* of bread; which thou shalt receive of their hands.[l]

5 After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, where *is* the garrison of the Philistines: and it shall come to pass, when thou art come thither to the city, that thou shalt meet a company of prophets coming down from the high place with a psaltery, and a tabret, and a pipe, and a harp, before them; and they shall prophesy:

6 And the Spirit of the LORD will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with them, and shalt be turned into another man.[m]

7 And [11]let it be, when these signs are come unto thee, [12]*that* thou do as occasion serve thee; for God *is* with thee.[n]

8 And thou shalt go down before me to Gilgal; and, behold, I will come down unto thee, to offer burnt offerings, *and* to sacrifice sacrifices of peace offerings: seven days shalt thou tarry, till I come to thee, and shew thee what thou shalt do.[o]

9 ¶ And it was *so*, that when he had turned his [13]back to go from Samuel, God [14]gave him another heart: and all those signs came to pass that day.

10 And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came upon him, and he prophesied among them.[p]

11 And it came to pass, when all that knew him

beforetime saw that, behold, he prophesied among the prophets, then the people said one to another, What *is* this *that* is come unto the son of Kish? *Is* Saul also among the prophets?[a]

12 And one [1]of the same place answered and said, But who *is* their father? Therefore it became a proverb, *Is* Saul also among the prophets?

13 And when he had made an end of prophesying, he came to the high place.

14 ¶ And Saul's uncle said unto him and to his servant, Whither went ye? And he said, To seek the asses: and when we saw that *they were* no where, we came to Samuel.

15 And Saul's uncle said, Tell me, I pray thee, what Samuel said unto you.

16 And Saul said unto his uncle, He told us plainly that the asses were found. But of the matter of the kingdom, whereof Samuel spake, he told him not.

17 ¶ And Samuel called the people together unto the LORD to Mizpeh;

18 And said unto the children of Israel, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I brought up Israel out of Egypt, and delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all kingdoms, *and* of them that oppressed you:[b]

19 And ye have this day rejected your God, who himself saved you out of all your adversities and your tribulations; and ye have said unto him, *Nay*, but set a king over us. Now therefore present yourselves before the LORD by your tribes, and by your thousands.[c]

20 And when Samuel had caused all the tribes of Israel to come near, the tribe of Benjamin was taken.[d]

21 When he had caused the tribe of Benjamin to come near by their families, the family of Matri was taken, and Saul the son of Kish was taken: and when they sought him, he could not be found.

22 Therefore they enquired of the LORD further, if the man should yet come thither. And the LORD answered, Behold, he hath hid himself among the stuff.[e]

23 And they ran and fetched him thence: and when he stood among the people, he was higher than any of the people from his shoulders and upward.[f]

24 And Samuel said to all the people, See ye him whom the LORD hath chosen, that *there is* none like him among all the people? And all the people shouted, and said, [2]God save the king.[g]

25 Then Samuel told the people the manner of the kingdom, and wrote *it* in a book, and laid *it* up before the LORD. And Samuel sent all the people away, every man to his house.[h]

26 ¶ And Saul also went home to Gibeah; and there went with him a band of men, whose hearts God had touched.[i]

27 But the children of Belial said, How shall this man save us? And they despised him, and brought him no presents. But [3]he held his peace.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1095.

a ch. xix. 24; Matt. xiii. 54, 55; John vii. 15; Acts iv. 13.

1 Heb. *from thence.*

b ch. xii. 12, Gen. xxvi 28; Exod. xxiii. 32; Judg. xxi. 8; 1 Kings xx. 34; Job xii. 4; Ezek. xvii. 13.

c ch xvii 26, Gen xxxiv. 14.

4 Heb. *Forbear us.*

b ch. vii. 8, 6 vi. 15, Judg. vi. 8, 9, xi. 11, xx 1.

m ch. x. 26; xv 34, Judg. ii. 4, xxi 2, 2 Sam. xxi. 6.

c ch. viii. 7, 19; xii. 12.

n ch. x 10; xvi. 13; Judg. iii. 10; vi. 34; xi. 29; xiii. 25; xiv. 6.

d Josh vii. 14, 16, 17; Acts i. 24, 26.

5 Heb *as one man.* Judg. xx. 1.

o Judg xix. 29, xxi. 5, 8, 10.

p Judg i. 5; 2 Sam. xxiv. 9.

e ch. xxiii. 2, 4, 10, 11.

f ch. ix. 2.

6 Or, *deliverance*

2 Heb. *Let the king live.*

g 2 Sam. xxi 6; 1 Kings i. 25, 39; 2 Kings xi. 12

q ver. 3.

h ch viii. 11; Deut. xvii. 14, &c.

r ch. xxxi. 11; Judg. vii. 16.

i ch. xi. 4; Judg xx. 14.

3 Or, *he was as though he had been deaf.*

j ch. xi. 12; Deut. xiii. 13; 2 Sam. viii. 2; 1 Kings iv. 21; x. 25; 2 Chron. xvii. 5; Ps. lxxii. 10; Matt. ii. 11.

s ch. x. 27; xix. 5; Exod. xiv. 13, 30; 2 Sam. xix. 22; Luke xix. 27.

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Nahash offereth them of Jabesh-gilead a reproachful condition.* 4 *They send messengers, and are delivered by Saul.* 12 *Saul thereby is confirmed, and his kingdom renewed.*

THEN Nahash the Ammonite came up, and encamped against Jabesh-gilead: and all the men of Jabesh said unto Nahash, Make a covenant with us, and we will serve thee.[k]

2 And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, On this *condition* will I make *a covenant* with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it *for* a reproach upon all Israel.[l]

3 And the elders of Jabesh said unto him, [4]Give us seven days' respite, that we may send messengers unto all the coasts of Israel: and then, if *there be* no man to save us, we will come out to thee.

4 ¶ Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and told the tidings in the ears of the people: and all the people lifted up their voices, and wept.[m]

5 And, behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field; and Saul said, What *aileth* the people that they weep? And they told him the tidings of the men of Jabesh.

6 And the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly.[n]

7 And he took a yoke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent *them* throughout all the coasts of Israel by the hands of messengers, saying, Whosoever cometh not forth after Saul and after Samuel, so shall it be done unto his oxen. And the fear of the LORD fell on the people, and they came out [5]with one consent.[o]

8 And when he numbered them in Bezek, the children of Israel were three hundred thousand, and the men of Judah thirty thousand.[p]

9 And they said unto the messengers that came, Thus shall ye say unto the men of Jabesh-gilead, To morrow, by *that time* the sun be hot, ye shall have [6]help. And the messengers came and shewed *it* to the men of Jabesh; and they were glad.

10 Therefore the men of Jabesh said, To morrow we will come out unto you, and ye shall do with us all that seemeth good unto you.[q]

11 And it was *so* on the morrow, that Saul put the people in three companies; and they came into the midst of the host in the morning watch, and slew the Ammonites until the heat of the day: and it came to pass, that they which remained were scattered, so that two of them were not left together.[r]

12 ¶ And the people said unto Samuel, Who *is* he that said, Shall Saul reign over us? bring the men, that we may put them to death.

13 And Saul said, There shall not a man be put to death this day: for to day the LORD hath wrought salvation in Israel.[s]

14 Then said Samuel to the people, Come, and let us go to Gilgal, and renew the kingdom there.

15 And all the people went to Gilgal; and there they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal; and there they sacrificed sacrifices of peace offerings before the LORD; and there Saul and all the men of Israel rejoiced greatly.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 1095.

[b] ch. viii. 1, 5, 19, 20; x. 24; xi. 14, 15; Numb. xxvii. 17.

[a] ch. x. 8, 17

1 Heb *ransom.*

2 Or, *that I should hide mine eyes at him.* Deut. xvi. 19.

you: and I have walked before you from my childhood unto this day.[b]

3 Behold, here I *am:* witness against me before the LORD, and before his anointed: whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I received *any* [1]bribe [2]to



THE STORM IN HARVEST.

CHAPTER XII.

Samuel testifieth his integrity. 6 *He reproveth the people of ingratitude* 16 *He terrifieth them with thunder in harvest time.* 20 *He comforteth them in God's mercy.*

AND Samuel said unto all Israel, Behold, I have hearkened unto your voice in all that ye said unto me, and have made a king over you.

2 And now, behold, the king walketh before you: and I am old and grayheaded; and, behold, my sons *are* with

[c] ver. 5, ch. x. 1; xxiv. 6, Numb. xvi. 15, 2 Sam. i. 14, 16

3 Or, *made.*

[d] Micah vi. 4.

4 Heb *righteousnesses,* or, *benefits.* Judg. v. 11.

5 Heb. *with.*

[e] Isa. i. 18; v. 3, 4; Micah vi. 2, 3

blind mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it you.[c]

4 And they said, Thou hast not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither hast thou taken ought of any man's hand.

5 And he said unto them, The LORD *is* witness against you, and his anointed *is* witness this day, that ye have not found ought in my hand. And they answered, *He is* witness.

6 ¶ And Samuel said unto the people, *It is* the LORD that [3]advanced Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers up out of the land of Egypt.[d]

7 Now therefore stand still, that I may reason with you before the LORD of all the [4]righteous acts of the LORD, which he did to you [5]and to your fathers.[e]

8 When Jacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried unto the LORD, then the LORD sent Moses and Aaron, which brought forth your fathers out of Egypt, and made them dwell in this place.[a]

9 And when they forgat the LORD their God, he sold them into the hand of Sisera, captain of the host of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab, and they fought against them.[b]

10 And they cried unto the LORD, and said, We have sinned, because we have forsaken the LORD, and have served Baalim and Ashtaroth: but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies and we will serve thee.[c]

11 And the LORD sent Jerubbaal, and Bedan, and Jephthah, and Samuel, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side, and ye dwelled safe.[d]

12 And when ye saw that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon came against you, ye said unto me, Nay; but a king shall reign over us: when the LORD your God *was* your king.[e]

13 Now therefore behold the king whom ye have chosen, *and* whom ye have desired! and, behold, the LORD hath set a king over you.[f]

14 If ye will fear the LORD, and serve him, and obey his voice, and not rebel against the [1]commandment of the LORD, then shall both ye and also the king that reigneth over you [2]continue following the LORD your God:[g]

15 But if ye will not obey the voice of the LORD, but rebel against the commandment of the LORD, then shall the hand of the LORD be against you, as *it was* against your fathers.[h]

16 ¶ Now therefore stand and see this great thing, which the LORD will do before your eyes.[i]

17 *Is it* not wheat harvest to day? I will call unto the LORD, and he shall send thunder and rain; that ye may perceive and see that your wickedness *is* great, which ye have done in the sight of the LORD, in asking you a king.[j]

18 So Samuel called unto the LORD; and the LORD sent thunder and rain that day: and all the people greatly feared the LORD and Samuel.[k]

19 And all the people said unto Samuel, Pray for thy servants unto the LORD thy God, that we die not: for we have added unto all our sins *this* evil, to ask us a king.[l]

20 ¶ And Samuel said unto the people, Fear not: ye have done all this wickedness: yet turn not aside from following the LORD, but serve the LORD with all your heart;

21 And turn ye not aside: for *then should ye go* after vain *things*, which cannot profit nor deliver; for they *are* vain.[m]

22 For the LORD will not forsake his people for his great name's sake: because it hath pleased the LORD to make you his people.[n]

23 Moreover as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the LORD [3]in ceasing to pray for you: but I will teach you the good and the right way:[o]

24 Only fear the LORD, and serve him in truth with all your heart: for consider [4]how great *things* he hath done for you.[p]

25 But if ye shall still do wickedly, ye shall be consumed, both ye and your king.[q]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Saul's selected band.* 3 *He calleth the Hebrews to Gilgal against the Philistines, whose garrison Jonathan had smitten.* 5 *The Philistines' great host.* 6 *The distress of the Israelites.* 8 *Saul, weary of staying for Samuel, sacrificeth.* 11 *Samuel reproveth him.* 17 *The three spoiling bands of the Philistines.* 19 *The policy of the Philistines, to suffer no smith in Israel.*

SAUL [5]reigned one year; and when he had reigned two years over Israel,

2 Saul chose him three thousand *men* of Israel; *whereof* two thousand were with Saul in Michmash and in mount Beth-el, and a thousand were with Jonathan in Gibeah of Benjamin: and the rest of the people he sent every man to his tent.[r]

3 And Jonathan smote the garrison of the Philistines that *was* in [6]Geba, and the Philistines heard *of it*. And Saul blew the trumpet throughout all the land, saying, Let the Hebrews hear.

4 And all Israel heard say *that* Saul had smitten a garrison of the Philistines, and *that* Israel also [7]was had in abomination with the Philistines. And the people were called together after Saul to Gilgal.[s]

5 ¶ And the Philistines gathered themselves together to fight with Israel, thirty thousand chariots, and six thousand horsemen, and people as the sand which *is* on the sea shore in multitude: and they came up, and pitched in Michmash, eastward from Beth-aven.

6 When the men of Israel saw that they were in a strait, (for the people were distressed,) then the people did hide themselves in caves, and in thickets, and in rocks, and in high places, and in pits.[u]

7 And *some of* the Hebrews went over Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. As for Saul, he *was* yet in Gilgal, and all the people [8]followed him trembling.

8 ¶ And he tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel *had appointed:* but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him.[v]

9 And Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings. And he offered the burnt offering.

10 And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might [9]salute him.

11 ¶ And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul said, Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and *that* thou camest not within the days appointed, and *that* the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash;

12 Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not [10]made sup-

BEFORE CHRIST 1095.

4 Or, *what a great thing, &c.*

p Deut. x. 21; Ps. cxxvi. 2, 3; Eccles. xii. 13; Isa. v. 12.

a Gen xlvi. 5, 6; Exod. ii. 23; iii. 10; iv. 16.

q Deut. xxviii. 36; Josh. xxiv. 20.

b Judg. iii. 7, 12; iv. 2; x. 7; xiii. 1.

5 Heb. *the son of one year in his reigning*

c Judg. ii. 13; x. 10, 15, 16.

d ch vii 13; Judg. vi. 14, 33; xi. 1.

e ch viii 3, 7, 19; x 19; xi 1; Judg viii. 23.

r ch x 26.

6 Or, *the hill.*

f ch. viii 5; ix. 20; x. 24, Hos xiii 11.

s ch. x. 5.

1 Heb *mouth.*

7 Heb. *did stink.*

2 Heb *be after.*

g Josh. xxiv 14; Ps. lxxxi. 13, 14.

t Gen. xxxiv. 30; Exod. v. 21.

h ver. 9; Lev. xxvi. 14, 15, &c., Deut. xxviii. 15, &c.; Josh. xxiv. 20.

i Exod. xiv. 13, 31.

u Judg vi. 2.

j ch vii 9, 10; viii. 7; Josh. x 12, Prov xxvi 1, James v. 16—18.

8 Heb. *trembled after him*

k Exod. xiv. 31; Ezra x. 9.

l Exod ix. 28, x 17; James v 15, 1 John v 16

v ch. x. 8

m Deut. xi. 16; Jer. xvi. 19, Hab. ii. 18, 1 Cor. viii. 4

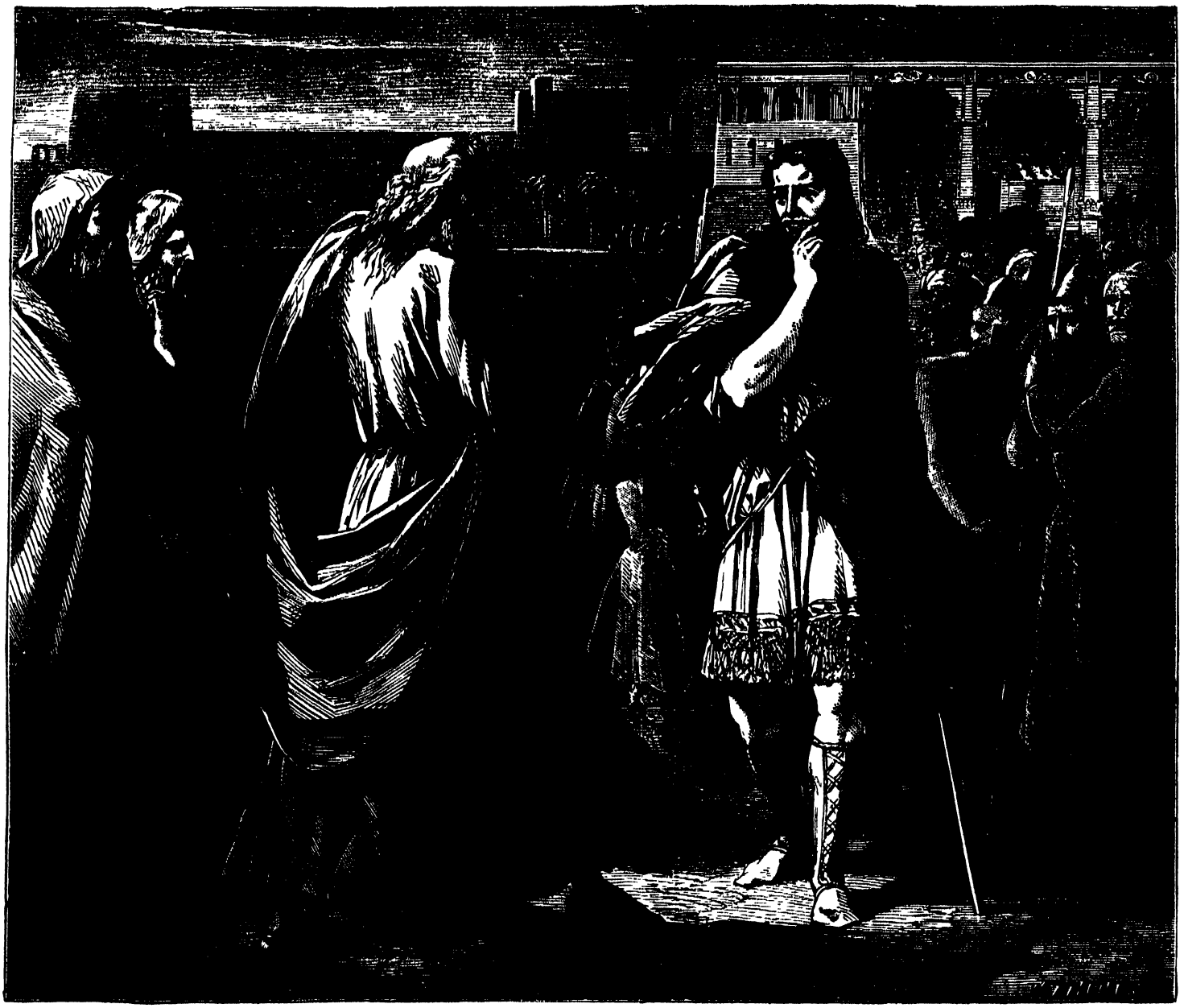
9 Heb *bless him.*

n Deut. vii 7, 8; Josh. vii 9; 1 Kings vi. 13; Ps. xciv. 14; Jer. xiv. 21; Ezek. xx. 9, 14.

3 Heb. *from ceasing.*

o 1 Kings viii. 36; Ps. xxxiv. 11; Prov. iv. 11; Jer. vi 16.

10 Heb. *entreated the face.*



SAMUEL REPROVING SAUL.

plication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering.

13 And Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever.[a]

14 But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him *to be* captain over his people, because thou hast not kept *that* which the LORD commanded thee.[b]

15 And Samuel arose, and gat him up from Gilgal unto Gibeah of Benjamin. And Saul numbered the people *that were* [1]present with him, about six hundred men.[c]

16 And Saul, and Jonathan his son, and the people *that were* present with them, abode in [2]Gibeah of Benjamin: but the Philistines encamped in Michmash.

BEFORE CHRIST 1095

d Josh xviii. 28.

a ch xv 11; 2 Chron xvi 9

c Josh xvi. 3; xviii. 13, 14, Neh. xi. 34

f 2 Kings xxiv. 14; Jer. xxiv. 1.

b ch xv 28; Ps. lxxxix. 20, Acts xiii. 22.

1 Heb. *found.*

3 Heb. *a file with mouths.*

e ch. xiv. 2.

4 Heb. *to set.*

2 Called Geba, ver. 3.

17 ¶ And the spoilers came out of the camp of the Philistines in three companies: one company turned unto the way *that leadeth to* Ophrah, unto the land of Shual:[d]

18 And another company turned the way *to* Beth-horon: and another company turned *to* the way of the border that looketh to the valley of Zeboim toward the wilderness.[e]

19 ¶ Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of Israel: for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make *them* swords or spears:[f]

20 But all the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to sharpen every man his share, and his coulter, and his ax, and his mattock.

21 Yet they had [3]a file for the mattocks, and for the coulters, and for the forks, and for the axes, and [4]to sharpen the goads.

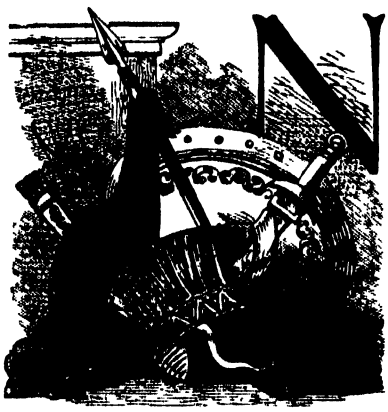
22 So it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand

of any of the people that *were* with Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there found.[a]

23 And the [1]garrison of the Philistines went out to the passage of Michmash.[b]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 Jonathan, unwitting to his father, the priest, or the people, goeth and miraculously smiteth the Philistines' garrison. 15 A divine terror maketh them beat themselves. 17 Saul, not staying the priest's answer, setteth on them. 21 The captivated Hebrews, and the hidden Israelites, join against them. 24 Saul's unadvised adjuration hindereth the victory. 32 He restraineth the people from eating blood. 35 He buildeth an altar. 36 Jonathan, taken by lot, is saved by the people. 47 Saul's strength and family.



NOW [2]it came to pass upon a day, that Jonathan the son of Saul said unto the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over to the Philistines' garrison, that *is* on the other side. But he told not his father.

2 And Saul tarried in the uttermost part of Gibeah under a pomegranate tree which *is* in Migron: and the people that *were* with him *were* about six hundred men;[c]

3 And [3]Ahiah, the son of Ahitub, I-chabod's brother, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the LORD'S priest in Shiloh, wearing an ephod. And the people knew not that Jonathan was gone.[d]

4 ¶ And between the passages, by which Jonathan sought to go over unto the Philistines' garrison, *there was* a sharp rock on the one side, and a sharp rock on the other side: and the name of the one *was* Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh.[e]

5 The [4]forefront of the one *was* situate northward over against Michmash, and the other southward over against Gibeah.

6 And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that the LORD will work for us: for *there is* no restraint to the LORD to save by many or by few.[f]

7 And his armourbearer said unto him, Do all that *is* in thine heart: turn thee; behold, I *am* with thee according to thy heart.

8 Then said Jonathan, Behold, we will pass over unto *these* men, and we will discover ourselves unto them.

9 If they say thus unto us, [5]Tarry until we come to you; then we will stand still in our place, and will not go up unto them.

10 But if they say thus, Come up unto us; then we will go up: for the LORD hath delivered them into our hand: and this *shall be* a sign unto us.[g]

11 And both of them discovered themselves unto the garrison of the Philistines: and the Philistines said, Behold, the Hebrews come forth out of the holes where they had hid themselves.

BEFORE CHRIST 1093.

a Judg. v. 8.

1 Or, *standing camp.*

b ch. xiv. 1, 4.

6 Or, *half a furrow of an acre of land* Judg. vii. 21.

2 Or, *there was a day.*

7 Heb *a trembling of God.*

h ch. xiii. 17, Gen xxxv. 5, 2 Kings vii. 7, Job xviii. 11

i ver. 20.

8 Or, *tumult.*

c ch xiii 15.

3 Called *Ahimelech.* Ch xxii 9, 11, 20

j Numb. xxvii. 21.

9 Heb. *were cried together.*

d ch. ii. 28, iv. 21.

k Judg. vii 22; 2 Chron. xx 23.

e ch. xiii 23

4 Heb. *tooth.*

l ch. xiii. 6.

m ch. xiii. 5; Exod xiv. 30; Ps. xliv. 6, 7; Hos. i. 7.

f Judg vii. 4, 7; 2 Chron. xiv. 11.

n Josh. vi. 26

5 Heb. *Be still.*

o Exod iii. 8; Numb. xiii. 27; Deut. ix. 28; Matt. iii. 4, 5.

g Gen. xxiv 14; Judg. vii. 11.

12 And the men of the garrison answered Jonathan and his armourbearer, and said, Come up to us, and we will shew you a thing. And Jonathan said unto his armourbearer, Come up after me: for the LORD hath delivered them into the hand of Israel.

13 And Jonathan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet, and his armourbearer after him: and they fell before Jonathan; and his armourbearer slew after him.

14 And that first slaughter, which Jonathan and his armourbearer made, was about twenty men, within as it were [6]an half acre of land, *which* a yoke *of oxen might plow.*

15 And there was trembling in the host, in the field, and among all the people: the garrison, and the spoilers, they also trembled, and the earth quaked: so it was [7]a very great trembling.[h]

16 And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked; and, behold, the multitude melted away, and they went on beating down *one another.*[i]

17 Then said Saul unto the people that *were* with him, Number now, and see who is gone from us. And when they had numbered, behold, Jonathan and his armourbearer *were* not *there.*

18 And Saul said unto Ahiah, Bring hither the ark of God. For the ark of God was at that time with the children of Israel.

19 ¶ And it came to pass, while Saul talked unto the priest, that the [8]noise that *was* in the host of the Philistines went on and increased: and Saul said unto the priest, Withdraw thine hand.[j]

20 And Saul and all the people that *were* with him [9]assembled themselves, and they came to the battle: and, behold, every man's sword was against his fellow, *and there was* a very great discomfiture.[k]

21 Moreover the Hebrews *that* were with the Philistines before that time, which went up with them into the camp *from the country* round about, even they also *turned* to be with the Israelites that *were* with Saul and Jonathan.

22 Likewise all the men of Israel which had hid themselves in mount Ephraim, *when* they heard that the Philistines fled, even they also followed hard after them in the battle.[l]

23 So the LORD saved Israel that day: and the battle passed over unto Beth-aven.[m]

24 ¶ And the men of Israel were distressed that day: for Saul had adjured the people, saying, Cursed *be* the man that eateth *any* food until evening, that I may be avenged on mine enemies. So none of the people tasted *any* food.[n]

25 And all *they of* the land came to a wood; and there was honey upon the ground.[o]

26 And when the people were come into the wood, behold, the honey dropped; but no man put his hand to his mouth: for the people feared the oath.

27 But Jonathan heard not when his father charged the people with the oath: wherefore he put forth the end of the rod that *was* in his hand, and dipped it in an honeycomb, and put his hand to his mouth: and his eyes were enlightened.

28 Then answered one of the people, and said, Thy

father straitly charged the people with an oath, saying, Cursed *be* the man that eateth *any* food this day. And the people were [1]faint.

29 Then said Jonathan, My father hath troubled the land: see, I pray you, how mine eyes have been enlightened, because I tasted a little of this honey.

30 How much more, if haply the people had eaten freely to day of the spoil of their enemies which they found? for had there not been now a much greater slaughter among the Philistines?

31 And they smote the Philistines that day from Michmash to Aijalon: and the people were very faint.

32 And the people flew upon the spoil, and took sheep, and oxen, and calves, and slew *them* on the ground: and the people did eat *them* with the blood.[a]

33 ¶ Then they told Saul, saying, Behold, the people sin against the LORD, in that they eat with the blood. And he said, Ye have [2]transgressed: roll a great stone unto me this day.

34 And Saul said, Disperse yourselves among the people, and say unto them, Bring me hither every man his ox, and every man his sheep, and slay *them* here, and eat; and sin not against the LORD in eating with the blood. And all the people brought every man his ox [3]with him that night, and slew *them* there.

35 And Saul built an altar unto the LORD: [4]the same was the first altar that he built unto the LORD.[b]

36 ¶ And Saul said, Let us go down after the Philistines by night, and spoil them until the morning light, and let us not leave a man of them. And they said, Do whatsoever seemeth good unto thee. Then said the priest, Let us draw near hither unto God.

37 And Saul asked counsel of God, Shall I go down after the Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into the hand of Israel? But he answered him not that day.[c]

38 And Saul said, Draw ye near hither, all [5]the chief of the people: and know and see wherein this sin hath been this day.[d]

39 For, *as* the LORD liveth, which saveth Israel, though it be in Jonathan my son, he shall surely die. But *there was* not a man among all the people *that* answered him.[e]

40 Then said he unto all Israel, Be ye on one side, and I and Jonathan my son will be on the other side. And the people said unto Saul, Do what seemeth good unto thee.

41 Therefore Saul said unto the LORD God of Israel, [6]Give a perfect *lot*. And Saul and Jonathan were taken: but the people [7]escaped.[f]

42 And Saul said, Cast *lots* between me and Jonathan my son. And Jonathan was taken.

43 Then Saul said to Jonathan, Tell me what thou hast done. And Jonathan told him, and said, I did but taste a little honey with the end of the rod that *was* in mine hand, *and*, lo, I must die.[g]

44 And Saul answered, God do so and more also: for thou shalt surely die, Jonathan.[h]

45 And the people said unto Saul, Shall Jonathan die, who hath wrought this great salvation in Israel? God forbid: *as* the LORD liveth, there shall not one hair of his head fall to the ground; for he hath wrought with God this day. So the people rescued Jonathan, that he died not.[i]

46 Then Saul went up from following the Philistines: and the Philistines went to their own place.

47 ¶ So Saul took the kingdom over Israel, and fought against all his enemies on every side, against Moab, and against the children of Ammon, and against Edom, and against the kings of Zobah, and against the Philistines: and whithersoever he turned himself, he vexed *them*.[j]

48 And he gathered an host, and [8]smote the Amalekites, and delivered Israel out of the hands of them that spoiled them.[k]

49 Now the sons of Saul were Jonathan, and Ishui, and Melchi-shua: and the names of his two daughters *were these;* the name of the firstborn Merab, and the name of the younger Michal:[l]

50 And the name of Saul's wife *was* Ahinoam, the daughter of Ahimaaz: and the name of the captain of his host *was* [9]Abner, the son of Ner, Saul's uncle.

51 And Kish *was* the father of Saul; and Ner the father of Abner *was* the son of Abiel.[m]

52 And there was sore war against the Philistines all the days of Saul: and when Saul saw any strong man, or any valiant man, he took him unto him.[n]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Samuel sendeth Saul to destroy Amalek.* 6 *Saul favoureth the Kenites.* 8 *He spareth Agag and the best of the spoil.* 10 *Samuel denounceth unto Saul, commending and excusing himself, God's rejection of him for his disobedience.* 24 *Saul's humiliation.* 32 *Samuel killeth Agag.* 34 *Samuel and Saul part.*

SAMUEL also said unto Saul, The LORD sent me to anoint thee *to be* king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of the LORD.[o]

2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember *that* which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid *wait* for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt.[p]

3 Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass.[q]

4 And Saul gathered the people together, and numbered them in Telaim, two hundred thousand footmen, and ten thousand men of Judah.

5 And Saul came to a city of Amalek, and [10]laid wait in the valley.

6 ¶ And Saul said unto the Kenites, Go, depart, get you down from among the Amalekites, lest I destroy you with them: for ye shewed kindness to all the children of Israel, when they came up out of Egypt. So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites.[r]

7 And Saul smote the Amalekites from Havilah *until* thou comest to Shur, that *is* over against Egypt.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 1093.

1 Or, *weary.*

i 2 Sam. xiv. 11; 1 Kings i. 52; Luke xxi. 18.

j ch. xi. 11; 2 Sam. x. 6.

8 Or, *wrought mightily*

a Lev. iii. 17; vii. 26; xvii. 10; xix. 26; Deut. xii. 16, 23, 24.

k ch. xv. 3, 7.

2 Or, *dealt treacherously.*

l ch. xxxi. 2; 1 Chron. viii. 33.

9 Heb. *Abiner.*

m ch. ix. 1.

3 Heb. *in his hand.*

4 Heb. *that altar he began to build unto the LORD.*

n ch. viii. 11.

b ch. vii. 17

c ch. xxviii. 6

5 Heb. *corners*

d ch. x. 19, Josh. vii. 14; Judg. xx. 2

o ch. ix. 16

e 2 Sam. xii. 5

p Exod. xvii. 8, 14; Numb. xxiv. 20, Deut. xxv. 17—19.

q Lev. xxvii. 29, Josh. vi. 17, 21.

6 Or, *Show the innocent*

7 Heb. *went forth*

f ch. x. 20, 21; Josh. vii. 16, Prov. xvi. 33; Acts i. 24.

10 Or, *fought.*

g ver. 27; Josh. vii. 19.

h ver. 39; Ruth i. 17.

r Gen. xviii. 25; xix. 12, 14; Exod. xviii. 10, 19, Numb. x. 29, 32; xxiv. 21; Judg. i. 16; iv. 11.

s ch. xiv. 48; Gen. ii. 11; xvi. 7; xxv. 18.



THE DEATH OF AGAG.

8 And he took Agag the king of the Amalekites alive, and utterly destroyed all the people with the edge of the sword.[a]

9 But Saul and the people spared Agag, and the best of the sheep, and of the oxen, and [1]of the fatlings, and the lambs, and all *that was* good, and would not utterly destroy them: but every thing *that was* vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly.[b]

10 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Samuel, saying,

11 It repenteth me that I have set up Saul *to be* king: for he is turned back from following me, and hath not performed my commandments. And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the LORD all night.[c]

12 And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was told Samuel, saying, Saul came to Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a place, and is gone about, and passed on, and gone down to Gilgal.[d]

13 And Samuel came to Saul: and Saul said unto him, Blessed *be* thou of the LORD: I have performed the commandment of the LORD.[e]

14 And Samuel said, What *meaneth* then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?

15 And Saul said, They have brought them from the Amalekites: for the people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed.[f]

16 Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay, and I will tell thee what the LORD hath said to me this night. And he said unto him, Say on.

17 And Samuel said, When thou *wast* little in thine own sight, *wast* thou not *made* the head of the tribes of Israel, and the LORD anointed thee king over Israel?[g]

18 And the LORD sent thee on a journey, and said, Go and utterly destroy the sinners the Amalekites, and fight against them until [2]they be consumed.

19 Wherefore then didst thou not obey the voice of the LORD, but didst fly upon the spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the LORD?

20 And Saul said unto Samuel, Yea, I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and have gone the way which the LORD sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites.[h]

21 But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed, to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God in Gilgal.[i]

22 And Samuel said, Hath the LORD *as great* delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey *is* better than sacrifice, *and* to hearken than the fat of rams.[j]

23 For rebellion *is as* the sin of [3]witchcraft, and stubbornness *is as* iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from *being* king.[k]

24 ¶ And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.[l]

25 Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD.

26 And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.[m]

27 And as Samuel turned about to go away, he laid hold upon the skirt of his mantle, and it rent.

28 And Samuel said unto him, The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, *that is* better than thou.[n]

29 And also the [4]Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent: for he *is* not a man, that he should repent.[o]

30 Then he said, I have sinned: *yet* honour me now, I pray thee, before the elders of my people, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD thy God.[p]

31 So Samuel turned again after Saul; and Saul worshipped the LORD.

32 ¶ Then said Samuel, Bring ye hither to me Agag the king of the Amalekites. And Agag came unto him delicately. And Agag said, Surely the bitterness of death is past.

33 And Samuel said, As thy sword hath made women childless, so shall thy mother be childless among women. And Samuel hewed Agag in pieces before the LORD in Gilgal.[q]

34 ¶ Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house to Gibeah of Saul.[r]

35 And Samuel came no more to see Saul until the day of his death: nevertheless Samuel mourned for Saul: and the LORD repented that he had made Saul king over Israel.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 1063.

i Exod. xxiii. 2; 2 Sam. xii. 13; Prov. xxix. 25; Isa. li. 12, 13.

a ch. xxx. 1; 1 Kings xx. 34, 35, &c.

1 Or, *of the second sort.*

b vs. 8, 15.

m ch. ii. 30

c vs. 3, 9, 35; ch. xiii. 13; xvi. 1; Josh. xxii. 16; 2 Sam. xxiv. 16; 1 Kings ix. 6.

n ch. xxviii. 17, 18; 1 Kings xi. 30, 31.

4 Or, *eternity*, or, *victory.*

o Numb. xxiii. 19; Ezek. xxiv. 14; 2 Tim. ii. 13; Titus i. 2.

d Josh. xv. 55.

p John v. 44; xii 43

e Gen. xiv. 19; Judg. xvii. 2,. Ruth iii. 10.

f vs. 9, 21; Gen. iii. 12; Prov. xxviii 13.

q Exod. xvii. 11; Numb. xiv. 45; Judg. i. 7.

r ch. xi. 4.

g ch. ix. 21.

s ver. 11; ch. xvi. 1, xix. 24.

2 Heb. *they consume*

h ver. 13

i ver. 15.

t ch. ix. 16; xv. 23, 35; 2 Kings ix. 1; Ps. lxxviii. 70; lxxxix. 19, 20; Acts xiii. 22.

j Ps. l. 8, 9; Prov. xxi. 3; Eccles v. 1; Isa. i. 11—13, 16, 17; Jer. vii. 22, 23; Micah vi. 6—8; Hos. vi. 6; Matt. v 24; ix. 13; xii. 7; Mark xii. 33; Heb. x. 6—9.

3 Heb. *divination.*

5 Heb. *in thine hand.*

u ch. ix. 12; xx. 29.

k ch. xiii. 14; Deut. xviii. 10.

v ch. ix. 16; Exod. iv 15

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Samuel sent by God, under pretence of a sacrifice, cometh to Beth-lehem.* 6 *His human judgment is reproved.* 11 *He anointeth David.* 15 *Saul sendeth for David to quiet his evil spirit.*



AND the LORD said unto Samuel, How long wilt thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? fill thine horn with oil, and go, I will send thee to Jesse the Beth-lehemite: for I have provided me a king among his sons.[t]

2 And Samuel said, How can I go? if Saul hear *it*, he will kill me. And the LORD said, Take an heifer [5]with thee, and say, I am come to sacrifice to the LORD.[u]

3 And call Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will shew thee what thou shalt do: and thou shalt anoint unto me *him* whom I name unto thee.[v]

4 And Samuel did that which the LORD spake, and came to Beth-lehem. And the elders of the town trembled at his [1]coming, and said, Comest thou peaceably?[a]

5 And he said, Peaceably: I am come to sacrifice unto the LORD: sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice. And he sanctified Jesse and his sons, and called them to the sacrifice.[b]

6 ¶ And it came to pass, when they were come, that he looked on [2]Eliab, and said, Surely the LORD's anointed *is* before him.

7 But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for *the* LORD *seeth* not as man seeth; for man looketh on the [3]outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.[c]

8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass

BEFORE CHRIST 1063.

e ch. x. 1, 6, 10; Numb. xxvii. 18; Judg. xi. 29; xiii. 25; xiv 6; Ps. lxxxix. 20.

1 Heb. *meeting.*

a ch. xxi. 1; 1 Kings ii. 13; 2 Kings ix. 22.

7 Or, *terrified.*

f ch. xi 6; xviii. 10, 12; xix. 9; xxviii. 15; Judg. ix. 23; xvi. 20; Ps. li 11.

b Exod xix. 10, 14

2 Called *Elihu*, 1 Chron. xxvii. 18.

c ch xvii. 15; 1 Kings xii. 26.

k vs 21—23; 2 Kings iii. 15

3 Heb *eyes.*

d 1 Kings viii. 39, 1 Chron. xxviii 9; Ps vii 9; cxlvii. 10, 11, Isa. lv. 8, Jer xl 20, xvii 10; xx 12, Acts i. 24.

before Samuel. And he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen this.[e]

9 Then Jesse made [4]Shammah to pass by. And he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen this.[f]

10 Again, Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. And Samuel said unto Jesse, The LORD hath not chosen these.

11 And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all *thy* children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not sit [5]down till he come hither.[g]

12 And he sent, and brought him in. Now he *was* ruddy, *and* withal [6]of a beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to. And the LORD said, Arise, anoint him: for this *is* he.[h]

13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.[i]

14 ¶ But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD [7]troubled him.[j]

15 And Saul's servants said unto him, Behold now, an evil spirit from God troubleth thee.

16 Let our lord now command thy servants, *which are* before thee, to seek out a man, *who is* a cunning player on an harp: and it shall come to pass, when the evil spirit from God is upon thee, that he shall play with his hand, and thou shalt be well.[k]

17 And Saul said unto his servants, Provide me now a man that can play well, and bring *him* to me.

18 Then answered one of the servants, and said, Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Beth-lehemite,



RAMAH.

e ch. xvii. 13

8 Or, *speech.*

4 Called *Shimeah*, 2 Sam. xiii. 3; *Shimma*, 1 Chron ii. 13.

l ver. 11; ch iii. 19; xvii. 15, 32—36; xviii. 12—14.

f ch. xvii. 13.

m ch. x. 27; xvii 18; Gen xliii. 11; Prov. xviii 16.

n 1 Kings x. 8; Prov. xxii. 29

5 Heb. *round.*

g ch. xvii. 12; 2 Sam. vii. 8; Ps. lxxviii. 70.

6 Heb.

h ch. ix. 17; xvi. 42; Cant. v. 10.

i vs. 14, 16.

that is cunning in playing, and a mighty valiant man, and a man of war, and prudent in [8]matters, and a comely person, and the LORD *is* with him.[l]

19 ¶ Wherefore Saul sent messengers unto Jesse, and said, Send me David thy son, which *is* with the sheep.

20 And Jesse took an ass *laden* with bread, and a bottle of wine, and a kid, and sent *them* by David his son unto Saul.[m]

21 And David came to Saul, and stood before him: and he loved him greatly; and he became his armour-bearer.[n]

22 And Saul sent to Jesse, saying, Let David, I pray thee, stand before me; for he hath found favour in my sight.

23 And it came to pass, when the *evil* spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him.[o]



VALLEY OF ELAH, SHOWING THE ENCAMPMENTS OF THE ISRAELITES AND PHILISTINES.

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *The armies of the Israelites and Philistines being ready to battle,* 4 *Goliath cometh proudly forth to challenge a combat.* 12 *David, sent by his father to visit his brethren, taketh the challenge.* 28 *Eliab chideth him.* 30 *He is brought to Saul.* 32 *He sheweth the reason of his confidence.* 38 *Without armour, armed by faith, he slayeth the giant.* 55 *Saul taketh notice of David.*

NOW the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle, and were gathered together at Shochoh, which *belongeth* to Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in [1]Ephes-dammim.[a]

2 And Saul and the men of Israel were gathered together, and pitched by the valley of Elah, and [2]set the battle in array against the Philistines.

3 And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side: and *there was* a valley between them.

4 ¶ And there went out a champion out of the camp of the Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath, whose height *was* six cubits and a span.[b]

5 And *he had* an helmet of brass upon his head, and he *was* [3]armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat *was* five thousand shekels of brass.

6 And *he had* greaves of brass upon his legs, and a [4]target of brass between his shoulders.

BEFORE CHRIST 1063.

c 2 Sam. xxi. 19

d ch. viii. 17.

1 Or, *the coast of Dammim*, called *Pas-dammim*, 1 Chron. xi 13.

e ch. xi. 1

a ch. xiii 5, Josh xv. 35; 2 Chron xxviii 18.

f ver. 26; 2 Sam. xxi 21

2 Heb. *ranged the battle.*

g ver 58; ch. xvi. 1, 10, 11, 18; Gen. xxxv. 19, Ruth iv. 22; 1 Chron. ii. 13—15

b 2 Sam. xxi. 19; Josh. xi. 22.

3 Heb. *clothed.*

h ch. xvi. 6—9; 1 Chron. ii. 13.

4 Or, *corset.*

7 And the staff of his spear *was* like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head *weighed* six hundred shekels of iron: and one bearing a shield went before him.[c]

8 And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, Why are ye come out to set *your* battle in array? *am* not I a Philistine, and ye servants to Saul? choose you a man for you, and let him come down to me.[d]

9 If he be able to fight with me, and to kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I prevail against him, and kill him, then shall ye be our servants, and serve us.[e]

10 And the Philistine said, I defy the armies of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together.

11 When Saul and all Israel heard those words of the Philistine, they were dismayed, and greatly afraid.

12 ¶ Now David *was* the son of that Ephrathite of Beth-lehem-judah, whose name *was* Jesse: and he had eight sons: and the man went among men *for* an old man in the days of Saul.[f]

13 And the three eldest sons of Jesse went *and* followed Saul to the battle: and the names of his three sons that went to the battle *were* Eliab the first-born, and next unto him Abinadab, and the third Shammah.[h]

14 And David *was* the youngest: and the three eldest followed Saul.



DAVID SLAYING GOLIATH.

15 But David went and returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Beth-lehem.[a]

16 And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days.

17 And Jesse said unto David his son, Take now for thy brethren an ephah of this parched *corn*, and these ten loaves, and run to the camp to thy brethren;

18 And carry these ten [1]cheeses unto the [2]captain of *their* thousand, and look how thy brethren fare, and take their pledge.[b]

19 Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, *were* in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.

20 ¶ And David rose up early in the morning, and left the sheep with a keeper, and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him; and he came to the [3]trench, as the host was going forth to the [4]fight, and shouted for the battle.[c]

21 For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array, army against army.

BEFORE CHRIST 1063.

5 Heb. *the vessels from upon him.*

a ch. xvi. 19.

6 Heb. *asked his brethren of peace.*

d Judg. xviii. 15.

e ver. 8.

1 Heb. *cheeses of milk.*

2 Heb. *captain of a thousand.*

7 Heb. *from his face.*

b Gen. xxxvii. 14.

f Josh. xv. 16

3 Or, *place of the carriage.*

4 Or, *battle array*, or, *place of fight.*

c ch. xxvi. 5.

g ver. 10; ch. xi. 2; xiv. 6; Deut. v. 26.

22 And David left his [5]carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and ran into the army, and came and [6]saluted his brethren.[d]

23 And as he talked with them, behold, there came up the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and spake according to the same words: and David heard *them*.[e]

24 And all the men of Israel, when they saw the man, fled [7]from him, and were sore afraid.

25 And the men of Israel said, Have ye seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up: and it shall be, *that* the man who killeth him, the king will enrich him with great riches, and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house free in Israel.[f]

26 And David spake to the men that stood by him, saying, What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for who *is* this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?[g]

27 And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man that killeth him.

28 ¶ And Eliab his eldest brother heard when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against David, and he said, Why camest thou down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness? I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart; for thou art come down that thou mightest see the battle.

29 And David said, What have I now done? *Is there* not a cause?[a]

30 ¶ And he turned from him toward another, and spake after the same [1]manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner.[b]

31 And when the words were heard which David spake, they rehearsed *them* before Saul: and he [2]sent for him.

32 ¶ And David said to Saul, Let no man's heart fail because of him; thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine.[c]

33 And Saul said to David, Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for thou *art but* a youth, and he a man of war from his youth.[d]

34 And David said unto Saul, Thy servant kept his father's sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a [3]lamb out of the flock:

35 And I went out after him, and smote him, and delivered *it* out of his mouth: and when he arose against me, I caught *him* by his beard, and smote him, and slew him.

36 Thy servant slew both the lion and the bear: and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them, seeing he hath defied the armies of the living God.

37 David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the LORD be with thee.[e]

38 ¶ And Saul [4]armed David with his armour, and he put an helmet of brass upon his head; also he armed him with a coat of mail.

39 And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to go; for he had not proved *it*. And David said unto Saul, I cannot go with these; for I have not proved *them*. And David put them off him.

40 And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the [5]brook, and put them in a shepherd's [6]bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling *was* in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine.

41 And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man that bare the shield *went* before him.

42 And when the Philistine looked about, and saw David, he disdained him: for he was *but* a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance.[f]

43 And the Philistine said unto David, *Am* I a dog, that thou comest to me with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.[g]

44 And the Philistine said to David, Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the fowls of the air, and to the beasts of the field.

45 Then said David to the Philistine, Thou comest to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied.[h]

46 This day will the LORD [7]deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcases of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.[i]

47 And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle *is* the LORD'S, and he will give you into our hands.[j]

48 And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came and drew nigh to meet David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.

49 And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang *it*, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth.



A SLINGER.

50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but *there was* no sword in the hand of David.[k]

51 Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled.

52 And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines, until thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.

53 And the children of Israel returned from

BEFORE CHRIST 1063.

g ch. xxiv. 14; 2 Sam. iii. 8; ix. 8; xvi. 9; 2 Kings viii. 13.

h ver. 10; 2 Sam. xxii. 33, 35; Ps. cxxiv 8; cxxv. 1

7 Heb *shut thee up.*

a ver. 17.

1 Heb. *word.*

b vs. 26, 27.

i Deut xxviii. 26; Josh iv. 24; 1 Kings viii. 43; xviii. 36; 2 Kings xix. 19, Isa. liii. 10.

2 Heb. *took him.*

j 2 Chron. xx. 15; Ps. xliv. 6, 7; Hos. i. 7; Zech. iv. 6.

c ch. xvi. 18; Deut. xx. 1, 3.

d Numb. xiii. 31; Deut. ix. 2.

3 Or, *kid.*

e ch xx. 13, 1 Chron xxii. 11, 16, Ps xviii. 16, 17; lxiii 7; lxxvii. 11; 2 Cor i. 10, 2 Tim. iv. 17, 18

4 Heb *clothed David with his clothes*

k ch. xxi 9; xxiii 21; Judg iii. 31, xv. 1

5 Or, *valley.*

6 Heb. *vessel.*

f ch xvi 1

chasing after the Philistines, and they spoiled their tents.

54 And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Jerusalem; but he put his armour in his tent.

55 ¶ And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the captain of the host, Abner, whose son *is* this youth? And Abner said, *As* thy soul liveth, O king, I cannot tell.[a]

56 And the king said, Enquire thou whose son the stripling *is*.

57 And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine, Abner took him, and brought him before Saul with the head of the Philistine in his hand.[b]

58 And Saul said to him, Whose son *art* thou, *thou* young man? And David answered, *I am* the son of thy servant Jesse the Beth-lehemite.[c]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Jonathan loveth David.* 5 *Saul envieth his praise,* 10 *seeketh to kill him in his fury,* 12 *feareth him for his good success,* 17 *offereth him his daughters for a snare.* 22 *David persuaded to be the king's son in law, giveth two hundred foreskins of the Philistines for Michal's dowry.* 28 *Saul's hatred, and David's glory increaseth.*

AND it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking unto Saul, that the soul of Jonathan was knit with the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.[d]

2 And Saul took him that day, and would let him go no more home to his father's house.

3 Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul.

4 And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that *was* upon him, and gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.

5 ¶ And David went out whithersoever Saul sent him, *and* [1]behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over the men of war, and he was accepted in the sight of all the people, and also in the sight of Saul's servants.[e]

6 And it came to pass as they came, when David was returned from the slaughter of the [2]Philistine, that the women came out of all cities of Israel, singing and dancing, to meet king Saul, with tabrets, with joy, and with [3]instruments of musick.[f]

7 And the women answered *one another* as they played, and said, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands.[g]

8 And Saul was very wroth, and the saying [4]displeased him; and he said, They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed *but* thousands: and *what* can he have more but the kingdom?[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1063

a ch. xvi. 14; xix. 9, 24; 1 Kings xviii. 29; Acts xvi. 16.

b ch. xvi. 21, 22.

c ch. xix. 10; xx. 33, Prov. xxvii. 4.

d vs. 15, 29; ch. xvi. 13, 14, 18; xxviii. 15.

e ver. 54.

f ver. 16; Numb. xxvii. 17; 2 Sam. v. 2.

5 Or, *prospered*, ver. 5.

g ver. 12.

m Gen. xxxix. 2, 3, 23; Josh. vi. 27.

n ver 5

6 Heb. *a son of valour.*

o vs. 21, 25; ch. xxv. 28; Numb. xxxii. 20, 27, 29; 2 Sam. xii. 9

p ver. 23; ch. ix. 21; 2 Sam. vii. 18.

d ch. xix. 2; xx. 17; Gen. xliv. 30; Deut. xiii. 6; 2 Sam. i. 26.

q Judg. vii. 22; 2 Sam xxi 8.

7 Heb. *was right in his eyes.*

r ver. 28

s vs. 17, 26, Exod. x. 7

1 Or, *prospered.*

t vs. 14, 15, 30

2 Or, *Philistines.*

8 Heb. *According to these words.*

3 Heb. *three-stringed instruments.*

f Exod. xv. 21; Judg xi. 34.

g ch. xxi. 11; xxix. 5.

t ver. 17; ch. xiv. 24; Gen. xxxiv. 12; Exod. xxii. 17.

4 Heb *was evil in his eyes.*

9 Heb. *fulfilled.*

u ver. 21.

h ch xv 28; Eccles. iv 4

9 And Saul eyed David from that day and forward.

10 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house: and David played with his hand, as at other times: and *there was* a javelin in Saul's hand.[i]

11 And Saul cast the javelin; for he said, I will smite David even to the wall *with it.* And David avoided out of his presence twice.[j]

12 ¶ And Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with him, and was departed from Saul.[k]

13 Therefore Saul removed him from him, and made him his captain over a thousand; and he went out and came in before the people.[l]

14 And David [5]behaved himself wisely in all his ways; and the LORD *was* with him.[m]

15 Wherefore when Saul saw that he behaved himself very wisely, he was afraid of him.

16 But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he went out and came in before them.[n]

17 ¶ And Saul said to David, Behold my elder daughter Merab, her will I give thee to wife: only be [6]thou valiant for me, and fight the LORD's battles. For Saul said, Let not mine hand be upon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be upon him.[o]

18 And David said unto Saul, Who *am* I? and what *is* my life, *or* my father's family in Israel, that I should be son in law to the king?[p]

19 But it came to pass at the time when Merab Saul's daughter should have been given to David, that she was given unto Adriel the Meholathite to wife.[q]

20 And Michal Saul's daughter loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing [7]pleased him.[r]

21 And Saul said, I will give him her, that she may be a snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be my son in law in *the one of* the twain.[s]

22 ¶ And Saul commanded his servants, *saying,* Commune with David secretly, and say, Behold, the king hath delight in thee, and all his servants love thee: now therefore be the king's son in law.

23 And Saul's servants spake those words in the ears of David. And David said, Seemeth it to you *a* light *thing* to be a king's son in law, seeing that I *am* a poor man, and lightly esteemed?

24 And the servants of Saul told him, saying, [8]On this manner spake David.

25 And Saul said, Thus shall ye say to David, The king desireth not any dowry, but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be avenged of the king's enemies. But Saul thought to make David fall by the hand of the Philistines.[t]

26 And when his servants told David these words, it pleased David well to be the king's son in law: and the days were not [9]expired.[u]

27 Wherefore David arose and went, he and his men, and slew of the Philistines two hundred men;



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and David brought their foreskins, and they gave them in full tale to the king, that he might be the king's son in law. And Saul gave him Michal his daughter to wife.[a]

28 ¶ And Saul saw and knew that the LORD *was* with David, and *that* Michal Saul's daughter loved him.

29 And Saul was yet the more afraid of David; and Saul became David's enemy continually.

30 Then the princes of the Philistines went forth: and it came to pass, after they went forth, *that* David behaved himself more wisely than all the servants of Saul; so that his name was [1]much set by.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1063.

[a] ver. 13; 2 Sam. iii. 14.

[1] Heb *precious.*

[b] ver 5, ch. xxvi. 21; 2 Sam. xi. 1; 2 Kings i. 13.

CHAPTER XIX.

Jonathan discloseth his father's purpose to kill David. 4 *He persuadeth his father to reconciliation.* 8 *By reason of David's good success in a new war, Saul's malicious rage breaketh out against him.* 12 *Michal deceiveth her father with an image in David's bed.* 18 *David cometh to Samuel in Naioth.* 20 *Saul's messengers sent to take David,* 22 *and Saul himself, prophesy.*

AND Saul spake to Jonathan his son, and to all his servants, that they should kill David.

2 But Jonathan Saul's son delighted much in David: and Jonathan told David, saying, Saul my

father seeketh to kill thee: now therefore, I pray thee, take heed to thyself until the morning, and abide in a secret *place*, and hide thyself:[a]

3 And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where thou *art*, and I will commune with my father of thee; and what I see, that I will tell thee.

4 ¶ And Jonathan spake good of David unto Saul his father, and said unto him, Let not the king sin against his servant, against David; because he hath not sinned against thee, and because his works *have been* to thee-ward very good:[b]

5 For he did put his life in his hand, and slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great salvation for all Israel: thou sawest *it*, and didst rejoice: wherefore then wilt thou sin against innocent blood, to slay David without a cause?[c]

6 And Saul hearkened unto the voice of Jonathan: and Saul sware, *As* the LORD liveth, he shall not be slain.

7 And Jonathan called David, and Jonathan shewed him all those things. And Jonathan brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence, [1]as in times past.[d]

8 ¶ And there was war again: and David went out, and fought with the Philistines, and slew them with a great slaughter; and they fled [2]from him.

9 And the evil spirit from the LORD was upon Saul, as he sat in his house with his javelin in his hand: and David played with *his* hand.[e]

10 And Saul sought to smite David even to the wall with the javelin; but he slipped away out of Saul's presence, and he smote the javelin into the wall: and David fled, and escaped that night.

11 Saul also sent messengers unto David's house, to watch him, and to slay him in the morning: and Michal David's wife told him, saying, If thou save not thy life to night, to morrow thou shalt be slain.[f]

12 ¶ So Michal let David down through a window: and he went, and fled, and escaped.[g]

13 And Michal took an [3]image, and laid *it* in the bed, and put a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster, and covered *it* with a cloth.[h]

14 And when Saul sent messengers to take David, she said, He *is* sick.

15 And Saul sent the messengers *again* to see David, saying, Bring him up to me in the bed, that I may slay him.

16 And when the messengers were come in, behold, *there was* an image in the bed, with a pillow of goats' *hair* for his bolster.

17 And Saul said unto Michal, Why hast thou deceived me so, and sent away mine enemy, that he is escaped? And Michal answered Saul, He said unto me, Let me go; why should I kill thee?[i]

18 ¶ So David fled, and escaped, and came to Samuel to Ramah, and told him all that Saul had done to him. And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth.

19 And it was told Saul, saying, Behold, David *is* at Naioth in Ramah.

20 And Saul sent messengers to take David: and

BEFORE CHRIST 1062.

a ch. xviii. 1.

j ch. x. 5, 6; Numb. xi. 25; Joel ii. 28.

b Gen. xlii. 22; Ps xxxv 12; cix. 5, Prov. xvii. 13, xxxi. 8, 9.

k ch x. 10.

c ch xvii. 49, 50, xx 32, xxviii. 21; Judg ix. 17, xii. 3; 1 Sam. xi. 13; 1 Chron. xi. 14; Ps. cxix. 109.

4 Heb. *fell.*

l ch x. 11; Numb xxiv. 4; 2 Sam. vi. 14, 20, Micah i. 8

1 Heb *yesterday third day*

d ch xvi. 21; xviii. 2, 13.

2 Heb. *his face.*

e ch. xvi. 14; xviii. 10, 11

5 Heb. *uncover mine ear.*

f Ps lix, title.

m ver 12, ch. ix. 15

g Josh ii. 15, Acts ix. 24, 25

3 Heb. *teraphim.*

h Gen. xxxi. 19; Judg. xvii. 5.

6 Or, *Say what is thy mind, and I will do, &c.*

7 Heb *speaketh*, or, *thinketh.*

n ch xix. 2; Numb. x. 10, xxviii. 11.

i 2 Sam. ii. 22.

8 Or, *feast.*

o ch ix. 12; xvi. 4.

p ch xxv. 17; Deut. i 23; 2 Sam. xvii. 4; Esther vii. 7.

when they saw the company of the prophets prophesying, and Samuel standing *as* appointed over them, the Spirit of God was upon the messengers of Saul, and they also prophesied.[j]

21 And when it was told Saul, he sent other messengers, and they prophesied likewise. And Saul sent messengers again the third time, and they prophesied also.

22 Then went he also to Ramah, and came to a great well that *is* in Sechu: and he asked and said, Where *are* Samuel and David? And *one* said, Behold, *they be* at Naioth in Ramah.

23 And he went thither to Naioth in Ramah: and the Spirit of God was upon him also, and he went on, and prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah.[k]

24 And he stripped off his clothes also, and prophesied before Samuel in like manner, and [4]lay down naked all that day and all that night. Wherefore they say, *Is* Saul also among the prophets?[l]

CHAPTER XX.

1 *David consulteth with Jonathan for his safety.* 11 *Jonathan and David renew their covenant by oath.* 18 *Jonathan's token to David.* 24 *Saul, missing David, seeketh to kill Jonathan.* 35 *Jonathan lovingly taketh his leave of David.*

AND David fled from Naioth in Ramah, and came and said before Jonathan, What have I done? what *is* mine iniquity? and what *is* my sin before thy father, that he seeketh my life?

2 And he said unto him, God forbid; thou shalt not die: behold, my father will do nothing either great or small, but that he will [5]shew it me: and why should my father hide this thing from me? it *is* not *so*.[m]

3 And David sware moreover, and said, Thy father certainly knoweth that I have found grace in thine eyes; and he saith, Let not Jonathan know this, lest he be grieved: but truly *as* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, *there is* but a step between me and death.

4 Then said Jonathan unto David, [6]Whatsoever thy soul [7]desireth, I will even do *it* for thee.

5 And David said unto Jonathan, Behold, to morrow *is* the new moon, and I should not fail to sit with the king at meat: but let me go, that I may hide myself in the field unto the third *day* at even.[n]

6 If thy father at all miss me, then say, David earnestly asked *leave* of me that he might run to Beth-lehem his city: for *there is* a yearly [8]sacrifice there for all the family.[o]

7 If he say thus, *It is* well; thy servant shall have peace: but if he be very wroth, *then* be sure that evil is determined by him.[p]

8 Therefore thou shalt deal kindly with thy servant; for thou hast brought thy servant into a covenant of the LORD with thee: notwithstanding, if there be in

me iniquity, slay me thyself; for why shouldest thou bring me to thy father?[a]

9 And Jonathan said, Far be it from thee: for if I knew certainly that evil were determined by my father to come upon thee, then would not I tell it thee?

10 Then said David to Jonathan, Who shall tell me? or what *if* thy father answer thee roughly?

11 ¶ And Jonathan said unto David, Come, and let us go out into the field. And they went out both of them into the field.

12 And Jonathan said unto David, O LORD God of Israel, when I have [1]sounded my father about to morrow any time, *or* the third *day*, and, behold, *if there be* good toward David, and I then send not unto thee, and [2]shew it thee;[b]

13 The LORD do so and much more to Jonathan: but if it please my father *to do* thee evil, then I will shew it thee, and send thee away, that thou mayest go in peace: and the LORD be with thee, as he hath been with my father.[c]

14 And thou shalt not only while yet I live shew me the kindness of the LORD, that I die not:

15 But *also* thou shalt not cut off thy kindness from my house for ever: no, not when the LORD hath cut off the enemies of David every one from the face of the earth.[d]

16 So Jonathan [3]made *a covenant* with the house of David, *saying*, Let the LORD even require *it* at the hand of David's enemies.[e]

17 And Jonathan caused David to swear again, [4]because he loved him: for he loved him as he loved his own soul.[f]

18 Then Jonathan said to David, To morrow *is* the new moon: and thou shalt be missed, because thy seat will be [5]empty.[g]

19 And *when* thou hast stayed three days, *then* thou shalt go down [6]quickly, and come to the place where thou didst hide thyself [7]when the business was *in hand*, and shalt remain by the stone [8]Ezel.

20 And I will shoot three arrows on the side *thereof*, as though I shot at a mark.

21 And, behold, I will send a lad, *saying*, Go, find out the arrows. If I expressly say unto the lad, Behold, the arrows *are* on this side of thee, take them; then come thou: for *there is* peace to thee, and [9]no hurt; *as* the LORD liveth.[h]

22 But if I say thus unto the young man, Behold, the arrows *are* beyond thee; go thy way: for the LORD hath sent thee away.

23 And *as touching* the matter which thou and I have spoken of, behold, the LORD *be* between thee and me for ever.[i]

24 ¶ So David hid himself in the field: and when the new moon was come, the king sat him down to eat meat.

25 And the king sat upon his seat, as at other times, *even* upon a seat by the wall: and Jonathan arose, and Abner sat by Saul's side, and David's place was empty.

26 Nevertheless Saul spake not any thing that day: for he thought, Something hath befallen him, he *is* not clean; surely he *is* not clean.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1062.

a ver. 16; ch. xviii. 3; xxiii. 18; Josh. ii. 14; 2 Sam. xiv. 32.

b ver. 6.

1 Heb. searched.

2 Heb. uncover thine ear.

c ver. 2.

10 Or, Thou perverse rebel. Heb. Thou perverse son of rebellion.

d ch. xvii. 37; Josh. i. 5; Ruth i. 17; 1 Chron. xxii. 11, 16.

11 Heb. is the son of death.

e ch. xix. 5.

3 Heb. cut.

f 2 Sam. ix. 1, 3, 7; xxi 7.

m ver. 7; ch. xviii. 11.

4 Or, by his love toward him.

g ch. xviii. 1.

5 Heb missed.

6 Or, diligently. Heb greatly.

7 Heb in the day of the business

12 Heb. to pass over him

8 Or, that showeth the way

9 Heb. not any thing.

h Jer iv 2

13 Heb instruments.

14 Heb. that was his.

i vs 14, 15, 42

15 Or, the LORD be witness of that which, &c.

n ver. 23.

j Lev. vii. 21; xv. 5, &c.

27 And it came to pass on the morrow, *which was* the second *day* of the month, that David's place was empty: and Saul said unto Jonathan his son, Wherefore cometh not the son of Jesse to meat, neither yesterday, nor to day?

28 And Jonathan answered Saul, David earnestly asked *leave* of me *to go* to Beth-lehem:[k]

29 And he said, Let me go, I pray thee; for our family hath a sacrifice in the city; and my brother, he hath commanded me *to be there:* and now, if I have found favour in thine eyes, let me get away, I pray thee, and see my brethren. Therefore he cometh not unto the king's table.

30 Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan, and he said unto him, [10]Thou son of the perverse rebellious *woman*, do not I know that thou hast chosen the son of Jesse to thine own confusion, and unto the confusion of thy mother's nakedness?

31 For as long as the son of Jesse liveth upon the ground, thou shalt not be established, nor thy kingdom. Wherefore now send and fetch him unto me, for he [11]shall surely die.

32 And Jonathan answered Saul his father, and said unto him, Wherefore shall he be slain? what hath he done?[l]

33 And Saul cast a javelin at him to smite him: whereby Jonathan knew that it was determined of his father to slay David.[m]

34 So Jonathan arose from the table in fierce anger, and did eat no meat the second day of the month: for he was grieved for David, because his father had done him shame.

35 ¶ And it came to pass in the morning, that Jonathan went out into the field at the time appointed with David, and a little lad with him.

36 And he said unto his lad, Run, find out now the arrows which I shoot. *And* as the lad ran, he shot an arrow [12]beyond him.

37 And when the lad was come to the place of the arrow which Jonathan had shot, Jonathan cried after the lad, and said, *Is* not the arrow beyond thee?

38 And Jonathan cried after the lad, Make speed, haste, stay not. And Jonathan's lad gathered up the arrows, and came to his master.

39 But the lad knew not any thing: only Jonathan and David knew the matter.

40 And Jonathan gave his [13]artillery unto [14]his lad, and said unto him, Go, carry *them* to the city.

41 ¶ *And* as soon as the lad was gone, David arose out of *a place* toward the south, and fell on his face to the ground, and bowed himself three times: and they kissed one another, and wept one with another, until David exceeded.

42 And Jonathan said to David, Go in peace, [15]forasmuch as we have sworn both of us in the name of the LORD, saying, The LORD be between me and thee, and between my seed and thy seed for ever. And he arose and departed: and Jonathan went into the city.[n]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *David at Nob obtaineth of Ahimelech hallowed bread.* 7 *Doeg was present.* 8 *David taketh Goliath's sword.* 10 *David at Gath feigneth himself mad.*

THEN came David to Nob to [1]Ahimelech the priest: and Ahimelech was afraid at the meeting of David, and said unto him, Why *art* thou alone, and no man with thee?[a]

2 And David said unto Ahimelech the priest, The king hath commanded me a business, and hath said unto me, Let no man know any thing of the business whereabout I send thee, and what I have commanded thee: and I have appointed *my* servants to such and such a place.

3 Now therefore what is under thine hand? give *me* five *loaves of* bread in mine hand, or what there is [2]present.

4 And the priest answered David, and said, *There is* no common bread under mine hand, but there is hallowed bread; if the young men have kept themselves at least from women.[b]

5 And David answered the priest, and said unto him, Of a truth women *have been* kept from us about these three days, since I came out, and the vessels of the young men are holy, and *the bread is* in a manner common, [3]yea, though it were sanctified this day in the vessel.[c]

6 So the priest gave him hallowed *bread:* for there was no bread there but the shewbread, that was taken from before the LORD, to put hot bread in the day when it was taken away.[d]

7 Now a certain man of the servants of Saul *was* there that day, detained before the LORD; and his name *was* Doeg, an Edomite, the chiefest of the herdmen that *belonged* to Saul.[e]

8 ¶ And David said unto Ahimelech, And is there not here under thine hand spear or sword? for I have neither brought my sword nor my weapons with me, because the king's business required haste.

9 And the priest said, The sword of Goliath the Philistine, whom thou slewest in the valley of Elah, behold, it *is here* wrapped in a cloth behind the ephod: if thou wilt take that, take *it:* for *there is* no other save that here. And David said, *There is* none like that; give it me.[f]

10 ¶ And David arose, and fled that day for fear of Saul, and went to [4]Achish the king of [5]Gath.

Before Christ 1062.

d Lev. viii. 26; xxiv. 6, 9; Matt. xii. 3, 4; Mark ii. 25, 26; Luke vi. 3, 4.

1 Called *Ahiah*, ch. xiv. 3; called also *Abiathar*, Mark ii. 26.

e ch. xxii. 9; Ps. lii. title.

a ch. xvi. 4.

f ch xvii. 2, 50; xxxi. 10

4 Or, *Abimelech*, Ps. xxxiv. title.

5 Gath was one of the five principalities of the Philistines, and stood at no very great distance from Ashdod.



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11 And the servants of Achish said unto him, *Is* not this David the king of the land? did they not sing one to another of him in dances, saying, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands?[g]

12 And David laid up these words in his heart, and was sore afraid of Achish the king of Gath.[h]

13 And he changed his behaviour before them, and feigned himself mad in their hands, and [6]scrabbled on the doors of the gate, and let his spittle fall down upon his beard.[i]

14 Then said Achish unto his servants, Lo, ye see [7]the man is mad: wherefore *then* have ye brought him to me?

15 Have I need of mad men, that ye have brought this *fellow* to play the mad man in my presence? shall this *fellow* come into my house?

g ch xviii. 7; xxix. 5; Ps. lvi. title.

2 Heb *found*.

h Luke ii. 19.

6 Or, *made marks*.

Lev. xxiv. 5; Zech. vii. 3; Matt. xii. 4.

i Ps. xxxiv. title.

7 Or, *playeth the mad man*.

3 Or, *especially when this day there is other sanctified in the vessel*.

c Lev. viii. 26; 1 Thess. iv. 4.



DAVID FEIGNING MADNESS BEFORE ACHISH, KING OF GATH.

CHAPTER XXII.

1 Companies resort unto David at Adullam. 3 At Mizpeh he commendeth his parents unto the king of Moab. 5 Admonished by Gad, he cometh to Hareth. 6 Saul going to pursue him, complaineth of his servants' unfaithfulness. 9 Doeg accuseth Ahimelech. 11 Saul commandeth to kill the priests. 17 The footmen refusing, Doeg executeth it. 20 Abiathar escaping, bringeth David the news.

DAVID therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam: and when his brethren and all his father's house heard *it*, they went down thither to him.[a]

2 And every one *that was* in distress, and every one [1]that *was* in debt, and every one *that was* [2]discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them: and there were with him about four hundred men.[b]

3 ¶ And David went thence to Mizpeh of Moab: and he said unto the king of Moab, Let my father and my mother, I pray thee, come forth, *and be* with you, till I know what God will do for me.

4 And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they dwelt with him all the while that David was in the hold.

5 ¶ And the prophet Gad said unto David, Abide not in the hold; depart, and get thee into the land of Judah. Then David departed, and came into the forest of Hareth.[c]

6 ¶ When Saul heard that David was discovered, and the men that *were* with him, (now Saul abode in Gibeah under [3]a tree in Ramah, having his spear in his hand, and all his servants *were* standing about him;)

7 Then Saul said unto his servants that stood about him, Hear now, ye Benjamites; will the son of Jesse give every one of you fields and vineyards, *and* make you all captains of thousands, and captains of hundreds;[d]

8 That all of you have conspired against me, and *there is* none that [4]sheweth me that my son hath made a league with the son of Jesse, and *there is* none of you that is sorry for me, or sheweth unto me that my son hath stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?[e]

9 ¶ Then answered Doeg the Edomite, which was set over the servants of Saul, and said, I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob, to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub.[f]

10 And he enquired of the LORD for him, and gave him victuals, and gave him the sword of Goliath the Philistine.[g]

11 Then the king sent to call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub, and all his father's house, the priests that *were* in Nob: and they came all of them to the king.

12 And Saul said, Hear now, thou son of Ahitub. And he answered, [5]Here I *am*, my lord.

13 And Saul said unto him, Why have ye conspired against me, thou and the son of Jesse, in that thou hast given him bread, and a sword, and hast enquired of God for him, that he should rise against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?

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6 Heb. *little or great.*

7 Or, *guard.* Heb. *runners.*

a 2 Sam. xxiii. 13; Ps. lvii. title; cxlii. title.

1 Heb. *had a creditor.*

2 Heb *bitter of soul.*

b Exod. i 17

b Judg. xi 3

c ch ii 31

c vs 9, 11

d ch ii. 33, xxiii 6

c 2 Sam. xxiv 11, 1 Chron xxi. 9, 2 Chron xxix 25.

3 Or, *grove in a high place*

f 1 Kings ii 26.

d ch. viii. 14.

4 Heb. *uncovereth mine ear.*

e ch xviii. 3; xx. 30

m Josh. xv 44.

f vs. 1—3; ch. xiv 3, xxi 1, 7; Ps. lii. title.

g ch. xxi. 6, 9; Numb xxvii. 21.

n vs. 4, 6, 9; ch. xxx. 8, 2 Sam. v. 19, 23.

5 Heb. *Behold me.*

14 Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who *is so* faithful among all thy servants as David, which is the king's son in law, and goeth at thy bidding, and is honourable in thine house?

15 Did I then begin to enquire of God for him? be it far from me: let not the king impute *any* thing unto his servant, *nor* to all the house of my father: for thy servant knew nothing of all this, [6]less or more.

16 And the king said, Thou shalt surely die, Ahimelech, thou, and all thy father's house.

17 ¶ And the king said unto the [7]footmen that stood about him, Turn, and slay the priests of the LORD, because their hand also *is* with David, and because they knew when he fled, and did not shew it to me. But the servants of the king would not put forth their hand to fall upon the priests of the LORD.[h]

18 And the king said to Doeg, Turn thou, and fall upon the priests. And Doeg the Edomite turned, and he fell upon the priests, and slew on that day fourscore and five persons that did wear a linen ephod.[i]

19 And Nob, the city of the priests, smote he with the edge of the sword, both men and women, children and sucklings, and oxen, and asses, and sheep, with the edge of the sword.[j]

20 ¶ And one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped, and fled after David.[k]

21 And Abiathar shewed David that Saul had slain the LORD'S priests.

22 And David said unto Abiathar, I knew *it* that day, when Doeg the Edomite *was* there, that he would surely tell Saul: I have occasioned *the death* of all the persons of thy father's house.

23 Abide thou with me, fear not: for he that seeketh my life seeketh thy life: but with me thou *shalt be* in safeguard.[l]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 David, enquiring of the Lord by Abiathar, rescueth Keilah. 7 God shewing him the coming of Saul, and the treachery of the Keilites, he escapeth from Keilah. 14 In Ziph Jonathan cometh and comforteth him. 19 The Ziphites discover him to Saul. 25 At Maon he is rescued from Saul by the invasion of the Philistines. 29 He dwelleth at En-gedi.

THEN they told David, saying, Behold, the Philistines fight against Keilah, and they rob the threshingfloors.[m]

2 Therefore David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go and smite these Philistines? And the LORD said unto David, Go, and smite the Philistines, and save Keilah.[n]

3 And David's men said unto him, Behold, we be afraid here in Judah: how much more then if we come to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines?

4 Then David enquired of the LORD yet again. And the LORD answered him and said, Arise, go down to Keilah; for I will deliver the Philistines into thine hand.

5 So David and his men went to Keilah, and fought with the Philistines, and brought away their cattle,

and smote them with a great slaughter. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah.

6 And it came to pass, when Abiathar the son of Ahimelech fled to David to Keilah, *that* he came down *with* an ephod in his hand.[a]

7 ¶ And it was told Saul that David was come to Keilah. And Saul said, God hath delivered him into mine hand; for he is shut in, by entering into a town that hath gates and bars.

8 And Saul called all the people together to war, to go down to Keilah, to besiege David and his men.

9 ¶ And David knew that Saul secretly practised mischief against him; and he said to Abiathar the priest, Bring hither the ephod.[b]

10 Then said David, O LORD God of Israel, thy servant hath certainly heard that Saul seeketh to come to Keilah, to destroy the city for my sake.[c]

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a ch. xxii. 20.

f ch. xxiv. 20.

g ch xviii. 3; xx. 16, 42; 2 Sam. xxi. 7.

b ch. xxx. 7; Numb. xxvii. 21.

2 Heb *on the right hand.*

3 Or, *the wilderness.*

h ch. xxvi. 1; Ps. liv. title.

c ch xxii. 19.

i Ps. liv. 13; lxxxvi. 14

4 Heb *foot shall be.*



MOUNTAINS AND WILDERNESS OF EN-GEDI.

11 Will the men of Keilah deliver me up into his hand? will Saul come down, as thy servant hath heard? O LORD God of Israel, I beseech thee, tell thy servant. And the LORD said, He will come down.

12 Then said David, Will the men of Keilah [1]deliver me and my men into the hand of Saul? And the LORD said, They will deliver *thee* up.

13 ¶ Then David and his men, *which were* about six hundred, arose and departed out of Keilah, and went whithersoever they could go. And it was told Saul that David was escaped from Keilah; and he forbare to go forth.[d]

14 And David abode in the wilderness in strong holds, and remained in a mountain in the wilderness of Ziph. And Saul sought him every day, but God delivered him not into his hand.[e]

15 And David saw that Saul was come out to seek his life: and David *was* in the wilderness of Ziph in a wood.

16 ¶ And Jonathan Saul's son arose, and went to David into the wood, and strengthened his hand in God.

17 And he said unto him, Fear not: for the hand of Saul my father shall not find thee; and thou shalt be king over Israel, and I shall be next unto thee; and that also Saul my father knoweth.[f]

18 And they two made a covenant before the LORD: and David abode in the wood, and Jonathan went to his house.[g]

19 ¶ Then came up the Ziphites to Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doth not David hide himself with us in strong holds in the wood, in the hill of Hachilah, [2]which *is* on the south of [3]Jeshimon?[h]

20 Now therefore, O king, come down according to all the desire of thy soul to come down; and our part *shall be* to deliver him into the king's hand.[i]

21 And Saul said, Blessed *be* ye of the LORD; for ye have compassion on me.

22 Go, I pray you, prepare yet, and know and see his place where his [4]haunt is, *and* who hath seen him there: for it is told me *that* he dealeth very subtilly.

23 See therefore, and take knowledge of all the lurking places where he hideth himself, and come ye again to me with the certainty, and I will go with you: and it shall come to pass, if he be in the land, that I will search him out throughout all the thousands of Judah.

24 And they arose, and went to Ziph before Saul: but David and his men *were* in the wilderness of Maon, in the plain on the south of

25 Saul also and his men went to seek *him.* And they told David: wherefore he came down [5]into a rock, and abode in the wilderness of Maon. And when Saul heard *that,* he pursued after David in the wilderness of Maon.

26 And Saul went on this side of the mountain, and David and his men on that side of the mountain: and David made haste to get away for fear of Saul; for Saul and his men compassed David and his men round about to take them.[k]

27 ¶ But there came a messenger unto Saul, saying, Haste thee, and come; for the Philistines [6]have invaded the land.

28 Wherefore Saul returned from pursuing after David, and went against the Philistines: therefore they called that place [7]Sela-hammahlekoth.

29 ¶ And David went up from thence, and dwelt in strong holds at En-gedi.[l]

j ch xxv 2, Josh. xv 55.

5 Or, *from the rock.*

1 Heb *shut up*

k Ps xvii. 9; 22.

d ch. xxii. 2; xxv. 13.

6 Heb *spread themselves upon, &c.*

7 That is, *the rock of divisions.*

e Ps. xi. 1; liv. 3, 4; Josh. xv. 55.

l 2 Chron. xx. 2.



SAUL SEARCHING FOR DAVID WITH THREE THOUSAND MEN.

CHAPTER XXIV.

David in a cave at En-gedi, having cut off Saul's skirt, spareth his life. 8 He sheweth thereby his innocency. 16 Saul, acknowledging his fault, taketh an oath of David, and departeth.

AND it came to pass, when Saul was returned from [1]following the Philistines, that it was told him, saying, Behold, David *is* in the wilderness of En-gedi.[a]

2 Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and went to seek David and his men upon the rocks of the wild goats.[b]

3 And he came to the sheepcotes by the way, where *was* a cave; and Saul went in to cover his feet: and David and his men remained in the sides of the cave.[c]

4 And the men of David said unto him, Behold the day of which the LORD said unto thee, Behold, I will deliver thine enemy into thine hand, that thou mayest do to him as it shall seem good unto thee. Then David arose, and cut off the [2]skirt of Saul's robe privily.[d]

5 And it came to pass afterward, that David's heart smote him, because he had cut off Saul's skirt.

6 And he said unto his men, The LORD forbid that I should do this thing unto my master, the LORD's anointed, to stretch forth mine hand against him, seeing he *is* the anointed of the LORD.[e]

7 So David [3]stayed his servants with these words, and suffered them not to rise against Saul. But Saul rose up out of the cave, and went on *his* way.[f]

8 David also arose afterward, and went out of the cave, and cried after Saul, saying, My lord the king. And when Saul looked behind him, David stooped with his face to the earth, and bowed himself.

9 ¶ And David said to Saul, Wherefore hearest thou men's words, saying, Behold, David seeketh thy hurt?

10 Behold, this day thine eyes have seen how that

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2 *which*

1 ch xxvi. 8.

1 Heb *after.*

a ch. xxiii. 28.

c ch xxvi. 11; 2 Sam. xxiv. 10.

3 Heb. *cut off*

f Ps. vii. 4; Matt. v. 44; Rom. xii. 17, 19.

b Ps. xxxviii. 12

e Judg. iii. 24; Ps. lvii. title; cxli. 6; cxlii. title.

the LORD had delivered thee to day into mine hand in the cave: and *some* bade *me* kill thee: but *mine eye* spared thee; and I said, I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he *is* the LORD'S anointed.

11 Moreover, my father, see, yea, see the skirt of thy robe in my hand: for in that I cut off the skirt of thy robe, and killed thee not, know thou and see that *there is* neither evil nor transgression in mine hand, and I have not sinned against thee; yet thou huntest my soul to take it.[a]

12 The LORD judge between me and thee, and the LORD avenge me of thee: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.[b]

13 As saith the proverb of the ancients, Wickedness proceedeth from the wicked: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.

14 After whom is the king of Israel come out? after whom dost thou pursue? after a dead dog, after a flea.[c]

15 The LORD therefore be judge, and judge between me and thee, and see, and plead my cause, and [1]deliver me out of thine hand.[d]

16 ¶ And it came to pass, when David had made an end of speaking these words unto Saul, that Saul said, *Is* this thy voice, my son David? And Saul lifted up his voice, and wept.[e]

17 And he said to David, Thou *art* more righteous than I: for thou hast rewarded me good, whereas I have rewarded thee evil.[f]

18 And thou hast shewed this day how that thou hast dealt well with me: forasmuch as when the LORD had [2]delivered me into thine hand, thou killedst me not.[g]

19 For if a man find his enemy, will he let him go well away? wherefore the LORD reward thee good for that thou hast done unto me this day.

20 And now, behold, I know well that thou shalt surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in thine hand.[h]

21 Swear now therefore unto me by the LORD, that thou wilt not cut off my seed after me, and that thou wilt not destroy my name out of my father's house.[i]

22 And David sware unto Saul. And Saul went home; but David and his men gat them up unto [3]the hold.[j]

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *Samuel dieth.* 2 *David in Paran sendeth to Nabal.* 10 *Provoked by Nabal's churlishness, he mindeth to destroy him.* 14 *Abigail understanding thereof,* 18 *taketh a present,* 23 *and by her wisdom* 32 *pacifieth David.* 36 *Nabal hearing thereof dieth.* 39 *David taketh Abigail and Ahinoam to be his wives.* 44 *Michal is given to Phalti.*

AND Samuel died; and all the Israelites were gathered together, and lamented him, and buried him in his house at Ramah. And David arose, and went down to the wilderness of Paran.[k]

2 And *there was* a man in Maon, whose [4]possessions *were* in Carmel; and the man *was* very great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a thousand goats: and he was shearing his sheep in Carmel.[l]

3 Now the name of the man *was* Nabal; and the name of his wife Abigail: and *she was* a woman of good understanding, and of a beautiful countenance: but the man *was* churlish and evil in his doings; and he *was* of the house of Caleb.

4 ¶ And David heard in the wilderness that Nabal did shear his sheep.[m]

5 And David sent out ten young men, and David said unto the young men, Get you up to Carmel, and go to Nabal, and [5]greet him in my name:

6 And thus shall ye say to him that liveth *in prosperity,* Peace *be* both to thee, and peace *be* to thine house, and peace *be* unto all that thou hast.[n]

7 And now I have heard that thou hast shearers: now thy shepherds which were with us, [6]we hurt them not, neither was there ought missing unto them, all the while they were in Carmel.[o]

8 Ask thy young men, and they will shew thee. Wherefore let the young men find favour in thine eyes: for we come in a good day: give, I pray thee, whatsoever cometh to thine hand unto thy servants, and to thy son David.[p]

9 And when David's young men came, they spake to Nabal according to all those words in the name of David, and [7]ceased.

10 ¶ And Nabal answered David's servants, and said, Who *is* David? and who *is* the son of Jesse? there be many servants now a days that break away every man from his master.[q]

11 Shall I then take my bread, and my water, and my [8]flesh that I have killed for my shearers, and give *it* unto men, whom I know not whence they *be*?[r]

12 So David's young men turned their way, and went again, and came and told him all those sayings.

13 And David said unto his men, Gird ye on every man his sword. And they girded on every man his sword; and David also girded on his sword: and there went up after David about four hundred men; and two hundred abode by the stuff.[s]

14 ¶ But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, saying, Behold, David sent messengers out of the wilderness to salute our master; and he [9]railed on them.

15 But the men *were* very good unto us, and we were not [10]hurt, neither missed we any thing, as long as we were conversant with them, when we were in the fields:[t]

16 They were a wall unto us both by night and day, all the while we were with them keeping the sheep.[u]

17 Now therefore know and consider what thou wilt do; for evil is determined against our master, and against all his houshold: for he *is such* a son of Belial, that *a man* cannot speak to him.[v]

18 ¶ Then Abigail made haste, and took two hundred loaves, and two bottles of wine, and five sheep ready dressed, and five measures of parched *corn,* and an hundred clusters of raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid *them* on asses.

19 And she said unto her servants, Go on before me; behold, I come after you. But she told not her husband Nabal.

20 And it was *so, as* she rode on the ass, that she [11]came down by the covert of the hill, and, behold,

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m Gen. xxxviii. 13; 2 Sam. xiii. 23.

5 Heb. *ask him in my name of peace.*

a ch xxvi. 20; Ps. vii. 3; xxxv. 7.

n 1 Chron. xii. 18; Ps. cxxii. 7; Luke x. 5.

b ch. xxvi. 10; Gen. xvi. 5; Judg. xi. 27; Job v. 8.

6 Heb. *shamed.*

o ver. 15, 21.

c ch. xvii. 43; xxvi. 20; 2 Sam. ix. 8.

1 Heb. *judge.*

d ver 12; 2 Chron. xxiv. 22; Ps. xxxv. 1; xliii. 1; cxix. 154; Micah vii. 9

p Neh. viii. 10; Esther ix. 19

7 Heb. *rested.*

e ch. xxvi. 17.

f ch xxvi. 21; Gen. xxxviii. 26; Matt. v. 44.

q Judg. ix. 28; Ps. lxxiii. 7, 8; cxxiii. 3, 4.

8 Heb *slaughter.*

2 Heb. *shut up.*

g ch. xxiii. 12, xxvi. 23, 28

r Judg. viii. 6.

h ch. xxiii 17

s ch. xxx. 24.

i Gen xxi 23, 2 Sam. xxi 6, 8

3 "The hold" refers to the stronghold or fastnesses of En-gedi.

9 Heb *flew upon them*

j ch xxiii 29

10 Heb *shamed.*

t ver 7

u Exod. xiv. 22; Job i. 10

v ch xx. 7; Deut. xiii. 13, Judg xix. 22.

k ch xxviii. 3; Gen. xxi. 21, Numb xx. 29, Deut. xxxiv. 8; Ps. cxx. 5.

4 Or, *business.*

l ch. xxiii. 24; Josh. xv. 55.

11 Abigail was coming *down* from Carmel, and David was coming *down* mount Paran.

David and his men came down against her; and she met them.

21 Now David had said, Surely in vain have I kept all that this *fellow* hath in the wilderness, so that nothing was missed of all that *pertained* unto him: and he hath requited me evil for good.[e]

22 So and more also do God unto the enemies of David, if I leave of all that *pertain* to him by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall.[b]

23 And when Abigail saw David, she hasted, and lighted off the ass, and fell before David on her face, and bowed herself to the ground,[c]

24 And fell at his feet, and said, Upon me, my lord, *upon* me *let this* iniquity *be:* and let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak in thine [1]audience, and hear the words of thine handmaid.

25 Let not my lord, I pray thee, [2]regard this man of Belial, *even* [3]Nabal: for as his name *is*, so *is* he; Nabal *is* his name, and folly *is* with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the young men of my lord, whom thou didst send.

26 Now therefore, my lord, *as* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, seeing the LORD hath withholden thee from coming to *shed* blood, and from [4]avenging thyself with thine own hand, now let thine enemies, and they that seek evil to my lord, be as Nabal.[d]

27 And now this [5]blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my lord, let it even be given unto the young men that [6]follow my lord.[e]

28 I pray thee, forgive the trespass of thine handmaid: for the LORD will certainly make my lord a sure house; because my lord fighteth the battles of the LORD, and evil hath not been found in thee *all* thy days.[f]

29 Yet a man is risen to pursue thee, and to seek thy soul: but the soul of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy God; and the souls of thine enemies, them shall he sling out, [7]*as out* of the middle of a sling.[g]

30 And it shall come to pass, when the LORD shall have done to my lord according to all the good that he hath spoken concerning thee, and shall have appointed thee ruler over Israel;

31 That this shall be [8]no grief unto thee, nor offence of heart unto my lord, either that thou hast shed blood causeless, or that my lord hath avenged himself: but when the LORD shall have dealt well with my lord, then remember thine handmaid.

32 ¶ And David said to Abigail, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which sent thee this day to meet me:[h]

33 And blessed *be* thy advice, and blessed *be* thou, which hast kept me this day from coming to *shed* blood, and from avenging myself with mine own hand.[i]

34 For in very deed, *as* the LORD God of Israel liveth, which hath kept me back from hurting thee, except thou hadst hasted and come to meet me, surely there had not been left unto Nabal by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall.[j]

35 So David received of her hand *that* which she had brought him, and said unto her, Go up in peace to thine house; see, I have hearkened to thy voice, and have accepted thy person.[k]

36 ¶ And Abigail came to Nabal; and, behold, he held a feast in his house, like the feast of a king; and Nabal's heart *was* merry within him, for he *was* very drunken: wherefore she told him nothing, less or more, until the morning light.[l]

37 But it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, and his wife had told him these things, that his heart died within him, and he became *as* a stone.

38 And it came to pass about ten days *after*, that the LORD smote Nabal, that he died.

39 ¶ And when David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, Blessed *be* the LORD, that hath pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and hath kept his servant from evil: for the LORD hath returned the wickedness of Nabal upon his own head. And David sent and communed with Abigail, to take her to him to wife.[m]

40 And when the servants of David were come to Abigail to Carmel, they spake unto her, saying, David sent us unto thee, to take thee to him to wife.

41 And she arose, and bowed herself on *her* face to the earth, and said, Behold, *let* thine handmaid *be* a servant to wash the feet of the servants of my lord.[n]

42 And Abigail hasted, and arose, and rode upon an ass, with five damsels of her's that went [9]after her; and she went after the messengers of David, and became his wife.

43 David also took Ahinoam of Jezreel; and they were also both of them his wives.[o]

44 ¶ [10]But Saul had given Michal his daughter, David's wife, to [11]Phalti the son of Laish, which *was* of [12]Gallim.[p]

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *Saul, by the discovery of the Ziphites, cometh to Hachilah against David.* 5 *David coming into the trench stayeth Abishai from killing Saul, but taketh his spear and cruse.* 13 *David reproveth Abner,* 18 *and exhorteth Saul.* 21 *Saul acknowledgeth his sin.*

AND the Ziphites came unto Saul to Gibeah, saying, Doth not David hide himself in the hill of Hachilah, *which is* before Jeshimon?[q]

2 Then Saul arose, and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, having three thousand chosen men of Israel with him, to seek David in the wilderness of Ziph.

3 And Saul pitched in the hill of Hachilah, which *is* before Jeshimon, by the way. But David abode in the wilderness, and he saw that Saul came after him into the wilderness.

4 David therefore sent out spies, and understood that Saul was come in very deed.

5 ¶ And David arose, and came to the place where Saul had pitched: and David beheld the place where Saul lay, and Abner the son of Ner, the captain of his host: and Saul lay in [13]the trench, and the people pitched round about him.[r]

6 Then answered David and said to Ahimelech the

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k ch. xx. 42; Gen. xix. 21; 2 Sam. xv. 9; 2 Kings v. 19; Luke vii. 50; viii. 48.

a Ps. cix. 5; Prov. xvii. 13.

l 2 Sam. xiii. 28.

b ver. 34; ch. iii. 17; xx 13, 16; Ruth i. 17; 1 Kings xiv. 10; xxi. 21.

c Josh. xv. 18; Judg. i. 14

1 Heb. *ears.*

2 Heb *lay it to his heart.*

3 That is, *fool.*

m vs. 26, 32, 34; 1 Kings ii 44; Ps. vii 16; Prov xxii 23.

4 Heb. *saving thyself.*

n Ruth ii. 10, 13; Prov xv. 33.

d ver 33; Gen. xx 6; 2 Sam xviii 32; 2 Kings ii 2, Rom xii. 19.

5 Or, *present*

9 Heb *at her feet,* ver 27

6 Heb *walk at the feet of,* &c., ver. 42

e ch xxx 26; Gen xxxiii. 11, 2 Kings v. 15.

o ch xxvii. 3, xxx. 5; Josh. xv. 56

10 The word "but" would be better rendered "for."

11 Called *Phaltiel,* 2 Sam. iii. 15.

f ch. xviii. 17; xxiv. 11; 2 Sam. xii. 11, 27; 1 Kings ix. 5; 1 Chron. xvii. 10, 25.

12 Gallim was a town situated in the tribe of Benjamin (Isa. x. 30), where it is mentioned with Michmash and Geba.

p 2 Sam. iii. 15.

7 Heb. *in the midst of the bow of a sling.*

g Jer. x. 18.

8 Heb. *no staggering* or *stumbling.*

q ch xxiii. 19, Ps. liv. title.

h Gen. xxiv. 27; Exod. xviii. 10; Ps. xli 13; lxxii. 18; Luke i. 68.

i ver 26.

j vs. 22, 26.

13 Or, *midst of his carriages,* ch. xvii. 20.

r ch. xiv 50; xvii. 55



DAVID NOBLY SPARES THE LIFE OF SAUL.

Hittite, and to Abishai the son of Zeruiah, brother to Joab, saying, Who will go down with me to Saul to the camp? And Abishai said, I will go down with thee.[a]

7 So David and Abishai came to the people by night: and, behold, Saul lay sleeping within the trench, and his spear stuck in the ground at his bolster: but Abner and the people lay round about him.

8 Then said Abishai to David, God hath [1]delivered thine enemy into thine hand this day: now therefore let me smite him, I pray thee, with the spear even to the earth at once, and I will not *smite* him the second time.

9 And David said to Abishai, Destroy him not: for who can stretch forth his hand against the LORD'S anointed, and be guiltless?[b]

10 David said furthermore, *As* the LORD liveth, the LORD shall smite him; or his day shall come to die; or he shall descend into battle, and perish.[c]

11 The LORD forbid that I should stretch forth mine hand against the LORD'S anointed: but, I pray thee, take thou now the spear that *is* at his bolster, and the cruse of water, and let us go.

12 So David took the spear and the cruse of water from Saul's bolster; and they gat them away, and no man saw *it*, nor knew *it*, neither awaked: for they *were* all asleep; because a deep sleep from the LORD was fallen upon them.[d]

13 ¶ Then David went over to the other side, and stood on the top of an hill afar off; a great space *being* between them:

14 And David cried to the people, and to Abner the son of Ner, saying, Answerest thou not, Abner? Then Abner answered and said, Who *art* thou *that* criest to the king?

15 And David said to Abner, *Art* not thou a *valiant* man? and who *is* like to thee in Israel? wherefore then hast thou not kept thy lord the king? for there came one of the people in to destroy the king thy lord.

16 This thing *is* not good that thou hast done. *As* the LORD liveth, ye *are* [2]worthy to die, because ye have not kept your master, the LORD'S anointed. And now see where the king's spear *is*, and the cruse of water that *was* at his bolster.

17 And Saul knew David's voice, and said, *Is* this thy voice, my son David? And David said, *It is* my voice, my lord, O king.[e]

18 And he said, Wherefore doth my lord thus pursue after his servant? for what have I done? or what evil *is* in mine hand?[f]

19 Now therefore, I pray thee, let my lord the king hear the words of his servant. If the LORD have stirred thee up against me, let him [3]accept an offering: but if *they be* the children of men, cursed *be* they before the LORD; for they have driven me out this day from [4]abiding in the inheritance of the LORD, saying, Go, serve other gods.[g]

20 Now therefore, let not my blood fall to the earth before the face of the LORD: for the king of Israel is come out to seek a flea, as when one doth hunt a partridge in the mountains.[h]

21 ¶ Then said Saul, I have sinned: return, my son David: for I will no more do thee harm, because my soul was precious in thine eyes this day: behold, I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly.[i]

22 And David answered and said, Behold the king's spear! and let one of the young men come over and fetch it.

23 The LORD render to every man his righteousness and his faithfulness: for the LORD delivered thee into *my* hand to day, but I would not stretch forth mine hand against the LORD'S anointed.[j]

24 And, behold, as thy life was much set by this day in mine eyes, so let my life be much set by in the eyes of the LORD, and let him deliver me out of all tribulation.

25 Then Saul said to David, Blessed *be* thou, my son David: thou shalt both do great *things*, and also shalt still prevail. So David went on his way, and Saul returned to his place.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 1060.

a ch. xv. 24; xviii. 30; xxiv. 17.

a 1 Chron. ii. 16; Judg. vii. 10, 11.

1 Heb. *shut up*, ch. xxiv. 18.

Ps. vii. 8; xviii. 20.

b ch xxiv. 6, 7; 2 Sam. i. 16.

c ch. xxiv. 6, 12; xxv. 38; xxxi. 6; Gen. xlvii. 29; Deut. xxxi. 14; Job vii. 1; Ps. xxxvii. 13; xciv. 1, 2, 23.

d Gen xxxii 28.

5 Heb *be consumed*

d Gen. ii. 21; xv. 12

ch. xxi 10; xxv. 13.

m ch xxv. 43.

2 Heb *the sons of death*, 2 Sam xii 5

e ch. xxiv. 16.

n Josh xv. 31; xix. 5.

f ch. xxiv. 9, 11.

6 Heb. *the number of days.*

7 Heb. *a year of days*, ch. xxix. 3, till 1056

3 Heb. *smell.*

8 Or, *Gerzites.*

o ch. xv. 7, 8; xxix. 3; Gen. xxv. 18; Exod. xvii.16; Josh. xiii 2; xvi. 10; Judg. i. 29.

4 Heb. *cleaving.*

g Gen. viii. 21; Lev. xxvi. 31; Deut. iv. 28; 2 Sam. xiv. 16; xvi. 11; xx. 19; xxiv. 1.

9 Or, *Did you not make a road, &c.*

h ch. xxiv. 14

p Judg. i. 16; 1 Chron. ii. 9, 25.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *Saul hearing David to be in Gath seeketh no more for him.* 5 *David beggeth Ziklag of Achish.* 8 *He, invading other countries, persuadeth Achish he fought against Judah.*

AND David said in his heart, I shall now [5]perish one day by the hand of Saul: *there is* nothing better for me than that I should speedily escape into the land of the Philistines; and Saul shall despair of me, to seek me any more in any coast of Israel: so shall I escape out of his hand.

2 And David arose, and he passed over with the six hundred men that *were* with him unto Achish, the son of Maoch, king of Gath.[l]

3 And David dwelt with Achish at Gath, he and his men, every man with his houshold, *even* David with his two wives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the Carmelitess, Nabal's wife.[m]

4 And it was told Saul that David was fled to Gath: and he sought no more again for him.

5 ¶ And David said unto Achish, If I have now found grace in thine eyes, let them give me a place in some town in the country, that I may dwell there: for why should thy servant dwell in the royal city with thee?

6 Then Achish gave him Ziklag that day: wherefore Ziklag pertaineth unto the kings of Judah unto this day.[n]

7 And [6]the time that David dwelt in the country of the Philistines was [7]a full year and four months.

8 ¶ And David and his men went up, and invaded the Geshurites, and the [8]Gezrites, and the Amalekites: for those *nations were* of old the inhabitants of the land, as thou goest to Shur, even unto the land of Egypt.[o]

9 And David smote the land, and left neither man nor woman alive, and took away the sheep, and the oxen, and the asses, and the camels, and the apparel, and returned, and came to Achish.

10 And Achish said, [9]Whither have ye made a road to day? And David said, Against the south of Judah, and against the south of the Jerahmeelites, and against the south of the Kenites.[p]

11 And David saved neither man nor woman alive, to bring *tidings* to Gath, saying, Lest they should tell on us, saying, So did David, and so *will be* his manner all the while he dwelleth in the country of the Philistines.

12 And Achish believed David, saying, He hath made his people Israel [1]utterly to abhor him; therefore he shall be my servant for ever.

BEFORE CHRIST 1060.

1 Heb. *to stink.*

6 And when Saul enquired of the LORD, the LORD answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets.[d]

d ch. xiv. 37; Exod. xxviii. 30; Numb. xii. 6; xxvii. 21; Deut. xxxiii. 8; Prov. i. 28; Lam. ii. 9.

7 ¶ Then said Saul unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and enquire of her. And his servants said to him, Behold, *there is* a woman that hath a familiar spirit at En-dor.



ENDOR: SAUL'S SERVANTS SEEKING THE WITCH.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 Achish putteth confidence in David. 3 Saul, having destroyed the witches, 4 and now in his fear forsaken of God, 7 seeketh to a witch. 9 The witch, encouraged by Saul, raiseth up Samuel. 15 Saul, hearing his ruin, fainteth. 21 The woman with his servants refresh him with meat.

AND it came to pass in those days, that the Philistines gathered their armies together for warfare, to fight with Israel. And Achish said unto David, Know thou assuredly, that thou shalt go out with me to battle, thou and thy men.[a]

a ch xxix 1.

2 And David said to Achish, Surely thou shalt know what thy servant can do. And Achish said to David, Therefore will I make thee keeper of mine head for ever.

3 ¶ Now Samuel was dead, and all Israel had lamented him, and buried him in Ramah, even in his own city. And Saul had put away those that had familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land.[b]

b ver. 9; ch xxv. 1; Exod. xxii 18, Lev. xix. 31; xx. 27, Deut. xviii. 10, 11.

4 And the Philistines gathered themselves together, and came and pitched in Shunem: and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they pitched in Gilboa.[c]

2 Heb. *What is his form?*

c ch. xxxi 1; Josh. xix. 18; 2 Kings iv. 8.

5 And when Saul saw the host of the Philistines, he was afraid, and his heart greatly trembled.

8 And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, I pray thee, divine unto me by the familiar spirit, and bring me *him* up, whom I shall name unto thee.[e]

e Deut xviii. 11; 1 Chron x 13, Isa. viii 19, 20.

9 And the woman said unto him, Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done, how he hath cut off those that have familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land: wherefore then layest thou a snare for my life, to cause me to die?[f]

f ver 3

10 And Saul sware to her by the LORD, saying, *As* the LORD liveth, there shall no punishment happen to thee for this thing.

11 Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up Samuel.

12 And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saying, Why hast thou deceived me? for thou *art* Saul.

13 And the king said unto her, Be not afraid: for what sawest thou? And the woman said unto Saul, I saw gods ascending out of the earth.

14 And he said unto her, [2]What form *is* he of? And she said, An old man cometh up; and he *is* covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived that it *was* Samuel, and he stooped with *his* face to the ground, and bowed himself.[g]

g ch. xv. 27; 2 Kings ii. 8, 13.



THE RAISING OF SAMUEL BY THE WITCH OF ENDOR.

15 ¶ And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up? And Saul answered, I am sore distressed; for the Philistines make war against me, and God is departed from me, and answereth me no more, neither [1]by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do.[a]

16 Then said Samuel, Wherefore then dost thou ask of me, seeing the LORD is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy?

17 And the LORD hath done [2]to him, as he spake by [3]me: for the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, *even* to David:[b]

18 Because thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing unto thee this day.[c]

19 Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines: and to morrow *shalt* thou and thy sons *be* with me: the LORD also shall deliver the host of Israel into the hand of the Philistines.

20 Then Saul [4]fell straightway all along on the earth, and was sore afraid, because of the words of Samuel: and there was no strength in him; for he had eaten no bread all the day, nor all the night.

21 ¶ And the woman came unto Saul, and saw that he was sore troubled, and said unto him, Behold, thine handmaid hath obeyed thy voice, and I have put my life in my hand, and have hearkened unto thy words which thou spakest unto me.[d]

22 Now therefore, I pray thee, hearken thou also unto the voice of thine handmaid, and let me set a morsel of bread before thee; and eat, that thou mayest have strength, when thou goest on thy way.

23 But he refused, and said, I will not eat. But his servants, together with the woman, compelled him; and he hearkened unto their voice. So he arose from the earth, and sat upon the bed.

BEFORE CHRIST 1056.

4 Heb. *made haste, and fell with the fulness of his stature.*

1 Heb *by the hand of*

a ver. 6; ch. xviii. 12, Prov. v. 11—13; xiv. 14

2 Or, *for himself.*

d ch. xix. 5; Judg. xii. 3; Job xiii. 14.

3 Heb. *mine hand.*

b Prov xvi. 4.

c ch. xv. 9; 1 Kings xx. 42; 1 Chron. x. 13; Jer. xlviii. 10.

24 And the woman had a fat calf in the house; and she hasted, and killed it, and took flour, and kneaded *it*, and did bake unleavened bread thereof:

25 And she brought *it* before Saul, and before his servants; and they did eat. Then they rose up, and went away that night.

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *David marching with the Philistines, 3 is disallowed by their princes. 6 Achish dismisseth him, with commendations of his fidelity.*

NOW the Philistines gathered together all their armies to Aphek: and the Israelites pitched by a fountain which *is* in Jezreel.[a]

2 And the lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds, and by thousands: but David and his men passed on in the rereward with Achish.[b]

3 Then said the princes of the Philistines, What *do* these Hebrews *here?* And Achish said unto the princes of the Philistines, *Is* not this David, the servant of Saul the king of Israel, which hath been with me these days, or these years, and I have found no fault in him since he fell *unto me* unto this day?[c]

4 And the princes of the Philistines were wroth with him; and the princes of the Philistines said unto him, Make this fellow return, that he may go again to his place which thou hast appointed him, and let him not go down with us to battle, lest in the battle he be an adversary to us: for wherewith should he reconcile himself unto his master? *should it* not *be* with the heads of these men?[d]

5 *Is* not this David, of whom they sang one to another in dances, saying, Saul slew his thousands, and David his ten thousands?[e]

6 ¶ Then Achish called David, and said unto him, Surely, *as* the LORD liveth, thou hast been upright, and thy going out and thy coming in with me in the host *is* good in my sight: for I have not found evil in thee since the day of thy coming unto me unto this day: nevertheless [1]the lords favour thee not.[f]

7 Wherefore now return, and go in peace, that thou [2]displease not the lords of the Philistines.

8 ¶ And David said unto Achish, But what have I done? and what hast thou found in thy servant so long as I have been [3]with thee unto this day, that I may not go fight against the enemies of my lord the king?

9 And Achish answered and said to David, I know that thou *art* good in my sight, as an angel of God: notwithstanding the princes of the Philistines have said, He shall not go up with us to the battle.[g]

10 Wherefore now rise up early in the morning with thy master's servants that are come with thee: and as soon as ye be up early in the morning, and have light, depart.

BEFORE CHRIST 1056.

a 2 Sam. iv. 4.

a ch. iv. 1; xxviii. 1.

b ch. xv. 7; xxvii. 8.

b ch. xxviii. 1, 2.

c ch. xxvii. 7, Dan. vi. 5.

d ch. xxv. 42, 43; 2 Sam. ii. 2.

4 Heb. *bitter.*

e ch. i. 10; Judg. xvii. 25; 2 Sam. xvii. 8; 2 Kings iv. 27; Ps. xlii. 5; lvi. 3, 4, 11, Hab iii. 17, 18

d ch. xiv. 21; 1 Chron. xii. 19

l ch. xxiii. 6, 9.

e ch. xviii. 7, xxi. 11.

m ch. xxiii. 2, 4.

1 Heb *thou art not good in the eyes of the lords.*

f ver. 3, 2 Sam. iii. 25; 2 Kings xix. 27.

2 Heb *do not evil in the eyes of the lords.*

n ver. 21.

3 Heb *before thee.*

o ch. xiv. 27; Judg. xv. 19.

g ver. 4; 2 Sam. xiv. 17, 20; xix. 27.

11 So David and his men rose up early to depart in the morning, to return into the land of the Philistines. And the Philistines went up to Jezreel.[h]

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *The Amalekites spoil Ziklag. 4 David asking counsel is encouraged by God to pursue them. 11 By the means of a revived Egyptian he is brought to the enemies, and recovereth all the spoil. 22 David's law to divide the spoil equally between them that fight and them that keep the stuff. 26 He sendeth presents to his friends.*

AND it came to pass, when David and his men were come to Ziklag on the third day, that the Amalekites had invaded the south, and Ziklag, and smitten Ziklag, and burned it with fire;[i]

2 And had taken the women captives, that *were* therein: they slew not any, either great or small, but carried *them* away, and went on their way.

3 ¶ So David and his men came to the city, and, behold, *it was* burned with fire; and their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, were taken captives.

4 Then David and the people that *were* with him lifted up their voice and wept, until they had no more power to weep.

5 And David's two wives were taken captives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite.[j]

6 And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was [4]grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: but David encouraged himself in the LORD his God.[k]

7 And David said to Abiathar the priest, Ahimelech's son, I pray thee, bring me hither the ephod. And Abiathar brought thither the ephod to David.[l]

8 And David enquired at the LORD, saying, Shall I pursue after this troop? shall I overtake them? And he answered him, Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake *them*, and without fail recover *all.*[m]

9 So David went, he and the six hundred men that *were* with him, and came to the brook Besor, where those that were left behind stayed.

10 But David pursued, he and four hundred men: for two hundred abode behind, which were so faint that they could not go over the brook Besor.[n]

11 ¶ And they found an Egyptian in the field, and brought him to David, and gave him bread, and he did eat; and they made him drink water;

12 And they gave him a piece of a cake of figs, and two clusters of raisins: and when he had eaten, his spirit came again to him: for he had eaten no bread, nor drunk *any* water, three days and three nights.[o]

13 And David said unto him, To whom *belongest* thou? and whence *art* thou? And he said, I *am* a young man of Egypt, servant to an Amalekite; and my master left me, because three days agone I fell sick.

14 We made an invasion *upon* the south of the

Cherethites, and upon *the coast* which *belongeth* to Judah, and upon the south of Caleb; and we burned Ziklag with fire.[a]

15 And David said to him, Canst thou bring me down to this company? And he said, Swear unto me by God, that thou wilt neither kill me, nor deliver me into the hands of my master, and I will bring thee down to this company.

16 ¶ And when he had brought him down, behold, *they were* spread abroad upon all the earth, eating and drinking, and dancing, because of all the great spoil that they had taken out of the land of the Philistines, and out of the land of Judah.

17 And David smote them from the twilight even unto the evening of [1]the next day: and there escaped not a man of them, save four hundred young men, which rode upon camels, and fled.

BEFORE CHRIST 1056.

[3] Heb. *men.*

[a] ver. 16; Josh. xiv. 13; xv. 13; 2 Sam. viii. 18; 1 Kings i. 38, 44; Ezek. xxv. 16; Zeph. ii. 5.

[d] Deut. xiii. 13; Judg. xix. 22

[e] Numb xxxi 27; Josh xxii. 8.

[4] Heb *and forward.*

[1] Heb *their morrow.*

18 And David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away: and David rescued his two wives.

19 And there was nothing lacking to them, neither small nor great, neither sons nor daughters, neither spoil, nor any *thing* that they had taken to them: David recovered all.[b]

20 And David took all the flocks and the herds, *which* they drave before those *other* cattle, and said, This *is* David's spoil.

21 ¶ And David came to the two hundred men, which were so faint that they could not follow David, whom they had made also to abide at the brook Besor: and they went forth to meet David, and to meet the people that *were* with him: and when David came near to the people, he [2]saluted them.[c]

22 Then answered all the wicked men and *men* of Belial, [3]of those that went with David, and said, Because they went not with us, we will not give them *ought* of the spoil that we have recovered, save to every man his wife and his children, that they may lead *them* away, and depart.[d]

23 Then said David, Ye shall not do so, my brethren, with that which the LORD hath given us, who hath preserved us, and delivered the company that came against us into our hand.

24 For who will hearken unto you in this matter? but as his part *is* that goeth down to the battle, so *shall* his part *be* that tarrieth by the stuff: they shall part alike.[e]

25 And it was *so* from that day [4]forward, that he made it a statute and an ordinance for Israel unto this day.

26 ¶ And when David came to Ziklag, he sent of



ZIKLAG.

[b] ver. 8.

[h] Josh. xiii. 16; xv. 50

[i] ch xxvii. 10; Judg. i. 16.

[j] Judg i. 17.

[2] Or, *asked them how they did;* Judg. xviii. 15.

[c] ver. 10.

[k] Josh. xiv. 13; 2 Sam. ii. 1.

[5] Heb. *blessing.*

[f] ch xxv. 27; Gen xxxiii. 11.

[g] Josh. xv. 48; xix. 8.

the spoil unto the elders of Judah, *even* to his friends, saying, Behold a [5]present for you of the spoil of the enemies of the LORD;[f]

27 To *them* which *were* in Beth-el, and to *them* which *were* in south Ramoth, and to *them* which *were* in Jattir,[g]

28 And to *them* which *were* in Aroer, and to *them* which *were* in Siphmoth, and to *them* which *were* in Eshtemoa,[h]

29 And to *them* which *were* in Rachal, and to *them* which *were* in the cities of the Jerahmeelites, and to *them* which *were* in the cities of the Kenites,[i]

30 And to *them* which *were* in Hormah, and to *them* which *were* in Chor-ashan, and to *them* which *were* in Athach,[j]

31 And to *them* which *were* in Hebron, and to all the places where David himself and his men were wont to haunt.[k]

CHAPTER XXXI.

1 Saul having lost his army, and his sons slain, he and his armourbearer kill themselves. 7 The Philistines possess the forsaken towns of the Israelites. 8 They triumph over the dead carcases. 11 They of Jabesh-gilead, recovering the bodies by night, burn them at Jabesh, and mournfully bury their bones.

Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down [1]slain in mount Gilboa.[a]

2 And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Melchi-shua, Saul's sons.[b]

3 And the battle went sore against Saul, and the [2]archers [3]hit him; and he was sore wounded of the archers.[c]

4 Then said Saul unto his armourbearer, Draw thy sword, and thrust me through therewith; lest these uncircumcised come and thrust me through, and [4]abuse me. But his armourbearer would not; for he was sore afraid. Therefore Saul took a sword, and fell upon it.[d]

5 And when his armourbearer saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise upon his sword, and died with him.

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6 So Saul died, and his three sons, and his armourbearer, and all his men, that same day together.

7 ¶ And when the men of Israel that *were* on the other side of the valley, and *they* that *were* on the other side Jordan, saw that the men of Israel fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook the cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.

8 And it came to pass on the morrow, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his three sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

9 And they cut off his head, and stripped off his armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to publish *it in* the house of their idols, and among the people.[e]

10 And they put his armour in the house of Ashtaroth: and they fastened his body to the wall of Beth-shan.[f]

11 ¶ And when the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead heard of that which the Philistines had done to Saul;[g]

12 All the valiant men arose, and went all night, and took the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons from the wall of Beth-shan, and came to Jabesh, and burnt them there.[h]

13 And they took their bones, and buried *them* under a tree at Jabesh, and fasted seven days.[i]

1 Or, *wounded*

a ch. xxviii 4; 1 Chron. x. 1—12.

e 2 Sam. i 20.

b ch. xiv. 49; 1 Chron. viii. 33.

2 Heb. *shooters, men with bows.*

3 Heb. *found him.*

f ch. xxi 9; Josh. xvii. 11, Judg. i. 27, ii. 13.

c 2 Sam. i. 6, &c.

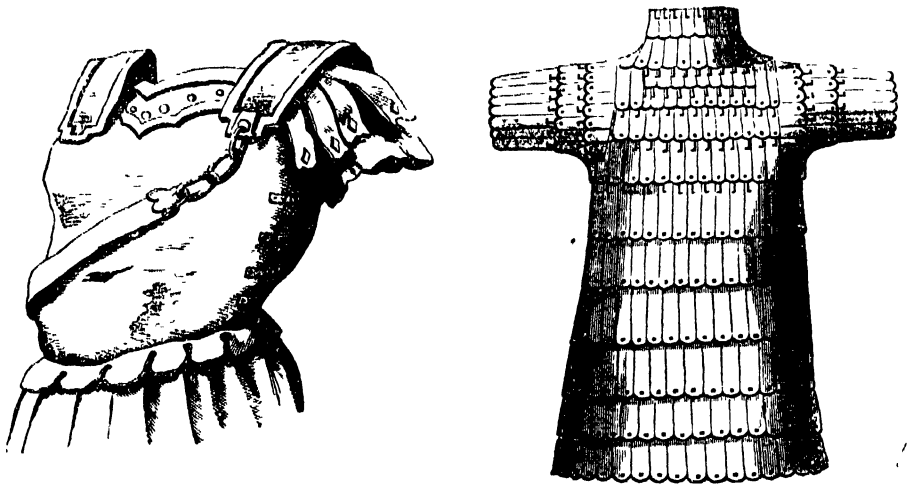
g ch. xi. 3, 9, 11.

4 Or, *mock me*

d ch xiv. 6; xvii 26, 2 Sam. i. 10, 14

h ch. xi 1—11; 2 Sam ii 4—7; 2 Chron. xvi. 14; Jer. xxxiv 5; Amos vi. 10

i Gen. l 10; 2 Sam iii. 4, 5; xxi. 12—14.



LEATHER CUIRASS, AND AN ANCIENT COAT OF MAIL OF ABOUT THIS ERA.





THE SECOND BOOK OF SAMUEL,

OTHERWISE CALLED THE SECOND BOOK OF THE KINGS.

CHAPTER I.

B. C. 1055

1 *The Amalekite, who brought tidings of the overthrow, and accused himself of Saul's death, is slain.* 17 *David lamenteth Saul and Jonathan with a song.*

NOW it came to pass after the death of Saul, when David was returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites, and David had abode two days in Ziklag;[a]

[a] 1 Sam. xxx 17, 26.

2 It came even to pass on the third day, that, behold, a man came out of the camp from Saul with his clothes rent, and earth upon his head: and *so* it was, when he came to David, that he fell to the earth, and did obeisance.[b]

[b] ch. iv. 10; 1 Sam iv. 12.

3 And David said unto him, From whence comest thou? And he said unto him, Out of the camp of Israel am I escaped.

4 And David said unto him, [1]How went the matter? I pray thee, tell me. And he

[1] Heb. *What was, &c.*

answered, That the people are fled from the battle, and many of the people also are fallen and dead; and Saul and Jonathan his son are dead also.[a]

5 And David said unto the young man that told him, How knowest thou that Saul and Jonathan his son be dead?

6 And the young man that told him said, As I happened by chance upon mount Gilboa, behold, Saul leaned upon his spear; and, lo, the chariots and horsemen followed hard after him.[b]

7 And when he looked behind him, he saw me, and called unto me. And I answered, [1]Here *am* I.

8 And he said unto me, Who *art* thou? And I answered him, I *am* an Amalekite.

9 He said unto me again, Stand, I pray thee, upon me, and slay me: for [2]anguish is come upon me, because my life *is* yet whole in me.[c]

10 So I stood upon him, and slew him, because I was sure that he could not live after that he was fallen: and I took the crown that *was* upon his head, and the bracelet that *was* on his arm, and have brought them hither unto my lord.

11 Then David took hold on his clothes, and rent them; and likewise all the men that *were* with him:[d]

12 And they mourned, and wept, and fasted until even, for Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of the LORD, and for the house of Israel; because they were fallen by the sword.

13 ¶ And David said unto the young man that told him, Whence *art* thou? And he answered, I *am* the son of a stranger, an Amalekite.

14 And David said unto him, How wast thou not afraid to stretch forth thine hand to destroy the LORD'S anointed?[e]

15 And David called one of the young men, and said, Go near, *and* fall upon him. And he smote him that he died.[f]

16 And David said unto him, Thy blood *be* upon thy head; for thy mouth hath testified against thee, saying, I have slain the LORD'S anointed.[g]

17 ¶ And David lamented with this lamentation over Saul and over Jonathan his son:

18 (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah *the use of* the bow: behold, *it is* written in the [3]book of Jasher.)[h]

19 The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen![i]

20 Tell *it* not in Gath, publish *it* not in the streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.[j]

21 Ye mountains of Gilboa, *let there be* no dew, neither *let there be* rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, *as though he had* not *been* anointed with oil.[k]

22 From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.[l]

23 Saul and Jonathan *were* lovely and [4]pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.[m]

24 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with *other* delights, who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel.

25 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan, *thou wast* slain in thine high places.

26 I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me: thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.[n]

27 How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished![o]

CHAPTER II.

1 David, by God's direction, with his company goeth up to Hebron, where he is made king of Judah. 5 He commendeth them of Jabesh-gilead for their kindness to Saul. 8 Abner maketh Ish-bosheth king of Israel. 12 A mortal skirmish between twelve of Abner's and twelve of Joab's men. 18 Asahel is slain. 25 At Abner's motion Joab soundeth a retreat. 32 Asahel's burial.

AND it came to pass after this, that David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up into any of the cities of Judah? And the LORD said unto him, Go up. And David said, Whither shall I go up? And he said, Unto Hebron.[p]

2 So David went up thither, and his two wives also, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail Nabal's wife the Carmelite.[q]

3 And his men that *were* with him did David bring up, every man with his houshold: and they dwelt in the cities of Hebron.[r]

4 And the men of Judah came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah. And they told David, saying, *That* the men of Jabesh-gilead *were they* that buried Saul.[s]

5 ¶ And David sent messengers unto the men of Jabesh-gilead, and said unto them, Blessed *be* ye of the LORD, that ye have shewed this kindness unto your lord, *even* unto Saul, and have buried him.[t]

6 And now the LORD shew kindness and truth unto you: and I also will requite you this kindness, because ye have done this thing.[u]

7 Therefore now let your hands be strengthened, and [5]be ye valiant: for your master Saul is dead, and also the house of Judah have anointed me king over them.

8 ¶ But Abner the son of Ner, captain of [6]Saul's host, took [7]Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and brought him over to Mahanaim;[v]

9 And made him king over Gilead, and over the Ashurites, and over Jezreel, and over Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and over all Israel.

10 Ish-bosheth Saul's son *was* forty years old when he began to reign over Israel, and reigned two years. But the house of Judah followed David.

11 And [8]the time that David was king in Hebron over the house of Judah was seven years and six months.[w]

12 ¶ And Abner the son of Ner, and the servants of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to Gibeon.[x]

BEFORE CHRIST 1055.

a 1 Sam. iv. 16.

n 1 Sam. xviii. 1, 3; xix. 2; xx. 17, 41; xxiii. 16.

b 1 Sam. xxxi. 1—4.

o ver. 19.

1 Heb. *Behold me.*

2 Or, *my coat of mail*, or, *my embroidered coat hindereth me, that my*, &c.

c Judg ix. 54.

d ch. iii. 31; xiii. 31.

p ver 11; ch. v 1, 3, Judg. i. 1, 1 Sam. xxiii. 2, 4, 9, xxx. 7, 8, 31.

q 1 Sam. xxx. 5.

r 1 Sam xxvii. 2, 3; xxx 1; 1 Chron xii 1.

e Numb xii 8, 1 Sam. xxiv 6, xxvi 9, xxxi 4, Ps cv. 15

s ver 11; ch v 5; 1 Sam xxxi 11, 13.

f ch iv 10, 12.

g ver 10; 1 Sam. xxvi 9; 1 Kings ii 32, 33, 37, Luke xix 22.

t Ruth ii 20, iii. 10; Ps cxv. 15.

u 2 Tim i. 16, 18.

3 Or, *of the upright.*

h Josh x 33; 1 Sam. xi. 3

5 Heb *be ye the sons of valour*

i ver 27

6 Heb *the host which was Saul's.*

7 Or, *Esh-baal.*

j Exod xv 20; Judg. xi. 34, xvi. 23; 1 Sam. xviii 6; xxxi. 4, 9; Micah i. 10.

v 1 Sam. xiv. 50; 1 Chron. viii. 33; ix. 39.

k Judg v. 23; 1 Sam. x. 1, xxxi. 1; Job iii. 5, 4.

8 Heb. *number of days.*

l 1 Sam xviii. 4.

4 Or, *sweet.*

w ch. v. 5; 1 Kings ii. 11.

m Judg. xiv. 18.

x Josh. xviii. 25.

13 And Joab the son of Zeruiah, and the servants of David, went out, and [1]met together by the pool of Gibeon: and they sat down, the one on the one side of the pool, and the other on the other side of the pool.[a]

14 And Abner said to Joab, Let the young men now arise, and play before us. And Joab said, Let them arise.

15 Then there arose and went over by number twelve of Benjamin, which *pertained* to Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, and twelve of the servants of David.

16 And they caught every one his fellow by the head, and *thrust* his sword in his fellow's side; so they fell down together: wherefore that place was called [2]Helkath-hazzurim, which *is* in Gibeon.

17 And there was a very sore battle that day; and Abner was beaten, and the men of Israel, before the servants of David.

18 ¶ And there were three sons of Zeruiah there, Joab, and Abishai, and Asahel: and Asahel *was as* light [3]of foot [4]as a wild roe.[b]

19 And Asahel pursued after Abner; and in going he turned not to the right hand nor to the left [5]from following Abner.

20 Then Abner looked behind him, and said, *Art* thou Asahel? And he answered, I *am*.

21 And Abner said to him, Turn thee aside to thy right hand or to thy left, and lay thee hold on one of the young men, and take thee his [6]armour. But Asahel would not turn aside from following of him.[c]

22 And Abner said again to Asahel, Turn thee aside from following me: wherefore should I smite thee to the ground? how then should I hold up my face to Joab thy brother?

23 Howbeit he refused to turn aside: wherefore Abner with the hinder end of the spear smote him under the fifth *rib*, that the spear came out behind him; and he fell down there, and died in the same place: and it came to pass, *that* as many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died stood still.[d]

24 Joab also and Abishai pursued after Abner: and the sun went down when they were come to the hill of Ammah, that *lieth* before Giah by the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.

25 ¶ And the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together after Abner, and became one troop, and stood on the top of an hill.

26 Then Abner called to Joab, and said, Shall the sword devour for ever? knowest thou not that it will be bitterness in the latter end? how long shall it be then, ere thou bid the people return from following their brethren?

27 And Joab said, *As* God liveth, unless thou hadst spoken, surely then [7]in the morning the people had [8]gone up every one from following his brother.[e]

28 So Joab blew a trumpet, and all the people stood still, and pursued after Israel no more, neither fought they any more.

29 And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plain, and passed over Jordan, and went through all Bithron, and they came to Mahanaim.

BEFORE CHRIST 1053.

1 Heb. *them together.*

a Jer. xli. 12.

2 That is, *the field of strong men.*

3 Heb. *of his feet*

4 Heb. *as one of the roes that is in the field.*

b 1 Chron ii 16, xii 8, Ps. xviii 33, Cant ii 17; viii 14.

5 Heb. *from after Abner*

6 Or, *spoil*

f 1 Sam xxv 43, 1 Chron iii. 1—4

c Judg xiv 19

9 Or, *Daniel*

g ch. xiii 37; 1 Sam xxvii. 8, 1 Chron iii 1

h 1 Kings i 5.

d ch. iii. 27; iv. 6; xx. 10.

i ch xvi. 21; xxi. 8, 10.

j ch. ix. 8; xvi. 9, Deut. xxiii 18; 1 Sam xxiv. 15.

k Ruth i. 17; 1 Sam xv. 28; xvi. 1, 12, xxviii. 17; 1 Kings xix. 2; 1 Chron xii. 23.

7 Heb. *from the morning.*

l ch. xvii. 11; Judg. xx. 1, 1 Kings iv. 25.

8 Or, *gone away.*

e ver. 14.

30 And Joab returned from following Abner: and when he had gathered all the people together, there lacked of David's servants nineteen men and Asahel.

31 But the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and of Abner's men, *so that* three hundred and threescore men died.

32 ¶ And they took up Asahel, and buried him in the sepulchre of his father, which *was in* Beth-lehem. And Joab and his men went all night, and they came to Hebron at break of day.

CHAPTER III.

1 *During the war David still waxeth stronger.* 2 *Six sons were born to him in Hebron.* 6 *Abner, displeased with Ish-bosheth,* 12 *revolteth to David.* 18 *David requireth a condition to bring him his wife Michal.* 17 *Abner, having communed with the Israelites, is feasted by David, and dismissed.* 22 *Joab, returning from battle, is displeased with the king, and killeth Abner* 28 *David curseth Joab,* 31 *and mourneth for Abner.*

NOW there was long war between the house of Saul and the house of David: but David waxed stronger and stronger, and the house of Saul waxed weaker and weaker.

2 ¶ And unto David were sons born in Hebron: and his firstborn was Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess;[f]

3 And his second, [9]Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur;[g]

4 And the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital;[h]

5 And the sixth, Ithream, by Eglah David's wife. These were born to David in Hebron.

6 ¶ And it came to pass, while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of David, that Abner made himself strong for the house of Saul.

7 And Saul had a concubine, whose name *was* Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah: and *Ish-bosheth* said to Abner, Wherefore hast thou gone in unto my father's concubine?[i]

8 Then was Abner very wroth for the words of Ish-bosheth, and said, *Am* I a dog's head, which against Judah do shew kindness this day unto the house of Saul thy father, to his brethren, and to his friends, and have not delivered thee into the hand of David, that thou chargest me to day with a fault concerning this woman?[j]

9 So do God to Abner, and more also, except, as the LORD hath sworn to David, even so I do to him;[k]

10 To translate the kingdom from the house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beer-sheba.[l]

11 And he could not answer Abner a word again, because he feared him.

12 ¶ And Abner sent messengers to David on his behalf, saying, Whose *is* the land? saying *also*, Make thy league with me, and, behold, my hand *shall be* with thee, to bring about all Israel unto thee.

13 ¶ And he said, Well; I will make a league with

thee: but one thing I require of thee, that is, Thou shalt not see my face, except thou first bring Michal Saul's daughter, when thou comest to see my face.[a]

14 And David sent messengers to Ish-bosheth Saul's son, saying, Deliver *me* my wife Michal, which I espoused to me for an hundred foreskins of the Philistines.[b]

15 And Ish-bosheth sent, and took her from *her* husband, *even* from [1]Phaltiel the son of Laish.[c]

16 And her husband went with [2]her along weeping behind her to Bahurim. Then said Abner unto him, Go, return. And he returned.[d]

17 ¶ And Abner had communication with the elders of Israel, saying, Ye sought for David [3]in times past *to be* king over you:

18 Now then do *it:* for the LORD hath spoken of David,[e] saying, By the hand of my servant David I will save my people Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of all their enemies.

19 And Abner also spake in the ears of Benjamin: and Abner went also to speak in the ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good to Israel, and that seemed good to the whole house of Benjamin.[f]

20 So Abner came to David to Hebron, and twenty men with him. And David made Abner and the men that *were* with him a feast.

21 And Abner said unto David, I will arise and go, and will gather all Israel unto my lord the king, that they may make a league with thee, and that thou mayest reign over all that thine heart desireth. And David sent Abner away; and he went in peace.[g]

22 ¶ And, behold, the servants of David and Joab came from *pursuing* a troop, and brought in a great spoil with them: but Abner *was* not with David in Hebron; for he had sent him away, and he was gone in peace.

23 When Joab and all the host that *was* with him were come, they told Joab, saying, Abner the son of Ner came to the king, and he hath sent him away, and he is gone in peace.

24 Then Joab came to the king, and said, What hast thou done? behold, Abner came unto thee; why *is* it *that* thou hast sent him away, and he is quite gone?

25 Thou knowest Abner the son of Ner, that he came to deceive thee, and to know thy going out and thy coming in, and to know all that thou doest.[h]

26 And when Joab was come out from David, he sent messengers after Abner, which brought him again from the well of Sirah: but David knew *it* not.[i]

27 And when Abner was returned to Hebron, Joab took him aside in the gate to speak with him quietly, and smote him there under the fifth *rib*, that he died, for the blood of Asahel his brother.[k]

28 ¶ And afterward when David heard *it*, he said, I and my kingdom *are* guiltless before the LORD for ever from the [4]blood of Abner the son of Ner:

29 Let it rest on the head of Joab, and on all his father's house; and let there not [5]fail from the house of Joab one that hath an issue, or that is a leper, or that leaneth on a staff, or that falleth on the sword, or that lacketh bread.[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 1048.

a Gen. xliii. 3; 1 Sam. xviii. 20.

b ch. ii. 23.

b 1 Sam xviii. 25, 27.

6 Heb. *bed.*

c ch. i. 2, 11; Gen. xxxvii. 34; Josh. vii. 6.

1 Or, *Phalti.*

c 1 Sam. xxv. 44.

2 Heb. *going and weeping.*

d ch. xix. 16.

m ch. xiii. 12, 13.

3 Heb *both yesterday and the third day.*

7 Heb *children of iniquity.*

e ver. 9.

n ch. i. 12; xii. 17; Ruth i. 17, Jer. xvi. 7.

8 Heb. *was good in their eyes.*

f 1 Chron. xii. 29.

9 Heb. *tender.*

g vs 10, 12; 1 Kings xi. 37.

o ch. xix 7, 13; 1 Kings ii. 5, 6, 33, 34; Ps xxviii 4; lxii. 12; 2 Tim. iv. 14.

p Ezra iv. 4; Isa. xiii. 7.

10 Heb. *second.*

h 1 Sam. xxix. 6

q Josh xviii. 25.

r Neh. xi. 33.

i ch. ii 23; iv 6; xx. 9, 10; 1 Kings ii. 5.

11 Or, *Merib-baal.*

s ch. ix. 3; 1 Sam. xxix. 1, 11; 1 Chron. viii. 34; ix. 40.

4 Heb. *bloods.*

5 Heb. *be cut off.*

k Lev. xv. 2; 1 Kings ii. 32, 33.

30 So Joab and Abishai his brother slew Abner, because he had slain their brother Asahel at Gibeon in the battle.[k]

31 ¶ And David said to Joab, and to all the people that *were* with him, Rend your clothes, and gird you with sackcloth, and mourn before Abner. And king David *himself* followed the [6]bier.[l]

32 And they buried Abner in Hebron: and the king lifted up his voice, and wept at the grave of Abner; and all the people wept.

33 And the king lamented over Abner, and said, Died Abner as a fool dieth?[m]

34 Thy hands *were* not bound, nor thy feet put into fetters: as a man falleth before [7]wicked men, *so* fellest thou. And all the people wept again over him.

35 And when all the people came to cause David to eat meat while it was yet day, David sware, saying, So do God to me, and more also, if I taste bread, or ought else, till the sun be down.[n]

36 And all the people took notice *of it*, and [8]it pleased them: as whatsoever the king did pleased all the people.

37 For all the people and all Israel understood that day that it was not of the king to slay Abner the son of Ner.

38 And the king said unto his servants, Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?

39 And I *am* this day [9]weak, though anointed king; and these men the sons of Zeruiah *be* too hard for me: the LORD shall reward the doer of evil according to his wickedness.[o]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The Israelites being troubled at the death of Abner,* 2 *Baanah and Rechab slay Ish-bosheth, and bring his head to Hebron.* 9 *David causeth them to be slain, and Ish-bosheth's head to be buried.*

AND when Saul's son heard that Abner was dead in Hebron, his hands were feeble, and all the Israelites were troubled.[p]

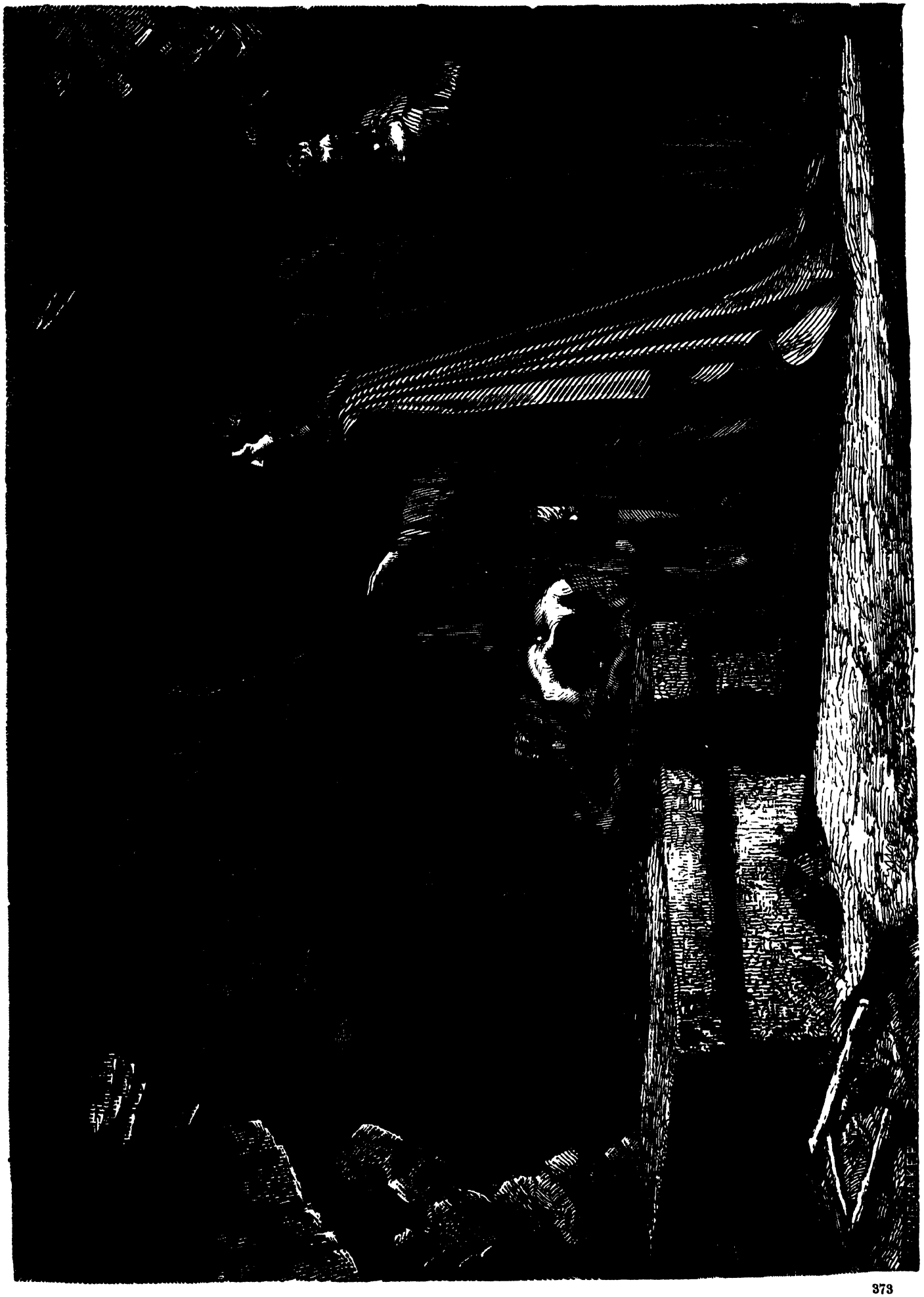
2 And Saul's son had two men *that were* captains of bands: the name of the one *was* Baanah, and the name of the [10]other Rechab, the sons of Rimmon a Beerothite, of the children of Benjamin: (for Beeroth also was reckoned to Benjamin:[q]

3 And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and were sojourners there until this day.)[r]

4 And Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son *that was* lame of *his* feet. He was five years old when the tidings came of Saul and Jonathan out of Jezreel, and his nurse took him up, and fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his name *was* [11]Mephibosheth.[s]

5 And the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went, and came about the heat of the day to the house of Ish-bosheth, who lay on a bed at noon.

6 And they came thither into the midst of the house, *as though* they would have fetched wheat; and



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they smote him under the fifth *rib:* and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.[a]

7 For when they came into the house, he lay on his bed in his bedchamber, and they smote him, and slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head, and gat them away through the plain all night.

8 And they brought the head of Ish-bosheth unto David to Hebron, and said to the king, Behold the head of Ish-bosheth the son of Saul thine enemy, which sought thy life; and the LORD hath avenged my lord the king this day of Saul, and of his seed.[b]

9 ¶ And David answered Rechab and Baanah his brother, the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite, and said unto them, *As* the LORD liveth, who hath redeemed my soul out of all adversity,[c]

10 When one told me, saying, Behold, Saul is dead, [1]thinking to have brought good tidings, I took hold of him, and slew him in Ziklag, [2]who *thought* that I would have given him a reward for his tidings:[d]

11 How much more, when wicked men have slain a righteous person in his own house upon his bed? shall I not therefore now require his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth?[e]

12 And David commanded his young men, and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their feet, and hanged *them* up over the pool in Hebron. But they took the head of Ish-bosheth, and buried *it* in the sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.[f]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The tribes come to Hebron to anoint David over Israel.* 4 *David's age.* 6 *He taking Zion from the Jebusites dwelleth in it.* 11 *Hiram sendeth to David.* 13 *Eleven sons are born to him in Jerusalem.* 17 *David, directed by God, smiteth the Philistines at Baal-perazim,* 22 *and again at the mulberry trees.*

THEN came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we *are* thy bone and thy flesh.[g]

2 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.[h]

3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD: and they anointed David king over Israel.[i]

4 ¶ David *was* thirty years old when he began to reign, *and* he reigned forty years.[j]

5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah.[k]

6 ¶ And the king and his men went to Jerusalem unto the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land: which spake unto David, saying, Except thou take away the blind and the lame, thou shalt not come in hither: [3]thinking, David cannot come in hither.[l]

7 Nevertheless David took the strong hold of Zion: the same *is* the city of David.[m]

8 And David said on that day, Whosoever getteth up to the gutter, and smiteth the Jebusites, and the lame and the blind, *that are* hated of David's soul, *he shall be chief and captain.* Wherefore they said, [4]The blind and the lame shall not come into the house.[n]

9 So David dwelt in the fort, and called it the city of David. And David built round about from Millo and inward.[o]

10 And David [5]went on, and grew great, and the LORD God of hosts *was* with him.

11 ¶ And Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar trees, and carpenters, and [6]masons: and they built David an house.[p]

12 And David perceived that the LORD had established him king over Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's sake.

13 ¶ And David took *him* more concubines and wives out of Jerusalem, after he was come from Hebron: and there were yet sons and daughters born to David.[q]

14 And these *be* the names of those that were born unto him in Jerusalem; [7]Shammuah, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon,[r]

15 Ibhar also, and [8]Elishua, and Nepheg, and Japhia,[s]

16 And Elishama, and [9]Eliada, and Eliphalet.[t]

17 ¶ But when the Philistines heard that they had anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines came up to seek David; and David heard *of it*, and went down to the hold.[u]

18 The Philistines also came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.[v]

19 And David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up to the Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto David, Go up: for I will doubtless deliver the Philistines into thine hand.[w]

20 And David came to [10]Baal-perazim, and David smote them there, and said, The LORD hath broken forth upon mine enemies before me, as the breach of waters. Therefore he called the name of that place Baal-perazim.[x]

21 And there they left their images, and David and his men [11]burned them.[y]

22 ¶ And the Philistines came up yet again, and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.

23 And when David enquired of the LORD, he said. Thou shalt not go up; *but* fetch a compass behind them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.[z]

24 And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall the LORD go out before thee, to smite the host of the Philistines.[a]

25 And David did so, as the LORD had commanded him; and smote the Philistines from Geba until thou come to [12]Gazer.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1048.

a ch. ii. 23.

3 Or, *saying, David shall not, &c.*

l Josh xv. 63; Judg. i. 8, 21; xix. 11, 12.

m ver 9; 1 Kings ii. 10; viii. 1.

4 Or, *Because they had said, even the blind and the lame, He shall not come into the house.*

n 1 Chron. xi 6—9.

b 1 Sam. xix. 2, 10, 11; xxiii. 15; xxv. 29.

o ver. 7.

5 Heb *went going and growing.*

c Gen xlviii 16; 1 Kings i. 29; Ps. xxxi. 7.

6 Heb. *hewers of the stone of the wall.*

1 Heb *he was in his own eyes as a bringer, &c.*

p 1 Kings v. 2; 1 Chron. xiv. 1.

2 Or, *which was the reward I gave him for his tidings.*

d ch. i. 2, 4, 15.

e Gen. ix. 5, 6.

q Deut. xvii 17; 1 Chron. iii. 9; xiv. 3.

7 Or, *Shimea.*

r 1 Chron. iii. 5, xiv 4

f ch i 15; iii. 32.

8 Or, *Elishama.*

s 1 Chron iii 6.

9 Or, *Beeliada.*

t 1 Chron. xiv 7

u ch. xxiii 14; 1 Chron xi 16, xiv. 8.

v Josh. xv 8; Isa. xvii 5

g Gen xxix. 14; 1 Chron xi 1; xii. 23.

w ch ii 1, 1 Sam. xxiii 2, 4, xxx. 8.

10 That is, *the plain of breaches*

x Isa xxviii 21.

h ch. vii 7; 1 Sam xvi. 1, 12; xviii. 13; Ps. lxxviii 71.

11 Or, *took them away.*

y Deut. vii. 5, 25; 1 Chron. xiv. 12.

i Judg. xi. 11; 1 Sam. xxiii. 18; 2 Kings xi. 17; 1 Chron. xi. 3.

z ver. 19.

j 1 Chron. xxvi. 31; xxix. 27.

k ch. ii 11; 1 Chron. iii. 4.

a Judg. iv. 14; 2 Kings vii. 6.

12 Or, *Gibeon.*

b Josh. xvi. 10; 1 Chron xiv. 16.



DAVID BRINGING THE ARK FROM KIRJATH-JEARIM.

CHAPTER VI.

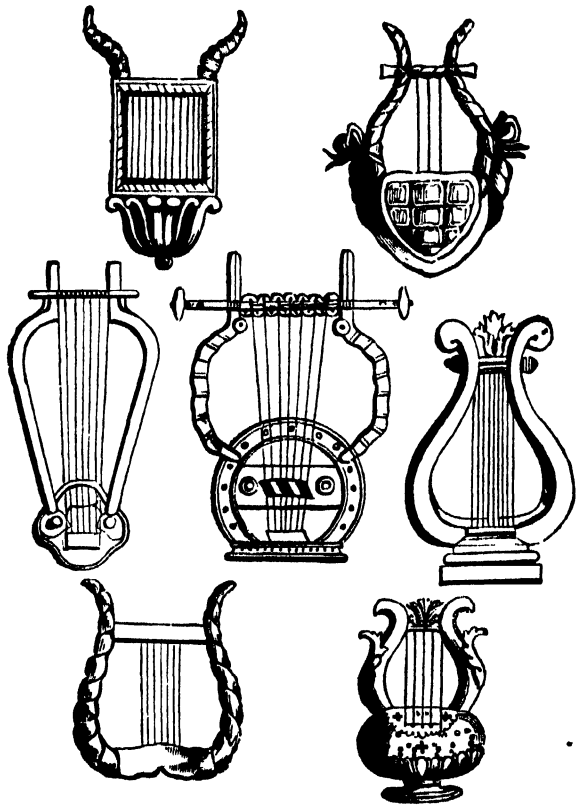
1 David fetcheth the ark from Kirjath-jearim on a new cart. 6 Uzzah is smitten at Perez-uzzah. 9 God blesseth Obed-edom for the ark. 12 David bringing the ark into Zion with sacrifices, danceth before it, for which Michal despiseth him. 17 He placeth it in a tabernacle with great joy and feasting. 20 Michal reproving David for his religious joy is childless to her death.

AGAIN, David gathered together all *the* chosen *men* of Israel, thirty thousand.

2 And David arose, and went with all the people that *were* with him from [1]Baale of Judah, to bring up from thence the ark of God, [2]whose name is called by the name of the LORD of hosts that dwelleth *between* the cherubims.[a]

3 And they [3]set the ark of God upon a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab that *was* in [4]Gibeah: and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drave the new cart.[b]

4 And they brought it out of the house of Abinadab which *was* at Gibeah, [5]accompanying the ark of God: and Ahio went before the ark.[c]



HARPS AND LUTES OF ABOUT THIS PERIOD.

5 And David and all the house of Israel played before the LORD on all manner of *instruments made of* fir wood, even on harps, and on psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals.

6 ¶ And when they came to [6]Nachon's threshingfloor, Uzzah put forth *his hand* to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen [7]shook *it*.[d]

7 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah; and God smote him there for *his* [8]error; and there he died by the ark of God.[e]

8 And David was displeased, because the LORD had [9]made a breach upon Uzzah: and he called the name of the place [10]Perez-uzzah to this day.

9 And David was afraid of the LORD that day, and said, How shall the ark of the LORD come to me?[f]

10 So David would not remove the ark of the LORD unto him into the city of David: but David carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

11 And the ark of the LORD continued in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months: and the LORD blessed Obed-edom, and all his houshold.[g]

12 ¶ And it was told king David, saying, The LORD hath blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that *pertaineth* unto him, because of the ark of God. So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness.[h]

13 And it was *so*, that when they that bare the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he sacrificed oxen and fatlings.[i]

14 And David danced before the LORD with all *his* might; and David *was* girded with a linen ephod.[j]

15 So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.[k]

16 And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.[l]

17 ¶ And they brought in the ark of the LORD, and set it in his place, in the midst of the tabernacle that David had [11]pitched for it: and David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.[m]

18 And as soon as David had made an end of offering burnt offerings and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts.[n]

19 And he dealt among all the people, *even* among the whole multitude of Israel, as well to the women as men, to every one a cake of bread, and a good piece *of flesh*, and a flagon *of wine*. So all the people departed every one to his house.[o]

20 ¶ Then David returned to bless his houshold. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows [12]shamelessly uncovereth himself![p]

21 And David said unto Michal, *It was* before the LORD, which chose me before thy father, and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel: therefore will I play before the LORD.[q]

22 And I will yet be more vile than thus, and will be base in mine own sight: and [13]of the maidservants which thou hast spoken of, of them shall I be had in honour.

23 Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child unto the day of her death.

BEFORE CHRIST 1042.

1 Or, *Baalah*; that is, *Kirjath-jearim*.

2 Or, *at which the name, even the name of the LORD of hosts was called upon.*

3 Heb. *made to ride.*

4 Or, *the hill.*

5 Heb. *with.*

6 Or, *Chidon.*

7 Or, *stumbled.*

8 Or, *rashness.*

9 Or, *broken.*

10 That is, *the breach of Uzzah.*

11 Heb. *stretched.*

12 Or, *openly.*

13 Or, *of the handmaids of my servants.*

a Josh. xv. 9, 60; 1 Sam. iv. 4; 1 Chron. xiii. 5, 6; Ps. lxxx. 1.

b 1 Chron. xv. 25.

c 1 Sam. vii. 1.

d Numb. vii. 9; 1 Sam. vi. 7.

e Numb. iv. 15, Josh. iii. 3; 1 Kings viii. 5; 1 Chron. xv. 2, 15, 26.

f Ps. cxix. 120; Luke v. 8, 9.

g 1 Chron. xiii. 14.

h 1 Chron. xv. 29.

i 1 Sam. vi. 13.

j Exod. xv. 20; 1 Sam. ii. 18, 1 Chron. xv. 27; Ps. xxx. 11

k 1 Chron. xv. 28.

l 1 Chron. xv. 29.

m 1 Kings viii. 5, 62, 63; 1 Chron. xv. 1; xvi. 1, Ps. cxxxii. 8.

n 1 Kings viii. 55, 1 Chron. xvi. 2.

o 1 Chron. xvi. 3.

p vs. 14, 16; Judg. ix. 4; 1 Sam. xix. 24; Ps. xxx. title.

q 1 Sam. xiii. 14; xv. 28.

CHAPTER VII.

1 Nathan first approving the purpose of David to build God an house, 4 after by the word of God forbiddeth him. 12 He promiseth him benefits and blessings in his seed. 18 David's prayer and thanksgiving.

AND it came to pass, when the king sat in his house, and the LORD had given him rest round about from all his enemies;[a]

2 That the king said unto Nathan the prophet, See now, I dwell in an house of cedar, but the ark of God dwelleth within curtains.[b]

3 And Nathan said to the king, Go, do all that *is* in thine heart; for the LORD *is* with thee.[c]

4 ¶ And it came to pass that night, that the word of the LORD came unto Nathan, saying,

5 Go and [1]tell my servant David, Thus saith the LORD, Shalt thou build me an house for me to dwell in?[d]

6 Whereas I have not dwelt in *any* house since the time that I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle.[e]

7 In all *the places* wherein I have walked with all the children of Israel spake I a word with [2]any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people Israel, saying, Why build ye not me an house of cedar?[f]

8 Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, [3]from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel:[g]

9 And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies [4]out of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great *men* that *are* in the earth.[h]

10 Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime,[i]

11 And as since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house.[j]

12 ¶ And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.[k]

13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.[l]

14 I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:[m]

15 But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took *it* from Saul, whom I put away before thee.[n]

16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.[o]

17 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

BEFORE CHRIST 1040.

p Gen. xxxii. 10.

5 Heb. *law*

q vs. 12, 13; Isa. lv 8.

a 1 Chron. xvii. 1, &c.

r Gen. xviii. 19; Ps. cxxxix. 1.

b ch. v. 11; Exod. xxvi. 1; xl. 21; Acts vii. 46.

c 1 Kings viii. 17, 18; 1 Chron. xxii. 7; xxviii. 2.

s Deut. iii. 24; iv. 35; xxxii. 39; 1 Sam. ii. 2; 1 Chron. xvi. 25; 2 Chron. ii. 5; Ps. xlviii. 1; lxxxvi. 8, 10; xcvi. 4; cxxxv. 5; cxlv. 3; Isa. xlv 5, 18, 22; Jer. x 6.

1 Heb. *to my servant, to David.*

d 1 Kings v. 3; viii. 16, 19; 1 Chron. xxii. 8; xxviii. 3.

e Exod. xl. 18, 19, 34; 1 Kings viii. 16.

t Deut. iv. 7; ix. 26, 32, 34; xxxii. 29; Neh. i. 10; Ps. cxlvii 20.

2 Or, *any of the judges.*

u Deut. xxvi. 18; Ps. xlviii. 14.

f ch. v. 2; Lev. xxvi. 11, 12; Deut. xxiii. 14; 1 Chron. xvii. 6.

3 Heb. *from after.*

g 1 Sam. xvi. 11, 12; Ps. lxxviii. 70.

4 Heb. *from thy face.*

h ch. v. 10; viii. 6, 14; Gen. xii 2; 1 Sam xviii. 14, xxxi. 6, Ps. lxxxix. 23

6 Heb. *opened the ear.*

v Ruth iv. 4; 1 Sam. ix. 15.

i Ps. xliv. 2; lxxx. 8; lxxxix. 22, Jer xxiv 6; Amos ix. 15.

7 Heb *be thou pleased and bless.*

j vs 1, 27; Exod. i. 21; Judg ii 14—16, 1 Sam. xii 9, 11; 1 Kings xi 38; Ps. cvi. 42

w ch xxii. 51.

k Deut. xxxi 16; 1 Kings i 21, ii 1; viii 20, xi. 38; Ps cxxxii. 11; Acts xiii. 36

l ver. 16; 1 Kings v. 5; vi. 12; viii 19; 1 Chron. xxii. 10; xxviii. 6; Ps. lxxxix. 4, 29, 36, 37.

m Ps. lxxxix. 26—33.

8 Or, *the bridle of Ammah.*

x 1 Chron. xviii. 1, &c.

n 1 Sam. xv. 23, 28; xvi. 14; 1 Kings xi. 13, 34.

o ver. 13; Ps. lxxxix. 36, 37; John xii. 34.

y vs. 6, 14; Numb. xxiv. 17; 1 Sam. x. 27; Ps. lxxii. 10.

18 ¶ Then went king David in, and sat before the LORD, and he said, Who *am* I, O Lord GOD? and what *is* my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?[p]

19 And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord GOD; but thou hast spoken also of thy servant's house for a great while to come. And *is* this the [5]manner of man, O Lord GOD?[q]

20 And what can David say more unto thee? for thou, Lord GOD, knowest thy servant.[r]

21 For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all these great things, to make thy servant know *them.*

22 Wherefore thou art great, O LORD God: for *there is* none like thee, neither *is there any* God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.[s]

23 And what one nation in the earth *is* like thy people, *even* like Israel, whom God went to redeem for a people to himself, and to make him a name, and to do for you great things and terrible, for thy land, before thy people, which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt, *from* the nations and their gods?[t]

24 For thou hast confirmed to thyself thy people Israel *to be* a people unto thee for ever: and thou, LORD, art become their God.[u]

25 And now, O LORD God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant, and concerning his house, establish *it* for ever, and do as thou hast said.

26 And let thy name be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD of hosts *is* the God over Israel: and let the house of thy servant David be established before thee.

27 For thou, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, hast [6]revealed to thy servant, saying, I will build thee an house: therefore hath thy servant found in his heart to pray this prayer unto thee.[v]

28 And now, O Lord GOD, thou *art* that God, and thy words be true, and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant:

29 Therefore now [7]let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee: for thou, O Lord GOD, hast spoken *it:* and with thy blessing let the house of thy servant be blessed for ever.[w]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 David subdueth the Philistines and the Moabites. 3 He smiteth Hadadezer, and the Syrians. 9 Toi sendeth Joram with presents to bless him. 11 The presents and the spoil David dedicateth to God. 14 He putteth garrisons in Edom. 16 David's officers.

AND after this it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them: and David took [8]Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines.[x]

2 And he smote Moab, and measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground; even with two lines measured he to put to death, and with one full line to keep alive. And *so* the Moabites became David's servants, *and* brought gifts.[y]



DAVID DEDICATING HIS TREASURES TO THE LORD.

3 ¶ David smote also [1]Hadadezer, the son of Rehob, king of Zobah, as he went to recover his border at the river Euphrates.[a]

4 And David took [2]from him a thousand *chariots*, and seven hundred horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: and David houghed all the chariot *horses*, but reserved of them *for* an hundred chariots.[b]

5 And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succour Hadadezer king of Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.[c]

6 Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus: and the Syrians became servants to David, *and* brought gifts. And the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.[d]

7 And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.[e]

8 And from [3]Betah, and from [4]Berothai, cities of Hadadezer, king David took exceeding much brass.[f]

9 ¶ When [5]Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host of Hadadezer,[g]

10 Then Toi sent [6]Joram his son unto king David, to [7]salute him, and to bless him, because he had fought against Hadadezer, and smitten him: for Hadadezer [8]had wars with Toi. And *Joram* [9]brought with him vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and vessels of brass:[h]

11 Which also king David did dedicate unto the LORD, with the silver and gold that he had dedicated of all nations which he subdued;[i]

12 Of Syria, and of Moab, and of the children of Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of Amalek, and of the spoil of Hadadezer, son of Rehob, king of Zobah.

13 And David gat *him* a name when he returned from [10]smiting of the Syrians in the valley of salt, [11]*being* eighteen thousand *men*.[j]

14 ¶ And he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom put he garrisons, and all they of Edom became David's servants. And the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.[k]

15 And David reigned over all Israel; and David executed judgment and justice unto all his people.

16 And Joab the son of Zeruiah *was* over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud *was* [12]recorder;[l]

17 And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech

BEFORE CHRIST 1046.

1 Or, *Hadarezer*
8 Heb *was a man of wars with*
9 Heb *in his hand were*
a Gen xv 18; 1 Chron. xviii 3, Ps. lx title.
2 Or, *of his*
h 1 Chron xviii 10
b Josh xi 6, 9; 1 Chron. xviii 4
i 1 Kings vii 51; 1 Chron xviii. 11, xxvi 26
c 1 Kings xi 23—25
10 Heb *his smiting*
d vs. 2, 14; ch vii 9
11 Or, *slaying*
j 2 Kings xiv. 7; 1 Chron. xviii. 12, Ps. lx. title
e 1 Kings x 16.
3 Or, *Tibhath.*
4 Or, *Chun.*
k ver. 6; Gen. xxvii. 29, 37, 40; Numb. xxiv 18.
f 1 Chron. xviii. 8.
5 Or, *Tou.*
g 1 Chron. xviii. 9.
6 Or, *Hadoram.*
12 Or, *remembrancer*, or, *writer of chronicles.*
l ch. xix. 13; xx. 23; 1 Kings iv. 3; 1 Chron. xi. 6; xviii. 17.
7 Heb. *ask him of peace.*

the son of Abiathar, *were* the priests; and Seraiah *was* the [1]scribe;[a]

18 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was over* both the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and David's sons were [2]chief rulers.[b]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *David by Ziba sendeth for Mephibosheth. 7 For Jonathan's sake he entertaineth him at his table, and restoreth him all that was Saul's. 9 He maketh Ziba his farmer.*

AND David said, Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may shew him kindness for Jonathan's sake?[c]

2 And *there was* of the house of Saul a servant whose name *was* Ziba. And when they had called him unto David, the king said unto him, *Art* thou Ziba? And he said, Thy servant *is he.*[d]

3 And the king said, *Is* there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may shew the kindness of God unto him? And Ziba said unto the king, Jonathan hath yet a son, *which is* lame on *his* feet.[e]

4 And the king said unto him, Where *is* he? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold, he *is* in the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, in Lo-debar.[f]

5 ¶ Then king David sent, and fetched him out of the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, from Lo-debar.

6 Now when [3]Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, was come unto David, he fell on his face, and did reverence. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he answered, Behold thy servant![g]

7 ¶ And David said unto him, Fear not: for I will surely shew thee kindness for Jonathan thy father's sake, and will restore thee all the land of Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually.[h]

8 And he bowed himself, and said, What *is* thy servant, that thou shouldest look upon such a dead dog as I *am*?[i]

9 ¶ Then the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said unto him, I have given unto thy master's son all that pertained to Saul and to all his house.[j]

10 Thou therefore, and thy sons, and thy servants, shall till the land for him, and thou shalt bring in *the fruits*, that thy master's son may have food to eat: but Mephibosheth thy master's son shall eat bread alway at my table. Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants.[k]

11 Then said Ziba unto the king, According to all that my lord the king hath commanded his servant, so shall thy servant do. As for Mephibosheth, *said the king*, he shall eat at my table, as one of the king's sons.

12 And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name *was* Micha. And all that dwelt in the house of Ziba *were* servants unto Mephibosheth.[l]

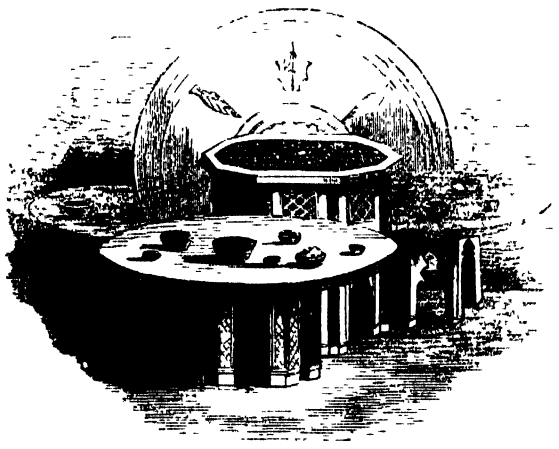
13 So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem: for he did eat continually at the king's table: and was lame on both his feet.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1037.

1 Or, *secretary.*
a 1 Chron. xxiv. 3.
j ch. xvi. 4; xix. 29.
2 Or, *princes.*
b ch. xx. 26; 1 Sam. xxx. 14; 1 Chron. xviii. 17.
k vs. 7, 11, 13; ch. xix. 17, 28
c 1 Sam. xviii 3; xx 14—17, 42; Prov. xxvii. 10
l 1 Chron. viii 34
d ch. xvi. 1, xix 17, 29
m vs. 3 7, 10



ANCIENT METAL VESSELS.



ANCIENT TABLES.

CHAPTER X.

1 *David's messengers, sent to comfort Hanun the son of Nahash, are villanously entreated. 6 The Ammonites, strengthened by the Syrians, are overcome by Joab and Abishai. 15 Shobach, making a new supply of the Syrians at Helam, is slain by David.*

AND it came to pass after this, that the king of the children of Ammon died, and Hanun his son reigned in his stead.[n]

2 Then said David, I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, as his father shewed kindness unto me. And David sent to comfort him by the hand of his servants for his father. And David's servants came into the land of the children of Ammon.

3 And the princes of the children of Ammon said unto Hanun their lord, [4]Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? hath not David *rather* sent his servants unto thee, to search the city, and to spy it out, and to overthrow it?

e ch. iv. 4; 1 Sam. xx. 14
f ch. xvii. 27.
n 1 Chron. xix 1, &c
3 Or, *Merib-baal.*
g 1 Chron. viii 34.
h vs. 1, 3
4 Heb. *In thine eyes doth David?*
i ch. xvi. 9; 1 Sam. xxiv. 14.



BATTLE WITH THE SYRIANS

4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved off the one half of their beards, and cut off their garments in the middle, *even* to their buttocks, and sent them away.[a]

5 When they told *it* unto David, he sent to meet them, because the men were greatly ashamed: and the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and *then* return.

6 ¶ And when the children of Ammon saw that they stank before David, the children of Ammon sent and hired the Syrians of Beth-rehob, and the Syrians of Zoba, twenty thousand footmen, and of king Maacah a thousand men, and of [1]Ish-tob twelve thousand men.[b]

7 And when David heard of *it*, he sent Joab, and all the host of the mighty men.[c]

8 And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array at the entering in of the gate: and the Syrians of Zoba, and of Rehob, and Ish-tob, and Maacah, *were* by themselves in the field.[d]

9 When Joab saw that the front of the battle was against him before and behind, he chose of all the choice *men* of Israel, and put *them* in array against the Syrians:

BEFORE CHRIST 1036

[a] Isa. xx. 4, xlvii. 2

[c] Deut. xxxi. 6; 1 Sam. iii 18; iv. 9; 1 Cor. xvi. 13.

[1] Or, *the men of Tob.*

[b] ch. viii. 3, 5; Gen. xxxiv. 30; Exod. v. 21; Judg. xi. 3, 5; 1 Sam. xiii. 4

[c] ch. xxiii. 8.

[d] ver. 6.

[2] That is, *Euphrates.*

[3] Or, *Shophach.*

[f] 1 Chron. xix. 16.

10 And the rest of the people he delivered into the hand of Abishai his brother, that he might put *them* in array against the children of Ammon.

11 And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will come and help thee.

12 Be of good courage, and let us play the men for our people, and for the cities of our God: and the LORD do that which seemeth him good.[e]

13 And Joab drew nigh, and the people that *were* with him, unto the battle against the Syrians: and they fled before him.

14 And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, then fled they also before Abishai, and entered into the city. So Joab returned from the children of Ammon, and came to Jerusalem.

15 ¶ And when the Syrians saw that they were smitten before Israel, they gathered themselves together.

16 And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the Syrians that *were* beyond [2]the river: and they came to Helam; and [3]Shobach the captain of the host of Hadarezer *went* before them.[f]

17 And when it was told David, he gathered all Israel together, and passed over Jordan, and came to Helam. And the Syrians set themselves in array against David, and fought with him.

18 And the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew *the men of* seven hundred chariots of the Syrians, and forty thousand [1]horsemen, and smote Shobach the captain of their host, who died there.[a]

19 And when all the kings *that were* servants to Hadarezer saw that they were smitten before Israel, they made peace with Israel, and served them. So the Syrians feared to help the children of Ammon any more.[b]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *While Joab besieged Rabbah, David committeth adultery with Bath-sheba. 6 Uriah, sent for by David to cover the adultery, would not go home neither sober nor drunken. 14 He carrieth to Joab the letter of his death. 18 Joab sendeth the news thereof to David. 26 David taketh Bath-sheba to wife.*

AND it came to pass, [2]after the year was expired, at the time when kings go forth *to battle*, that David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried still at Jerusalem.[c]

2 ¶ And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the woman *was* very beautiful to look upon.[d]

3 And David sent and enquired after the woman. And *one* said, *Is* not this [3]Bath-sheba, the daughter of [4]Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?[e]

4 And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and he lay with her; for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.[f]

5 And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I *am* with child.

6 ¶ And David sent to Joab, *saying*, Send me Uriah the Hittite. And Joab sent Uriah to David.

7 And when Uriah was come unto him, David [5]demanded *of him* how Joab did, and how the people did, and how the war prospered.

8 And David said to Uriah, Go down to thy house, and wash thy feet. And Uriah departed out of the king's house, and there [6]followed him a mess *of meat* from the king.[g]

9 But Uriah slept at the door of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house.

10 And when they had told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto his house, David said unto Uriah, Camest thou not from *thy* journey? why *then* didst thou not go down unto thine house?

11 And Uriah said unto David, The ark, and Israel, and Judah, abide in tents, and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open fields; shall I then go into mine house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? *as* thou livest, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not do this thing.[h]

12 And David said to Uriah, Tarry here to day also, and to morrow I will let thee depart. So Uriah abode in Jerusalem that day, and the morrow.

13 And when David had called him, he did eat and drink before him; and he made him drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with the servants of his lord, but went not down to his house.[i]

14 ¶ And it came to pass in the morning, that David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent *it* by the hand of Uriah.

15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the [7]hottest battle, and retire ye [8]from him, that he may be smitten, and die.[j]

16 And it came to pass, when Joab observed the city, that he assigned Uriah unto a place where he knew that valiant men *were*.

17 And the men of the city went out, and fought with Joab: and there fell *some* of the people of the servants of David; and Uriah the Hittite died also.

18 ¶ Then Joab sent and told David all the things concerning the war;

19 And charged the messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end of telling the matters of the war unto the king,

20 And if so be that the king's wrath arise, and he say unto thee, Wherefore approached ye so nigh unto the city when ye did fight? knew ye not that they would shoot from the wall?

21 Who smote Abimelech the son of [9]Jerubbesheth? did not a woman cast a piece of a millstone upon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ye nigh the wall? then say thou, Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.[k]

22 ¶ So the messenger went, and came and shewed David all that Joab had sent him for.

23 And the messenger said unto David, Surely the men prevailed against us, and came out unto us into the field, and we were upon them even unto the entering of the gate.

24 And the shooters shot from off the wall upon thy servants; and *some* of the king's servants be dead, and thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.

25 Then David said unto the messenger, Thus shalt thou say unto Joab, Let not this thing [10]displease thee, for the sword devoureth [11]one as well as another: make thy battle more strong against the city, and overthrow it: and encourage thou him.

26 ¶ And when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband.

27 And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son. But the thing that David had done [12]displeased the LORD.[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 1036.

[a] ch. vii. 2, 6; xx. 6.

1 Or, *footmen.*

[a] 1 Chron. xix. 18.

[b] ver. 9.

[b] ch. viii. 6.

7 Heb *strong.*

8 Heb. *from after him.*

[j] ch. xii. 9.

2 Heb. *at the return of the year.*

[c] 1 Kings xx. 22, 26; 1 Chron. xx. 1, 2 Chron. xxxvi. 10.

[d] Deut. xxii. 6; Job xxxi. 1; Matt. v. 28.

Or, *Jerubbaal.*

3 Or, *Bath-shua.*

4 Or, *Ammiel.*

[e] ch. xxiii. 39; 1 Chron. iii. 5.

[k] Judg. vi. 32; ix. 53.

[f] Lev. xv. 19, 28; xviii 19; Ps. li. title, James i. 14.

5 Heb. *of the peace of,* &c.

10 Heb. *be evil in thine eyes.*

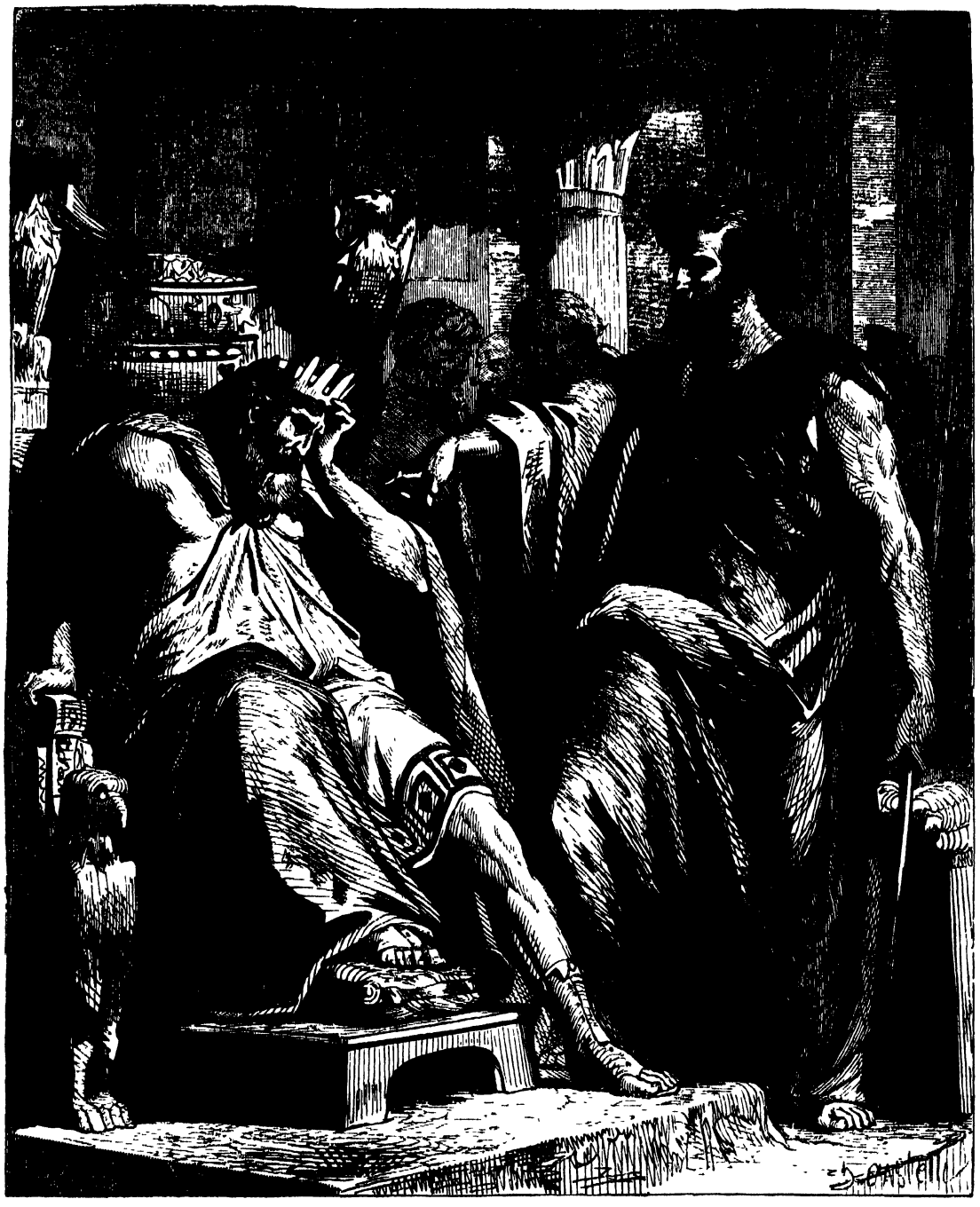
6 Heb. *went out after him.*

11 Heb. *so and such.*

[g] Gen. xviii. 4; xix. 2.

12 Heb. *was evil in the eyes of.*

[l] ch. xii. 9.



NATHAN, BY MEANS OF A PARABLE, ACCUSES DAVID.

CHAPTER XII.

Nathan's parable of the ewe lamb causeth David to be his own judge. 7 David, reproved by Nathan, confesseth his sin, and is pardoned. 15 David mourneth and prayeth for the child, while it lived. 24 Solomon is born, and named Jedidiah. 26 David taketh Rabbah, and tortureth the people thereof.

AND the LORD sent Nathan unto David. And he came unto him, and said unto him, There were two men in one city; the one rich, and the other poor.[a]

2 The rich *man* had exceeding many flocks and herds:

3 But the poor *man* had nothing, save one little ewe lamb, which he had bought and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own [1]meat, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter.

4 And there came a traveller unto the rich man, and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that was come unto him; but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that was come to him.

5 And David's anger was greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan, *As* the LORD liveth, the man that hath done this *thing* [2]shall surely die:[b]

6 And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.[c]

7 ¶ And Nathan said to David, Thou *art* the man. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I anointed thee

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

1 Heb *morsel.*

a ch xiv. 5, &c.; 1 Kings xx. 35—41; Ps. li. title.

2 Or, *is worthy to die*, or, *is a son of death.*

b 1 Sam. xxvi. 16.

c Exod. xxii. 1; Luke xix. 8.

king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul;[a]

8 And I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah; and if *that had been* too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things.

9 Wherefore hast thou despised the commandment of the LORD, to do evil in his sight? thou hast killed Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and hast taken his wife *to be* thy wife, and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon.[b]

10 Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thine house; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife.[c]

11 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give *them* unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun.

12 For thou didst *it* secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.[d]

13 And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the LORD. And Nathan said unto David, The LORD also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.[e]

14 Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also *that is* born unto thee shall surely die.[f]

15 ¶ And Nathan departed unto his house. And the LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife bare unto David, and it was very sick.

16 David therefore besought God for the child; and David [1]fasted, and went in, and lay all night upon the earth.[g]

17 And the elders of his house arose, *and went* to him, to raise him up from the earth: but he would not, neither did he eat bread with them.

18 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died. And the servants of David feared to tell him that the child was dead: for they said, Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spake unto him, and he would not hearken unto our voice: how will he then [2]vex himself, if we tell him that the child is dead?

19 But when David saw that his servants whispered, David perceived that the child was dead: therefore David said unto his servants, Is the child dead? And they said, He is dead.

20 Then David arose from the earth, and washed, and anointed *himself*, and changed his apparel, and came into the house of the LORD, and worshipped: then he came to his own house; and when he required, they set bread before him, and he did eat.[h]

21 Then said his servants unto him, What thing *is* this that thou hast done? thou didst fast and weep for the child, *while it was* alive; but when the child was dead, thou didst rise and eat bread.

22 And he said, While the child was yet alive, I fasted and wept: for I said, Who can tell *whether* GOD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?[i]

23 But now he is dead, wherefore should I fast? can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.[j]

24 ¶ And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife, and went in unto her, and lay with her: and she bare a son, and he called his name Solomon: and the LORD loved him.[k]

25 And he sent by the hand of Nathan the prophet; and he called his name [3]Jedidiah, because of the LORD.

26 ¶ And Joab fought against Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and took the royal city.[l]

27 And Joab sent messengers to David, and said, I have fought against Rabbah, and have taken the city of waters.

28 Now therefore gather the rest of the people together, and encamp against the city, and take it: lest I take the city, [4]and it be called after my name.

29 And David gathered all the people together, and went to Rabbah, and fought against it, and took it.

30 And he took their king's crown from off his head, the weight whereof *was* a talent of gold with the precious stones: and it was *set* on David's head. And he brought forth the spoil of the city [5]in great abundance.[m]

31 And he brought forth the people that *were* therein, and put *them* under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under axes of iron, and made them pass through the brickkiln: and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon. So David and all the people returned unto Jerusalem.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Amnon loving Tamar, by Jonadab's counsel feigning himself sick ravisheth her.* 15 *He hateth her, and shamefully turneth her away* 19 *Absalom entertaineth her, and concealeth his purpose.* 23 *At a sheep-shearing, among all the king's sons, he killeth Amnon.* 30 *David grieving at the news is comforted by Jonadab.* 37 *Absalom flieth to Talmai at Geshur.*

AND it came to pass after this, that Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name *was* Tamar; and Amnon the son of David loved her.[n]

2 And Amnon was so vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she *was* a virgin; and [6]Amnon thought it hard for him to do any thing to her.

3 But Amnon had a friend, whose name *was* Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother: and Jonadab *was* a very subtil man.[o]

4 And he said unto him, Why *art* thou, *being* the king's son, [7]lean [8]from day to day? wilt thou not tell me? And Amnon said unto him, I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.

5 And Jonadab said unto him, Lay thee down on thy bed, and make thyself sick: and when thy father cometh to see thee, say unto him, I pray thee, let my sister Tamar come, and give me meat, and dress the meat in my sight, that I may see *it*, and eat *it* at her hand.

6 ¶ So Amnon lay down, and made himself sick: and when the king was come to see him, Amnon said

BEFORE CHRIST 1033.

a 1 Sam. xvi 13.

f Job vii. 8—10.

k 1 Chron. xxii. 9.

3 That is, *Beloved of the LORD.*

l Deut. iii 11; 1 Chron. xx. 1.

b ch xi. 15—17, 27; Numb xv. 31; 1 Sam. xv 19.

c Amos vii. 9.

4 Heb. *my name be called upon it.*

d ch. xvi 22.

5 Heb *in very great*

m 1 Chron xx. 2

e ch. xxiv 10, 1 Sam xv 24; Job vii 20, 22, Ps xxxii 1, 5, li. 4, Prov. xxviii 13, Micah vii 18, Zech iii. 4.

f Isa. liii 5, Ezek. xxxvi. 20 23, Rom. ii. 24.

1 Heb *fasted a fast.*

g ch. xii. 31.

n ch iii 2, 3, 1 Chron iii 9

2 Heb. *do hurt.*

6 Heb *it was marvellous*, or, *hidden in the eyes of Amnon.*

o 1 Sam xvi 9

7 Heb *thin.*

8 Heb *morning by morning.*

h Ruth iii. 3; Job i. 20.

i Isa. xxxviii. 1, 5; Jonah iii. 9.

unto the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand.

7 Then David sent home to Tamar, saying, Go now to thy brother Amnon's house, and dress him meat.

8 So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down. And she took [1]flour, and kneaded *it*, and made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes.

9 And she took a pan, and poured *them* out before him; but he refused to eat. And Amnon said, Have out all men from me. And they went out every man from him.[a]

10 And Amnon said unto Tamar, Bring the meat into the chamber, that I may eat of thine hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought *them* into the chamber to Amnon her brother.

11 And when she had brought *them* unto him to eat, he took hold of her, and said unto her, Come lie with me, my sister.

12 And she answered him, Nay, my brother, do not [2]force me; for [3]no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly.[b]

13 And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou shalt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee, speak unto the king; for he will not withhold me from thee.

14 Howbeit he would not hearken unto her voice: but, being stronger than she, forced her, and lay with her.

15 ¶ Then Amnon [4]hated her exceedingly; so that the hatred wherewith he hated her *was* greater than the love wherewith he had loved her. And Amnon said unto her, Arise, be gone.

16 And she said unto him, *There is* no cause: this evil in sending me away *is* greater than the other that thou didst unto me. But he would not hearken unto her.

17 Then he called his servant that ministered unto him, and said, Put now this *woman* out from me, and bolt the door after her.

18 And *she had* a garment of divers colours upon her: for with such robes were the king's daughters *that were* virgins apparelled. Then his servant brought her out, and bolted the door after her.[c]

19 ¶ And Tamar put ashes on her head, and rent her garment of divers colours that *was* on her, and laid her hand on her head, and went on crying.[d]

20 And Absalom her brother said unto her, Hath [5]Amnon thy brother been with thee? but hold now thy peace, my sister: he *is* thy brother; [6]regard not this thing. So Tamar remained [7]desolate in her brother Absalom's house.

21 ¶ But when king David heard of all these things, he was very wroth.

22 And Absalom spake unto his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom hated Amnon, because he had forced his sister Tamar.[e]

23 ¶ And it came to pass after two full years, that Absalom had sheepshearers in Baal-hazor, which *is* beside Ephraim: and Absalom invited all the king's sons.[f]

24 And Absalom came to the king, and said, Behold now, thy servant hath sheepshearers; let the king, I beseech thee, and his servants go with thy servant.

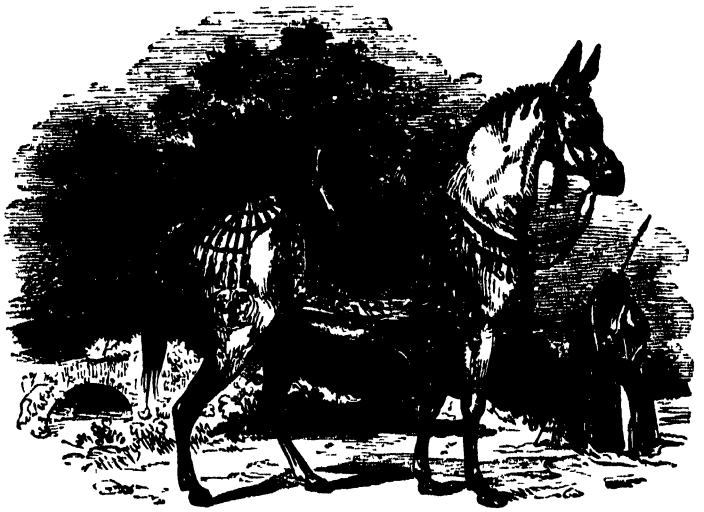
25 And the king said to Absalom, Nay, my son, let us not all now go, lest we be chargeable unto thee. And he pressed him: howbeit he would not go, but blessed him.

26 Then said Absalom, If not, I pray thee, let my brother Amnon go with us. And the king said unto him, Why should he go with thee?

27 But Absalom pressed him, that he let Amnon and all the king's sons go with him.

28 ¶ Now Absalom had commanded his servants, saying, Mark ye now when Amnon's heart is merry with wine, and when I say unto you, Smite Amnon; then kill him, fear not: [8]have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be [9]valiant.[g]

29 And the servants of Absalom did unto Amnon as Absalom had commanded. Then all the king's sons arose, and every man [10]gat him up upon his mule, and fled.



A MULE, REGALLY CAPARISONED.

30 ¶ And it came to pass, while they were in the way, that tidings came to David, saying, Absalom hath slain all the king's sons, and there is not one of them left.

31 Then the king arose, and tare his garments, and lay on the earth; and all his servants stood by with their clothes rent.[h]

32 And Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother, answered and said, Let not my lord suppose *that* they have slain all the young men the king's sons; for Amnon only is dead: for by the [11]appointment of Absalom this hath been [12]determined from the day that he forced his sister Tamar.[i]

33 Now therefore let not my lord the king take the thing to his heart, to think that all the king's sons are dead: for Amnon only is dead.[j]

34 But Absalom fled.[k] And the young man that kept the watch lifted up his eyes, and looked, and

BEFORE CHRIST 1033.

f Gen. xxxviii. 12, 13; 1 Sam. xxv. 4, 36.

1 Or, *paste.*

a Gen. xlv. 1.

8 Or, *will you not, since I have commanded you?*

9 Heb. *sons of valour.*

g Judg. xix. 6, 9, 22; Ruth iii. 7, 1 Sam. xxv. 36; Esth. i. 10; Ps. civ. 15.

2 Heb. *humble me.*

3 Heb. *it ought not so to be done.*

10 Heb. *rode.*

b Gen. xxxiv. 2, 7; Lev. xviii. 9, 11; xx. 17; Judg. xix. 23; xx. 6.

4 Heb *with great hatred greatly.*

c Gen xxxvii 3; Judg. v. 30; Ps xlv. 14.

d ch i 2, Josh. vii. 6; Job ii. 12, Jer. ii. 37.

h ch i. 11; xii. 16.

5 Heb *Aminon.*

6 Heb. *set not thine heart.*

7 Heb. *and desolate.*

11 Heb *mouth.*

12 Or, *settled.*

i ver. 3.

j ch. xix. 19

e Gen. xxiv. 50; xxxi. 24; Lev. xix. 17, 18.

k ver. 38.

behold, there came much people by the way of the hill side behind him.

35 And Jonadab said unto the king, Behold, the king's sons come: [1]as thy servant said, so it is.

36 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of speaking, that, behold, the king's sons came, and lifted up their voice and wept: and the king also and all his servants wept [2]very sore.

37 ¶ But Absalom fled, and went to Talmai, the son of [3]Ammihud, king of Geshur. And *David* mourned for his son every day.[a]

38 So Absalom fled, and went to Geshur, and was there three years.[b]

39 And *the soul of* king David [4]longed to go forth unto Absalom: for he was comforted concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.[c]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Joab, suborning a widow of Tekoah, by a parable to incline the king's heart to fetch home Absalom, bringeth him to Jerusalem.* 25 *Absalom's beauty, hair, and children.* 28 *After two years, Absalom by Joab is brought into the king's presence.*

NOW Joab the son of Zeruiah perceived that the king's heart *was* toward Absalom.[d]

2 And Joab sent to Tekoah, and fetched thence a wise woman, and said unto her, I pray thee, feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on now mourning apparel, and anoint not thyself with oil, but be as a woman that had a long time mourned for the dead:[e]

3 And come to the king, and speak on this manner unto him. So Joab put the words in her mouth.[f]

4 ¶ And when the woman of Tekoah spake to the king, she fell on her face to the ground, and did obeisance, and said, [5]Help, O king.[g]

5 And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, I *am* indeed a widow woman, and mine husband is dead.

6 And thy handmaid had two sons, and they two strove together in the field, and *there was* [6]none to part them, but the one smote the other, and slew him.

7 And, behold, the whole family is risen against thine handmaid, and they said, Deliver him that smote his brother, that we may kill him, for the life of his brother whom he slew; and we will destroy the heir also: and so they shall quench my coal which is left, and shall not leave to my husband *neither* name nor remainder [7]upon the earth.[h]

8 And the king said unto the woman, Go to thine house, and I will give charge concerning thee.

9 And the woman of Tekoah said unto the king, My lord, O king, the iniquity *be* on me, and on my father's house: and the king and his throne *be* guiltless.[i]

10 And the king said, Whosoever saith *ought* unto thee, bring him to me, and he shall not touch thee any more.

11 Then said she, I pray thee, let the king remember the LORD thy God, [8]that thou wouldest not suffer the revengers of blood to destroy any more, lest they destroy my son. And he said, *As* the LORD liveth, there shall not one hair of thy son fall to the earth.[j]

12 Then the woman said, Let thine handmaid, I pray thee, speak *one* word unto my lord the king. And he said, Say on.

13 And the woman said, Wherefore then hast thou thought such a thing against the people of God? for the king doth speak this thing as one which is faulty, in that the king doth not fetch home again his banished.[k]

14 For we must needs die, and *are* as water spilt on the ground, which cannot be gathered up again; [9]neither doth God respect *any* person: yet doth he devise means, that his banished be not expelled from him.[l]

15 Now therefore that I am come to speak of this thing unto my lord the king, *it is* because the people have made me afraid: and thy handmaid said, I will now speak unto the king; it may be that the king will perform the request of his handmaid.

16 For the king will hear, to deliver his handmaid out of the hand of the man *that would* destroy me and my son together out of the inheritance of God.

17 Then thine handmaid said, The word of my lord the king shall now be [10]comfortable: for as an angel of God, so *is* my lord the king [11]to discern good and bad: therefore the LORD thy God will be with thee.[m]

18 Then the king answered and said unto the woman, Hide not from me, I pray thee, the thing that I shall ask thee. And the woman said, Let my lord the king now speak.

19 And the king said, *Is not* the hand of Joab with thee in all this? And the woman answered and said, *As* thy soul liveth, my lord the king, none can turn to the right hand or to the left from ought that my lord the king hath spoken: for thy servant Joab, he bade me, and he put all these words in the mouth of thine handmaid:[n]

20 To fetch about this form of speech hath thy servant Joab done this thing: and my lord *is* wise, according to the wisdom of an angel of God, to know all *things* that *are* in the earth.[o]

21 ¶ And the king said unto Joab, Behold now, I have done this thing: go therefore, bring the young man Absalom again.

22 And Joab fell to the ground on his face, and bowed himself, and [12]thanked the king: and Joab said, To day thy servant knoweth that I have found grace in thy sight, my lord, O king, in that the king hath fulfilled the request of [13]his servant.

23 So Joab arose and went to Geshur, and brought Absalom to Jerusalem.[p]

24 And the king said, Let him turn to his own house, and let him not see my face. So Absalom returned to his own house, and saw not the king's face.[q]

25 ¶ [14]But in all Israel there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him.

BEFORE CHRIST 1027.

1 Heb *according to the word of thy servant.*

f Numb. xxxv. 19; 1 Sam. xiv 45, Acts xxvii. 34.

2 Heb. *with a great weeping greatly.*

3 Or, *Ammihur.*

a ch. iii. 3.

k ch xiii. 37, 38; Judg. xx 2.

b ch. xiv. 23, 32; xv 8.

4 Or, *was consumed.*

9 Or, *because God hath not taken away his life, he hath also devised means, &c.*

c Ps. lxxxiv 2.

l Numb. xxxv 15, 25, 28; Job xxxiv 15, Heb ix 27.

d ch. xiii 39

10 Heb. *for rest*

11 Heb *to hear*

m ver. 20; ch xix. 27

e Ruth iii. 3; 2 Chron. xi. 6.

f ver 19; Exod. iv 15.

5 Heb. *Save.*

g ch. i. 2; 1 Sam. xx. 41; 2 Kings vi. 26, 28.

n ver. 3.

6 Heb. *no deliverer between them.*

o ver. 17; ch. xix. 27.

12 Heb. *blessed.*

7 Heb. *upon the face of the earth.*

h Numb. xxxv. 19; Deut. xix. 12.

13 Or, *thy.*

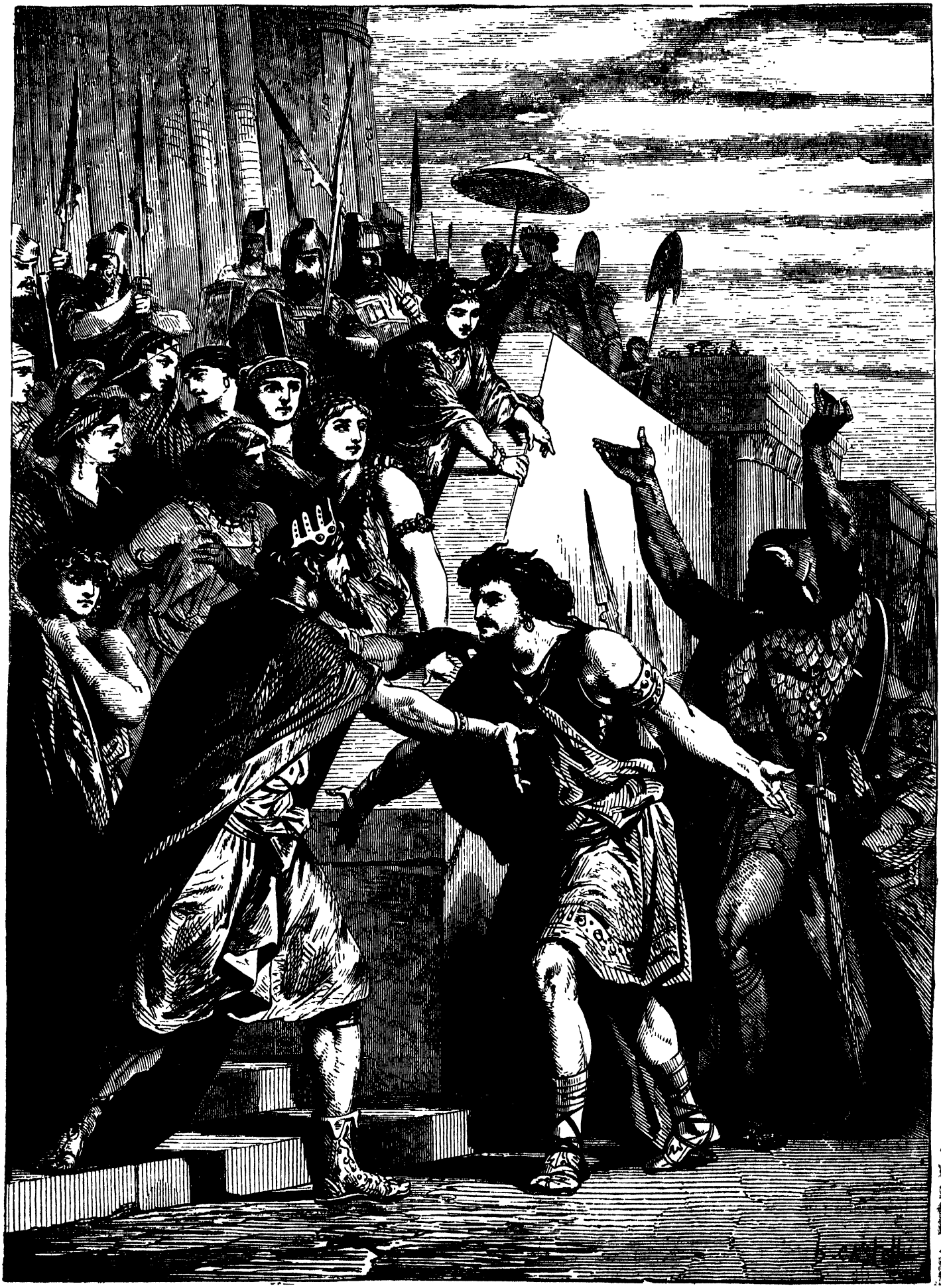
p ch. xiii. 37.

i ch. iii. 28, 29; Gen. xxvii. 13; 1 Sam. xxv. 24; 1 Kings ii. 33; Matt. xxvii. 25.

q ch. iii. 13; Gen. xliii. 3.

14 Heb. *And as Absalom there was not a beautiful man in all Israel to praise greatly.*

8 Heb. *that the revenger of blood do not multiply to destroy.*



DAVID'S RECONCILIATION TO ABSALOM.

26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every year's end that he polled *it:* because *the hair* was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the king's weight.

27 And unto Absalom there were born three sons, and one daughter, whose name *was* Tamar: she was a woman of a fair countenance.[a]

28 ¶ So Absalom dwelt two full years in Jerusalem, and saw not the king's face.[b]

29 Therefore Absalom sent for Joab, to have sent him to the king; but he would not come to him: and when he sent again the second time, he would not come.

30 Therefore he said unto his servants, See, Joab's field is [1]near mine, and he hath barley there; go and set it on fire. And Absalom's servants set the field on fire.

31 Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom unto *his* house, and said unto him, Wherefore have thy servants set my field on fire?

32 And Absalom answered Joab, Behold, I sent unto thee, saying, Come hither, that I may send thee to the king, to say, Wherefore am I come from Geshur? *it had been* good for me *to have been* there still: now therefore let me see the king's face; and if there be *any* iniquity in me, let him kill me.

33 So Joab came to the king, and told him: and when he had called for Absalom, he came to the king, and bowed himself on his face to the ground before the king: and the king kissed Absalom.[c]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Absalom, by fair speeches and courtesies, stealeth the hearts of Israel.* 7 *Under pretence of a vow he obtaineth leave to go to Hebron.* 10 *He maketh there a great conspiracy.* 13 *David upon the news fleeth from Jerusalem.* 19 *Ittai would not leave him.* 24 *Zadok and Abiathar are sent back with the ark.* 30 *David and his company go up mount Olivet weeping.* 31 *He curseth Ahithophel's counsel.* 32 *Hushai is sent back with instructions.*



AND it came to pass after this, that Absalom prepared him chariots and horses, and fifty men to run before him.[d]

2 And Absalom rose up early, and stood beside the way of the gate: and it was *so,* that when any man that had a controversy [2]came to the king for judgment, then Absalom called unto him, and said, Of what city *art* thou? And he said, Thy servant *is* of one of the tribes of Israel.

3 And Absalom said unto him, See, thy matters *are* good and right; but [3]*there is* no man *deputed* of the king to hear thee.

4 Absalom said moreover, Oh that I were made judge in the land, that every man which hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and I would do him justice![e]

5 And it was *so,* that when any man came nigh *to him* to do him obeisance, he put forth his hand, and took him, and kissed him.

BEFORE CHRIST 1024.

f Rom. xvi. 18.

a ch. xiii. 18.

b ver 24.

g ch xiii. 38, Gen. xxviii. 20, 21.

1 Heb *near my place.*

h Gen xx. 5; 1 Sam. ix. 18, xvi. 3, 5.

i Josh. xv. 51, Ps. iii. 1; xii 9, lv 12—14.

j ver. 6; Judg. ix. 3.

c Gen. xxxiii 4, xlv. 15, Luke xv. 20.

4 Heb. *thrust.*

k ch xix. 9; Ps. iii title.

5 Heb. *choose.*

6 Heb. *at his feet.*

l ch xvi. 21, 22

d ch. xii. 11; 1 Kings i. 5.

m ch. viii. 18.

2 Heb. *to come.*

n ch. xviii. 2.

7 Heb. *make thee wander in going.*

o 1 Sam. xxiii. 13.

3 Or, *none will hear thee from the king downward.*

p Ruth i. 16, 17; Prov. xvii. 17; xviii. 24.

e Judg ix. 29

6 And on this manner did Absalom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment: so Absalom stole the hearts of the men of Israel.[f]

7 ¶ And it came to pass after forty years, that Absalom said unto the king, I pray thee, let me go and pay my vow, which I have vowed unto the LORD, in Hebron.

8 For thy servant vowed a vow while I abode at Geshur in Syria, saying, If the LORD shall bring me again indeed to Jerusalem, then I will serve the LORD.[g]

9 And the king said unto him, Go in peace. So he arose, and went to Hebron.

10 ¶ But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, As soon as ye hear the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron.

11 And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Jerusalem, *that were* called; and they went in their simplicity, and they knew not any thing.[h]

12 And Absalom sent for Ahithophel the Gilonite, David's counsellor, from his city, *even* from Giloh, while he offered sacrifices. And the conspiracy was strong; for the people increased continually with Absalom.[i]

13 ¶ And there came a messenger to David, saying, The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.[j]

14 And David said unto all his servants that *were* with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and let us flee; for we shall not *else* escape from Absalom: make speed to depart, lest he overtake us suddenly, and [4]bring evil upon us, and smite the city with the edge of the sword.[k]

15 And the king's servants said unto the king, Behold, thy servants *are ready to do* whatsoever my lord the king shall [5]appoint.

16 And the king went forth, and all his houshold [6]after him. And the king left ten women, *which were* concubines, to keep the house.[l]

17 And the king went forth, and all the people after him, and tarried in a place that was far off.

18 And all his servants passed on beside him; and all the Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men which came after him from Gath, passed on before the king.[m]

19 ¶ Then said the king to Ittai the Gittite, Wherefore goest thou also with us? return to thy place, and abide with the king: for thou *art* a stranger, and also an exile.[n]

20 Whereas thou camest *but* yesterday, should I this day [7]make thee go up and down with us? seeing I go whither I may, return thou, and take back thy brethren: mercy and truth *be* with thee.[o]

21 And Ittai answered the king, and said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* my lord the king liveth, surely in what place my lord the king shall be, whether in death or life, even there also will thy servant be.[p]

22 And David said to Ittai, Go and pass over. And Ittai the Gittite passed over, and all his men, and all the little ones that *were* with him.

23 And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king also himself

passed over the brook [1]Kidron, and all the people passed over, toward the way of the wilderness.[a]

24 ¶ And lo Zadok also, and all the Levites *were* with him, bearing the ark of the covenant of God: and they set down the ark of God; and Abiathar went up, until all the people had done passing out of the city.[b]

25 And the king said unto Zadok, Carry back the ark of God into the city: if I shall find favour in the eyes of the LORD, he will bring me again, and shew me *both* it, and his habitation:[c]

26 But if he thus say, I have no delight in thee; behold, *here am* I, let him do to me as seemeth good unto him.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1024.

1 Or, *Cedron.*

a ch. xvi. 2; John xviii. 1.

b Numb. iv. 15.

c Ps. xliii. 3.

d Numb. xiv 8; 1 Sam. iii. 18; 2 Sam. xxii. 20; 1 Kings x. 9; 2 Chron. ix. 8, Isa. lxii. 4.

33 Unto whom David said, If thou passest on with me, then thou shalt be a burden unto me:[e]

34 But if thou return to the city, and say unto Absalom, I will be thy servant, O king; *as* I *have been* thy father's servant hitherto, so *will* I now also *be* thy servant: then mayest thou for me defeat the counsel of Ahithophel.[f]

35 And *hast thou* not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the priests? therefore it shall be, *that* what thing soever thou shalt hear out of the king's house, thou shalt tell *it* to Zadok and Abiathar the priests.[g]

36 Behold, *they have* there with them their two sons, Ahimaaz Zadok's *son*, and Jonathan Abiathar's

e ch. xix. 35

f ch. xvii. 14.

g ch. xvii. 15, 16.



THE BROOK KIDRON, SHOWING MOUNT OLIVET.

27 The king said also unto Zadok the priest, *Art not* thou a seer? return into the city in peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.[h]

28 See, I will tarry in the plain of the wilderness, until there come word from you to certify me.[i]

29 Zadok therefore and Abiathar carried the ark of God again to Jerusalem: and they tarried there.

30 ¶ And David went up by the ascent of *mount* Olivet, and [2]wept as he went up, and had his head covered, and he went barefoot: and all the people that *was* with him covered every man his head, and they went up, weeping as they went up.[k]

31 ¶ And *one* told David, saying, Ahithophel *is* among the conspirators with Absalom. And David said, O LORD, I pray thee, turn the counsel of Ahithophel into foolishness.[l]

32 ¶ And it came to pass, that *when* David was come to the top *of the mount*, where he worshipped God, behold, Hushai the Archite came to meet him with his coat rent, and earth upon his head:[m]

h ver. 27

i ch. xvii. 16.

2 Heb *going up, and weeping.*

k ch. xix. 4; Esth. vi. 12; Isa. xx. 2, 4; Jer. xiv. 3, 4.

l ch. xvi. 23; xvii. 14, 23; Ps. iii. 1, 2; lv. 12, &c.

m ch. ix. 2; xv. 30, 32.

n ch. i. 2; Josh. xvi. 2.

son; and by them ye shall send unto me every thing that ye can hear.[n]

37 So Hushai David's friend came into the city, and Absalom came into Jerusalem.[o]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Ziba, by presents and false suggestions, obtaineth his master's inheritance.* 5 *At Bahurim Shimei curseth David.* 9 *David with patience abstaineth, and restraineth others, from revenge.* 15 *Hushai insinuateth himself into Absalom's counsel.* 20 *Ahithophel's counsel.*

AND when David was a little past the top *of the hill*, behold, Ziba the servant of Mephibosheth met him, with a couple of asses saddled, and upon them two hundred *loaves* of bread, and an hundred bunches of raisins, and an hundred of summer fruits, and a bottle of wine.[a]

2 And the king said unto Ziba, What meanest



SHIMEI CURSING DAVID ON HIS FLIGHT FROM JERUSALEM.

thou by these? And Ziba said, The asses *be* for the king's household to ride on; and the bread and summer fruit for the young men to eat; and the wine, that such as be faint in the wilderness may drink.[a]

3 And the king said, And where *is* thy master's son? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold, he abideth at Jerusalem: for he said, To day shall the house of Israel restore me the kingdom of my father.[b]

4 Then said the king to Ziba, Behold, thine *are* all that *pertained* unto Mephibosheth. And Ziba said, [1]I humbly beseech thee *that* I may find grace in thy sight, my lord, O king.

5 ¶ And when king David came to Bahurim, behold, thence came out a man of the family of the house of Saul, whose name *was* Shimei, the son of Gera: [2]he came forth, and cursed still as he came.[c]

6 And he cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David: and all the people and all the mighty men *were* on his right hand and on his left.

7 And thus said Shimei when he cursed, Come out, come out, thou bloody man, and thou [3]man of Belial:[d]

8 The LORD hath returned upon thee all the blood of the house of Saul, in whose stead thou hast reigned; and the LORD hath delivered the kingdom into the hand of Absalom thy son: and, [4]behold, thou *art taken* in thy mischief, because thou *art* a bloody man.[e]

9 ¶ Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah unto the king, Why should this dead dog curse my lord the king? let me go over, I pray thee, and take off his head.[f]

10 And the king said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah? so let him curse, because the LORD hath said unto him, Curse David. Who shall then say, Wherefore hast thou done so?[g]

11 And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants, Behold, my son, which came forth of my bowels, seeketh my life: how much more now *may this* Benjamite *do it?* let him alone, and let him curse; for the LORD hath bidden him.[h]

12 It may be that the LORD will look on mine [5]affliction, and that the LORD will requite me good for his cursing this day.[i]

13 And as David and his men went by the way, Shimei went along on the hill's side over against him, and cursed as he went, and threw stones at him, and [6]cast dust.

BEFORE CHRIST 1021

4 Heb *behold thee in thy evil*

e ch i 16, iii 28, 29, iv 11, 12, Deut xiii 13, Judg ix 24, 56, 57, 1 Kings ii 32, 33

a ch xv. 23, xvii. 29

f ch ix. 8; Exod. xxii. 18, 1 Sam. xxiv. 14

b ch. xix. 27

1 Heb. *I do obeisance.*

g ch. xix 22; 2 Kings xviii. 25, Lam iii 38.

2 Or, *he still came forth and cursed.*

c ch. xix. 16; 1 Kings ii. 8, 44

h ch xii. 11

5 Or, *tears.* Heb *eye*

i Gen. xxix. 32; 1 Sam. i. 11; Ps. xxv. 18; Rom. viii. 28.

3 Heb. *man of blood.*

d Deut. xiii. 13.

6 Heb. *dusted him with dust.*

14 And the king, and all the people that *were* with him, came weary, and refreshed themselves there.

15 ¶ And Absalom, and all the people the men of Israel, came to Jerusalem, and Ahithophel with him.[a]

16 And it came to pass, when Hushai the Archite, David's friend, was come unto Absalom, that Hushai said unto Absalom, [1]God save the king, God save the king.[b]

17 And Absalom said to Hushai, *Is* this thy kindness to thy friend? why wentest thou not with thy friend?[c]

18 And Hushai said unto Absalom, Nay; but whom the LORD, and this people, and all the men of Israel, choose, his will I be, and with him will I abide.

19 And again, whom should I serve? *should I* not *serve* in the presence of his son? as I have served in thy father's presence, so will I be in thy presence.[d]

20 ¶ Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, Give counsel among you what we shall do.

21 And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Go in unto thy father's concubines, which he hath left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou art abhorred of thy father: then shall the hands of all that *are* with thee be strong.[e]

22 So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in unto his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.[f]

23 And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counselled in those days, *was* as if a man had enquired at the [2]oracle of God: so *was* all the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and with Absalom.[g]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Ahithophel's counsel is overthrown by Hushai's, according to God's appointment.* 15 *Secret intelligence is sent unto David.* 23 *Ahithophel hangeth himself.* 25 *Amasa is made captain.* 27 *David at Mahanaim is furnished with provision.*

MOREOVER Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Let me now choose out twelve thousand men, and I will arise and pursue after David this night:

2 And I will come upon him while he *is* weary and weak handed, and will make him afraid: and all the people that *are* with him shall flee; and I will smite the king only:[h]

3 And I will bring back all the people unto thee: the man whom thou seekest *is* as if all returned: *so* all the people shall be in peace.

4 And the saying [3]pleased Absalom well, and all the elders of Israel.

5 Then said Absalom, Call now Hushai the Archite also, and let us hear likewise [4]what he saith.

6 And when Hushai was come to Absalom, Absalom spake unto him, saying, Ahithophel hath spoken after this manner: shall we do *after* his [5]saying? if not; speak thou.

7 And Hushai said unto Absalom, The counsel that Ahithophel hath [6]given *is* not good at this time.

8 For, said Hushai, thou knowest thy father and his men, that they *be* mighty men, and they *be* [7]chafed in their minds, as a bear robbed of her whelps in the field: and thy father *is* a man of war, and will not lodge with the people.[i]

9 Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or in some *other* place: and it will come to pass, when some of them be [8]overthrown at the first, that whosoever heareth it will say, There is a slaughter among the people that follow Absalom.

10 And he also *that is* valiant, whose heart *is* as the heart of a lion, shall utterly melt: for all Israel knoweth that thy father *is* a mighty man, and *they* which *be* with him *are* valiant men.[j]

11 Therefore I counsel that all Israel be generally gathered unto thee, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, as the sand that *is* by the sea for multitude; and [9]that thou go to battle in thine own person.[k]

12 So shall we come upon him in some place where he shall be found, and we will light upon him as the dew falleth on the ground: and of him and of all the men that *are* with him there shall not be left so much as one.

13 Moreover, if he be gotten into a city, then shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we will draw it into the river, until there be not one small stone found there.

14 And Absalom and all the men of Israel said, The counsel of Hushai the Archite *is* better than the counsel of Ahithophel. For the LORD had [10]appointed to defeat the good counsel of Ahithophel, to the intent that the LORD might bring evil upon Absalom.[l]

15 ¶ Then said Hushai unto Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, Thus and thus did Ahithophel counsel Absalom and the elders of Israel; and thus and thus have I counselled.[m]

16 Now therefore send quickly, and tell David, saying, Lodge not this night in the plains of the wilderness, but speedily pass over; lest the king be swallowed up, and all the people that *are* with him.[n]

17 Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz stayed by En-rogel; for they might not be seen to come into the city: and a wench went and told them; and they went and told king David.[o]

18 Nevertheless a lad saw them, and told Absalom; but they went both of them away quickly, and came to a man's house in Bahurim, which had a well in his court; whither they went down.[p]

19 And the woman took and spread a covering over the well's mouth, and spread ground corn thereon; and the thing was not known.[q]

20 And when Absalom's servants came to the woman to the house, they said, Where *is* Ahimaaz and Jonathan? And the woman said unto them, They be gone over the brook of water. And when they had sought and could not find *them*, they returned to Jerusalem.[r]

21 And it came to pass, after they were departed, that they came up out of the well, and went and told king David, and said unto David, Arise, and pass quickly over the water: for thus hath Ahithophel counselled against you.

22 Then David arose, and all the people that *were* with him, and they passed over Jordan: by the

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

7 Heb. *bitter of soul.*

a ch. xv. 37.

s Judg. xviii. 25; Hos. xiii. 8.

1 Heb. *Let the king live.*

8 Heb. *fallen.*

b ch. xv. 37.

c ch. xix. 25; Prov. xvii. 17.

j Josh. ii. 11.

9 Heb. *that thy face, or presence, go, &c.*

d ch. xv. 34.

k Gen. xxii. 17; Judg xx. 1.

e ch. ii. 7; xv. 16; xx. 3, Gen. xxxiv. 30; 1 Sam. xiii. 4; Zech. viii. 13.

f ch xii. 11, 12.

10 Heb *commanded.*

2 Heb. *word.*

l ch xv. 31, 34.

g ch. xv 12.

m ch. xv. 35.

n ch xv 28.

o ch xv. 27, 36; Josh. ii. 4, &c.; xv 7; xviii. 16.

p ch xvi. 5.

h ch xvi 14, Deut xxv. 18.

q Josh. ii. 6

3 Heb *was right in the eyes of, &c.*

4 Heb. *what is in his mouth.*

r Exod i. 19; Josh. ii. 4, 5.

5 Heb. *word.*

6 Heb. *counselled.*



ABSALOM ENTANGLED IN THE OAK: JOAB APPROACHING TO SLAY HIM.

morning light there lacked not one of them that was not gone over Jordan.

23 ¶ And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not [1]followed, he saddled *his* ass, and arose, and gat him home to his house, to his city, and [2]put his houshold in order, and hanged himself, and died, and was buried in the sepulchre of his father.[e]

24 Then David came to Mahanaim. And Absalom passed over Jordan, he and all the men of Israel with him.[b]

25 ¶ And Absalom made Amasa captain of the host instead of Joab: which Amasa *was* a man's son, whose name *was* [3]Ithra an Israelite, that went in to [4]Abigail the daughter of [5]Nahash, sister to Zeruiah Joab's mother.[c]

26 So Israel and Absalom pitched in the land of Gilead.

27 ¶ And it came to pass, when David was come to Mahanaim, that Shobi the son of Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon, and Machir the son of Ammiel of Lo-debar, and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim,[d]

28 Brought beds, and [6]basons, and earthen vessels,

BEFORE CHRIST 1021

1 Heb *done.*

2 Heb *gave charge concerning his house.*

e ch. xvi. 2.

a ch. xv. 12; 2 Kings xx. 21.

b ch. ii. 8; Gen. xxxii. 2; Josh. xiii. 26.

3 Or, *Jether an Ishmaelite.*

4 Heb. *Abigal.*

5 Or, *Jesse.*

c 1 Chron. ii. 13, 16, 17.

d ch. ix. 4; x. 1; xii. 30; xix. 31, 32; 1 Kings ii. 7

6 Or, *cups.*

and wheat, and barley, and flour, and parched *corn*, and beans, and lentiles, and parched *pulse*,

29 And honey, and butter, and sheep, and cheese of kine, for David, and for the people that *were* with him, to eat: for they said, The people *is* hungry, and weary, and thirsty, in the wilderness.[a]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *David viewing the armies in their march giveth them charge of Absalom.* 6 *The Israelites are sore smitten in the wood of Ephraim.* 9 *Absalom, hanging in an oak, is slain by Joab, and cast into a pit.* 18 *Absalom's place.* 19 *Ahimaaz and Cushi bring tidings to David.* 33 *David mourneth for Absalom.*

AND David numbered the people that *were* with him, and set captains of thousands and captains of hundreds over them.

2 And David sent forth a third part of the people under the hand of Joab, and a third part under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah, Joab's brother, and a third part under the hand of Ittai the Gittite. And

the king said unto the people, I will surely go forth with you myself also.[a]

3 But the people answered, Thou shalt not go forth: for if we flee away, they will not [1]care for us; neither if half of us die, will they care for us: but now *thou art* [2]worth ten thousand of us: therefore now *it is* better that thou [3]succour us out of the city.[b]

4 And the king said unto them, What seemeth you best I will do. And the king stood by the gate side, and all the people came out by hundreds and by thousands.

5 And the king commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, *Deal* gently for my sake with the young man, *even* with Absalom. And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom.[c]

6 ¶ So the people went out into the field against Israel: and the battle was in the wood of Ephraim;[d]

7 Where the people of Israel were slain before the servants of David, and there was there a great slaughter that day of twenty thousand *men*.

8 For the battle was there scattered over the face of all the country: and the wood [4]devoured more people that day than the sword devoured.

9 ¶ And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak, and he was taken up between the heaven and the earth; and the mule that *was* under him went away.

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

a ch. xv. 19.

1 Heb. *set their heart on us.*

2 Heb. *as ten thousand of us.*

3 Heb. *be to succour.*

b ch. xxi. 17.

5 Heb. *weigh upon mine hand.*

6 Heb. *Beware whoso ever ye be of, &c.*

c ver. 5.

c ver. 12

7 Heb. *before thee.*

d Josh. xvii. 15, 18.

8 Heb. *heart.*

4 Heb. *multiplied to devour.*

f Josh. vi. 26.

g ch. xiv. 27; Gen. xiv 17.

9 Heb *judged him from the hand, &c.*

10 Heb *be a man of tidings*

11 Heb *be what may*

12 Or, *convenient*

h 2 Kings ix. 17



THE TOMB OF ABSALOM, IN THE VALLEY OF JEHOSHAPHAT.

10 And a certain man saw *it*, and told Joab, and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanged in an oak.

11 And Joab said unto the man that told him, And, behold, thou sawest *him*, and why didst thou not smite him there to the ground? and I would have given thee ten *shekels* of silver, and a girdle.

12 And the man said unto Joab, Though I should [5]receive a thousand *shekels* of silver in mine hand, *yet* would I not put forth mine hand against the king's son: for in our hearing the king charged thee and Abishai and Ittai, saying, [6]Beware that none *touch* the young man Absalom.[e]

13 Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own life: for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest have set thyself against *me*.

14 Then said Joab, I may not tarry thus [7]with thee. And he took three darts in his hand, and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he *was* yet alive in the [8]midst of the oak.

15 And ten young men that bare Joab's armour compassed about and smote Absalom, and slew him.

16 And Joab blew the trumpet, and the people returned from pursuing after Israel: for Joab held back the people.

17 And they took Absalom, and cast him into a great pit in the wood, and laid a very great heap of stones upon him: and all Israel fled every one to his tent.[f]

18 ¶ Now Absalom in his lifetime had taken and reared up for himself a pillar, which *is* in the king's dale: for he said, I have no son to keep my name in remembrance: and he called the pillar after his own name: and it is called unto this day, Absalom's place.[g]

19 ¶ Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, Let me now run, and bear the king tidings, how that the LORD hath [9]avenged him of his enemies.

20 And Joab said unto him, Thou shalt [10]not bear tidings this day, but thou shalt bear tidings another day: but this day thou shalt bear no tidings, because the king's son is dead.

21 Then said Joab to Cushi, Go tell the king what thou hast seen. And Cushi bowed himself unto Joab, and ran.

22 Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok yet again to Joab, But [11]howsoever, let me, I pray thee, also run after Cushi. And Joab said, Wherefore wilt thou run, my son, seeing that thou hast no tidings [12]ready?

23 But howsoever, *said he*, let me run. And he said unto him, Run. Then Ahimaaz ran by the way of the plain, and overran Cushi.

24 And David sat between the two gates: and the watchman went up to the roof over the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold a man running alone.[h]

25 And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said, If he *be* alone, *there is* tidings in his mouth. And he came apace, and drew near.

26 And the watchman saw another man running: and the watchman called unto the porter, and said, Behold *another* man running alone. And the king said, He also bringeth tidings.

27 And the watchman said, [1]Me thinketh the running of the foremost is like the running of Ahimaaz the son of Zadok. And the king said, He *is* a good man, and cometh with good tidings.

28 And Ahimaaz called, and said unto the king, [2]All is well. And he fell down to the earth upon his face before the king, and said, Blessed *be* the LORD thy God, which hath [3]delivered up the men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king.

29 And the king said, [4]Is the young man Absalom safe? And Ahimaaz answered, When Joab sent the king's servant, and *me* thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what *it was.*

30 And the king said *unto him*, Turn aside, *and* stand here. And he turned aside, and stood still.

31 And, behold, Cushi came; and Cushi said, [5]Tidings, my lord the king: for the LORD hath avenged thee this day of all them that rose up against thee.

32 And the king said unto Cushi, *Is* the young man Absalom safe? And Cushi answered, The enemies of my lord the king, and all that rise against thee to do *thee* hurt, be as *that* young man *is.*

33 ¶ And the king was much moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept: and as he went, thus he said, O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! would God I had died for thee, O Absalom, my son, my son![a]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *Joab causeth the king to cease his mourning.* 9 *The Israelites are earnest to bring the king back.* 11 *David sendeth to the priests to incite them of Judah.* 18 *Shimei is pardoned.* 24 *Mephibosheth excused.* 32 *Barzillai dismissed, Chimham his son is taken into the king's family.* 41 *The Israelites expostulate with Judah for bringing home the king without them.*

AND it was told Joab, Behold, the king weepeth and mourneth for Absalom.

2 And [6]the victory that day was *turned* into mourning unto all the people: for the people heard say that day how the king was grieved for his son.

3 And the people gat them by stealth that day into the city, as people being ashamed steal away when they flee in battle.[b]

4 But the king covered his face, and the king cried with a loud voice, O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son![c]

5 And Joab came into the house to the king, and said, Thou hast shamed this day the faces of all thy servants, which this day have saved thy life, and the lives of thy sons and of thy daughters, and the lives of thy wives, and the lives of thy concubines;

6 [7]In that thou lovest thine enemies, and hatest thy friends. For thou hast declared this day, [8]that thou regardest neither princes nor servants: for this day I perceive, that if Absalom had lived, and all we had died this day, then it had pleased thee well.

7 Now therefore arise, go forth, and speak [9]comfortably unto thy servants: for I swear by the LORD, if thou go not forth, there will not tarry one with thee this night: and that will be worse unto thee than all the evil that befell thee from thy youth until now.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

1 Heb. *I see the running.*

2 Or, *Peace be to thee.* Heb. *Peace.*

3 Heb. *shut up.*

e ch. xv. 14.

4 Heb. *Is there peace?*

10 Heb. *are ye silent?*

5 Heb *Tidings is brought.*

f ch. v 1.

g ch xvii 25; Ruth i. 17.

a ch xix. 4

h Judg. xx 1.

i Josh. v. 9.

j ch. xvi. 5; 1 Kings ii. 8.

6 Heb. *salvation*, or, *deliverance.*

k ch ix. 2, 10; xvi. 2

11 Heb. *the good in his eyes.*

b ver 32

c ch xv 30; xviii 33.

l ch xiii. 33; xvi 5, 6, &c.; 1 Sam. xxii. 15

m ch xvi. 5.

7 Heb. *By loving*, &c.

8 Heb. *that princes or servants are not to thee.*

n Exod. xxii. 28.

9 Heb *to the hearts of thy servants.*

o ch xvi. 10; 1 Sam. xi. 13.

p 1 Kings ii. 8, 9, 37, 46.

d Gen. xxxiv. 8.

8 Then the king arose, and sat in the gate. And they told unto all the people, saying, Behold, the king doth sit in the gate. And all the people came before the king: for Israel had fled every man to his tent.

9 ¶ And all the people were at strife throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, The king saved us out of the hand of our enemies, and he delivered us out of the hand of the Philistines; and now he is fled out of the land for Absalom.[e]

10 And Absalom, whom we anointed over us, is dead in battle. Now therefore why [10]speak ye not a word of bringing the king back?

11 ¶ And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar the priests, saying, Speak unto the elders of Judah, saying, Why are ye the last to bring the king back to his house? seeing the speech of all Israel is come to the king, *even* to his house.

12 Ye *are* my brethren, ye *are* my bones and my flesh: wherefore then are ye the last to bring back the king?[f]

13 And say ye to Amasa, *Art* thou not of my bone, and of my flesh? God do so to me, and more also, if thou be not captain of the host before me continually in the room of Joab.[g]

14 And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah, even as *the heart of* one man; so that they sent *this word* unto the king, Return thou, and all thy servants.[h]

15 So the king returned, and came to Jordan. And Judah came to Gilgal, to go to meet the king, to conduct the king over Jordan.[i]

16 ¶ And Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite, which *was* of Bahurim, hasted and came down with the men of Judah to meet king David.[j]

17 And *there were* a thousand men of Benjamin with him, and Ziba the servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him; and they went over Jordan before the king.[k]

18 And there went over a ferry boat to carry over the king's houshold, and to do [11]what he thought good. And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the king, as he was come over Jordan;

19 And said unto the king, Let not my lord impute iniquity unto me, neither do thou remember that which thy servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to his heart.[l]

20 For thy servant doth know that I have sinned: therefore, behold, I am come the first this day of all the house of Joseph to go down to meet my lord the king.[m]

21 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered and said, Shall not Shimei be put to death for this, because he cursed the LORD'S anointed?[n]

22 And David said, What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah, that ye should this day be adversaries unto me? shall there any man be put to death this day in Israel? for do not I know that I *am* this day king over Israel?[o]

23 Therefore the king said unto Shimei, Thou shalt not die. And the king sware unto him.[p]

24 ¶ And Mephibosheth the son of Saul came



MEPHIBOSHETH MEETING DAVID ON HIS RETURN TO JERUSALEM.

down to meet the king, and had neither dressed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his clothes, from the day the king departed until the day he came *again* in peace.[a]

25 And it came to pass, when he was come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king said unto him, Wherefore wentest not thou with me, Mephibosheth?[b]

26 And he answered, My lord, O king, my servant deceived me: for thy servant said, I will saddle me an ass, that I may ride thereon, and go to the king; because thy servant *is* lame.

27 And he hath slandered thy servant unto my lord the king; but my lord the king *is* as an angel of God: do therefore *what is* good in thine eyes.[c]

28 For all *of* my father's house were but [1]dead men before my lord the king: yet didst thou set thy servant among them that did eat at thine own table. What right therefore have I yet to cry any more unto the king?[d]

29 And the king said unto him, Why speakest thou any more of thy matters? I have said, Thou and Ziba divide the land.

30 And Mephibosheth said unto the king, Yea, let him take all, forasmuch as my lord the king is come again in peace unto his own house.

31 ¶ And Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim, and went over Jordan with the king, to conduct him over Jordan.[e]

32 Now Barzillai was a very aged man, *even* fourscore years old: and he had provided the king of sustenance while he lay at Mahanaim; for he *was* a very great man.[f]

33 And the king said unto Barzillai, Come thou over with me, and I will feed thee with me in Jerusalem.

34 And Barzillai said unto the king, [2]How long have I to live, that I should go up with the king unto Jerusalem?

35 I *am* this day fourscore years old: *and* can I discern between good and evil? can thy servant taste what I eat or what I drink? can I hear any more the voice of singing men and singing women? wherefore then should thy servant be yet a burden unto my lord the king?[g]

36 Thy servant will go a little way over Jordan with the king: and why should the king recompense it me with such a reward?

BEFORE CHRIST 1021

a ch. ix. 6.

e 1 Kings ii. 7.

b ch. xvi. 17.

f ch. xvii. 27.

2 Heb. *are the years of my life?*

c ch. xiv. 17, 20; xvi. 3.

1 Heb. *men of death.*

d ch. ix. 7, 10, 13; 1 Sam. xxvi. 18.

g Ps. xc. 10.

37 Let thy servant, I pray thee, turn back again, that I may die in mine own city, *and be buried* by the grave of my father and of my mother. But behold thy servant Chimham; let him go over with my lord the king; and do to him what shall seem good unto thee.[a]

38 And the king answered, Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do to him that which shall seem good unto thee: and whatsoever thou shalt [1]require of me, *that* will I do for thee.

39 And all the people went over Jordan. And when the king was come over, the king kissed Barzillai, and blessed him; and he returned unto his own place.

40 Then the king went on to Gilgal, and [2]Chimham went on with him: and all the people of Judah conducted the king, and also half the people of Israel.

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

[a] 1 Kings ii. 7; Jer. xli. 17.

[1] Heb. *choose.*

[e] ch. xix. 43; xii. 16; 2 Chron. x. 16.

[2] Heb. *Chimham.*

CHAPTER XX.

By occasion of the quarrel, Sheba maketh a party in Israel. 3 David's ten concubines are shut up in perpetual prison. 4 Amasa, made captain over Judah, is slain by Joab. 14 Joab pursueth Sheba unto Abel. 16 A wise woman saveth the city by Sheba's head. 23 David's officers.

AND there happened to be there a man of Belial, whose name *was* Sheba, the son of Bichri, a Benjamite: and he blew a trumpet, and said, We have no part in David, neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to his tents, O Israel.[e]

2 So every man of Israel went up from after David, *and* followed Sheba the son of Bichri: but the men of Judah clave unto their king, from Jordan even to Jerusalem.



JERUSALEM, IN THE TIME OF DAVID, AS SEEN FROM THE SOUTH.

41 ¶ And, behold, all the men of Israel came to the king, and said unto the king, Why have our brethren the men of Judah stolen thee away, and have brought the king, and his houshold, and all David's men with him, over Jordan?[b]

42 And all the men of Judah answered the men of Israel, Because the king *is* near of kin to us: wherefore then be ye angry for this matter? have we eaten at all of the king's *cost?* or hath he given us any gift?[c]

43 And the men of Israel answered the men of Judah, and said, We have ten parts in the king, and we have also more *right* in David than ye: why then did ye [3]despise us, that our advice should not be first had in bringing back our king? And the words of the men of Judah were fiercer than the words of the men of Israel.[d]

[b] ver 15

[5] Heb. *bound.*

[6] Heb. *in widowhood of life.*

[f] ch. xv. 16; xvi. 21, 22.

[7] Heb. *Call.*

[g] ch. xix. 13

[c] ver. 12

[3] Heb. *set us at light.*

[8] Heb. *deliver himself from our eyes*

[h] ch. xi. 11; 1 Kings i. 33.

[d] Judg. viii. 1; xii. 1.

3 ¶ And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the ten women *his* concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and put them [4]in ward, and fed them, but went not in unto them. So they were [5]shut up unto the day of their death, [6]living in widowhood.[f]

4 ¶ Then said the king to Amasa, [7]Assemble me the men of Judah within three days, and be thou here present.[g]

5 So Amasa went to assemble *the men of* Judah: but he tarried longer than the set time which he had appointed him.

6 And David said to Abishai, Now shall Sheba the son of Bichri do us more harm than *did* Absalom: take thou thy lord's servants, and pursue after him, lest he get him fenced cities, and [8]escape us.[h]

7 And there went out after him Joab's men, and



JOAB KILLING AMASA.

the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and all the mighty men: and they went out of Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

8 When they *were* at the great stone which *is* in Gibeon, Amasa went before them. And Joab's garment that he had put on was girded unto him, and upon it a girdle *with* a sword fastened upon his loins in the sheath thereof; and as he went forth it fell out.

9 And Joab said to Amasa, *Art* thou in health, my brother? And Joab took Amasa by the beard with the right hand to kiss him.

10 But Amasa took no heed to the sword that *was* in Joab's hand: so he smote him therewith in the fifth *rib*, and shed out his bowels to the ground, and [1]struck him not again; and he died. So Joab and Abishai his brother pursued after Sheba the son of Bichri.[a]

11 And one of Joab's men stood by him, and said, He that favoureth Joab, and he that *is* for David, *let him go* after Joab.

12 And Amasa wallowed in blood in the midst of the highway And when the man saw that all the people stood still, he removed Amasa out of the highway into the field, and cast a cloth upon him, when he saw that every one that came by him stood still.

13 When he was removed out of the highway, all the people went on after Joab, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

14 ¶ And he went through all the tribes of Israel unto Abel, and to Beth-maachah, and all the Berites: and they were gathered together, and went also after him.[b]

15 And they came and besieged him in Abel of Beth-maachah, and they cast up a bank against the city, and [2]it stood in the trench: and all the people that *were* with Joab [3]battered the wall, to throw it down.[c]

16 ¶ Then cried a wise woman out of the city, Hear, hear; say, I pray you, unto Joab, Come near hither, that I may speak with thee.

17 And when he was come near unto her, the woman said, *Art* thou Joab? And he answered, I *am he.* Then she said unto him, Hear the words of thine handmaid. And he answered, I do hear.

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

b 2 Kings xv 20; 2 Chron. xvi 4.

2 Or, *it stood against the outmost wall.*

3 Heb. *marred to throw down.*

1 Heb *doubled not his stroke*

c 2 Kings xix. 32.

a ch. ii. 28; 1 Kings ii. 5.

18 Then she spake, saying, [1]They were wont to speak in old time, saying, They shall surely ask *counsel* at Abel: and so they ended *the matter*.[a]

19 I *am one of them that are* peaceable *and* faithful in Israel: thou seekest to destroy a city and a mother in Israel: why wilt thou swallow up the inheritance of the LORD?[b]

20 And Joab answered and said, Far be it, far be it from me, that I should swallow up or destroy.

21 The matter *is* not so: but a man of mount Ephraim, Sheba the son of Bichri [2]by name, hath lifted up his hand against the king, *even* against David: deliver him only, and I will depart from the city. And the woman said unto Joab, Behold, his head shall be thrown to thee over the wall.

22 Then the woman went unto all the people in her wisdom. And they cut off the head of Sheba the son of Bichri, and cast *it* out to Joab. And he blew a trumpet, and they [3]retired from the city, every man to his tent. And Joab returned to Jerusalem unto the king.[c]

23 ¶ Now Joab *was* over all the host of Israel: and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the Cherethites and over the Pelethites:[d]

24 And Adoram *was* over the tribute: and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud *was* [4]recorder:[e]

25 And Sheva *was* scribe: and Zadok and Abiathar *were* the priests:

26 And Ira also the Jairite was a chief ruler about David.[f]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *The three years' famine for the Gibeonites ceaseth, by hanging seven of Saul's sons.* 10 *Rizpah's kindness unto the dead.* 12 *David burieth the bones of Saul and Jonathan in his father's sepulchre.* 15 *Four battles against the Philistines, wherein four valiants of David slay four giants.*

THEN there was a famine in the days of David three years, year after year; and David [5]enquired of the LORD. And the LORD answered, *It is* for Saul, and for *his* bloody house, because he slew the Gibeonites.[g]

2 And the king called the Gibeonites, and said unto them; (now the Gibeonites *were* not of the children of Israel, but of the remnant of the Amorites; and the children of Israel had sworn unto them: and Saul sought to slay them in his zeal to the children of Israel and Judah.)[h]

3 Wherefore David said unto the Gibeonites, What shall I do for you? and wherewith shall I make the atonement, that ye may bless the inheritance of the LORD?[i]

4 And the Gibeonites said unto him, [6]We will have no silver nor gold of Saul, nor of his house; neither for us shalt thou kill any man in Israel. And he said, What ye shall say, *that* will I do for you.

5 And they answered the king, The man that consumed us, and that [7]devised against us *that* we should be destroyed from remaining in any of the coasts of Israel,

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

1 Or, *They plainly spake in the beginning, saying, Surely they will ask of Abel, and so make an end.*

a Deut. xx. 11

8 Or, *chosen of the LORD.*

j 1 Sam. x. 24, 26; xi. 4.

b ch. xxi. 3; 1 Sam. xxvi. 19.

k 1 Sam. xviii. 3; xx. 8, 15, 42; xxiii. 18.

2 Heb. *by his name.*

9 Or, *Michal's sister.*

10 Heb. *bare to Adriel.*

l ch. iii. 7; 1 Sam. xviii. 19.

m ch vi. 17.

3 Heb. *were scattered.*

c Eccles. ix. 14 15

d ch. viii. 16, 18.

n ver. 8; ch iii. 7; Deut. xxi. 23.

4 Or, *remembrancer.*

e ch viii. 16, 1 Kings iv. 3, 6.

f ch viii. 18; Gen. xli. 45, Exod. ii. 16.

o 1 Sam. xxxi. 11—13.

5 Heb *sought the face*, &c.

p ch xxiv 25; Josh vii 26; xviii. 28.

g Numb xxvii 21.

11 Or, *Rapha.*

12 Heb *the staff*, or, *the head.*

h Josh ix. 3, 15—17.

13 Heb. *candle*, or, *lamp.*

q ch xviii. 3; 1 Kings xi. 36; xv. 4; Ps. cxxxii. 17.

i ch xx. 19.

6 Or, *It is not silver nor gold that we have to do with Saul, or his house; neither pertains it to us to kill*, &c.

14 Or, *Sippai.*

15 Or, *Rapha.*

r 1 Chron. xi. 29; xx. 4.

16 Or, *Jair.*

7 Or, *cut us off.*

s 1 Chron. xx. 5

6 Let seven men of his sons be delivered unto us, and we will hang them up unto the LORD in Gibeah of Saul, [8]*whom* the LORD did choose. And the king said, I will give *them*.[j]

7 But the king spared Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, because of the LORD'S oath that *was* between them, between David and Jonathan the son of Saul.[k]

8 But the king took the two sons of Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, whom she bare unto Saul, Armoni and Mephibosheth; and the five sons of [9]Michal the daughter of Saul, whom she [10]brought up for Adriel the son of Barzillai the Meholathite:[l]

9 And he delivered them into the hands of the Gibeonites, and they hanged them in the hill before the LORD: and they fell *all* seven together, and were put to death in the days of harvest, in the first *days*, in the beginning of barley harvest.[m]

10 ¶ And Rizpah the daughter of Aiah took sackcloth, and spread it for her upon the rock, from the beginning of harvest until water dropped upon them out of heaven, and suffered neither the birds of the air to rest on them by day, nor the beasts of the field by night.[n]

11 And it was told David what Rizpah the daughter of Aiah, the concubine of Saul, had done.

12 ¶ And David went and took the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son from the men of Jabesh-gilead, which had stolen them from the street of Beth-shan, where the Philistines had hanged them, when the Philistines had slain Saul in Gilboa:[o]

13 And he brought up from thence the bones of Saul and the bones of Jonathan his son; and they gathered the bones of them that were hanged.

14 And the bones of Saul and Jonathan his son buried they in the country of Benjamin in Zelah, in the sepulchre of Kish his father: and they performed all that the king commanded. And after that God was intreated for the land.[p]

15 ¶ Moreover the Philistines had yet war again with Israel; and David went down, and his servants with him, and fought against the Philistines: and David waxed faint.

16 And Ishbi-benob, which *was* of the sons of [11]the giant, the weight of whose [12]spear *weighed* three hundred *shekels* of brass in weight, he being girded with a new *sword*, thought to have slain David.

17 But Abishai the son of Zeruiah succoured him, and smote the Philistine, and killed him. Then the men of David sware unto him, saying, Thou shalt go no more out with us to battle, that thou quench not the [13]light of Israel.[q]

18 And it came to pass after this, that there was again a battle with the Philistines at Gob: then [14]Sibbechai the Hushathite slew [15]Saph, which *was* of the sons of the giant.[r]

19 And there was again a battle in Gob with the Philistines, where Elhanan the son of [16]Jaare-oregim, a Beth-lehemite, slew *the brother of* Goliath the Gittite, the staff of whose spear *was* like a weaver's beam.[s]

20 And there was yet a battle in Gath, where was

a man of *great* stature, that had on every hand six fingers, and on every foot six toes, four and twenty in number; and he also was born to [1]the giant.[a]

21 And when he [2]defied Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimeah the brother of David slew him.[b]

22 These four were born to the giant in Gath, and fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.[c]

CHAPTER XXII.

A psalm of thanksgiving for God's powerful deliverance, and manifold blessings.

AND David spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day *that* the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:[d]

2 And he said, The LORD *is* my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;[e]

3 The God of my rock; in him will I trust: *he is* my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour; thou savest me from violence.[f]

4 I will call on the LORD, *who is* worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

5 When the [3]waves of death compassed me, the floods of [4]ungodly men made me afraid;

6 The [5]sorrows of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;[g]

7 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry *did enter* into his ears.[h]

8 Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations of heaven moved and shook, because he was wroth.[i]

9 There went up a smoke [6]out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.[j]

10 He bowed the heavens also, and came down; and darkness *was* under his feet.[k]

11 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: and he was seen upon the wings of the wind.[l]

12 And he made darkness pavilions round about him, [7]dark waters, *and* thick clouds of the skies.[m]

13 Through the brightness before him were coals of fire kindled.[n]

14 The LORD thundered from heaven, and the most High uttered his voice.[o]

15 And he sent out arrows, and scattered them; lightning, and discomfited them.[p]

16 And the channels of the sea appeared, the foundations of the world were discovered, at the rebuking of the LORD, at the blast of the breath of his [8]nostrils.[q]

17 He sent from above, he took me; he drew me out of [9]many waters;[r]

18 He delivered me from my strong enemy, *and* from them that hated me: for they were too strong for me.[s]

19 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.

20 He brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me, because he delighted in me.[t]

BEFORE CHRIST 1018.

1 Or, *Rapha.*
a 1 Chron. xx. 6.
u ver. 25; 1 Sam. xxvi. 23; 1 Kings viii. 32; Ps. vii. 8; xxiv. 4.
2 Or, *reproached.*
b 1 Sam. xvi. 9; xvii. 10.
v Gen. xviii. 19; Ps. xix. 8; cxxviii. 1; Prov. viii. 32.
w Deut. vii. 12; Ps. cxix. 30, 102.
c 1 Chron. xx. 8.
10 Heb. *to him.*
x Gen. vi. 9; xvii. 1; Job i. 1.
11 Heb. *before his eyes.*
y ver 21.
z Matt. v 7.
d Exod. xv. 1; Judg v. 1; Ps. xviii. title; xxxiv. 19
12 Or, *wrestle.*
a Lev xxvi. 23, 24, 27, 28, Ps. xviii. 26
e Ps xviii 2, &c.; xxxi. 3; lxxi 3; xci. 2; cxliv. 2.
b Exod. iii. 7, 8; Job xi. 11; Ps. lxxii. 12; Isa. ii. 11.
13 Or, *candle.*
c Job xxix 3; Ps. xxvii. 1
14 Or, *broken a troop.*
f Gen xv. 1; Ps. ix 9; xiv. 6; lix. 16; lxxi. 7, Prov. xviii 10; Jer. xvi. 19: Luke i. 69
15 Or, *refined.*
3 Or, *pangs.*
d Deut. xxxii. 4; Ps. xii. 6; cxix. 140; Prov xxx 5, Dan. iv 37; Rev xv. 3.
4 Heb *Belial.*
5 Or, *cords*
e 1 Sam ii 2; Isa. xiv 5, 6.
g Ps cxvi 3.
16 Heb *ruddeth*, or, *looseth.*
f Exod. xv. 2; Ps. xxvii 1, xxviii 7, 8, xxxi 4, Isa. xii. 2
17 Heb *equalleth.*
h Exod. iii 7, Ps. xxxiv. 6, 15, 17, cxvi 4; cxx 1.
g ch ii. 18; Deut. xxxii. 13; Isa. xxxiii. 16; lviii 14, Hab iii 19.
18 Heb *for the war.*
h Ps cxliv 1
i Judg v 4; Job xxvi 11; Ps lxxvii. 18, xcvii 4.
6 Heb. *by*
19 Heb *multiplied me*
j Ps xcvii. 3; Hab. iii. 5; Heb xii 29
20 Heb *ankles.*
s Prov iv 12.
k Exod xx 21; Ps. xcvii. 2, cxliv 5, Isa. lxiv. 1.
l Ps. civ. 3
7 Heb *binding of waters.*
m ver 10, Ps xcvii. 2.
j Mal. iv 3
n ver 9.
21 Heb *caused to bow.*
o Judg v 20; 1 Sam. ii. 10, vii 10, Ps xviii 3
k Ps xviii 32, 39; xliv 5
p Deut xxxii 23; Ps vii. 13, lxxvii 17, cxliv 6; Hab iii 11
l Gen xlix 8, Exod. xxiii. 27, Josh x. 24
m Job xxvii 9; Prov. i 28, Isa. i. 15; Micah iii. 4.
8 Or, *anger*
q Exod. xv. 8; Ps lxxiv. 1; cvi. 9, Nah i 4.
n 2 Kings xiii 7; Ps. xxxv 5, Isa. x. 6; Dan ii 35; Micah vii 10; Zech. x. 5.
9 Or, *great.*
r Ps. cxliv. 7
s ver. 1
o ch iii. 1; v. 1; viii. 1—14; xix. 9, 14; xx. 1, 2, 22; Deut. xxviii 13; Ps. ii. 8; Isa. lv. 5.
22 Heb *Sons of the stranger.*
23 Or, *yield feigned obedience.*
24 Heb. *he.*
p Deut. xxxiii. 29; Ps. lxvi. 3; lxxxi. 15.
t ch. xv. 26; Ps. xxii. 8; xxxi. 8; cxviii. 5.
q Micah vii. 17.

21 The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.[u]

22 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.[v]

23 For all his judgments *were* before me: and *as for* his statutes, I did not depart from them.[w]

24 I was also upright [10]before him, and have kept myself from mine iniquity.[x]

25 Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousness; according to my cleanness [11]in his eye sight.[y]

26 With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful, *and* with the upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright.[z]

27 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt [12]shew thyself unsavoury.[a]

28 And the afflicted people thou wilt save: but thine eyes *are* upon the haughty, *that* thou mayest bring *them* down.[b]

29 For thou *art* my [13]lamp, O LORD: and the LORD will lighten my darkness.[c]

30 For by thee I have [14]run through a troop: by my God have I leaped over a wall.

31 *As for* God, his way *is* perfect; the word of the LORD *is* [15]tried: he *is* a buckler to all them that trust in him.[d]

32 For who *is* God, save the LORD? and who *is* a rock, save our God?[e]

33 God *is* my strength *and* power: and he [16]maketh my way perfect.[f]

34 He [17]maketh my feet like hinds' *feet:* and setteth me upon my high places.[g]

35 He teacheth my hands [18]to war; so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.[h]

36 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy gentleness hath [19]made me great.

37 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me; so that my [20]feet did not slip.[i]

38 I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them; and turned not again until I had consumed them.

39 And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not arise: yea, they are fallen under my feet.[j]

40 For thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them that rose up against me hast thou [21]subdued under me.[k]

41 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me.[l]

42 They looked, but *there was* none to save; *even* unto the LORD, but he answered them not.[m]

43 Then did I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I did stamp them as the mire of the street, *and* did spread them abroad.[n]

44 Thou also hast delivered me from the strivings of my people, thou hast kept me *to be* head of the heathen: a people *which* I knew not shall serve me.[o]

45 [22]Strangers shall [23]submit themselves unto me: as soon as they hear, they shall [24]be obedient unto me.[p]

46 Strangers shall fade away, and they shall be afraid out of their close places.[q]



THREE MIGHTY MEN FETCHING WATER FROM THE WELL OF BETHLEHEM.

47 The LORD liveth; and blessed *be* my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.[a]

48 It *is* God that [1]avengeth me, and that bringeth down the people under me,

49 And that bringeth me forth from mine enemies: thou also hast lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.

50 Therefore I will give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen, and I will sing praises unto thy name.

51 *He is* the tower of salvation for his king: and sheweth mercy to his anointed, unto David, and to his seed for evermore.

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *David, in his last words, professeth his faith in God's promises to be beyond sense or experience.* 6 *The different state of the wicked.* 8 *A catalogue of David's mighty men.*

NOW these *be* the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, and the man *who was* raised up on high, the anointed of the God of Jacob, and the sweet psalmist of Israel, said,[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1015

a Ps lxxxix 26

c 2 Peter i. 21.

1 Heb. *giveth avengement for me.*

2 Or, *Be thou ruler*, &c.

d ch xxii. 2, 32; Exod. xviii. 21; Deut. xxxii. 4, 31; 2 Chron. xix. 7, 9; Ps. cx. 3.

e Judg. v. 31; Ps. lxxxix. 36; cx. 3; Prov. iv. 18; Hosea vi. 5.

f ch. vii. 15, 16; Ps. lxxxix. 29; Isa. lv. 3.

3 Heb. *filled.*

4 Or, *Josheb-bassebet the Tachmonite, head of the three.*

5 Heb. *slain.*

b ch. vii. 8, 9; 1 Sam. xvi. 12, 13; Ps. lxxviii. 70, 71; lxxxix. 20, 27.

g 1 Chron. xi. 11; xxvii. 4.

2 The Spirit of the LORD spake by me, and his word *was* in my tongue.[c]

3 The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spake to me, [2]He that ruleth over men *must be* just, ruling in the fear of God.[d]

4 And *he shall be* as the light of the morning, *when* the sun riseth, *even* a morning without clouds; *as* the tender grass *springing* out of the earth by clear shining after rain.[e]

5 Although my house *be* not so with God; yet he hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all *things*, and sure: for *this is* all my salvation, and all *my* desire, although he make *it* not to grow.[f]

6 ¶ But *the sons* of Belial *shall be* all of them as thorns thrust away, because they cannot be taken with hands:

7 But the man *that* shall touch them must be [3]fenced with iron and the staff of a spear; and they shall be utterly burned with fire in the *same* place.

8 ¶ These *be* the names of the mighty men whom David had: [4]The Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains; the same *was* Adino the Eznite: *he lift up his spear* against eight hundred, [5]whom he slew at one time.[g]

9 And after him *was* Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, *one* of the three mighty men with David, when they defied the Philistines *that* were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away:[e]

10 He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil.

11 And after him *was* Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were gathered together [1]into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentiles: and the people fled from the Philistines.[b]

12 But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and the LORD wrought a great victory.

13 And [2]three of the thirty chief went down, and came to David in the harvest time unto the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the Philistines pitched in the valley of Rephaim.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

e Lev. xvii. 10.

a 1 Chron. xi. 12; xxvii. 4.
3 Heb. *slain.*
f 1 Chron. xi. 20.
1 Or, *for foraging.*
4 Heb. *great of acts.*
5 Heb. *lions of God.*
b 1 Chron. xi. 13, 14, 27.
g Exod. xv. 15; Josh. xv. 21; 1 Chron. xi. 22.
6 Heb. *a man of countenance, or sight*; or, *a man of great stature.*
2 Or, *the three captains over the thirty.*
h 1 Chron. xi. 23.
c ch. v. 18; 1 Sam. xxii. 1.
7 Or, *honourable among the thirty.*
8 Or, *council.*
i ch. viii. 18; xx. 23.
j ch. ii. 18.
k 1 Chron xi. 27.

14 And David *was* then in an hold, and the garrison of the Philistines *was* then *in* Beth-lehem.[d]

15 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem, which *is* by the gate!

16 And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that *was* by the gate, and took *it*, and brought *it* to David: nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto the LORD.

17 And he said, Be it far from me, O LORD, that I should do this: *is not this* the blood of the men that went in jeopardy of their lives? therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mighty men.[e]

18 And Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah, was chief among three. And he lifted up his spear against three hundred, [3]*and* slew *them*, and had the name among three.[f]

19 Was he not most honourable of three? therefore he was their captain: howbeit he attained not unto the *first* three.

20 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man, of Kabzeel, [4]who had done many acts, he slew two [5]lionlike men of Moab: he went down also and slew a lion in the midst of a pit in time of snow:[g]

21 And he slew an Egyptian, a [6]goodly man: and the Egyptian had a spear in his hand; but he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.[h]

22 These *things* did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among three mighty men.

23 He was [7]more honourable than the thirty, but he attained not to the *first* three. And David set him over his [8]guard.[i]

24 Asahel the brother of Joab *was* one of the thirty; Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem,[j]

25 Shammah the Harodite, Elika the Harodite,[k]

26 Helez the Paltite, Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite,

27 Abiezer the Anethothite, Mebunnai the Hushathite,

28 Zalmon the Ahohite, Maharai the Netophathite,

29 Heleb the son of Baanah, a Netophathite, Ittai the son of Ribai out of Gibeah of the children of Benjamin,

30 Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hiddai of the [9]brooks of Gaash,[l]

31 Abi-albon the Arbathite, Azmaveth the Barhumite,

32 Eliahba the Shaalbonite, of the sons of Jashen, Jonathan,

33 Shammah the Hararite, Ahiam the son of Sharar the Hararite,

34 Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, the son of the Maachathite, Eliam the son of Ahithophel the Gilonite,

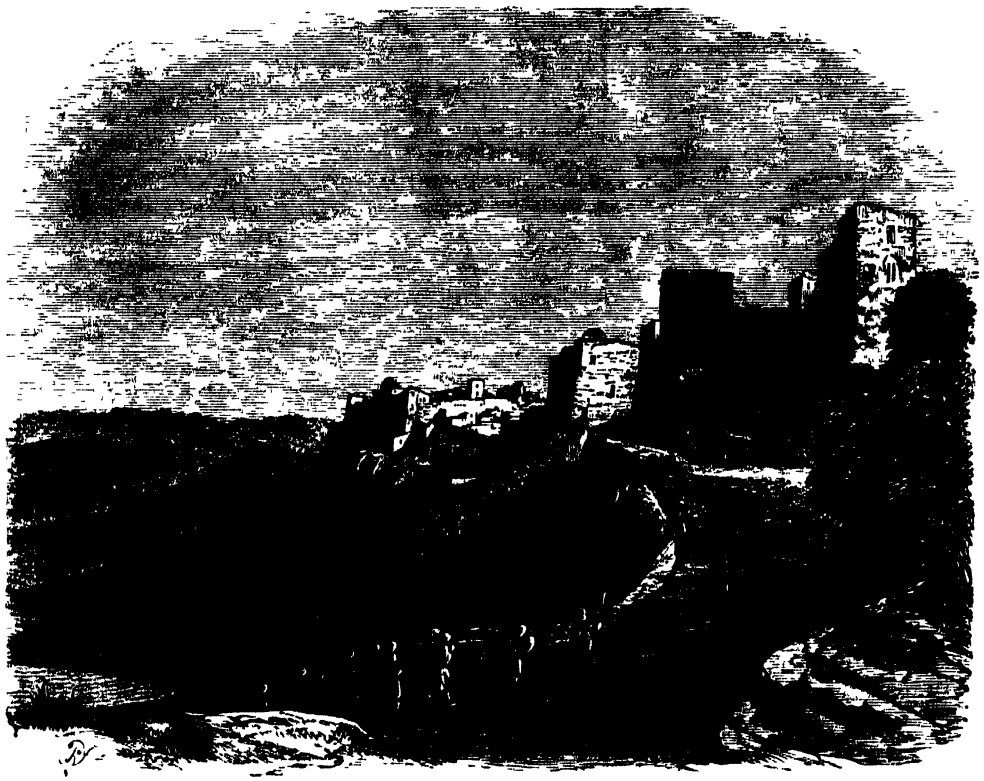
35 Hezrai the Carmelite, Paarai the Arbite,

36 Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah, Bani the Gadite,

37 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Beerothite, armourbearer to Joab the son of Zeruiah,

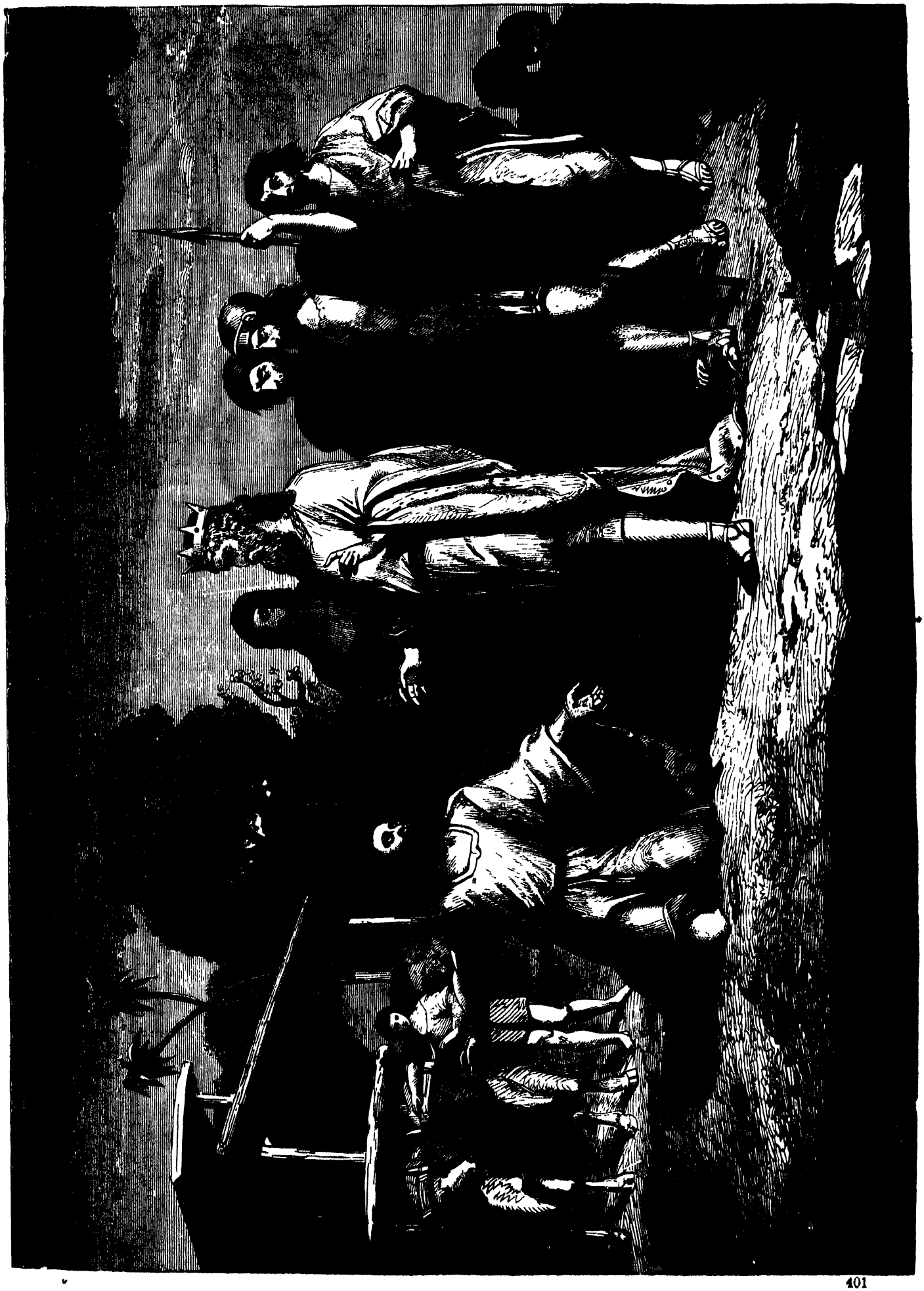
38 Ira an Ithrite, Gareb an Ithrite,[m]

39 Uriah the Hittite: thirty and seven in all.[n]



BETHLEHEM

9 Or, *valleys*, Deut. i. 24.
l Judg. ii 9.
d 1 Sam. xxii. 4, 5.
m ch. xx. 26.
n ch. xi. 3, 6.



ARAUNAH THE JEBUSITE OFFERING HIS THRESHINGFLOOR TO DAVID.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *David, tempted by Satan, forceth Joab to number the people.* 5 *The captains, in nine months and twenty days, bring the muster of thirteen hundred thousand fighting men.* 10 *David, having three plagues propounded by Gad, repenteth, and chooseth the three days' pestilence.* 15 *After the death of threescore and ten thousand, David by repentance preventeth the destruction of Jerusalem.* 18 *David, by Gad's direction, purchaseth Araunah's threshingfloor; where having sacrificed, the plague stayeth.*

AND again the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and [1]he moved David against them to say, Go, number Israel and Judah.[a]

2 For the king said to Joab the captain of the host, which *was* with him, [2]Go now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and number ye the people, that I may know the number of the people.[b]

3 And Joab said unto the king, Now the LORD thy God add unto the people, how many soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see *it:* but why doth my lord the king delight in this thing?

4 Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed against Joab, and against the captains of the host. And Joab and the captains of the host went out from the presence of the king, to number the people of Israel.

5 ¶ And they passed over Jordan, and pitched in Aroer, on the right side of the city that *lieth* in the midst of the [3]river of Gad, and toward Jazer:[c]

6 Then they came to Gilead, and to the [4]land of Tahtim-hodshi; and they came to Dan-jaan, and about to Zidon,[d]

7 And came to the strong hold of Tyre, and to all the cities of the Hivites, and of the Canaanites: and they went out to the south of Judah, *even* to Beer-sheba.

8 So when they had gone through all the land, they came to Jerusalem at the end of nine months and twenty days.

9 And Joab gave up the sum of the number of the people unto the king: and there were in Israel eight hundred thousand valiant men that drew the sword; and the men of Judah *were* five hundred thousand men.[e]

10 ¶ And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the LORD, I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.[f]

11 For when David was up in the morning, the word of the LORD came unto the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying,[g]

12 Go and say unto David, Thus saith the LORD, I offer thee three *things;* choose thee one of them, that I may *do it* unto thee.

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

a 1 Chron. xxi. 12.

5 Or, *many*

1 *Satan.*

f Ps. cili 8, 13, 14; cxix 156; Isa. xlvii. 6; Zech. i. 15.

a ch. xxi. 1; 1 Chron. xxi. 1, xxvii. 23, 24; James i. 13, 14.

j 1 Chron. xxi. 14; xxvii. 24.

2 Or, *Compass.*

b Judg. xx. 1; Jer xvii. 5.

6 Or, *Ornan.*

k ver. 18; Gen. vi. 6; Exod. xii. 23; 1 Sam. xv. 11; 1 Chron. xxi. 15, 2 Chron iii. 1; Joel ii. 13, 14.

7 Heb. *Aravnah.*

l 1 Chron. xxi. 18, &c.

3 Or, *valley.*

c Numb. xxxii. 1, 3; Deut. ii 36; Josh. xiii. 9, 16.

4 Or, *nether land newly inhabited.*

d Josh. xix 28, 47; Judg xviii. 28, 29

m Numb xvi 48, 50

n 1 Kings xix 21

e 1 Chron xxi 5

o Ezek xx 40, 41.

f ch xii 13; 1 Sam. xiii. 13, xxiv. 5.

p 1 Chron. xxi. 24, 25.

g 1 Sam ix. 9; xxii. 5; 1 Chron. xxix. 29.

q ver 21, ch. xxi. 14.

13 So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him, Shall seven years of famine come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine enemies, while they pursue thee? or that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise, and see what answer I shall return to him that sent me.[h]

14 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of the LORD; for his mercies *are* [5]great: and let me not fall into the hand of man.[i]

15 ¶ So the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men.[j]

16 And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of [6]Araunah the Jebusite.[k]

17 And David spake unto the LORD when he saw the angel that smote the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house.

18 ¶ And Gad came that day to David, and said unto him, Go up, rear an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of [7]Araunah the Jebusite.[l]

19 And David, according to the saying of Gad, went up as the LORD commanded.

20 And Araunah looked, and saw the king and his servants coming on toward him: and Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king on his face upon the ground.

21 And Araunah said, Wherefore is my lord the king come to his servant? And David said, To buy the threshingfloor of thee, to build an altar unto the LORD, that the plague may be stayed from the people.[m]

22 And Araunah said unto David, Let my lord the king take and offer up what *seemeth* good unto him: behold, *here be* oxen for burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments and *other* instruments of the oxen for wood.[n]

23 All these *things* did Araunah, *as* a king, give unto the king. And Araunah said unto the king, The LORD thy God accept thee.[o]

24 And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy *it* of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing. So David bought the threshingfloor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver.[p]

25 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the LORD was intreated for the land, and the plague was stayed from Israel.[q]





THE FIRST BOOK OF THE KINGS,

COMMONLY CALLED THE THIRD BOOK OF THE KINGS

CHAPTER 1.

1 Abishag cherisheth David in his extreme age 5 Adonijah, David's darling, usurpeth the kingdom. 11 By the counsel of Nathan, 15 Bath-sheba moveth the king, 22 and Nathan secondeth her 28 David reneweth his oath to Bath-sheba. 32 Solomon, by David's appointment, being anointed king by Zadok and Nathan, the people triumph. 41 Jonathan bringing these news, Adonijah's guests fly. 50 Adonijah, flying to the horns of the altar, upon his good behaviour is dismissed by Solomon.

Before Christ 1015.

NOW king David was old *and* [1]stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he gat no heat.

2 Wherefore his servants said unto him, [2]Let there be sought for my lord the king [3]a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and let her [4]cherish him, and let her lie in thy bosom, that my lord the king may get heat.

3 So they sought for a fair damsel throughout all the coasts of Israel, and found Abishag a Shunammite, and brought her to the king.[a]

4 And the damsel *was* very fair, and cherished the king, and ministered to him: but the king knew her not.

5 ¶ Then Adonijah the son of Haggith exalted himself, saying, I will [5]be king: and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him.[b]

1 Heb *entered into days*

2 Heb *Let them seek.*

3 Heb *a damsel, a virgin.*

4 Heb *be a cherisher unto him.*

a Josh. xix 18

5 Heb *reign*

b 2 Sam. iii. 4, xv 1

6 And his father had not displeased him [1]at any time in saying, Why hast thou done so? and he also *was a* very goodly *man;* and *his mother* bare him after Absalom.[a]

7 And [2]he conferred with Joab the son of Zeruiah, and with Abiathar the priest: and they [3]following Adonijah helped *him.*[b]

8 But Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and Nathan the prophet, and Shimei, and Rei, and the mighty men which *belonged* to David, were not with Adonijah.[c]

9 And Adonijah slew sheep and oxen and fat cattle by the stone of Zoheleth, which *is* by [4]En-rogel, and called all his brethren the king's sons, and all the men of Judah the king's servants:[d]

10 But Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah, and the mighty men, and Solomon his brother, he called not.

11 ¶ Wherefore Nathan spake unto Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon, saying, Hast thou not heard that Adonijah the son of Haggith doth reign, and David our lord knoweth *it* not?[e]

12 Now therefore come, let me, I pray thee, give thee counsel, that thou mayest save thine own life, and the life of thy son Solomon.

13 Go and get thee in unto king David, and say unto him, Didst not thou, my lord, O king, swear unto thine handmaid, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne? why then doth Adonijah reign?[f]

14 Behold, while thou yet talkest there with the king, I also will come in after thee, and [5]confirm thy words.

15 ¶ And Bath-sheba went in unto the king into the chamber: and the king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite ministered unto the king.

16 And Bath-sheba bowed, and did obeisance unto the king. And the king said, [6]What wouldest thou?

17 And she said unto him, My lord, thou swarest by the LORD thy God unto thine handmaid, *saying,* Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne.[g]

18 And now, behold, Adonijah reigneth; and now, my lord the king, thou knowest *it* not:

19 And he hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the host: but Solomon thy servant hath he not called.[h]

20 And thou, my lord, O king, the eyes of all Israel *are* upon thee, that thou shouldest tell them who shall sit on the throne of my lord the king after him.

21 Otherwise it shall come to pass, when my lord the king shall sleep with his fathers, that I and my son Solomon shall be counted [7]offenders.[i]

22 ¶ And, lo, while she yet talked with the king, Nathan the prophet also came in.

23 And they told the king, saying, Behold Nathan the prophet. And when he was come in before the king, he bowed himself before the king with his face to the ground.

24 And Nathan said, My lord, O king, hast thou said, Adonijah shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne?

25 For he is gone down this day, and hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the king's sons, and the captains of the host, and Abiathar the priest; and, behold, they eat and drink before him, and say, [8]God save king Adonijah.[j]

26 But me, *even* me thy servant, and Zadok the priest, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and thy servant Solomon, hath he not called.

27 Is this thing done by my lord the king, and thou hast not shewed *it* unto thy servant, who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him?

28 ¶ Then king David answered and said, Call me Bath-sheba. And she came [9]into the king's presence, and stood before the king.

29 And the king sware, and said, *As* the LORD liveth, that hath redeemed my soul out of all distress,[k]

30 Even as I sware unto thee by the LORD God of Israel, saying, Assuredly Solomon thy son shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead; even so will I certainly do this day.[l]

31 Then Bath-sheba bowed with *her* face to the earth, and did reverence to the king, and said, Let my lord king David live for ever.[m]

32 ¶ And king David said, Call me Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada. And they came before the king.

33 The king also said unto them, Take with you the servants of your lord, and cause Solomon my son to ride upon [10]mine own mule, and bring him down to Gihon:[n]

34 And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there king over Israel: and blow ye with the trumpet, and say, God save king Solomon.[o]

35 Then ye shall come up after him, that he may come and sit upon my throne; for he shall be king in my stead: and I have appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah.

36 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada answered the king, and said, Amen: the LORD God of my lord the king say so *too.*

37 As the LORD hath been with my lord the king, even so be he with Solomon, and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord king David.[p]

38 So Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, went down, and caused Solomon to ride upon king David's mule, and brought him to Gihon.[q]

39 And Zadok the priest took an horn of oil out of the tabernacle, and anointed Solomon. And they blew the trumpet; and all the people said, God save king Solomon.[r]

40 And all the people came up after him, and the people piped with [11]pipes, and rejoiced with great joy, so that the earth rent with the sound of them.

41 ¶ And Adonijah and all the guests that *were* with him heard *it* as they had made an end of eating. And when Joab heard the sound of the trumpet, he said, Wherefore *is this* noise of the city being in an uproar?

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

1 Heb. *from his days.*

a 2 Sam. iii. 3, 4; 1 Chron. iii. 2.

2 Heb. *his words were with Joab.*

3 Heb. *helped after Adonijah.*

b ch. ii. 22, 28; 2 Sam. xx. 25.

8 Heb. *Let King Adonijah live.*

j ver. 19; 1 Sam. x. 24.

c ch. iv. 18; 2 Sam. xxiii. 8.

4 Or, *the well Rogel.*

d 2 Sam. xvii. 17.

9 Heb. *before the king.*

k 2 Sam. iv. 9.

e 2 Sam. iii. 4.

l ver. 17.

m Neh. ii. 3, Dan. ii. 4.

f 1 Chron. xxii. 9.

5 Heb. *fill up.*

10 Heb. *which belongeth to me.*

n 2 Sam. xx. 6; 2 Chron. xxxii. 30; Esther vi. 8.

o ch. xix. 16; 1 Sam. x. 1, xvi. 3, 12, 2 Sam. ii. 4, v. 3, xv. 10; 2 Kings ix. 3, 13, xi. 12, 14

6 Heb. *What to thee?*

g vs. 13, 30

p ver. 47, Josh. i. 5, 17, 1 Sam. xx. 13.

h vs. 7, 8, 9, 25.

q 2 Sam. viii. 18; xxiii. 20—23.

r Exod. xxx. 23, 25, 32, 1 Sam. x. 24; 1 Chron. xxix. 22; Ps. lxxxix. 20.

7 Heb. *sinners.*

i ch. ii. 10; xxxi. 16.

11 Or, *flutes.*

42 And while he yet spake, behold, Jonathan the son of Abiathar the priest came: and Adonijah said unto him, Come in; for thou *art* a valiant man, and bringest good tidings.[a]

43 And Jonathan answered and said to Adonijah, Verily our lord king David hath made Solomon king.

44 And the king hath sent with him Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and they have caused him to ride upon the king's mule:

45 And Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet have anointed him king in Gihon:[g] and they are come up from thence rejoicing, so that the city rang again. This *is* the noise that ye have heard.

46 And also Solomon sitteth on the throne of the kingdom.[h]

47 And moreover the king's servants came to bless our lord king David, saying, God make the name of Solomon better than thy name, and make his throne

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[a] 2 Sam. xviii. 27.

[g] Gen. xlvii. 29; Deut. xxxi. 14.

[h] Deut. xvii. 19, 20; Josh. xxiii. 14.

[b] 1 Chron. xxix. 23.

CHAPTER II.

1 David, having given a charge to Solomon, 3 of religiousness, 5 of Joab, 7 of Barzillai, 8 of Shimei, 10 dieth. 12 Solomon succeedeth. 13 Adonijah, moving Bath-sheba to sue unto Solomon for Abishag, is put to death. 26 Abiathar, having his life given him, is deprived of the priesthood. 28 Joab fleeing to the horns of the altar is there slain. 35 Benaiah is put in Joab's room, and Zadok in Abiathar's. 36 Shimei, confined to Jerusalem, by occasion of going thence to Gath, is put to death.

NOW the days of David drew nigh that he should die; and he charged Solomon his son, saying,[c]

2 I go the way of all the earth: be thou strong therefore, and shew thyself a man;[k]

3 And keep the charge of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and his testimonies,



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greater than thy throne. And the king bowed himself upon the bed.[c]

48 And also thus said the king, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which hath given *one* to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even seeing *it*.[d]

49 And all the guests that *were* with Adonijah were afraid, and rose up, and went every man his way.

50 ¶ And Adonijah feared because of Solomon, and arose, and went, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.[e]

51 And it was told Solomon, saying, Behold, Adonijah feareth king Solomon: for, lo, he hath caught hold on the horns of the altar, saying, Let king Solomon swear unto me to day that he will not slay his servant with the sword.

52 And Solomon said, If he will shew himself a worthy man, there shall not an hair of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die.[f]

53 So king Solomon sent, and they brought him down from the altar. And he came and bowed himself to king Solomon: and Solomon said unto him, Go to thine house.

[c] ver 37; Gen. xlvii 31.

1 Or, *do wisely.*

[i] Deut. xxix. 9, Josh. i. 7; 1 Sam. xviii. 5, 14, 40; 1 Chron. xxii. 12, 13.

[d] ch. iii. 6; Ps. cxxxii. 11, 12.

2 Heb. *be cut off from thee from the throne.*

[j] ch. viii. 25, 2 Sam. vii. 12, 13, 25; 2 Kings xx. 3; Ps. cxxxii. 12.

[e] ch. i. 28.

3 Heb. *put.*

[k] 2 Sam. iii. 27, 39; xviii. 5, 12, 14; xix. 5—7; xx. 10.

[l] ver. 9; Prov. xx. 26.

[f] 1 Sam. xiv. 45; 2 Sam. xiv. 11; Acts xxvii. 34.

[m] 2 Sam. ix. 7, 10; xii. 31, 38; xvii. 27; xix. 28.

as it is written in the law of Moses, that thou mayest [1]prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself:[i]

4 That the LORD may continue his word which he spake concerning me, saying, If thy children take heed to their way, to walk before me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, there shall [2]not fail thee (said he) a man on the throne of Israel.[j]

5 Moreover thou knowest also what Joab the son of Zeruiah did to me, *and* what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel, unto Abner the son of Ner, and unto Amasa the son of Jether, whom he slew, and [3]shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war upon his girdle that *was* about his loins, and in his shoes that *were* on his feet.[k]

6 Do therefore according to thy wisdom, and let not his hoar head go down to the grave in peace.[l]

7 But shew kindness unto the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite, and let them be of those that eat at thy table: for so they came to me when I fled because of Absalom thy brother.[m]

8 And, behold, *thou hast* with thee Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite of Bahurim, which cursed me

with a [1]grievous curse in the day when I went to Mahanaim: but he came down to meet me at Jordan, and I sware to him by the LORD, saying, I will not put thee to death with the sword.[a]

9 Now therefore hold him not guiltless: for thou *art* a wise man, and knowest what thou oughtest to do unto him; but his hoar head bring thou down to the grave with blood.[b]

10 So David slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David.[c]

11 And the days that David reigned over Israel *were* forty years: seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem.[d]

12 ¶ Then sat Solomon upon the throne of David his father; and his kingdom was established greatly.[e]

13 ¶ And Adonijah the son of Haggith came to Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon. And she said, Comest thou peaceably? And he said, Peaceably.[f]

14 He said moreover, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And she said, Say on.

15 And he said, Thou knowest that the kingdom was mine, and *that* all Israel set their faces on me, that I should reign: howbeit the kingdom is turned about, and is become my brother's: for it was his from the LORD.[g]

16 And now I ask one petition of thee, [2]deny me not. And she said unto him, Say on.[h]

17 And he said, Speak, I pray thee, unto Solomon the king, (for he will not say thee nay,) that he give me Abishag the Shunammite to wife.[i]

18 And Bath-sheba said, Well; I will speak for thee unto the king.

19 ¶ Bath-sheba therefore went unto king Solomon, to speak unto him for Adonijah. And the king rose up to meet her, and bowed himself unto her and sat down on his throne, and caused a seat to be set for the king's mother; and she sat on his right hand.[j]

20 Then she said, I desire one small petition of thee; *I pray thee*, say me not nay. And the king said unto her, Ask on, my mother: for I will not say thee nay.

21 And she said, Let Abishag the Shunammite be given to Adonijah thy brother to wife.

22 And king Solomon answered and said unto his mother, And why dost thou ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? ask for him the kingdom also; for he *is* mine elder brother; even for him, and for Abiathar the priest, and for Joab the son of Zeruiah.

23 Then king Solomon sware by the LORD, saying, God do so to me, and more also, if Adonijah have not spoken this word against his own life.[l]

24 Now therefore, *as* the LORD liveth, which hath established me, and set me on the throne of David my father, and who hath made me an house, as he promised, Adonijah shall be put to death this day.[m]

25 And king Solomon sent by the hand of Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; and he fell upon him that he died.

26 ¶ And unto Abiathar the priest said the king, Get thee to Anathoth, unto thine own fields; for thou *art* worthy of death: but I will not at this time put thee to death, because thou barest the ark of the Lord GOD before David my father, and because thou hast been afflicted in all wherein my father was afflicted.[n]

27 So Solomon thrust out Abiathar from being priest unto the LORD; that he might fulfil the word of the LORD, which he spake concerning the house of Eli in Shiloh.[o]

28 ¶ Then tidings came to Joab: for Joab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after Absalom. And Joab fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD, and caught hold on the horns of the altar.[p]

29 And it was told king Solomon that Joab was fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD; and, behold, *he is* by the altar. Then Solomon sent Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, saying, Go, fall upon him.

30 And Benaiah came to the tabernacle of the LORD, and said unto him, Thus saith the king, Come forth. And he said, Nay; but I will die here. And Benaiah brought the king word again, saying, Thus said Joab, and thus he answered me.

31 And the king said unto him, Do as he hath said, and fall upon him, and bury him; that thou mayest take away the innocent blood, which Joab shed, from me, and from the house of my father.[q]

32 And the LORD shall return his blood upon his own head, who fell upon two men more righteous and better than he, and slew them with the sword, my father David not knowing *thereof, to wit*, Abner the son of Ner, captain of the host of Israel, and Amasa the son of Jether, captain of the host of Judah.[r]

33 Their blood shall therefore return upon the head of Joab, and upon the head of his seed for ever: but upon David, and upon his seed, and upon his house, and upon his throne, shall there be peace for ever from the LORD.[s]

34 So Benaiah the son of Jehoiada went up, and fell upon him, and slew him: and he was buried in his own house in the wilderness.

35 ¶ And the king put Benaiah the son of Jehoiada in his room over the host: and Zadok the priest did the king put in the room of Abiathar.[t]

36 ¶ And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Build thee an house in Jerusalem, and dwell there, and go not forth thence any whither.

37 For it shall be, *that* on the day thou goest out, and passest over the brook Kidron, thou shalt know for certain that thou shalt surely die: thy blood shall be upon thine own head.[u]

38 And Shimei said unto the king, The saying *is* good: as my lord the king hath said, so will thy servant do. And Shimei dwelt in Jerusalem many days.

39 And it came to pass at the end of three years, that two of the servants of Shimei ran away unto Achish son of Maachah king of Gath. And they told Shimei, saying, Behold, thy servants *be* in Gath.[v]

40 And Shimei arose, and saddled his ass, and went to Gath to Achish to seek his servants: and Shimei went, and brought his servants from Gath.

41 And it was told Solomon that Shimei had gone from Jerusalem to Gath, and was come again.

42 And the king sent and called for Shimei, and said unto him, Did I not make thee to swear by the LORD, and protested unto thee, saying, Know for a

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

1 Heb. *strong.*

a Josh. xxi. 18; 1 Sam xxii 20, 23; xxiii. 6; 2 Sam. xv. 24, 29.

a 2 Sam. xvi. 5; xix. 18, 23.

o 1 Sam. ii. 31—35.

b Gen. xlii. 38; xliv. 31; Exod xx. 7; Job ix. 28.

c ch i 21; 2 Sam v. 7; Acts ii. 29; xiii. 36.

p ch i 7, 50.

d 2 Sam v 4; 1 Chron. xxix. 26, 27.

e 1 Chron. xxix. 23, 2 Chron i. 1.

f 1 Sam xvi 4, 5.

q Exod. xxi 14, Numb xxxv 33, Deut. xix. 13, xxi 8, 9

g 1 Chron xxii. 9, 10; xxviii 5—7, Prov. xxi. 30; Dan. ii. 21.

2 Heb *turn not away my face.*

h Ps. cxxxii. 10.

r Judg ix. 24, 57; 2 Sam iii 27, xx 10, 2 Chron xxi. 13; Ps. vii. 16.

i ch i 3, 4.

s 2 Sam iii. 29, Prov xxv 5

j Exod xx. 12, Ps xiv 9

t vs 8, 27, Numb xxv 11—13, 1 Sam ii 35, 2 Sam. xvi 5, 1 Chron. vi 53, xxiv 3

u Lev xx 9, Josh ii 29, 2 Sam i. 16; xv 23

k ch i 7

l Ruth i 17

v 1 Sam xxvii 2

m 2 Sam vii. 11, 13, 1 Chron xxii. 10

certain, on the day thou goest out, and walkest abroad any whither, that thou shalt surely die? and thou saidst unto me, The word *that* I have heard *is* good.

43 Why then hast thou not kept the oath of the LORD, and the commandment that I have charged thee with?

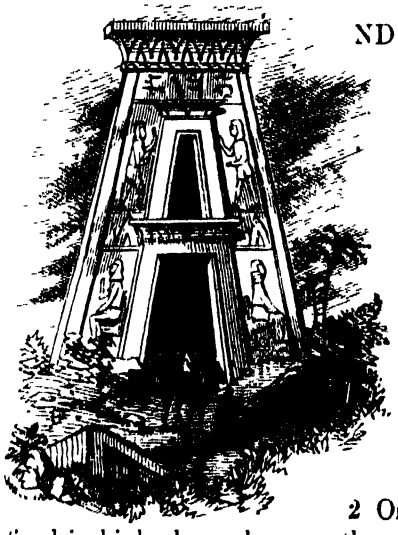
44 The king said moreover to Shimei, Thou knowest all the wickedness which thine heart is privy to, that thou didst to David my father: therefore the LORD shall return thy wickedness upon thine own head;[a]

45 And king Solomon *shall be* blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before the LORD for ever.[b]

46 So the king commanded Benaiah the son of Jehoiada; which went out, and fell upon him, that he died. And the kingdom was established in the hand of Solomon.[c]

CHAPTER III.

1 Solomon marrieth Pharaoh's daughter. 2 High places being in use, Solomon sacrificeth at Gibeon. 5 Solomon at Gibeon, in the choice which God gave him, preferring wisdom, obtaineth wisdom, riches, and honour. 16 Solomon's judgment between the two harlots maketh him renowned.



AND Solomon made affinity with Pharaoh king of Egypt, and took Pharaoh's daughter, and brought her into the city of David, until he had made an end of building his own house, and the house of the LORD, and the wall of Jerusalem round about.[d]

2 Only the people sacrificed in high places, because there was no house built unto the name of the LORD, until those days.[e]

3 And Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his father: only he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places.[f]

4 And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there; for that *was* the great high place: a thousand burnt offerings did Solomon offer upon that altar.[g]

5 ¶ In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what I shall give thee.[h]

6 And Solomon said, Thou hast shewed unto thy servant David my father great [1]mercy, according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee; and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as *it is* this day.[i]

7 And now, O LORD my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I *am but* a little child: I know not *how* to go out or come in.[j]

8 And thy servant *is* in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.[k]

9 Give therefore thy servant an [2]understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 1014.

3 Heb *many days*

4 Heb. *to hear.*

a 2 Sam. xvi. 5; Ps. vii. 16, Ezek. xvii. 19.

b Prov xxv. 5.

m ch. iv. 29—31; v 12, x. 24, Eccles. i 16, 1 John v. 14, 15

5 Or, *hath not been.*

n ch iv 21, 24; x 23, 25, &c; Prov iii. 16, Matt. vi. 33, Eph iii 20.

c ver 12, 2 Chron. i. 1

o ch xv 5; Ps. xci. 10, Prov iii 2.

d ch. vi, vii 1, 8, ix. 15, 19, 24, 2 Sam v 7

e ch xxii 43, Lev xvii. 3—5; Deut. xii. 2, 4, 5

f ver. 6, 14, Deut vi. 5; xxx 16, 20, Ps. xxxi. 23, Rom. viii. 28, 1 Cor viii 3

g 1 Chron. xvi. 39; 2 Chron. i. 3.

h ch. ix. 2; Numb xii 6; 2 Chron. i. 7; Matt. i. 20, ii. 13, 19

1 Or, *bounty.*

i ch. i 48; ii 4, ix. 4, 2 Chron. i. 8, &c.; 2 Kings xx. 3; Ps. xv. 2.

6 Heb. *were hot.*

j Numb xxvii. 17; 1 Chron. xxix. 1.

p Gen. xlii. 30; Isa. xlix. 15; Jer. xxxi. 20; Hos. xi. 8.

k Gen. xiii. 16, xv. 5; Deut. vii 6.

2 Heb *hearing.*

l 2 Chron. i 10; Ps. lxxii. 1, 2; Prov. ii. 3—9; Heb. v. 14; James i. 5.

7 Heb. *in the midst of him.*

q ver. 9, 11, 12.

10 And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing.

11 And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself [3]long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding [4]to discern judgment;

12 Behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee.[m]

13 And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches, and honour: so that there [5]shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days.[n]

14 And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.[o]

15 And Solomon awoke; and, behold, *it was* a dream. And he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and offered up burnt offerings, and offered peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants.

16 ¶ Then came there two women, *that were* harlots, unto the king, and stood before him.

17 And the one woman said, O my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house.

18 And it came to pass the third day after that I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also: and we *were* together; *there was* no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house.

19 And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlaid it.

20 And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thine handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom.

21 And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead: but when I had considered it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, which I did bear.

22 And the other woman said, Nay; but the living *is* my son, and the dead *is* thy son. And this said, No; but the dead *is* thy son, and the living *is* my son. Thus they spake before the king.

23 Then said the king, The one saith, This *is* my son that liveth, and thy son *is* the dead: and the other saith, Nay; but thy son *is* the dead, and my son *is* the living.

24 And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king.

25 And the king said, Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.

26 Then spake the woman whose the living child *was* unto the king, for her bowels [6]yearned upon her son, and she said, O my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither mine nor thine, *but* divide *it*.[p]

27 Then the king answered and said, Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she *is* the mother thereof.

28 And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the king: for they saw that the wisdom of God *was* [7]in him, to do judgment.



THE JUDGMENT OF SOLOMON.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Solomon's princes.* 7 *His twelve officers for provision.* 20, 24 *The peace and largeness of his kingdom.* 22 *His daily provision.* 26 *His stables.* 29 *His wisdom.*

SO king Solomon was king over all Israel.

2 And these *were* the princes which he had; Azariah the son of Zadok [1]the priest,

3 Elihoreph and Ahiah, the sons of Shisha, [2]scribes; Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, the [3]recorder.[a]

4 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the host: and Zadok and Abiathar *were* the priests:[b]

5 And Azariah the son of Nathan *was* over the officers: and Zabud the son of Nathan *was* principal officer, *and* the king's friend:[c]

6 And Ahishar *was* over the houshold: and Adoniram the son of Abda *was* over the [4]tribute.[d]

7 ¶ And Solomon had twelve officers over all Israel, which provided victuals for the king and his houshold: each man his month in a year made provision.

8 And these *are* their names: [5]The son of Hur, in mount Ephraim:

9 [6]The son of Dekar, in Makaz, and in Shaalbim, and Beth-shemesh, and Elon-beth-hanan:

10 [7]The son of Hesed, in Aruboth; to him *pertained* Sochoh, and all the land of Hepher:

11 [8]The son of Abinadab, in all the region of Dor; which had Taphath the daughter of Solomon to wife:

12 Baana the son of Ahilud; *to him pertained* Taanach and Megiddo, and all Beth-shean, which *is* by Zartanah beneath Jezreel, from Beth-shean to Abel-meholah, *even* unto *the place that is* beyond Jokneam:

13 [9]The son of Geber, in Ramoth-gilead; to him *pertained* the towns of Jair the son of Manasseh, which *are* in Gilead; to him *also pertained* the region of Argob, which *is* in Bashan, threescore great cities with walls and brasen bars:[e]

14 Ahinadab the son of Iddo [10]*had* Mahanaim:

15 Ahimaaz *was* in Naphtali; he also took Basmath the daughter of Solomon to wife:

16 Baanah the son of Hushai *was* in Asher and in Aloth:

17 Jehoshaphat the son of Paruah, in Issachar:

18 Shimei the son of Elah, in Benjamin:

19 Geber the son of Uri *was* in the country of Gilead, *in* the country of Sihon king of the Amorites, and of Og king of Bashan; and *he was* the only officer which *was* in the land.[f]

20 ¶ Judah and Israel *were* many, as the sand which *is* by the sea in multitude, eating and drinking, and making merry.

21 And Solomon reigned over all kingdoms from the river unto the land of the Philistines, and unto the border of Egypt: they brought presents, and served Solomon all the days of his life.[g]

22 ¶ And Solomon's [11]provision for one day was thirty [12]measures of fine flour, and threescore measures of meal,

23 Ten fat oxen, and twenty oxen out of the pastures, and an hundred sheep, beside harts, and roebucks, and fallowdeer, and fatted fowl.

24 For he had dominion over all *the region* on this side the river, from Tiphsah even to Azzah, over all the kings on this side the river: and he had peace on all sides round about him.[h]

25 And Judah and Israel dwelt [13]safely, every man under his vine and under his fig tree, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, all the days of Solomon.[i]

26 ¶ And Solomon had forty thousand stalls of horses for his chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen.[j]

27 And those officers provided victual for king Solomon, and for all that came unto king Solomon's table, every man in his month: they lacked nothing.

28 Barley also and straw for the horses and [14]dromedaries brought they unto the place where *the officers* were, every man according to his charge.[k]



DROMEDARIES.

29 ¶ And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that *is* on the sea shore.[l]

30 And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of all the children of the east country, and all the wisdom of Egypt.[m]

31 For he was wiser than all men; than Ethan the Ezrahite, and Heman, and Chalcol, and Darda, the sons of Mahol: and his fame was in all nations round about.[n]

32 And he spake three thousand proverbs: and his songs were a thousand and five.[o]

33 And he spake of trees, from the cedar tree that *is* in Lebanon even unto the hyssop that springeth out of the wall: he spake also of beasts, and of fowl, and of creeping things, and of fishes.

BEFORE CHRIST 1014.

12 Heb. *cors.*

1 Or, *the chief officer.*

h Ps. lxxii. 11; 1 Chron. xxii. 9.

13 Heb. *confidently.*

2 Or, *secretaries.*

i Judg. xx. 1; Jer. xxiii. 6; Micah iv. 4; Zech. iii. 10.

3 Or, *remembrancer.*

a 2 Sam. viii. 16; xx. 24.

j ver. 7; ch. x. 26; Deut. xvii. 16; 2 Chron. i. 14; ix. 25.

b ch. ii. 27, 35.

c ver. 7; 2 Sam. viii. 18; xv. 37; xvi. 16; xx. 26; 1 Chron. xxvii. 33.

14 Or, *mules*, or, *swift beasts.*

4 Or, *levy.*

d ch. v. 14; Deut. iii. 4.

k Esther viii. 14; Micah i. 13

5 Or, *Ben-hur.*

6 Or, *Ben-dekar.*

7 Or, *Ben-hesed*

8 Or, *Ben-abinadab*

9 Or, *Ben-geber.*

e Numb. xxxii. 41; Deut. iii. 4.

10 Or, *to Mahanaim.*

f ch. iii. 8; Gen. xxii. 17; Deut. iii. 8; Ps. lxxii. 3, 7; Prov. xiv. 28; Micah iv. 4.

l ch. iii. 12.

m Gen. xxv. 6; Acts vii. 22.

n 1 Chron. ii. 6; vi. 33; xv. 19; Ps. lxxxviii., lxxxix., titles.

o Prov. i. 1; Eccles. xii. 9; Cant. i. 1.

g Gen. xv. 18; Josh. i. 4; 2 Chron. ix. 26; Ps. lxviii. 29; lxxii. 8, 10, 11.

11 Heb. *bread.*

34 And there came of all people to hear the wisdom of Solomon, from all kings of the earth, which had heard of his wisdom.[a]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Hiram, sending to congratulate Solomon, is certified of his purpose to build the temple, and desired to furnish him with timber thereto.* 7 *Hiram, blessing God for Solomon, and requesting food for his family, furnisheth him with trees.* 13 *The number of Solomon's workmen and laborers.*

AND [1]Hiram king of Tyre sent his servants unto Solomon; for he had heard that they had anointed him king in the room of his father: for Hiram was ever a lover of David.[b]

2 And Solomon sent to Hiram, saying,

3 Thou knowest how that David my father could not build an house unto the name of the LORD his God for the wars which were about him on every side, until the LORD put them under the soles of his feet.[c]

4 But now the LORD my God hath given me rest on every side, *so that there is* neither adversary nor evil occurrent.[d]

5 And, behold, I purpose to build an house unto the name of the LORD my God, as the LORD spake unto David my father, saying, Thy son, whom I will set upon thy throne in thy room, he shall build an house unto my name.[e]

6 Now therefore command thou that they hew me cedar trees out of Lebanon; and my servants shall be with thy servants: and unto thee will I give hire for thy servants according to all that thou shalt [2]appoint: for thou knowest that *there is* not among us any that can skill to hew timber like unto the Sidonians.[f]

7 ¶ And it came to pass, when Hiram heard the words of Solomon, that he rejoiced greatly, and said, Blessed *be* the LORD this day, which hath given unto David a wise son over this great people.

8 And Hiram sent to Solomon, saying, I have [3]considered the things which thou sentest to me for: *and* I will do all thy desire concerning timber of cedar, and concerning timber of fir.

9 My servants shall bring *them* down from Lebanon unto the sea: and I will convey them by sea in floats unto the place that thou shalt [4]appoint me, and will cause them to be discharged there, and thou shalt receive *them:* and thou shalt accomplish my desire, in giving food for my household.[g]

10 So Hiram gave Solomon cedar trees and fir trees *according to* all his desire.

11 And Solomon gave Hiram twenty thousand [5]measures of wheat *for* food to his household, and twenty measures of pure oil: thus gave Solomon to Hiram year by year.[h]

12 And the LORD gave Solomon wisdom, as he promised him: and there was peace between Hiram and Solomon; and they two made a league together.[i]

13 ¶ And king Solomon raised a [6]levy out of all Israel; and the levy was thirty thousand men.

BEFORE CHRIST 1014.

a ch. x. 1; 2 Chron. ix. 1, 23.

b ch. iv. 6.

k ch ix. 21; 2 Chron. ii. 17, 18.

1 Or, *Huram.*

i 1 Chron xxii 2

b vs 10,18; 2 Sam v 11, 1 Chron xiv. 1; 2 Chron. ii. 3, Amos i. 9.

7 Or, *Giblites.*

m Ezek xxvii. 9

c 1 Chron xxii 8, xxviii 3

d ch iv 24, 2 Chron. xxii 9

8 Heb *built.*

e 2 Sam vii 13, 1 Chron xvii 12, xxii 10.

n 2 Chron. iii. 1, 2 Acts vii. 47.

2 Heb *say*

o Ezek xli 1, &c.

f 2 Chron. ii. 8, 10.

9 Or, *windows, broad within and narrow without*, or, *skewed and closed.*

p Ezek. xl. 16, xli. 16.

3 Heb *heard*

10 Or, *upon*, or, *joining to*

11 Or, *floors* Heb. *ribs*

q vs. 16, 19—21, 31; Ezek xli. 6

4 Heb *send*

12 Heb. *narrowings*, or, *rebatements.*

g 2 Chron ii. 16; Ezra iii. 7; Ezek. xxvii. 17; Acts xii. 20.

5 Heb. *cors.*

r ch. v. 18; Deut. xxvii. 5, 6.

h 2 Chron ii. 10.

13 Heb *shoulder.*

i ch iii. 12.

6 Heb *tribute of men.*

14 Or, *the vault-beams and the ceilings with cedar.*

s vs. 14, 38.

14 And he sent them to Lebanon, ten thousand a month by courses: a month they were in Lebanon, *and* two months at home: and Adoniram *was* over the levy.[j]

15 And Solomon had threescore and ten thousand that bare burdens, and fourscore thousand hewers in the mountains;[k]

16 Beside the chief of Solomon's officers which *were* over the work, three thousand and three hundred, which ruled over the people that wrought in the work.

17 And the king commanded, and they brought great stones, costly stones, *and* hewed stones, to lay the foundation of the house.[l]

18 And Solomon's builders and Hiram's builders did hew *them*, and the [7]stonesquarers: so they prepared timber and stones to build the house.[m]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The building of Solomon's temple.* 5 *The chambers thereof.* 11 *God's promise unto it.* 15 *The ceiling and adorning of it.* 23 *The cherubims.* 31 *The doors.* 36 *The court.* 37 *The time of building it.*

AND it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which *is* the second month, that [8]he began to build the house of the LORD.[n]

2 And the house which king Solomon built for the LORD, the length thereof *was* threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty *cubits*, and the height thereof thirty cubits.[o]

3 And the porch before the temple of the house, twenty cubits *was* the length thereof, according to the breadth of the house; *and* ten cubits *was* the breadth thereof before the house.

4 And for the house he made [9]windows of narrow lights.[p]

5 ¶ And [10]against the wall of the house he built [11]chambers round about, *against* the walls of the house round about, *both* of the temple and of the oracle: and he made chambers round about:[q]

6 The nethermost chamber *was* five cubits broad, and the middle *was* six cubits broad, and the third *was* seven cubits broad: for without *in the wall* of the house he made [12]narrowed rests round about, that *the beams* should not be fastened in the walls of the house.

7 And the house, when it was in building, was built of stone made ready before it was brought thither: so that there was neither hammer nor ax *nor* any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in building.[r]

8 The door for the middle chamber *was* in the [13]right side of the house: and they went up with winding stairs into the middle *chamber*, and out of the middle into the third.

9 So he built the house, and finished it; and covered the house [14]with beams and boards of cedar.[s]



THE BUILDING OF THE FIRST TEMPLE ON MOUNT MORIAH.

10 And *then* he built chambers against all the house, five cubits high: and they rested on the house with timber of cedar.

11 ¶ And the word of the LORD came to Solomon, saying,

12 *Concerning* this house which thou art in building, if thou wilt walk in my statutes, and execute my judgments, and keep all my commandments to walk in them; then will I perform my word with thee, which I spake unto David thy father:[a]

13 And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will not forsake my people Israel.[b]

14 So Solomon built the house, and finished it.[c]

15 And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar, [1]both the floor of the house, and the walls of the ceiling: *and* he covered *them* on the inside with wood, and covered the floor of the house with planks of fir.[d]

16 And he built twenty cubits on the sides of the house, both the floor and the walls with boards of cedar: he even built *them* for it within, *even* for the oracle, *even* for the most holy *place*.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 1011

2 Or, *gourds*

3 Heb *openings of flowers*

a ch. ii. 4; ix. 4, 2 Sam. vii. 13, 1 Chron. xxii. 10

4 Heb. *shut up*

b Exod. xxv. 8; Lev. xxvi. 11; Deut. xxxi. 6, 2 Cor. vi. 16; Rev. xxi. 3

1 Or, *from the floor of the house unto the walls, &c.*

d ver. 16.

f Exod. xxx. 1, 3, 6

5 Or, *only.* Heb. *trees of oil.*

g Exod. xxxvii. 7—9; 2 Chron. iii. 10—12.

e ch. viii. 6; Exod. xxvi. 33; Lev. xvi. 2; 2 Chron. iii. 8; Ezek. xli. 3; Heb. ix. 3.

17 And the house, that *is*, the temple before it, was forty cubits *long*.

18 And the cedar of the house within *was* carved with [2]knops and [3]open flowers: all *was* cedar; there was no stone seen.

19 And the oracle he prepared in the house within, to set there the ark of the covenant of the LORD.

20 And the oracle in the forepart *was* twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof: and he overlaid it with [4]pure gold; and *so* covered the altar *which was of* cedar.

21 So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold: and he made a partition by the chains of gold before the oracle; and he overlaid it with gold.

22 And the whole house he overlaid with gold, until he had finished all the house: also the whole altar that *was* by the oracle he overlaid with gold.[f]

23 ¶ And within the oracle he made two cherubims *of* [5]olive tree, *each* ten cubits high.[g]

24 And five cubits *was* the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits the other wing of the cherub: from

the uttermost part of the one wing unto the uttermost part of the other *were* ten cubits.

25 And the other cherub *was* ten cubits: both the cherubims *were* of one measure and one size.

26 The height of the one cherub *was* ten cubits, and so *was it* of the other cherub.

27 And he set the cherubims within the inner house: and [1]they stretched forth the wings of the cherubims, so that the wing of the one touched the *one* wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one another in the midst of the house.[a]

28 And he overlaid the cherubims with gold.

29 And he carved all the walls of the house round about with carved figures of cherubims and palm trees and [2]open flowers, within and without.

30 And the floor of the house he overlaid with gold, within and without.

31 ¶ And for the entering of the oracle he made doors *of* olive tree: the lintel *and* side posts *were* [3]a fifth part *of the wall.*

32 The [4]two doors also *were of* olive tree; and he carved upon them carvings of cherubims and palm trees and [5]open flowers, and overlaid *them* with gold, and spread gold upon the cherubims, and upon the palm trees.

33 So also made he for the door of the temple posts *of* olive tree, [6]a fourth part *of the wall.*

34 And the two doors *were of* fir tree: the two leaves of the one door *were* folding, and the two leaves of the other door *were* folding.[b]

35 And he carved *thereon* cherubims and palm trees and open flowers: and covered *them* with gold fitted upon the carved work.

36 ¶ And he built the inner court with three rows of hewed stone, and a row of cedar beams.

37 ¶ In the fourth year was the foundation of the house of the LORD laid, in the month Zif:[c]

38 And in the eleventh year, in the month Bul, which *is* the eighth month, was the house finished [7]throughout all the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he seven years in building it.[d]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *The building of Solomon's house.* 2 *Of the house of Lebanon.* 6 *Of the porch of pillars.* 7 *Of the porch of judgment.* 8 *Of the house for Pharaoh's daughter.* 13 *Hiram's work of the two pillars.* 23 *Of the molten sea.* 27 *Of the ten bases.* 38 *Of the ten lavers,* 40 *and all the vessels.*

BUT Solomon was building his own house thirteen years, and he finished all his house.[e]

2 ¶ He built also the house of the forest of Lebanon; the length thereof *was* an hundred cubits, and the breadth thereof fifty cubits, and the height thereof thirty cubits, upon four rows of cedar pillars, with cedar beams upon the pillars.

3 And *it was* covered with cedar above upon the [8]beams, that *lay* on forty five pillars, fifteen *in* a row.

BEFORE CHRIST 1011.

9 Heb. *sight against sight.*

10 Or, *spaces and pillars were square in prospect.*

1 Or, *the cherubims stretched forth their wings.*

11 Or, *according to them.*

12 Heb. *from floor to floor.*

a Exod. xxv. 20; xxxvii. 9; 2 Chron. v. 8.

2 Heb. *openings of flowers.*

f ch. iii. 1; 2 Chron. viii. 11.

3 Or, *A square.*

4 Or, *leaves of the doors.*

5 Heb. *openings of flowers*

6 Or, *foursquare.*

g John x. 23; Acts iii. 11.

13 Or, *Huram.*

b Ezek. xli. 23—25.

h ver. 40; 2 Chron. iv. 11.

14 Heb. *the son of a widow woman.*

i Exod. xxxi 3; xxxvi. 1; 2 Chron. ii 14; iv 11

15 Or, *fashioned.*

c ver 1.

j 2 Kings xxv 17, 2 Chron iii 15, iv 12, Jer. lii. 21.

7 Or, *with all the appurtenances thereof, and with all the ordinances thereof.*

d ver. 1.

e ch ix. 10, 2 Chron. viii. 1.

k 2 Chron iii. 16; iv. 13, Jer. lii. 23.

16 That is, *He shall establish.*

8 Heb. *ribs.*

17 That is, *In it is strength.*

l ch. vi. 3; 2 Chron. iii. 17.

4 And *there were* windows *in* three rows, and [9]light *was* against light *in* three ranks.

5 And all the [10]doors and posts *were* square, with the windows: and light *was* against light *in* three ranks.

6 ¶ And he made a porch of pillars; the length thereof *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof thirty cubits: and the porch *was* before them: and the *other* pillars and the thick beam *were* [11]before them.

7 ¶ Then he made a porch for the throne where he might judge, *even* the porch of judgment: and *it was* covered with cedar [12]from one side of the floor to the other.

8 ¶ And his house where he dwelt *had* another court within the porch, *which* was of the like work. Solomon made also an house for Pharaoh's daughter, whom he had taken *to wife*, like unto this porch.[f]

9 All these *were of* costly stones, according to the measures of hewed stones, sawed with saws, within and without, even from the foundation unto the coping, and *so* on the outside toward the great court.

10 And the foundation *was of* costly stones, even great stones, stones of ten cubits, and stones of eight cubits.

11 And above *were* costly stones, after the measures of hewed stones, and cedars.

12 And the great court round about *was* with three rows of hewed stones, and a row of cedar beams, both for the inner court of the house of the LORD, and for the porch of the house.[g]

13 ¶ And king Solomon sent and fetched [13]Hiram out of Tyre.[h]

14 He *was* [14]a widow's son of the tribe of Naphtali, and his father *was* a man of Tyre, a worker in brass: and he was filled with wisdom, and understanding, and cunning to work all works in brass. And he came to king Solomon, and wrought all his work.[i]

15 For he [15]cast two pillars of brass, of eighteen cubits high apiece: and a line of twelve cubits did compass either of them about.[j]

16 And he made two chapiters *of* molten brass, to set upon the tops of the pillars: the height of the one chapiter *was* five cubits, and the height of the other chapiter *was* five cubits:

17 *And* nets of checker work, and wreaths of chain work, for the chapiters which *were* upon the top of the pillars; seven for the one chapiter, and seven for the other chapiter.

18 And he made the pillars, and two rows round about upon the one network, to cover the chapiters that *were* upon the top, with pomegranates: and so did he for the other chapiter.

19 And the chapiters that *were* upon the top of the pillars *were* of lily work in the porch, four cubits.

20 And the chapiters upon the two pillars *had pomegranates* also above, over against the belly which *was* by the network: and the pomegranates *were* two hundred in rows round about upon the other chapiter.[k]

21 And he set up the pillars in the porch of the temple: and he set up the right pillar, and called the name thereof [16]Jachin: and he set up the left pillar, and called the name thereof [17]Boaz.[l]

22 And upon the top of the pillars *was* lily work: so was the work of the pillars finished.

23 ¶ And he made a molten sea, ten cubits [1]from the one brim to the other: *it was* round all about, and his height *was* five cubits: and a line of thirty cubits did compass it round about.[a]

24 And under the brim of it round about *there were* knops compassing it, ten in a cubit, compassing the sea round about: the knops *were* cast in two rows, when it was cast.[b]

25 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea *was set* above upon them, and all their hinder parts *were* inward.[c]

26 And it *was* an hand breadth thick, and the brim thereof was wrought like the brim of a cup, with flowers of lilies: it contained two thousand baths.[d]

27 ¶ And he made ten bases of brass; four cubits *was* the length of one base, and four cubits the breadth thereof, and three cubits the height of it.

28 And the work of the bases *was* on this *manner*: they had borders, and the borders *were* between the

29 And on the borders that *were* between the ledges *were* lions, oxen, and cherubims: and upon the ledges *there was* a base above: and beneath the lions and oxen *were* certain additions made of thin work.

30 And every base had four brasen wheels, and plates of brass: and the four corners thereof had undersetters: under the laver *were* undersetters molten, at the side of every addition.

31 And the mouth of it within the chapiter and above *was* a cubit: but the mouth thereof *was* round *after* the work of the base, a cubit and an half: and also upon the mouth of it *were* gravings with their borders, foursquare, not round.

32 And under the borders *were* four wheels; and the axletrees of the wheels *were joined* [2]to the base: and the height of a wheel *was* a cubit and half a cubit.

33 And the work of the wheels *was* like the work of a chariot wheel: their axletrees, and their naves, and their felloes, and their spokes, *were* all molten.

34 And *there were* four undersetters to the four corners of one base: *and* the undersetters *were* of the very base itself.

35 And in the top of the base *was there* a round compass of half a cubit high: and on the top of the base the ledges thereof and the borders thereof *were* of the same.

36 For on the plates of the ledges thereof, and on the borders thereof, he graved cherubims, lions, and

BEFORE CHRIST 1007.

1 Heb. *from his brim to his brim.*

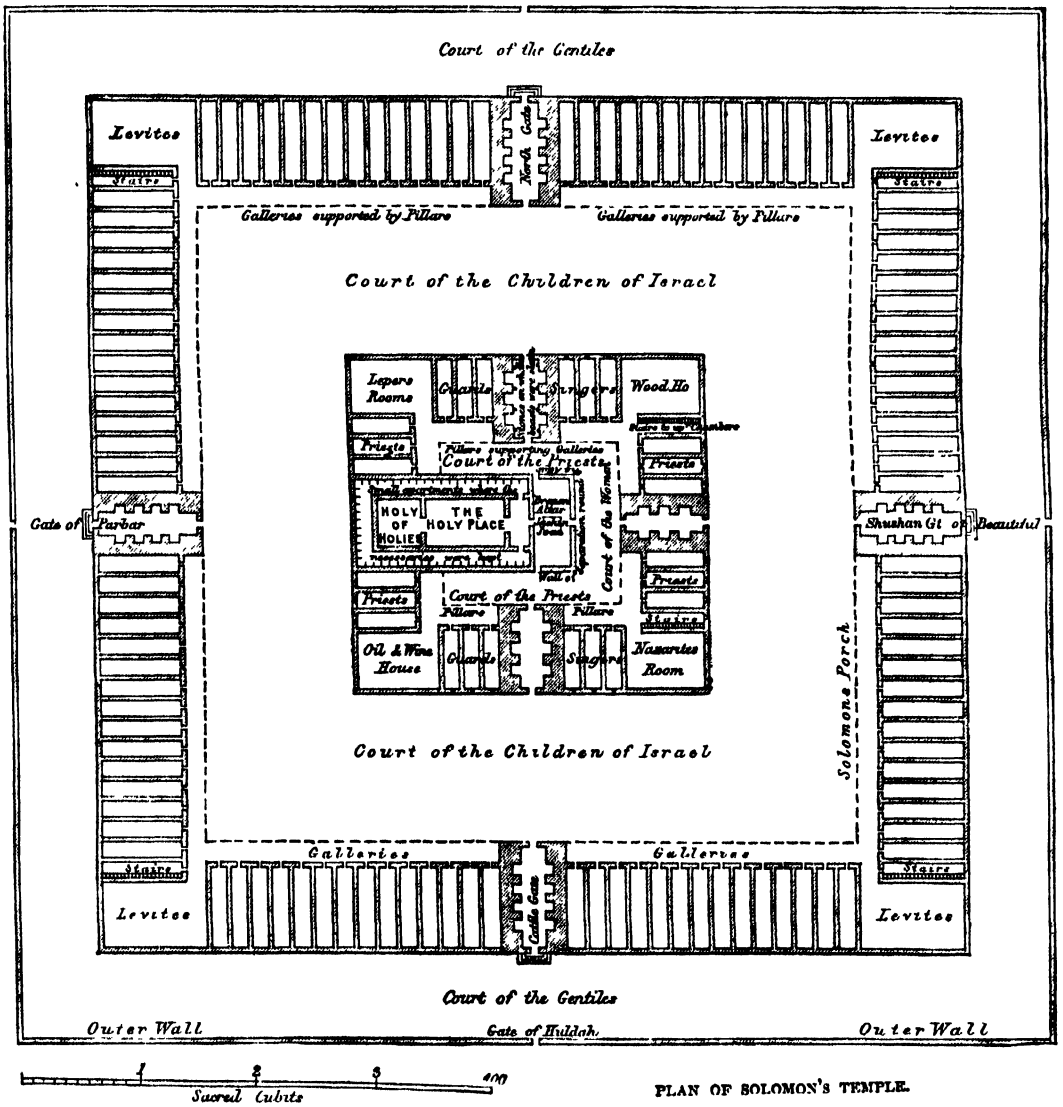
a 2 Kings xxv. 13; 2 Chron. iv. 2, Jer. lii. 17.

b 2 Chron. iv. 3

2 Heb. *in the base.*

c 2 Chron. iv. 4, 5, Jer. lii. 20

d 2 Chron. iv. 5



PLAN OF SOLOMON'S TEMPLE.

palm trees, according to the [1]proportion of every one, and additions round about.

37 After this *manner* he made the ten bases: all of them had one casting, one measure, *and* one size.

38 ¶ Then made he ten lavers of brass: one laver contained forty baths: *and* every laver was four cubits: *and* upon every one of the ten bases one laver.[a]

39 And he put five bases on the [2]right side of the house, and five on the left side of the house: and he set the sea on the right side of the house eastward over against the south.

40 ¶ And [3]Hiram made the lavers, and the shovels, and the basons. So Hiram made an end of doing all the work that he made king Solomon for the house of the LORD:[b]

41 The two pillars, and the *two* bowls of the chapiters that *were* on the top of the two pillars; and the two networks, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters which *were* upon the top of the pillars;[c]

42 And four hundred pomegranates for the two networks, *even* two rows of pomegranates for one network, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters that *were* [4]upon the pillars;

43 And the ten bases, and ten lavers on the bases;

44 And one sea, and twelve oxen under the sea;

45 And the pots, and the shovels, and the basons: and all these vessels, which Hiram made to king Solomon for the house of the LORD, *were of* [5]bright brass.[d]

46 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, [6]in the clay ground between Succoth and Zarthan.[e]

47 And Solomon left all the vessels *unweighed*, [7]because they were exceeding many: neither was the weight of the brass [8]found out.[f]

48 And Solomon made all the vessels that *pertained* unto the house of the LORD: the altar of gold, and the table of gold, whereupon the shewbread *was*,[g]

49 And the candlesticks of pure gold, five on the right *side*, and five on the left, before the oracle, with the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs *of* gold,

50 And the bowls, and the snuffers, and the basons, and the spoons, and the [9]censers *of* pure gold; and the hinges *of* gold, *both* for the doors of the inner house, the most holy *place*, *and* for the doors of the house, *to wit*, of the temple.

51 So was ended all the work that king Solomon made for the house of the LORD. And Solomon brought in [10]the things which David his father had dedicated; *even* the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, did he put among the treasures of the house of the LORD.[h]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The feast of the dedication of the temple.* 12, 54 *Solomon's blessing.* 22 *Solomon's prayer.* 62 *His sacrifice of peace offerings.*

THEN Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, [11]the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto king Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which *is* Zion.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1003.

1 Heb. *nakedness.*

f Lev. xxiii. 34; 2 Chron. vii. 8

h Numb iv 15; Deut. xxxi. 9; Josh. iii. 3, 6; 1 Chron. xv. 14, 15

a 2 Chron iv 6.

2 Heb *shoulder*

i ch. iii 4; 2 Chron. i, 3

3 Heb. *Hirom*

m 2 Sam vi 13.

b ver. 13

n ch vi 19, 27; Exod xxvi 33, 34; 2 Sam vi. 17.

c vs. 17, 18.

12 Heb. *heads.*

13 Or, *ark.*

4 Heb *upon the face of the pillars.*

o Exod. xxv 14, 15, 2 Chron v. 9.

14 Or, *where.*

5 Heb. *made bright*, or, *scoured.*

d Exod. xxvii 3; 2 Chron. iv. 16.

p ver 21; Exod. xxv. 21; xxxiv 27, 28; xl. 20; Deut. iv. 13; x 2, 5; Heb. ix. 4.

6 Heb *in the thickness of the ground.*

e Gen xxxiii 17; Josh. iii. 16; 2 Chron iv. 17

q Exod xl. 34, 35, 2 Chron. v. 13, 14, vii. 2

7 Heb *for the exceeding multitude.*

8 Heb *searched.*

f 1 Chron xxii 14

g Exod xxv 30, xxxvii 10, &c., 25, &c.; Lev xxiv 5—8

r Lev. xvi 2, 2 Chron vi. 1, &c., Ps. xviii. 11, xcvii 2.

s 2 Sam vii 13; Ps. cxxxii. 14.

9 Heb *ash-pans.*

t 2 Sam vi 18

u 2 Sam. vii. 5, 25; Luke i. 68.

10 Heb *holy things of David*

v ver 29, Deut. xii. 11, 1 Sam. xvi. 1; 2 Sam vii 6—8; 1 Chron xxviii 4, 2 Chron vi. 5, &c.

h 2 Sam viii. 11; 2 Chron. v 1

w 2 Sam vii 2; 1 Chron xvii 1.

x 2 Chron vi 8, 9.

11 Heb. *princes*

y ch. v. 3, 5; 2 Sam. vii 5, 12, 13.

i 2 Sam. v 7, 9; vi 12, 16, 17; 2 Chron. v. 2, &c.

s 1 Chron xxviii. 5, 6.

2 And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the feast in the month Ethanim, which *is* the seventh month.[j]

3 And all the elders of Israel came, and the priests took up the ark.[k]

4 And they brought up the ark of the LORD, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that *were* in the tabernacle, even those did the priests and the Levites bring up.[l]

5 And king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel, that were assembled unto him, *were* with him before the ark, sacrificing sheep and oxen, that could not be told nor numbered for multitude.[m]

6 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto his place, into the oracle of the house, to the most holy *place*, *even* under the wings of the cherubims.[n]

7 For the cherubims spread forth *their* two wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above.

8 And they drew out the staves, that the [12]ends of the staves were seen out in the [13]holy *place* before the oracle, and they were not seen without: and there they are unto this day.[o]

9 *There was* nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone, which Moses put there at Horeb, [14]when the LORD made *a covenant* with the children of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt.[p]

10 And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy *place*, that the cloud filled the house of the LORD,[q]

11 So that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of the LORD.

12 ¶ Then spake Solomon, The LORD said that he would dwell in the thick darkness.[r]

13 I have surely built thee an house to dwell in, a settled place for thee to abide in for ever.[s]

14 And the king turned his face about, and blessed all the congregation of Israel: (and all the congregation of Israel stood;)[t]

15 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, which spake with his mouth unto David my father, and hath with his hand fulfilled *it*, saying,[u]

16 Since the day that I brought forth my people Israel out of Egypt, I chose no city out of all the tribes of Israel to build an house, that my name might be therein; but I chose David to be over my people Israel.[v]

17 And it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.[w]

18 And the LORD said unto David my father, Whereas it was in thine heart to build an house unto my name, thou didst well that it was in thine heart.[x]

19 Nevertheless thou shalt not build the house; but thy son that shall come forth out of thy loins, he shall build the house unto my name.[y]

20 And the LORD hath performed his word that he spake, and I am risen up in the room of David my father, and sit on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and have built an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.[z]



THE DEDICATION OF THE TEMPLE.



SOLOMON RECEIVING THE GOLD OF OPHIR FROM THE SERVANTS OF HIRAM, KING OF TYRE.

13 And he said, What cities *are* these which thou hast given me, my brother? And he called them the land of [1]Cabul unto this day.[a]

14 And Hiram sent to the king sixscore talents of gold.

15 ¶ And this *is* the reason of the levy which king Solomon raised; for to build the house of the LORD, and his own house, and Millo, and the wall of Jerusalem, and Hazor, and Megiddo, and Gezer.[b]

16 *For* Pharaoh king of Egypt had gone up, and taken Gezer, and burnt it with fire, and slain the Canaanites that dwelt in the city, and given it *for* a present unto his daughter, Solomon's wife.[c]

17 And Solomon built Gezer, and Beth-horon the nether,[d]

18 And Baalath, and Tadmor in the wilderness, in the land,[e]

19 And all the cities of store that Solomon had, and cities for his chariots, and cities for his horsemen, and [2]that which Solomon desired to build in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and in all the land of his dominion.[f]

20 *And* all the people *that were* left of the Amorites, Hittites, Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites, which *were* not of the children of Israel,[g]

21 Their children that were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel also were not able utterly to destroy, upon those did Solomon levy a tribute of bondservice unto this day.[h]

22 But of the children of Israel did Solomon make no bondmen: but they *were* men of war, and his servants, and his princes, and his captains, and rulers of his chariots, and his horsemen.[i]

23 These *were* the chief of the officers that *were* over Solomon's work, five hundred and fifty, which bare rule over the people that wrought in the work.[j]

24 ¶ But Pharaoh's daughter came up out of the city of David unto her house which *Solomon* had built for her: then did he build Millo.[k]

25 ¶ And three times in a year did Solomon offer burnt offerings and peace offerings [3]upon the altar which he built unto the LORD, and he burnt incense upon the altar that *was* before the LORD. So he finished the house.

26 ¶ And king Solomon made a navy of ships in

BEFORE CHRIST 990

g 2 Chron viii 7, &c

1 That is, *displeasing*, or, *dirty*

a Josh xix 27

h Gen ix 25, 26; Josh xv 63, xvii 12, Judg i 27—29, Ezra ii 55, 58, Neh vii 57, xi 3

b ver 24, ch v 13, Josh xvi 10, xvii 11; xix 36, Judg i 29, 2 Sam. v 9

i Lev xxv. 39

c Josh xvi 10.

j 2 Chron. viii. 10.

d Josh xvi. 3; xxi. 22; 2 Chron. viii. 5.

e Josh xix 44; 2 Chron. viii. 4, 6, &c.

k ch iii 1; vii 8; xi. 27; 2 Sam. v. 9; 2 Chron. viii. 11—13, 16; xxxii. 5.

3 Heb. *upon it.*

2 Heb. *the desire of Solomon which he desired.*

f ver. 1; ch. iv. 26.

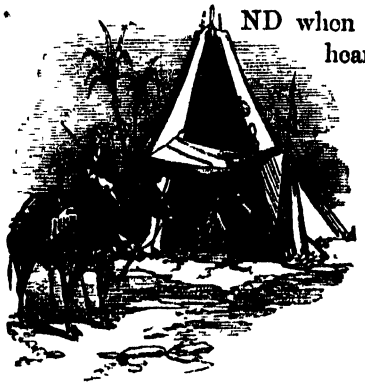
Ezion-geber, which *is* beside Eloth, on the [1]shore of the Red sea, in the land of Edom.[a]

27 And Hiram sent in the navy his servants, shipmen that had knowledge of the sea, with the servants of Solomon.[b]

28 And they came to Ophir, and fetched from thence gold, four hundred and twenty talents, and brought *it* to king Solomon.[c]

CHAPTER X.

1 *The queen of Sheba admireth the wisdom of Solomon.* 14 *Solomon's gold.* 16 *His targets.* 18 *The throne of ivory.* 21 *His vessels.* 24 *His presents.* 26 *His chariots and horse.* 28 *His tribute.*



AND when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD, she came to prove him with hard questions.[d]

2 And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.

3 And Solomon told her all her [2]questions: there was not *any* thing hid from the king, which he told her not.

4 And when the queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and the house that he had built,

5 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the [3]attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his [4]cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her.[e]

6 And she said to the king, It was a true [5]report that I heard in mine own land of thy [6]acts and of thy wisdom.

7 Howbeit I believed not the words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen *it:* and, behold, the half was not told me: [7]thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard.

8 Happy *are* thy men, happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, *and* that hear thy wisdom.[f]

9 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel: because the LORD loved Israel for ever, therefore made he thee king, to do judgment and justice.[g]

10 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices very great store, and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which the queen of Sheba gave to king Solomon.[h]

11 And the navy also of Hiram, that brought gold from Ophir, brought in from Ophir great plenty of [8]almug trees, and precious stones.[i]

12 And the king made of the almug trees [9]pillars for the house of the LORD, and for the king's house, harps also and psalteries for singers: there came no such almug trees, nor were seen unto this day.[j]

13 And king Solomon gave unto the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked, beside *that* which Solomon gave her [10]of his royal bounty. So she turned and went to her own country, she and her servants.

14 ¶ Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred threescore and six talents of gold,

15 Beside *that he had* of the merchantmen, and of the traffick of the spice merchants, and of all the kings of Arabia, and of the [11]governors of the country.[k]

16 ¶ And king Solomon made two hundred targets *of* beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of gold went to one target.

17 And *he made* three hundred shields *of* beaten gold; three pound of gold went to one shield: and the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.[l]

18 ¶ Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with the best gold.[m]

19 The throne had six steps, and the top of the throne *was* round [12]behind: and *there were* [13]stays on either side on the place of the seat, and two lions stood beside the stays.

20 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps: there was not [14]the like made in any kingdom.

21 ¶ And all king Solomon's drinking vessels *were of* gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon *were of* pure gold; [15]none *were of* silver: it was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 934.

1 Heb. *lip*

a ch. xxii. 48; Numb. xxxiii. 35; Deut. ii. 8; 2 Chron. viii. 17, 18.

j 2 Chron. ix. 10, 11.

b ch. x. 11.

10 Heb *according to the hand of King Solomon.*

c Job xxii. 24.

11 Or, *captains.*

k 2 Chron. ix. 24, Ps. lxxii. 10.

d Judg. xiv 12; 2 Chron ix. 1, &c, Prov. i. 6; Matt. xii. 42; Luke xi 31

l ch. vii. 2; xiv. 26

m 2 Chron. ix. 17, &c.

12 Heb. *on the hinder part thereof.*

13 Heb. *hands.*

2 Heb. *words.*

14 Heb. *so.*

15 Or, *there was no silver in them.*

n 2 Chron ix. 20, &c.

3 Heb. *standing.*

4 Or, *butlers.*

e 1 Chron xxvi. 16.

5 Heb *word.*

6 Or, *sayings.*

7 Heb *thou hast added wisdom and goodness to the fame.*

f Prov viii. 34

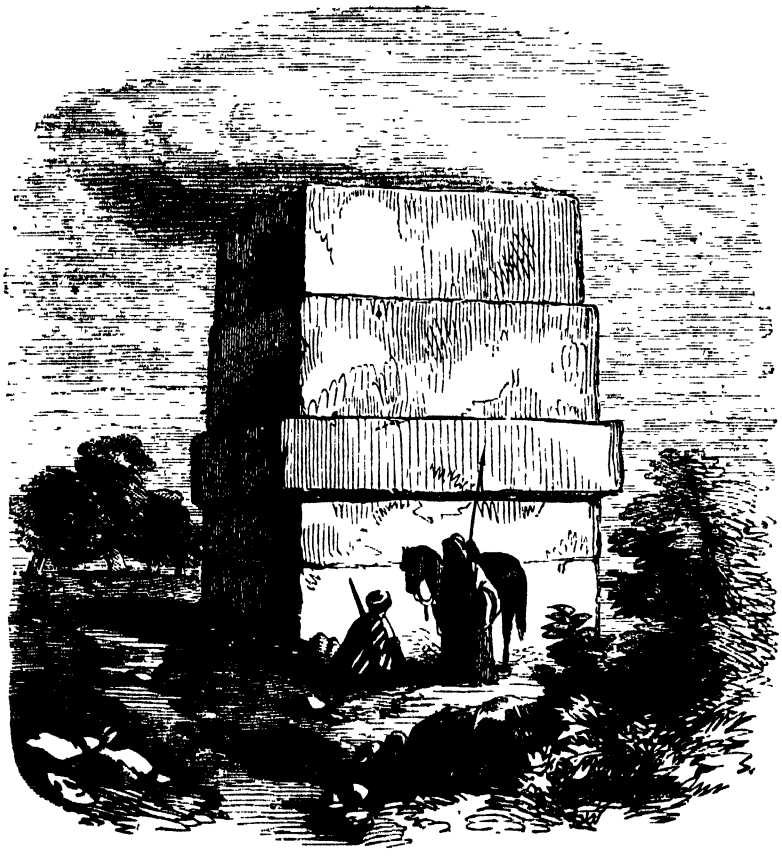
g ch. v 7; 2 Sam. viii. 15; Ps. lxxii. 2, Prov. viii. 15.

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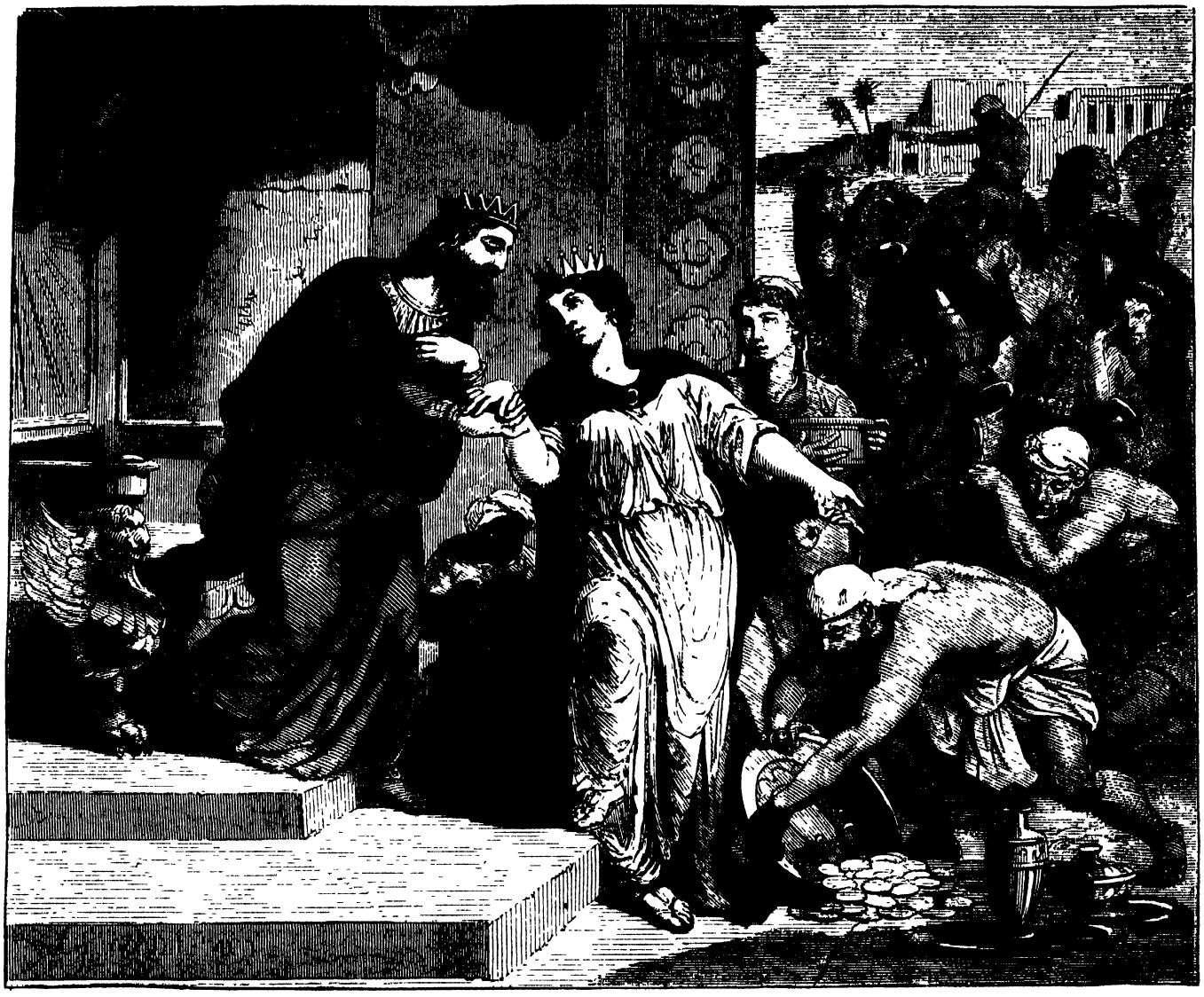
8 Or, *algum trees.*

i ch. ix. 27; 2 Chron. ii. 8, ix. 10

9 Or, *rails.* Heb. *a prop.*



TOMB OF HIRAM.



THE QUEEN OF SHEBA AT THE COURT OF SOLOMON.

22 For the king had at sea a navy of Tharshish with the navy of Hiram: once in three years came the navy of Tharshish, bringing gold, and silver, [1]ivory, and apes, and peacocks.[a]

23 So king Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches and for wisdom.[b]

24 ¶ And all the earth [2]sought to Solomon, to hear his wisdom, which God had put in his heart.

25 And they brought every man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and garments, and armour, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.

26 ¶ And Solomon gathered together chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, whom he bestowed in the cities for chariots, and with the king at Jerusalem.[c]

27 And the king [3]made silver *to be* in Jerusalem as stones, and cedars made he *to be* as the sycomore trees that *are* in the vale, for abundance.[d]

28 ¶ [4]And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price.[e]

29 And a chariot came up and went out of Egypt for six hundred *shekels* of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, did they bring *them* out [5]by their means.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 984

5 Heb *by their hand.*

1 Or, *elephant's teeth.*

a Gen. x. 4, 2 Chron. xx. 36

f Josh i 4, 2 Kings vii 6, Ezek. xxvii. 7

b ch iii 12, 13; iv 30.

2 Heb *sought the face of*

6 Or, *beside.*

c ch iv. 26; Deut xvii. 16; 2 Chron. i. 14; ix. 25.

g Deut. xvii. 17; Neh. xiii. 26.

3 Heb. *gave.*

d 2 Chron. i. 15—17.

4 Heb. *And the going forth of the horses which was Solomon's.*

e Deut. xvii. 16; 2 Chron. i. 16; ix. 28.

h Exod. xxxiv 16; Deut. vii. 3, 4.

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Solomon's wives and concubines.* 4 *In his old age they draw him to idolatry.* 9 *God threateneth him.* 14 *Solomon's adversaries were Hadad, who was entertained in Egypt,* 23 *Rezon, who reigned in Damascus,* 26 *and Jeroboam, to whom Ahijah prophesied.* 41 *Solomon's acts, reign, and death: Rehoboam succeedeth him.*

BUT king Solomon loved many strange women, [6]together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Zidonians, *and* Hittites;[g]

2 Of the nations *concerning* which the LORD said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you: *for* surely they will turn away your heart after their gods: Solomon clave unto these in love.[h]

3 And he had seven hundred wives, princesses, and three hundred concubines: and his wives turned away his heart.

4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, *that* his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as *was* the heart of David his father.[c]

5 For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, and after [1]Milcom the abomination of the Ammonites.[b]



ASHTORETH.

6 And Solomon did evil in the sight of the LORD, and [2]went not fully after the LORD, as *did* David his father.[c]

7 Then did Solomon build an high place for Chemosh, the abomination of Moab, in the hill that *is* before Jerusalem, and for Molech, the abomination of the children of Ammon.[d]

8 And likewise did he for all his strange wives, which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods.

9 ¶ And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice,[e]

10 And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which the LORD commanded.[f]

11 Wherefore the LORD said unto Solomon, Forasmuch as this [3]is done of thee, and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee, I will surely rend the kingdom from thee, and will give it to thy servant.[g]

12 Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it for David thy father's sake: *but* I will rend it out of the hand of thy son.

13 Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom; *but* will give one tribe to thy son for David my servant's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 980.

i 1 Chron. v. 26.

j Numb. xxiv. 19; Deut. xx. 13; 2 Sam. viii. 14; 1 Chron. xviii. 12, 13.

a ch. viii. 61; ix. 4; Deut. xvii. 17; Neh. xiii. 26.

1 Called *Molech*, ver. 7.

b ver. 33; Judg. ii. 13; 2 Kings xxiii. 13

4 Heb. *Send me away.*

k 1 Kings ii. 10, 34

5 Heb. *Not.*

l 2 Sam. viii. 3

2 Heb. *fulfilled not after.*

c Numb. xiv. 24

m 2 Sam. viii. 3, x. 8, 18.

d Numb. xxi. 29; xxxiii. 52; Judg. xi. 24, 2 Kings xxiii. 13.

n ch. xii. 2, 2 Sam. xx. 21, 2 Chron. xiii. 6.

e vs. 2, 3; ch. iii. 5, ix. 2

6 Heb. *closed.*

o ch. ix. 24

f ch. vi. 12; ix. 6.

3 Heb. *is with thee*

7 Heb. *did work.*

8 Heb. *burden.*

g ver. 31; ch. xii. 15, 16

p ch. xiv. 2.

q 1 Sam. xv. 27; xxiv. 5.

h ch. xii. 20; Deut. xii. 11; 2 Sam. vii. 15; Ps. lxxxix. 33.

14 ¶ And the LORD stirred up an adversary unto Solomon, Hadad the Edomite: he *was* of the king's seed in Edom.[i]

15 For it came to pass, when David was in Edom, and Joab the captain of the host was gone up to bury the slain, after he had smitten every male in Edom;[j]

16 (For six months did Joab remain there with all Israel, until he had cut off every male in Edom:)

17 That Hadad fled, he and certain Edomites of his father's servants with him, to go into Egypt; Hadad *being* yet a little child.

18 And they arose out of Midian, and came to Paran: and they took men with them out of Paran, and they came to Egypt, unto Pharaoh king of Egypt; which gave him an house, and appointed him victuals, and gave him land.

19 And Hadad found great favour in the sight of Pharaoh, so that he gave him to wife the sister of his own wife, the sister of Tahpenes the queen.

20 And the sister of Tahpenes bare him Genubath his son, whom Tahpenes weaned in Pharaoh's house: and Genubath was in Pharaoh's houshold among the sons of Pharaoh.

21 And when Hadad heard in Egypt that David slept with his fathers, and that Joab the captain of the host was dead, Hadad said to Pharaoh, [4]Let me depart, that I may go to mine own country.[k]

22 Then Pharaoh said unto him, But what hast thou lacked with me, that, behold, thou seekest to go to thine own country? And he answered, [5]Nothing: howbeit let me go in any wise.

23 ¶ And God stirred him up *another* adversary, Rezon the son of Eliadah, which fled from his lord Hadadezer king of Zobah:[l]

24 And he gathered men unto him, and became captain over a band, when David slew them *of Zobah*: and they went to Damascus, and dwelt therein, and reigned in Damascus.[m]

25 And he was an adversary to Israel all the days of Solomon, beside the mischief that Hadad *did*: and he abhorred Israel, and reigned over Syria.

26 ¶ And Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda, Solomon's servant, whose mother's name *was* Zeruah, a widow woman, even he lifted up *his* hand against the king.[n]

27 And this *was* the cause that he lifted up *his* hand against the king: Solomon built Millo, *and* [6]repaired the breaches of the city of David his father.[o]

28 And the man Jeroboam *was* a mighty man of valour: and Solomon seeing the young man that he [7]was industrious, he made him ruler over all the [8]charge of the house of Joseph.

29 And it came to pass at that time when Jeroboam went out of Jerusalem, that the prophet Ahijah the Shilonite found him in the way; and he had clad himself with a new garment; and they two *were* alone in the field:[p]

30 And Ahijah caught the new garment that *was* on him, and rent it *in* twelve pieces:[q]

31 And he said to Jeroboam, Take thee ten pieces: for thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, Behold, I

will rend the kingdom out of the hand of Solomon, and will give ten tribes to thee:[a]

32 (But he shall have one tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel:)

33 Because that they have forsaken me, and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon, and have not walked in my ways, to do *that which is* right in mine eyes, and *to keep* my statutes and my judgments, as *did* David his father.[b]

34 Howbeit I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand: but I will make him prince all the days of his life for David my servant's sake, whom I chose, because he kept my commandments and my statutes:

35 But I will take the kingdom out of his son's hand, and will give it unto thee, *even* ten tribes.[c]

36 And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David my servant may have a [1]light alway before me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there.[d]

37 And I will take thee, and thou shalt reign according to all that thy soul desireth, and shalt be king over Israel.

38 And it shall be, if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do *that is* right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that I will be with thee, and build thee a sure house, as I built for David, and will give Israel unto thee.[e]

39 And I will for this afflict the seed of David, but not for ever.

40 Solomon sought therefore to kill Jeroboam. And Jeroboam arose, and fled into Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt until the death of Solomon.

41 ¶ And the rest of the [2]acts of Solomon, and all that he did, and his wisdom, *are* they not written in the book of the acts of Solomon?[f]

42 And the [3]time that Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel *was* forty years.[g]

43 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David his father: and [4]Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.[h]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *The Israelites, assembled at Shechem to crown Rehoboam, by Jeroboam make a suit of relaxation unto him.* 6 *Rehoboam, refusing the old men's counsel, by the advice of young men, answereth them roughly.* 16 *Ten tribes revolting, kill Adoram, and make Rehoboam to flee.* 21 *Rehoboam, raising an army, is forbidden by Shemaiah.* 25 *Jeroboam strengtheneth himself by cities,* 26 *and by the idolatry of the two calves.*

AND Rehoboam went to Shechem: for all Israel were come to Shechem to make him king.[i]

2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who was yet in Egypt, heard *of it*, (for he was fled from the presence of king Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;)[j]

3 That they sent and called him. And Jeroboam and all the congregation of Israel came, and spake unto Rehoboam, saying,

4 Thy father made our yoke grievous: now therefore make thou the grievous service of thy father, and his heavy yoke which he put upon us, lighter, and we will serve thee.

5 And he said unto them, Depart yet *for* three days, then come again to me. And the people departed.

6 ¶ And king Rehoboam consulted with the old men, that stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, and said, How do ye advise that I may answer this people?

7 And they spake unto him, saying, If thou wilt be a servant unto this people this day, and wilt serve them, and answer them, and speak good words to them, then they will be thy servants for ever.[k]

8 But he forsook the counsel of the old men, which they had given him, and consulted with the young men that were grown up with him, *and* which stood before him:

9 And he said unto them, What counsel give ye that we may answer this people, who have spoken to me, saying, Make the yoke which thy father did put upon us lighter?

10 And the young men that were grown up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt thou speak unto this people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavy, but make thou *it* lighter unto us; thus shalt thou say unto them, My little *finger* shall be thicker than my father's loins.

11 And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy yoke, I will add to your yoke: my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

12 ¶ So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam the third day, as the king had appointed, saying, Come to me again the third day.

13 And the king answered the people [5]roughly, and forsook the old men's counsel that they gave him;

14 And spake to them after the counsel of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, and I will add to your yoke: my father *also* chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions.

15 Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; for the cause was from the LORD, that he might perform his saying, which the LORD spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto Jeroboam the son of Nebat.[l]

16 ¶ So when all Israel saw that the king hearkened not unto them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in David? neither *have we* inheritance in the son of Jesse: to your tents, O Israel: now see to thine own house, David. So Israel departed unto their tents.[m]

17 But *as for* the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.[n]

18 Then king Rehoboam sent Adoram, who *was* over the tribute; and all Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. Therefore king Rehoboam [6]made speed to get him up to his chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 975.

a vs. 11, 13

b vs. 5—7

k 2 Chron. x. 7; Prov xv 1

c ch. xii. 16, 17.

1 Heb. *lamp*, or, *candle.*

d 1 Kings xv 4, 2 Kings viii. 19; 1's cxxxii 17

e Josh i. 5; 2 Sam vii 11, 27

5 Heb *hardly.*

2 Or, *words*, or, *things*

f 2 Chron ix. 29

3 Heb *days*

g 2 Chron ix 31

4 Called *Roboam*, Matt. i. 7

h 2 Chron ix 31

i ver 24; ch xi. 11, 31, Judg xiv 4; 2 Chron x 15, xxii. 7, xxv 20

m 2 Sam. xx. 1.

l 2 Chron x. 1, &c.

n ch. xi. 13, 30.

j ch. xi 26, 40.

6 Heb. *strengthened himself.*

o ch. iv. 6; v. 14.



REHOBOAM ACCEPTING THE ADVICE OF HIS EVIL COUNSELLORS.

19 So Israel [1]rebelled against the house of David unto this day.[a]

20 And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come again, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel: there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.[b]

21 ¶ And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he assembled all the house of Judah, with the tribe of Benjamin, an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen men, which were warriors, to fight against the house of Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam the son of Solomon.[c]

22 But the word of God came unto Shemaiah the man of God, saying,[d]

23 Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and unto all the house of Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the people, saying,

24 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren the children of Israel: return every man to his house; for this thing is from me. They hearkened therefore to the word of the LORD, and returned to depart, according to the word of the LORD.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 975.

1 Or, *fell away.*

a 2 Kings xvii 21

f Judg viii. 17, ix. 45

b ch xi. 13, 32.

g Deut. xii 5, 6.

c 2 Chron. xi. 1.

d 2 Chron. xi. 2

h Exod. xxxii. 4, 8; 2 Kings x. 29; xvii. 16.

i Gen. xxviii. 19; Judg. xviii. 29; Hos. iv. 15.

j ch. xiii. 34; 2 Kings xvii. 21

k ch. xiii. 32, 33; Numb. iii. 10; 2 Kings xvii. 32; 2 Chron. xi 14, 15; Ezek. xliv 7, 9.

e ver. 15

25 ¶ Then Jeroboam built Shechem in mount Ephraim, and dwelt therein; and went out from thence, and built Penuel.[f]

26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David:

27 If this people go up to do sacrifice in the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, *even* unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.[g]

28 Whereupon the king took counsel, and made two calves *of* gold, and said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.[h]

29 And he set the one in Beth-el, and the other put he in Dan.[i]

30 And this thing became a sin: for the people went *to worship* before the one, *even* unto Dan.[j]

31 And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi.[k]

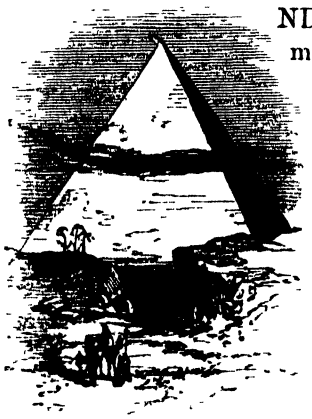
32 And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth

month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that *is* in Judah, and he [1]offered upon the altar. So did he in Beth-el, [2]sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Beth-el the priests of the high places which he had made.[a]

33 So he [3]offered upon the altar which he had made in Beth-el the fifteenth day of the eighth month, *even* in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and [4]burnt incense.[b]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Jeroboam's hand, that offered violence to him that prophesied against his altar at Beth-el, withereth, 6 and at the prayer of the prophet is restored. 7 The prophet, refusing the king's entertainment, departeth from Beth-el. 11 An old prophet, seducing him, bringeth him back. 20 He is reproved by God, 23 slain by a lion, 26 buried by the old prophet, 31 who confirmeth his prophecy. 33 Jeroboam's obstinacy.*



AND, behold, there came a man of God out of Judah by the word of the LORD unto Beth-el: and Jeroboam stood by the altar [5]to burn incense.[c]

2 And he cried against the altar in the word of the LORD, and said, O altar, altar, thus saith the LORD; Behold, a child shall be born unto the house of David, Josiah by name; and upon thee shall he offer the priests of the high places that burn incense upon thee, and men's bones shall be burnt upon thee.[d]

3 And he gave a sign the same day, saying, This *is* the sign which the LORD hath spoken; Behold, the altar shall be rent, and the ashes that *are* upon it shall be poured out.[e]

4 And it came to pass, when king Jeroboam heard the saying of the man of God, which had cried against the altar in Beth-el, that he put forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay hold on him. And his hand, which he put forth against him, dried up, so that he could not pull it in again to him.

5 The altar also was rent, and the ashes poured out from the altar, according to the sign which the man of God had given by the word of the LORD.

6 And the king answered and said unto the man of God, Intreat now the face of the LORD thy God, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again. And the man of God [6]besought the LORD, and the king's hand was restored him again, and became as *it was* before.[f]

7 And the king said unto the man of God, Come home with me, and refresh thyself, and I will give thee a reward.[g]

8 And the man of God said unto the king, If thou wilt give me half thine house, I will not go in with thee, neither will I eat bread nor drink water in this place:[h]

9 For so was it charged me by the word of the LORD, saying, Eat no bread, nor drink water, nor turn again by the same way that thou camest.

BEFORE CHRIST 974.

1 Or, *went up to the altar, &c.*

2 Or, *to sacrifice.*

7 Heb. *son.*

a ch. viii. 2, 5; Lev. xxiii. 33, 34; Numb. xxix. 12; Amos vii. 13.

3 Or, *went up to the altar, &c.*

4 Heb. *to burn incense.*

b ch. xiii. 1; Numb. xv. 39

i vs. 8, 9

8 Heb. *a word was.*

5 Or, *to offer*

c ch. xii. 32, 33, 2 Kings xxiii. 17

j ch. xx. 35; 1 Thess. iv. 15

d 2 Kings xxiii. 15, 16.

e Isa. vii. 14; John ii. 18.

k ver. 9

6 Heb. *the face of the LORD.*

f Exod. viii. 8; ix. 28; x. 17; Numb. xxi. 7; Acts viii. 24, James v. 16.

l ch. xx. 36.

g 1 Sam. ix. 7, 2 Kings v. 15.

h Numb. xxii. 18; xxiv. 13.

9 Heb. *broken.*

10 So he went another way, and returned not by the way that he came to Beth-el.

11 ¶ Now there dwelt an old prophet in Beth-el; and his [7]sons came and told him all the works that the man of God had done that day in Beth-el: the words which he had spoken unto the king, them they told also to their father.

12 And their father said unto them, What way went he? For his sons had seen what way the man of God went, which came from Judah.

13 And he said unto his sons, Saddle me the ass. So they saddled him the ass: and he rode thereon,

14 And went after the man of God, and found him sitting under an oak: and he said unto him, *Art* thou the man of God that camest from Judah? And he said, I *am*.

15 Then he said unto him, Come home with me, and eat bread.

16 And he said, I may not return with thee, nor go in with thee: neither will I eat bread nor drink water with thee in this place:[i]

17 [8]For it was said to me by the word of the LORD, Thou shalt eat no bread nor drink water there, nor turn again to go by the way that thou camest.[j]

18 He said unto him, I *am* a prophet also as thou *art*; and an angel spake unto me by the word of the LORD, saying, Bring him back with thee into thine house, that he may eat bread and drink water. *But* he lied unto him.

19 So he went back with him, and did eat bread in his house, and drank water.

20 ¶ And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of the LORD came unto the prophet that brought him back:

21 And he cried unto the man of God that came from Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the LORD, and hast not kept the commandment which the LORD thy God commanded thee,

22 But camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place, of the which *the LORD* did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water; thy carcase shall not come unto the sepulchre of thy fathers.[k]

23 ¶ And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that he saddled for him the ass, *to wit*, for the prophet whom he had brought back.

24 And when he was gone, a lion met him by the way, and slew him: and his carcase was cast in the way, and the ass stood by it, the lion also stood by the carcase.[l]

25 And, behold, men passed by, and saw the carcase cast in the way, and the lion standing by the carcase: and they came and told *it* in the city where the old prophet dwelt.

26 And when the prophet that brought him back from the way heard *thereof*, he said, It *is* the man of God, who was disobedient unto the word of the LORD: therefore the LORD hath delivered him unto the lion, which hath [9]torn him, and slain him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake unto him.



THE LION AND THE ASS STANDING BESIDE THE BODY OF THE DISOBEDIENT PROPHET

27 And he spake to his sons, saying, Saddle me the ass. And they saddled *him.*

28 And he went and found his carcase cast in the way, and the ass and the lion standing by the carcase: the lion had not eaten the carcase, nor [1]torn the ass.

29 And the prophet took up the carcase of the man of God, and laid it upon the ass, and brought it back: and the old prophet came to the city, to mourn and to bury him.

30 And he laid his carcase in his own grave; and they mourned over him, *saying,* Alas, my brother![a]

31 And it came to pass, after he had buried him, that he spake to his sons, saying, When I am dead, then bury me in the sepulchre wherein the man of God *is* buried: lay my bones beside his bones:[b]

32 For the saying which he cried by the word of the LORD against the altar in Beth-el, and against all the houses of the high places which *are* in the cities of Samaria, shall surely come to pass.[c]

33 ¶ After this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but [2]made again of the lowest of the people priests of the high places: whosoever would, he [3]consecrated him, and he became *one* of the priests of the high places.[d]

34 And this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut *it* off, and to destroy *it* from off the face of the earth.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 956

3 Heb *filled his hand*

d ch. xii. 31; Judg. xvii. 12, 2 Chron. xi. 15, xiii. 9

1 Heb *broken*

e ch. xii. 30; xiv. 10

a Jer. xxii. 18.

b 2 Kings xxiii. 17, 18.

c ver. 2; ch. xvi. 24; 2 Kings xxiii. 16, 19.

f ch. xi. 31.

4 Heb. *in thine hand.*

5 Or, *cakes.*

2 Heb *returned and made.*

6 Or, *bottle.*

g 1 Sam. ix. 7, 8.

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Abijah being sick, Jeroboam sendeth his wife disguised with presents to the prophet Ahijah at Shiloh.* 5 *Ahijah, forewarned by God, denounceth God's judgment.* 17 *Abijah dieth, and is buried.* 19 *Nadab succeedeth Jeroboam.* 21 *Rehoboam's wicked reign.* 25 *Shishak spoileth Jerusalem.* 29 *Abijam succeedeth Rehoboam.*

AT that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick.

2 And Jeroboam said to his wife, Arise, I pray thee, and disguise thyself, that thou be not known to be the wife of Jeroboam; and get thee to Shiloh: behold, there *is* Ahijah the prophet, which told me that *I should be* king over this people.[f]

3 And take [4]with thee ten loaves, and [5]cracknels, and a [6]cruse of honey, and go to him: he shall tell thee what shall become of the child.[g]

4 And Jeroboam's wife did so, and arose, and went to Shiloh, and came to the house of Ahijah. But Ahijah could not see; for his eyes [1]were set by reason of his age.[a]

5 ¶ And the Lord said unto Ahijah, Behold, the wife of Jeroboam cometh to ask a thing of thee for her son; for he *is* sick: thus and thus shalt thou say unto her: for it shall be, when she cometh in, that she shall feign herself *to be* another *woman*.

6 And it was *so*, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet, as she came in at the door, that he said, Come in, thou wife of Jeroboam; why feignest thou thyself *to be* another? for I *am* sent to thee *with* [2]heavy *tidings*.

7 Go, tell Jeroboam, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Forasmuch as I exalted thee from among the people, and made thee prince over my people Israel,[b]

8 And rent the kingdom away from the house of David, and gave it thee: and *yet* thou hast not been as my servant David, who kept my commandments, and who followed me with all his heart, to do *that* only *which was* right in mine eyes:[c]

9 But hast done evil above all that were before thee: for thou hast gone and made thee other gods, and molten images, to provoke me to anger, and hast cast me behind thy back:[d]

10 Therefore, behold, I will bring evil upon the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam him that pisseth against the wall, *and* him that is shut up and left in Israel, and will take away the remnant of the house of Jeroboam, as a man taketh away dung, till it be all gone.[e]

11 Him that dieth of Jeroboam in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.[f]

12 Arise thou therefore, get thee to thine own house: *and* when thy feet enter into the city, the child shall die.[g]

13 And all Israel shall mourn for him, and bury him: for he only of Jeroboam shall come to the grave, because in him there is found *some* good thing toward the LORD God of Israel in the house of Jeroboam.[h]

14 Moreover the LORD shall raise him up a king over Israel, who shall cut off the house of Jeroboam that day: but what? even now.[i]

15 For the LORD shall smite Israel, as a reed is shaken in the water, and he shall root up Israel out of this good land, which he gave to their fathers, and shall scatter them beyond the river, because they have made their groves, provoking the LORD to anger.[j]

16 And he shall give Israel up because of the sins of Jeroboam, who did sin, and who made Israel to sin.[k]

17 ¶ And Jeroboam's wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah: *and* when she came to the threshold of the door, the child died;[l]

18 And they buried him; and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the prophet.[m]

19 And the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred, and how he reigned, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 956.

3 Heb. *lay down.*

1 Heb. *stood for his heaviness.*

a ch. xi. 29.

o ver. 31; ch. xi. 36; 2 Chron. xii. 13.

2 Heb. *hard.*

p Deut. xxxii. 21; 2 Chron. xii. 1; Ps. lxxviii. 58; 1 Cor. x. 22.

4 Or, *standing images*, or, *statues.*

b ch. xvi. 2; 2 Sam. xii. 7, 8.

q Deut. xii. 2; 2 Kings xvii. 9, 10; Isa. lvii 5; Ezek xvi. 24, 25.

r ch. xv 12; xxii 46; Deut xxiii 17; 2 Kings xxiii. 7.

c ch. xi. 33, 38; xv. 5.

s ch xi 40, 2 Chron xii. 2.

d ch. xii. 28; 2 Chron. xi 15, Neh. ix 26; Ps l 17, Ezek xxiii 35

t ch x. 17; 2 Chron. xii. 9—11.

5 Heb *runners.*

e ch xv. 29; xxi 21; Deut. xxxii 36, 2 Kings ix. 8; xiv. 26.

f ch. xvi. 4; xxi. 24.

g ver 17

u 2 Chron. xii. 15.

v ch xii. 24, xv 6, 2 Chron xii 15.

h 2 Chron xii 12; xix 3.

6 Or, *Abijah* Matt i 7, *Abia*

w ver 21, 2 Chron. xiii. 16, 17.

i ch. xv. 27—29.

j Exod xxxiv 13; Deut. xii 3, 4, Josh xxiii. 15, 13, 2 Kings xv. 29, xvii. 6, Ps. lii. 5.

k ch. xii 30, xiii 34; xv 30, 34, xvi 2.

x 2 Chron. xiii. 1, 2.

l ver 12; ch. xvi. 6, 8, 15, 23

7 *Michaia, the daughter of Uriel*, 2 Chron. xiii. 2.

8 *Absalom*, 2 Chron. xi. 21

y 2 Chron. xi. 20—22.

m ver. 13.

n 2 Chron. xiii. 2, &c.

z ch. xi. 4; Ps. cxix. 80.

20 And the days which Jeroboam reigned *were* two and twenty years: and he [3]slept with his fathers, and Nadab his son reigned in his stead.

21 ¶ And Rehoboam the son of Solomon reigned in Judah. Rehoboam *was* forty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which the LORD did choose out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess.[o]

22 And Judah did evil in the sight of the LORD, and they provoked him to jealousy with their sins which they had committed, above all that their fathers had done.[p]

23 For they also built them high places, and [4]images, and groves, on every high hill, and under every green tree.[q]

24 And there were also sodomites in the land: *and* they did according to all the abominations of the nations which the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.[r]

25 ¶ And it came to pass in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, *that* Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem:[s]

26 And he took away the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he even took away all: and he took away all the shields of gold which Solomon had made.[t]

27 And king Rehoboam made in their stead brasen shields, and committed *them* unto the hands of the chief of the [5]guard, which kept the door of the king's house.

28 And it was *so*, when the king went into the house of the LORD, that the guard bare them, and brought them back into the guard chamber.

29 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?[u]

30 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all *their* days.[v]

31 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. And his mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess. And [6]Abijam his son reigned in his stead.[w]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Abijam's wicked reign.* 7 *Asa succeedeth him.* 9 *Asa's good reign.* 16 *The war between Baasha and him causeth him to make a league with Ben-hadad.* 23 *Jehoshaphat succeedeth Asa.* 25 *Nadab's wicked reign.* 27 *Baasha conspiring against him executeth Ahijah's prophecy.* 31 *Nadab's acts and death.* 33 *Baasha's wicked reign.*

NOW in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam the son of Nebat reigned Abijam over Judah.[z]

2 Three years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* [7]Maachah, the daughter of [8]Abishalom.[y]

3 And he walked in all the sins of his father, which he had done before him: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father.[z]



ASA DESTROYING QUEEN MAACHAH'S IDOLS AT THE BROOK KIDRON.

4 Nevertheless for David's sake did the LORD his God give him [1]a lamp in Jerusalem, to set up his son after him, and to establish Jerusalem:[a]

5 Because David did *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD, and turned not aside from any *thing* that he commanded him all the days of his life, save only in the matter of Uriah the Hittite.[b]

6 And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all the days of his life.[c]

7 Now the rest of the acts of Abijam, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? And there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam.[d]

8 And Abijam slept with his fathers; and they buried him in the city of David: and Asa his son reigned in his stead.[e]

9 ¶ And in the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel reigned Asa over Judah.

10 And forty and one years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his [2]mother's name *was* Maachah, the daughter of Abishalom.

11 And Asa did *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD, as *did* David his father.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 955

1 Or, *candle.*

g ch. xiv 24, xxii 46

a ch xi 32, 36; 2 Chron xxi 7.

3 Heb. *cut off.* So Exod xxxii 20

h 2 Chron. xv 16.

b ch. xiv 8, 2 Sam. xi. 4, 15, xii. 9.

c ch xiv. 30.

i ver 3; ch. xxii. 43; 2 Chron. xv. 17, 18.

4 Heb. *holy.*

d 2 Chron. xiii. 2, 3, 22.

e 2 Chron. xiv. 1.

f ch xii. 27; Josh. xviii. 25; 2 Chron. xvi. 1, &c.

2 That is, *grandmother's*, ver. 2.

12 And he took away the sodomites out of the land, and removed all the idols that his fathers had made.[g]

13 And also Maachah his mother, even her he removed from *being* queen, because she had made an idol in a grove; and Asa [3]destroyed her idol, and burnt *it* by the brook Kidron.[h]

14 But the high places were not removed: nevertheless Asa's heart was perfect with the LORD all his days.[i]

15 And he brought in the [4]things which his father had dedicated, and the things which himself had dedicated, into the house of the LORD, silver, and gold, and vessels.

16 ¶ And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days.

17 And Baasha king of Israel went up against Judah, and built Ramah, that he might not suffer any to go out or come in to Asa king of Judah.[j]

18 Then Asa took all the silver and the gold *that were* left in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house, and delivered them into the hand of his servants: and king Asa sent them to Ben-hadad, the son of Tabrimon, the

son of Hezion, king of Syria, that dwelt at Damascus, saying,[a]

19 *There is* a league between me and thee, *and* between my father and thy father: behold, I have sent unto thee a present of silver and gold; come and break thy league with Baasha king of Israel, that he may [1]depart from me.

20 So Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of the hosts which he had against the cities of Israel, and smote Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-beth-maachah, and all Cinneroth, with all the land of Naphtali.[b]

21 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard *thereof*, that he left off building of Ramah, and dwelt in Tirzah.

22 Then king Asa made a proclamation throughout all Judah; none *was* [2]exempted: and they took away the stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha had builded; and king Asa built with them Geba of Benjamin, and Mizpah.[c]

23 The rest of all the acts of Asa, and all his might, and all that he did, and the cities which he built, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? Nevertheless in the time of his old age he was diseased in his feet.[d]

24 And Asa slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and [3]Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead.[e]

25 ¶ And Nadab the son of Jeroboam [4]began to reign over Israel in the second year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned over Israel two years.

26 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin.[f]

27 ¶ And Baasha the son of Ahijah, of the house of Issachar, conspired against him; and Baasha smote him at Gibbethon, which *belonged* to the Philistines; for Nadab and all Israel laid siege to Gibbethon.[g]

28 Even in the third year of Asa king of Judah did Baasha slay him, and reigned in his stead.

29 And it came to pass, when he reigned, *that* he smote all the house of Jeroboam; he left not to Jeroboam any that breathed, until he had destroyed him, according unto the saying of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Ahijah the Shilonite:[h]

30 Because of the sins of Jeroboam which he sinned, and which he made Israel sin, by his provocation wherewith he provoked the LORD God of Israel to anger.[i]

31 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Nadab, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

32 And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days.[j]

33 In the third year of Asa king of Judah began Baasha the son of Ahijah to reign over all Israel in [5]Tirzah, twenty and four years.

34 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 953.

a ch. xi. 23, 24; 2 Chron. xvi. 2.

1 Heb. *go up*

b ver. 7; 2 Chron. xix. 2; xx. 34.

b Judg. xviii. 29; 2 Sam xx. 14; 2 Kings xv. 29.

2 Heb. *free.*

c Josh. xviii. 26, xxi 17; 2 Chron. xvi. 6.

m ch. xiv. 7; xv. 34.

n ver 11; ch. xiv. 10; xv. 29.

d 2 Chron. xvi. 12

o ch. xiv. 11.

3 Called *Josaphat*, Matt. i. 8.

e 2 Chron xvii 1

4 Heb. *reigned.*

p 2 Chron xvi. 1.

q ch. xiv. 17; xv. 21.

f ch xii 30, xiv 16.

g ch xiv 14, xvi 15, Josh xix 44, xxi 23

r ver 1, xv 27, 29, Hos i 4

h ch. xiv 10, 14

6 Heb *which was over*

s 2 Kings ix 31.

i ch. xiv 9, 16

7 Or, *both his kinsmen and his friends.*

j ver 16

t 1 Sam. xxv. 22.

5 Tirzah lay about twelve miles east of Samaria.

8 Heb. *by the hand of*

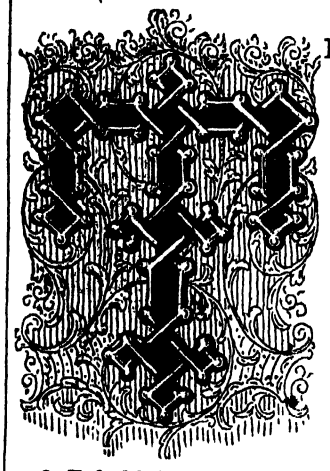
u vs 1, 3.

k ch xii. 28, 29; xiii. 33; xiv. 16

v Deut. xxxii. 21; 1 Sam. xii. 21; Isa. xii. 29; Jonah ii. 1; 1 Cor viii. 4; x. 19

CHAPTER XVI.

1, 7 Jehu's prophecy against Baasha. 6 Elah succeedeth him. 8 Zimri conspiring against Elah succeedeth him. 11 Zimri executeth Jehu's prophecy. 15 Omri, made king by the soldiers, forceth Zimri desperately to burn himself. 21 The kingdom being divided, Omri prevaileth against Tibni. 23 Omri buildeth Samaria. 25 His wicked reign. 27 Ahab succeedeth him. 29 Ahab's most wicked reign. 34 Joshua's curse upon Hiel the builder of Jericho.



THEN the word of the LORD came to Jehu the son of Hanani against Baasha, saying,[l]

2 Forasmuch as I exalted thee out of the dust, and made thee prince over my people Israel; and thou hast walked in the way of Jeroboam, and hast made my people Israel to sin, to provoke me to anger with their sins;[m]

3 Behold, I will take away the posterity of Baasha, and the posterity of his house; and will make thy house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat.[n]

4 Him that dieth of Baasha in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth of his in the fields shall the fowls of the air eat.[o]

5 Now the rest of the acts of Baasha, and what he did, and his might, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?[p]

6 So Baasha slept with his fathers, and was buried in Tirzah: and Elah his son reigned in his stead.[q]

7 And also by the hand of the prophet Jehu the son of Hanani came the word of the LORD against Baasha, and against his house, even for all the evil that he did in the sight of the LORD, in provoking him to anger with the work of his hands, in being like the house of Jeroboam; and because he killed him.[r]

8 ¶ In the twenty and sixth year of Asa king of Judah began Elah the son of Baasha to reign over Israel in Tirzah, two years.

9 And his servant Zimri, captain of half *his* chariots, conspired against him, as he was in Tirzah, drinking himself drunk in the house of Arza [6]steward of *his* house in Tirzah.[s]

10 And Zimri went in and smote him, and killed him, in the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah, and reigned in his stead.

11 ¶ And it came to pass, when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, *that* he slew all the house of Baasha: he left him not one that pisseth against a wall, [7]neither of his kinsfolks, nor of his friends.[t]

12 Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake against Baasha [8]by Jehu the prophet,[u]

13 For all the sins of Baasha, and the sins of Elah his son, by which they sinned, and by which they made Israel to sin, in provoking the LORD God of Israel to anger with their vanities.[v]

14 Now the rest of the acts of Elah, and all that he



ZIMRI DESTROYING HIMSELF IN THE KING'S HOUSE.

lid, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

15 ¶ In the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah did Zimri reign seven days in Tirzah. And the people *were* encamped against Gibbethon, which *belonged* to the Philistines.[a]

16 And the people *that were* encamped heard say, Zimri hath conspired, and hath also slain the king: wherefore all Israel made Omri, the captain of the host, king over Israel that day in the camp.

17 And Omri went up from Gibbethon, and all Israel with him, and they besieged Tirzah.

18 And it came to pass, when Zimri saw that the city was taken, that he went into the palace of the king's house, and burnt the king's house over him with fire, and died,

19 For his sins which he sinned in doing evil in the sight of the LORD, in walking in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin which he did, to make Israel to sin.[b]

20 Now the rest of the acts of Zimri, and his treason that he wrought, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

21 ¶ Then were the people of Israel divided into

BEFORE CHRIST 931.

[a] ch. xv 27

[1] Heb *Shomeron.*

[c] ch xiii. 32, 2 Kings xvii. 24, John iv. 4.

[d] ver. 19.

[e] ver 13.

[b] ch. xii. 28; xv 26, 34.

two parts: half of the people followed Tibni the son of Ginath, to make him king; and half followed Omri.

22 But the people that followed Omri prevailed against the people that followed Tibni the son of Ginath: so Tibni died, and Omri reigned.

23 ¶ In the thirty and first year of Asa king of Judah began Omri to reign over Israel, twelve years: six years reigned he in Tirzah.

24 And he bought the hill [1]Samaria of Shemer for two talents of silver, and built on the hill, and called the name of the city which he built, after the name of Shemer, owner of the hill, Samaria.[c]

25 ¶ But Omri wrought evil in the eyes of the LORD, and did worse than all that *were* before him.[d]

26 For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin, to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger with their vanities.[e]

27 Now the rest of the acts of Omri which he did, and his might that he shewed, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

28 So Omri slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria: and Ahab his son reigned in his stead.

29 ¶ And in the thirty and eighth year of Asa king of Judah began Ahab the son of Omri to reign over Israel: and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria twenty and two years.

30 And Ahab the son of Omri did evil in the sight of the LORD above all that *were* before him.

31 And it came to pass, [1]as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took to wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Zidonians, and went and served Baal, and worshipped him.[a]

32 And he reared up an altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he had built in Samaria.[b]

33 And Ahab made a grove; and Ahab did more to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger than all the kings of Israel that were before him.[c]

34 ¶ In his days did Hiel the Beth-elite build Jericho: he laid the foundation thereof in Abiram his firstborn, and set up the gates thereof in his youngest *son* Segub, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Joshua the son of Nun.[d]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Elijah, having prophesied against Ahab, is sent to Cherith, where the ravens feed him.* 8 *He is sent to the widow of Zarephath.* 17 *He raiseth the widow's son.* 24 *The woman believeth him.*

AND [2]Elijah the Tishbite, *who was* of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab, *As* the LORD God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word.[e]

2 And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,

3 Get thee hence, and turn thee eastward, and hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that *is* before Jordan.

4 And it shall be, *that* thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there.



THE RAVEN.

5 So he went and did according unto the word of the LORD: for he went and dwelt by the brook Cherith, that *is* before Jordan.

BEFORE CHRIST 918.

3 Heb. *at the end of the days.*

1 Heb. *was it a light thing, &c.*

a ch xxi. 25, 26; Judg. xviii. 7; 2 Kings x. 18; xvii. 16.

b 2 Kings x. 21, 26, 27.

c ver. 30; ch xxi. 25; 2 Kings xiii 6; xvii 10; xxi. 3, Jer xvii. 2.

d Josh vi. 26.

2 Heb *Eliyahu.* Luke i 17, iv. 25, he is called *Elias.*

4 Heb *giveth.*

e Deut. x. 6; 2 Kings iii. 14; Luke iv. 25; James v. 17.

5 Or, *a full year.*

6 Heb *by the hand of*

7 Heb *measured.*

8 Heb. *into his inward parts.*

f 2 Kings iv. 34, 35.

g Heb xi 35.

6 And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook.

7 And it came to pass [3]after a while, that the brook dried up, because there had been no rain in the land.

8 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,

9 Arise, get thee to Zarephath, which *belongeth* to Zidon, and dwell there: behold, I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee.

10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, the widow woman *was* there gathering of sticks: and he called to her, and said, Fetch me, I pray thee, a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.

11 And as she was going to fetch *it*, he called to her, and said, Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand.

12 And she said, *As* the LORD thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold, I *am* gathering two sticks, that I may go in and dress it for me and my son, that we may eat it, and die.

13 And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go *and* do as thou hast said: but make me thereof a little cake first, and bring *it* unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son.

14 For thus saith the LORD God of Israel, The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day *that* the LORD [4]sendeth rain upon the earth.

15 And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat [5]*many* days.

16 *And* the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake [6]by Elijah.

17 ¶ And it came to pass after these things, *that* the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him.

18 And she said unto Elijah, What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God? art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and to slay my son?

19 And he said unto her, Give me thy son. And he took him out of her bosom, and carried him up into a loft, where he abode, and laid him upon his own bed.

20 And he cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, hast thou also brought evil upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?

21 And he [7]stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried unto the LORD, and said, O LORD my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come [8]into him again.[f]

22 And the LORD heard the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived.[g]

23 And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and delivered



ELIJAH CLAIMING THE HOSPITALITY OF THE WIDOW OF ZAREPHATH.

him unto his mother: and Elijah said, See, thy son liveth.

24 ¶ And the woman said to Elijah, Now by this I know that thou *art* a man of God, *and* that the word of the LORD in thy mouth *is* truth.[a]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *In the extremity of famine Elijah, sent to Ahab, meeteth good Obadiah.* 9 *Obadiah bringeth Ahab to Elijah.* 17 *Elijah, reproving Ahab, by fire from heaven convinceth Baal's prophets.* 41 *Elijah, by prayer obtaining rain, followeth Ahab to Jezreel.*

AND it came to pass *after* many days, that the word of the LORD came to Elijah in the third year, saying, Go, shew thyself unto Ahab; and I will send rain upon the earth.[b]

2 And Elijah went to shew himself unto Ahab. And *there was* a sore famine in Samaria.

3 And Ahab called [1]Obadiah, which *was* [2]the governor of *his* house. (Now Obadiah feared the LORD greatly:

4 For it was *so*, when [3]Jezebel cut off the prophets of the LORD, that Obadiah took an hundred prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water.)

5 And Ahab said unto Obadiah, Go into the land, unto all fountains of water, and unto all brooks: peradventure we may find grass to save the horses and mules alive, [4]that we lose not all the beasts.

6 So they divided the land between them to pass throughout it: Ahab went one way by himself, and Obadiah went another way by himself.

7 ¶ And as Obadiah was in the way, behold, Elijah met him: and he knew him, and fell on his face, and said, *Art* thou that my lord Elijah?

8 And he answered him, I *am*: go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here*.

9 And he said, What have I sinned, that thou wouldest deliver thy servant into the hand of Ahab, to slay me?

10 *As* the LORD thy God liveth, there is no nation or kingdom, whither my lord hath not sent to seek thee: and when they said, *He is* not *there*; he took an oath of the kingdom and nation, that they found thee not.

11 And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here*.

12 And it shall come to pass, *as soon as* I am gone from thee, that the Spirit of the LORD shall carry thee whither I know not; and *so* when I come and tell Ahab, and he cannot find thee, he shall slay me: but I thy servant fear the LORD from my youth.[c]

13 Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the prophets of the LORD, how I hid an hundred men of the LORD's prophets by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water?

14 And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah *is here*: and he shall slay me.

15 And Elijah said, *As* the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I stand, I will surely shew myself unto him to day.

BEFORE CHRIST 908.

a John iii. 2 xvi. 30.

d ch. xxi. 20; Josh vii. 25; Acts xvi. 20.

e 2 Chron xv. 2.

f ch xvi. 33; Josh. xix. 26.

g ch. xxii. 6.

b Deut. xxviii. 12; Luke iv. 25; James v. 17.

1 Heb. *Obadiahu.*

2 Heb. *over his house.*

3 Heb. *Isebel.*

16 So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him: and Ahab went to meet Elijah.

17 ¶ And it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that Ahab said unto him, *Art* thou he that troubleth Israel?[d]

18 And he answered, I have not troubled Israel, but thou, and thy father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the LORD, and thou hast followed Baalim.[e]

19 Now therefore send, *and* gather to me all Israel unto mount Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty, and the prophets of the groves four hundred, which eat at Jezebel's table.[f]

20 So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel, and gathered the prophets together unto mount Carmel.[g]



MOUNT CARMEL

4 Heb *that we cut not off ourselves from the beasts*

5 Or, *thoughts?*

h Josh xxiv. 15, 2 Kings xvii. 41, Matt. vi. 24

i ver 19, ch. xix. 10, 14.

c 2 Kings ii. 16; Ezek. iii. 12, 14, Matt. iv. 1, Acts viii 39.

6 Heb *The word is good.*

j ver. 38; 1 Chron. xxi. 26.

21 And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two [5]opinions? if the LORD *be* God, follow him: but if Baal, *then* follow him. And the people answered him not a word.[h]

22 Then said Elijah unto the people, I, *even* I only, remain a prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets *are* four hundred and fifty men.[i]

23 Let them therefore give us two bullocks; and let them choose one bullock for themselves, and cut it in pieces, and lay *it* on wood, and put no fire *under*: and I will dress the other bullock, and lay *it* on wood, and put no fire *under*:



BAAL.

24 And call ye on the name of your gods, and I will call on the name of the LORD: and the God that answereth by fire, let him be God. And all the people answered and said, [6]It is well spoken.[j]

25 And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal, Choose you one bullock for yourselves, and dress *it* first; for ye *are* many; and call on the name of your gods, but put no fire *under*.



ELIJAH ON CARMEL.

1 KINGS XVIII.



ELIJAH WARNING AHAB OF THE COMING RAIN: AND THE DESTRUCTION OF THE PRIESTS OF BAAL.

26 And they took the bullock which was given them, and they dressed *it*, and called on the name of Baal from morning even until noon, saying, O Baal, [1]hear us. But *there was* no voice, nor any that [2]answered. And they [3]leaped upon the altar which was made.[e]

27 And it came to pass at noon, that Elijah mocked them, and said, Cry [4]aloud: for he *is* a god; either he is [5]talking, or he is [6]pursuing, or he is in a journey, *or* peradventure he sleepeth, and must be awaked.

28 And they cried aloud, and cut themselves after their manner with knives and lancets, [7]till the blood gushed out upon them.[a]

29 And it came to pass, when midday was past, and they prophesied until the *time* of the [8]offering of the *evening* sacrifice, that *there was* neither voice, nor any to answer, nor [9]any that regarded.[c]

30 And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came near unto him. And he repaired the altar of the LORD *that was* broken down.[d]

31 And Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of the LORD came, saying, Israel shall be thy name:

32 And with the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD: and he made a trench about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.

33 And he put the wood in order, and cut the bullock in pieces, and laid *him* on the wood, and said, Fill four barrels with water, and pour *it* on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood.[f]

34 And he said, Do *it* the second time. And they did *it* the second time. And he said, Do *it* the third time. And they did *it* the third time.

35 And the water [10]ran round about the altar; and he filled the trench also with water.[g]

36 And it came to pass at *the time of* the offering of the *evening* sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou *art* God in Israel, and *that* I *am* thy servant, and *that* I have done all these things at thy word.[h]

37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou *art* the LORD God, and *that* thou hast turned their heart back again.

BEFORE CHRIST 908

e Gen. xxxii. 28, xxxv. 10, 2 Kings xvii. 34

1 Or, *answer*

2 Or, *heard.*

3 Or, *leaped up and down at the altar*

a Ps. cxv. 5, Jer. x. 5, 1 Cor. viii. 4, xii. 2

4 Heb. *with a great voice.*

5 Or, *he meditateth.*

6 Heb. *hath a pursuit.*

f Lev. i. 6—8; Judg. vi. 20

7 Heb. *poured out blood upon them.*

b Lev. xix. 28, Deut. xiv. 1

10 Heb. *went.*

g ver. 32, 38.

8 Heb. *ascending.*

9 Heb. *attention.*

c ver. 26; 1 Cor. xi. 4, 5.

h ch. viii. 43; Exod. iii. 6; Numb. xvi. 28; 2 Kings xix. 19; Ps. lxxxiii. 18.

d ch. xix. 10.

38 Then the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that *was* in the trench.[a]

39 And when all the people saw *it*, they fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD, he *is* the God; the LORD, he *is* the God.

40 And Elijah said unto them, [1]Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there.[b]

41 ¶ And Elijah said unto Ahab, Get thee up, eat and drink; for *there is* [2]a sound of abundance of rain.

42 So Ahab went up to eat and to drink. And Elijah went up to the top of Carmel; and he cast himself down upon the earth, and put his face between his knees,[c]

43 And said to his servant, Go up now, look toward the sea. And he went up, and looked, and said, *There is* nothing. And he said, Go again seven times.

44 And it came to pass at the seventh time, that he said, Behold, there ariseth a little cloud out of the sea, like a man's hand. And he said, Go up, say unto Ahab, [3]Prepare *thy chariot*, and get thee down, that the rain stop thee not.

45 And it came to pass in the mean while, that the heaven was black with clouds and wind, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode, and went to Jezreel.

46 And the hand of the LORD was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab [4]to the entrance of Jezreel.[d]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *Elijah, threatened by Jezebel, fleeth to Beer-sheba.* 4 *In the wilderness, being weary of his life, he is comforted by an angel.* 9 *At Horeb God appeareth unto him, sending him to anoint Hazael, Jehu, and Elisha.* 19 *Elisha, taking leave of his friends, followeth Elijah.*

AND Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword.[e]

2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do *to me*, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time.[f]

3 And when he saw *that*, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which *belongeth* to Judah, and left his servant there.

4 ¶ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested [5]for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life; for I *am* not better than my fathers.[g]

5 And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise *and* eat.

6 And he looked, and, behold, *there was* a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his [6]head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again.

BEFORE CHRIST 906.

a Lev. ix. 24; Judg. vi. 21; 1 Chron. xxi. 26; 2 Chron. vii 1.

h Exod. iii. 1; xxxiv. 28; Deut ix. 9, 18; Matt. iv. 2.

1 Or, *Apprehend.*

b Deut xiii 5; xviii. 20; 2 Kings x 25.

2 Or, *a sound of a noise of rain.*

i ch. xviii. 4, 22; Numb. xxv 11, 13; Psa. lxix. 9; Rom. xi. 3.

c James v. 17, 18

j Exod. xxiv. 12; Ezek. i. 4, xxxvii 7

3 Heb *Tie*, or *Bind*

k ver. 9; Exod. iii. 6; Isa. vi. 2.

4 Heb *till thou come to Jezreel*

d 2 Kings iv 29, ix 1.

l ver 10

m 2 Kings viii. 12, 13

7 Called *Eliseus*, Luke iv 27

e ch xviii 40.

n 2 Kings ix 1—3.

o 2 Kings viii 12; ix. 14, &c, x. 6, &c; xiii 3, Hos vi 5

8 Or, *I will leave.*

f ch xx 10, Ruth i. 17, 2 Kings vi 31

p Hos xiii 2, Rom. xi. 4

5 Heb *for his life.*

g Numb xi. 15; Jonah iv. 3, 8

9 Heb *Go return.*

q Matt. viii. 21, 22; Luke ix. 61, 62.

6 Heb *bolster.*

r 2 Sam. xxiv. 22.

7 And the angel of the LORD came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise *and* eat; because the journey *is* too great for thee.

8 And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God.[h]

9 ¶ And he came thither unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of the LORD *came* to him, and he said unto him, What doest thou here, Elijah?

10 And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, *even* I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.[i]

11 And he said, Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the LORD. And, behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and brake in pieces the rocks before the LORD; *but* the LORD *was* not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; *but* the LORD *was* not in the earthquake:[j]

12 And after the earthquake a fire; *but* the LORD *was* not in the fire: and after the fire a still small voice.

13 And it was *so*, when Elijah heard *it*, that he wrapped his face in his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entering in of the cave. And, behold, *there came* a voice unto him, and said, What doest thou here, Elijah?[k]

14 And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: because the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, *even* I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.[l]

15 And the LORD said unto him, Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael *to be* king over Syria:[m]

16 And Jehu the son of Nimshi shalt thou anoint *to be* king over Israel: and [7]Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah shalt thou anoint *to be* prophet in thy room.[n]

17 And it shall come to pass, *that* him that escapeth the sword of Hazael shall Jehu slay: and him that escapeth from the sword of Jehu shall Elisha slay.[o]

18 Yet [8]I have left *me* seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.[p]

19 ¶ So he departed thence, and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who *was* plowing *with* twelve yoke *of oxen* before him, and he with the twelfth: and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle upon him.

20 And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said, Let me, I pray thee, kiss my father and my mother, and *then* I will follow thee. And he said unto him, [9]Go back again: for what have I done to thee?[q]

21 And he returned back from him, and took a yoke of oxen, and slew them, and boiled their flesh with the instruments of the oxen, and gave unto the people, and they did eat. Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and ministered unto him.[r]



ELIJAH SUMMONING ELISHA TO FOLLOW HIM

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Ben-hadad, not content with Ahab's homage, besiegeth Samaria.* 13 *By the direction of a prophet, the Syrians are slain.* 22 *As the prophet forewarned Ahab, the Syrians, trusting in the valleys, come against him in Aphek.* 23 *By the word of the prophet, and God's judgment, the Syrians are smitten again.* 31 *The Syrians submitting themselves, Ahab sendeth Ben-hadad away with a covenant* 35 *The prophet, under the parable of a prisoner, making Ahab to judge himself, denounceth God's judgment against him.*

BEFORE CHRIST 901

AND Ben-hadad the king of Syria gathered all his host together: and *there were* thirty and two kings with him, and horses, and chariots: and he went up and besieged Samaria, and warred against it.

2 And he sent messengers to Ahab king of Israel into the city, and said unto him, Thus saith Ben-hadad,

3 Thy silver and thy gold *is* mine; thy wives also and thy children, *even* the goodliest, *are* mine.

4 And the king of Israel answered and said, My lord, O king, according to thy saying, I *am* thine, and all that I have.

5 And the messengers came again, and said, Thus speaketh Ben-hadad, saying, Although I have sent unto thee, saying, Thou shalt deliver me thy silver, and thy gold, and thy wives, and thy children;

6 Yet I will send my servants unto thee to morrow about this time, and they shall search thine house, and the houses of thy servants; and it shall be, *that* whatsoever is [1]pleasant in thine eyes, they shall put *it* in their hand, and take *it* away.

7 Then the king of Israel called all the elders of the land, and said, Mark, I pray you, and see how this *man* seeketh mischief: for he sent unto me for my wives, and for my children, and for my silver, and for my gold; and [2]I denied him not.

8 And all the elders and all the people said unto him, Hearken not *unto him*, nor consent.

9 Wherefore he said unto the messengers of Ben-hadad, Tell my lord the king, All that thou didst send for to thy servant at the first I will do: but this thing

1 Heb *desirable*

2 Heb *I kept not back from him.*

I may not do. And the messengers departed, and brought him word again.

10 And Ben-hadad sent unto him, and said, The gods do so unto me, and more also, if the dust of Samaria shall suffice for handfuls for all the people that [1]follow me.[a]

11 And the king of Israel answered and said, Tell *him*, Let not him that girdeth on *his harness* boast himself as he that putteth it off.

12 And it came to pass, when *Ben-hadad* heard this [2]message, as he *was* drinking, he and the kings in the [3]pavilions, that he said unto his servants, [4]Set *yourselves in array*. [5]And they set *themselves in array* against the city.[b]

13 ¶ And, behold, [6]there came a prophet unto Ahab king of Israel, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou seen all this great multitude? behold, I will deliver it into thine hand this day; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.[c]

14 And Ahab said, By whom? And he said, Thus saith the LORD, *Even* by the [7]young men of the princes of the provinces. Then he said, Who shall [8]order the battle? And he answered, Thou.

15 Then he numbered the young men of the princes of the provinces, and they were two hundred and thirty two: and after them he numbered all the people, *even* all the children of Israel, *being* seven thousand.

16 And they went out at noon. But Ben-hadad *was* drinking himself drunk in the pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two kings that helped him.[d]

17 And the young men of the princes of the provinces went out first; and Ben-hadad sent out, and they told him, saying, There are men come out of Samaria.

18 And he said, Whether they be come out for peace, take them alive; or whether they be come out for war, take them alive.

19 So these young men of the princes of the provinces came out of the city, and the army which followed them.

20 And they slew every one his man: and the Syrians fled; and Israel pursued them: and Ben-hadad the king of Syria escaped on an horse with the horsemen.

21 And the king of Israel went out, and smote the horses and chariots, and slew the Syrians with a great slaughter.

22 ¶ And the prophet came to the king of Israel, and said unto him, Go, strengthen thyself, and mark, and see what thou doest: for at the return of the year the king of Syria will come up against thee.[e]

23 And the servants of the king of Syria said unto him, Their gods *are* gods of the hills; therefore they were stronger than we; but let us fight against them in the plain, and surely we shall be stronger than they.

24 And do this thing, Take the kings away, every man out of his place, and put captains in their rooms:

25 And number thee an army, like the army [9]that thou hast lost, horse for horse, and chariot for chariot: and we will fight against them in the plain, *and* surely we shall be stronger than they. And he hearkened unto their voice, and did so.

26 And it came to pass at the return of the year, that Ben-hadad numbered the Syrians, and went up to Aphek, [10]to fight against Israel.[f]

27 And the children of Israel were numbered, and [11]were all present, and went against them: and the children of Israel pitched before them like two little flocks of kids; but the Syrians filled the country.

28 ¶ And there came a man of God, and spake unto the king of Israel, and said, Thus saith the LORD, Because the Syrians have said, The LORD *is* God of the hills, but he *is* not God of the valleys, therefore will I deliver all this great multitude into thine hand, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[g]

29 And they pitched one over against the other seven days. And *so* it was, that in the seventh day the battle was joined: and the children of Israel slew of the Syrians an hundred thousand footmen in one day.

30 But the rest fled to Aphek, into the city; and *there* a wall fell upon twenty and seven thousand of the men *that were* left. And Ben-hadad fled, and came into the city, [12]into an inner chamber.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 901.

1 Heb. *are at my feet.*
a ch. xix. 2; Exod. xi. 8; Judg. iv. 10
2 Heb. *word.*
3 Or, *tents.*
4 Or, *Place the engines.*
5 Or, *And they placed engines.*
b ver. 16
6 Heb. *approached.*
9 Heb *that was fallen.*
c ver 28
7 Or, *servants*
8 Heb *bind*, or *tie*
10 Heb *to the war with Israel*
f Josh xiii. 4
11 Or, *were victualled*
d ver 11; ch. xvi 9
g ver. 13.
12 Or, *from chamber to chamber.* Heb. *into a chamber within a chamber.*
h ch. xxii. 25.



ASSYRIAN WARRIORS IN BATTLE.

31 ¶ And his servants said unto him, Behold now, we have heard that the kings of the house of Israel *are* merciful kings: let us, I pray thee, put sackcloth on our loins, and ropes upon our heads, and go out to the king of Israel: peradventure he will save thy life.[a]

32 So they girded sackcloth on their loins, and *put* ropes on their heads, and came to the king of Israel, and said, Thy servant Ben-hadad saith, I pray thee, let me live. And he said, *Is* he yet alive? he *is* my brother.

33 Now the men did diligently observe whether *any thing would come* from him, and did hastily catch *it:* and they said, Thy brother Ben-hadad. Then he said, Go ye, bring him. Then Ben-hadad came forth to him; and he caused him to come up into the chariot.

34 And *Ben-hadad* said unto him, The cities, which my father took from thy father, I will restore; and thou shalt make streets for thee in Damascus, as my father made in Samaria. Then *said Ahab*, I will send thee away with this covenant. So he made a covenant with him, and sent him away.[b]

35 ¶ And a certain man of the sons of the prophets said unto his neighbour in the word of the LORD, Smite me, I pray thee. And the man refused to smite him.[c]

36 Then said he unto him, Because thou hast not obeyed the voice of the LORD, behold, as soon as thou art departed from me, a lion shall slay thee. And as soon as he was departed from him, a lion found him, and slew him.[d]



LIONS OF SYRIA.

37 Then he found another man, and said, Smite me, I pray thee. And the man [1]smote him, so that in smiting he wounded *him.*

38 So the prophet departed, and waited for the king by the way, and disguised himself with ashes upon his face.

39 And as the king passed by, he cried unto the king: and he said, Thy servant went out into the midst of the battle; and, behold, a man turned aside, and brought a man unto me, and said, Keep this man: if by any means he be missing, then shall thy life be for his life, or else thou shalt [2]pay a talent of silver.[e]

40 And as thy servant was busy here and there, [3]he was gone. And the king of Israel said unto him, So *shall* thy judgment *be;* thyself hast decided *it.*

41 And he hasted, and took the ashes away from his face; and the king of Israel discerned him that he *was* of the prophets.

42 And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Because thou hast let go out of *thy* hand a man whom I appointed to utter destruction, therefore thy life shall go for his life, and thy people for his people.[f]

43 And the king of Israel went to his house heavy and displeased, and came to Samaria.[g]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 Ahab being denied Naboth's vineyard is grieved. b Jezebel writing letters against Naboth, he is condemned of blasphemy. 15 Ahab taketh possession of the vineyard. 17 Elijah denounceth judgments against Ahab and Jezebel. 25 Wicked Ahab repenting, God deferreth the judgment.

AND it came to pass after these things, *that* Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard, which *was* in Jezreel, hard by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria.

2 And Ahab spake unto Naboth, saying, Give me thy vineyard, that I may have it for a garden of herbs, because it *is* near unto my house: and I will give thee for it a better vineyard than it; *or,* if it [4]seem good to thee, I will give thee the worth of it in money.[h]

3 And Naboth said to Ahab, The LORD forbid it me, that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee.[i]

4 And Ahab came into his house heavy and displeased because of the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him: for he had said, I will not give thee the inheritance of my fathers. And he laid him down upon his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no bread.

5 ¶ But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said unto him, Why is thy spirit so sad, that thou eatest no bread?

6 And he said unto her, Because I spake unto Naboth the Jezreelite, and said unto him, Give me thy vineyard for money; or else, if it please thee, I will give thee *another* vineyard for it: and he answered, I will not give thee my vineyard.

7 And Jezebel his wife said unto him, Dost thou now govern the kingdom of Israel? arise, *and* eat bread, and let thine heart be merry: I will give thee the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite.

8 So she wrote letters in Ahab's name, and sealed *them* with his seal, and sent the letters unto the elders and to the nobles that *were* in his city, dwelling with Naboth.

9 And she wrote in the letters, saying, Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth [5]on high among the people:

10 And set two men, sons of Belial, before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou didst blaspheme God and the king. And *then* carry him out, and stone him, that he may die.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 900.

3 Heb. *he was not.*

a Gen. xxxvii. 34.

f ch. xxii. 31—37

g ch. xxi. 4.

b ch xv 20

c ch xiii 17, 18; 2 Kings ii. 3, 5, 7, 15.

4 Heb *be good in thine eyes*

d ch. xiii. 24.

h 1 Sam. viii. 14.

i Lev. xxv. 23; Numb. xxxvi. 7; Ezek. xlvi. 18.

1 Heb. *smiting and wounding.*

5 Heb. *in the top of the people.*

2 Heb. *weigh.*

e 2 Sam. xii. 1, &c.; 2 Kings x. 24.

j Exod. xxii. 28; Lev. xxiv. 14—16; Acts vi. 11.



ELIJAH DENOUNCING THE CRIME OF AHAB IN NABOTH'S VINEYARD.

11 And the men of his city, *even* the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his city, did as Jezebel had sent unto them, *and* as it *was* written in the letters which she had sent unto them.

12 They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people.

13 And there came in two men, children of Belial, and sat before him: and the men of Belial witnessed against him, *even* against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, Naboth did blaspheme God and the king. Then they carried him forth out of the city, and stoned him with stones, that he died.[a]

14 Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is dead.

15 ¶ And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that Jezebel said to Ahab, Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead.

16 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

BEFORE CHRIST 899

b Ps ix 12

c ch xiii. 32, 2 Chron. xxii 9

d ch xxii. 38

a 2 Kings ix 26

e ch xviii. 17; 2 Kings xvii. 17; Rom. vii. 14.

f ch xiv 10; 1 Sam. xxv. 22; 2 Kings ix 8

g ch. xv 29, xvi. 3, 11

17 ¶ And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,[b]

18 Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, which *is* in Samaria: behold, *he is* in the vineyard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it.[c]

19 And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Hast thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him, saying, Thus saith the LORD, In the place where dogs licked the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick thy blood, even thine.[d]

20 And Ahab said to Elijah, Hast thou found me, O mine enemy? And he answered, I have found *thee:* because thou hast sold thyself to work evil in the sight of the LORD.[e]

21 Behold, I will bring evil upon thee, and will take away thy posterity, and will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel,[f]

22 And will make thine house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked *me* to anger, and made Israel to sin.[g]

23 And of Jezebel also spake the LORD, saying, The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the [1]wall of Jezreel.[a]

24 Him that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat.[b]

25 ¶ But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the LORD, whom Jezebel his wife [2]stirred up.[c]

26 And he did very abominably in following idols, according to all *things* as did the Amorites, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.[d]

27 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and went softly.[e]

28 And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

29 Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himself before me? because he humbleth himself before me, I will not bring the evil in his days: *but* in his son's days will I bring the evil upon his house.[f]

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Ahab, seduced by false prophets, according to the word of Micaiah, is slain at Ramoth-gilead.* 37 *The dogs lick up his blood, and Ahaziah succeedeth him.* 41 *Jehoshaphat's good reign.* 45 *His acts.* 50 *Jehoram succeedeth him.* 51 *Ahaziah's evil reign.*

AND they continued three years without war between Syria and Israel.

2 And it came to pass in the third year, that Jehoshaphat the king of Judah came down to the king of Israel.[g]

3 And the king of Israel said unto his servants, Know ye that Ramoth in Gilead *is* our's, and we [3]*be* still, *and* take it not out of the hand of the king of Syria?[h]

4 And he said unto Jehoshaphat, Wilt thou go with me to battle to Ramoth-gilead? And Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel, I *am* as thou *art*, my people as thy people, my horses as thy horses.[i]

5 And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of the LORD to day.

6 Then the king of Israel gathered the prophets together, about four hundred men, and said unto them, Shall I go against Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, Go up; for the Lord shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.[j]

7 And Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD besides, that we might enquire of him?[k]

8 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, *There is* yet one man, Micaiah the son of Imlah, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy good concerning me, but evil. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.

9 Then the king of Israel called an [4]officer, and said, Hasten *hither* Micaiah the son of Imlah.

BEFORE CHRIST 897.

1 Or, *ditch.*

a 2 Kings ix. 36.

5 Heb *floor*

b ch. xiv. 11; xvi. 4.

2 Or, *incited.*

c ch. xvi. 30, 31.

d Gen xv. 16, 2 Kings xxi. 11

e Gen xxxvii. 34.

f 2 Kings ix 25.

g 2 Chron xviii 2, &c

3 Heb *silent from taking it*

h Deut. iv 43

6 Or, *deceive.*

i 2 Kings iii. 7.

j ch. xviii 19

k 2 Kings iii. 11.

4 Or, *eunuch.*

10 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah sat each on his throne, having put on their robes, in a [5]void place in the entrance of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets prophesied before them.

11 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah made him horns of iron: and he said, Thus saith the LORD, With these shalt thou push the Syrians, until thou have consumed them.

12 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver *it* into the king's hand.

13 And the messenger that was gone to call Micaiah spake unto him, saying, Behold now, the words of the prophets *declare* good unto the king with one mouth: let thy word, I pray thee, be like the word of one of them, and speak *that which is* good.

14 And Micaiah said, *As* the LORD liveth, what the LORD saith unto me, that will I speak.[l]

15 ¶ So he came to the king. And the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go against Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall we forbear? And he answered him, Go, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.

16 And the king said unto him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou tell me nothing but *that which is* true in the name of the Lord?

17 And he said, I saw all Israel scattered upon the hills, as sheep that have not a shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no master: let them return every man to his house in peace.[m]

18 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee that he would prophesy no good concerning me, but evil?

19 And he said, Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on his throne, and all the host of heaven standing by him on his right hand and on his left.[n]

20 And the LORD said, Who shall [6]persuade Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one said on this manner, and another said on that manner.

21 And there came forth a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will persuade him.

22 And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go forth, and I will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said, Thou shalt persuade *him*, and prevail also: go forth, and do so.[o]

23 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil concerning thee.[p]

24 But Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah went near, and smote Micaiah on the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee?[q]

25 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see in that day, when thou shalt go [7]into an inner chamber to hide thyself.[r]

26 And the king of Israel said, Take Micaiah, and carry him back unto Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son;

l Numb xxii. 38

m Matt. ix 36

n Job i. 6, ii 1; Ps ciii 20, 21, Isa. vi 1, Dan vii. 9, 10, Zech i 10, Matt. xviii. 10, Heb i. 7, 14

5 Heb *floor*

o Judg ix. 23; Job xii. 16, Ezek. xiv. 9, 2 Thess. ii. 11.

p Ezek. xiv. 9

q 2 Chron. xviii. 23.

7 Or, *from chamber to chamber.* Heb. *a chamber in a chamber.*

r ch. xx. 30.

27 And say, Thus saith the king, Put this *fellow* in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I come in peace.

28 And Micaiah said, If thou return at all in peace, the LORD hath not spoken by me. And he said, Hearken, O people, every one of you.[a]

29 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead.

30 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I [1]will disguise myself, and enter into the battle; but put thou on thy robes. And the king of Israel disguised himself, and went into the battle.[b]

31 But the king of Syria commanded his thirty and two captains that had rule over his chariots, saying, Fight neither with small nor great, save only with the king of Israel.

32 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, Surely it *is* the king of Israel. And they turned aside to fight against him: and Jehoshaphat cried out.[c]

33 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it *was* not the king of Israel, that they turned back from pursuing him.

34 And a *certain* man drew a bow [2]at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the [3]joints of the harness: wherefore he said unto the driver of his chariot, Turn thine hand, and carry me out of the host; for I am [4]wounded.[d]

35 And the battle [5]increased that day: and the king was stayed up in his chariot against the Syrians, and died at even: and the blood ran out of the wound into the [6]midst of the chariot.

36 And there went a proclamation throughout the host about the going down of the sun, saying, Every man to his city, and every man to his own country.

37 ¶ So the king died, and [7]was brought to Samaria; and they buried the king in Samaria.

38 And *one* washed the chariot in the pool of Samaria; and the dogs licked up his blood; and they washed his armour; according unto the word of the LORD which he spake.[e]

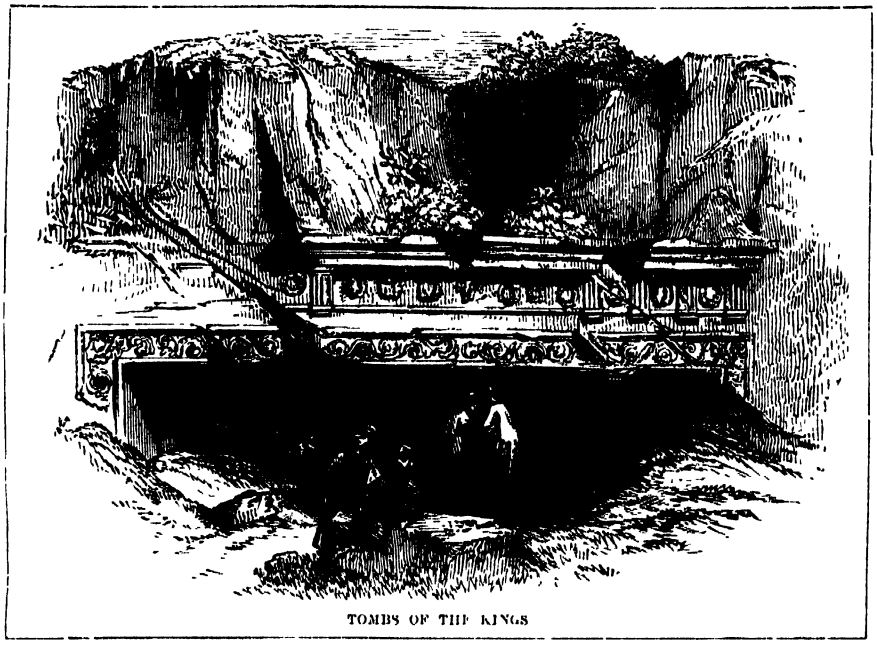
39 Now the rest of the acts of Ahab, and all that he did, and the ivory house which he made, and all the cities that he built, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?[f]

40 So Ahab slept with his fathers; and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.

41 ¶ And Jehoshaphat the son of Asa [8]began to reign over Judah in the fourth year of Ahab king of Israel.[g]

42 Jehoshaphat *was* thirty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.

43 And he walked in all the ways of Asa his father; he turned not aside from it, doing *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD: nevertheless the high places were not taken away; *for* the people offered and burn incense yet in the high places.[h]



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44 And Jehoshaphat made peace with the king of Israel.[i]

45 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, and his might that he shewed, and how he warred, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

46 And the remnant of the sodomites, which remained in the days of his father Asa, he took out of the land.[j]

47 *There was* then no king in Edom: a deputy *was* king.[k]

48 Jehoshaphat [9]made ships of Tharshish to go to Ophir for gold: but they went not; for the ships were broken at Ezion-geber.[l]

49 Then said Ahaziah the son of Ahab unto Jehoshaphat, Let my servants go with thy servants in the ships. But Jehoshaphat would not.

50 ¶ And Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and Jehoram his son reigned in his stead.[m]

51 ¶ Ahaziah the son of Ahab [10]began to reign over Israel in Samaria the seventeenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned two years over Israel.[n]

52 And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother, and in the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin:[o]

53 For he served Baal, and worshipped him, and provoked to anger the LORD God of Israel, according to all that his father had done.[p]

BEFORE CHRIST 897.

f Amos iii. 15.

8 He began to reign alone.

g Numb. xvi 29; Deut. xviii. 20—22.

g ver 51; 2 Chron. xx. 31.

1 Or, *when he was to disguise himself, and enter into the battle.*

b 2 Chron. xxv. 22.

h ch xiv. 23; xv. 14; 2 Kings xii. 3.

i 2 Chron xix. 2.

c 2 Chron. xviii. 31; Prov. xiii. 20.

j ch. xiv 24, xv 12

2 Heb *in his simplicity*

k Gen xxv 23, 2 Sam. viii 14, 2 Kings iii. 9, viii 20.

9 Or, *had ten ships.*

3 Heb *joints and the breastplate.*

l ch ix. 26, x 22, 2 Chron. xx 35, 37, &c

4 Heb *made sick.*

d 2 Sam xv 11.

5 Heb *ascended.*

6 Heb *bosom.*

m 2 Chron. xxi 1.

10 Now he begins to reign alone.

7 Heb. *came.*

n ver 40

o ch xv 26

e ch. xxi. 19

p ch xvi. 31; Judg. ii 11.





THE SECOND BOOK OF THE KINGS,

COMMONLY CALLED THE FOURTH BOOK OF THE KINGS.

CHAPTER I.

1 *Moab rebelleth.* 2 *Ahaziah, sending to Baal-zebub, hath his judgment by Elijah.* 5 *Elijah twice bringeth fire from heaven upon them whom Ahaziah sent to apprehend him.* 13 *He pitieth the third captain, and, encouraged by an angel, telleth the king of his death.* 17 *Jehoram succeedeth Ahaziah*

BEFORE CHRIST 896.

THEN Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of Ahab.[a]

2 And Ahaziah fell down through a lattice in his upper chamber that *was* in Samaria, and was sick: and he sent messengers, and said unto them, Go, enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron whether I shall recover of this disease.[b]

3 But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say unto them, *Is it* not because *there is* not a God in Israel, *that* ye go to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron?

4 Now therefore thus saith the LORD, [1]Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.

a ch iii. 5; 2 Sam. viii. 2

b 1 Sam v. 10.

1 Heb *The bed whither thou art gone up, thou shalt not come down from it.*

5 ¶ And when the messengers turned back unto him, he said unto them, Why are ye now turned back?

6 And they said unto him, There came a man up to meet us, and said unto us, Go, turn again unto the king that sent you, and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD, *Is it* not because *there is* not a God in Israel, *that* thou sendest to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron? therefore thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.

7 And he said unto them, [1]What manner of man *was he* which came up to meet you, and told you these words?

8 And they answered him, *He was* an hairy man, and girt with a girdle of leather about his loins. And he said, It *is* Elijah the Tishbite.[a]

9 Then the king sent unto him a captain of fifty with his fifty. And he went up to him: and, behold, he sat on the top of an hill. And he spake unto him, Thou man of God, the king hath said, Come down.

10 And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I *be* a man of God, then let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And there came down fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.[b]

11 Again also he sent unto him another captain of fifty with his fifty. And he answered and said unto him, O man of God, thus hath the king said, Come down quickly.

12 And Elijah answered and said unto them, If I *be* a man of God, let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And the fire of God came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

13 ¶ And he sent again a captain of the third fifty with his fifty. And the third captain of fifty went up, and came and [2]fell on his knees before Elijah, and besought him, and said unto him, O man of God, I pray thee, let my life, and the life of these fifty thy servants, be precious in thy sight.[c]

14 Behold, there came fire down from heaven, and burnt up the two captains of the former fifties with their fifties: therefore let my life now be precious in thy sight.

15 And the angel of the LORD said unto Elijah, Go down with him: be not afraid of him. And he arose, and went down with him unto the king.

16 And he said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers to enquire of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron, *is it* not because *there is* no God in Israel to enquire of his word? therefore thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.

17 ¶ So he died according to the word of the LORD which Elijah had spoken. And [3]Jehoram reigned in his stead in the second year of Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah; because he had no son.[d]

18 Now the rest of the acts of Ahaziah which he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

BEFORE CHRIST 896.

1 Heb *What was the manner of the man?*

e 1 Kings xix. 21

a Zech. xiii 4; Matt. iii. 4

f vs. 4, 6; ch. iv. 30; 1 Sam. i. 26.

g vs. 5, 7, 15, ch. iv. 1, 38, ix. 1, 1 Kings xx. 35

b Luke ix. 54

2 Heb *bowed*

c 1 Sam. xxvi. 21, Ps. lxxii. 14

4 Heb *in sight, or over against*

h ver. 14, Exod. xiv. 21, Josh. iii. 16.

5 Heb *Thou hast done hard in asking.*

3 The second year that *Jehoram* was *Prorex*, and the eighteenth of *Jehoshaphat.*

i ch. vi. 17; Ps. civ. 4.

d ch. iii. 1.

j ch. xiii. 14.

CHAPTER II.

1 Elijah, taking his leave of Elisha, with his mantle divideth Jordan, 9 and, granting Elisha his request, is taken up by a fiery chariot into heaven. 12 Elisha, dividing Jordan with Elijah's mantle, is acknowledged his successor. 16 The young prophets, hardly obtaining leave to seek Elijah, could not find him. 19 Elisha with salt healeth the unwholesome waters. 23 Bears destroy the children that mocked Elisha.

AND it came to pass, when the LORD would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.[e]

2 And Elijah said unto Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to Beth-el. And Elisha said *unto him, As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they went down to Beth-el.[f]

3 And the sons of the prophets that *were* at Beth-el came forth to Elisha, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he said, Yea, I know *it;* hold ye your peace.[g]

4 And Elijah said unto him, Elisha, tarry here, I pray thee; for the LORD hath sent me to Jericho. And he said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. So they came to Jericho.

5 And the sons of the prophets that *were* at Jericho came to Elisha, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he answered, Yea, I know *it;* hold ye your peace.

6 And Elijah said unto him, Tarry, I pray thee, here: for the LORD hath sent me to Jordan. And he said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And they two went on.

7 And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went, and stood [4]to view afar off: and they two stood by Jordan.

8 And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped *it* together, and smote the waters, and they were divided hither and thither, so that they two went over on dry ground.[h]

9 ¶ And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me.

10 And he said, [5]Thou hast asked a hard thing: *nevertheless,* if thou see me *when I am* taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be *so.*

11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, *there appeared* a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.[i]

12 ¶ And Elisha saw *it,* and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces.[j]



ELIJAH ASCENDING TO HEAVEN IN THE PRESENCE OF ELISHA.

13 He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the [1]bank of Jordan;

14 And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and smote the waters, and said, Where *is* the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither: and Elisha went over.[a]

15 And when the sons of the prophets which *were* to view at Jericho saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him.[b]

16 ¶ And they said unto him, Behold now, there be with thy servants fifty [2]strong men; let them go, we pray thee, and seek thy master: lest peradventure the Spirit of the LORD hath taken him up, and cast him upon [3]some mountain, or into some valley. And he said, Ye shall not send.[c]

17 And when they urged him till he was ashamed, he said, Send. They sent therefore fifty men; and they sought three days, but found him not.

BEFORE CHRIST 896

1 Heb. *lip*

a ver 8

4 Heb. *causing to miscarry.*

b ver. 7

2 Heb. *sons of strength.*

d ch. iv. 41; vi. 6; Exod xv 25; John ix. 6.

3 Heb. *one of the mountains.*

c 1 Kings xviii. 12; Ezek. viii. 3; Acts viii. 39.

18 And when they came again to him, (for he tarried at Jericho,) he said unto them, Did I not say unto you, Go not?

19 ¶ And the men of the city said unto Elisha, Behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city *is* pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water *is* naught, and the ground [4]barren.

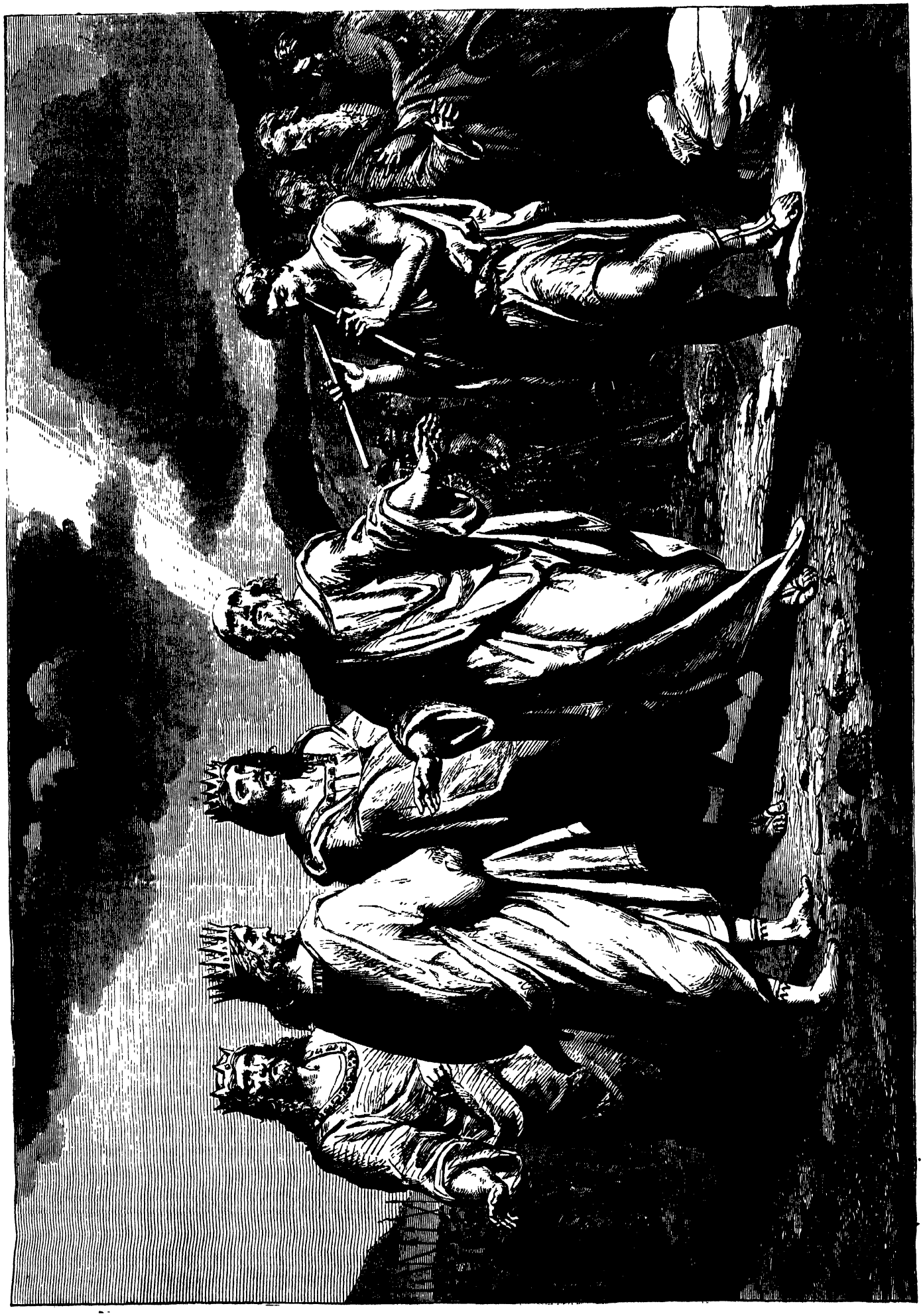
20 And he said, Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they brought *it* to him.

21 And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith the LORD, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren *land*.[d]

22 So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he spake.

23 ¶ And he went up from thence unto Beth-el: and as he was going up by the way, there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, thou bald head; go up, thou bald head.

24 And he turned back, and looked on them, and



ELISHA PROPHESYING BEFORE JEHOSHAPHAT AND TWO OTHER KINGS.

cursed them in the name of the LORD. And there came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of them.

25 And he went from thence to mount Carmel, and from thence he returned to Samaria.

CHAPTER III.

1 *Jehoram's reign.* 4 *Mesha rebelleth.* 6 *Jehoram, with Jehoshaphat, and the king of Edom, being distressed for want of water, by Elisha obtaineth water, and promise of victory.* 21 *The Moabites, deceived by the colour of the water, coming to spoil, are overcome.* 26 *The king of Moab, by sacrificing the king of Edom's son, raiseth the siege.*

NOW Jehoram the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and reigned twelve years.

2 And he wrought evil in the sight of the LORD; but not like his father, and like his mother: for he put away the [1]image of Baal that his father had made.[a]

3 Nevertheless he cleaved unto the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.

4 ¶ And Mesha king of Moab was a sheepmaster, and rendered unto the king of Israel an hundred thousand lambs, and an hundred thousand rams, with the wool.

5 But it came to pass, when Ahab was dead, that the king of Moab rebelled against the king of Israel.[b]

6 ¶ And king Jehoram went out of Samaria the same time, and numbered all Israel.

7 And he went and sent to Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, saying, The king of Moab hath rebelled against me: wilt thou go with me against Moab to battle? And he said, I will go up: I *am* as thou *art*, my people as thy people, *and* my horses as thy horses.[c]

8 And he said, Which way shall we go up? And he answered, The way through the wilderness of Edom.

9 So the king of Israel went, and the king of Judah, and the king of Edom: and they fetched a compass of seven days' journey: and there was no water for the host, and for the cattle [2]that followed them.[d]

10 And the king of Israel said, Alas! that the LORD hath called these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand of Moab!

11 But Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD, that we may enquire of the LORD by him? And one of the king of Israel's servants answered and said, Here *is* Elisha the son of Shaphat, which poured water on the hands of Elijah.[e]

12 And Jehoshaphat said, The word of the LORD is with him. So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom went down to him.[f]

13 And Elisha said unto the king of Israel, What have I to do with thee? get thee to the prophets of thy father, and to the prophets of thy mother. And the king of Israel said unto him, Nay: for the LORD hath called these three kings together, to deliver them into the hand of Moab.[g]

14 And Elisha said, *As* the LORD of hosts liveth, before whom I stand, surely, were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, I would not look toward thee, nor see thee.[h]

15 But now bring me a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the hand of the LORD came upon him.[i]

16 And he said, Thus saith the LORD, Make this valley full of ditches.

17 For thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not see wind, neither shall ye see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, that ye may drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts.

18 And this is *but* a light thing in the sight of the LORD: he will deliver the Moabites also into your hand.

19 And ye shall smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and shall fell every good tree, and stop all wells of water, and [3]mar every good piece of land with stones.

BEFORE CHRIST 896.

h ch. v. 16; 1 Kings xvii. 1.

i 1 Sam x. 5, Ezek. i. 3, iii. 14, 22, viii 1

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a 1 Kings xvi 31, 32.

b ch. i 1

c 1 Kings xxii 4.



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d Exod. xi. 8.

e 1 Kings xxii. 7.

f ch. ii. 25.

j Exod. xxix. 39, 40.

4 Heb. *were cried together.*

5 Heb. *gird himself with a girdle.*

g Judg. x. 14; Ruth i. 15; 1 Kings xviii. 19; Ezek. xiv. 3.

20 And it came to pass in the morning, when the meat offering was offered, that, behold, there came water by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water.[j]

21 ¶ And when all the Moabites heard that the kings were come up to fight against them, they [4]gathered all that were able to [5]put on armour, and upward, and stood in the border.

22 And they rose up early in the morning, and the

sun shone upon the water, and the Moabites saw the water on the other side *as* red as blood:

23 And they said, This *is* blood: the kings are surely [1]slain, and they have smitten one another: now therefore, Moab, to the spoil.

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5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought *the vessels* to her; and she poured out.

6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, *There is* not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.

7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy [5]debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest.

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9 And she said unto her husband, Behold now, I perceive that this *is* an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually.

10 Let us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed, and a table, and a stool, and a candlestick: and it shall be, when he cometh to us, that he shall turn in thither.

11 And it fell on a day, that he came thither, and he turned into the chamber, and lay there.

12 And he said to Gehazi his servant, Call this Shunammite. And when he had called her, she stood before him.

13 And he said unto him, Say now unto her, Behold, thou hast been careful for us with all this care; what *is* to be done for thee? wouldest thou be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the host? And she answered, I dwell among mine own people.

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18 ¶ And when the child was grown, it fell on a day, that he went out to his father to the reapers.

19 And he said unto his father, My head, my head. And he said to a lad, Carry him to his mother.

20 And when he had taken him, and brought him to his mother, he sat on her knees till noon, and *then* died.

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23 And he said, Wherefore wilt thou go to him to day? *it is* neither new moon, nor sabbath. And she said, *It shall be* [9]well.

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25 So she went and came unto the man of God to mount Carmel. And it came to pass, when the man of God saw her afar off, that he said to Gehazi his servant, Behold, *yonder is* that Shunammite:[f]

26 Run now, I pray thee, to meet her, and say unto her, *Is it* well with thee? *is it* well with thy husband? *is it* well with the child? And she answered, *It is* well.

27 And when she came to the man of God to the hill, she caught him [11]by the feet: but Gehazi came near to thrust her away. And the man of God said,

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28 Then she said, Did I desire a son of my lord? did I not say, Do not deceive me?[e]

29 Then he said to Gehazi, Gird up thy loins, and take my staff in thine hand, and go thy way: if thou meet any man, salute him not; and if any salute thee, answer him not again: and lay my staff upon the face of the child.[b]

30 And the mother of the child said, *As* the LORD liveth, and *as* thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee. And he arose, and followed her.[c]

31 And Gehazi passed on before them, and laid the staff upon the face of the child; but *there was* neither voice, nor [2]hearing. Wherefore he went again to meet him, and told him, saying, The child is not awaked.

32 And when Elisha was come into the house, behold, the child was dead, *and* laid upon his bed.

33 He went in therefore, and shut the door upon them twain, and prayed unto the LORD.[d]

34 And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands: and he stretched himself upon the child; and the flesh of the child waxed warm.[e]

35 Then he returned, and walked in the house [3]to and fro; and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times, and the child opened his eyes.[f]

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37 Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the ground, and took up her son, and went out.

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39 And one went out into the field to gather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came and shred *them* into the pot of pottage: for they knew *them* not.

40 So they poured out for the men to eat. And it came to pass, as they were eating of the pottage, that they cried out, and said, O *thou* man of God, *there is* death in the pot. And they could not eat *thereof*.

41 But he said, Then bring meal. And he cast *it* into the pot; and he said, Pour out for the people, that they may eat. And there was no [4]harm in the pot.[g]

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h 1 Sam. ix. 4, 7; 1 Cor. ix. 11; Gal. vi. 6.

CHAPTER V.

1 *Naaman, by the report of a captive maid, is sent to Samaria to be cured of his leprosy.* 8 *Elisha, sending him to Jordan, cureth him.* 15 *He refusing Naaman's gifts granteth him some of the earth.* 20 *Gehazi, abusing his master's name unto Naaman, is smitten with leprosy.*

NOW Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man [6]with his master, and [7]honourable, because by him the LORD had given [8]deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, *but he was* a leper.[k]

2 And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she [9]waited on Naaman's wife.

3 And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord *were* [10]with the prophet that *is* in Samaria! for he would [11]recover him of his leprosy.

4 And *one* went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that *is* of the land of Israel.

5 And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took [12]with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand *pieces* of gold, and ten changes of raiment.[l]

6 And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have *therewith* sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

7 And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, *Am* I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me.[m]

8 ¶ And it was *so*, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.

9 So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha.

10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.[n]

11 But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, [13]I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and [14]strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper.

12 *Are* not [15]Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage.

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14 Heb. *move up and down*.

15 Or, *Amana*.

5 Or, *in his scrip*, or, *garment*.

h 1 Sam. ix. 4, 7; 1 Cor. ix. 11; Gal. vi. 6.

CHAPTER V.

1 *Naaman, by the report of a captive maid, is sent to Samaria to be cured of his leprosy.* 8 *Elisha, sending him to Jordan, cureth him.* 15 *He refusing Naaman's gifts granteth him some of the earth.* 20 *Gehazi, abusing his master's name unto Naaman, is smitten with leprosy.*

NOW Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man [6]with his master, and [7]honourable, because by him the LORD had given [8]deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, *but he was* a leper.[k]

2 And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she [9]waited on Naaman's wife.

3 And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord *were* [10]with the prophet that *is* in Samaria! for he would [11]recover him of his leprosy.

4 And *one* went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that *is* of the land of Israel.

5 And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took [12]with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand *pieces* of gold, and ten changes of raiment.[l]

6 And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have *therewith* sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

7 And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, *Am* I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me.[m]

8 ¶ And it was *so*, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.

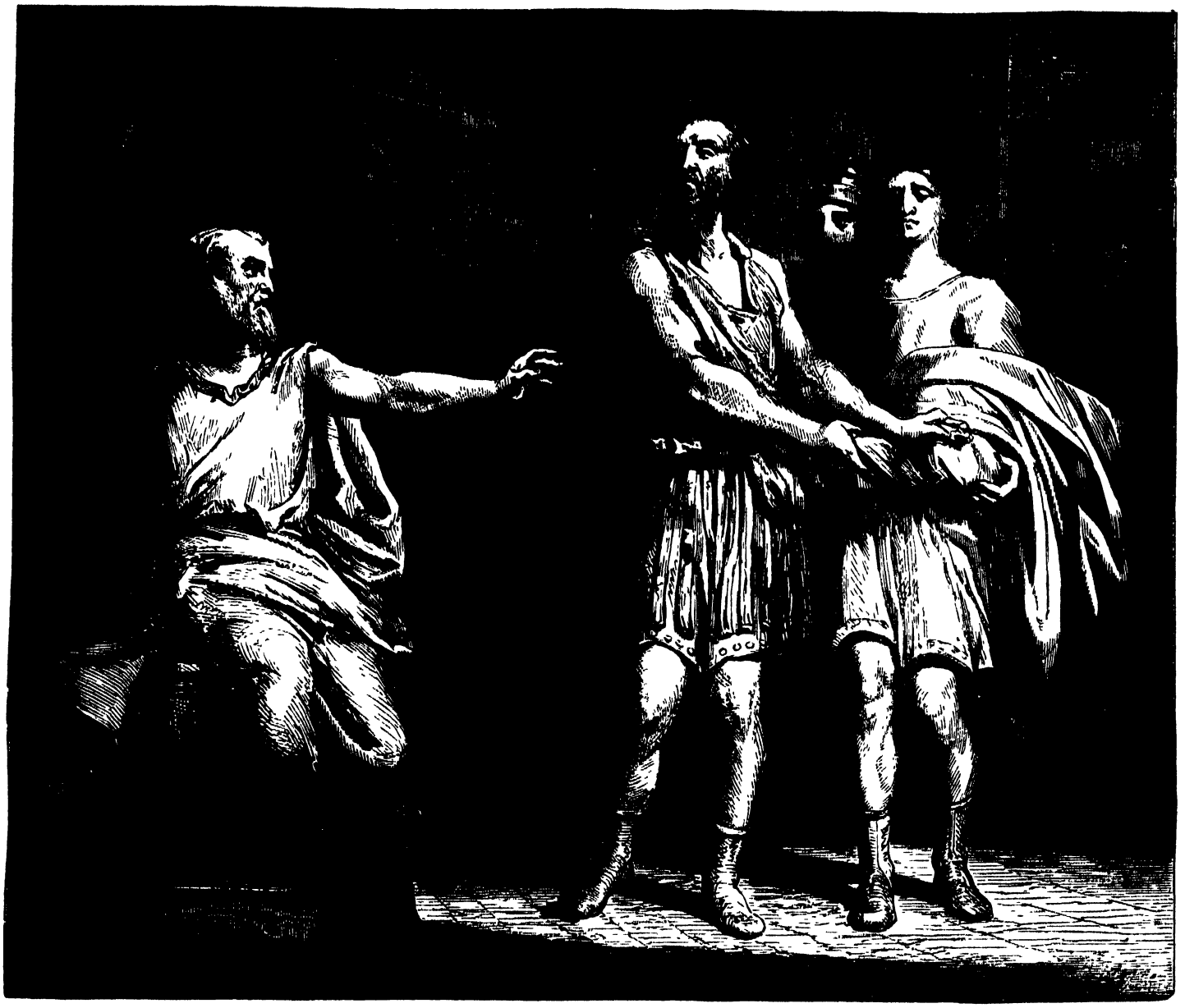
9 So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha.

10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.[n]

11 But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, [13]I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and [14]strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper.

12 *Are* not [15]Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage.

13 And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, *if* the prophet had bid thee



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do some great thing, wouldest thou not have done *it?* how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean?

14 Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.[a]

15 ¶ And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that *there is* no God in all the earth, but in Israel: now therefore, I pray thee, take a blessing of thy servant.[b]

16 But he said, *As* the LORD liveth, before whom I stand, I will receive none. And he urged him to take *it;* but he refused.[c]

17 And Naaman said, Shall there not then, I pray thee, be given to thy servant two mules' burden of earth? for thy servant will henceforth offer neither burnt offering nor sacrifice unto other gods, but unto the LORD.

18 In this thing the LORD pardon thy servant, *that* when my master goeth into the house of Rimmon to worship there, and he leaneth on my hand, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon: when I bow down myself in the house of Rimmon, the LORD pardon thy servant in this thing.[d]

19 And he said unto him, Go in peace. So he departed from him [1]a little way.

20 ¶ But Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said, Behold, my master hath spared Naaman this Syrian, in not receiving at his hands that which he brought: but, *as* the LORD liveth, I will run after him, and take somewhat of him.

21 So Gehazi followed after Naaman. And when Naaman saw *him* running after him, he lighted down from the chariot to meet him, and said, [2]*Is* all well?

22 And he said, All *is* well. My master hath sent me, saying, Behold, even now there be come to me from mount Ephraim two young men of the sons of the prophets: give them, I pray thee, a talent of silver, and two changes of garments.

23 And Naaman said, Be content, take two talents.

BEFORE CHRIST 891

d ch. vii. 2, 17

a Job xxxiii. 25; Luke iv. 27

1 Heb. *a little piece of ground*, as Gen. xxxv. 16

b Gen. xxxiii. 11; Dan. ii. 47, iii. 29, vi. 26, 27.

c Gen. xiv. 23, Matt. x. 8; Acts viii. 18, 20.

2 Heb. *Is there peace?*

And he urged him, and bound two talents of silver in two bags, with two changes of garments, and laid *them* upon two of his servants; and they bare *them* before him.

24 And when he came to the [1]tower, he took *them* from their hand, and bestowed *them* in the house: and he let the men go, and they departed.

25 But he went in, and stood before his master. And Elisha said unto him, Whence *comest thou*, Gehazi? And he said, Thy servant went [2]no whither.

26 And he said unto him, Went not mine heart *with thee*, when the man turned again from his chariot to meet thee? *Is it* a time to receive money, and to receive garments, and oliveyards, and vineyards, and sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and maidservants?

27 The leprosy therefore of Naaman shall cleave unto thee, and unto thy seed for ever. And he went out from his presence a leper *as white* as snow.[a]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Elisha, giving leave to the young prophets to enlarge their dwellings, causeth iron to swim.* 8 *He discloseth the king of Syria's counsel.* 13 *The army, which was sent to Dothan to apprehend Elisha, is smitten with blindness.* 19 *Being brought into Samaria, they are dismissed in peace.* 24 *The famine in Samaria causeth women to eat their own children.* 30 *The king sendeth to slay Elisha.*

AND the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell with thee is too strait for us.[b]

2 Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and take thence every man a beam, and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he answered, Go ye.

3 And one said, Be content, I pray thee, and go with thy servants. And he answered, I will go.

4 So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they cut down wood.

5 But as one was felling a beam, the [3]ax head fell into the water: and he cried, and said, Alas, master! for it was borrowed.

6 And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place. And he cut down a stick, and cast *it* in thither; and the iron did swim.[c]

7 Therefore said he, Take *it* up to thee. And he put out his hand, and took it.

8 ¶ Then the king of Syria warred against Israel, and took counsel with his servants, saying, In such and such a place *shall be* [4]my camp.

9 And the man of God sent unto the king of Israel, saying, Beware that thou pass not such a place; for thither the Syrians are come down.

10 And the king of Israel sent to the place which the man of God told him and warned him of, and saved himself there, not once nor twice.

11 Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing; and he called his servants, and said unto them, Will ye not shew me which of us *is* for the king of Israel?

BEFORE CHRIST 896.

5 Heb. *No.*

1 Or, *secret place.*

a Gen. xxxvii. 17.

6 Heb. *heavy.*

2 Heb. *not hither or thither.*

7 Or, *minister.*

e 2 Chron. xxxii 7; Psa. lv. 18; Rom. viii. 31.

a ch xv. 5; Exod. iv 6, Numb xii 10, 1 Tim vi. 10.

f ch ii 11; Ps xxxiv 7, lxviii. 17; Zech. i. 8; vi. 1—7.

g Gen. xix 11.

8 Heb *come ye after me*

b ch iv. 38.

3 Heb *iron.*

h Rom. xii. 20.

c ch. ii 21.

i vs 8, 9; ch v 2.

4 Or, *encamping.*

9 Or, *Let not the LORD save thee.*

12 And one of his servants said, [5]None, my lord, O king: but Elisha, the prophet that *is* in Israel, telleth the king of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber.

13 ¶ And he said, Go and spy where he *is*, that I may send and fetch him. And it was told him, saying, Behold, *he is* in Dothan.[d]

14 Therefore sent he thither horses, and chariots, and a [6]great host: and they came by night, and compassed the city about.

15 And when the [7]servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do?

16 And he answered, Fear not: for they that *be* with us *are* more than they that *be* with them.[e]

17 And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain *was* full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.[f]

18 And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the LORD, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.[g]

19 ¶ And Elisha said unto them, This *is* not the way, neither *is* this the city: [8]follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom ye seek. But he led them to Samaria.

20 And it came to pass, when they were come into Samaria, that Elisha said, LORD, open the eyes of these *men*, that they may see. And the LORD opened their eyes, and they saw; and, behold, *they were* in the midst of Samaria.

21 And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them, My father, shall I smite *them?* shall I smite *them?*

22 And he answered, Thou shalt not smite *them:* wouldest thou smite those whom thou hast taken captive with thy sword and with thy bow? set bread and water before them, that they may eat and drink, and go to their master.[h]

23 And he prepared great provision for them: and when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. So the bands of Syria came no more into the land of Israel.[i]

24 ¶ And it came to pass after this, that Ben-hadad king of Syria gathered all his host, and went up, and besieged Samaria.

25 And there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold, they besieged it, until an ass's head was *sold* for fourscore *pieces* of silver, and the fourth part of a cab of dove's dung for five *pieces* of silver.

26 And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him, saying, Help, my lord, O king.

27 And he said, [9]If the LORD do not help thee, whence shall I help thee? out of the barnfloor, or out of the winepress?

28 And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered, This woman said unto me, Give

thy son, that we may eat him to day, and we will eat my son to morrow.

29 So we boiled my son, and did eat him: and I said unto her on the [1]next day, Give thy son, that we may eat him: and she hath hid her son.[a]

30 ¶ And it came to pass, when the king heard the words of the woman, that he rent his clothes; and he passed by upon the wall, and the people looked, and, behold, *he had* sackcloth within upon his flesh.[b]

31 Then he said, God do so and more also to me, if the head of Elisha the son of Shaphat shall stand on him this day.[c]

32 But Elisha sat in his house, and the elders sat with him; and *the king* sent a man from before him: but ere the messenger came to him, he said to the elders, See ye how this son of a murderer hath sent to take away mine head? look, when the messenger cometh, shut the door, and hold him fast at the door: *is* not the sound of his master's feet behind him?[d]

33 And while he yet talked with them, behold, the messenger came down unto him: and he said, Behold, this evil *is* of the LORD; what should I wait for the LORD any longer?

BEFORE CHRIST 892.

1 Heb. *other.*

a Lev. xxvi. 29; Deut. xxviii. 53, 57.

b ch. xix. 7; 2 Sam. v 24; 1 Kings x. 29; Job xv. 21.

c Ps. xlviii. 4—6; Prov. xxviii. 1.

d 1 Kings xxi. 27.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Elisha prophesieth incredible plenty in Samaria.* 3 *Four lepers, venturing on the host of the Syrians, bring tidings of their flight.* 12 *The king, finding by spies the news to be true, spoileth the tents of the Syrians.* 17 *The lord, who would not believe the prophecy of plenty, having the charge of the gate, is trodden to death in the press.*

THEN Elisha said, Hear ye the word of the LORD; Thus saith the LORD, To morrow about this time *shall* a measure of fine flour *be sold* for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria.[e]

2 Then [2]a lord on whose hand the king leaned answered the man of God, and said, Behold, *if* the LORD would make windows in heaven, might this thing be? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see *it* with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof.[f]

3 ¶ And there were four leprous men at the entering in of the gate: and they said one to another, Why sit we here until we die?[g]

4 If we say, We will enter into the city, then the famine *is* in the city, and we shall die there: and if we sit still here, we die also. Now therefore come, and let us fall unto the host of the Syrians: if they save us alive, we shall live; and if they kill us, we shall but die.

5 And they rose up in the twilight, to go unto the camp of the Syrians: and when they were come to the uttermost part of the camp of Syria, behold, *there was* no man there.

e vs. 18, 19.

2 Heb *a lord which belonged to the king leaning upon his hand.*

3 Heb *we shall find punishment.*

f vs. 17, 19, 20; ch. v. 18; Mal. ii. 10.

g Lev. xiii. 46.

6 For the Lord had made the host of the Syrians to hear a noise of chariots, and a noise of horses, *even* the noise of a great host: and they said one to another, Lo, the king of Israel hath hired against us the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the Egyptians, to come upon us.[h]

7 Wherefore they arose and fled in the twilight, and left their tents, and their horses, and their asses, even the camp as it *was*, and fled for their life.[i]

8 And when these lepers came to the uttermost part of the camp, they went into one tent, and did eat and drink, and carried thence silver, and gold, and raiment, and went and hid *it;* and came again, and entered into another tent, and carried thence *also*, and went and hid *it.*

9 Then they said one to another, We do not well: this day *is* a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, [3]some mischief will come upon us: now therefore come, that we may go and tell the king's houshold.

h Ps. xlviii. 4—6; Prov. xxviii. 1.

i 1 Kings xxi. 27.



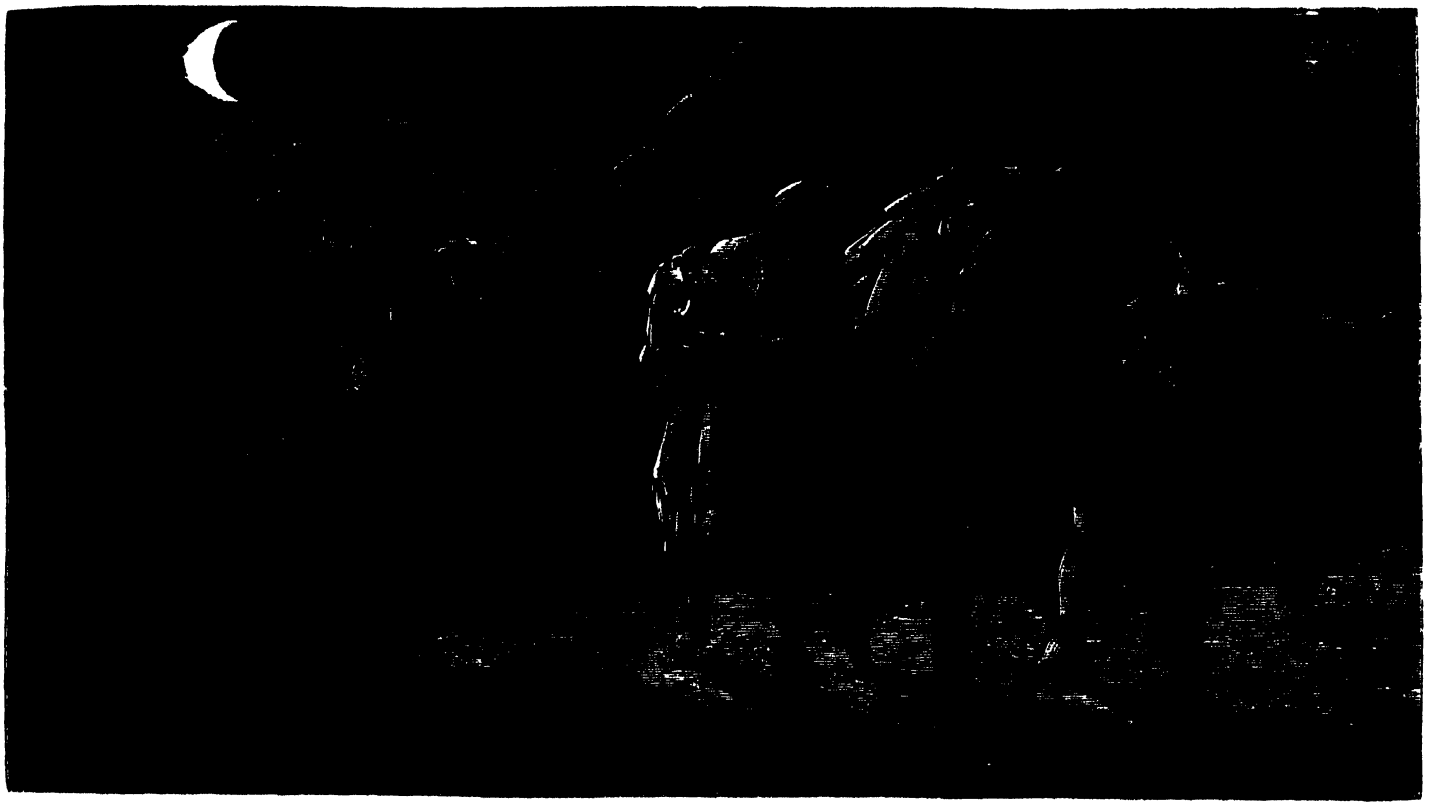
GENERAL VIEW OF SAMARIA AND MOUNT GERIZIM.

10 So they came and called unto the porter of the city: and they told them, saying, We came to the camp of the Syrians, and, behold, *there was* no man there, neither voice of man, but horses tied, and asses tied, and the tents as they *were.*

11 And he called the porters; and they told *it* to the king's house within.

12 ¶ And the king arose in the night, and said unto his servants, I will now shew you what the Syrians have done to us. They know that we *be* hungry; therefore are they gone out of the camp to hide themselves in the field, saying, When they come out of the city, we shall catch them alive, and get into the city.

c 1 Kings xvii. 4; Ezek. viii. 1; xx. 1; Luke xiii. 32.



THE FOUR LEPERS DISCOVERING THE DESERTED CAMP OF THE SYRIANS.

13 And one of his servants answered and said, Let *some* take, I pray thee, five of the horses that remain, which are left [1]in the city, (behold, they *are* as all the multitude of Israel that are left in it: behold, *I say*, they *are* even as all the multitude of the Israelites that are consumed:) and let us send and see.

14 They took therefore two chariot horses; and the king sent after the host of the Syrians, saying, Go and see.

15 And they went after them unto Jordan: and, lo, all the way *was* full of garments and vessels, which the Syrians had cast away in their haste. And the messengers returned, and told the king.

16 And the people went out, and spoiled the tents of the Syrians. So a measure of fine flour was *sold* for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, according to the word of the LORD.[a]

17 ¶ And the king appointed the lord on whose hand he leaned to have the charge of the gate: and the people trode upon him in the gate, and he died, as the man of God had said, who spake when the king came down to him.[b]

18 And it came to pass as the man of God had spoken to the king, saying, Two measures of barley for a shekel, and a measure of fine flour for a shekel, shall be to morrow about this time in the gate of Samaria:[c]

19 And that lord answered the man of God, and said, Now, behold, *if* the LORD should make windows in heaven, might such a thing be? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof.

20 And so it fell out unto him: for the people trode upon him in the gate, and he died.

BEFORE CHRIST 892.

1 Heb *in it*

d ch. iv. 35; Ps. cv. 16; Hagg. i. 11.

a ver. 1

b ver. 2; ch. vi. 32.

c ver. 1.

e ch. v. 27

f ch. iv. 35.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The Shunammite, having left her country seven years, to avoid the foretold famine, for Elisha's miracle sake hath her land restored by the king.* 7 *Hazael, being sent with a present by Ben-hadad to Elisha at Damascus, after he had heard the prophecy, killeth his master, and succeedeth him.* 16 *Jehoram's wicked reign in Judah.* 20 *Edom and Libnah revolt.* 23 *Ahaziah succeedeth Jehoram.* 25 *Ahaziah's wicked reign.* 28 *He visiteth Jehoram wounded, at Jezreel.*

THEN spake Elisha unto the woman, whose son he had restored to life, saying, Arise, and go thou and thine household, and sojourn wheresoever thou canst sojourn: for the LORD hath called for a famine; and itshall also come upon the land seven years.[d]

2 And the woman arose, and did after the saying of the man of God: and she went with her houshold, and sojourned in the land of the Philistines seven years.

3 And it came to pass at the seven years' end, that the woman returned out of the land of the Philistines: and she went forth to cry unto the king for her house and for her land.

4 And the king talked with Gehazi the servant of the man of God, saying, Tell me, I pray thee, all the great things that Elisha hath done.[e]

5 And it came to pass, as he was telling the king how he had restored a dead body to life, that, behold, the woman, whose son he had restored to life, cried to the king for her house and for her land. And Gehazi said, My lord, O king, this *is* the woman, and this *is* her son, whom Elisha restored to life.[f]



HAZAEL BRINGING PRESENTS TO ELISHA FROM BEN-HADAD.

6 And when the king asked the woman, she told him. So the king appointed unto her a certain [1]officer, saying, Restore all that *was* her's, and all the fruits of the field since the day that she left the land, even until now.

7 ¶ And Elisha came to Damascus; and Ben-hadad the king of Syria was sick; and it was told him, saying, The man of God is come hither.

8 And the king said unto Hazael, Take a present in thine hand, and go, meet the man of God, and enquire of the LORD by him, saying, Shall I recover of this disease?[c]

9 So Hazael went to meet him, and took a present [2]with him, even of every good thing of Damascus, forty camels' burden, and came and stood before him, and said, Thy son Ben-hadad king of Syria hath sent me to thee, saying, Shall I recover of this disease?

10 And Elisha said unto him, Go, say unto him, Thou mayest certainly recover: howbeit the LORD hath shewed me that he shall surely die.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 892.

3 Heb *and set it*

1 Or, *eunuch*

c ch x. 32, xii. 17; xiii. 3, 7; xv. 16; Hos. xiii. 16, Amos i. 3, 13.

a ch i. 2, v. 5; 1 Sam. ix. 7, 1 Kings xiv. 3; xix. 15

d 1 Sam. xvii. 43; 1 Kings xix. 15.

2 Heb. *in his hand.*

b ver 15

11 And he [3]settled his countenance [3]stedfastly, until he was ashamed: and the man of God wept.

12 And Hazael said, Why weepeth my lord? And he answered, Because I know the evil that thou wilt do unto the children of Israel: their strong holds wilt thou set on fire, and their young men wilt thou slay with the sword, and wilt dash their children, and rip up their women with child.[e]

13 And Hazael said, But what, *is* thy servant a dog, that he should do this great thing? And Elisha answered, The LORD hath shewed me that thou *shalt be* king over Syria.[d]

14 So he departed from Elisha, and came to his master; who said to him, What said Elisha to thee? And he answered, He told me *that* thou shouldest surely recover.

15 And it came to pass on the morrow, that he took a thick cloth, and dipped *it* in water, and spread *it* on his face, so that he died: and Hazael reigned in his stead.

16 ¶ And in the fifth year of Joram the son of

Ahab king of Israel, Jehoshaphat *being* then king of Judah, Jehoram the son of Jenoshaphat king of Judah [1]began to reign.[a]

17 Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem.[b]

18 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did the house of Ahab: for the daughter of Ahab was his wife: and he did evil in the sight of the LORD.[c]

19 Yet the LORD would not destroy Judah for David his servant's sake, as he promised him to give him alway a [2]light, *and* to his children.[d]

20 ¶ In his days Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah, and made a king over themselves.[e]

21 So Joram went over to Zair, and all the chariots with him: and he rose by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him about, and the captains of the chariots: and the people fled into their tents.

22 Yet Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day.[3] Then Libnah revolted at the same time.[f]

23 And the rest of the acts of Joram, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

24 And Joram slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and [4]Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.[g]

25 ¶ In the twelfth year of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel did Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah begin to reign.

26 Two and twenty years old *was* Ahaziah when he began to reign; and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Athaliah, the [5]daughter of Omri king of Israel.[h]

27 And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab, and did evil in the sight of the LORD, as *did* the house of Ahab: for he *was* the son in law of the house of Ahab.[i]

28 ¶ And he went with Joram the son of Ahab to the war against Hazael king of Syria in Ramoth-gilead; and the Syrians wounded Joram.[j]

29 And king Joram went back to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds [6]which the Syrians had given him at [7]Ramah, when he fought against Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Joram the son of Ahab in Jezreel, because he was [8]sick.[k]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Elisha sendeth a young prophet with instructions to anoint Jehu at Ramoth-gilead.* 4 *The prophet having done his message fleeth.* 11 *Jehu, being made king by the soldiers, killeth Joram in the field of Naboth* 27 *Ahaziah is slain at Gur, and buried at Jerusalem.* 30 *Proud Jezebel is thrown down out of a window, and eaten by dogs.*

AND Elisha the prophet called one of the children of the prophets, and said unto him, Gird up thy loins, and take this box of oil in thine hand, and go to Ramoth-gilead:[l]

2 And when thou comest thither, look out there Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi, and go in, and make him arise up from among his brethren, and carry him to an [9]inner chamber;[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 884.

1 Heb. *reigned.* Began to reign in consort with his father.

a 2 Chron xxi 3, 4.
n 1 Kings xix 16

b 2 Chron xxi 5, &c.

c ver 26

2 Heb *candle*, or, *lamp.*

d 2 Sam. vii 13, 1 Kings xi 36, xv 4, 2 Chron xxi 7

e ch iii 27, Gen xxvii 40; 1 Kings xxii 47, 2 Chron. xxi 8—10
o 1 Kings xix 16, 2 Chron xxii 7.
p 1 Kings xviii. 4; xxi 15

3 And so fulfilled Gen xxvii 40.

f 2 Chron xxi 10
q Deut. xxxii 36; 1 Sam xxv 22, 1 Kings xiv 10, xxi 21.
r 1 Kings xiv 10, xv 29, xvi. 3, 11, xxi. 22

4 Called *Azariah*, 2 Chron xxii 6; and *Jehoahaz*, 2 Chron xxi. 17, xxv. 23

g 2 Chron xxii. 1.
s vs 35, 36, 1 Kings xxi. 23

5 Or, *granddaughter*, ver 18

h 2 Chron xxii 2

i 2 Chron xxii 3, 4

10 Heb *reigneth.*

j 2 Chron. xxii 5

6 Heb *wherewith the Syrians had wounded*

7 Called *Ramoth*, ver 28

11 Heb *Jehoram.*

12 Heb. *smote.*

8 Heb *wounded.*

k ver 28, ch ix 15, 16; 2 Chron xxii 6, 7.

13 Heb *let no escaper go*, &c

t ch. viii 29

u ch viii. 29

l ch iv 29, viii 28, 29; 1 Kings xx. 35, Jer. i. 17

9 Heb. *chamber in a chamber.*

m vs. 5, 11.

3 Then take the box of oil, and pour *it* on his head, and say, Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee king over Israel. Then open the door, and flee, and tarry not.[n]

4 ¶ So the young man, *even* the young man the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead.

5 And when he came, behold, the captains of the host *were* sitting; and he said, I have an errand to thee, O captain. And Jehu said, Unto which of all us? And he said, To thee, O captain.

6 And he arose, and went into the house; and he poured the oil on his head, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, I have anointed thee king over the people of the LORD, *even* over Israel.[o]

7 And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master, that I may avenge the blood of my servants the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD, at the hand of Jezebel.[p]

8 For the whole house of Ahab shall perish: and I will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel:[q]

9 And I will make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah:[r]

10 And the dogs shall eat Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel, and *there shall be* none to bury *her*. And he opened the door, and fled.[s]

11 ¶ Then Jehu came forth to the servants of his lord: and *one* said unto him, *Is* all well? wherefore came this mad *fellow* to thee? And he said unto them, Ye know the man, and his communication.

12 And they said, *It is* false; tell us now. And he said, Thus and thus spake he to me, saying, Thus saith the LORD, I have anointed thee king over Israel.

13 Then they hasted, and took every man his garment, and put *it* under him on the top of the stairs, and blew with trumpets, saying, Jehu [10]is king.

14 So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi conspired against Joram. (Now Joram had kept Ramoth-gilead, he and all Israel, because of Hazael king of Syria.

15 But king [11]Joram was returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians [12]had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria.) And Jehu said, If it be your minds, *then* [13]let none go forth *nor* escape out of the city to go to tell *it* in Jezreel.[t]

16 So Jehu rode in a chariot, and went to Jezreel; for Joram lay there. And Ahaziah king of Judah was come down to see Joram.[u]

17 And there stood a watchman on the tower in Jezreel, and he spied the company of Jehu as he came, and said, I see a company. And Joram said, Take an horseman, and send to meet them, and let him say, *Is it* peace?

18 So there went one on horseback to meet him, and said, Thus saith the king, *Is it* peace? And Jehu said, What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me. And the watchman told, saying, The messenger came to them, but he cometh not again.

19 Then he sent out a second on horseback, which came to them, and said, Thus saith the king, *Is it*

peace? And Jehu answered, What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind me.

20 And the watchman told, saying, He came even unto them, and cometh not again: and the [1]driving *is* like the driving of Jehu the son of Nimshi; for he driveth [2]furiously.

21 And Joram said, [3]Make ready. And his chariot was made ready. And Joram king of Israel and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot, and they went out against Jehu, and [4]met him in the portion of Naboth the Jezreelite.[a]

22 And it came to pass, when Joram saw Jehu, that he said, *Is it* peace, Jehu? And he answered, What peace, so long as the whoredoms of thy mother Jezebel and her witchcrafts *are so* many?

23 And Joram turned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah, *There is* treachery, O Ahaziah.

24 And Jehu [5]drew a bow with his full strength, and smote Jehoram between his arms, and the arrow went out at his heart, and he [6]sunk down in his chariot.

25 Then said *Jehu* to Bidkar his captain, Take up, *and* cast him in the portion of the field of Naboth the Jezreelite: for remember how that, when I and thou rode together after Ahab his father, the LORD laid this burden upon him;[b]

26 Surely I have seen yesterday the [7]blood of Naboth, and the blood of his sons, saith the LORD; and I will requite thee in this [8]plat, saith the LORD. Now therefore take *and* cast him into the plat *of ground*, according to the word of the LORD.[c]

27 ¶ But when Ahaziah the king of Judah saw *this*, he fled by the way of the garden house. And Jehu followed after him, and said, Smite him also in the chariot. *And they did so* at the going up to Gur, which *is* by Ibleam. And he fled to [9]Megiddo, and died there.[d]

28 And his servants carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and buried him in his sepulchre with his fathers in the city of David.

29 And in the eleventh year of Joram the son of Ahab began Ahaziah to reign over Judah.[10]

30 ¶ And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard *of it;* and she [11]painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window.[e]

31 And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, *Had* Zimri peace, who slew his master?

32 And he lifted up his face to the window, and said, Who *is* on my side? who? And there looked out to him two *or* three [12]eunuchs.

33 And he said, Throw her down. So they threw her down: and *some* of her blood was sprinkled on the wall, and on the horses: and he trode her under foot.

34 And when he was come in, he did eat and drink, and said, Go, see now this cursed *woman*, and bury her: for she *is* a king's daughter.[f]

35 And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of *her* hands.

36 Wherefore they came again, and told him. And he said, This *is* the word of the LORD, which he spake [13]by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel:[g]

37 And the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel; *so* that they shall not say, This *is* Jezebel.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 884.

13 Heb. *by the hand of.*
g 1 Kings xxi. 23.
1 Or, *marching.*
2 Heb. *in madness.*
h Ps. lxxxiii. 10.
3 Heb. *Bind.*
4 Heb. *found.*
a 2 Chron. xxii. 7.
5 Heb. *filled his hand with a bow*
14 Heb. *nourishers.*
6 Heb. *bowed.*
b 1 Kings xxi. 29
7 Heb. *bloods.*
8 Or, *portion.*
c 1 Kings xxi. 19.
9 In the kingdom of Samaria.
d 2 Chron. xxii. 9
15 Heb *for me.*
10 Then he began to reign as Viceroy to his Father in his sickness, 2 Chron xxi 18, 19, but in Joram's twelfth year he began to reign alone, ch viii 25
11 Heb *put her eyes in painting*
e 1 Kings xvi 9—20; Ezek. xxiii 40
i 1 Kings xxi. 21.
12 Or, *chamberlains.*
j ch ix. 14, 24.
f 1 Kings xvi. 31.
16 Heb. *by the hand of.*
k 1 Sam. iii. 19; 1 Kings xxi. 19, 21, 29.
17 Or, *acquaintance.*

CHAPTER X.

1 *Jehu, by his letters, causeth seventy of Ahab's children to be beheaded.* 8 *He excuseth the fact by the prophecy of Elijah.* 12 *At the shearing house he slayeth two and forty of Ahaziah's brethren.* 15 *He taketh Jehonadab into his company.* 18 *By subtilty he destroyeth all the worshippers of Baal.* 29 *Jehu followeth Jeroboam's sins.* 32 *Hazael oppresseth Israel.* 34 *Jehoahas succeedeth Jehu.*

AND Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Jehu wrote letters, and sent to Samaria, unto the rulers of Jezreel, to the elders, and to [14]them that brought up Ahab's *children*, saying,

2 Now as soon as this letter cometh to you, seeing your master's sons *are* with you, and *there are* with you chariots and horses, a fenced city also, and armour;

3 Look even out the best and meetest of your master's sons, and set *him* on his father's throne, and fight for your master's house.

4 But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, Behold, two kings stood not before him: how then shall we stand?

5 And he that *was* over the house, and he that *was* over the city, the elders also, and the bringers up *of the children*, sent to Jehu, saying, We *are* thy servants, and will do all that thou shalt bid us; we will not make any king: do thou *that which is* good in thine eyes.

6 Then he wrote a letter the second time to them, saying, If ye *be* [15]mine, and *if* ye will hearken unto my voice, take ye the heads of the men your master's sons, and come to me to Jezreel by to morrow this time. Now the king's sons, *being* seventy persons, *were* with the great men of the city, which brought them up.

7 And it came to pass, when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and slew seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets, and sent him *them* to Jezreel.[i]

8 ¶ And there came a messenger, and told him, saying, They have brought the heads of the king's sons. And he said, Lay ye them in two heaps at the entering in of the gate until the morning.

9 And it came to pass in the morning, that he went out, and stood, and said to all the people, Ye *be* righteous: behold, I conspired against my master, and slew him: but who slew all these?[j]

10 Know now that there shall fall unto the earth nothing of the word of the LORD, which the LORD spake concerning the house of Ahab: for the LORD hath done *that* which he spake [16]by his servant Elijah.[k]

11 So Jehu slew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men, and his [17]kinsfolks, and his priests, until he left him none remaining.

12 ¶ And he arose and departed, and came to Samaria. *And* as he *was* at the [1]shearing house in the way,

13 Jehu [2]met with the brethren of Ahaziah king of Judah, and said, Who *are* ye? And they answered, We *are* the brethren of Ahaziah; and we go down [3]to salute the children of the king and the children of the queen.[a]

14 And he said, Take them alive. And they took them alive, and slew them at the pit of the shearing house, *even* two and forty men; neither left he any of them.

15 ¶ And when he was departed thence, he [4]lighted on Jehonadab the son of Rechab *coming* to meet him: and he [5]saluted him, and said to him, Is thine heart right, as my heart *is* with thy heart? And Jehonadab answered, It is. If it be, give *me* thine hand. And he gave *him* his hand; and he took him up to him into the chariot.[b]

16 And he said, Come with me, and see my zeal for the LORD. So they made him ride in his chariot.[c]

17 And when he came to Samaria, he slew all that remained unto Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the saying of the LORD, which he spake to Elijah.[d]

18 ¶ And Jehu gathered all the people together, and said unto them, Ahab served Baal a little; *but* Jehu shall serve him much.[e]

19 Now therefore call unto me all the prophets of Baal, all his servants, and all his priests; let none be wanting: for I have a great sacrifice *to do* to Baal; whosoever shall be wanting, he shall not live. But Jehu did *it* in subtilty, to the intent that he might destroy the worshippers of Baal.[f]

20 And Jehu said, [6]Proclaim a solemn assembly for Baal. And they proclaimed *it*.

21 And Jehu sent through all Israel: and all the worshippers of Baal came, so that there was not a man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal; and the house of Baal [7]was full from one end to another.[g]

22 And he said unto him that *was* over the vestry, Bring forth vestments for all the worshippers of Baal. And he brought them forth vestments.

23 And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab, into the house of Baal, and said unto the worshippers of Baal, Search, and look that there be here with you none of the servants of the LORD, but the worshippers of Baal only.

24 And when they went in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings, Jehu appointed fourscore men without, and said, *If* any of the men whom I have brought into your hands escape, *he that letteth him go*, his life *shall be* for the life of him.[h]

25 And it came to pass, as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, that Jehu said to the guard and to the captains, Go in, *and* slay them; let none come forth. And they smote them with [8]the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast *them* out, and went to the city of the house of Baal.

26 And they brought forth the [9]images out of the house of Baal, and burned them.[i]

27 And they brake down the image of Baal, and brake down the house of Baal, and made it a draught house unto this day.[j]

28 Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel.

29 ¶ Howbeit *from* the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, Jehu departed not from after them, *to wit*, the golden calves that *were* in Beth-el, and that *were* in Dan.[k]

30 And the LORD said unto Jehu, Because thou hast done well in executing *that which is* right in mine eyes, *and* hast done unto the house of Ahab according to all that *was* in mine heart, thy children of the fourth *generation* shall sit on the throne of Israel.[l]

31 But Jehu [10]took no heed to walk in the law of the LORD God of Israel with all his heart: for he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam, which made Israel to sin.[m]

32 ¶ In those days the LORD began [11]to cut Israel short: and Hazael smote them in all the coasts of Israel;[n]

33 From Jordan [12]eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the Manassites, from Aroer, which *is* by the river Arnon, [13]even Gilead and Bashan.[o]

34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehu, and all that he did, and all his might, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

35 And Jehu slept with his fathers: and they buried him in Samaria. And Jehoahaz his son reigned in his stead.

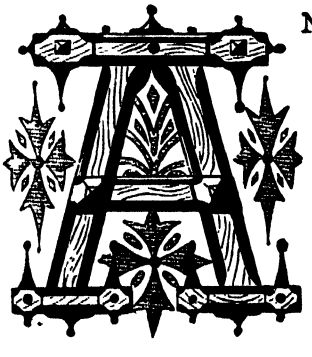
36 And [14]the time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria *was* twenty and eight years.

BEFORE CHRIST 884.

1 Heb. *house of shepherds binding sheep.*
j Ezra vi. 11; Dan. ii. 5; iii. 29.
2 Heb. *found.*
3 Heb. *to the peace of, &c.*
a ch. viii. 29; 2 Chron. xxii. 8.
k 1 Kings xii. 28, 29.
4 Heb. *found.*
l ver. 35; ch. xiii. 1, 10; xiv. 23; xv. 8, 12.
10 Heb. *observed not.*
5 Heb. *blessed.*
m 1 Kings xiv. 16.
11 Heb. *to cut off the ends.*
b 1 Chron. ii. 55; Ezra x. 19; Jer. xxxv. 6, &c.
n ch. viii. 12.
c 1 Kings xix. 10.
12 Heb. *toward the rising of the sun.*
13 Or, *even to Gilead and Bashan.*
o Amos i. 3.
d ch. ix. 8; 1 Kings xxi 21; 2 Chron. xxii. 8.
e 1 Kings xvi. 31, 32.
14 Heb. *the days were.*
f 1 Kings xxii. 6
6 Heb. *Sanctify*
7 Or, *so full, that they stood mouth to mouth.*
g 1 Kings xvi. 22.
15 Heb. *seed of the kingdom.*
p ch viii. 26; 2 Chron. xxii. 10.
16 Called *Jehoshabeath*, 2 Chron. xxii. 11.
17 Or, *Jehoash.*
h 1 Kings xx. 39
8 Heb. *the mouth.*
q 2 Chron. xxiii. 1, &c.
9 Heb. *statues.*
i 1 Kings xiv. 23.
1 Chron. ix. 25.

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Jehoash, being saved by Jehosheba his aunt from Athaliah's massacre of the seed royal, is hid six years in the house of God.* 4 *Jehoiada, giving order to the captains, in the seventh year anointeth him king.* 13 *Athaliah is slain.* 17 *Jehoiada restoreth the worship of God.*



AND when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the [15]seed royal.[p]

2 But [16]Jehosheba, the daughter of king Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took [17]Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons *which were* slain; and they hid him, *even* him and his nurse, in the bedchamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain.

3 And he was with her hid in the house of the LORD six years. And Athaliah did reign over the land.

4 ¶ And the seventh year Jehoiada sent and fetched the rulers over hundreds, with the captains and the guard, and brought them to him into the house of the LORD, and made a covenant with them, and took an oath of them in the house of the LORD, and shewed them the king's son.[q]

5 And he commanded them, saying, This *is* the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you that enter in on the sabbath shall even be keepers of the watch of the king's house;[r]



CORONATION OF JOASH INTERRUPTED BY ATHALIAH.

6 And a third part *shall be* at the gate of Sur; and a third part at the gate behind the guard: so shall ye keep the watch of the house, [1]that it be not broken down.

7 And two [2]parts of all you that go forth on the sabbath, even they shall keep the watch of the house of the LORD about the king

8 And ye shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand: and he that cometh within the ranges, let him be slain: and be ye with the king as he goeth out and as he cometh in.

9 And the captains over the hundreds did according to all *things* that Jehoiada the priest commanded: and they took every man his men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that should go out on the sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest.[a]

10 And to the captains over hundreds did the priest give king David's spears and shields, that *were* in the temple of the LORD.

11 And the guard stood, every man with his weapons in his hand, round about the king, from the right [3]corner of the temple to the left corner of the temple, *along* by the altar and the temple.

12 And he brought forth the king's son, and put the crown upon him, and *gave him* the testimony; and they made him king, and anointed him; and they clapped their hands, and said, [4]God save the king.

13 ¶ And when Athaliah heard the noise of the guard *and* of the people, she came to the people into the temple of the LORD.[b]

14 And when she looked, behold, the king stood by a pillar, as the manner *was*, and the princes and the trumpeters by the king, and all the people of the land rejoiced, and blew with trumpets: and Athaliah rent her clothes, and cried, Treason, Treason.[c]

15 But Jehoiada the priest commanded the captains of the hundreds, the officers of the host, and said unto them, Have her forth without the ranges: and him that followeth her kill with the sword. For the priest had said, Let her not be slain in the house of the LORD.

16 And they laid hands on her; and she went by the way by the which the horses came into the king's house: and there was she slain.

17 ¶ And Jehoiada made a covenant between the LORD and the king and the people, that they should be the LORD's people; between the king also and the people.[d]

18 And all the people of the land went into the house of Baal, and brake it down; his altars and his images brake they in pieces thoroughly, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. And the priest appointed [5]officers over the house of the LORD.[e]

19 And he took the rulers over hundreds, and the captains, and the guard, and all the people of the land; and they brought down the king from the house of the LORD, and came by the way of the gate of the guard to the king's house. And he sat on the throne of the kings.

20 And all the people of the land rejoiced, and the city was in quiet: and they slew Athaliah with the sword *beside* the king's house.

21 Seven years old *was* Jehoash when he began to reign.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 878.

1 Or, *from breaking up.*

2 Or, *companies.* Heb. *hands.*

g 2 Chron. xxiv. 1.

a 2 Chron xxiii. 8.

h ch. xiv. 4; 1 Kings xv. 14; xxii. 43.

6 Or, *holy things.* Heb *holinesses.*

3 Heb *shoulder.*

7 Heb. *the money of the souls of his estimation.*

8 Heb. *ascendeth upon the heart of a man.*

i ch xxii. 4; Exod. xxx. 13; Lev xxvii. 2.

4 Heb. *Let the king live.*

b 1 Sam. x 24; 2 Chron xxiii 12, &c.

9 Heb. *in the twentieth year and third year*

j 2 Chron. xxiv. 5.

c ch xxiii 3; 2 Chron. xxxiv. 31

k 2 Chron. xxiv 6

10 Heb. *threshold.*

d 2 Sam v 3; 2 Chron. xxiii. 16

l 2 Chron xxiv. 8, &c

11 Or, *secretary.*

12 Heb *bound up.*

5 Heb. *offices.*

e Deut. xii 3; 2 Chron xii. 17, xxiii. 18, &c.

13 Heb. *brought it forth.*

14 Heb. *went forth.*

f 2 Chron. xxiv. 1.

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Jehoash reigneth well all the days of Jehoiada.* 4 *He giveth order for the repair of the temple.* 17 *Hazael is diverted from Jerusalem by a present of the hallowed treasures.* 19 *Jehoash being slain by his servants, Amaziah succeedeth him*



IN the seventh year of Jehu Jehoash began to reign; and forty years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Zibiah of Beer-sheba.[g]

2 And Jehoash did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD all his days wherein Jehoiada the priest instructed him.

3 But the high places were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places.[h]

4 ¶ And Jehoash said to the priests, All the money of the [6]dedicated things that is brought into the house of the LORD, *even* [7]the money of every one that passeth *the account*, the money that every man is set at, *and* all the money that [8]cometh into any man's heart to bring into the house of the LORD,[i]

5 Let the priests take *it* to them, every man of his acquaintance: and let them repair the breaches of the house, wheresoever any breach shall be found.

6 But it was *so*, *that* [9]in the three and twentieth year of king Jehoash the priests had not repaired the breaches of the house.[j]

7 Then king Jehoash called for Jehoiada the priest, and the *other* priests, and said unto them, Why repair ye not the breaches of the house? now therefore receive no *more* money of your acquaintance, but deliver it for the breaches of the house.[k]

8 And the priests consented to receive no *more* money of the people, neither to repair the breaches of the house.

9 But Jehoiada the priest took a chest, and bored a hole in the lid of it, and set it beside the altar, on the right side as one cometh into the house of the LORD: and the priests that kept the [10]door put therein all the money *that was* brought into the house of the LORD.[l]

10 And it was *so*, when they saw that *there was* much money in the chest, that the king's [11]scribe and the high priest came up, and they [12]put up in bags, and told the money that was found in the house of the LORD.

11 And they gave the money, being told, into the hands of them that did the work, that had the oversight of the house of the LORD: and they [13]laid it out to the carpenters and builders, that wrought upon the house of the LORD,

12 And to masons, and hewers of stone, and to buy timber and hewed stone to repair the breaches of the house of the LORD, and for all that [14]was laid out for the house to repair *it*.

13 Howbeit there were not made for the house of the LORD bowls of silver, snuffers, basons, trumpets,

any vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money *that was* brought into the house of the LORD:[a]

14 But they gave that to the workmen, and repaired therewith the house of the LORD.

15 Moreover they reckoned not with the men, into whose hand they delivered the money to be bestowed on workmen: for they dealt faithfully.[b]

16 The trespass money and sin money was not brought into the house of the LORD: it was the priests'.[c]

17 ¶ Then Hazael king of Syria went up, and fought against Gath, and took it: and Hazael set his face to go up to Jerusalem.[d]

18 And Jehoash king of Judah took all the hallowed things that Jehoshaphat, and Jehoram, and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own hallowed things, and all the gold

BEFORE CHRIST 856.

a 2 Chron. xxiv. 14.

b ch. xxii. 7.

5 Hob. *the twentieth year and third year.*

c Lev. v. 15, 18; vii. 7; Numb. xviii. 9.

d ch. viii. 12; 2 Chron. xxiv. 23.

6 Heb *walked after.*

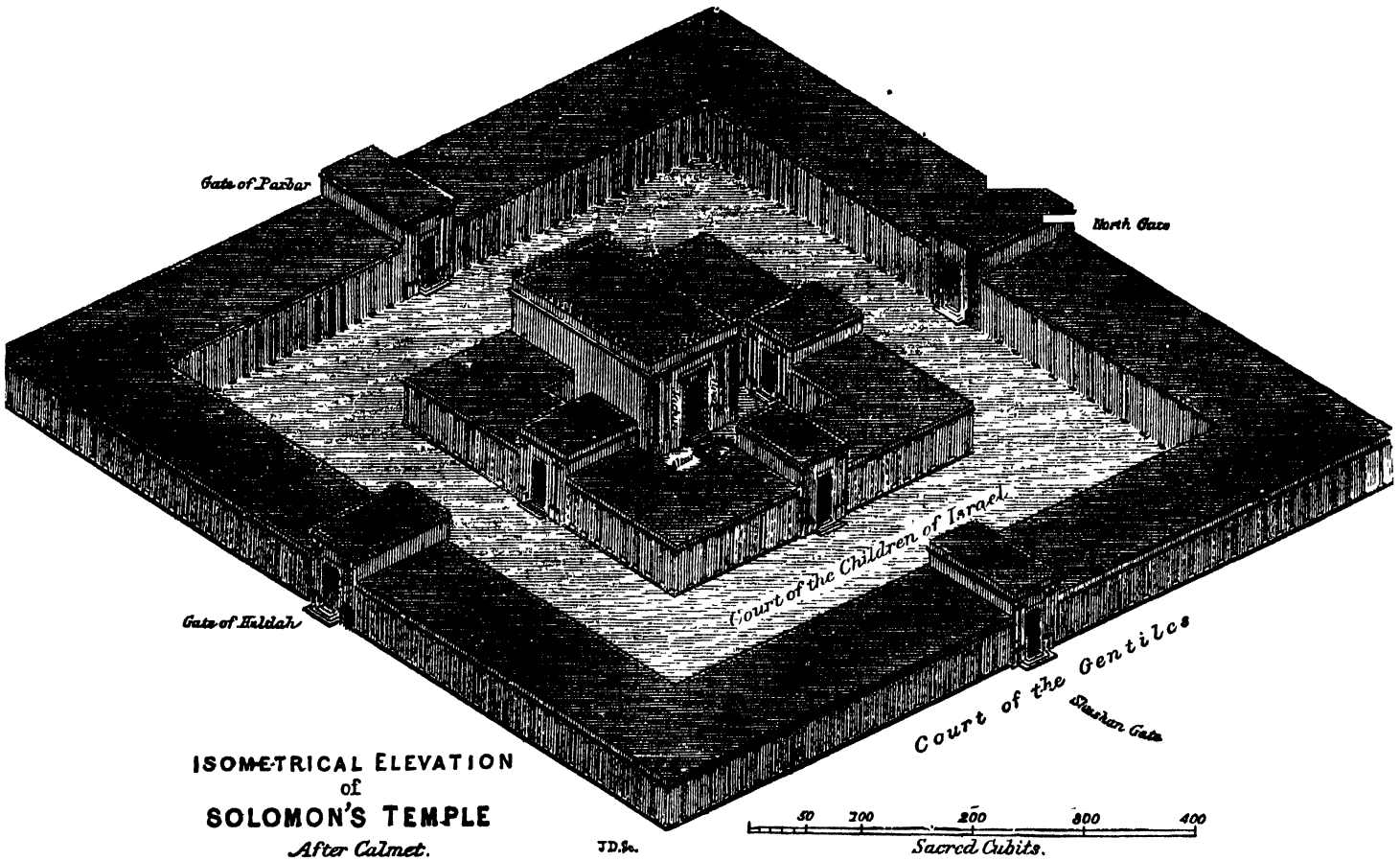
CHAPTER XIII.

1 Jehoahaz's wicked reign. 3 Jehoahaz, oppressed by Hazael, is relieved by prayer. 8 Joash succeedeth him. 10 His wicked reign. 12 Jeroboam succeedeth him. 14 Elisha dying prophesieth to Joash three victories over the Syrians. 20 The Moabites invading the land, Elisha's bones raise up a dead man. 22 Hazael dying, Joash getteth three victories over Ben-hadad.

IN [5]the three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah king of Judah Jehoahaz the son of Jehu began to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* seventeen years.

2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, and [6]followed the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.

3 ¶ And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he delivered them into the hand of Hazael



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that was found in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and in the king's house, and sent *it* to Hazael king of Syria: and he [1]went away from Jerusalem.[e]

19 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

20 And his servants arose, and made a conspiracy, and slew Joash in the [2]house of Millo, which goeth down to Silla.[f]

21 For [3]Jozachar the son of Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of [4]Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.[g]

h ch. viii. 12; Judg. ii. 14.

1 Heb. *went up.*

e ch. xviii. 15, 16; 1 Kings xv. 18.

i ch xiv. 26; Exod. iii. 7, Ps. lxxviii. 34.

7 Heb. *as yesterday, and third day.*

2 Or, *Beth-millo.*

j ver. 25; ch. xiv. 25, 27.

f ch. xiv. 5; 2 Chron. xxiv 25

3 Or, *Zabad*, 2 Chron. xxiv. 26.

4 Or, *Shimrith.*

8 Heb. *he walked.*

9 Heb. *stood.*

k 1 Kings xvi. 33.

g 2 Chron. xxiv. 27.

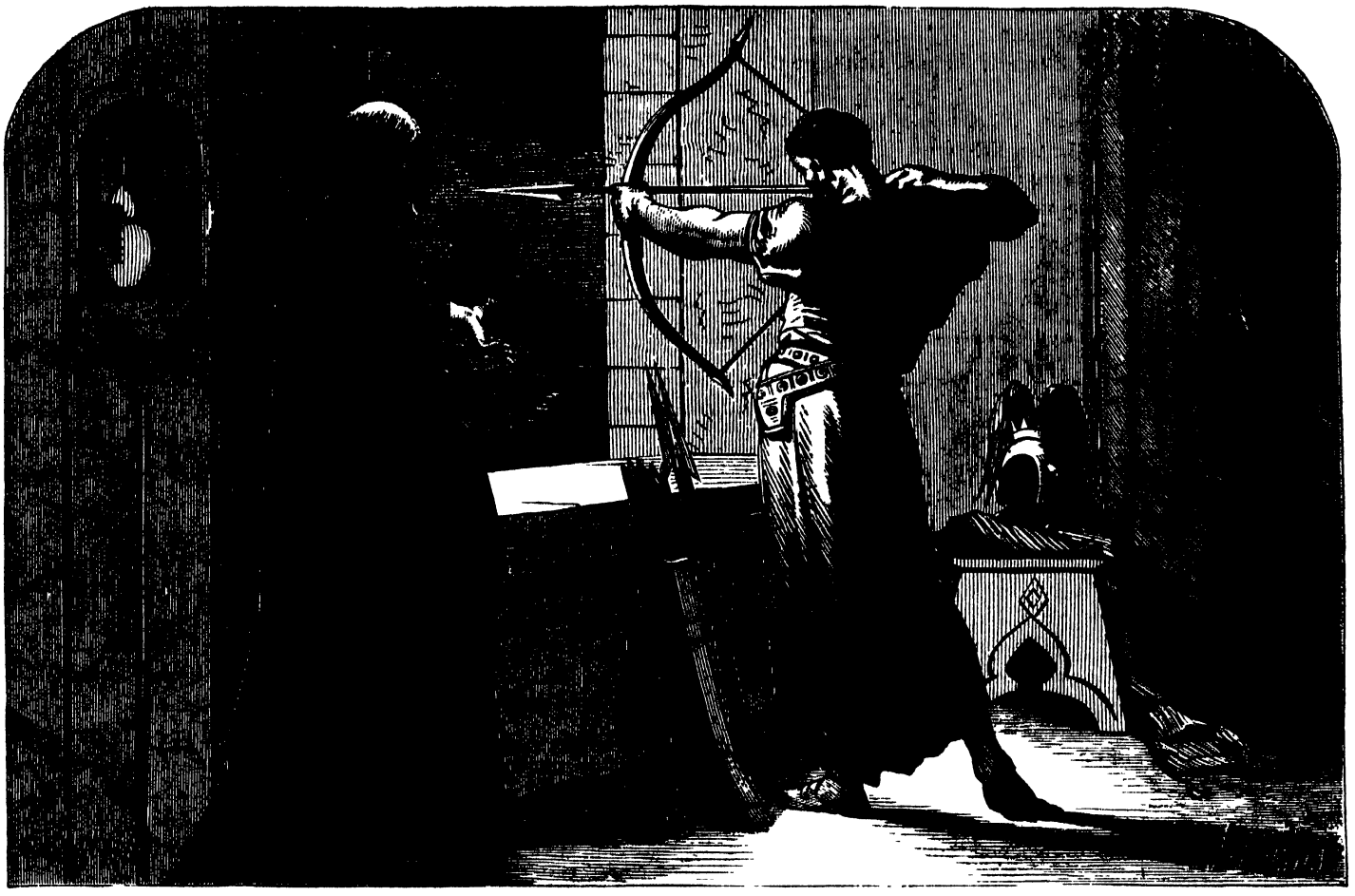
king of Syria, and into the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael, all *their* days.[h]

4 And Jehoahaz besought the LORD, and the LORD hearkened unto him: for he saw the oppression of Israel, because the king of Syria oppressed them.[i]

5 (And the LORD gave Israel a saviour, so that they went out from under the hand of the Syrians: and the children of Israel dwelt in their tents, [7]as beforetime.[j]

6 Nevertheless they departed not from the sins of the house of Jeroboam, who made Israel sin, *but* [8]walked therein: and there [9]remained the grove also in Samaria.)[k]

7 Neither did he leave of the people to Jehoahaz but fifty horsemen, and ten chariots, and ten thousand



JOASH, KING OF ISRAEL, AT THE COMMAND OF ELISHA THE PROPHET, SHOOTING ARROWS FROM A WINDOW.

footmen; for the king of Syria had destroyed them, and had made them like the dust by threshing.[a]

8 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jehoahaz, and all that he did, and his might, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

9 And Jehoahaz slept with his fathers; and they buried him in Samaria: and [1]Joash his son reigned [2]in his stead.

10 ¶ In the thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah [3]began Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* sixteen years.

11 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD; he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel sin: *but* he walked therein.

12 And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, and his might wherewith he fought against Amaziah king of Judah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?[b]

13 And Joash slept with his fathers; and Jeroboam sat upon his throne: and Joash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel.

14 ¶ Now Elisha was fallen sick of his sickness whereof he died. And Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and said, O my father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof.[c]

15 And Elisha said unto him, Take bow and arrows. And he took unto him bow and arrows.

BEFORE CHRIST 839

4 Heb. *Make thine hand to ride.*

a Amos i. 3.

1 Or, *Jehoash*, ver. 10.

2 Or, *alone.*

d 1 Kings xx. 26.

3 In consort with his father, ch. xiv. 1.

e ver. 25

b vs. 14, 25; ch. xiv. 9, 15; 2 Chron. xxv. 17, &c.

5 Heb *went down.*

f ch. viii. 12

c ch. ii. 12.

16 And he said to the king of Israel, [4]Put thine hand upon the bow. And he put his hand *upon it:* and Elisha put his hands upon the king's hands.

17 And he said, Open the window eastward. And he opened *it.* Then Elisha said, Shoot. And he shot. And he said, The arrow of the LORD's deliverance, and the arrow of deliverance from Syria: for thou shalt smite the Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed *them.*[d]

18 And he said, Take the arrows. And he took *them.* And he said unto the king of Israel, Smite upon the ground. And he smote thrice, and stayed.

19 And the man of God was wroth with him, and said, Thou shouldest have smitten five or six times, then hadst thou smitten Syria till thou hadst consumed *it:* whereas now thou shalt smite Syria *but* thrice.[e]

20 ¶ And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year.

21 And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band *of men;* and they cast the man into the sepulchre of Elisha: and when the man [5]was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.

22 ¶ But Hazael king of Syria oppressed Israel all the days of Jehoahaz.[f]

23 And the LORD was gracious unto them, and had compassion on them, and had respect unto them, because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and

Jacob, and would not destroy them, neither cast he them from his [1]presence as yet.[a]

24 So Hazael king of Syria died; and Ben-hadad his son reigned in his stead.

25 And Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz [2]took again out of the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael the cities, which he had taken out of the hand of Jehoahaz his father by war. Three times did Joash beat him, and recovered the cities of Israel.[b]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Amaziah's good reign.* 5 *His justice on the murderers of his father.* 7 *His victory over Edom.* 8 *Amaziah, provoking Jehoash, is overcome and spoiled.* 15 *Jeroboam succeedeth Jehoash.* 17 *Amaziah slain by a conspiracy.* 21 *Azariah succeedeth him.* 23 *Jeroboam's wicked reign.* 28 *Zachariah succeedeth him.*

IN the second year of Joash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel reigned Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah.[c]

2 He was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.

3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, yet not like David his father: he did according to all things as Joash his father did.

4 Howbeit the high places were not taken away: as yet the people did sacrifice and burnt incense on the high places.[d]

5 ¶ And it came to pass, as soon as the kingdom was confirmed in his hand, that he slew his servants which had slain the king his father.[e]

6 But the children of the murderers he slew not: according unto that which is written in the book of the law of Moses, wherein the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every man shall be put to death for his own sin.[f]

7 He slew of Edom in the valley of salt ten thousand, and took [3]Selah by war, and called the name of it Joktheel unto this day.[g]

8 ¶ Then Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash, the son of Jehoahaz son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us look one another in the face.[h]

9 And Jehoash the king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, The thistle that *was* in Lebanon sent to the cedar that *was* in Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that *was* in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle.[i]

10 Thou hast indeed smitten Edom, and thine heart hath lifted thee up: glory *of this*, and tarry [4]at home: for why shouldest thou meddle to *thy* hurt, that thou shouldest fall, *even* thou, and Judah with thee?[j]

11 But Amaziah would not hear. Therefore Jehoash king of Israel went up; and he and Amaziah king of Judah looked one another in the face at Beth-shemesh, which *belongeth* to Judah.[k]

12 And Judah was [5]put to the worse before Israel; and they fled every man to their tents.

13 And Jehoash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Jehoash the son of Ahaziah, at Beth-shemesh, and came to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim unto the corner gate, four hundred cubits.[l]

14 And he took all the gold and silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and hostages, and returned to Samaria.

15 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jehoash which he did, and his might, and how he fought with Amaziah king of Judah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?[m]

16 And Jehoash slept with his fathers, and was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel; and Jeroboam his son reigned in his stead.

17 ¶ And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Jehoash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.

18 And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

19 Now they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem: and he fled to Lachish; but they sent after him to Lachish, and slew him there.[n]

20 And they [6]brought him on horses: and he was

BEFORE CHRIST 839.

4 Heb. *at thy house.*

1 Heb. *face.*

a ch. xiv. 27; Exod. ii. 24, 25; xxxii. 13.

j Deut. viii. 14; 2 Chron. xxxii. 25; Ezek. xxviii. 2, 5, 17; Hab. ii. 4.

2 Heb. *returned and took.*

k Josh. xix. 38; xxi. 16.

5 Heb. *was smitten.*

b vs. 18, 19.

l Neh. viii. 16; xii. 39, Jer. xxxi. 38; Zech. xiv 10.

c ch. xiii. 10; 2 Chron. xxv. 1.

m ch. xiii. 12.

d ch xii. 3.

e ch. xii. 20

f Deut. xxiv. 16; Ezek. xviii. 4, 20.

3 Or, *the rock.*

g Josh xv 38; 2 Sam. viii. 13; 2 Chron. xxv. 11, Ps. lx title.

h 2 Chron. xxv. 17, 18, &c.

i Judg. ix. 8—15; 1 Kings iv. 33

n Josh. x. 31; 2 Chron. xxv. 27.

6 Or, *on a chariot drawn by the king's horses.*



THE VALLEY OF SALT, BETWEEN THE TERRITORIES OF JUDAH AND EDOM.

buried at Jerusalem with his fathers in the city of David.

21 ¶ And all the people of Judah took Azariah,[a] which *was* sixteen years old, and made him king instead of his father Amaziah.

22 He built Elath, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers.[b]

23 ¶ [1]In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel began to reign in Samaria, *and reigned* forty and one years.

24 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

25 He restored the coast of Israel from the entering of Hamath unto the sea of the plain, according to the word of the LORD God of Israel, which he spake by the hand of his servant [2]Jonah, the son of Amittai, the prophet, which *was* of Gath-hepher.[c]

26 For the LORD saw the affliction of Israel, *that it was* very bitter: for *there was* not any shut up, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel.[d]

27 And the LORD said not that he would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven: but he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash.[e]

28 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and his might, how he warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath, *which belonged* to Judah, for Israel, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?[f]

29 And Jeroboam slept with his fathers, *even* with the kings of Israel; and [3]Zachariah his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Azariah's good reign.* 5 *He dying a leper, Jotham succeedeth.* 8 *Zachariah, the last of Jehu's generation, reigning ill, is slain by Shallum.* 13 *Shallum, reigning a month, is slain by Menahem.* 16 *Menahem strengtheneth himself by Pul.* 21 *Pekahiah succeedeth him.* 23 *Pekahiah is slain by Pekah.* 27 *Pekah is oppressed by Tiglath-pileser, and slain by Hoshea.* 32 *Jotham's good reign.* 36 *Ahaz succeedeth him.*

IN the twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel began [4]Azariah son of Amaziah king of Judah to reign.[g]

2 Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned two and fifty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jecholiah of Jerusalem.

3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah had done;

4 Save that the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense still on the high places.[h]

5 ¶ And the LORD smote the king, so that he was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in a several house. And Jotham the king's son *was* over the house, judging the people of the land.[i]

6 And the rest of the acts of Azariah, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

7 So Azariah slept with his fathers; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.[j]

8 ¶ In the thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did Zachariah the son of Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria [5]six months.

9 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

10 And Shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, and smote him before the people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.[k]

11 And the rest of the acts of Zachariah, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

12 This *was* the word of the LORD which he spake unto Jehu, saying, Thy sons shall sit on the throne of Israel unto the fourth *generation*. And so it came to pass.[l]

13 ¶ Shallum the son of Jabesh began to reign in the nine and thirtieth year of [6]Uzziah king of Judah; and he reigned [7]a full month in Samaria.

14 For Menahem the son of Gadi went up from Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and smote Shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.[m]

15 And the rest of the acts of Shallum, and his conspiracy which he made, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

16 ¶ Then Menahem smote Tiphsah, and all that *were* therein, and the coasts thereof from Tirzah: because they opened not *to him*, therefore he smote *it*; *and* all the women therein that were with child he ripped up.[n]

17 In the nine and thirtieth year of Azariah king of Judah began Menahem the son of Gadi to reign over Israel, *and reigned* ten years in Samaria.

18 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not all his days from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

19 *And* Pul the king of Assyria came against the land: and Menahem gave Pul a thousand talents of silver, that his hand might be with him to confirm the kingdom in his hand.[o]

20 And Menahem [8]exacted the money of Israel, *even* of all the mighty men of wealth, of each man fifty shekels of silver, to give to the king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria turned back, and stayed not there in the land.

21 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Menahem, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

22 And Menahem slept with his fathers; and Pekahiah his son reigned in his stead.

23 ¶ In the fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* two years.

24 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

25 But Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captain of

BEFORE CHRIST 810.

a Called *Uzziah*, ch. xv. 13; 2 Chron. xxvi. 1.

j 2 Chron. xxvi. 23.

b ch. xvi 6; 2 Chron. xxvi 2.

1 Now he begins to reign alone.

5 There having been an interregnum of eleven years.

k As prophesied, Amos vii. 9

2 Called *Jonas*, Matt. xii. 39, 40

c Numb. xiii 21, xxxiv. 8; Deut. iii 17; Josh. xix. 13; Jonah i 1.

l ch x 30

d ch xiii. 4, Deut. xxxii. 36

6 Called *Ozias*, Matt. i 8, 9; and *Azariah*, ver. 1.

7 Heb. *a month of days*

e ch xiii 5.

m 1 Kings xiv. 17.

f 2 Sam viii 6; 1 Kings xi 24, 2 Chron. viii. 3

3 After an interregnum of eleven years, ch. xv. 8

n ch viii 12, 1 Kings iv. 24

4 Called *Uzziah*, vs. 13, 30, &c.; 2 Chron. xxvi. 1

g ch. xiv 21; 2 Chron xxvi 1, 3, 4

o ch. xiv. 5; 1 Chron. v 26; Isa. ix. 1; Hos. viii. 9

8 Heb. *caused to come forth.*

h ver. 35; ch. xii. 3; xiv. 4.

i Lev. xiii. 46, 2 Chron xxvi. 19—21.



THE PEOPLE OF NAPHTALI CARRIED INTO CAPTIVITY BY THE ASSYRIANS.

his, conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the king's house, with Argob and Arieh, and with him fifty men of the Gileadites: and he killed him, and reigned in his room.

26 And the rest of the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they *are* written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

27 ¶ In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekah the son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, *and reigned* twenty years.[a]

28 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

29 In the days of Pekah king of Israel came Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and took Ijon, and Abel-beth-maachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali, and carried them captive to Assyria.[b]

30 And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, and smote him, and slew him, and [1]reigned in his stead, [2]in the twentieth year of Jotham the son of Uzziah.

31 And the rest of the acts of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

32 ¶ In the second year of Pekah the son of Remaliah king of Israel began Jotham the son of Uzziah king of Judah to reign.[c]

33 Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jerusha, the daughter of Zadok.

34 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD: he did according to all that his father Uzziah had done.[d]

35 ¶ Howbeit the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burned incense still in the high places. He built the higher gate of the house of the LORD.[e]

36 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

BEFORE CHRIST 810.

1 After an Anarchy of some years, ch. xvii 1; Hos. x. 3, 7, 15.

2 In the fourth year of Ahaz, in the twentieth year after Jotham had begun to reign: *Ush.*

c 2 Chron. xxvii 1.

a Isa. vii. 1.

d ver. 3

e ver 4; 2 Chron. xxvii. 3, &c.

b 1 Kings xv. 20; 1 Chron. v. 26; Isa. ix. 1.

37 [1]In those days the LORD began to send against Judah Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah.[a]

38 And Jotham slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Ahaz's wicked reign.* 5 *Ahaz, assailed by Rezin and Pekah, hireth Tiglath-pileser against them.* 10 *Ahaz, sending a pattern of an altar from Damascus to Urijah, diverteth the brasen altar to his own devotion.* 17 *He spoileth the temple.* 19 *Hezekiah succeedeth him.*

IN the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah Ahaz the son of Jotham king of Judah began to reign.[b]

2 Twenty years old *was* Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and did not *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD his God, like David his father.

3 But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and made his son to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel.[c]

4 And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.[d]

5 ¶ Then Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel came up to Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not overcome *him*.[e]

6 At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered [2]Elath to Syria, and drave the Jews from Elath: and the Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there unto this day.[f]

7 So Ahaz sent messengers to [3]Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, I *am* thy servant and thy son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me.[g]

8 And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and sent *it for* a present to the king of Assyria.[h]

9 And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of Assyria went up against [4]Damascus, and [5]took it, and carried *the people of* it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.

10 ¶ And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and saw an altar that *was* at Damascus: and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship thereof.

11 And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus: so Urijah the priest made *it* against king Ahaz came from Damascus.

12 And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and the king approached to the altar, and offered thereon.[i]

13 And he burnt his burnt offering and his meat offering, and poured his drink offering, and sprinkled the blood of [6]his peace offerings, upon the altar.

BEFORE CHRIST 742.

1 At the end of Jotham's reign.

a ver. 27; Isa. vii. 1.

f 2 Chron. iv. 1.

k Exod. xxix. 39—41.

b 2 Chron. xxviii 1, &c.

l Exod. xxxviii 8, 1 Kings vii 23—28, 2 Chron xxviii 24

c Lev xviii 21, Deut. xii 31, 2 Chron xxviii. 3, Ps. cvi. 37, 38.

d Deut xii 2, 1 Kings xiv 23, 2 Chron xxiv 18, Isa. i. 29; Jer xvii. 2

m 2 Chron. xxviii. 27

e Isa. vii 1, 4, &c.

2 Heb. *Eloth.*

f ch. xiv. 22.

3 Heb *Tilgath-pileser.* Called *Tilgath-pilneser*, 1 Chron v 26; 2 Chron. xxviii 20.

7 After an interregnum, ch. xv. 30.

g ch xv. 29.

h ch. xii 18, 2 Chron xxviii. 21.

4 Heb. *Dammesek.*

5 Foretold Amos. i. 5,

8 Heb. *rendered*, 2 Sam. viii. 2.

9 Or, *tributs.*

n ch. xviii. 9.

o ch. xviii. 9.

i 2 Chron. xxvi. 16, 19.

p ch. xviii. 10, 11; foretold, Hos. xiii. 16; Lev. xxvi. 32, 33; Deut. xxviii. 36, 64; xxix. 27, 28; 1 Chron. v. 26.

6 Heb. *which were his.*

14 And he brought also the brasen altar, which *was* before the LORD, from the forefront of the house, from between the altar and the house of the LORD, and put it on the north side of the altar.[j]

15 And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the great altar burn the morning burnt offering, and the evening meat offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice, and his meat offering, with the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their meat offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt offering, and all the blood of the sacrifice: and the brasen altar shall be for me to enquire *by*.[k]

16 Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded.

17 ¶ And king Ahaz cut off the borders of the bases, and removed the laver from off them; and took down the sea from off the brasen oxen that *were* under it, and put it upon a pavement of stones.[l]

18 And the covert for the sabbath that they had built in the house, and the king's entry without, turned he from the house of the LORD for the king of Assyria.

19 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Ahaz which he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

20 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.[m]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Hoshea's wicked reign.* 3 *Being subdued by Shalmaneser, he conspireth against him with So king of Egypt.* 5 *Samaria for their sins is captivated.* 24 *The strange nations, which were transplanted in Samaria, being plagued with lions, make a mixture of religions.*



IN the twelfth year of Ahaz king of Judah began [7]Hoshea the son of Elah to reign in Samaria over Israel nine years.

2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, but not as the kings of Israel that were before him.

3 ¶ Against him came up Shalmaneser king of Assyria; and Hoshea became his servant, and [8]gave him [9]presents.[n]

4 And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in Hoshea: for he had sent messengers to So king of Egypt, and brought no present to the king of Assyria, as *he had done* year by year: therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and bound him in prison.

5 ¶ Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land, and went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years.[o]

6 ¶ In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in Halah and in Habor *by* the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.[p]

7 For *so* it was, that the children of Israel had sinned

against the LORD their God, which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods,

8 And walked in the statutes of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel, which they had made.[a]

9 And the children of Israel did secretly *those* things that *were* not right against the LORD their God, and they built them high places in all their cities, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.[b]

10 And they set them up [1]images and groves in every high hill, and under every green tree:[c]

11 And there they burnt incense in all the high places, as *did* the heathen whom the LORD carried away before them; and wrought wicked things to provoke the LORD to anger:

12 For they served idols, whereof the LORD had said unto them, Ye shall not do this thing.[d]

13 Yet the LORD testified against Israel, and against Judah, [2]by all the prophets, *and by* all the seers, saying, Turn ye from your evil ways, and keep my commandments *and* my statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my servants the prophets.[e]

14 Notwithstanding they would not hear, but hardened their necks, like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD their God.[f]

15 And they rejected his statutes, and his covenant that he made with their fathers, and his testimonies which he testified against them; and they followed vanity, and became vain, and went after the heathen that *were* round about them, *concerning* whom the LORD had charged them, that they should not do like them.[g]

16 And they left all the commandments of the LORD their God, and made them molten images, *even* two calves, and made a grove, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal.[h]

17 And they caused their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire, and used divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.[i]

18 Therefore the LORD was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of his sight: there was none left but the tribe of Judah only.[j]

19 Also Judah kept not the commandments of the LORD their God, but walked in the statutes of Israel which they made.[k]

20 And the LORD rejected all the seed of Israel, and afflicted them, and delivered them into the hand of spoilers, until he had cast them out of his sight.[l]

21 For he rent Israel from the house of David; and they made Jeroboam the son of Nebat king: and Jeroboam drave Israel from following the LORD, and made them sin a great sin.[m]

22 For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did; they departed not from them;

23 Until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, as he had said by all his servants the prophets. So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day.[n]

24 ¶ And the king of Assyria brought *men* from Babylon, and from Cuthah, and from [3]Ava, and from Hamath, and from Sepharvaim, and placed *them* in the cities of Samaria instead of the children of Israel: and they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof.[o]

25 And *so* it was at the beginning of their dwelling there, *that* they feared not the LORD: therefore the LORD sent lions among them, which slew *some* of them.

26 Wherefore they spake to the king of Assyria, saying, The nations which thou hast removed, and placed in the cities of Samaria, know not the manner of the God of the land: therefore he hath sent lions among them, and, behold, they slay them, because they know not the manner of the God of the land.

27 Then the king of Assyria commanded, saying, Carry thither one of the priests whom ye brought from thence; and let them go and dwell there, and let him teach them the manner of the God of the land.

28 Then one of the priests whom they had carried away from Samaria came and dwelt in Beth-el, and taught them how they should fear the LORD.

29 Howbeit every nation made gods of their own, and put *them* in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt.

30 And the men of Babylon made Succoth-benoth, and the men of Cuth made Nergal, and the men of Hamath made Ashima,[p]

31 And the Avites made Nibhaz and Tartak, and the Sepharvites burnt their children in fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech, the gods of Sepharvaim.[q]

32 So they feared the LORD, and made unto themselves of the lowest of them priests of the high places, which sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places.[r]

33 They feared the LORD, and served their own gods, after the manner of the nations [4]whom they carried away from thence.[s]

34 Unto this day they do after the former manners: they fear not the LORD, neither do they after their statutes, or after their ordinances, or after the law and commandment which the LORD commanded the children of Jacob, whom he named Israel;[t]

35 With whom the LORD had made a covenant, and charged them, saying, Ye shall not fear other gods, nor bow yourselves to them, nor serve them, nor sacrifice to them:[u]

36 But the LORD, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power and a stretched out arm, him shall ye fear, and him shall ye worship, and to him shall ye do sacrifice.[v]

37 And the statutes, and the ordinances, and the law, and the commandment, which he wrote for you, ye shall observe to do for evermore; and ye shall not fear other gods.[w]

38 And the covenant that I have made with you ye shall not forget; neither shall ye fear other gods.[x]

39 But the LORD your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies.

40 Howbeit they did not hearken, but they did after their former manner.

41 So these nations feared the LORD, and served their graven images, both their children, and their children's children: as did their fathers, so do they unto this day.[y]

BEFORE CHRIST 730.

[a] ch. xvi. 3; Lev. xviii. 3; Deut. xviii. 9.

[b] ch. xviii. 8.

[1] Heb. *statues.*

[c] ch. xvi. 4; Exod. xxxiv. 13; Deut. xii. 2; xvi. 21; Micah v. 14.

[d] Exod. xx. 3, 4; Lev. xxvi. 1; Deut. iv. 19, v. 7, 8.

[2] Heb. *by the hand of all.*

[e] 1 Sam ix. 9; Jer xviii. 11; xxv. 5; xxxv. 15.

[f] Deut. xxxi. 27; Prov. xxix. 1.

[g] Lev xviii. 21; Deut. xii 31.

[h] Deut. xxix 25; xxxii 21; 1 Kings xvi 13; Ps. cxv 8, Rom. i. 21, 1 Cor viii. 4.

[i] ch xi 18; Exod xxxii 8, 1 Kings xii. 28, xiv 15 23; xv 13; xvi. 31, 33, xxii 53

[j] ch xvi 3, Lev. xviii 21, Deut. xviii. 10, 1 Kings xxi 20; Ezek. xxiii. 37

[k] Jer iii 8

[l] ch xiii 3, xv. 29.

[m] 1 Kings xi 11, 31; xii. 20, 28

[n] ver. 6; 1 Kings xiv. 16.

[o] ver. 30; Ezra iv 2, 10.

[p] ver. 24.

[q] Lev xviii. 21; Deut. xii 31.

[r] 1 Kings xii 31

[4] Or, *who carried them away from thence.*

[s] Zeph i. 5.

[t] Gen. xxxii. 28, xxxv 10

[u] Exod xx 5; Judg. vi 10

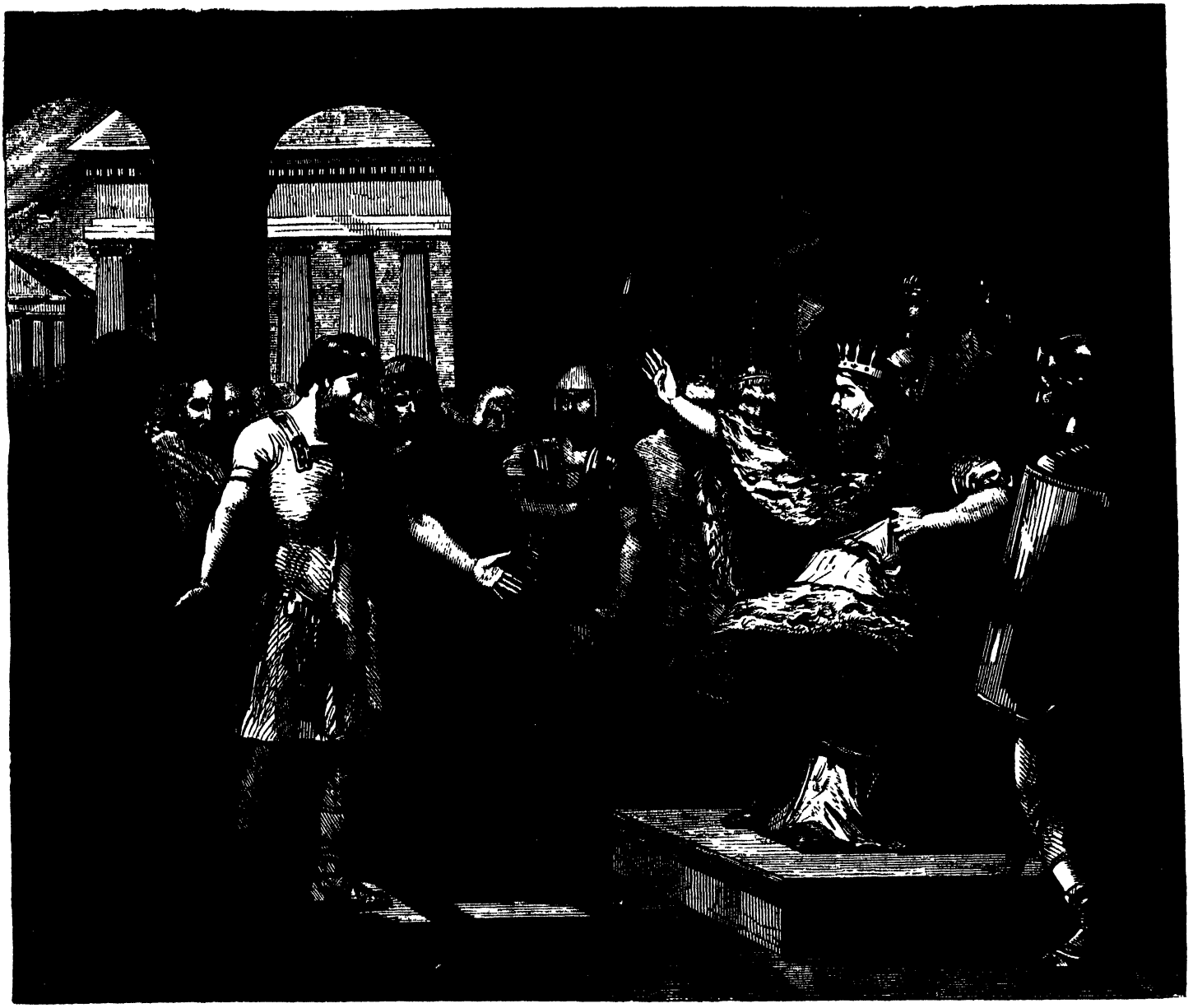
[v] Exod. vi 6; Deut. x 20

[w] Deut. v. 32.

[x] Deut. iv. 23.

[y] vs. 32, 39

[3] Called *Ivah*, ch xviii. 34



THE SERVANTS OF HEZEKIAH REPORTING THE MESSAGE OF THE KING OF ASSYRIA.

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Hezekiah's good reign.* 4 *He destroyeth idolatry, and prospereth.* 9 *Samaria is carried captive for their sins.* 13 *Sennacherib invading Judah is pacified by a tribute.* 17 *Rab-shakeh, sent by Sennacherib again, revileth Hezekiah, and by blasphemous persuasions soliciteth the people to revolt.*

NOW it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, *that* Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign.[a]

2 Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* [1]Abi, the of Zachariah.

3 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that David his father did.

4 ¶ He removed the high places, and brake the and cut down the groves, and brake in pieces

BEFORE CHRIST 726

3 That is, *a piece of brass.*

b Numb xxi. 9; 2 Chron. xxxi. 1.

c ch. xix. 10; xxiii 25; Job xiii. 15, Ps. xiii 5.

4 Heb. *from after him.*

d Deut x 20; Josh xxiii. 8.

a 2 Chron. xxviii. 27; xxix. 1. C Matt. i. 9.

e ch. xvi 7; 1 Sam. xviii 5, 14; 2 Chron. xv 2; Ps. lx. 12.

5 Heb. *Azzah.*

1 Called *Abyah*, 2 Chron. xxix 1.

f ch. xvii 9; 1 Chron. iv. 41; Isa. xiv. 29.

g ch. xvii. 3.

2 Heb. *statues.*

the brasen serpent that Moses had made: for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it: and he called it [3]Nehushtan.[b]

5 He trusted in the LORD God of Israel; so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor *any* that were before him.[c]

6 For he clave to the LORD, *and* departed not [4]from following him, but kept his commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses.[d]

7 And the LORD was with him; *and* he prospered whithersoever he went forth: and he rebelled against the king of Assyria, and served him not.[e]

8 He smote the Philistines, *even* unto [5]Gaza, and the borders thereof, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.[f]

9 ¶ And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Hezekiah, which *was* the seventh year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, *that* Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against Samaria, and besieged it.[g]

10 And at the end of three years they took it:

even in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that *is* the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Samaria was taken.[a]

11 And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and put them in Halah and in Habor *by* the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes:[b]

12 Because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD their God, but transgressed his covenant, *and* all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded, and would not hear *them*, nor do *them*.[c]

13 ¶ Now in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah did [1]Sennacherib king of Assyria come up against all the fenced cities of Judah, and took them.[d]

14 And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of Assyria to Lachish, saying, I have offended; return from me: that which thou puttest on me will I bear. And the king of Assyria appointed unto Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver and thirty talents of gold.

15 And Hezekiah gave *him* all the silver that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house.[e]

16 At that time did Hezekiah cut off *the gold from* the doors of the temple of the LORD, and *from* the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid, and gave [2]it to the king of Assyria.

17 ¶ And the king of Assyria sent Tartan and Rabsaris and Rab-shakeh from Lachish to king Hezekiah with a [3]great host against Jerusalem. And they went up and came to Jerusalem. And when they were come up, they came and stood by the conduit of the upper pool, which *is* in the highway of the fuller's field.[f]

18 And when they had called to the king, there came out to them Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the [4]scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder.

19 And Rab-shakeh said unto them, Speak ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence *is* this wherein thou trustest?[g]

20 Thou [5]sayest, (but *they are but* [6]vain words,) [7]*I have* counsel and strength for the war. Now on whom dost thou trust, that thou rebellest against me?

21 Now, behold, thou [8]trustest upon the staff of this bruised reed, *even* upon Egypt, on which if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt unto all that trust on him.[h]

22 But if ye say unto me, We trust in the LORD our God: *is* not that he, whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and hath said to Judah and Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar in Jerusalem?[i]

23 Now therefore, I pray thee, give [9]pledges to my lord the king of Assyria, and I will deliver thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.

24 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put thy trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?

25 Am I now come up without the LORD against this place to destroy it? The LORD said to me, Go up against this land, and destroy it.

26 Then said Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and Shebna, and Joah, unto Rab-shakeh, Speak, I pray thee, to thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand *it:* and talk not with us in the Jews' language in the ears of the people that *are* on the wall.

27 But Rab-shakeh said unto them, Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee, to speak these words? *hath he* not *sent me* to the men which sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?

28 Then Rab-shakeh stood and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and spake, saying, Hear the word of the great king, the king of Assyria:

29 Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you out of his hand:[j]

30 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver us, and this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

31 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, [10]Make *an agreement* with me by a present, and come out to me, and *then* eat ye every man of his own vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his [11]cistern:[k]

32 Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine, a land of bread and vineyards, a land of oil olive and of honey, that ye may live, and not die: and hearken not unto Hezekiah, when he [12]persuadeth you, saying, The LORD will deliver us.[l]

33 Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered at all his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?[m]

34 Where *are* the gods of Hamath, and of Arpad? where *are* the gods of Sepharvaim, Hena, and [13]Ivah? have they delivered Samaria out of mine hand?[n]

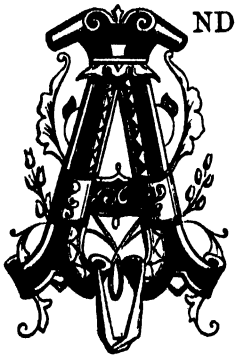
35 Who *are* they among all the gods of the countries, that have delivered their country out of mine hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of mine hand?[o]

36 But the people held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment was, saying, Answer him not.

37 Then came Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, which *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder, to Hezekiah with *their* clothes rent, and told him the words of Rab-shakeh.[p]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *Hezekiah mourning sendeth to Isaiah to pray for them.* 6 *Isaiah comforteth them.* 8 *Sennacherib, going to encounter Tirhakah, sendeth a blasphemous letter to Hezekiah.* 14 *Hezekiah's prayer.* 20 *Isaiah's prophecy of the pride and destruction of Sennacherib, and the good of Zion.* 35 *An angel slayeth the Assyrians.* 36 *Sennacherib is slain at Nineveh by his own sons.*



AND it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard *it*, that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of the LORD.[q]

2 And he sent Eliakim, which *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, to [14]Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

BEFORE CHRIST 726.

a ch. xvii. 6.

b ch. xvii. 6; 1 Chron. v. 26.

c ch. xvii. 7; Dan. ix. 6, 10.

1 Heb. *Sanherib.*

d 2 Chron. xxxii. 1, &c.; Isa. xxxvi. 1, &c.

e 2 Chron xxxii. 15

10 Or, *Seek my favour.* Heb. *Make with me a blessing.*

e ch. xvi. 8.

11 Or, *pit.*

k Gen xxxii. 20; xxxiii. 11, Prov. xviii. 16.

2 Heb *them.*

12 Or, *deceiveth.*

3 Heb *heavy.*

l Deut. viii. 7, 8.

m ch. xix. 12; 2 Chron. xxxii. 14; Isa. x 10, 11.

f Isa vii. 3.

13 Or, *Ava*, ch. xvii. 24.

n ch. xix. 13.

4 Or, *secretary.*

o Dan iii 15.

g 2 Chron xxxii 10, &c.

5 Or, *talkest.*

6 Heb *words of the lips*

7 Or, *But counsel and strength are for the war.*

8 Heb *trustest thee.*

p Isa. xxxiii 7.

h Ezek. xxix. 6, 7.

i ver 4, 2 Chron. xxxi. 1; xxxii. 12

9 Or, *hostages.*

q Isa. xxxvii. 1, &c.

14 Called *Esaias*, Luke iii. 4.

3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day *is* a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and [1]blasphemy: for the children are come to the birth, and *there is* not strength to bring forth.

4 It may be the LORD thy God will hear all the words of Rab-shakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God; and will reprove the words which the LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up *thy* prayer for the remnant that are [2]left.[a]

5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

1 Or, *provocation.*

f 1 Sam. iv. 4; 1 Kings xviii. 39; Ps. lxxx. 1; Isa. xliv. 6; Jer. x. 10—12.

g ver 4; 2 Chron. vi. 40; Ps xxxi 2.

2 Heb *found.*

a ch. xviii. 35; 2 Sam. xvi. 12; Ps. l. 21.

15 And Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said, O LORD God of Israel, which dwellest *between* the cherubims, thou art the God, *even* thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; thou hast made heaven and earth.[f]

16 LORD, bow down thine ear, and hear: open, LORD, thine eyes, and see: and hear the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent him to reproach the living God.[g]

17 Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have destroyed the nations and their lands,



ASSYRIAN WARRIORS RETURNING FROM BATTLE.

6 ¶ And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say to your master, Thus saith the LORD, Be not afraid of the words which thou hast heard, with which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.[b]

7 Behold, I will send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour, and shall return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.[c]

8 ¶ So Rab-shakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah: for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish.[d]

9 And when he heard say of Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, Behold, he is come out to fight against thee: he sent messengers again unto Hezekiah, saying,[e]

10 Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Let not thy God in whom thou trustest deceive thee, saying, Jerusalem shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.[f]

11 Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands, by destroying them utterly: and shalt thou be delivered?

12 Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed; *as* Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which *were* in Thelasar?[g]

13 Where *is* the king of Hamath, and the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, of Hena, and Ivah?[h]

14 ¶ And Hezekiah received the letter of the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up into the house of the LORD, and spread it before the [3]LORD,

3 Heb *given*

l Ps cxv 4, Jer x 3

b Isa. xxxvii. 6, &c.

c vs 35—37, Jer li. 1

m Ps lxxxiii. 18.

d ch. xviii. 14

n Ps. lxv 2, Isa. xxxvii 21, &c.

e 1 Sam xxiii 27.

o Job xvi 4, Ps xxii 7 8 Lam ii 15 15

f 2 Chron xxxii. 15

p Ps lxxi 22, Isa. v 24, Jer li. 5

4 Heb *By the hand of.*

g ch. xviii. 33; Ezek xxvii 23.

5 Heb. *the tallness,* &c.

6 Or, *the forest and his fruitful field.*

q ch. xviii. 17; Isa. x 18.

h ch. xviii. 34.

7 Or, *fenced.*

8 Or, *Hast thou not heard how I have made it long ago, and formed it of ancient times? should I now bring it to be laid waste, and fenced cities to be ruinous heaps?*

i Isa. xxxvii. 14, &c.

18 And have [3]cast their gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.[l]

19 Now therefore, O LORD our God, I beseech thee, save thou us out of his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou *art* the LORD God, *even* thou only.[m]

20 ¶ Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, *That* which thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria I have heard.[n]

21 This *is* the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning him; The virgin the daughter of Zion hath despised thee, *and* laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.[o]

22 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted *thy* voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? *even* against the Holy *One* of Israel.[p]

23 [4]By thy messengers thou hast reproached the Lord, and hast said, With the multitude of my chariots I am come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon, and will cut down [5]the tall cedar trees thereof, *and* the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into the lodgings of his borders, *and into* [6]the forest of his Carmel.[q]

24 I have digged and drunk strange waters, and with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the rivers of [7]besieged places.

25 [8]Hast thou not heard long ago *how* I have done it, *and* of ancient times that I have formed it? now



ISAIAH WARNING HEZEKIAH OF HIS APPROACHING DEATH.

have I brought it to pass, that thou shouldest be to lay waste fenced cities *into* ruinous heaps.[a]

26 Therefore their inhabitants were [1]of small power, they were dismayed and confounded; they were *as* the grass of the field, and *as* the green herb, *as* the grass on the house tops, and *as corn* blasted before it be grown up.[b]

27 But I know thy [2]abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and thy rage against me.[c]

28 Because thy rage against me and thy tumult is come up into mine ears, therefore I will put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.[d]

29 And this *shall be* a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat this year such things as grow of themselves, and in the second year that which springeth of the same; and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruits thereof.[e]

30 And [3]the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall yet again take root downward, and bear fruit upward.[f]

31 For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and [4]they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD *of hosts* shall do this.[g]

32 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shield, nor cast a bank against it.

33 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall not come into this city, saith the LORD.

34 For I will defend this city, to save it, for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.[h]

35 ¶ And it came to pass that night, that the angel of the LORD went out, and smote in the camp of the Assyrians an hundred fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they *were* all dead corpses.[i]

36 So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

a Isa. x. 5, xlv. 7.

f Ps. lxxx. 9

1 Heb *short of hand*

4 Heb *the escaping.*

g Isa. ix. 7

b Ps. cxxix. 6

2 Or, *sitting.*

c Ps. cxxxix. 1, &c.

h ch. xx. 6; 1 Kings xi. 12, 13

d vs. 33, 36, 37; Job xli. 2, Ezek. xxix. 4; xxxviii. 4, Amos iv. 2.

i 2 Chron. xxxii. 21; Isa. xxxvii. 36.

e ch. xx. 8, 9; 1 Sam. ii. 34, Isa. vii. 11, 14; Luke ii. 12.

3 Heb. *the escaping of the house of Judah that remaineth.*

j Gen. x. 11.



HEZEKIAH EXHIBITING HIS TREASURES TO THE BABYLONIANS.

37 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword: and they escaped into the land of [1]Armenia. And Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead.[a]

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Hezekiah, having received a message of death, by prayer hath his life lengthened.* 8 *The sun goeth ten degrees backward for a sign of that promise.* 12 *Berodach-baladan sending to visit Hezekiah, because of the wonder, hath notice of his treasures.* 14 *Isaiah understanding thereof foretelleth the Babylonian captivity.* 20 *Manasseh succeedeth Hezekiah.*

IN those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz came to him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, [2]Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live.[b]

2 Then he turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto the LORD, saying,

3 I beseech thee, O LORD, remember now how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done *that which is* good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept [3]sore.[c]

4 And it came to pass, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle [4]court, that the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

5 Turn again, and tell Hezekiah the captain of my people, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt go up unto the house of the LORD.[d]

6 And I will add unto thy days fifteen years; and I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria; and I will defend this city for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.[e]

7 And Isaiah said, Take a lump of figs. And they took and laid *it* on the boil, and he recovered.[f]

8 ¶ And Hezekiah said unto Isaiah, What *shall be* the sign that the LORD will heal me, and that I shall go up into the house of the LORD the third day?[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

3 Heb. *with a great weeping.*

c Gen. xvii. 1; 1 Kings iii. 6.

1 Heb. *Ararat.*

a ver. 7; 2 Chron. xxxii. 21.

4 Or, *city.*

d ch. xix. 20; 1 Sam ix 16; x. 1; Ps. xxxix. 12; lxv. 2

e ch. xix. 34.

2 Heb *Give charge concerning thine house.*

b 2 Sam. xvii. 23; 2 Chron. xxxii. 24, &c.; Isa. xxxviii. 1, &c.

f Isa. xxxviii. 21.

g Judg. vi. 17, 37, 39; Isa. vii. 11, 14; xxxviii. 22.

9 And Isaiah said, This sign shalt thou have of the LORD, that the LORD will do the thing that he hath spoken: shall the shadow go forward ten degrees, or go back ten degrees?[a]

10 And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten degrees: nay, but let the shadow return backward ten degrees.

11 And Isaiah the prophet cried unto the LORD: and he brought the shadow ten degrees backward, by which it had gone down in the [1]dial of Ahaz.[b]

12 ¶ At that time [2]Berodach-baladan, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present unto Hezekiah: for he had heard that Hezekiah had been sick.[c]

13 And Hezekiah hearkened unto them, and shewed them all the house of his [3]precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and *all* the house of his [4]armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.[d]

14 ¶ Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these men? and from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country, *even* from Babylon.

15 And he said, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All *the things* that *are* in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them.[e]

16 And Isaiah said unto Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD.

17 Behold, the days come, that all that *is* in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store unto this day, shall be carried into Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.[f]

18 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.[g]

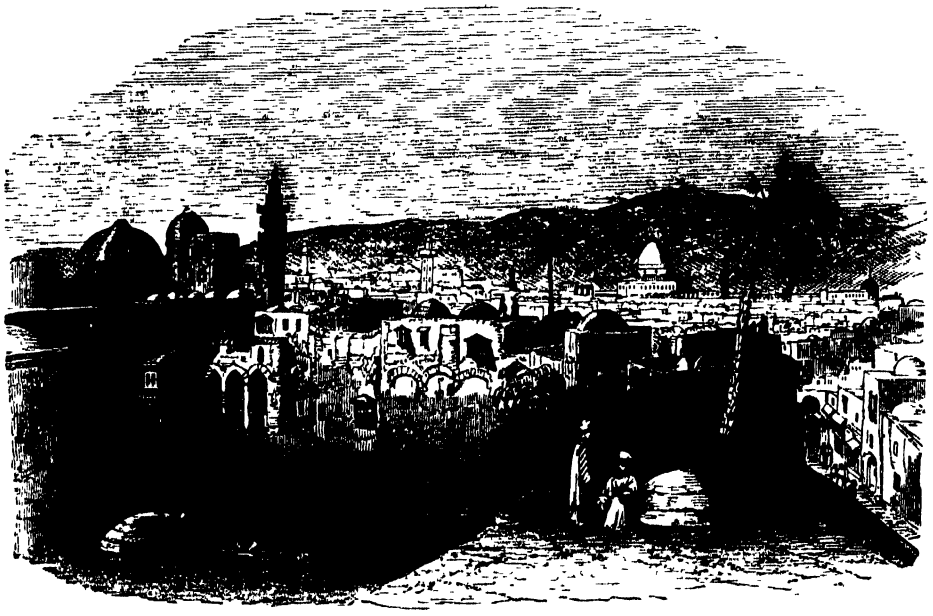
19 Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, Good *is* the word of the LORD which thou hast spoken. And he said, [5]*Is it* not *good*, if peace and truth be in my days?[h]

20 ¶ And the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and all his might, and how he made a pool, and a conduit, and brought water into the city, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?[i]

21 And Hezekiah slept with his fathers: and Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

[a] 2 Chron. xxxii. 30, 32; Neh. iii. 16.
[a] Isa. xxxviii. 7, 8.
[j] 2 Chron. xxxii. 33.
[1] Heb. *degrees.*
[b] Josh. x. 12, 14; Isa. xxxviii. 8.
[2] Or, *Merodach-baladan.*
[c] Isa. xxxix. 1, &c.
[3] Or, *spicery.*
[k] 2 Chron. xxxii. 1, &c.
[4] Or, *jewels.* Heb. *vessels.*
[d] 2 Chron. xxxii. 27, 31.
[l] ch. xvi. 3.
[m] ch. xvii. 16; xviii. 4; Deut. iv. 19; xvii. 3; 1 Kings xvi. 32, 33.
[e] ver 13.
[n] 2 Sam. vii. 13, 1 Kings viii. 29, ix. 3; Jer. xxxii. 34
[o] ch. xvi. 3; xvii. 17; Lev. xviii. 21, xix. 26, 31; xx. 2, Deut. xviii. 10, 11.
[p] ch. xxiii. 27, 2 Sam. vii. 13, 1 Kings viii. 29, ix. 3; Ps. cxxxii. 13, 14; Jer. xxxii. 34.
[q] 2 Sam. vii. 10
[r] Prov. xxix. 12.
[f] ch. xxiv. 13, xxv. 13; Jer. xxvii. 21, 22, lii. 17.
[g] ch. xxiv. 12; 2 Chron. xxxiii. 11; Isa. xxxix. 7; fulfilled, Dan. i. 3, 7.
[s] ver 9; ch. xxiii. 26, 27; xxiv. 3, 4; 1 Kings xxi. 26; Jer. xv. 4
[5] Or, *Shall there not be peace and truth,* &c.
[h] 1 Sam. iii. 18; Job i. 21; Ps. xxxix. 9.
[t] 1 Sam. iii. 11; Jer. xix. 3.



HEZEKIAH'S POOL, JERUSALEM.

CHAPTER XXI.

1 Manasseh's reign. 3 His great idolatry. 10 His wickedness causeth prophecies against Judah. 17 Amon succeedeth him. 19 Amon's wicked reign. 23 He being slain by his servants, and those murderers slain by the people, Josiah is made king.

MANASSEH *was* twelve years old when he began to reign, and reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hephzi-bah.[k]

2 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, after the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.[l]

3 For he built up again the high places which Hezekiah his father had destroyed; and he reared up altars for Baal, and made a grove, as did Ahab king of Israel; and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them.[m]

4 And he built altars in the house of the LORD, of which the LORD said, In Jerusalem will I put my name.[n]

5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD.

6 And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke *him* to anger.[o]

7 And he set a graven image of the grove that he had made in the house, of which the LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever:[p]

8 Neither will I make the feet of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers; only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded them.[q]

9 But they hearkened not: and Manasseh seduced them to do more evil than did the nations whom the LORD destroyed before the children of Israel.[r]

10 ¶ And the LORD spake by his servants the prophets, saying,

11 Because Manasseh king of Judah hath done these abominations, *and* hath done wickedly above all that the Amorites did, which *were* before him, and hath made Judah also to sin with his idols:[s]

12 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Behold, I *am* bringing *such* evil upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever heareth of it, both his ears shall tingle.[t]

13 And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria, and the plummet of the house of Ahab: and I will wipe Jerusalem as *a man* wipeth a dish, [1]wiping *it*, and turning *it* upside down.[a]

14 And I will forsake the remnant of mine inheritance, and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies;

15 Because they have done *that which was* evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger, since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day.

16 Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much, till he had filled Jerusalem [2]from one end to another; beside his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD.[b]

17 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and all that he did, and his sin that he sinned, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?[c]

18 And Manasseh slept with his fathers, and was buried in the garden of his own house, in the garden of Uzza: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.[d]

19 ¶ Amon *was* twenty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reigned two years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz of Jotbah.[e]

20. And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, as his father Manasseh did.[f]

21 And he walked in all the way that his father walked in, and served the idols that his father served, and worshipped them:

22 And he forsook the LORD God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of the LORD.[g]

23 ¶ And the servants of Amon conspired against him, and slew the king in his own house.[h]

24 And the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.

25 Now the rest of the acts of Amon which he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

26 And he was buried in his sepulchre in the garden of Uzza: and [3]Josiah his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Josiah's good reign.* 3 *He taketh care for the repair of the temple.* 8 *Hilkiah having found a book of the law, Josiah sendeth to Huldah to enquire of the Lord.* 15 *Huldah prophesieth the destruction of Jerusalem, but respite thereof in Josiah's time.*

JOSIAH *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned thirty and one years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jedidah, the daughter of Adaiah of Boscath[i]

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in all the way of David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 624.

1 Heb. *he wipeth and turneth it upon the face thereof.*

a Isa. xxxiv. 11; Lam. ii 8, Amos vii 7, 8.

b 2 Chron. xxxiv. 8, &c.

4 Heb. *threshold.*

l ch xii 4, 9; Ps lxxxiv 10

2 Heb *from mouth to mouth*

b ch xxiv 4.

m ch xii 15.

c 2 Chron. xxxiii 11—19

n Deut xxxi 24, &c., 2 Chron. xxxiv 14, &c.

d 2 Chron xxxiii 20

5 Heb *melted.*

e 2 Chron xxxiii 21 -23

f ver 2, &c.

g 1 Kings xi. 33

h 2 Chron xxxiii 24, 25

6 Called *Abdon*, 2 Chron xxxiv. 20.

7 Or, *Micah.*

3 Called *Josias*, Matt i. 10

o Deut. xxix. 27.

8 Called *Tikvath*, 2 Chron. xxxiv. 22.

9 Or, *Hasrah*

10 Heb *garments*

11 Or, *in the second part.*

i Josh. xv. 39; 2 Chron. xxxiv. 1

p Deut. xxix. 27, Dan. ix. 11—14.

j Deut. v. 32.

q Deut. xxix. 25—27.

3 ¶ And it came to pass in the eighteenth year of king Josiah, *that* the king sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, the son of Meshullam, the scribe, to the house of the LORD, saying,[k]

4 Go up to Hilkiah the high priest, that he may sum the silver which is brought into the house of the LORD, which the keepers of the [4]door have gathered of the people:[l]

5 And let them deliver it into the hand of the doers of the work, that have the oversight of the house of the LORD: and let them give it to the doers of the work which *is* in the house of the LORD, to repair the breaches of the house,

6 Unto carpenters, and builders, and masons, and to buy timber and hewn stone to repair the house.

7 Howbeit there was no reckoning made with them of the money that was delivered into their hand, because they dealt faithfully.[m]

8 ¶ And Hilkiah the high priest said unto Shaphan the scribe, I have found the book of the law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, and he read it.[n]

9 And Shaphan the scribe came to the king, and brought the king word again, and said, Thy servants have [5]gathered the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of them that do the work, that have the oversight of the house of the LORD.

10 And Shaphan the scribe shewed the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath delivered me a book. And Shaphan read it before the king.

11 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the book of the law, that he rent his clothes.

12 And the king commanded Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and [6]Achbor the son of [7]Michaiah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asahiah a servant of the king's, saying,

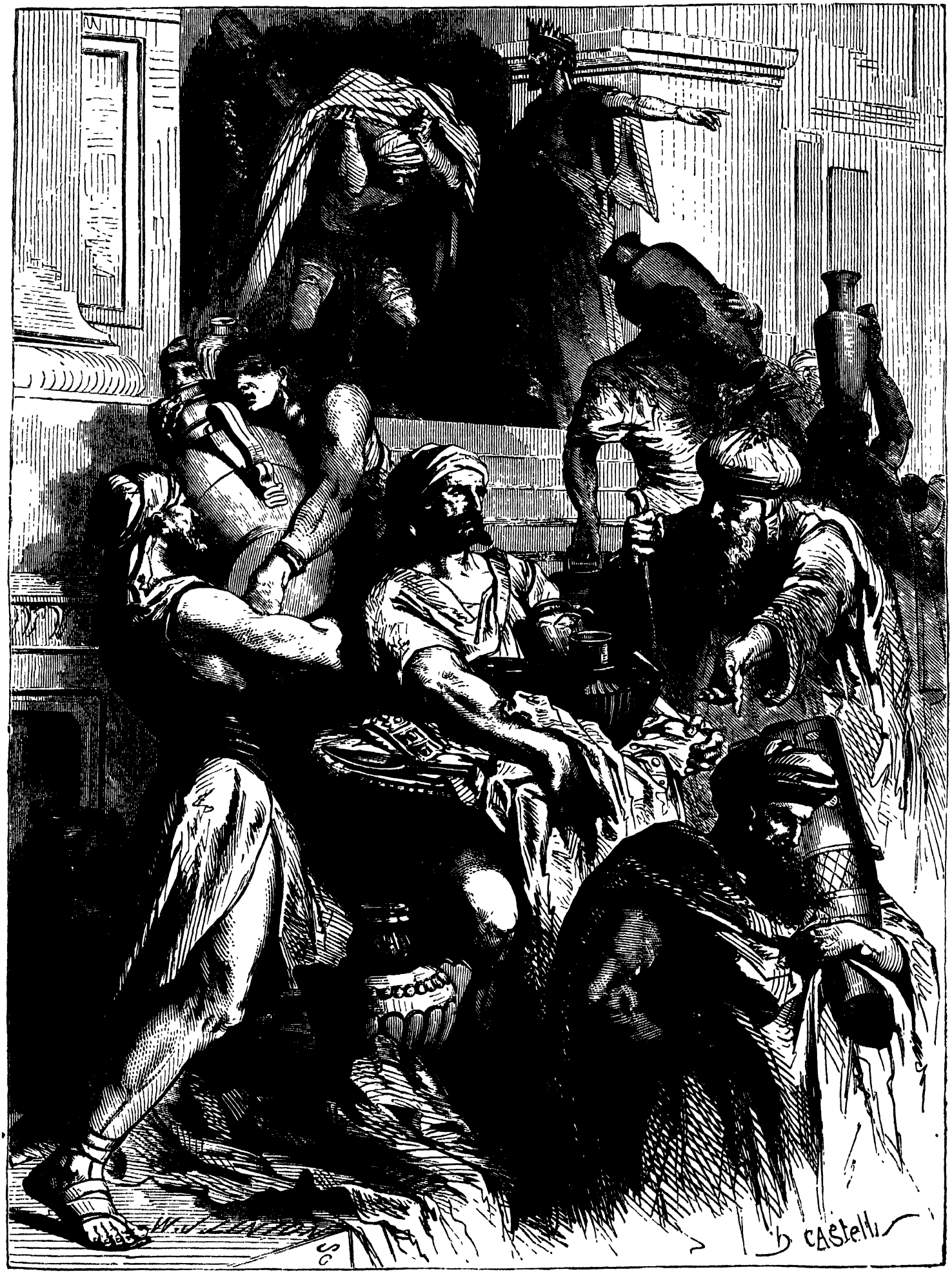
13 Go ye, enquire of the LORD for me, and for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that is found: for great *is* the wrath of the LORD that is kindled against us, because our fathers have not hearkened unto the words of this book, to do according unto all that which is written concerning us.[o]

14 So Hilkiah the priest, and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asahiah, went unto Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of [8]Tikvah, the son of [9]Harhas, keeper of the [10]wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem [11]in the college;) and they communed with her.

15 ¶ And she said unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell the man that sent you to me,

16 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, *even* all the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read:[p]

17 Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched.[q]



REMOVING THE VESSELS OF BAAL FROM THE TEMPLE BY THE COMMAND OF KING JOSIAH.

18 But to the king of Judah which sent you to enquire of the LORD, thus shall ye say to him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, *As touching* the words which thou hast heard;[a]

19 Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the LORD, when thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and hast rent thy clothes, and wept before me; I also have heard *thee*, saith the LORD.[b]

20 Behold therefore, I will gather thee unto thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered into thy grave in peace; and thine eyes shall not see all the evil which I will bring upon this place. And they brought the king word again.[c]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *Josiah causeth the book to be read in a solemn assembly.* 3 *He renewcth the covenant of the Lord.* 4 *He destroyeth idolatry.* 15 *He burnt dead men's bones upon the altar of Beth-el, as was foreprophesied.* 21 *He kept a most solemn passover.* 24 *He put away witches and all abomination.* 26 *God's final wrath against Judah.* 29 *Josiah, provoking Pharaoh-nechoh, is slain at Megiddo.* 31 *Jehoahaz, succeeding him, is imprisoned by Pharaoh-nechoh, who made Jehoiakim king.* 36 *Jehoiakim's wicked reign.*

AND the king sent, and they gathered unto him all the elders of Judah and of Jerusalem.[d]

2 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the people, [1]both small and great: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant which was found in the house of the LORD.[e]

3 ¶ And the king stood by a pillar, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments and his testimonies and his statutes with all *their* heart and all *their* soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. And all the people stood to the covenant.[f]

4 And the king commanded Hilkiah the high priest, and the priests of the second order, and the keepers of the door, to bring forth out of the temple of the LORD all the vessels that were made for Baal, and for the grove, and for all the host of heaven: and he burned them without Jerusalem in the fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of them unto Beth-el.[g]

5 And he [2]put down [3]the idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem; them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the [4]planets, and to all the host of heaven.[h]

6 And he brought out the grove from the house of the LORD, without Jerusalem, unto the brook Kidron, and burned it at the brook Kidron, and stamped *it* small to powder, and cast the powder thereof upon the graves of the children of the people.[i]

7 And he brake down the houses of the sodomites, that *were* by the house of the LORD, where the women wove [5]hangings for the grove.[j]

8 And he brought all the priests out of the cities of Judah, and defiled the high places where the priests had burned incense, from Geba to Beer-sheba, and brake down the high places of the gates that *were* in the entering in of the gate of Joshua the governor of the city, which *were* on a man's left hand at the gate of the city.[k]

9 Nevertheless the priests of the high places came not up to the altar of the LORD in Jerusalem, but they did eat of the unleavened bread among their brethren.[l]

10 And he defiled Topheth, which *is* in the valley of the children of Hinnom, that no man might make his son or his daughter to pass through the fire to Molech.[m]

11 And he took away the horses that the kings of Judah had given to the sun, at the entering in of the house of the LORD, by the chamber of Nathan-melech the [6]chamberlain, which *was* in the suburbs, and burned the chariots of the sun with fire.

12 And the altars that *were* on the top of the upper chamber of Ahaz, which the kings of Judah had made, and the altars which Manasseh had made in the two courts of the house of the LORD, did the king beat down, and [7]brake *them* down from thence, and cast the dust of them into the brook Kidron.[n]

13 And the high places that *were* before Jerusalem, which *were* on the right hand of [8]the mount of corruption, which Solomon the king of Israel had builded for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Zidonians, and for Chemosh the abomination of the Moabites, and for Milcom the abomination of the children of Ammon, did the king defile.[o]

14 And he brake in pieces the [9]images, and cut down the groves, and filled their places with the bones of men.[p]

15 ¶ Moreover the altar that *was* at Beth-el, *and* the high place which Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin, had made, both that altar and the high place he brake down, and burned the high place, *and* stamped *it* small to powder, and burned the grove.[q]

16 And as Josiah turned himself, he spied the sepulchres that *were* there in the mount, and sent, and took the bones out of the sepulchres, and burned *them* upon the altar, and polluted it, according to the word of the LORD which the man of God proclaimed, who proclaimed these words.[r]

17 Then he said, What title *is* that that I see? And the men of the city told him, *It is* the sepulchre of the man of God, which came from Judah, and proclaimed these things that thou hast done against the altar of Beth-el.[s]

18 And he said, Let him alone; let no man move his bones. So they let his bones [10]alone, with the bones of the prophet that came out of Samaria.[t]

BEFORE CHRIST 624.

[a] 2 Chron. xxxiv. 26, &c.

[b] Lev. xxvi. 31, 32; 1 Kings xxi 29; Ps. li. 17; Isa. lvii 15, Jer. xxvi. 6; xliv. 22

[c] Ps xxxvii. 37; Isa. lvii. 1, 2

[d] 2 Chron xxxiv. 29, 30, &c.

[e] ch xxii. 8

[f] ch. xi. 14, 17.

[g] ch. xxi. 3, 7.

[h] ch. xxi. 3.

[i] ch. xxiii. 4.

[j] 1 Kings xiv. 24; xv. 12; Ezek xvi. 16.

[k] 1 Kings xv. 22.

[l] 1 Sam ii. 36; Ezek. xliv. 10—14.

[m] Lev xviii. 21, Deut. xviii 10, Josh xv 8; Isa xxx. 33, Jer vii 31; xix. 6, 11—13, Ezek. xxiii. 37, 39

[n] ch xxi 6; Jer xix 13, Zeph. i 5

[o] 1 Kings xi. 7.

[p] Exod. xxiii 24; Deut. vii. 5, 25.

[q] 1 Kings xii. 26, 33.

[r] 1 Kings xiii. 2.

[s] 1 Kings xiii. 1, 30.

[t] ch. xxi. 3.

1 Heb *from small even unto great.*

2 Heb *caused to cease.*

3 Heb *chemarim*, Hos. x. 5. Foretold, Zeph. i. 4.

4 Or, *twelve signs*, or, *constellations.*

5 Heb. *houses.*

6 Or, *eunuch*, or, *officer.*

7 Or, *ran from thence.*

8 That is, the mount of Olives.

9 Heb. *statues.*

10 Heb. *to escape.*

19 And all the houses also of the high places that *were* in the cities of Samaria, which the kings of Israel had made to provoke *the* LORD to anger, Josiah took away, and did to them according to all the acts that he had done in Beth-el.[e]

20 And he slew all the priests of the high places that *were* there upon the altars, and burned men's bones upon them, and returned to Jerusalem.[a]

21 ¶ And the king commanded all the people, saying, Keep the passover unto the LORD your God, as *it is* written in the book of this covenant.[c]

22 Surely there was not holden such a passover from the days of the judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah;

23 But in the [1]eighteenth year of king Josiah, *wherein* this passover was holden to the LORD in Jerusalem.

24 ¶ Moreover the *workers with* familiar spirits, and the wizards, and the [2]images, and the idols, and all the abominations that were spied in the land of Judah and in Jerusalem, did Josiah put away, that he might perform the words of the law which were written in the book that Hilkiah the priest found in the house of the LORD.[d]

25 And like unto him was there no king before him, that turned to the LORD with all his heart, and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses; neither after him arose there *any* like him.[e]

26 ¶ Notwithstanding the LORD turned not from the fierceness of his great wrath, wherewith his anger was kindled against Judah, because of all the [3]provocations that Manasseh had provoked him withal.[f]

27 And the LORD said, I will remove Judah also out of my sight, as I have removed Israel, and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen, and the house of which I said, My name shall be there.[g]

28 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

29 ¶ In his days Pharaoh-necho king of Egypt went up against the king of Assyria to the river Euphrates: and king Josiah went against him; and he slew him at Megiddo, when he had seen him.[h]

30 And his servants carried him in a chariot dead from Megiddo, and brought him to Jerusalem, and buried him in his own sepulchre. And the people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and anointed him, and made him king in his father's stead.[i]

31 ¶ [4]Jehoahaz *was* twenty and three years old when he began to reign; and he reigned three months in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.[j]

32 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done.

33 And Pharaoh-nechoh put him in bands at Riblah in the land of Hamath, [5]that he might not reign in Jerusalem; and [6]put the land to a tribute of an hundred talents of silver, and a talent of gold.[k]

34 And Pharaoh-nechoh made Eliakim the son of Josiah king in the room of Josiah his father, and turned his name to Jehoiakim, and took Jehoahaz away: and he came to Egypt, and died there.[l]

35 And Jehoiakim gave the silver and the gold to Pharaoh; but he taxed the land to give the money according to the commandment of Pharaoh: he exacted the silver and the gold of the people of the land, of every one according to his taxation, to give *it* unto Pharaoh-necho.[m]

36 ¶ Jehoiakim *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Zebudah, the daughter of Pedaiah of Rumah.[n]

37 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his fathers had done.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Jehoiakim, first subdued by Nebuchadnezzar, then rebelling against him, procureth his own ruin.* 5 *Jehoiachin succeedeth him.* 7 *The king of Egypt is vanquished by the king of Babylon.* 8 *Jehoiachin's evil reign.* 10 *Jerusalem is taken and carried captive into Babylon.* 17 *Zedekiah is made king, and reigneth ill unto the utter destruction of Judah.*

IN his days Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up, and Jehoiakim became his servant three years: then he turned and rebelled against him.[o]

2 And the LORD sent against him bands of the Chaldees, and bands of the Syrians, and bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of Ammon, and sent them against Judah to destroy it, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake [7]by his servants the prophets.[p]

3 Surely at the commandment of the LORD came *this* upon Judah, to remove *them* out of his sight, for the sins of Manasseh, according to all that he did;[q]

4 And also for the innocent blood that he shed: for he filled Jerusalem with innocent blood; which the LORD would not pardon.[r]

5 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

6 So Jehoiakim slept with his fathers: and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.[s]

7 And the king of Egypt came not again any more out of his land: for the king of Babylon had taken from the river of Egypt unto the river Euphrates all that pertained to the king of Egypt.[t]

8 ¶ [8]Jehoiachin *was* eighteen years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem three months. And his mother's name *was* Nehushta, the daughter of Elnathan of Jerusalem.[u]

9 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father had done.

BEFORE CHRIST 624.

5 Or, *because he reigned.*

6 Heb. *set a mulct upon the land.*

k ch. xxv 6; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 3; Jer. lii. 27.

a 2 Chron. xxxiv. 6, 7.

b ch. xi. 18; Exod xxii. 20, 1 Kings xiii. 2; xviii. 40; 2 Chron. xxxiv. 5.

l ch. xxiv. 17; Jer. xxii. 11, 12; Ezek. xix. 3, 4; Dan. i. 7.

c Exod. xii 3, Lev xxiii. 5; Numb. ix. 2; Deut. xvi. 2; 2 Chron. xxxv. 1, 18, 19.

m ver. 33.

1 His eighteenth year ending.

n 2 Chron. xxxvi. 5.

2 Or, *teraphim.*

d ch xxi 6; Gen xxxi 19; Lev xix. 31, xx 27, Deut. xviii. 11.

e ch. xviii. 5.

o 2 Chron xxxvi 6, Jer. xxv. 1, 9; Dan. i. 1

3 Heb. *angers.*

f ch xxi. 11, 12, xxiv 3, 4, Jer. xv. 4

g ch xvii 18, 20; xviii 11; xxi. 4, 7, 13, 1 Kings viii. 29; ix 3.

7 Heb *by the hand of.*

p ch xx. 17; xxi 12—14, xxiii. 27, Jer xxv 9; xxxii 28; Ezek. xix. 8.

q ch xxi. 2, 11; xxiii 26.

h ch xiv 8, 11; 2 Chron. xxxv. 20; Zech. xii. 11.

r ch. xxi. 16.

s 2 Chron. xxxvi. 6, & Jer. xxii. 18, 19; & xxv. 30.

i 2 Chron. xxxv. 24; xxxvi. 1.

4 Called *Shallum*, 1 Chron. iii 15.

t Jer. xxxvii. 5, 7; xlvi. 2

8 Called *Jeconiah*, 1 Chron. iii. 16; Jer. xxiv. 1; and *Coniah*, Jer. xxii. 24, 28.

j ch. xxiv. 18; Jer. xxii. 11.

u 2 Chron. xxxvi. 9.



ZEDEKIAH BEFORE THE KING OF BABYLON.

10 ¶ At that time the servants of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up against Jerusalem, and the city was [1]besieged.[a]

11 And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came against the city, and his servants did besiege it.

12 And Jehoiachin the king of Judah went out to the king of Babylon, he, and his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and his [2]officers: [3]and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of his reign.[b]

13 And he carried out thence all the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house, and cut in pieces all the vessels of gold which Solomon king of Israel had made in the temple of the LORD, as the LORD had said.[c]

14 And he carried away all Jerusalem, and all the princes, and all the mighty men of valour, *even* ten thousand captives, and all the craftsmen and smiths: none remained, save the poorest sort of the people of the land.[d]

15 And he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon, and the king's mother, and the king's wives, and his [4]officers, and the mighty of the land, *those* carried he into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon.[e]

16 And all the men of might, *even* seven thousand, and craftsmen and smiths a thousand, all *that were* strong *and* apt for war, even them the king of Babylon brought captive to Babylon.[f]

17 ¶ And the king of Babylon made Mattaniah his father's brother king in his stead, and changed his name to Zedekiah.[g]

18 Zedekiah *was* twenty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.[h]

19 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done.[i]

20 For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, until he had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 590.

g ch. xxiii. 34; 1 Chron. iii. 15; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 4, 10.

1 Heb. *came into siege.*

a Dan. i. 1

h ch. xxiii. 31, 2 Chron. xxxvi. 11, Jer. xxxvii. 1, lii. 1

2 Or, *eunuchs*

3 Nebuchadnezzar's eighth year.

i 2 Chron. xxxvi. 12.

b ch. xxv. 27, Jer. xxiv. 1, xxix. 1, 2, lii. 28, Ezek. xvii. 12.

j 2 Chron. xxxvi. 13; Ezek. xvii. 15.

c ch. xv. 17, Jer. xx. 5, Dan. v. 2, 3.

d ch. xxv. 12, 1 Sam. xiii. 19, 22; Jer. xxiv. 1; xl. 7; lii. 28.

4 Or, *eunuchs.*

e 2 Chron. xxxvi. 10; Esther ii. 6; Jer. xxii. 24, &c.

f Jer. lii. 28.

k Jer. xxxiv. 2; xxxix. 1; lii. 4, 5 Ezek. xxiv. 1.

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *Jerusalem is besieged.* 4 *Zedekiah taken, his sons slain, his eyes put out.* 8 *Nebuzar-adan defaceth the city, carrieth the remnant, except a few poor labourers, unto captivity,* 13 *spoileth and carrieth away the treasures.* 18 *The nobles are slain at Riblah.* 22 *Gedaliah, who was set over them that remained, being slain, the rest flee into Egypt.* 27 *Evil-merodach advanceth Jehoiachin in his court.*

AND it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, *that* Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came, he, and all his host, against Jerusalem, and pitched against it; and they built forts against it round about.[k]

2 And the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

3 And on the ninth *day* of the *fourth* month the famine prevailed in the city, and there was no bread for the people of the land.[a]

4 ¶ And the city was broken up, and all the men of war *fled* by night by the way of the gate between two walls, which *is* by the king's garden: (now the Chaldees *were* against the city round about:) and *the king* went the way toward the plain.[b]

5 And the army of the Chaldees pursued after the king, and overtook him in the plains of Jericho: and all his army were scattered from him.

6 So they took the king, and brought him up to the king of Babylon to Riblah; and they [1]gave judgment upon him.[c]

7 And they slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes, and put out the eyes of Zedekiah, and bound him with fetters of brass, and carried him to Babylon.[d]

8 ¶ And in the fifth month, on the seventh *day* of the month, which *is* the nineteenth year of king Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzar-adan, [2]captain of the guard, a servant of the king of Babylon, unto Jerusalem:[e]

9 And he burnt the house of the LORD, and the king's house, and all the houses of Jerusalem, and every great *man's* house burnt he with fire.[f]

10 And all the army of the Chaldees, that *were with* the captain of the guard, brake down the walls of Jerusalem round about.[g]

11 Now the rest of the people *that were* left in the city, and the [3]fugitives that fell away to the king of Babylon, with the remnant of the multitude, did Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carry away.[h]

12 But the captain of the guard left of the poor of the land *to be* vinedressers and husbandmen.[i]

13 And the pillars of brass that *were* in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the brasen sea that *was* in the house of the LORD, did the Chaldees break in pieces, and carried the brass of them to Babylon.[j]

14 And the pots, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they away.[k]

15 And the firepans, and the bowls, *and* such things as *were* of gold, *in* gold, and of silver, *in* silver, the captain of the guard took away.

16 The two pillars, [4]one sea, and the bases which Solomon had made for the house of the LORD; the brass of all these vessels was without weight.[l]

17 The height of the one pillar *was* eighteen cubits, and the chapiter upon it *was* brass: and the height of the chapiter three cubits; and the wreathen work, and pomegranates upon the chapiter round about, all of brass: and like unto these had the second pillar with wreathen work.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 590.

5 Heb. *threshold.*

n 1 Chron. vi. 14; Ezra vii. 1; Jer. xxi. 1; xxix. 25.

6 Or, *eunuch.*

a Jer. lii. 6.

7 Heb. *saw the king's face.* Esth. i. 14.

8 Or, *scribe of the captain of the host.*

b Jer. xxxix. 2, 4; lii. 7, &c.; Ezek. xii. 12

o Jer. lii. 25.

1 Heb. *spake judgment with him.*

c ch. xxiii. 33; Jer. lii. 9.

p ch. xxiii. 27; Lev. xxvi. 33; Deut. xxviii. 36, 64.

d Jer. xxxix. 7; Ezek. xii. 13.

q Jer. xl. 5.

2 Or, *chief marshal.*

e ver. 27; Jer. xxxix. 9; lii. 12—14.

f 2 Chron. xxxvi 19; Ps. lxxix. 1, Jer. xxxix. 8, Amos ii. 5.

r Jer. xl. 7—9.

g Neh. i. 3, Jer. lii. 14.

3 Heb. *fallen away*

h Jer. xxxix. 9, lii 15.

9 Heb *of the kingdom.*

i ch. xxiv 14; Jer. xxxix 10, xl. 7, lii. 16.

j ch. xx 17; 1 Kings vii 15, 23, 27; Jer. xxvii 19, 22, lii. 17, &c.

s Jer. xlii 4, 7.

k Exod. xxvii 3, 1 Kings vii. 45, 50

t Gen. xl 13, 20; Jer. lii. 31, &c.

4 Heb. *the one sea.*

10 Heb. *good things with him*

l 1 Kings vii 47.

u 2 Sam. ix. 7.

m 1 Kings vii 15; Jer. lii. 21.

18 ¶ And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the [5]door:[n]

19 And out of the city he took an [6]officer that was set over the men of war, and five men of them that [7]were in the king's presence, which were found in the city, and the [8]principal scribe of the host, which mustered the people of the land, and threescore men of the people of the land *that were* found in the city:[o]

20 And Nebuzar-adan captain of the guard took these, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah:

21 And the king of Babylon smote them, and slew them at Riblah in the land of Hamath. So Judah was carried away out of their land.[p]

22 ¶ And *as for* the people that remained in the land of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had left, even over them he made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, ruler.[q]

23 And when all the captains of the armies, they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah governor, there came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan the son of Careah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite, and Jaazaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.[r]

24 And Gedaliah sware to them, and to their men, and said unto them, Fear not to be the servants of the Chaldees: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon; and it shall be well with you.

25 But it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, the son of Elishama, of the seed [9]royal, came, and ten men with him, and smote Gedaliah, that he died, and the Jews and the Chaldees that were with him at Mizpah.

26 And all the people, both small and great, and the captains of the armies, arose, and came to Egypt: for they were afraid of the Chaldees.[s]

27 ¶ And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the seven and twentieth *day* of the month, *that* Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the year that he began to reign did lift up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah out of prison;[t]

28 And he spake [10]kindly to him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that *were* with him in Babylon;

29 And changed his prison garments: and he did eat bread continually before him all the days of his life.[u]

30 And his allowance *was* a continual allowance given him of the king, a daily rate for every day, all the days of his life.





THE FIRST BOOK OF THE

CHRONICLES

CHAPTER I.

BEFORE CHRIST 4004.

1 *Adam's line to Noah.* 5 *The sons of Japheth.* 8 *The sons of Ham.* 17 *The sons of Shem.* 24 *Shem's line to Abraham.* 29 *Ishmael's sons.* 32 *The sons of Keturah.* 34 *The posterity of Abraham by Esau.* 43 *The kings of Edom.* 51 *The dukes of Edom.*

ADAM, Sheth,[a] Enosh,
2 Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered,
3 Henoch, Methuselah, Lamech,
4 Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.
5 ¶ The sons of Japheth; Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.[b]
6 And the sons of Gomer; Ashchenaz, and [1]Riphath, and Togarmah.
7 And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and [2]Dodanim.
8 ¶ The sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, Put, and Canaan.[c]
9 And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabta, and Raamah, and Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.
10 And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be mighty upon the earth.[d]
11 And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim,

[a] Gen iv 25, 26, v 3, 9

[b] Gen x 2, &c
[1] Or, *Diphath.*

[2] Or, *Rodanim.*

[c] Gen x 6, &c.

[d] Gen. x. 8, 13, &c.

12 And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (of whom came the Philistines,) and Caphthorim.[a]

13 And Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and Heth,[b]

14 The Jebusite also, and the Amorite, and the Girgashite,

15 And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite,

16 And the Arvadite, and the Zemarite, and the Hamathite.

17 ¶ The sons of Shem; Elam, and Asshur, and Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram, and Uz, and Hul, and Gether, and [1]Meshech.[c]

18 And Arphaxad begat Shelah, and Shelah begat Eber.

19 And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one *was* [2]Peleg; because in his days the earth was divided: and his brother's name *was* Joktan.

20 And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth, and Jerah,[d]

21 Hadoram also, and Uzal, and Diklah,

22 And Ebal, and Abimael, and Sheba,

23 And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All these *were* the sons of Joktan.

24 ¶ Shem, Arphaxad, Shelah,[e]

25 Eber, Peleg, Reu,[f]

26 Serug, Nahor, Terah,

27 Abram; the same *is* Abraham.[g]

28 The sons of Abraham; Isaac, and Ishmael.[h]

29 ¶ These *are* their generations: The firstborn of Ishmael, Nebaioth; then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,[i]

30 Mishma, and Dumah, Massa, [3]Hadad, and Tema,

31 Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sons of Ishmael.

32 ¶ Now the sons of Keturah, Abraham's concubine: she bare Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan; Sheba, and Dedan.[j]

33 And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Henoch, and Abida, and Eldaah. All these *are* the sons of Keturah.

34 And Abraham begat Isaac. The sons of Isaac; Esau and Israel.[k]

35 ¶ The sons of Esau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.[l]

36 The sons of Eliphaz; Teman, and Omar, [4]Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, and Timna, and Amalek.

37 The sons of Reuel; Nahath, Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.

38 And the sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezar, and Dishan.[m]

39 And the sons of Lotan; Hori, and Homam: and Timna *was* Lotan's sister.[n]

40 The sons of Shobal; [5]Alian, and Manahath, and Ebal, [6]Shephi, and Onam. And the sons of Zibeon; Aiah, and Anah.

41 The sons of Anah; Dishon. And the sons of Dishon; [7]Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.[o]

42 The sons of Ezer; Bilhan, and Zavan, *and* [8]Jakan. The sons of Dishan; Uz, and Aran.

43 ¶ Now these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of Edom before *any* king reigned over the children of Israel; Bela the son of Beor: and the name of his city *was* Dinhabah.[p]

44 And when Bela was dead, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.

45 And when Jobab was dead, Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead.

46 And when Husham was dead, Hadad the son of Bedad, which smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* Avith.

47 And when Hadad was dead, Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

48 And when Samlah was dead, Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead.[q]

49 And when Shaul was dead, Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

50 And when Baal-hanan was dead, [9]Hadad reigned in his stead: and the name of his city *was* [10]Pai; and his wife's name *was* Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

51 ¶ Hadad died also. And the dukes of Edom were; duke Timnah, duke [11]Aliah, duke Jetheth,[r]

52 Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

53 Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

54 Duke Magdiel, duke Iram. These *are* the dukes of Edom.

CHAPTER II.

1 *The sons of Israel.* 3 *The posterity of Judah by Tamar.* 13 *The children of Jesse.* 18 *The posterity of Caleb the son of Hezron.* 21 *Hezron's posterity by the daughter of Machir.* 25 *Jerahmeel's posterity.* 34 *Sheshan's posterity.* 42 *Another branch of Caleb's posterity.* 50 *The posterity of Caleb the son of Hur.*



THESE *are* the sons of [12]Israel; Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun,[s]

2 Dan, Joseph, and Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.

3 ¶ The sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah: *which* three were born unto him of the daughter of Shua the Canaanitess. And Er, the firstborn of Judah, was evil in the sight of the LORD; and he slew him.[t]

4 And Tamar his daughter in law bare him Pharez and Zerah. All the sons of Judah *were* five.[u]

5 The sons of Pharez; Hezron, and Hamul.[v]

6 And the sons of Zerah; [13]Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and [14]Dara: five of them in all.

7 And the sons of Carmi; [15]Achar, the troubler of Israel, who transgressed in the thing accursed.[w]

8 And the sons of Ethan; Azariah.

9 The sons also of Hezron, that were born unto him; Jerahmeel, and [16]Ram, and [17]Chelubai.

10 And Ram begat Amminadab; and Amminadab begat Nahshon, prince of the children of Judah;[x]

11 And Nahshon begat [18]Salma, and Salma begat Boaz,

12 And Boaz begat Obed, and Obed begat Jesse,

13 ¶ And Jesse begat his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and [19]Shimma, the third[y]

BEFORE CHRIST 1896.

a Deut. ii. 23.

b Gen. x. 15, &c.
p Gen. xxxvi. 31, &c.

1 Or, *Mash*, Gen. x. 23
c Gen. x. 22; xi. 10

2 That is, *Division*, Gen. x. 25.
q Gen. xxxvi 37.

d Gen. x. 26.
9 Or, *Hadar*, Gen. xxxvi. 39
10 Or, *Pau*, Gen. xxxvi. 39

e Gen xi. 10, &c.; Luke iii. 34, &c.
11 Or, *Alvah*.
r Gen. xxxvi. 40

f Gen. xi. 15
g Gen. xvii. 5
h Gen. xvi. 11, 15; xxi 2, 3.

i Gen. xxv. 13—16.
3 Or, *Hadar*, Gen xxv. 15
12 Or, *Jacob*.
s Gen. xxix. 32, xxx 5, &c., xxxv 18, 22, xlvi. 8, &c

j Gen xxv. 1, 2.
k Gen. xxi. 2, 3, xxv 25, 26
l Gen xxxvi 9, 10.
t Gen xxxviii 2, 3, 7, xlvi 12, Numb xxvi. 19

4 Or, *Zepho*, Gen xxxvi 11
u Gen xxxviii. 29, 30, Matt. i. 3
v Gen xlvi 12, Ruth iv. 18
13 Or, *Zabdi*, Josh. vii. 1
14 Or, *Darda*.
15 Or, *Achan*.

m Gen. xxxvi. 20.
w ch. iv 1, Josh vi. 18, vii 1

n Or, *Heman*, Gen. xxxvi. 22.

5 Or, *Alvan*, Gen. xxxvi. 23
16 Or, *Aram*, Matt. i. 3, 4.
17 Or, *Caleb*, vs. 18, 42

6 Or, *Shepho*, Gen. xxxvi. 23.
x Numb i. 7; ii. 3; Ruth iv 19, 20; Matt i. 4.
18 Or, *Salmon*, Ruth iv 21; Matt. i. 4.

7 Or, *Hemdan*, Gen. xxxvi. 26.

o Gen. xxxvi 25.

8 Or, *Akan*, Gen. xxxvi. 27.
19 Or, *Shammah*, 1 Sam. xvi. 9
y 1 Sam. xvi. 6.

14 Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth,
15 Ozem the sixth, David the seventh:
16 Whose sisters *were* Zeruiah, and Abigail. And the sons of Zeruiah; Abishai, and Joab, and Asahel, three.[a]
17 And Abigail bare Amasa: and the father of Amasa *was* [1]Jether the Ishmeelite.[b]
18 ¶ And Caleb the son of Hezron begat *children* of Azubah *his* wife, and of Jerioth: her sons *are* these; Jesher, and Shobab, and Ardon.
19 And when Azubah was dead, Caleb took unto him Ephrath, which bare him Hur.[c]
20 And Hur begat Uri, and Uri begat Bezaleel.[d]
21 ¶ And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of Machir the father of Gilead, whom he [2]married when he *was* threescore years old; and she bare him Segub.[e]
22 And Segub begat Jair, who had three and twenty cities in the land of Gilead.
23 And he took Geshur, and Aram, with the towns of Jair, from them, with Kenath, and the towns thereof, *even* threescore cities. All these *belonged to* the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.[f]
24 And after that Hezron was dead in Caleb-ephratah, then Abiah Hezron's wife bare him Ashur the father of Tekoa.[g]
25 ¶ And the sons of Jerahmeel the firstborn of Hezron were, Ram the firstborn, and Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, *and* Ahijah.
26 Jerahmeel had also another wife, whose name *was* Atarah; she *was* the mother of Onam.
27 And the sons of Ram the firstborn of Jerahmeel were, Maaz, and Jamin, and Eker.
28 And the sons of Onam were, Shammai, and Jada. And the sons of Shammai; Nadab, and Abishur.
29 And the name of the wife of Abishur *was* Abihail, and she bare him Ahban, and Molid.
30 And the sons of Nadab; Seled, and Appaim: but Seled died without children.
31 And the sons of Appaim; Ishi. And the sons of Ishi; Sheshan. And the children of Sheshan; Ahlai.
32 And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai; Jether, and Jonathan: and Jether died without children.
33 And the sons of Jonathan; Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel.
34 ¶ Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a servant, an Egyptian, whose name *was* Jarha.
35 And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha his servant to wife; and she bare him Attai.
36 And Attai begat Nathan, and Nathan begat Zabad,[h]
37 And Zabad begat Ephlal, and Ephlal begat Obed,
38 And Obed begat Jehu, and Jehu begat Azariah,
39 And Azariah begat Helez, and Helez begat Eleasah,
40 And Eleasah begat Sisamai, and Sisamai begat Shallum,
41 And Shallum begat Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begat Elishama.
42 ¶ Now the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel *were*, Mesha his firstborn, which *was* the father of Ziph; and the sons of Mareshah the father of Hebron.
43 And the sons of Hebron; Korah, and Tappuah, and Rekem, and Shema.
44 And Shema begat Raham, the father of Jorkoam: and Rekem begat Shammai.
45 And the son of Shammai *was* Maon: and Maon *was* the father of Beth-zur.
46 And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bare Haran, and Moza, and Gazez: and Haran begat Gazez.
47 And the sons of Jahdai; Regem, and Jotham, and Gesham, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph.
48 Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bare Sheber, and Tirhanah.
49 She bare also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibea: and the daughter of Caleb *was* Achsa.[i]
50 ¶ These were the sons of Caleb the son of Hur, the firstborn of [3]Ephratah; Shobal the father of Kirjath-jearim,
51 Salma the father of Beth-lehem, Hareph the father of Beth-gader.
52 And Shobal the father of Kirjath-jearim had sons; [4]Haroeh, *and* [5]half of the Manahethites.
53 And the families of Kirjath-jearim; the Ithrites, and the Puhites, and the Shumathites, and the Mishraites; of them came the Zareathites, and the Eshtaulites.
54 The sons of Salma; Beth-lehem, and the Netophathites, [6]Ataroth, the house of Joab, and half of the Manahethites, the Zorites.
55 And the families of the scribes which dwelt at Jabez; the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, *and* Suchathites. These *are* the Kenites that came of Hemath, the father of the house of Rechab.[j]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The sons of David.* 10 *His line to Zedekiah.* 17 *The successors of Jeconiah.*

NOW these were the sons of David, which were born unto him in Hebron; the firstborn Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess; the second [7]Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess:[k]
2 The third, Absalom the son of Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur: the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith:
3 The fifth, Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth, Ithream by Eglah his wife.[l]
4 *These* six were born unto him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years.[m]
5 And these were born unto him in Jerusalem: Shimea, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, four, of [8]Bath-shua the daughter of Ammiel:[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 1617.

a 2 Sam. ii. 18
1 Or, *Ithra, an Israelite.*
b 2 Sam. xvii 25.
c ver. 50
d Exod. xxxi 2
2 Heb *took*
e Numb xxvii. 1.
i Josh. xv. 17.
f Numb xxxii 41, Deut. iii. 14; Josh. xiii 30
3 Or, *Ephrath*, ver 19
g ch iv 5
4 Or, *Reaiah*, ch iv. 2
5 Or, *half of the Menuchites*, or, *Hatzi-ham-menuchoth.*
6 Or, *Atarites*, or, *crowns of the house of Joab.*
j Judg i 16; Jer. xxxv. 2.
7 Or, *Chileab*, 2 Sam iii. 3.
k Josh. xv. 56; 2 Sam iii. 2.
h ch xi. 41.
l 2 Sam iii. 5
m 2 Sam. ii. 11; v. 5.
8 Or, *Bath-sheba*, 2 Sam. xi. 3.
n ch. xiv. 5; 2 Sam. v. 14; xii. 24.

6 Ibhar also, and [1]Elishama, and Eliphelet,
7 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,
8 And Elishama, and [2]Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.[a]
9 *These were* all the sons of David, beside the sons of the concubines, and Tamar their sister.[b]
10 ¶ And Solomon's son *was* Rehoboam, [3]Abia his son, Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,[c]
11 Joram his son, [4]Ahaziah his son, Joash his son,
12 Amaziah his son, [5]Azariah his son, Jotham his son,



PANORAMIC PLAN OF THE TRIBES OF GAD, REUBEN, AND MANASSEH, BEYOND JORDAN.

13 Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son, Manasseh his son,
14 Amon his son, Josiah his son.
15 And the sons of Josiah *were*, the firstborn [6]Johanan, the second [7]Jehoiakim, the third [8]Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.
16 And the sons of Jehoiakim: [9]Jeconiah [10]his son, Zedekiah his son.[d]
17 ¶ And the sons of Jeconiah; Assir, [11]Salathiel his son,
18 Malchiram also, and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.
19 And the sons of Pedaiah *were*, Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sons of Zerubbabel; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister:
20 And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab-hesed, five.
21 And the sons of Hananiah; Pelatiah, and Jesaiah: the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shechaniah.
22 And the sons of Shechaniah; Shemaiah: and the sons of Shemaiah; Hattush, and Igeal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six.[e]
23 And the sons of Neariah; Elioenai, and [12]Hezekiah, and Azrikam, three.
24 And the sons of Elioenai *were*, Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Johanan, and Dalaiah, and Anani, seven.

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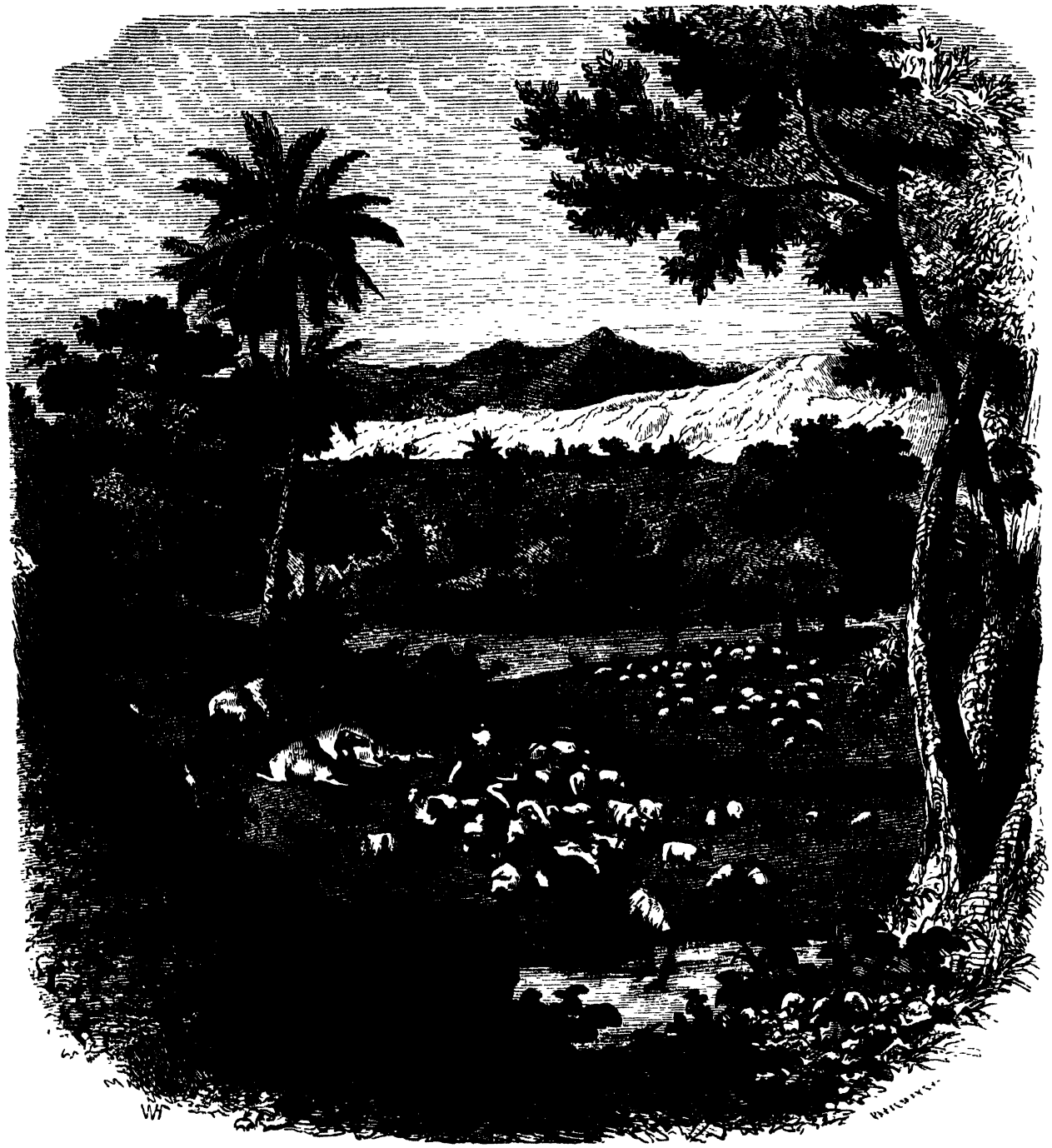
1 Or, *Eliam*, 2 Sam. xi. 3; or, *Elishua*, 2 Sam. v. 15.
2 Or, *Beliada*, ch. xiv. 7.
a 2 Sam. v. 14—16.
b 2 Sam. xiii. 1.
3 Or, *Abijam*, 1 Kings xv. 1.
c 1 Kings xi. 43; xv. 6.
4 Or, *Azariah*, 2 Chron. xxii. 6; or, *Jehoahaz*, 2 Chron. xxi. 17.
e Ezra viii. 2.
5 Or, *Uzziah*, 2 Kings xv. 30
12 Heb. *Hiskijahu.*
13 Or, *Chelubai*, ch. ii. 9; or, *Caleb*, ch. ii. 18
f Gen. xxxviii. 29; xlvi. 12.

CHAPTER IV.

1, 11 *The posterity of Judah by Caleb the son of Hur.* 5 *Of Ashur the posthumous son of Hezron.* 9 *Of Jabez, and his prayer.* 21 *The posterity of Shelah.* 24 *The posterity and cities of Simeon.* 39 *Their conquest of Gedor, and of the Amalekites in mount Seir.*

THE sons of Judah; Pharez, Hezron, and [13]Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal.[f]
2 And [14]Reaiah the son of Shobal begat Jahath; and Jahath begat Ahumai, and Lahad. These *are* the families of the Zorathites.
3 And these *were of* the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of their sister *was* Hazelelponi:
4 And Penuel the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These *are* the sons of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah, the father of Beth-lehem.[g]
5 ¶ And Ashur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.[h]
6 And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hepher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These *were* the sons of Naarah.
7 And the sons of Helah *were*, Zereth, and Jezoar, and Ethnan.
8 And Coz begat Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.
9 ¶ And [15]Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.[i]
10 And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, [16]Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest [17]keep *me* from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.
11 ¶ And Chelub the brother of Shuah begat Mehir, which *was* the father of Eshton.
12 And Eshton begat Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of [18]Ir-nahash. These *are* the men of Rechah.
13 And the sons of Kenaz, Othniel, and Seraiah: and the sons of Othniel; [19]Hathath.[j]
14 And Meonothai begat Ophrah: and Seraiah

g ch. ii. 50.
h ch. ii. 24
15 That is, *sorrowful.*
i Gen. xxxiv. 19.
16 Heb. *If thou will, &c*
17 Heb. *do me.*
6 Or, *Jehoahaz*, 2 Kings xxiii. 30
7 Or, *Eliakim*, 2 Kings xxiii. 34.
8 Or, *Mattaniah*, 2 Kings xxiv. 17.
9 Or, *Jehoiachin*, 2 Kings xxiv. 6; or, *Coniah*, Jer. xxii. 24.
10 Or, *being his uncle*, 2 Kings xxiv. 17.
d Matt. i. 11.
18 Or, *the city of Nahash.*
19 Or, *Hathath and Meonothai, who begat, &c.*
j Josh. xv. 17.



FLOCKS AND HERDS OF THE SIMEONITES IN THE VALLEY OF GEDOR.

begat Joab, the father of the [1]valley of [2]Charashim; for they were craftsmen.[a]

15 And the sons of Caleb the son of Jephunneh; Iru, Elah, and Naam: and the sons of Elah, even [3]Kenaz.

16 And the sons of Jehaleleel; Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.

17 And the sons of Ezra *were*, Jether, and Mered, and Epher, and Jalon: and she bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.

18 And his wife [4]Jehudijah bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these *are* the sons of Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, which Mered took.

19 And the sons of *his* wife [5]Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.

20 And the sons of Shimon *were*, Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi *were*, Zoheth, and Ben-zoheth.

21 ¶ The sons of Shelah the son of Judah *were*, Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought fine linen, of the house of Ashbea,[b]

22 And Jokim, and the men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who had the dominion in Moab, and Jashubi-lehem. And *these are* ancient things.

23 These *were* the potters, and those that dwelt among plants and hedges: there they dwelt with the king for his work.

BEFORE CHRIST 1721

1 Or, *inhabitants of the valley.*
2 That is, *craftsmen.*
a Neh. xi. 35.
3 Or, *Uknaz.*
b Gen. xxxviii. 1, 5; xlvi. 12.
4 Or, *the Jewess*
5 Or, *Jehudijah*, ver. 18.

24 ¶ The sons of Simeon *were*, [1]Nemuel, and Jamin, [2]Jarib, Zerah, *and* Shaul:

25 Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.

26 And the sons of Mishma; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.

27 And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters; but his brethren had not many children, neither did all their family multiply, [3]like to the children of Judah.

BEFORE CHRIST 1721.

1 Or, *Jemuel.* Gen. xlvi. 10; Exod. vi. 15; Numb. xxvi. 12.

2 Or, *Jachin, Zohar.*

b 2 Kings xviii. 8.

3 Heb. *unto.*

c 1 Sam. xv. 8; xxx. 17; 2 Sam. viii. 12.

28 And they dwelt at Beer-sheba, and Moladah, and Hazar-shual,[a]

29 And at [4]Bilhah, and at Ezem, and at [5]Tolad,

30 And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag,

31 And at Beth-marcaboth, and [6]Hazar-susim, and at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim. These *were* their cities unto the reign of David.

32 And their villages *were*, [7]Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities:

33 And all their villages that *were* round about the same cities, unto [8]Baal. These *were* their habitations, and [9]their genealogy.

34 And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah the son of Amaziah,

35 And Joel, and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel,

36 And Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and Benaiah,

37 And Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of Shemaiah;

38 These [10]mentioned by *their* names *were* princes in their families: and the house of their fathers increased greatly.

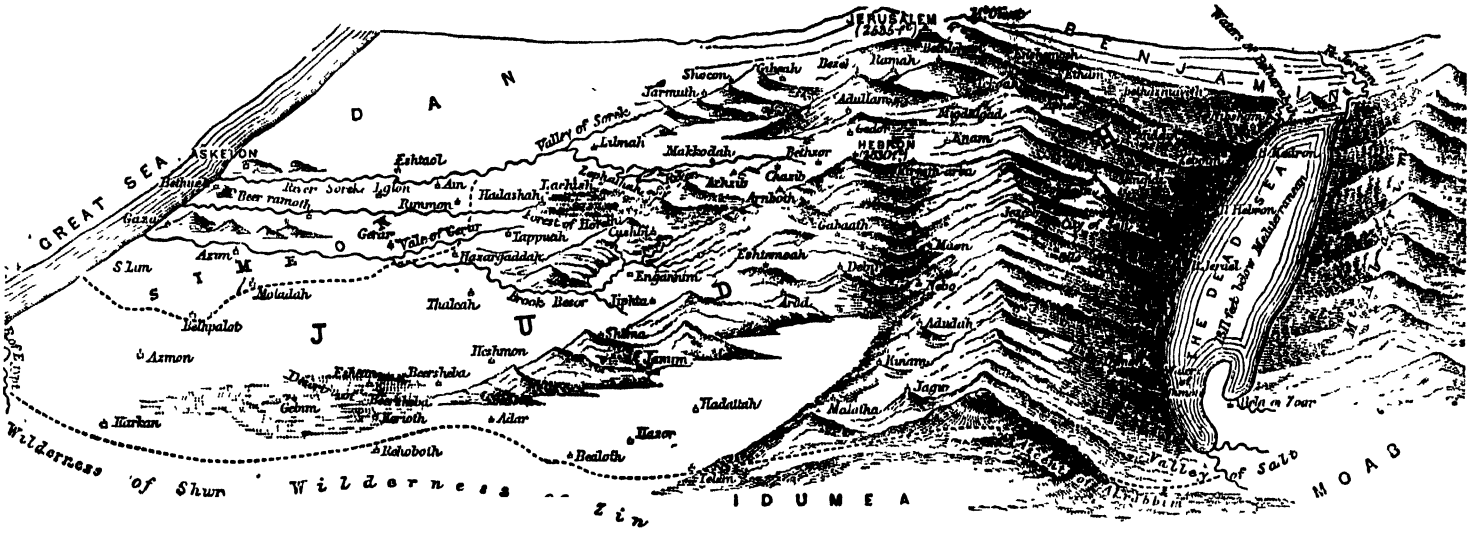
39 ¶ And they went to the entrance of Gedor, *even* unto the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.

40 And they found fat pasture and good, and the land *was* wide, and quiet, and peaceable; for *they* of Ham had dwelt there of old.

41 And these written by name came in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and smote their tents, and the habitations that were found there, and destroyed them utterly unto this day, and dwelt in their rooms: because *there was* pasture there for their flocks.[b]

42 And *some* of them, *even* of the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, went to mount Seir, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.

43 And they smote the rest of the Amalekites that were escaped, and dwelt there unto this day.[c]



PANORAMIC PLAN OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH AND THE SURROUNDING COUNTRY.

a Josh. xix. 2.

4 Or, *Balah*, Josh. xix. 3.

5 Or, *Eltolad*, Josh. xix. 4.

6 Or, *Hazar-susah*, Josh xix. 5.

7 Or, *Ether*, Josh. xix. 7.

8 Or, *Bahalath-beer*, ch. iv. 33.

9 Or, *as they divided themselves by nations among them.*

d Gen. xxix. 32; xxx. 22; xlviii. 15, 22; xlix. 3, 4.

11 Or, *prince.*

e Gen. xlix. 8, 10; Ps. lx. 7; cviii. 8; Micah v. 2; Matt. ii. 6.

f Gen. xlvi. 9; Exod. vi. 14; Numb. xxvi. 5.

10 Heb. *coming.*

12 Or, *Tiglath-pilneser*, 2 Kings xv. 29; xvi. 7.

g ver. 17.

13 Or, *Shemaiah*, ver. 4.

h Josh. xiii. 15, 16.

CHAPTER V.

1 *The line of Reuben (who lost his birthright) unto the captivity.* 9 *Their habitation and conquest of the Hagarites.* 11 *The chief men and habitations of Gad.* 18 *The number and conquest of Reuben, Gad, and the half of Manasseh.* 23 *The habitations and chief men of that half tribe.* 25 *Their captivity for their sin.*

NOW the sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel, (for he *was* the firstborn; but, forasmuch as he defiled his father's bed, his birthright was given unto the sons of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright.[d]

2 For Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him *came* [11]the chief ruler; but the birthright *was* Joseph's:)[e]

3 The sons, *I say*, of Reuben the firstborn of Israel *were*, Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and

4 The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son,

5 Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son,

6 Beerah his son, whom [12]Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria carried away *captive:* he *was* prince of the Reubenites.

7 And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was reckoned, *were* the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah,[g]

8 And Bela the son of Azaz, the son of [13]Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in Aroer, even unto Nebo and Baal-meon:[h]



THE REUBENITES CARRIED INTO CAPTIVITY BY THE ASSYRIANS.

9 And eastward he inhabited unto the entering in of the wilderness from the river Euphrates: because their cattle were multiplied in the land of Gilead.[a]

10 And in the days of Saul they made war with the Hagarites, who fell by their hand: and they dwelt in their tents [1]throughout all the east *land* of Gilead.[b]

11 ¶ And the children of Gad dwelt over against them, in the land of Bashan unto Salcah:[c]

12 Joel the chief, and Shapham the next, and Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

13 And their brethren of the house of their fathers *were*, Michael, and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Jorai, and Jachan, and Zia, and Heber, seven.

14 These *are* the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;

15 Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son of Guni, chief of the house of their fathers.

16 And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all the suburbs of Sharon, upon [2]their borders.[d]

17 All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of Jotham king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam king of Israel.[e]

18 ¶ The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, of [3]valiant men, men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war, *were* four and forty thousand seven hundred and threescore, that went out to the war.

19 And they made war with the Hagarites, with Jetur, and Nephish, and Nodab.[f]

20 And they were helped against them, and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand, and all that *were* with them: for they cried to God in the battle, and he was intreated of them; because they put their trust in him.[g]

21 And they [4]took away their cattle; of their camels fifty thousand, and of sheep two hundred and fifty thousand, and of asses two thousand, and [5]of men an hundred thousand.

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2 Heb *their goings forth.*

d ch. xxvii. 29

a Josh xxii. 9

e 2 Kings xiv. 16. 28; xv 5, 32.

1 Heb *upon all the face of the east.*

b Gen. xxv. 12

3 Heb. *sons of valour.*

c Josh. xiii. 11, 24.

f ch. i. 31; Gen. xxv. 15

g ver. 22; Ps xxii. 4, 5.

4 Heb. *led captive.*

5 Heb. *souls of men.*

22 For there fell down many slain, because the war *was* of God. And they dwelt in their steads until the captivity.[a]

23 ¶ And the children of the half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land: they increased from Bashan unto Baal-hermon and Senir, and unto mount Hermon.

24 And these *were* the heads of the house of their fathers, even Epher, and Ishi, and Eliel, and Azriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Jahdiel, mighty men of valour, [1]famous men, *and* heads of the house of their fathers.

25 ¶ And they transgressed against the God of their fathers, and went a whoring after the gods of the people of the land, whom God destroyed before them.[b]

26 And the God of Israel stirred up the spirit of Pul king of Assyria, and the spirit of Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria, and he carried them away, even the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, and brought them unto Halah, and Habor, and Hara, and to the river Gozan, unto this day.[c]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The sons of Levi.* 4 *The line of the priests unto the captivity.* 16 *The families of Gershom, Merari, and Kohath.* 49 *The office of Aaron, and his line unto Ahimaaz.* 54 *The cities of the priests and Levites.*

THE sons of Levi; [2]Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.[d]

2 And the sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.[e]

3 And the children of Amram; Aaron, and Moses, and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.[f]

4 ¶ Eleazar begat Phinehas, Phinehas begat Abishua,

5 And Abishua begat Bukki, and Bukki begat Uzzi,

6 And Uzzi begat Zerahiah, and Zerahiah begat Meraioth,

7 Meraioth begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,

8 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Ahimaaz,[g]

9 And Ahimaaz begat Azariah, and Azariah begat Johanan,

10 And Johanan begat Azariah, (he *it is* that executed the priest's office in the temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem:)[h]

11 And Azariah begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub,[i]

12 And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat [3]Shallum,

13 And Shallum begat Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begat Azariah,

14 And Azariah begat Seraiah, and Seraiah begat Jehozadak,[j]

15 And Jehozadak went *into captivity*, when the LORD carried away Judah and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.[k]

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4 Or, *Gershon*, ver. 1.
l Exod. vi. 16.
a 2 Kings xv. 29; xvii. 6.
1 Heb. *men of names.*
m ver. 42.
5 Or, *Ethan*, ver. 42.
6 Or, *Adaiah*, ver. 41.
7 Or, *Ethni*, ver. 41.
8 Or, *Izhar*, vs. 2, 18.
b 2 Kings xvii. 7.
9 Or, *Zephaniah, Azariah, Joel*, ver. 36
c 2 Kings xv. 19, 29; xvii. 6; xviii. 11.
n vs. 35, 36.
10 Or, *Zuph*, ver. 35; 1 Sam. i. 1.
11 Or, *Toah*, ver. 34.
12 Or, *Eliel*, ver. 34.
13 Or, *Joel*, ver. 33; 1 Sam. viii. 2.
2 Or, *Gershom*, ver. 16.
d ch. xxiii. 6; Gen. xlvi. 11; Exod. vi. 16, Numb. xxvi. 57
e ver. 22
o ch. xvi. 1
f Lev. x. 1
14 Heb. *stood.*
15 Or, *Nahath*, ver. 26
16 Or, *Zophai.*
g 2 Sam. viii. 17; xv. 27.
17 Or, *Shaul, Uzziah, Uriel.*
p Exod. vi. 24.
h 1 Kings vi.; 2 Chron. iii.; xxvi. 17, 18.
i Ezra vii. 3.
3 Or, *Meshullam*, ch. ix. 11.
q ver. 21.
j Neh. xi. 11.
k 2 Kings xxv. 21.

16 ¶ The sons of Levi; [4]Gershom, Kohath, and Merari.[l]

17 And these *be* the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei.

18 And the sons of Kohath *were*, Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.

19 The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these *are* the families of the Levites according to their fathers.

20 Of Gershom; Libni his son, Jahath his son, Zimmah his son,[m]

21 [5]Joah his son, [6]Iddo his son, Zerah his son, [7]Jeaterai his son.

22 The sons of Kohath; [8]Amminadab his son, Korah his son, Assir his son,

23 Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and Assir his son,

24 Tahath his son, [9]Uriel his son, Uzziah his son, and Shaul his son.

25 And the sons of Elkanah; Amasai, and Ahimoth.[n]

26 *As for* Elkanah: the sons of Elkanah; [10]Zophai his son, and [11]Nahath his son,

27 [12]Eliab his son, Jeroham his son, Elkanah his son.

28 And the sons of Samuel; the firstborn [13]Vashni, and Abiah.

29 The sons of Merari; Mahli, Libni his son, Shimei his son, Uzza his son,

30 Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.

31 And these *are they* whom David set over the service of song in the house of the LORD, after that the ark had rest.[o]

32 And they ministered before the dwelling place of the tabernacle of the congregation with singing, until Solomon had built the house of the LORD in Jerusalem: and *then* they waited on their office according to their order.

33 And these *are* they that [14]waited with their children. Of the sons of the Kohathites: Heman a singer, the son of Joel, the son of Shemuel,

34 The son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of [15]Toah,

35 The son of [16]Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai,

36 The son of Elkanah, the son of [17]Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah,

37 The son of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah,[p]

38 The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son of Israel.

39 And his brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand, *even* Asaph the son of Berachiah, the son of Shimea,

40 The son of Michael, the son of Baaseiah, the son of Malchiah,

41 The son of Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah,[q]

42 The son of Ethan, the son of Zimmah, the son of Shimei,

43 The son of Jahath, the son of Gershom, the son of Levi.

44 And their brethren the sons of Merari *stood* on the left hand: [1]Ethan the son of [2]Kishi, the son of Abdi, the son of Malluch,

45 The son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah,

46 The son of Amzi, the son of Bani, the son of Shamer,

47 The son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi.

48 Their brethren also the Levites *were* appointed unto all manner of service of the tabernacle of the house of God.

49 ¶ But Aaron and his sons offered upon the altar of the burnt offering, and on the altar of incense, *and were appointed* for all the work of the *place* most holy, and to make an atonement for Israel, according to all that Moses the servant of God had commanded.[a]

50 And these *are* the sons of Aaron; Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son, Abishua his son,

51 Bukki his son, Uzzi his son, Zerahiah his son,

52 Meraioth his son, Amariah his son, Ahitub his son,

53 Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.

54 ¶ Now these *are* their dwelling places throughout their castles in their coasts, of the sons of Aaron, of the families of the Kohathites: for their's was the lot.[b]

55 And they gave them Hebron in the land of Judah, and the suburbs thereof round about it.[c]

56 But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, they gave to Caleb the son of Jephunneh.[d]

57 And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, *namely*, Hebron, *the city* of refuge, and Libnah with her suburbs, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with their suburbs,[e]

58 And [3]Hilen with her suburbs, Debir with her suburbs,

59 And [4]Ashan with her suburbs, and Beth-shemesh with her suburbs:

60 And out of the tribe of Benjamin; Geba with her suburbs, and [5]Alemeth with her suburbs, and Anathoth with her suburbs. All their cities throughout their families *were* thirteen cities.

61 And unto the sons of Kohath, *which were* left of the family of that tribe, *were cities given* out of the half tribe, *namely*, *out of* the half *tribe* of Manasseh, by lot, ten cities.[f]

62 And to the sons of Gershom throughout their families out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.

63 Unto the sons of Merari *were given* by lot, throughout their families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.[g]

64 And the children of Israel gave to the Levites *these* cities with their suburbs.

65 And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, and out of the tribe of the children of Benjamin, these cities, which are called by *their* names.

66 And *the residue* of the families of the sons of Kohath had cities of their coasts out of the tribe of Ephraim.[h]

67 And they gave unto them, *of* the cities of refuge, Shechem in mount Ephraim with her suburbs; *they gave* also Gezer with her suburbs,[i]

68 And Jokmeam with her suburbs, and Bethhoron with her suburbs,[j]

69 And Aijalon with her suburbs, and Gathrimmon with her suburbs:

70 And out of the half tribe of Manasseh; Aner with her suburbs, and Bileam with her suburbs, for the family of the remnant of the sons of Kohath.

71 Unto the sons of Gershom *were given* out of the family of the half tribe of Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, and Ashtaroth with her suburbs:

72 And out of the tribe of Issachar; Kedesh with her suburbs, Daberath with her suburbs,

73 And Ramoth with her suburbs, and Anem with her suburbs:

74 And out of the tribe of Asher; Mashal with her suburbs, and Abdon with her suburbs,

75 And Hukok with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs:

76 And out of the tribe of Naphtali; Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, and Hammon with her suburbs, and Kirjathaim with her suburbs.

77 Unto the rest of the children of Merari *were given* out of the tribe of Zebulun, Rimmon with her suburbs, Tabor with her suburbs:

78 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho, on the east side of Jordan, *were given them* out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer in the wilderness with her suburbs, and Jahzah with her suburbs,

79 Kedemoth also with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs:

80 And out of the tribe of Gad; Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, and Mahanaim with her suburbs,

81 And Heshbon with her suburbs, and Jazer with her suburbs.

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1 Or, *Jeduthun*, ch. ix. 16; xxv. 1, 3, 6.
2 Or, *Kushaiah*, ch. xv. 17.
a ver. 61.
b Josh. xxi. 21.
c Josh. xxi. 11, 12
d Josh. xiv 13, xv. 13.
e Josh. xxi 13.
3 Or, *Holon*, Josh. xxi 15.
4 Or, *Ain*, Josh xxi. 16.
5 Or, *Almon*, Josh. xxi 18.
6 *Phuvah*, Job.
f Gen. xlvi. 13; Numb. xxvi. 23.
g ver. 66; Josh. xxi. 5.
h Josh. xxi. 7, 34.
i ch. xxvii. 1; 2 Sam xxiv. 1, 2.
j Josh. xxi. 22—35, where many of these cities have other names.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *The sons of Issachar,* 6 *of Benjamin,* 13 *of Naphtali,* 14 *of Manasseh,* 20, 24 *and of Ephraim.* 21 *The calamity of Ephraim by the men of Gath.* 23 *Beriah is born.* 28 *Ephraim's habitations.* 30 *The sons of Asher.*

NOW the sons of Issachar *were*, Tola, and [6]Puah, Jashub, and Shimrom, four.[k]

2 And the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their father's house, *to wit*, of Tola: *they were* valiant men of might in their generations; whose number *was* in the days of David two and twenty thousand and six hundred.[l]

3 And the sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael, and Obadiah, and Joel, Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.

4 And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers, *were* bands of soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand *men:* for they had many wives and sons.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The sons and chief men of Benjamin.* 33 *The stock of Saul and Jonathan.*

NOW Benjamin begat Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third,[a]

2 Nohah the fourth, and Rapha the fifth.

3 And the sons of Bela were, [1]Addar, and Gera, and Abihud,

4 And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah,

5 And Gera, and [2]Shephuphan, and Huram.

6 And these *are* the sons of Ehud: these are the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Geba, and they removed them to Manahath:[b]

7 And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he removed them, and begat Uzza, and Ahihud.

8 And Shaharaim begat *children* in the country of Moab, after he had sent them away; Hushim and Baara *were* his wives.

9 And he begat of Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,

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a ver. 21.

a ch. vii. 6; Gen. xlvi. 21; Numb. xxvi. 38.

1 Or, *Ard*, Gen. xlvi. 21.

3 Or, *Shema*, ver. 13.

2 Or, *Shuppim*, ch. vii. 12, *Shupham*, Numb. xxvi. 39.

b ch. ii. 52, 54.

4 Called *Jehiel*, ch. ix. 35.

10 And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These *were* his sons, heads of the fathers.

11 And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.

12 The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham, and Shamed, who built Ono, and Lod, with the towns thereof:

13 Beriah also, and Shema, who *were* heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Aijalon, who drove away the inhabitants of Gath:[c]

14 And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth,

15 And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,

16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah;

17 And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,

18 Ishmerai also, and Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;

19 And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,

20 And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,

21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of [3]Shimhi;

22 And Ishpan, and Heber, and Eliel,

23 And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,

24 And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah,

25 And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak;

26 And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,

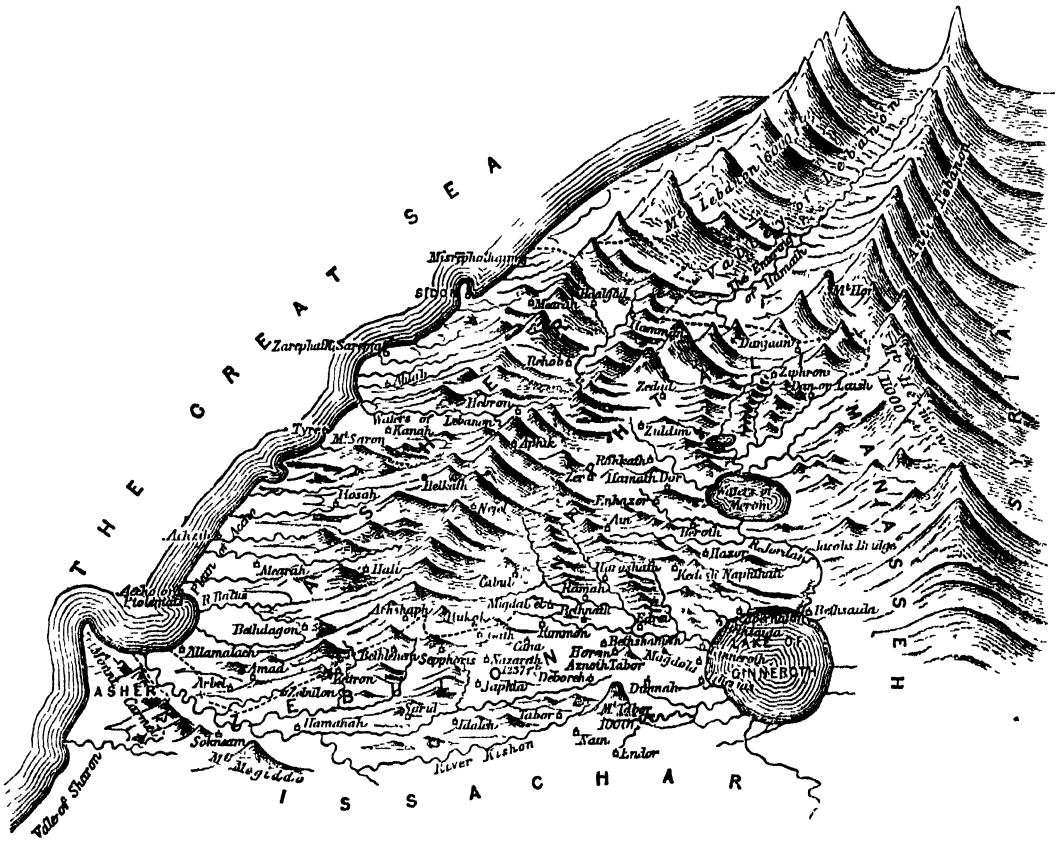
27 And Jaresiah, and Eliah, and Zichri, the sons of Jeroham.

28 These *were* heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief *men*. These dwelt in Jerusalem.

29 And at Gibeon dwelt [4]the father of Gibeon; whose wife's name *was* Maachah:

30 And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,

c ver. 21.



PLAN OF THE TERRITORY OCCUPIED BY THE TRIBES OF ASHER, NAPHTALI, ZEBULUN, AND MANASSEH, IN PALESTINE.

5 Or, *Zechariah*, ch. ix. 37.

6 Or, *Shimeam*, ch. ix. 38.

7 Or, *Ishui*, 1 Sam. xiv 49.

8 Or, *Ish-bosheth*, 2 Sam. ii. 8.

d 1 Sam. xiv. 51.

31 And Gedor, and Ahio, and [5]Zacher.

32 And Mikloth begat [6]Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.

33 ¶ And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and [7]Abinadab, and [8]Esh-baal.[d]

34 And the son of Jonathan *was* Merib-baal; and [1]Merib-baal begat Micah.[a]

35 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and [2]Tarea, and Ahaz.

36 And Ahaz begat [3]Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza,

37 And Moza begat Binea: [4]Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son:

38 And Azel had six sons, whose names *are* these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these *were* the sons of Azel.

39 And the sons of Eshek his brother *were*, Ulam his firstborn, Jehush the second, and Eliphelet the third.

40 And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of valour, archers, and had many sons, and sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The original of Israel's and Judah's genealogies.* 2 *The Israelites,* 10 *the priests,* 14 *and the Levites, with Nethinims, which dwelt in Jerusalem.* 27 *The charge of certain Levites.* 35 *The stock of Saul and Jonathan.*

SO all Israel were reckoned by genealogies; and, behold, they *were* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah, *who* were carried away to Babylon for their transgression.[b]

2 ¶ Now the first inhabitants that *dwelt* in their possessions in their cities *were*, the Israelites, the priests, Levites, and the Nethinims.[c]

3 And in Jerusalem dwelt of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin, and of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh;[d]

4 Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of Pharez the son of Judah.

5 And of the Shilonites; Asaiah the firstborn, and his sons.

6 And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and their brethren, six hundred and ninety.

7 And of the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of Hasenuah,

8 And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephathiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah;

9 And their brethren, according to their generations, nine hundred and fifty and six. All these men *were* chief of the fathers in the house of their fathers.

10 ¶ And of the priests; Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin,[e]

11 And [5]Azariah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God;

12 And Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchijah, and Maasiai the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer;

13 And their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers, a thousand and seven hundred and threescore; [6]very able men for the work of the service of the house of God.

14 And of the Levites; Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, of the sons of Merari;

15 And Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Micah, the son of Zichri, the son of Asaph;

16 And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of Asa, the son of Elkanah, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites.

17 And the porters *were*, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon, and Ahiman, and their brethren: Shallum *was* the chief;

18 Who hitherto *waited* in the king's gate eastward: they *were* porters in the companies of the children of Levi.

19 And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah, and his brethren, of the house of his father, the Korahites, *were* over the work of the service, keepers of the [7]gates of the tabernacle: and their fathers, *being* over the host of the LORD, *were* keepers of the entry.

20 And Phinehas the son of Eleazar was the ruler over them in time past, *and* the LORD *was* with him.[f]

21 *And* Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah *was* porter of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

22 All these *which were* chosen to be porters in the gates *were* two hundred and twelve. These were reckoned by their genealogy in their villages, whom David and Samuel the seer [8]did ordain in their [9]set office.[g]

23 So they and their children *had* the oversight of the gates of the house of the LORD, *namely*, the house of the tabernacle, by wards.

24 In four quarters were the porters, toward the east, west, north, and south.

25 And their brethren, *which were* in their villages, *were* to come after seven days from time to time with them.[h]

26 For these Levites, the four chief porters, were in *their* [10]set office, and were over the [11]chambers and treasuries of the house of God.

27 ¶ And they lodged round about the house of God, because the charge *was* upon them, and the opening thereof every morning *pertained* to them.

28 And *certain* of them had the charge of the ministering vessels, that they [12]should bring them in and out by tale.

29 *Some* of them also *were* appointed to oversee the vessels, and all the [13]instruments of the sanctuary, and the fine flour, and the wine, and the oil, and the frankincense, and the spices.

30 And *some* of the sons of the priests made the ointment of the spices.[i]

31 And Mattithiah, *one* of the Levites, who *was* the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite, had the [14]set office over the things that were made [15]in the pans.[j]

32 And *other* of their brethren, of the sons of the Kohathites, *were* over the [16]shewbread, to prepare *it* every sabbath.[k]

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6 Heb. *mighty men of valour.*

1 Or, *Mephibosheth*, 2 Sam. iv. 4; ix. 6, 10.

a 2 Sam. ix. 12.

2 Or, *Tahrea*, ch. ix. 41.

3 Or, *Jarah*, ch. ix. 42.

4 Or, *Raphaiah*, ch. ix. 43.

7 Heb *thresholds.*

f Numb. xxxi. 6.

b Ezra ii. 59.

c Josh. ix. 27; Ezra ii. 43, 70; viii. 20; Neh. vii. 73.

8 Heb *founded.*

9 Or, *trust.*

g ch. xxvi. 1, 2; 1 Sam. ix. 9.

d Neh. xi. 1, 4.

h 2 Kings xi. 5.

10 Or, *trust.*

11 Or, *storehouses.*

12 Heb. *bring them in by tale, and carry them out by tale.*

13 Or, *vessels.*

e Neh. xi. 10, &c.

5 *Seraiah*, Neh. xi. 11.

i Exod. xxx. 23.

14 Or, *trust.*

15 Or, *on flat plates*, or, *slices.*

j Lev. ii. 5; vi. 21.

16 Heb. *bread of ordering.*

k Lev. xxiv. 8.

whom David had, who [1]strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom, *and* with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of the LORD, concerning Israel.[a]

11 And this *is* the number of the mighty men whom David had; Jashobeam, [2]an Hachmonite, the chief of the captains: he lifted up his spear against three hundred slain *by him* at one time.

12 And after him *was* Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who *was one* of the three mighties.

13 He was with David at [3]Pas-dammim, and there the Philistines were gathered together to battle, where was a parcel of ground full of barley; and the people fled from before the Philistines.

14 And they [4]set themselves in the midst of *that* parcel, and delivered it, and slew the Philistines; and the LORD saved *them* by a great [5]deliverance.

15 ¶ Now [6]three of the thirty captains went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped in the valley of Rephaim.[b]

16 And David *was* then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison *was* then at Beth-lehem.

17 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem, that *is* at the gate!

18 And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Beth-lehem, that *was* by the gate, and took *it*, and brought *it* to David: but David would not drink *of* it, but poured it out to the LORD,

19 And said, My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing: shall I drink the blood of these men [7]that have put their lives in jeopardy? for with *the jeopardy of* their lives they brought it. Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.

20 ¶ And Abishai the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three: for lifting up his spear against three hundred, he slew *them*, and had a name among the three.[c]

21 Of the three, he was more honourable than the two; for he was their captain: howbeit he attained not to the *first* three.[d]

22 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, [8]who had done many acts; he slew two lionlike men of Moab: also he went down and slew a lion in a pit in a snowy day.[e]

23 And he slew an Egyptian, [9]a man of *great* stature, five cubits high; and in the Egyptian's hand *was* a spear like a weaver's beam; and he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.

24 These *things* did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among the three mighties.

25 Behold, he was honourable among the thirty, but attained not to the *first* three: and David set him over his guard.

26 ¶ Also the valiant men of the armies *were*, Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem,[f]

27 [10]Shammoth the [11]Harorite, Helez the [12]Pelonite,

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1 Or, *held strongly with him.*

13 Or, *Mebunnai.*

14 Or, *Zalmon.*

a 1 Sam. xvi. 1, 12; 2 Sam. xxiii. 8.

15 Or, *Heleb.*

2 Or, *son of Hachmoni.*

16 Or, *Hiddai.*

17 Or, *Abi-albon.*

3 Or, *Ephes-dammim*, 1 Sam. xvii. 1.

18 Or, *Jashen*, 2 Sam. xxiii. 32, 33.

19 Or, *Sharar.*

20 Or, *Eliphelet.*

4 Or, *stood.*

21 Or, *Ahasbai.*

5 Or, *salvation.*

22 Or, *Hesrai.*

23 Or, *Paarai the Arbite.*

6 Or, *three captains over the thirty.*

24 Or, *the Haggerite.*

b ch. xiv. 9; 2 Sam. xxiii. 13.

25 Or, *Shimrite.*

7 Heb. *with their lives*

c 2 Sam. xxiii 18, &c.

26 Heb. *being yet shut up.*

d 2 Sam. xxiii. 19, &c.

g 1 Sam. xxvii. 2, 6.

8 Heb *great deeds.*

e 2 Sam xxiii. 20.

9 Heb *a man of measure*

h Judg. xx. 16.

27 Or, *Hasmaah.*

f 2 Sam. xxiii. 24.

10 Or, *Shammah.*

11 Or, *Harodite.* 2 Sam. xxiii. 25.

12 Or, *Paltite*, 2 Sam. xxiii. 26.

28 Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abi-ezer the Antothite,

29 [13]Sibbecai the Hushathite, [14]Ilai the Ahohite,

30 Maharai the Netophathite, [15]Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,

31 Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah, *that pertained* to the children of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite,

32 [16]Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, [17]Abiel the Arbathite,

33 Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,

34 The sons of [18]Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite,

35 Ahiam the son of [19]Sacar the Hararite, [20]Eliphal the son of [21]Ur,

36 Hepher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,

37 [22]Hezro the Carmelite, [23]Naarai the son of Ezbai,

38 Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar [24]the son of Haggeri,

39 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armourbearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah,

40 Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,

41 Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,

42 Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,

43 Hanan the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite,

44 Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jehiel the sons of Hothan the Aroerite,

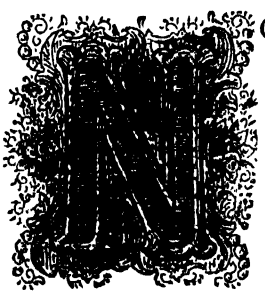
45 Jediael the [25]son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite,

46 Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite,

47 Eliel, and Obed, and Jasiel the Mesobaite.

CHAPTER XII.

1 *The companies that came to David at Ziklag.* 23 *The armies that came to him at Hebron.*



NOW these *are* they that came to David to Ziklag, [26]while he yet kept himself close because of Saul the son of Kish: and they *were* among the mighty men, helpers of the war.[g]

2 *They were* armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and the left in *hurling* stones and *shooting* arrows out of a bow, *even* of Saul's brethren of Benjamin.[h]

3 The chief *was* Ahiezer, then Joash, the sons of [27]Shemaah the Gibeathite; and Jeziel, and Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth; and Berachah, and Jehu the Antothite,

4 And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and over the thirty; and Jeremiah, and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Josabad the Gederathite,

5 Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah, and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite,

6 Elkanah, and Jesiah, and Azareel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam, the Korhites,



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7 And Joelah, and Zebadiah, the sons of Jeroham of Gedor.

8 And of the Gadites there separated themselves unto David into the hold to the wilderness men of might, *and* men [1]of war *fit* for the battle, that could handle shield and buckler, whose faces *were like* the faces of lions, and *were* as swift as the roes upon the mountains;[a]

9 Ezer the first, Obadiah the second, Eliab the third,

10 Mishmannah the fourth, Jeremiah the fifth,

11 Attai the sixth, Eliel the seventh,

12 Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth,

13 Jeremiah the tenth, Machbanai the eleventh.

14 These *were* of the sons of Gad, captains of the host: [2]one of the least *was* over an hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.

15 These *are* they that went over Jordan in the first month, when it had [3]overflown all his banks; and they put to flight all *them* of the valleys, *both* toward the east, and toward the west.[b]

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4 Heb. *before them*

1 Heb *of the host.*

5 Heb *be one.*

6 Or, *violence.*

a 2 Sam. ii. 18. Heb *as the roes upon the mountains to make haste.*

7 Heb *the spirit clothed Amasai,* Judg. vi. 34.

c 2 Sam. xvii. 25.

2 Or, *one that was least could resist an hundred, and the greatest a thousand.*

3 Heb. *filled over.*

8 Heb. *on our heads.*

b Josh. iii. 15.

d 1 Sam. xxix. 2, 4.

16 And there came of the children of Benjamin and Judah to the hold unto David.

17 And David went out [4]to meet them, and answered and said unto them, If ye be come peaceably unto me to help me, mine heart shall [5]be knit unto you: but if *ye be come* to betray me to mine enemies, seeing *there is* no [6]wrong in mine hands, the God of our fathers look *thereon,* and rebuke *it.*

18 Then [7]the spirit came upon Amasai, *who was* chief of the captains, *and he said,* Thine *are we,* David, and on thy side, thou son of Jesse: peace, peace *be* unto thee, and peace *be* to thine helpers; for thy God helpeth thee. Then David received them, and made them captains of the band.[c]

19 And there fell *some* of Manasseh to David, when he came with the Philistines against Saul to battle: but they helped them not: for the lords of the Philistines upon advisement sent him away, saying, He will fall to his master Saul [8]to *the jeopardy of* our heads.[d]

20 As he went to Ziklag, there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediael, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captains of the thousands that *were* of Manasseh.

21 And they helped David [1]against the band *of the rovers:* for they *were* all mighty men of valour, and were captains in the host.[a]

22 For at *that* time day by day there came to David to help him, until *it was* a great host, like the host of God.

23 ¶ And these *are* the numbers of the [2]bands *that were* ready armed to the war, *and* came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of the LORD.[b]

24 The children of Judah that bare shield and spear *were* six thousand and eight hundred, ready [3]armed to the war.

25 Of the children of Simeon, mighty men of valour for the war, seven thousand and one hundred.

26 Of the children of Levi four thousand and six hundred.

27 And Jehoiada *was* the leader of the Aaronites, and with him *were* three thousand and seven hundred;

28 And Zadok, a young man mighty of valour, and of his father's house twenty and two captains.[c]

29 And of the children of Benjamin, the [4]kindred of Saul, three thousand: for hitherto [5]the greatest part of them had kept the ward of the house of Saul.[d]

30 And of the children of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight hundred, mighty men of valour, [6]famous throughout the house of their fathers.

31 And of the half tribe of Manasseh eighteen thousand, which were expressed by name, to come and make David king.

32 And of the children of Issachar, *which were men* that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them *were* two hundred; and all their brethren *were* at their commandment.[e]

33 Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, [7]expert in war, with all instruments of war, fifty thousand, which could [8]keep rank: *they were* [9]not of double heart.

34 And of Naphtali a thousand captains, and with them with shield and spear thirty and seven thousand.

35 And of the Danites expert in war twenty and eight thousand and six hundred.

36 And of Asher, such as went forth to battle, [10]expert in war, forty thousand.

37 And on the other side of Jordan, of the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and of the half tribe of Manasseh, with all manner of instruments of war for the battle, an hundred and twenty thousand.

38 All these men of war, that could keep rank, came with a perfect heart to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel: and all the rest also of Israel *were* of one heart to make David king.

39 And there they were with David three days, eating and drinking: for their brethren had prepared for them.

40 Moreover they that were nigh them, *even* unto Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali, brought bread on asses, and on camels, and on mules, and on oxen, *and* meat, [11]meal, cakes of figs, and bunches of raisins, and wine, and oil, and oxen, and sheep abundantly: for *there was* joy in Israel.

BEFORE CHRIST 1042.

11 Or, *victual of meal.*

1 Or, *with a band.*

a 1 Sam. xxx. 1, 9, 10.

2 Or, *captains*, or, *men.* Heb. *heads.*

b ch. x. 14; xi. 1; 1 Sam. xvi. 1, 3; 2 Sam. ii. 3, 4; v. 1.

3 Or, *prepared.*

12 Heb. *let us break forth and send.*

13 Heb. *in the cities of their suburbs.*

14 Heb. *bring about.*

c 2 Sam. viii. 17.

4 Heb. *brethren*, Gen. xxxi. 23.

d 1 Sam. vii. 1, 2

5 Heb. *a multitude of them.*

6 Heb. *men of names.*

e Esth. i. 13.

7 Or, *rangers of battle*, or, *ranged in battle.*

8 Or, *set the battle in array.*

9 Heb. *without a heart and a heart*, Ps. xii. 2.

f ch xv 2, 13; Numb iv. 15, 1 Sam. vii. 1.

10 Or, *keeping their rank.*

g Josh. xiii 3; 1 Sam vi 21; vii 1, *b*, 2 Sam vi 1.

h Josh. xv. 9, 60, 1 Sam. iv. 4, 2 Sam. vi. 2.

15 Heb *made the ark to ride.*

16 Heb. *songs.*

i 2 Sam. vi. 5.

17 Or, *Nachon*, 2 Sam. vi. 6.

18 Heb. *shook it.*

k ch. xv. 13, 15; Lev. x. 2; Numb. iv. 15.

19 That is, *the breach of Uzza.*

20 Heb. *removed.*

l ch. xxvi. 5; Gen. xxx. 27; 2 Sam. vi. 11.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *David fetcheth the ark with great solemnity from Kirjath-jearim.* 9 *Uzza being smitten, the ark is left at the house of Obed-edom.*

AND David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, *and* with every leader.

2 And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, If *it seem* good unto you, and *that it be* of the LORD our God, [12]let us send abroad unto our brethren every where, *that are* left in all the land of Israel, and with them *also* to the priests and Levites *which are* [13]in their cities *and* suburbs, that they may gather themselves unto us:

3 And let us [14]bring again the ark of our God to us: for we enquired not at it in the days of Saul.[f]

4 And all the congregation said that they would do so: for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.

5 So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath-jearim.[g]

6 And David went up, and all Israel, to Baalah, *that is*, to Kirjath-jearim, which *belonged* to Judah, to bring up thence the ark of God the LORD, that dwelleth *between* the cherubims, whose name is called *on it.*[h]

7 And they [15]carried the ark of God in a new cart out of the house of Abinadab: and Uzza and Ahio drave the cart.[i]

8 And David and all Israel played before God with all *their* might, and with [16]singing, and with harps, and with psalteries, and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets.[j]

9 ¶ And when they came unto the threshingfloor of [17]Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand to hold the ark; for the oxen [18]stumbled.

10 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand to the ark: and there he died before God.[k]

11 And David was displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzza: wherefore that place is called [19]Perez-uzza to this day.

12 And David was afraid of God that day, saying, How shall I bring the ark of God *home* to me?

13 So David [20]brought not the ark *home* to himself to the city of David, but carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

14 And the ark of God remained with the family of Obed-edom in his house three months. And the LORD blessed the house of Obed-edom, and all that he had.[l]



HIRAM'S MESSENGERS RECEIVED BY DAVID.

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Hiram's kindness to David.* 2 *David's felicity in people, wives, and children.* 8 *His two victories against the Philistines.*

NOW Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars, with masons and carpenters, to build him an house.[a]

2 And David perceived that the LORD had confirmed him king over Israel, for his kingdom was lifted up on high, because of his people Israel.

BEFORE CHRIST 1042.

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[b] ch. iii. 5.

[a] 2 Sam. v. 11, &c.

2 Or, *Eliada*, 2 Sam. v. 16.

[c] 2 Sam. v. 17.

3 ¶ And David took [1]more wives at Jerusalem: and David begat more sons and daughters.

4 Now these *are* the names of *his* children which he had in Jerusalem; Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon,[b]

5 And Ibhar, and Elishua, and Elpalet,

6 And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia,

7 And Elishama, and [2]Beeliada, and Eliphalet.

8 ¶ And when the Philistines heard that David was anointed king over all Israel, all the Philistines went up to seek David. And David heard *of it*, and went out against them.[c]

9 And the Philistines came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.[a]

10 And David enquired of God, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? and wilt thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD said unto him, Go up; for I will deliver them into thine hand.

11 So they came up to [1]Baal-perazim; and David smote them there. Then David said, God hath broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like the breaking forth of waters: therefore they called the name of that place Baal-perazim.

12 And when they had left their gods there, David gave a commandment, and they were burned with fire.

13 And the Philistines yet again spread themselves abroad in the valley.[b]

14 Therefore David enquired again of God; and God said unto him, Go not up after them; turn away from them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.[c]

15 And it shall be, when thou shalt hear a sound of going in the tops of the mulberry trees, *that* then thou shalt go out to battle: for God is gone forth before thee to smite the host of the Philistines.

16 David therefore did as God commanded him: and they smote the host of the Philistines from [2]Gibeon even to Gazer.

17 And the fame of David went out into all lands; and the LORD brought the fear of him upon all nations.[d]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *David, having prepared a place for the ark, ordereth the priests and Levites to bring it from Obed-edom.* 25 *He performeth the solemnity thereof with great joy.* 29 *Michal despiseth him.*

AND *David* made him houses in the city of David, and prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched for it a tent.[e]

2 Then David said, [3]None ought to carry the ark of God but the Levites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto him for ever.[f]

3 And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the LORD unto his place, which he had prepared for it.[g]

4 And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites:

5 Of the sons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and [4]his brethren an hundred and twenty:

6 Of the sons of Merari; Asaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred and twenty:

7 Of the sons of Gershom; Joel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and thirty:

8 Of the sons of Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred:[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1042.

a ch. xi. 15.

1 Exod. vi. 18.

1 That is, *a place of breaches.*

f ch xiii. 7, 10, 11; 2 Sam. vi. 8.

b 2 Sam. v. 22.

c 2 Sam. v. 23.

k Exod. xxv 14; Numb. iv. 15; vii. 9.

2 Or, *Geba*, 2 Sam. v. 25.

l ch. vi. 33, 39, 44.

d Deut. ii. 25; xi. 25; Josh. vi. 27; 2 Chron xxvi. 8.

5 *Jaaziel*, ver. 18.

m Ps. xlvi. title

e ch. xvi. 1.

3 Heb. *It is not to carry the ark of God, but for the Levites.*

6 Or, *on the eighth to oversee*; Ps. vi., title.

7 Or, *was for the carriage; he instructed about the carriage.* Heb. *lifting up.*

f Numb iv 2, 15; Deut. x. 8; xxxi. 9.

n Numb. x. 8; Ps. lxxxi. 3.

g 1 Kings viii. 1.

o 2 Sam. vi. 12, 13, &c.; 1 Kings viii. 1.

4 Or, *kinsmen.*

8 Or, *carriage.*

h Exod. vi. 22.

9 Of the sons of Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brethren fourscore:[i]

10 Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twelve.

11 And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,

12 And said unto them, Ye *are* the chief of the fathers of the Levites: sanctify yourselves, *both* ye and your brethren, that ye may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel unto *the place that* I have prepared for it.

13 For because ye *did it* not at the first, the LORD our God made a breach upon us, for that we sought him not after the due order.[j]

14 So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel.

15 And the children of the Levites bare the ark of God upon their shoulders with the staves thereon, as Moses commanded according to the word of the LORD.[k]

16 And David spake to the chief of the Levites to appoint their brethren *to be* the singers with instruments of musick, psalteries and harps and cymbals, sounding, by lifting up the voice with joy.

17 So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his brethren, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their brethren, Ethan the son of Kushaiah;[l]

18 And with them their brethren of the second *degree*, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, the porters.

19 So the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, *were appointed* to sound with cymbals of brass;

20 And Zechariah, and [5]Aziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with psalteries on Alamoth;[m]

21 And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with harps [6]on the Sheminith to excel.

22 And Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, [7]*was* for song: he instructed about the song, because he *was* skilful.

23 And Berechiah and Elkanah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.

24 And Shebaniah, and Jehoshaphat, and Nethaneel, and Amasai, and Zechariah, and Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, did blow with the trumpets before the ark of God: and Obed-edom and Jehiah *were* doorkeepers for the ark.[n]

25 ¶ So David, and the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands, went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the house of Obed-edom with joy.[o]

26 And it came to pass, when God helped the Levites that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, that they offered seven bullocks and seven rams.

27 And David *was* clothed with a robe of fine linen, and all the Levites that bare the ark, and the singers, and Chenaniah the master of the [8]song with the singers: David also *had* upon him an ephod of linen.



DAVID, IN THE ASSEMBLY OF THE LEVITES, COMMANDING THE BRINGING UP OF THE ARK.

28 Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting, and with sound of the cornet, and with trumpets, and with cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.[a]

29 ¶ And it came to pass, *as* the ark of the covenant of the LORD came to the city of David, that Michal the daughter of Saul looking out at a window saw king David dancing and playing: and she despised him in her heart.[b]

CHAPTER

1 *David's festival sacrifice.* 4 *He ordereth a choir to sing thanksgiving.* 7 *The psalm of thanksgiving.* 37 *He appointeth ministers, porters, priests, and musicians, to attend continually on the ark.*

SO they brought God, and set it in the midst of the tent that David had pitched for it: and offered burnt sacrifices and peace offerings before God.[c]

2 And when David had made an end of offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD.

3 And he dealt to every one of Israel, both man and woman, to every one a loaf of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon *of wine.*

4 ¶ And he appointed *certain* of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:[d]

5 Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom: and Jeiel [1]with psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;

6 Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God.

7 ¶ Then on that day David delivered first *this psalm* to thank the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren.[e]

8 Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people.[f]

9 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works.

10 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

11 Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

12 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;

13 O ye seed of Israel his servant, ye children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

14 He *is* the LORD our God; his judgments *are* in all the earth.

15 Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word *which* he commanded to a thousand generations;

BEFORE CHRIST 1042

a ch xiii 8.

b 2 Sam vi 16.

c 2 Sam vi. 17—19

d Ps xxxviii., lxx., title.

1 Heb *with instruments of psalteries and harps*

e 2 Sam xxiii 1

f Ps cv 1—15

16 *Even of the covenant* which he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac;[a]

17 And hath confirmed the same to Jacob for a law, *and* to Israel *for* an everlasting covenant,

18 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, [1]the lot of your inheritance;

19 When ye were but [2]few, even a few, and strangers in it.[b]

20 And *when* they went from nation to nation, and from *one* kingdom to another people;

21 He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sakes,[c]

22 *Saying*, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.[d]

23 Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation.[e]

24 Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations.

25 For great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also *is* to be feared above all gods.

26 For all the gods of the people *are* idols: but the LORD made the heavens.[f]

27 Glory and honour *are* in his presence; strength and gladness *are* in his place.

28 Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

29 Give unto the LORD the glory *due* unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

30 Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved.

31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let *men* say among the nations, The LORD reigneth.

32 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that *is* therein.

33 Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth.

34 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[g]

35 And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, *and* glory in thy praise.[h]

36 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the people said, Amen, and praised the LORD.[i]

37 ¶ So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required:

38 And Obed-edom with their brethren, threescore and eight; Obed-edom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah *to be* porters:

39 And Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, before the tabernacle of the LORD in the high place that *was* at Gibeon,[j]

40 To offer burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of the burnt offering continually [3]morning and evening, and *to do* according to all that is written in the law of the LORD, which he commanded Israel;[k]

41 And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the LORD, because his mercy *endureth* for ever;[l]

42 And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun *were* [4]porters.

43 And all the people departed every man to his house: and David returned to bless his house.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1042.

[a] Gen. xvii. 2; xxvi. 3; xxviii. 13; xxxv. 12.

[l] ver. 34; 2 Chron. v. 13; vii. 3; Ezra iii. 11; Jer. xxxiii 11.

1 Heb. *the cord.*

2 Heb. *men of number.*

4 Heb. *for the gate.*

[b] Gen. xxxiv. 30.

[m] 2 Sam. vi. 19, 20

[c] Gen. xii. 17; xx [illegible] Exod. vii. 15—18.

[d] Ps. cv. 15.

[e] Ps. xcvi. 1, &c.

[n] 2 Sam. vii 1, &c

[f] Lev. xix. 4.

5 Heb. *have been*

6 Heb *from after*

[g] Ps cvi 1, cvii. 1; cxviii 1, cxxxvi 1

[h] Ps. cvi. 47, 48

[i] Deut. xxvii. 15; 1 Kings viii. 15

[j] ch xxi 29; 1 Kings iii. 4, 2 Chron. i. 3.

3 Heb *in the morning and in the evening.*

[k] Exod xxix. 38; Numb. xxviii. 3.

[o] 2 Sam. vii 14, 15

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Nathan first approving the purpose of David, to build God an house, 3 after by the word of God forbiddeth him.* 11 *He promiseth him blessings and benefits in his seed.* 16 *David's prayer and thanksgiving.*

NOW it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, but the ark of the covenant of the LORD *remaineth* under curtains.[n]

2 Then Nathan said unto David, Do all that *is* in thine heart; for God *is* with thee.

3 ¶ And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan, saying,

4 Go and tell David my servant, Thus saith the LORD, Thou shalt not build me an house to dwell in:

5 For I have not dwelt in an house since the day that I brought up Israel unto this day; but [5]have gone from tent to tent, and from *one* tabernacle *to another.*

6 Whersoever I have walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people, saying, Why have ye not built me an house of cedars?

7 Now therefore thus shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, [6]*even* from following the sheep, that thou shouldest be ruler over my people Israel:

8 And I have been with thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and have made thee a name like the name of the great men that *are* in the earth.

9 Also I will ordain a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at the beginning,

10 And since the time that I commanded judges *to be* over my people Israel. Moreover I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an house.

11 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou must go *to be* with thy fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons; and I will establish his kingdom.

12 He shall build me an house, and I will stablish his throne for ever.

13 I will be his father, and he shall be my son: and I will not take my mercy away from him, as I took *it* from *him* that was before thee:[o]

14 But I will settle him in mine house and in my kingdom for ever: and his throne shall be established for evermore.[a]

15 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

16 ¶ And David the king came and sat before the LORD, and said, Who *am* I, O LORD God, and what *is* mine house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?[b]

17 And *yet* this was a small thing in thine eyes, O God; for thou hast *also* spoken of thy servant's house for a great while to come, and hast regarded me according to the estate of a man of high degree, O LORD God.

18 What can David *speak* more to thee for the honour of thy servant? for thou knowest thy servant.

19 O LORD, for thy servant's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all this greatness, in making known all [1]*these* great things.

20 O LORD, *there is* none like thee, neither *is there any* God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

21 And what one nation in the earth *is* like thy people Israel, whom God went to redeem *to be* his own people, to make thee a name of greatness and terribleness, by driving out nations from before thy people, whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt?

22 For thy people Israel didst thou make thine own people for ever; and thou, LORD, becamest their God.

23 Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant and concerning his house be established for ever, and do as thou hast said.

24 Let it even be established, that thy name may be magnified for ever, saying, The LORD of hosts *is* the God of Israel, *even* a God to Israel: and *let* the house of David thy servant *be* established before thee.

BEFORE CHRIST 1040

2 Heb *hast revealed the ear of thy servant*

a Luke i. 33

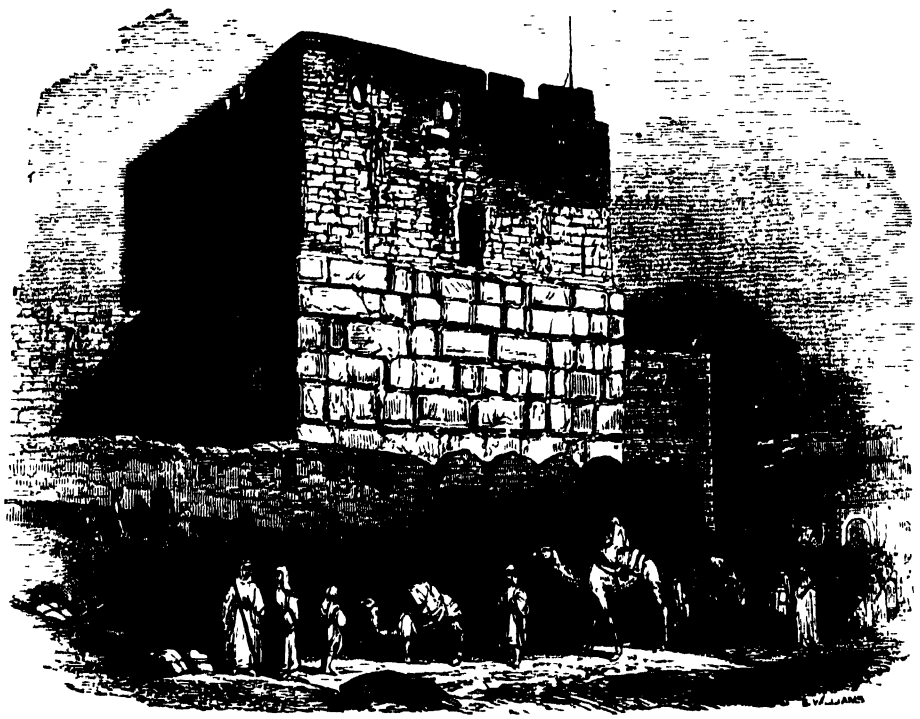
3 Or, *it hath pleased thee.*

b 2 Sam. vii. 18.

25 For thou, O my God, [2]hast told thy servant that thou wilt build him an house: therefore thy servant hath found *in his heart* to pray before thee.

26 And now, LORD, thou art God, and hast promised this goodness unto thy servant:

27 Now therefore [3]let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may be before thee for ever: for thou blessest, O LORD, and *it shall be* blessed for ever.



DAVID'S TOWER, AT JERUSALEM

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *David subdueth the Philistines and the Moabites.* 3 *He smiteth Hadarezer and the Syrians.* 9 *Tou sendeth Hadoram with presents to bless David.* 11 *The presents and the spoil David dedicateth to God.* 13 *He putteth garrisons in Edom.* 14 *David's officers.*



NOW after this it came to pass, that David smote the Philistines, and subdued them, and took Gath and her towns out of the hand of the Philistines.[c]

2 And he smote Moab; and the Moabites became David's servants, *and* brought gifts.

3 ¶ And David smote [4]Hadarezer king of Zobah unto Hamath, as he went to stablish his dominion by the river Euphrates.

4 And David took from him a thousand chariots, and [5]seven thousand horsemen, and twenty thousand footmen: David also houghed all the chariot *horses*, but reserved of them an hundred chariots.

5 And when the Syrians of [6]Damascus came to help

1 Heb *greatnesses.*

c 2 Sam. viii. 1, &c.

4 Or, *Hadadezer*, 2 Sam. viii. 3

5 Or, *seven hundred*, 2 Sam. viii. 4

6 Heb *Darmesek.*

Hadarezer king of Zobah, David slew of the Syrians two and twenty thousand men.

6 Then David put *garrisons* in Syria-damascus; and the Syrians became David's servants, *and* brought gifts. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

7 And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadarezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.

8 Likewise from [1]Tibhath, and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer, brought David very much brass, wherewith Solomon made the brasen sea, and the pillars, and the vessels of brass.[a]

9 ¶ Now when [2]Tou king of Hamath heard how David had smitten all the host of Hadarezer king of Zobah;

10 He sent [3]Hadoram his son to king David, [4]to enquire of his welfare, and [5]to congratulate him, because he had fought against Hadarezer, and smitten him; (for Hadarezer [6]had war with Tou;) and *with him* all manner of vessels of gold and silver and brass.

11 ¶ Them also king David dedicated unto the LORD, with the silver and the gold that he brought from all *these* nations; from Edom, and from Moab, and from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from Amalek.

12 Moreover [7]Abishai the son of Zeruiah slew of the Edomites in the valley of salt eighteen thousand.[b]

13 ¶ And he put garrisons in Edom; and all the Edomites became David's servants. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.[c]

14 ¶ So David reigned over all Israel, and executed judgment and justice among all his people.

15 And Joab the son of Zeruiah *was* over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, [8]recorder.

16 And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and [9]Abimelech the son of Abiathar, *were* the priests; and [10]Shavsha was scribe;

17 And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada *was* over the Cherethites and the Pelethites; and the sons of David *were* chief [11]about the king.[d]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *David's messengers, sent to comfort Hanun the son of Nahash, are villanously entreated* 6 *The Ammonites, strengthened by the Syrians, are overcome by Joab and Abishai.* 16 *Shophach, making a new supply of the Syrians, is slain by David.*

NOW it came to pass after this, that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon died, and his son reigned in his stead.[e]

2 And David said, I will shew kindness unto Hanun the son of Nahash, because his father shewed kindness to me. And David sent messengers to comfort him concerning his father. So the servants of David came into the land of the children of Haman to Hanun, to comfort him.

BEFORE CHRIST 1037.

12 Heb. *In thine eyes doth David, &c.*

1 Called, in the Book of Samuel, *Betah* and *Berothai.*

a 1 Kings vii. 15, 23; 2 Chron. iv. 12, 15, 16.

2 Or, *Toi*, 2 Sam. viii. 9

13 Heb. *to stink.*

3 Or, *Joram*, 2 Sam. viii. 10.

4 Or, *to salute.*

5 Heb. *to bless.*

f ch. xviii. 5, 9.

6 Heb. *was the man of wars.*

7 Heb. *Abshai.*

b 2 Sam. viii. 13

14 Heb. *the faces of the battle.*

c 2 Sam. viii. 14

15 Or, *young men*

8 Or, *remembrancer.*

16 Heb *Abshai.*

9 Called *Ahimelech*, 2 Sam viii 17

10 Called *Seraiah*, 2 Sam viii 17; and *Shisha*, 1 Kings iv. 3.

11 Heb *at the hand of the king*

d 2 Sam. xxiii. 20—23.

e 2 Sam x 1, &c.

17 That is, *Euphrates.*

18 Or, *Shobach*, 2 Sam. x. 16

3 But the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, [12]Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? are not his servants come unto thee for to search, and to overthrow, and to spy out the land?

4 Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and shaved them, and cut off their garments in the midst hard by their buttocks, and sent them away.

5 Then there went *certain*, and told David how the men were served. And he sent to meet them: for the men were greatly ashamed. And the king said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be grown, and *then* return.

6 ¶ And when the children of Ammon saw that they had made themselves [13]odious to David, Hanun and the children of Ammon sent a thousand talents of silver to hire them chariots and horsemen out of Mesopotamia, and out of Syria-maachah, and out of Zobah.[f]

7 So they hired thirty and two thousand chariots, and the king of Maachah and his people; who came and pitched before Medeba. And the children of Ammon gathered themselves together from their cities, and came to battle.

8 And when David heard *of it*, he sent Joab, and all the host of the mighty men.

9 And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array before the gate of the city: and the kings that were come *were* by themselves in the field.

10 Now when Joab saw that [14]the battle was set against him before and behind, he chose out of all the [15]choice of Israel, and put *them* in array against the Syrians.

11 And the rest of the people he delivered unto the hand of [16]Abishai his brother, and they set *themselves* in array against the children of Ammon.

12 And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will help thee.

13 Be of good courage, and let us behave ourselves valiantly for our people, and for the cities of our God: and let the LORD do *that which is* good in his sight.

14 So Joab and the people that *were* with him drew nigh before the Syrians unto the battle; and they fled before him.

15 And when the children of Ammon saw that the Syrians were fled, they likewise fled before Abishai his brother, and entered into the city. Then Joab came to Jerusalem.

16 ¶ And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they sent messengers, and drew forth the Syrians that *were* beyond [17]the river: and [18]Shophach the captain of the host of Hadarezer *went* before them.

17 And it was told David; and he gathered all Israel, and passed over Jordan, and came upon them, and set *the battle* in array against them. So when David had put the battle in array against the Syrians, they fought with him.

18 But the Syrians fled before Israel; and David slew of the Syrians seven thousand *men which fought in* chariots, and forty thousand footmen, and killed Shophach the captain of the host.

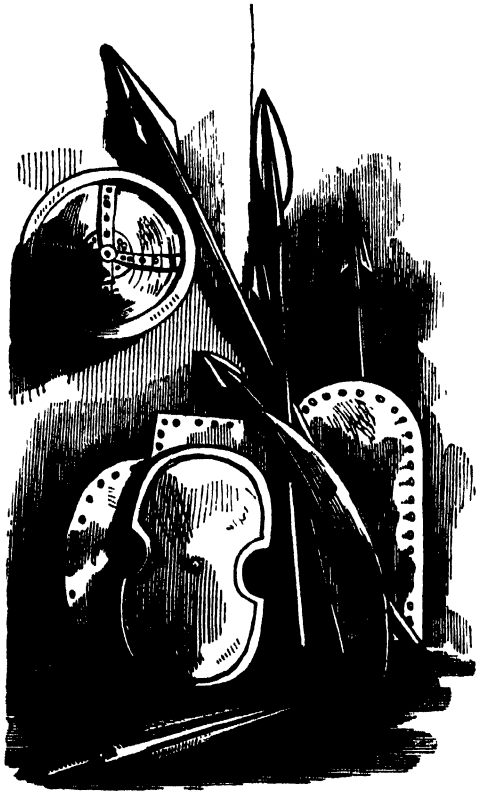
19 And when the servants of Hadarezer saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they made peace with David, and became his servants: neither would the Syrians help the children of Ammon any more.

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Rabbah is besieged by Joab, spoiled by David, and the people thereof tortured.* 4 *Three giants are slain in three several overthrows of the Philistines.*

AND it came to pass, that [1]after the year was expired, at the time that kings go out *to battle*, Joab led forth the power of the army, and wasted the country of the children of Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah. But David tarried at Jerusalem. And Joab smote Rabbah, and destroyed it.[a]

2 And David took the crown of their king from off his head, and found it [2]to weigh a talent of gold, and *there were* precious stones in it; and it was set upon David's head: and he brought also exceeding much spoil out of the city.[b]



ANCIENT JEWISH SHIELDS AND SPEARS.

3 And he brought out the people that *were* in it, and cut *them* with saws, and with harrows of iron, and with axes. Even so dealt David with all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.

4 ¶ And it came to pass after this, that there [3]arose war at [4]Gezer with the Philistines; at which time Sibbechai the Hushathite slew [5]Sippai, *that was* of the children of [6]the giant: and they were subdued.[c]

5 And there was war again with the Philistines: and Elhanan the son of [7]Jair slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear staff *was* like a weaver's beam.

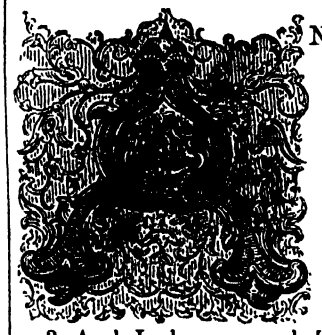
6 And yet again there was war at Gath, where was [8]a man of *great* stature, whose fingers and toes *were* four and twenty, six *on each hand*, and six *on each foot:* and he also was [9]the son of the giant.[d]

7 But when he [10]defied Israel, Jonathan the son of [11]Shimea David's brother slew him.

8 These were born unto the giant in Gath; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *David, tempted by Satan, forceth Joab to number the people.* 5 *The number of the people being brought, David repenteth of it.* 9 *David having three plagues propounded by Gad chooseth the pestilence.* 14 *After the death of seventy thousand, David by repentance preventeth the destruction of Jerusalem.* 18 *David, by Gad's direction, purchaseth Ornan's threshing-floor: where having built an altar, God giveth a sign of his favour by fire, and stayeth the plague.* 28 *David sacrificeth there, being restrained from Gibeon by fear of the angel.*



AND Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel.[e]

2 And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the people, Go, number Israel from Beer-sheba even to Dan; and bring the number of them to me, that I may know *it.*[f]

3 And Joab answered, The LORD make his people an hundred times so many more as they *be:* but, my lord the king, *are* they not all my lord's servants? why then doth my lord require this thing? why will he be a cause of trespass to Israel?

4 Nevertheless the king's word prevailed against Joab. Wherefore Joab departed, and went throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.

5 ¶ And Joab gave the sum of the number of the people unto David. And all *they of* Israel were a thousand thousand and an hundred thousand men that drew sword: and Judah *was* four hundred threescore and ten thousand men that drew sword.

6 But Levi and Benjamin counted he not among them: for the king's word was abominable to Joab.[g]

7 [12]And God was displeased with this thing; therefore he smote Israel.

8 And David said unto God, I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing: but now, I beseech thee, do away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly.[h]

9 ¶ And the LORD spake unto Gad, David's seer, saying,[i]

10 Go and tell David, saying, Thus saith the LORD, [13]I offer thee three *things:* choose thee one of them, that I may do *it* unto thee.

11 So Gad came to David, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, [14]Choose thee

BEFORE CHRIST 1035.

4 Or, *Gob.*

5 Or, *Saph*, 2 Sam. xxi. 18.

6 Or, *Rapha.*

c ch. xi. 29; 2 Sam xxi. 18.

7 Called, also, *Jaare-oregim*, 2 Sam. xxi 19.

8 Heb *a man of measure.*

9 Heb. *born to the giant*, or, *Rapha.*

d 2 Sam. xxi. 20.

10 Or, *reproached.*

11 Called *Shammah*, 1 Sam. xvi. 9

1 Heb. *at the return of the year.*

a 2 Sam xi. 1, xii. 26

2 Heb. *the weight of*

e 2 Sam xxiv 1, &c.

b 2 Sam xii 30, 31

f ch. xxvii 23

g ch. xxvii 24

12 Heb *And it was evil in the eyes of the LORD concerning this thing.*

h 2 Sam xii 13; xxiv. 10

i 1 Sam. ix 9

13 Heb. *stretch out*

3 Or, *continued.* Heb *stood.*

14 Heb. *Take to thee.*



DAVID INSTRUCTING JOAB TO NUMBER THE PEOPLE.

12 Either three years' famine; or three months to be destroyed before thy foes, while that the sword of thine enemies overtaketh *thee;* or else three days the sword of the LORD, even the pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD destroying throughout all the coasts of Israel. Now therefore advise thyself what word I shall bring again to him that sent me.[a]

13 And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let me fall now into the hand of the LORD; for very [1]great *are* his mercies: but let me not fall into the hand of man.

14 ¶ So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel: and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

15 And God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it: and as he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed, It is enough, stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD stood by the threshingfloor of [2]Ornan the Jebusite.[b]

16 And David lifted up his eyes, and saw the angel of the LORD stand between the earth and the heaven, having a drawn sword in his hand stretched out over Jerusalem. Then David and the elders *of Israel, who were* clothed in sackcloth, fell upon their faces.[c]

17 And David said unto God, *Is it* not I *that* commanded the people to be numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but *as for* these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, O LORD my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on thy people, that they should be plagued.

18 ¶ Then the angel of the LORD commanded Gad to say to David, that David should go up, and set up an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.[d]

19 And David went up at the saying of Gad, which he spake in the name of the LORD.

20 [3]And Ornan turned back, and saw the angel; and his four sons with him hid themselves. Now Ornan was threshing wheat.

21 And as David came to Ornan, Ornan looked

BEFORE CHRIST 1017.

c 2 Chron. iii. 1.

a 2 Sam xxiv 16

1 Or, *many.*

d 2 Chron iii 1.

3 Or, *When Ornan turned back and saw the angel, then he and his four sons with him hid themselves*

2 Or, *Araunah,* 2 Sam. xxiv. 18.

b Gen vi. 6; 2 Sam. xxiv. 16

and saw David, and went out of the threshingfloor, and bowed himself to David with *his* face to the ground.

22 Then David said to Ornan, [1]Grant me the place of *this* threshingfloor, that I may build an altar therein unto the LORD: thou shalt grant it me for the full price: that the plague may be stayed from the people.

23 And Ornan said unto David, Take *it* to thee, and let my lord the king do *that which is* good in his eyes: lo, I give *thee* the oxen *also* for burnt offerings, and the threshing instruments for wood, and the wheat for the meat offering; I give it all.

24 And king David said to Ornan, Nay; but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will not take *that* which *is* thine for the LORD, nor offer burnt offerings without cost.

25 So David gave to Ornan for the place six hundred shekels of gold by weight.[a]

26 And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings, and called upon the LORD; and he answered him from heaven by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.[b]

27 And the LORD commanded the angel; and he put up his sword again into the sheath thereof.

28 ¶ At that time when David saw that the LORD had answered him in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite, then he sacrificed there.

29 For the tabernacle of the LORD, which Moses made in the wilderness, and the altar of the burnt offering, *were* at that season in the high place at Gibeon.[c]

30 But David could not go before it to enquire of God: for he was afraid because of the sword of the angel of the LORD.

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *David, foreknowing the place of the temple, prepareth abundance for the building of it.* 6 *He instructeth Solomon in God's promises, and his duty in building the temple.* 17 *He chargeth the princes to assist his son.*

THEN David said, This *is* the house of the LORD God, and this *is* the altar of the burnt offering for Israel.[d]

2 And David commanded to gather together the strangers that *were* in the land of Israel; and he set masons to hew wrought stones to build the house of God.[e]

3 And David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the joinings; and brass in abundance without weight;[f]

4 Also cedar trees in abundance: for the Zidonians and they of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David.[g]

5 And David said, Solomon my son *is* young and tender, and the house *that is* to be builded for the LORD *must be* exceeding magnifical, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will *therefore* now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death.[h]

6 ¶ Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for the LORD God of Israel.

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

1 Heb. *Give.*

[c] ch xvii 1; xxviii 2, Deut. xii. 5, 11; 2 Sam. vii. 2; 1 Kings viii. 17

[d] ch xxviii. 3; 1 Kings v 3.

2 That is, *peaceable.*

[h] ch xxviii. 5; 1 Kings iv. 25; v 4.

[a] 2 Sam. xxiv. 24.

[i] ch. xvii. 12, 13; xxviii 6; 2 Sam vii. 13, 1 Kings v. 5.

[m] ver. 16.

[b] Lev ix. 24, 2 Chron vii. 1.

[n] 1 Kings iii 9, 12; Ps. lxxii 1

[o] ch xxviii. 7, 20, Deut. xxxi 7, 8, Josh i. 6, 7, 9

3 Or, *in my poverty.*

[c] ch. xvi 39, 1 Kings iii 4, 2 Chron i 3.

[p] ver 3

4 That is, *masons and carpenters.*

[q] ver 11

[d] ch xxi. 18, 19, 26, 28, Deut. xii 5, 2 Sam xxiv. 18; 2 Chron. iii. 1

[r] ch xxiii. 25; Deut. xii. 10, Josh xxii 4, 2 Sam vii. 1

[e] 1 Kings ix 21

[f] ver 14; 1 Kings vii 47

[s] ver 7; 1 Kings v 3, viii 6, 21; 2 Chron. v. 7; vi. 11.

[g] 1 Kings v. 6.

[t] ch. xxviii. 5; 1 Kings i. 33—39.

[h] ch. xxix 1

7 And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build an house unto the name of the LORD my God:[i]

8 But the word of the LORD came to me, saying, Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and hast made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto my name, because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in my sight.[j]

9 Behold, a son shall be born to thee, who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be [2]Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days.[k]

10 He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I *will be* his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.[l]

11 Now, my son, the LORD be with thee; and prosper thou, and build the house of the LORD thy God, as he hath said of thee.[m]

12 Only the LORD give thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee charge concerning Israel, that thou mayest keep the law of the LORD thy God.[n]

13 Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the LORD charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed.[o]

14 Now, behold, [3]in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the LORD an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add thereto.[p]

15 Moreover *there are* workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and [4]workers of stone and timber, and all manner of cunning men for every manner of work.

16 Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, *there is* no number. Arise *therefore*, and be doing, and the LORD be with thee.[q]

17 ¶ David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, *saying*,

18 *Is* not the LORD your God with you? and hath he *not* given you rest on every side? for he hath given the inhabitants of the land into mine hand; and the land is subdued before the LORD, and before his people.[r]

19 Now set your heart and your soul to seek the LORD your God; arise therefore, and build ye the sanctuary of the LORD God, to bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and the holy vessels of God, into the house that is to be built to the name of the LORD.[s]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *David in his old age maketh Solomon king.* 2 *The number and distribution of the Levites.* 7 *The families of the Gershonites.* 12 *The sons of Kohath.* 21 *The sons of Merari.* 24 *The office of the Levites.*

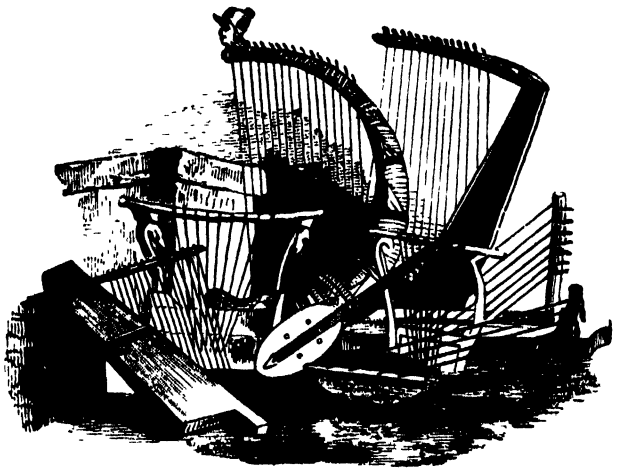
SO when David was old and full of days, he made Solomon his son king over Israel.[t]

2 ¶ And he gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites.

3 Now the Levites were numbered from the age of thirty years and upward: and their number by their polls, man by man, was thirty and eight thousand.[a]

4 Of which, twenty and four thousand *were* [1]to set forward the work of the house of the LORD; and six thousand *were* officers and judges:[b]

5 Moreover four thousand *were* porters; and four thousand praised the LORD with the instruments which I made, *said David,* to praise *therewith.*[c]



MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS USED BY THE ANCIENT JEWS.

6 And David divided them into [2]courses among the sons of Levi, *namely,* Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.[d]

7 ¶ Of the Gershonites *were,* [3]Laadan, and Shimei.[e]

8 The sons of Laadan; the chief *was* Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three.

9 The sons of Shimei; Shelomith, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These *were* the chief of the fathers of Laadan.

10 And the sons of Shimei *were,* Jahath, [4]Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four *were* the sons of Shimei.

11 And Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah [5]had not many sons; therefore they were in one reckoning, according to *their* father's house.

12 ¶ The sons of Kohath; Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four.[f]

13 The sons of Amram; Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons for ever, to burn incense before the LORD, to minister unto him, and to bless in his name for ever.[g]

14 Now *concerning* Moses the man of God, his sons were named of the tribe of Levi.[h]

15 The sons of Moses *were,* Gershom, and Eliezer.[i]

16 Of the sons of Gershom, [6]Shebuel *was* the chief.[j]

17 And the sons of Eliezer *were,* Rehabiah [7]the chief. And Eliezer had none other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah [8]were very many.[k]

18 Of the sons of Izhar; [9]Shelomith the chief.

19 Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.[l]

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a Numb iv. 3, 47

1 Or, *to oversee.*

m ch. xxiv. 26, 29.

b ch xxvi. 29; Deut xvi. 18; 2 Chron. xix. 8.

10 Or, *kinsmen.*

n ch xxiv. 28; Numb. xxxvi. 6, 8.

c 2 Chron xxix. 25, 26; Amos vi. 5.

o ch. xxiv 30

p ver 27; Numb i 3, iv 3, viii. 24; Ezra iii 8.

11 Or, *and he dwelleth in Jerusalem, &c.*

q ch. xxii. 18.

r Numb iv 5, &c.

12 Heb *number*

13 Heb *their station was at the hand of the sons of Aaron*

s Neh xi 24

2 Heb *divisions.*

d ch vi 1, &c.; Exod. vi 16, Numb xxvi 57; 2 Chron viii. 14, xxix 25

14 Or, *flat plate*

3 Or, *Libni,* ch vi. 17

e ch xxvi 21.

t ch. ix 29, &c.; Exod. xxx. 30, Lev. ii 4, 5, 7; vi 20; xix 35

4 Or, *Zizah,* ver 11

u Lev xxiii 4; Numb x. 10, Ps. lxxxi 3

5 Heb *did not multiply sons*

v Numb i. 23; iii. 6—9

f Exod. vi 18

g Exod vi 20, xxviii. 1, xxx 7, Numb. vi. 23, xvi. 40, Deut xxi. 5; 1 Sam ii 28; Heb. v. 4

w Lev x 1, 6; Numb xxvi. 60

h ch xxvi 23—25.

i Exod ii. 22; xviii. 3, 4

6 Or, *Shubael,* ch. xxiv. 20.

j ch xxvi 24.

x Numb. iii. 4; xxvi. 61

7 Or, *the first*

8 Heb *were highly multiplied.*

k ch xxvi. 25.

9 Or, *Shelomoth,* ch xxiv. 22

l ch xxiv. 23

20 Of the sons of Uzziel; Micah the first, and Jesiah the second.

21 ¶ The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. The sons of Mahli; Eleazar, and Kish.[m]

22 And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters: and their [10]brethren the sons of Kish took them.[n]

23 The sons of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.[o]

24 ¶ These *were* the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers; *even* the chief of the fathers, as they were counted by number of names by their polls, that did the work for the service of the house of the LORD, from the age of twenty years and upward.[p]

25 For David said, The LORD God of Israel hath given rest unto his people, [11]that they may dwell in Jerusalem for ever:[q]

26 And also unto the Levites; they shall no *more* carry the tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for the service thereof.[r]

27 For by the last words of David the Levites *were* [12]numbered from twenty years old and above:

28 Because [13]their office *was* to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of the LORD, in the courts, and in the chambers, and in the purifying of all holy things, and the work of the service of the house of God;[s]

29 Both for the shewbread, and for the fine flour for meat offering, and for the unleavened cakes, and for *that which is baked in* [14]the pan, and for that which is fried, and for all manner of measure and size;[t]

30 And to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at even;

31 And to offer all burnt sacrifices unto the LORD in the sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the set feasts, by number, according to the order commanded unto them, continually before the LORD:[u]

32 And that they should keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of the holy *place,* and the charge of the sons of Aaron their brethren, in the service of the house of the LORD.[v]

CHAPTER XXIV.

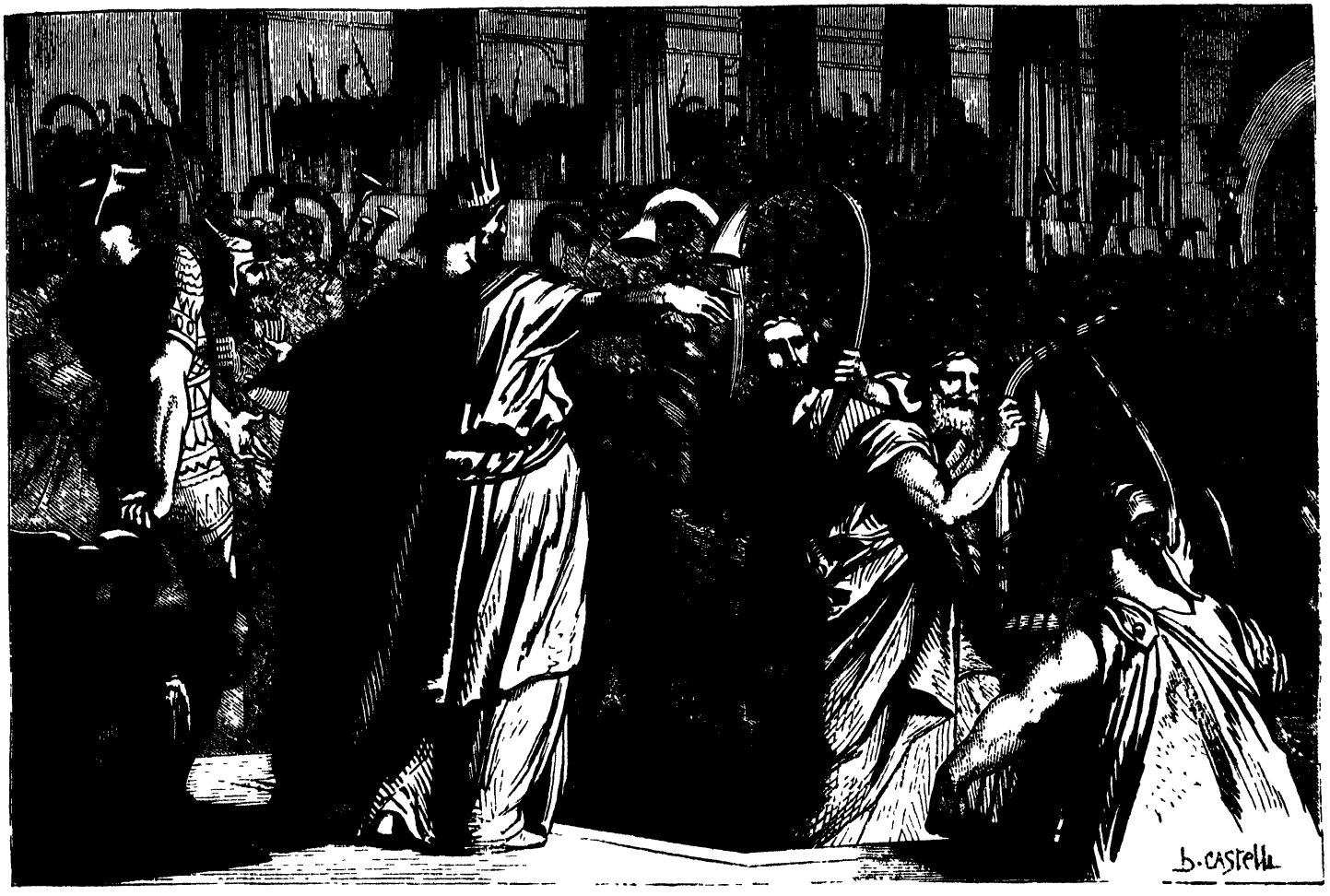
1 *The divisions of the sons of Aaron by lot into four and twenty orders*
20 *The Kohathites,* 27 *and the Merarites divided by lot.*

NOW *these are* the divisions of the sons of Aaron. The sons of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.[w]

2 But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no children: therefore Eleazar and Ithamar executed the priest's office.[x]

3 And David distributed them, both Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their offices in their service.

4 And there were more chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar; and *thus* were they divided. Among the sons of Eleazar *there were* sixteen chief men of the house of *their*



THE MUSICIANS AND SINGERS CASTING LOTS FOR THE DIVISIONS OF SERVICE.

fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their fathers.

5 Thus were they divided by lot, one sort with another; for the governors of the sanctuary, and governors *of the house* of God, were of the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.

6 And Shemaiah the son of Nethaneel the scribe, *one* of the Levites, wrote them before the king, and the princes, and Zadok the priest, and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and *before* the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites: [1]one principal houshold being taken for Eleazar, and *one* taken for Ithamar.

7 Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,

8 The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim,

9 The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin,

10 The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah,[a]

11 The ninth to Jeshuah, the tenth to Shecaniah,

12 The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim,

13 The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab,

14 The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer,

15 The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,

16 The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezekel,

17 The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul,

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b ch. ix. 25.

2 Or, *Shebuel*, ch. xxiii. 16.

1 Heb. *house of the father.*

c ch. xxiii. 17.

3 Or, *Shelomith*, ch. xxiii. 18.

d ch. xxiii. 19, xxvi. 31.

a Neh. xii. 4, 17; Luke i. 5.

e ch. xxiii. 21; Exod. vi. 19.

f ch. xxiii. 22.

18 The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah.

19 These *were* the orderings of them in their service to come into the house of the LORD, according to their manner, under Aaron their father, as the LORD God of Israel had commanded him.[b]

20 ¶ And the rest of the sons of Levi *were these:* Of the sons of Amram; [2]Shubael: of the sons of Shubael; Jehdeiah.

21 Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first *was* Isshiah.[c]

22 Of the Izharites; [3]Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.

23 And the sons *of Hebron;* Jeriah *the first*, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.[d]

24 *Of* the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir.

25 The brother of Michah *was* Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah.

26 The sons of Merari *were* Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; Beno.[e]

27 ¶ The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ibri.

28 Of Mahli *came* Eleazar, who had no sons.[f]

29 Concerning Kish: the son of Kish *was* Jerahmeel.

30 The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and

Jerimoth. These *were* the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.[a]

31 These likewise cast lots over against their brethren the sons of Aaron in the presence of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the chief of the fathers of the priests and Levites, even the principal fathers over against their younger brethren.

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *The number and offices of the singers.* 8 *Their division by lot into four and twenty orders.*

MOREOVER David and the captains of the host separated to the service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun, who should prophesy with harps, with psalteries, and with cymbals: and the number of the workmen according to their service was:[b]

2 Of the sons of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and [1]Asarelah, the sons of Asaph under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied [2]according to the order of the king.

3 Of Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun, Gedaliah, and [3]Zeri, and Jeshaiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, [4]six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to give thanks and to praise the LORD.

4 Of Heman: the sons of Heman; Bukkiah, Mattaniah, [5]Uzziel, [6]Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamti-ezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, *and* Mahazioth:

5 All these *were* the sons of Heman the king's seer in the [7]words of God, to lift up the horn. And God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.

6 All these *were* under the hands of their father for song *in* the house of the LORD, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of God, [8]according to the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.[c]

7 So the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in the songs of the LORD, *even* all that were cunning, was two hundred fourscore and eight.

8 ¶ And they cast lots, ward against *ward*, as well the small as the great, the teacher as the scholar.[d]

9 Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with his brethren and sons *were* twelve:

10 The third to Zaccur, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

11 The fourth to Izri, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

12 The fifth to Nethaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

13 The sixth to Bukkiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

14 The seventh to Jesharelah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

a ch. xxiii. 28.

b ch. vi. 33, 39.

1 Called *Jesharelah*, ver. 14.

2 Heb. *by the hands of the king.* So, ver. 6.

3 Or, *Izri*, ver. 11.

4 With Shimei, mentioned ver. 17.

5 Or, *Azareel*, ver. 18.

6 Or, *Shubael*, ver. 20

7 Or, *matters*

9 Or, *Shelemiah*, ver. 14

8 Heb. *by the hands of the king*

c ver. 2

10 Or, *Ebiasaph*, ch. vi. 37, ix. 19

d 2 Chron. xxiii. 18

11 That is, *Obed-edom*, as ch. xiii. 14.

15 The eighth to Jeshaiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

16 The ninth to Mattaniah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

17 The tenth to Shimei, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

18 The eleventh to Azareel, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

19 The twelfth to Hashabiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

20 The thirteenth to Shubael, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

21 The fourteenth to Mattithiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

22 The fifteenth to Jeremoth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

23 The sixteenth to Hananiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

24 The seventeenth to Joshbekashah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

25 The eighteenth to Hanani, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

26 The nineteenth to Mallothi, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

27 The twentieth to Eliathah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

28 The one and twentieth to Hothir, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

29 The two and twentieth to Giddalti, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

30 The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:

31 The four and twentieth to Romamti-ezer, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve.

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *The divisions of the porters.* 13 *The gates assigned by lot.* 20 *The Levites that had charge of the treasures.* 29 *Officers and judges.*

CONCERNING the divisions of the porters: Of the Korhites *was* [9]Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of [10]Asaph.

2 And the sons of Meshelemiah *were*, Zechariah the firstborn, Jediael the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth,

3 Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.

4 Moreover the sons of Obed-edom *were*, Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the second, Joah the third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel the fifth,

5 Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for God blessed [11]him.

6 Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout the house of their father: for they *were* mighty men of valour.

7 The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren *were* strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.

8 All these of the sons of Obed-edom: they and their sons and their brethren, able men for

strength for the service, *were* threescore and two of Obed-edom.

9 And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, strong men, eighteen.

10 Also Hosah, of the children of Merari, had sons; Simri the chief, (for *though* he was not the firstborn, yet his father made him the chief;) [a]

11 Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren of Hosah *were* thirteen.

12 Among these *were* the divisions of the porters, *even* among the chief men, *having* wards one against another, to minister in the house of the LORD.

13 ¶ And they cast lots, [1]as well the small as the great, according to the house of their fathers, for every gate.

14 And the lot eastward fell to [2]Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his son, a wise counsellor, they cast lots; and his lot came out northward.

15 To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the house of [3]Asuppim.

16 To Shuppim and Hosah *the lot came forth* westward, with the gate Shallecheth, by the causeway of the going up, ward against ward. [b]

17 Eastward *were* six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward Asuppim two *and* two.

18 At Parbar westward, four at the causeway, *and* two at Parbar.

19 These *are* the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of Merari.

20 ¶ And of the Levites, Ahijah *was* over the treasures of the house of God, and over the treasures of the [4]dedicated things. [c]

21 *As concerning* the sons of [5]Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, chief fathers, *even* of Laadan the Gershonite, *were* [6]Jehieli.

22 The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, *which were* over the treasures of the house of the LORD.

23 Of the Amramites, *and* the Izharites, the Hebronites, *and* the Uzzielites:

24 And Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses, *was* ruler of the treasures. [d]

25 And his brethren by Eliezer; Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son. [e]

26 Which Shelomith and his brethren *were* over all the treasures of the dedicated things, which David the king, and the chief fathers, the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host, had dedicated.

27 [7]Out of the spoils won in battles did they dedicate to maintain the house of the LORD.

28 And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated; *and* whosoever had dedicated *any thing*, *it was* under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brethren. [f]

29 ¶ Of the Izharites, Chenaniah and his sons *were* for the outward business over Israel, for officers and judges. [g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

8 Heb. *over the charge.*

a ch. xvi. 38

h ch. xxiii. 19; Josh. xxi. 39

1 Or, *as well for the small as for the great.*

9 Heb. *thing*

i 2 Chron. xix. 11.

2 Called *Meshelemiah*, ver. 1.

3 Heb *gatherings.*

b 1 Kings x. 5; 2 Chron. ix. 4.

4 Heb *holy things.*

c ch. xxviii. 12; Mal. iii. 10.

5 Or, *Libni*, ch. vi. 17.

6 Or, *Jehiel*, ch. xxiii. 8, xxix. 8.

j ch. xi. 11; 2 Sam. xxiii. 8.

10 Or, *Dodo*, 2 Sam. xxiii. 9.

d ch. xxiii. 16.

11 Or, *principal officer*, 1 Kings iv. 5.

e ch. xxiii. 18.

k ch. xi. 22, &c.; 2 Sam. xxiii. 20, 22, 23.

7 Heb. *Out of the battles and spoils.*

l ch. xi. 26.

f 1 Sam. ix. 9

m ch. xi. 27.

g ch. xxiii. 4.

30 *And* of the Hebronites, Hashabiah and his brethren, men of valour, a thousand and seven hundred, *were* [8]officers among them of Israel on this side Jordan westward in all the business of the LORD, and in the service of the king.

31 Among the Hebronites *was* Jerijah the chief, *even* among the Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers. In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought for, and there were found among them mighty men of valour at Jazer of Gilead. [h]

32 And his brethren, men of valour, *were* two thousand and seven hundred chief fathers, whom king David made rulers over the Reubenites, the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to God, and [9]affairs of the king. [i]

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *The twelve captains for every several month.* 16 *The princes of the twelve tribes.* 23 *The numbering of the people is hindered.* 25 *David's several officers.*

NOW the children of Israel after their number, *to wit*, the chief fathers and captains of thousands and hundreds, and their officers that served the king in any matter of the courses, which came in and went out month by month throughout all the months of the year, of every course *were* twenty and four thousand.

2 Over the first course for the first month *was* Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand. [j]

3 Of the children of Perez *was* the chief of all the captains of the host for the first month.

4 And over the course of the second month *was* [10]Dodai an Ahohite, and of his course *was* Mikloth also the ruler: in his course likewise *were* twenty and four thousand.

5 The third captain of the host for the third month *was* Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, a [11]chief priest: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

6 This *is that* Benaiah, *who was* mighty *among* the thirty, and above the thirty: and in his course *was* Ammizabad his son. [k]

7 The fourth *captain* for the fourth month *was* Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

8 The fifth captain for the fifth month *was* Shamhuth the Izrahite: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

9 The sixth *captain* for the sixth month *was* Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand. [l]

10 The seventh *captain* for the seventh month *was* Helez the Pelonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand. [m]

11 The eighth *captain* for the eighth month *was*

8 Heb. *officers of the charge.*

h ch. xxvi. 31

i ch. xxiii. 30

9 Heb. *thing*

j 2 Sam. xxiii. 8

10 Or, *Dodo*, 2 Sam. xxiii. 9.

11 Or, *principal officer*, 1 Kings iv. 5.

k ch. xi. 22, &c.; 2 Sam. xxiii. 20, 22, 23.

l ch. xi. 28.

m ch. xi. 27.

Sibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.[a]

12 The ninth *captain* for the ninth month *was* Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.[b]

13 The tenth *captain* for the tenth month *was* Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.[c]

14 The eleventh *captain* for the eleventh month *was* Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.[d]

15 The twelfth *captain* for the twelfth month *was* [1]Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.

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[a] ch. xi. 29; 2 Sam. xxi. 18.

[b] ch xi 28

[c] ch xi 30, 2 Sam xxiii. 28

[f] Gen. xv 5

[d] ch. xi. 31

[3] Heb *ascended.*

1 Or, *Heled*, ch xi 30

[g] ch xxi 7; 2 Sam. xxiv 15

21 Of the half *tribe* of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner:

22 Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These *were* the princes of the tribes of Israel.

23 ¶ But David took not the number of them from twenty years old and under: because the LORD had said he would increase Israel like to the stars of the heavens.[f]

24 Joab the son of Zeruiah began to number, but he finished not, because there fell wrath for it against Israel; neither [3]was the number put in the account of the chronicles of king David.[g]

25 ¶ And over the king's treasures *was* Azmaveth



SYCAMORE TREE.

6 ¶ Furthermore over the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites *was* Eliezer the son of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah:

17 Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son of Kemuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok:[e]

18 Of Judah, [2]Elihu, *one* of the brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael:

19 Of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel:

20 Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah: of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah:

[e] ch xxvi. 30.

2 Or, *Eliab* 1 Sam xvi. 6.

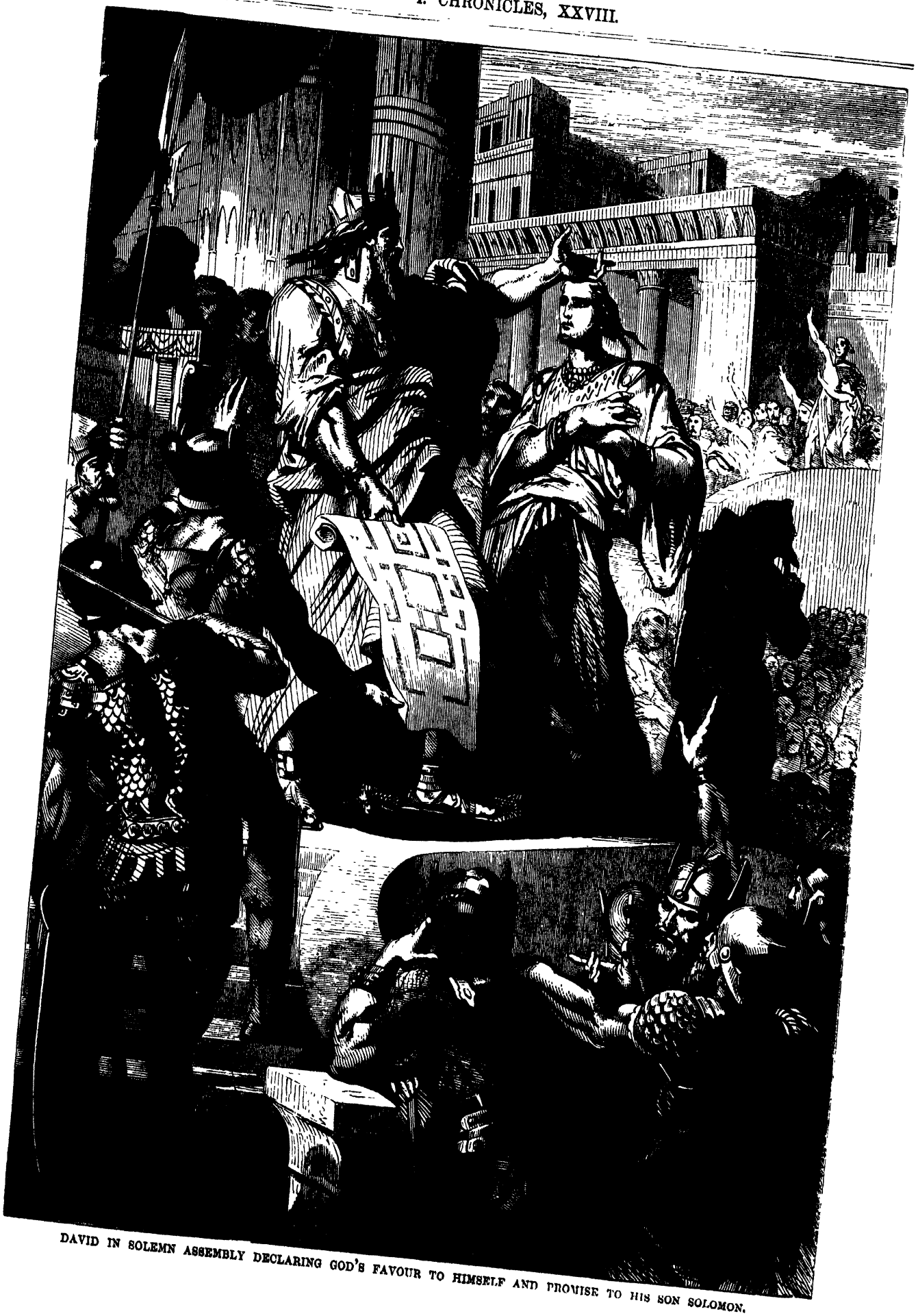
4 Heb. *over that which was of the vineyards.*

the son of Adiel: and over the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the castles, *was* Jehonathan the son of Uzziah:

26 And over them that did the work of the field for tillage of the ground *was* Ezri the son of Chelub:

27 And [4]over the vineyards *was* Shimei the Ramathite: over the increase of the vineyards for the wine cellars *was* Zabdi the Shiphmite:

28 And over the olive trees and the sycomore trees that *were* in the low plains *was* Baal-hanan the Gederite: and over the cellars of oil *was* Joash:



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29 And over the herds that fed in Sharon *was* Shitrai the Sharonite: and over the herds *that were* in the valleys *was* Shaphat the son of Adlai:

30 Over the camels also *was* Obil the Ishmaelite: and over the asses *was* Jehdeiah the Meronothite:

31 And over the flocks *was* Jaziz the Hagerite. All these *were* the rulers of the substance which *was* king David's.

32 Also Jonathan David's uncle was a counsellor, a wise man, and a [1]scribe: and Jehiel the [2]son of Hachmoni *was* with the king's sons:

33 And Ahithophel *was* the king's counsellor: and Hushai the Archite *was* the king's companion:[a]

34 And after Ahithophel *was* Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar: and the general of the king's army *was* Joab.[b]

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *David in a solemn assembly having declared God's favour to him, and promise to his son Solomon, exhorteth them to fear God.* 9, 20 *He encourageth Solomon to build the temple.* 11 *He giveth him patterns for the form, and gold and silver for the materials.*

AND David assembled all the princes of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the captains of the companies that ministered to the king by course, and the captains over the thousands, and captains over the hundreds, and the stewards over all the substance and [3]possession of the king, [4]and of his sons, with the [5]officers, and with the mighty men, and with all the valiant men, unto Jerusalem.[c]

2 Then David the king stood up upon his feet, and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my people: *As for me*, I *had* in mine heart to build an house of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and for the footstool of our God, and had made ready for the building:[d]

3 But God said unto me, Thou shalt not build an house for my name, because thou *hast been* a man of war, and hast shed [6]blood.[e]

4 Howbeit the LORD God of Israel chose me before all the house of my father to be king over Israel for ever: for he hath chosen Judah *to be* the ruler; and of the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father he liked me to make *me* king over all Israel:[f]

5 And of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many sons,) he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.[g]

6 And he said unto me, Solomon thy son, he shall build my house and my courts: for I have chosen him *to be* my son, and I will be his father.[h]

7 Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, if he be [7]constant to do my commandments and my judgments, as at this day.[i]

8 Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the congregation of the LORD, and in the audience of our God, keep and seek for all the commandments of the LORD your God: that ye may possess this good land, and leave *it* for an inheritance for your children after you for ever.

9 ¶ And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.[j]

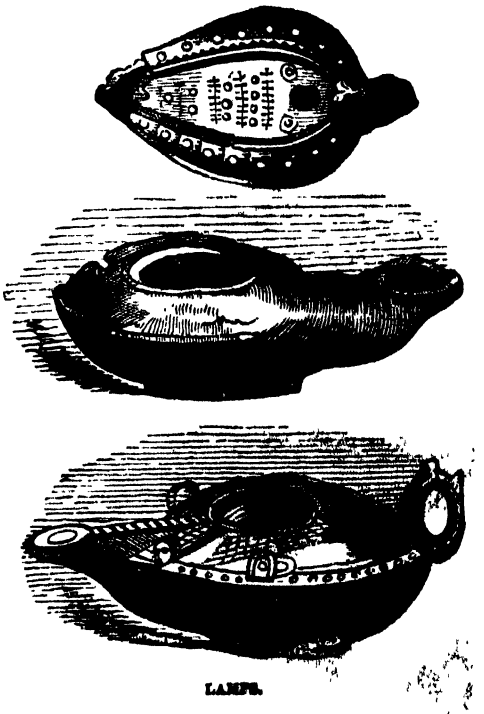
10 Take heed now; for the LORD hath chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary: be strong, and do *it*.[k]

11 ¶ Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch, and of the houses thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the mercy seat,[l]

12 And the pattern [8]of all that he had by the spirit, of the courts of the house of the LORD, and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the treasuries of the dedicated things:[m]

13 Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of the LORD, and for all the vessels of service in the house of the LORD.

14 *He gave* of gold by weight for *things* of gold, for all instruments of all manner of service; *silver also* for all instruments of silver by weight, for all instruments of every kind of service:



LAMPS.

15 Even the weight for the candlesticks of gold, and for their lamps of gold, by weight for every candlestick, and for the lamps thereof: and for the candlesticks of silver by weight, *both* for the candlestick, and *also* for the lamps thereof, according to the use of every candlestick.

16 And by weight *he gave* gold for the tables of

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

1 Or, *secretary.*

2 Or, *Hachmonite.*

f ch. xxix. 17; 1 Sam. xvi. 7, 1 Kings viii. 39; 2 Kings xx. 3; 2 Chron. xv. 2; Ps. vii. 9; ci. 2; cxxxix. 2; Prov. xvii. 3; Jer. ix. 24; xl. 20; xvii. 10; xx. 12; Hos. iv. 1; John xvii. 3; Rev. ii. 23

a 2 Sam. xv. 12, 37; xvi. 16

b ver. vi.

b ch. xi. 6; 1 Kings i. 7.

i ver. 19; Exod. xxv 40.

3 Heb. *of all that was with him.*

m ch xxvi 20

3 Or, *cattle.*

4 Or, *and his sons.*

5 Or, *eunuchs*

c ch. xi. 10, xxvii 1, 2, 16, 25

d 2 Sam vii. 2, Ps. xcix. 5; cxxxii 3—7

6 Heb *bloods*

e ch. xvii 4; xxii.8; 2 Sam vii 5, 13; 1 Kings v 3

f ch v 2; Gen. xlix. 8, 1 Sam. xvi. 1, 7, 11, 12, 13; xxvi. 1; Ps lx. 7; lxxviii. 68

g ch. iii 1; xxii 9; xxiii 1.

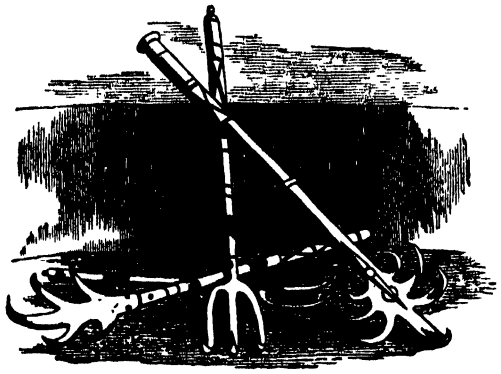
h ch. xxii. 9, 10; 2 Sam. vii. 12, 14; 2 Chron. i. 9.

7 Heb. *strong.*

i ch. xxii. 13.

shewbread, for every table; and *likewise* silver for the tables of silver:

17 Also pure gold for the fleshhooks, and the bowls, and the cups: and for the golden basons *he gave gold* by weight for every bason; and *likewise silver* by weight for every bason of silver:



FLESH HOOKS.

18 And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot of the cherubims, that spread out *their wings*, and covered the ark of the covenant of the LORD.[a]

19 All *this*, *said David*, the LORD made me understand in writing by *his* hand upon me, *even* all the works of this pattern.[b]

20 And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do *it:* fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, *even* my God, *will be* with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.[c]

21 And, behold, the courses of the priests and the Levites, *even they shall be with thee* for all the service of the house of God: and *there shall be* with thee for all manner of workmanship every willing skilful man, for any manner of service: also the princes and all the people *will be* wholly at thy commandment.[d]

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 David, by his example and intreaty, 6 causeth the princes and people to offer willingly. 10 David's thanksgiving and prayer. 20 having blessed God, and sacrificed, make Solomon king. 26 David's reign and death.

FURTHERMORE David the king said unto all the congregation, Solomon my son, whom alone God hath chosen, *is yet* young and tender, and the work *is* great: for the palace *is* not for man, but for the LORD God.[e]

2 Now I have prepared with all my might for the house of my God the gold for *things to be made* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and the brass for *things* of brass, the iron for *things* of iron, and wood for *things* of wood; onyx stones, and *stones* to be set, glistering stones, and of divers colours, and all manner of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance.[f]

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3 Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, *which* I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house,

4 *Even* three thousand talents of gold, of the gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses *withal:*

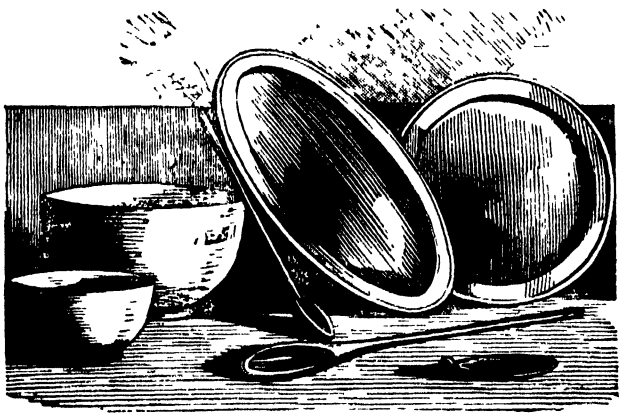
5 The gold for *things* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and for all manner of work *to be made* by the hands of artificers. And who *then* is willing [1]to consecrate his service this day unto the LORD?

6 ¶ Then the chief of the fathers and princes of the tribes of Israel, and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the rulers of the king's work, offered willingly,[g]

7 And gave for the service of the house of God of gold five thousand talents and ten thousand drams, and of silver ten thousand talents, and of brass eighteen thousand talents, and one hundred thousand talents of iron.

8 And they with whom *precious* stones were found gave *them* to the treasure of the house of the LORD, by the hand of Jehiel the Gershonite.[h]

9 Then the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the LORD: and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.[i]



OFFERINGS OF GOLD AND SILVER.

10 ¶ Wherefore David blessed the LORD before all the congregation: and David said, Blessed *be* thou, LORD God of Israel our father, for ever and ever.

11 Thine, O LORD, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is thine;* thine *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.[j]

12 Both riches and honour *come* of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand *is* power and might; and in thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all.[k]

13 Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.

14 But who *am* I, and what *is* my people, that we [2]should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things *come* of thee, and [3]of thine own have we given thee.

1 Heb. *to fill his hand.*

g ch. xxvii. 1, 25.

a Exod. xxv. 18—22, 1 Sam. iv. 4; 1 Kings vi. 23, &c.

b ch. xxvi. 21.

b vs. 11, 12; Exod. xxv. 40.

c Exod. xxv. 2, xxxv. 5, 21; Ezra ii. 68, iii. 5; vii. 16, Neh. xi. 2; 2 Cor. viii. 12, ix. 7.

c ch. xxii. 13; Deut. xxxi. 7, 8; Josh. i. 5—9.

d ch. xxiv.—xxvi; Exod. xxxv. 25, 26, xxxvi. 1, 2.

e ch. xxii. 5; 1 Kings iii. 7; Prov. iv. 3.

f Matt. vi. 19; 1 Tim. i. 17; Rev. v. 13.

k Rom. xi. 36.

2 Heb. *retain*, or, *obtain strength.*

3 Heb. *of thine hand.*

i Isa. liv. 11, 12 Rev. xxi. 18, &c.

15 For we *are* strangers before thee, and sojourners, as *were* all our fathers: our days on the earth *are* as a shadow, and *there is* none [1]abiding.[c]

16 O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build thee an house for thine holy name *cometh* of thine hand, and *is* all thine own.

17 I know also, my God, that thou triest the heart, and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy thy people, which are [2]present here, to offer willingly unto thee.[b]

18 O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy people, and [3]prepare their heart unto thee:

19 And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep thy commandments, thy testimonies, and thy statutes, and to do all *these things*, and to build the palace, *for* the which I have made provision.[c]

20 ¶ And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the LORD your God. And all the congregation blessed the LORD God of their fathers, and bowed down their heads, and worshipped the LORD, and the king.

21 And they sacrificed sacrifices unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings unto the LORD, on the morrow after that day, *even* a thousand bullocks, a thousand rams, *and* a thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel:

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1 Heb. *expectation.*

a Job xiv. 2; Ps. xxxix. 12; xc. 9; cii. 11; cxliv. 4; Heb. xi. 13, 1 Peter ii. 11.

d 1 Kings i. 35, 39.

4 Heb. *gave the hand under Solomon.* Gen. xxiv. 2; xlvii. 29; 2 Chron. xxx. 8; Ezek. xvii. 18.

2 Or, *found.*

e Eccles. viii. 2

b ch. xxviii. 9; 1 Sam. xvi. 7; Ps. cxxxix. 23, 24; Prov. xi. 20; Rev. ii. 23.

3 Or, *stablish*, Ps. x. 17.

f 1 Kings iii. 13; 2 Chron. i. 12; Eccles. ii. 9.

c ver 2; ch. xxii. 14; Ps. lxxii. 1.

2 Sam. v. 4, 5; 1 Kings ii. 11.

ch. xxiii. 1; Gen. xxv. 8.

Or, *history* Heb. *ords*

22 And did eat and drink before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And they made Solomon the son of David king the second time, and anointed *him* unto the LORD *to be* the chief governor, and Zadok *to be* priest.[d]

23 Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.

24 And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David, [4]submitted themselves unto Solomon the king.[e]

25 And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel, and bestowed upon him *such* royal majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel.[f]

26 ¶ Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel.

27 And the time that he reigned over Israel *was* forty years; seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three *years* reigned he in Jerusalem.[g]

28 And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honour: and Solomon his son reigned in his stead.[h]

29 Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the [5]book of Samuel the seer, and in the book of Nathan the prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer,

30 With all his reign and his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the countries.



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THE SECOND BOOK OF THE CHRONICLES

CHAPTER 1.

1 *The solemn offering of Solomon at Gibeon.* 7 *Solomon's choice of wisdom is blessed by God.* 13 *Solomon's strength and wealth.*

BEFORE CHRIST 1015

AND Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, and the LORD his God *was* with him, and magnified him exceedingly.[a]

2 Then Solomon spake unto all Israel, to the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and to the judges, and to every governor in all Israel, the chief of the fathers.

3 So Solomon, and all the congregation with him, went to the high place that *was* at Gibeon; for there was the tabernacle of the congregation of God, which Moses the servant of the LORD had made in the wilderness.[b]

4 But the ark of God had David brought up from Kirjath-jearim to *the place which* David had prepared for it: for he had pitched a tent for it at Jerusalem.[c]

5 Moreover the brasen altar, that Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had [1]made, he put before the tabernacle of the LORD: and Solomon and the congregation sought unto it.[d]

a Gen. xxxix. 2, 1 Kings iii. 46, 1 Chron. xxix. 25

b 1 Kings iii. 4, 1 Chron. xvi. 39; xxi. 29

c 2 Sam. vi. 2, 17; 1 Chron. xv. 1.

1 Or, *had*

d Exod. xxvii. 1, 2; xxxviii. 1, 2

6 And Solomon went up thither to the brasen altar before the LORD, which *was* at the tabernacle of the congregation, and offered a thousand burnt offerings upon it.[a]

7 ¶ In that night did God appear unto Solomon, and said unto him, Ask what I shall give thee.[b]

8 And Solomon said unto God, Thou hast shewed great mercy unto David my father, and hast made me to reign in his stead.[c]

9 Now, O LORD God, let thy promise unto David my father be established: for thou hast made me king over a people [1]like the dust of the earth in multitude.[d]

10 Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people: for who can judge this thy people, *that is so* great?[e]

11 And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king:[f]

12 Wisdom and knowledge *is* granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as none of the kings have had that *have been* before thee, neither shall there any after thee have the like.[g]

13 ¶ Then Solomon came *from his journey* to the high place that *was* at Gibeon to Jerusalem, from before the tabernacle of the congregation, and reigned over Israel.

14 And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen: and he had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, which he placed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.[h]

15 And the king [2]made silver and gold at Jerusalem *as plenteous* as stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycomore trees that *are* in the vale for abundance.[i]

16 And [3]Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price.[j]

17 And they fetched up, and brought forth out of Egypt a chariot for six hundred *shekels* of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so brought they out *horses* for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, [4]by their means.

CHAPTER II.

1, 17 *Solomon's labourers for the building of the temple.* 3 *His embassage to Huram for workmen and provision of stuff.* 11 *Huram sendeth him a kind answer.*

AND Solomon determined to build an house for the name of the LORD, and an house for his kingdom.[k]

2 And Solomon told out threescore and ten thousand men to bear burdens, and fourscore thousand to hew in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred to oversee them.[l]

3 ¶ And Solomon sent to [5]Huram the king of Tyre, saying, As thou didst deal with David my father, and didst send him cedars to build him an house to dwell therein, *even so deal with me.*[m]

4 Behold, I build an house to the name of the LORD my God, to dedicate *it* to him, *and* to burn before him [6]sweet incense, and for the continual shewbread, and for the burnt offerings morning and evening, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts of the LORD our God. This *is an ordinance* for ever to Israel.[n]

5 And the house which I build *is* great: for great *is* our God above all gods.[o]

6 But who [7]is able to build him an house, seeing the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain him? who *am* I then, that I should build him an house, save only to burn sacrifice before him?[p]

7 Send me now therefore a man cunning to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, and in iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and that can skill [8]to grave with the cunning men that *are* with me in Judah and in Jerusalem, whom David my father did provide.[q]

8 Send me also cedar trees, fir trees, and [9]algum trees, out of Lebanon: for I know that thy servants can skill to cut timber in Lebanon; and, behold, my servants *shall be* with thy servants,

9 Even to prepare me timber in abundance: for the house which I am about to build *shall be* [10]wonderful great.

10 And, behold, I will give to thy servants, the hewers that cut timber, twenty thousand measures of beaten wheat, and twenty thousand measures of barley, and twenty thousand baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of oil.[r]

11 ¶ Then Huram the king of Tyre answered in writing, which he sent to Solomon, Because the LORD hath loved his people, he hath made thee king over them.[s]

12 Huram said moreover, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, that made heaven and earth, who hath given to David the king a wise son, [11]endued with prudence and understanding, that might build an house for the LORD, and an house for his kingdom.[t]

13 And now I have sent a cunning man, endued with understanding, of Huram my father's,

14 The son of a woman of the daughters of Dan, and his father *was* a man of Tyre, skilful to work in gold, and in silver, in brass, in iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue, and in fine linen, and in crimson; also to grave any manner of graving, and to find out every device which shall be put to him, with thy cunning men, and with the cunning men of my lord David thy father.[u]

15 Now therefore the wheat, and the barley, the oil, and the wine, which my lord hath spoken of, let him send unto his servants:[v]

16 And we will cut wood out of Lebanon, [12]as much as thou shalt need: and we will bring it to thee in flotes by sea to [13]Joppa; and thou shalt carry it up to Jerusalem.[w]

17 ¶ And Solomon numbered all [14]the strangers that

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

m 1 Chron xiv. 1.

a 1 Kings iii. 4.

b 1 Kings iii. 5, 6.

6 Heb. *incense of spices.*

c 1 Chron. xxviii. 5.

n ver 1, Exod xxv. 30; xxx. 7, Lev xxiv. 8; Numb xxviii 3, 9, 11.

1 Heb *much as the dust of the earth.*

o Ps. cxxxv. 5.

d 1 Kings iii. 7, 8.

7 Heb *hath retained, or, obtained strength*

e Numb. xxvii 17; Deut xxxi. 2; 1 Kings iii 9

p ch. vi. 18; 1 Kings viii 27, Isa. lxvi 1.

8 Heb *to grave graven.*

f 1 Kings iii 11—13

q 1 Chron xxii 15

9 Or, *almuggim* 1 Kings x 6, x 11

g ch ix 22, 1 Chron xxix 25, Eccles ii 9

10 Heb *great and wonderful*

r 1 Kings v 11

h ch ix. 25, 1 Kings iv 26, x 26, &c

2 Heb *gave*

i ch ix 27, 1 Kings x 27, Job xxii 24

s ch ix 8, 1 Kings x 9

3 Heb *The going forth of the horses which was Solomon's*

j ch ix 28; 1 Kings x 28, 29

11 Heb *knowing prudence and understanding.*

t Gen i 1; Ps xxxiii 6, cii 25, cxxiv 8, cxxxvi 5, 6; Acts iv 24; xiv 15; Rev. x 6; xv 3

4 Heb *by their hand*

u 1 Kings vii 13, 14

k 1 Kings v 5

v ver 10

12 Heb *according to all thy need*

13 Heb. *Japho*, Josh. xix. 46; Acts ix. 36.

l ver. 18; 1 Kings v. 15.

w 1 Kings v. 8, 9.

5 Or, *Huram*, 1 Kings v. 1.

14 Heb *the men the strangers.*

were in the land of Israel, after the numbering wherewith David his father had numbered them; and they were found an hundred and fifty thousand and three thousand and six hundred.[a]

18 And he set threescore and ten thousand of them *to be* bearers of burdens, and fourscore thousand *to be* hewers in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred overseers to set the people a work.[b]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The place, and time of building the temple.* 3 *The measure and ornaments of the house.* 11 *The cherubims.* 14 *The vail and pillars.*

Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem in mount Moriah, [1]where *the LORD* appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in the threshingfloor of [2]Ornan the Jebusite.[c]

2 And he began to build in the second *day* of the second month, in the fourth year of his reign.

3 ¶ Now these *are the things wherein* Solomon was [3]instructed for the building of the house of God. The length by cubits after the first measure *was* threescore cubits, and the breadth twenty cubits.[d]

4 And the porch that *was* in the front *of the house*, the length *of it was* according to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the height *was* an hundred and twenty: and he overlaid it within with pure gold.[e]

5 And the greater house he cieled with fir tree, which he overlaid with fine gold, and set thereon palm trees and chains.[f]

6 And he [4]garnished the house with precious stones for beauty: and the gold *was* gold of Parvaim.

7 He overlaid also the house, the beams, the posts, and the walls thereof, and the doors thereof, with gold; and graved cherubims on the walls.

8 And he made the most holy house, the length whereof *was* according to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof twenty cubits: and he overlaid it with fine gold, *amounting* to six hundred talents.

9 And the weight of the nails *was* fifty shekels of gold. And he overlaid the upper chambers with gold.

10 And in the most holy house he made two cherubims [5]of image work, and overlaid them with gold.[g]

11 ¶ And the wings of the cherubims *were* twenty cubits long: one wing *of the one cherub was* five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house: and the other wing *was likewise* five cubits, reaching to the wing of the other cherub.

BEFORE CHRIST 1015.

a ver. 2; ch viii. 7, 8; 1 Kings v. 13, 15, 13; ix. 20, 21, 1 Chron xxii. 2

6 Or, *toward the house.*

b ver 2

7 Heb *caused to ascend*

h Exod xxvi 31, Matt xxvii. 51, Heb. ix 3

8 Heb *long*

i 1 Kings vii 15—21, Jer lii. 21

1 Or, *which was seen David his father*

j 1 Kings vii. 20

9 That is, *he shall establish*

2 Or, *Araunah*, 2 Sam xxiv 18

10 That is, *in it is strength*

k 1 Kings vii 21

c Gen. xxii. 2, 14; 1 Kings vi 1, &c., 1 Chron xxi 18, xxii 1

3 Heb *founded*

d 1 Kings vi. 2

l Exod xxvii 1, 2, 2 Kings xvi 14, Ezek xliii. 15, 16

11 Heb *from his brim to his brim*

e 1 Kings vi 3

m 1 Kings vii 23

f 1 Kings vi 15, 17, 21, 22

4 Heb *covered*

12 And *one* wing of the other cherub *was* five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house: and the other wing *was* five cubits *also*, joining to the wing of the other cherub.

13 The wings of these cherubims spread themselves forth twenty cubits: and they stood on their feet, and their faces *were* [6]inward.

14 ¶ And he made the vail *of* blue, and purple, and crimson, and fine linen, and [7]wrought cherubims thereon.[h]

15 Also he made before the house two pillars of thirty and five cubits [8]high, and the chapiter that *was* on the top of each of them *was* five cubits.[i]

16 And he made chains, *as* in the oracle, and put *them* on the heads of the pillars; and made an hundred pomegranates, and put *them* on the chains.[j]

17 And he reared up the pillars before the temple, one on the right hand, and the other on the left; and called the name of that on the right hand [9]Jachin, and the name of that on the left [10]Boaz.[k]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The altar of brass* 2 *The molten sea upon twelve oxen* 6 *The ten lavers, candlesticks, and tables* 9 *The courts, and the instruments of brass.* 19 *The instruments of gold.*

Moreover he made an altar of brass, twenty cubits the length thereof, and twenty cubits the breadth thereof, and ten cubits the height thereof.[l]

2 ¶ Also he made a molten sea of ten cubits [11]from brim to brim, round in compass, and five cubits the height thereof; and a line of thirty cubits did compass it round about.[m]



THE MOLTEN SEA UPON THE TWELVE OXEN.

5 Or (as some think), *of movable work.*

g 1 Kings vi. 23, &c.

n 1 Kings vii. 24—26.

3 And under it *was* the similitude of oxen, which did compass it round about: ten in a cubit, compassing the sea round about. Two rows of oxen *were* cast, when it was cast.[n]

4 It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea *was set* above upon them, and all their hinder parts *were* inward.

5 And the thickness of it *was* an handbreadth, and the brim of it like the work of the brim of a cup, [1]with flowers of lilies; *and* it received and held three thousand baths.[e]

6 ¶ He made also ten lavers, and put five on the right hand, and five on the left, to wash in them: [2]such things as they offered for the burnt offering they washed in them; but the sea *was* for the priests to wash in.[h]

7 And he made ten candlesticks of gold according to their form, and set *them* in the temple, five on the right hand, and five on the left.[c]

8 He made also ten tables, and placed *them* in the temple, five on the right side, and five on the left. And he made an hundred [3]basons of gold.[d]

9 ¶ Furthermore he made the court of the priests, and the great court, and doors for the court, and overlaid the doors of them with brass.[e]

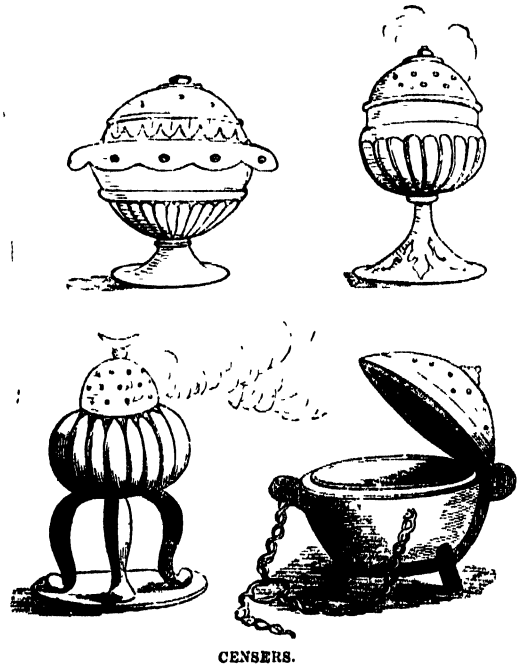
10 And he set the sea on the right side of the east end, over against the south.[f]

11 And Huram made the pots, and the shovels, and the [4]basons. And Huram [5]finished the work that he was to make for king Solomon for the house of God;[g]

12 *To wit,* the two pillars, and the pommels, and the chapiters *which were* on the top of the two pillars, and the two wreaths to cover the two pommels of the chapiters which *were* on the top of the pillars;[h]

13 And four hundred pomegranates on the two wreaths; two rows of pomegranates on each wreath, to cover the two pommels of the chapiters which *were* [6]upon the pillars.[i]

14 He made also bases, and [7]lavers made he upon the bases;[j]



CENSERS.

15 One sea, and twelve oxen under it.

16 The pots also, and the shovels, and the fleshhooks, and all their instruments, did Huram his father make to king Solomon for the house of the LORD of [8]bright brass.[k]

17 In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the [9]clay ground between Succoth and Zeredathah.[l]

18 Thus Solomon made all these vessels in great abundance: for the weight of the brass could not be found out.[m]

19 ¶ And Solomon made all the vessels that *were for* the house of God, the golden altar also, and the tables whereon the shewbread *was set;*[n]

20 Moreover the candlesticks with their lamps, that they should burn after the manner before the oracle, of pure gold;[o]

21 And the flowers, and the lamps, and the tongs, *made he of* gold, *and* that [10]perfect gold;[p]

22 And the snuffers, and the [11]basons, and the spoons, and the censers, *of* pure gold: and the entry of the house, the inner doors thereof for the most holy *place,* and the doors of the house of the temple, *were of* gold.

CHAPTER V.

1 *The dedicated treasures.* 2 *The solemn induction of the ark unto the oracle.* 11 *God being praised giveth a visible sign of his favour.*

THUS all the work that Solomon made for the house of the LORD was finished: and Solomon brought in *all* the things that David his father had dedicated; and the silver, and the gold, and all the instruments, put he among the treasures of the house of God.[q]

2 ¶ Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of the city of David, which *is* Zion.[r]

3 Wherefore all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto the king in the feast which *was* in the seventh month.[s]

4 And all the elders of Israel came; and the Levites took up the ark.

5 And they brought up the ark, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that *were* in the tabernacle, these did the priests *and* the Levites bring up.

6 Also king Solomon, and all the congregation of Israel that were assembled unto him before the ark, sacrificed sheep and oxen, which could not be told nor numbered for multitude.

7 And the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto his place, to the oracle of the house, into the most holy *place, even* under the wings of the cherubims:

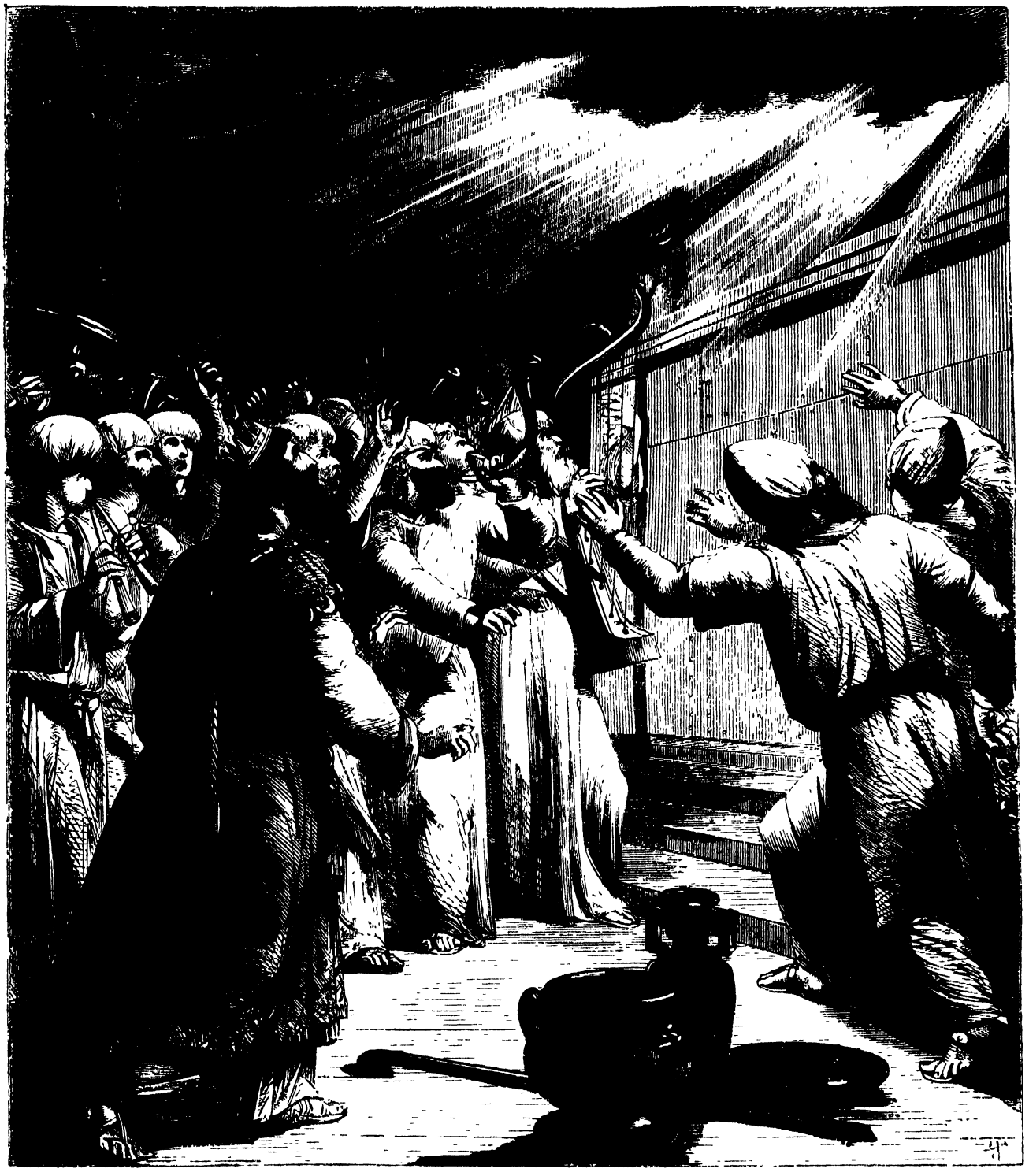
8 For the cherubims spread forth *their* wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above.

9 And they drew out the staves *of the ark,* that the ends of the staves were seen from the ark before the oracle; but they were not seen without. And [12]there it is unto this day.

10 *There was* nothing in the ark save the two

BEFORE CHRIST 1011.

8 Heb *made bright,* or, *scoured.*
k 1 Kings vii 14, 45
9 Heb *thicknesses of the ground.*
l 1 Kings vii. 46
1 Or, *like a lily flower.*
m 1 Kings vii 47.
a 1 Kings vii. 26
n Exod. xxv. 30; 1 Kings vii. 48—50.
2 Heb *the work of burnt offering.*
b 1 Kings vii 38
o Exod. xxvii. 20, 21.
10 Heb. *perfections of gold.*
p Exod. xxv. 31, &c.
c Exod. xxv. 31, 40, 1 Kings vii. 49, 1 Chron xxviii. 12, 19.
11 Or, *bowls*
3 Or, *bowls*
d 1 Kings vii 48
e 1 Kings vi 36
f 1 Kings vii 39
4 Or, *bowls*
5 Heb *finished to make*
g 1 Kings vii 40
h 1 Kings vii 41
q 1 Kings vii 51
6 Heb *upon the face*
i 1 Kings vii 20
7 Or, *caldrons*
j 1 Kings vii. 27, 43
r 2 Sam vi 12, 1 Kings viii 1, &c.
s ch vii 8—10; 1 Kings viii 2
12 Or, *they are there,* as 1 Kings viii 8.



SOLOMON AND THE PRIESTS AND LEVITES BEFORE THE ALTAR OF BURNT OFFERING AT THE DEDICATION OF THE TEMPLE.

tables which Moses put *therein* at Horeb, [1]when the LORD made *a covenant* with the children of Israel, when they came out of Egypt.[a]

11 ¶ And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy *place:* (for all the priests *that were* [2]present were sanctified, *and* did not *then* wait by course:

12 Also the Levites *which were* the singers, all of them of Asaph, of Heman, of Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren, *being* arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psalteries and harps, stood at the east end of the altar, and with them an hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets :)[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1004

1 Or, *where.*

a ch. vi. 11; Deut. x. 2, 5.

2 Heb *found.*

c 1 Chron. xvi. 34, 41; Psa. cxxxvi.

d ch. vii. 2, Exod xl. 35.

b 1 Chron. xv. 24; xxv. 1.

13 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers *were* as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up *their* voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of musick, and praised the LORD, *saying,* For *he is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever: that *then* the house was filled with a cloud, *even* the house of the LORD;[c]

14 So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.[d]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Solomon, having blessed the people, blesseth God.* 12 *Solomon's prayer in the consecration of the temple, upon the brasen scaffold.*



HEN said Solomon, The LORD hath said that he would dwell in the thick darkness.[a]

2 But I have built an house of habitation for thee, and a place for thy dwelling for ever.

3 And the king turned his face, and blessed the whole congregation of Israel: and all the congregation of Israel stood.

4 And he said, Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled *that* which he spake with his mouth to my father David, saying,

5 Since the day that I brought forth my people out of the land of Egypt I chose no city among all the tribes of Israel to build an house in, that my name might be there; neither chose I any man to be a ruler over my people Israel:

6 But I have chosen Jerusalem, that my name might be there; and have chosen David to be over my people Israel.[b]

7 Now it was in the heart of David my father to build an house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.[c]

8 But the LORD said to David my father, Forasmuch as it was in thine heart to build an house for my name, thou didst well in that it was in thine heart:

9 Notwithstanding thou shalt not build the house; but thy son which shall come forth out of thy loins, he shall build the house for my name.

10 The LORD therefore hath performed his word that he hath spoken: for I am risen up in the room of David my father, and am set on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and have built the house for the name of the LORD God of Israel.

11 And in it have I put the ark, wherein *is* the covenant of the LORD, that he made with the children of Israel.[d]

12 ¶ And he stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands:[e]

13 For Solomon had made a brasen scaffold, of five cubits [1]long, and five cubits broad, and three cubits high, and had set it in the midst of the court: and upon it he stood, and kneeled down upon his knees before all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven,

14 And said, O LORD God of Israel, *there is* no God like thee in the heaven, nor in the earth; which keepest covenant, and *shewest* mercy unto thy servants, that walk before thee with all their hearts:[f]

15 Thou which hast kept with thy servant David my father that which thou hast promised him; and spakest with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled *it* with thine hand, as *it is* this day.[g]

16 Now therefore, O LORD God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that which thou hast promised him, saying, [2]There shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit upon the throne of Israel; yet so that thy children take heed to their way to walk in my law, as thou hast walked before me.[h]

17 Now then, O LORD God of Israel, let thy word be verified, which thou hast spoken unto thy servant David.

18 But will God in very deed dwell with men on the earth? behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house which I have built![i]

19 Have respect therefore to the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to hearken unto the cry and the prayer which thy servant prayeth before thee:

20 That thine eyes may be open upon this house day and night, upon the place whereof thou hast said that thou wouldest put thy name there; to hearken unto the prayer which thy servant prayeth [3]toward this place.

21 Hearken therefore unto the supplications of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, which they shall [4]make toward this place: hear thou from thy dwelling place, *even* from heaven; and when thou hearest, forgive.

22 ¶ If a man sin against his neighbour, [5]and an oath be laid upon him to make him swear, and the oath come before thine altar in this house;

23 Then hear thou from heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, by requiting the wicked, by recompensing his way upon his own head; and by justifying the righteous, by giving him according to his righteousness.

24 ¶ And if thy people Israel [6]be put to the worse before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee; and shall return and confess thy name, and pray and make supplication before thee [7]in this house;

25 Then hear thou from the heavens, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which thou gavest to them and to their fathers.

26 ¶ When the heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against thee; *yet* if they pray toward this place, and confess thy name, and turn from their sin, when thou dost afflict them;[j]

27 Then hear thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou hast taught them the good way, wherein they should walk; and send rain upon thy land, which thou hast given unto thy people for an inheritance.

28 ¶ If there be dearth in the land, if there be pestilence, if there be blasting, or mildew, locusts, or caterpillers; if their enemies besiege them [8]in the cities of their land; whatsoever sore or whatsoever sickness *there be:*[k]

29 *Then* what prayer *or* what supplication soever shall be made of any man, or of all thy people Israel, when every one shall know his own sore and his own grief, and shall spread forth his hands [9]in this house:

30 Then hear thou from heaven thy dwelling place, and forgive, and render unto every man according unto all his ways, whose heart thou knowest; (for thou only knowest the hearts of the children of men:)

BEFORE CHRIST 1004.

2 Heb. *There shall not a man be cut off.*

h ch. vii. 18; 2 Sam. vii 12, 16; 1 Kings ii 4, vi. 12; Ps. cxxxii 12

a Lev xvi 2; 1 Kings viii. 12, &c

i ch ii 6; Isa lxvi. 1; Acts vii. 49.

3 Or, *in this place*

4 Heb *pray*

5 Heb *and he require an oath of him*

b ch xii 13, 1 Chron xxviii. 4

c 2 Sam vii 2, 1 Chron xvii 1, xxviii 2

6 Or, *be smitten*

7 Or, *toward*

d ch v. 10

j 1 Kings xvii 1

e 1 Kings viii 22

1 Heb *the length thereof,* &c

8 Heb *in the land of their gates*

k ch xx 9

f Exod xv 11, Deut iv 39, vii 9

9 Or, *toward this house*

g 1 Chron xxii 9.

l 1 Chron xxviii 9



SOLOMON'S PRAYER.

2 CHRON VI

31 That they may fear thee, to walk in thy ways, [1]so long as they live [2]in the land which thou gavest unto our fathers.

32 ¶ Moreover concerning the stranger, which is not of thy people Israel, but is come from a far country for thy great name's sake, and thy mighty hand, and thy stretched out arm; if they come and pray in this house;[a]

33 Then hear thou from the heavens, *even* from thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for; that all people of the earth may know thy name, and fear thee, as *doth* thy people Israel, and may know that [3]this house which I have built is called by thy name.

34 If thy people go out to war against their enemies by the way that thou shalt send them, and they pray unto thee toward this city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name;

35 Then hear thou from the heavens their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their [4]cause.

36 If they sin against thee, (for *there is* no man which sinneth not,) and thou be angry with them, and deliver them over before *their* enemies, and [5]they carry them away captives unto a land far off or near;[b]

37 Yet *if* they [6]bethink themselves in the land whither they are carried captive, and turn and pray unto thee in the land of their captivity, saying, We have sinned, we have done amiss, and have dealt wickedly;

38 If they return to thee with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their captivity, whither they have carried them captives, and pray toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, and *toward* the city which thou hast chosen, and toward the house which I have built for thy name:

39 Then hear thou from the heavens, *even* from thy dwelling place, their prayer and their supplications, and maintain their [7]cause, and forgive thy people which have sinned against thee.

40 Now, my God, let, I beseech thee, thine eyes be open, and *let* thine ears *be* [8]attent unto the prayer *that is made* in this place.

41 Now therefore arise, O LORD God, into thy resting place, thou, and the ark of thy strength: let thy priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation, and let thy saints rejoice in goodness.[c]

42 O LORD God, turn not away the face of thine anointed: remember the mercies of David thy servant.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1004.

1 Heb. *all the days which*
2 Heb *upon the face of the land*
7 Or, *right*
a John xii 20, Acts viii 27
8 Heb *to the prayer of this place*
3 Heb *thy name is called upon this house*
c Neh ix 25, Ps cxxxii 8, 9, 10, 16
d Ps cxxxii 1, Isa lv 3
4 Or, *right*
5 Heb *they that take them captives carry them away*
b Prov xx 9; Eccles vii 20, James iii. 2, 1 John i. 8
6 Heb *bring back to their heart.*
e ch v. 13, 14; Lev. ix 24; Judg vi. 21; 1 Kings viii. 10, 11, 51; 1 Chron xxi. 26; Ezek. x 3, 4



MIRACULOUS FIRE CONSUMING SOLOMON'S SACRIFICE AT THE DEDICATION OF THE TEMPLE.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *God having given testimony to Solomon's prayer by fire from heaven, and glory in the temple, the people worship him.* 4 *Solomon's solemn sacrifice.* 8 *Solomon having kept the feast of tabernacles, and the feast of the dedication of the altar, dismisseth the people.* 12 *God appearing to Solomon giveth him promises upon condition.*

NOW when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house.[e]

2 And the priests could not enter

into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD'S house.[a]

3 And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the LORD upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and praised the LORD, *saying*, For *he is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[b]

4 ¶ Then the king and all the people offered sacrifices before the LORD.[c]

5 And king Solomon offered a sacrifice of twenty and two thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep: so the king and all the people dedicated the house of God.

6 And the priests waited on their offices: the Levites also with instruments of musick of the LORD, which David the king had made to praise the LORD, because his mercy *endureth* for ever, when David praised [1]by their ministry; and the priests sounded trumpets before them, and all Israel stood.[d]

7 Moreover Solomon hallowed the middle of the court that *was* before the house of the LORD: for there he offered burnt offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings, because the brasen altar which Solomon had made was not able to receive the burnt offerings, and the meat offerings, and the fat.[e]

8 ¶ Also at the same time Solomon kept the feast seven days, and all Israel with him, a very great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt.[f]

9 And in the eighth day they made [2]a solemn assembly: for they kept the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days.

10 And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh month he sent the people away into their tents, glad and merry in heart for the goodness that the LORD had shewed unto David, and to Solomon, and to Israel his people.[g]

11 Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD, and the king's house: and all that came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of the LORD, and in his own house, he prosperously effected.[h]

12 ¶ And the LORD appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice.[i]

13 If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people;[j]

14 If my people, [3]which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.[k]

15 Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears [4]attent unto the prayer *that is made* in this place.[l]

16 For now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.[m]

17 And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, and do according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt observe my statutes and my judgments;[n]

18 Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdom, according as I have covenanted with David thy father, saying, [5]There shall not fail thee a man *to be* ruler in Israel.[o]

19 But if ye turn away, and forsake my statutes and my commandments, which I have set before you, and shall go and serve other gods, and worship them;[p]

20 Then will I pluck them up by the roots out of my land which I have given them; and this house, which I have sanctified for my name, will I cast out of my sight, and will make it *to be* a proverb and a byword among all nations.

21 And this house, which is high, shall be an astonishment to every one that passeth by it; so that he shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus unto this land, and unto this house?[q]

22 And it shall be answered, Because they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, and laid hold on other gods, and worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath he brought all this evil upon them.

BEFORE CHRIST 1004.

a ch. v. 14.

n 1 Kings ix. 4, &c.

5 Heb. *There shall not be cut off to thee.*

o ch. vi. 16.

b ch. v. 13, xx. 21, 1 Chron. xvi. 41, Ps. cxxxvi. 1

c 1 Kings viii. 62, 63

p Lev. xxvi. 14, 33; Deut. xxviii. 15, 36, 37.

1 Heb. *by their hand.*

q Deut. xxix. 24, Jer. xxii. 8, 9.

d ch. v. 12, 1 Chron. xv. 16.

e 1 Kings viii. 64

f Josh. xiii. 3, 1 Kings viii. 65

2 Heb. *a restraint*

i 1 Kings ix. 10, &c.

g 1 Kings viii. 66

h 1 Kings ix. 1, &c.

i 1 Kings ix. 17, &c.

i Deut. xii. 5

j ch. vi. 26, 28

3 Heb. *upon whom my name is called*

6 Heb. *all the desire of Solomon which he desired to build.*

k ch. vi. 27, 30, James v. 16

4 Heb. *to the prayer of this place*

l ch. vi. 40

t 1 Kings ix. 20, &c.

m ch. vi. 6, 1 Kings ix. 3

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Solomon's buildings.* 7 *The Gentiles which were left Solomon made tributaries; but the Israelites rulers.* 11 *Pharaoh's daughter removeth to her house.* 12 *Solomon's yearly solemn sacrifices.* 14 *He appointeth the priests and Levites to their places.* 17 *The navy fetcheth gold from Ophir.*

AND it came to pass at the end of twenty years, wherein Solomon had built the house of the LORD, and his own house,[r]

2 That the cities which Huram had restored to Solomon, Solomon built them, and caused the children of Israel to dwell there.

3 And Solomon went to Hamath-zobah, and prevailed against it.

4 And he built Tadmor in the wilderness, and all the store cities, which he built in Hamath.[s]

5 Also he built Beth-horon the upper, and Beth-horon the nether, fenced cities, with walls, gates, and bars;

6 And Baalath, and all the store cities that Solomon had, and all the chariot cities, and the cities of the horsemen, and [6]all that Solomon desired to build in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and throughout all the land of his dominion.

7 ¶ *As for* all the people *that were* left of the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which *were* not of Israel,[t]

8 *But* of their children, who were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel consumed not, them did Solomon make to pay tribute until this day.

9 But of the children of Israel did Solomon make



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no servants for his work; but they *were* men of war, and chief of his captains, and captains of his chariots and horsemen.

10 And these *were* the chief of king Solomon's officers, *even* two hundred and fifty, that bare rule over the people.[a]

11 ¶ And Solomon brought up the daughter of Pharaoh out of the city of David unto the house that he had built for her: for he said, My wife shall not dwell in the house of David king of Israel, because *the places are* [1]holy, whereunto the ark of the LORD hath come.[b]

12 ¶ Then Solomon offered burnt offerings unto the LORD on the altar of the LORD, which he had built before the porch,

13 Even after a certain rate every day, offering according to the commandment of Moses, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts, three times in the year, *even* in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 990

a 1 Kings ix. 21

2 Heb. *so was the commandment of David the man of God*

d 1 Chron. ix. 17, xxiv. 1; xxv. 1, xxvi. 1.

1 Heb. *holiness.*

b 1 Kings iii. 1; vii. 8; ix. 23, 24.

3 Or, *Elath*, Deut. ii. 8, 2 Kings xiv. 22

e 1 Kings ix. 26

c Exod. xxiii. 14, xxix. 38, Numb. xxviii. 3, 9, 11, 26; xxix. 1, &c.; Deut. xvi. 16

f ch. ix. 10, 13, 1 Kings ix. 27, 28.

14 ¶ And he appointed, according to the order of David his father, the courses of the priests to their service, and the Levites to their charges, to praise and minister before the priests, as the duty of every day required: the porters also by their courses at every gate: for [2]so had David the man of God commanded.[d]

15 And they departed not from the commandment of the king unto the priests and Levites concerning any matter, or concerning the treasures.

16 Now all the work of Solomon was prepared unto the day of the foundation of the house of the LORD, and until it was finished. *So* the house of the LORD was perfected.

17 ¶ Then went Solomon to Ezion-geber, and to [3]Eloth, at the sea side in the land of Edom.[e]

18 And Huram sent him by the hands of his servants ships, and servants that had knowledge of the sea; and they went with the servants of Solomon to Ophir, and took thence four hundred and fifty talents of gold, and brought *them* to king Solomon.[f]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The queen of Sheba admireth the wisdom of Solomon.* 13 *Solomon's gold.* 15 *His targets.* 17 *The throne of ivory.* 20 *His vessels.* 23 *His presents.* 25 *His chariots and horse.* 26 *His tributes.* 29 *His reign and death.*

AND when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to prove Solomon with hard questions at Jerusalem, with a very great company, and camels that bare spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.[a]

2 And Solomon told her all her questions: and there was nothing hid from Solomon which he told her not.

3 And when the queen of Sheba had seen the wisdom of Solomon, and the house that he had built,

4 And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel; his [1]cupbearers also, and their apparel; and his ascent by which he went up into the house of the LORD; there was no more spirit in her.

5 And she said to the king, *It was* a true [2]report which I heard in mine own land of [3]thine acts, and of thy wisdom:

6 Howbeit I believed not their words, until I came, and mine eyes had seen *it:* and, behold, the one half of the greatness of thy wisdom was not told me: *for* thou exceedest the fame that I heard.

7 Happy *are* thy men, and happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and hear thy wisdom.

8 Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee to set thee on his throne, *to be* king for the LORD thy God: because thy God loved Israel, to establish them for ever, therefore made he thee king over them, to do judgment and justice.

9 And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents of gold, and of spices great abundance, and precious stones: neither was there any such spice as the queen of Sheba gave king Solomon.

10 And the servants also of Huram, and the servants of Solomon, which brought gold from Ophir, brought [4]algum trees and precious stones.[b]

11 And the king made *of* the algum trees [5]terraces to [6]the house of the LORD, and to the king's palace, and harps and psalteries for singers: and there were none such seen before in the land of Judah.

12 And king Solomon gave to the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked, beside *that* which she had brought unto the king. So she turned, and went away to her own land, she and her servants.

13 ¶ Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon

BEFORE CHRIST 975.

6 Or, *captains*

a 1 Kings x. 1 &c. Matt. xii. 42, Luke xi. 31

7 Heb *hands*

8 Heb *shut up*

9 Or, *there was no stone in them.*

1 Or, *butlers*

2 Heb *word*

10 Or, *elephant's teeth*

3 Or, *thy sayings*

c ch. i. 14, 1 Kings iv. 26, x. 26

11 That is, *Euphrates*

d Gen. xv. 18; 1 Kings iv. 21; Ps. lxxii. 8.

12 Heb *gave*

e ch. i. 15; 1 Kings x. 27

4 Or, *almug trees*, 1 Kings x. 11

b ch. viii. 18.

f ch. i. 16, 1 Kings x. 28

5 Or, *stairs* Heb. *high-ways*

13 Heb *words*

g ch. xii. 15; xiii. 22; 1 Kings xi. 29, 41

h 1 Kings xi. 42, 43

in one year was six hundred and threescore and six talents of gold;

14 Beside *that which* chapmen and merchants brought. And all the kings of Arabia and [6]governors of the country brought gold and silver to Solomon.

15 ¶ And king Solomon made two hundred targets *of* beaten gold: six hundred *shekels* of beaten gold went to one target.

16 And three hundred shields *made he of* beaten gold: three hundred *shekels* of gold went to one shield. And the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.

17 Moreover the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with pure gold.

18 And *there were* six steps to the throne, with a footstool of gold, *which were* fastened to the throne, and [7]stays on each side of the sitting place, and two lions standing by the stays:

19 And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps. There was not the like made in any kingdom.

20 ¶ And all the drinking vessels of king Solomon *were of* gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon *were of* [8]pure gold: [9]none *were of* silver; it was *not* any thing accounted of in the days of Solomon.

21 For the king's ships went to Tarshish with the servants of Huram: every three years once came the ships of Tarshish bringing gold, and silver, [10]ivory, and apes, and peacocks.

22 And king Solomon passed all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom.

23 ¶ And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom, that God had put in his heart.

24 And they brought every man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and raiment, harness, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.

25 ¶ And Solomon had four thousand stalls for horses and chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen: whom he bestowed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.[c]

26 ¶ And he reigned over all the kings from [11]the river even unto the land of the Philistines, and to the border of Egypt.[d]

27 And the king [12]made silver in Jerusalem as stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycomore trees that *are* in the low plains in abundance.[e]

28 And they brought unto Solomon horses out of Egypt, and out of all lands.[f]

29 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last, *are* they not written in the [13]book of Nathan the prophet, and in the prophecy of Ahijah the Shilonite, and in the visions of Iddo the seer against Jeroboam the son of Nebat?[g]

30 And Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel forty years.[h]

31 And Solomon slept with his fathers, and he was buried in the city of David his father: and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.



"SOLOMON IN ALL HIS GLORY."

CHAPTER X.

1 *The Israelites, assembled at Shechem to crown Rehoboam, by Jeroboam make a suit of relaxation unto him.* 6 *Rehoboam, refusing the old men's counsel, by the advice of young men answereth them roughly.* 16 *Ten tribes revolting kill Hadoram, and make Rehoboam to flee.*

AND Rehoboam went to Shechem: for to Shechem were all Israel come to make him king.[a]

2 And it came to pass, when Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who *was* in Egypt, whither he had fled from the presence of Solomon the king, heard *it*, that Jeroboam returned out of Egypt.[b]

3 And they sent and called him. So Jeroboam and all Israel came and spake to Rehoboam, saying,

4 Thy father made our yoke grievous: now therefore ease thou somewhat the grievous servitude of thy father, and his heavy yoke that he put upon us, and we will serve thee.

5 And he said unto them, Come again unto me after three days. And the people departed.

6 ¶ And king Rehoboam took counsel with the old men that had stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, saying, What counsel give ye *me* to return answer to this people?

7 And they spake unto him, saying, If thou be kind to this people, and please them, and speak good words to them, they will be thy servants for ever.

8 But he forsook the counsel which the old men gave him, and took counsel with the young men that were brought up with him, that stood before him.

9 And he said unto them, What advice give ye that we may return answer to this people, which have spoken to me, saying, Ease somewhat the yoke that thy father did put upon us?

10 And the young men that were brought up with him spake unto him, saying, Thus shalt thou answer the people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavy, but make thou *it* somewhat lighter for us; thus shalt thou say unto them, My little *finger* shall be thicker than my father's loins.

11 For whereas my father [1]put a heavy yoke upon you, I will put more to your yoke: my father chastised you with whips, but I *will chastise you* with scorpions.

12 So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam on the third day, as the king bade, saying, Come again to me on the third day.

13 And the king answered them roughly; and king Rehoboam forsook the counsel of the old men,

14 And answered them after the advice of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add thereto: my father chastised you with whips, but I *will chastise you* with scorpions.

15 So the king hearkened not unto the people: for the cause was of God, that the LORD might perform his word, which he spake by the hand of Ahijah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 975.

[a] 1 Kings xii. 1, &c

[b] 1 Kings xi. 40

[c] 1 Kings xi. 29, &c

[1] Heb *laded*

16 ¶ And when all Israel *saw* that the king would not hearken unto them, the people answered the king, saying, What portion have we in David? and *we have* none inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to your tents, O Israel: *and* now, David, see to thine own house. So all Israel went to their tents.

17 But *as for* the children of Israel that dwelt in the cities of Judah, Rehoboam reigned over them.

18 Then king Rehoboam sent Hadoram that *was* over the tribute; and the children of Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. But king Rehoboam [2]made speed to get him up to *his* chariot, to flee to Jerusalem.

19 And Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day.[d]

[2] Heb *strengthened himself*

[d] 1 Kings xii. 19.

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Rehoboam raising an army to subdue Israel, is forbidden by Shemaiah.* 5 *He strengtheneth his kingdom with forts and provision.* 13 *The priests and Levites, and such as feared God, forsaken by Jeroboam, strengthen the kingdom of Judah.* 18 *The wives and children of Rehoboam.*

AND when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem, he gathered of the house of Judah and Benjamin an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen *men*, which were warriors, to fight against Israel, that he might bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam.[e]

2 But the word of the LORD came to Shemaiah the man of God, saying,[f]

3 Speak unto Rehoboam the son of Solomon, king of Judah, and to all Israel in Judah and Benjamin, saying,

4 Thus saith the LORD, Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren: return every man to his house: for this thing is done of me. And they obeyed the words of the LORD, and returned from going against Jeroboam.

5 ¶ And Rehoboam dwelt in Jerusalem, and built cities for defence in Judah.

6 He built even Beth-lehem, and Etam, and Tekoa,

7 And Beth-zur, and Shoco, and Adullam,

8 And Gath, and Mareshah, and Ziph,

9 And Adoraim, and Lachish, and Azekah,

10 And Zorah, and Aijalon, and Hebron, which *are* in Judah and in Benjamin fenced cities.

11 And he fortified the strong holds, and put captains in them, and store of victual, and of oil and wine.

12 And in every several city *he put* shields and spears, and made them exceeding strong, having Judah and Benjamin on his side.

13 ¶ And the priests and the Levites that *were* in all Israel [3]resorted to him out of all their coasts.

14 For the Levites left their suburbs and their possession, and came to Judah and Jerusalem: for Jeroboam and his sons had cast them off from executing the priest's office unto the LORD:[g]

15 And he ordained him priests for the high places,

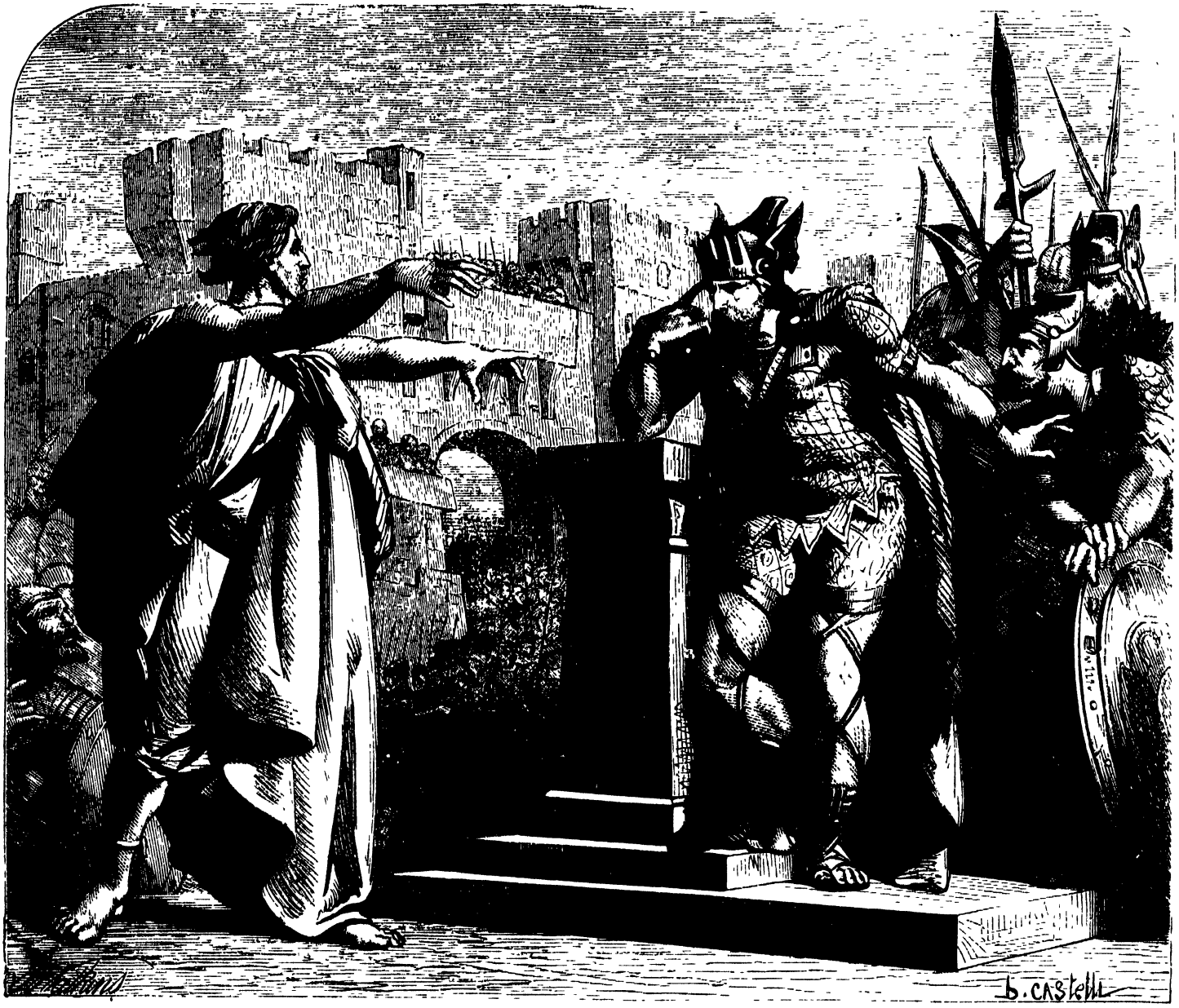
[e] 1 Kings xii. 21, &c

[f] ch xii 15

[3] Heb *presented themselves to him.*

[g] ch xiii. 9; Numb. xxxv. 2.

[h] 1 Sam ii. 28; 1 Kings xi 29; xii 15, 24.



REHOBOAM FORBIDDEN BY THE PROPHET SHEMAIAH TO ENGAGE IN WAR WITH THE REVOLTED TRIBES OF ISRAEL.

and for the devils, and for the calves which he had made.[c]

16 And after them out of all the tribes of Israel such as set their hearts to seek the LORD God of Israel came to Jerusalem, to sacrifice unto the LORD God of their fathers.[d]

17 So they strengthened the kingdom of Judah, and made Rehoboam the son of Solomon strong, three years: for three years they walked in the way of David and Solomon.

18 ¶ And Rehoboam took him Mahalath the daughter of Jerimoth the son of David to wife, *and* Abihail the daughter of Eliab the son of Jesse;

19 Which bare him children; Jeush, and Shamariah, and Zaham.

20 And after her he took [1]Maachah the daughter of Absalom; which bare him Abijah, and Attai, and Ziza, and Shelomith.[e]

21 And Rehoboam loved Maachah the daughter of Absalom above all his wives and his concubines: (for he took eighteen wives, and threescore concubines; and begat twenty and eight sons, and threescore daughters.)

22 And Rehoboam made Abijah the son of Maachah the chief, *to be* ruler among his brethren: for *he thought* to make him king.[f]

23 And he dealt wisely, and dispersed of all his children throughout all the countries of Judah and Benjamin, unto every fenced city: and he gave them victual in abundance. And he desired [2]many wives.

BEFORE CHRIST 974.

a Lev. xvii 7; 1 Kings xii. 28, 31, xiii 33, xiv 9, Hos. xiii. 2, 1 Cor x 20

d Deut xvi 15—17

b ch. xv 9; xxx 11, 18.

2 Heb *a multitude of wives*

1 Called *Michaiah, the daughter of Uriel*, ch. xiii. 2

e 1 Kings xv. 2.

f ch xi 17; 1 Kings xiv 22—24.

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Rehoboam, forsaking the Lord, is punished by Shishak.* 5 *He and the princes, repenting at the preaching of Shemaiah, are delivered from destruction, but not from spoil.* 13 *The reign and death of Rehoboam.*

AND it came to pass, when Rehoboam had established the kingdom, and had strengthened himself, he forsook the law of the LORD, and all Israel with him.[a]

2 And it came to pass, *that* in the fifth year of king Rehoboam Shishak king of Egypt came up

against Jerusalem, because they had transgressed against the LORD,[a]

3 With twelve hundred chariots, and threescore thousand horsemen: and the people *were* without number that came with him out of Egypt; the Lubims, the Sukkiims, and the Ethiopians.[b]

4 And he took the fenced cities which *pertained* to Judah, and came to Jerusalem.

5 ¶ Then came Shemaiah the prophet to Rehoboam, and *to* the princes of Judah, that were gathered together to Jerusalem because of Shishak, and said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, Ye have forsaken me, and therefore have I also left you in the hand of Shishak.[c]

6 Whereupon the princes of Israel and the king humbled themselves; and they said, The LORD *is* righteous.[d]

7 And when the LORD saw that they humbled themselves, the word of the LORD came to Shemaiah, saying, They have humbled themselves; *therefore* I will not destroy them, but I will grant them [1]some deliverance; and my wrath shall not be poured out upon Jerusalem by the hand of Shishak.[e]

8 Nevertheless they shall be his servants; that they may know my service, and the service of the kingdoms of the countries.[f]

9 So Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, and took away the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he took all: he carried away also the shields of gold which Solomon had made.[g]

10 Instead of which king Rehoboam made shields of brass, and committed *them* to the hands of the chief of the guard, that kept the entrance of the king's house.[h]

11 And when the king entered into the house of the LORD, the guard came and fetched them, and brought them again into the guard chamber.

12 And when he humbled himself, the wrath of the LORD turned from him, that he would not destroy *him* altogether: [2]and also in Judah things went well.[i]

13 ¶ So king Rehoboam strengthened himself in Jerusalem, and reigned: for Rehoboam *was* one and forty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which the LORD had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his mother's name *was* Naamah an Ammonitess.[j]

14 And he did evil, because he [3]prepared not his heart to seek the LORD.

15 Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, *are* they not written in the [4]book of Shemaiah the prophet, and of Iddo the seer concerning genealogies? And *there were* wars between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually.[k]

16 And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David: and [5]Abijah his son reigned in his stead.

BEFORE CHRIST 970

a 1 Kings xiv. 24, 25.

b ch xvi 8

1 1 Kings xv 1, &c.

m ch xi 20

c ch. xii. 2; xv. 2

6 Heb *bound together.*

d Exod ix 27; James iv. 10.

n Josh. xviii 22

1 Or, *a little while*

e 1 Kings xxi. 28, 29

o Numb xviii 19; 2 Sam vii. 12, 13, 16.

f Deut xxviii. 47, 48, Isa. xxvi. 13.

p 1 Kings xi 26, xii 20.

g ch. ix. 15, 16; 1 Kings x. 16, 17; xiv 25, 26

q Judg ix 4

h 2 Sam viii 18

r 1 Kings xii 28, xiv 9, Hos. viii 6

7 Heb *to fill his hand*

2 Or, *and yet in Judah there were good things*

i ch xix 3, Gen. xviii 24, 1 Kings xiv 13

s ch xi 14, 15, Exod xxix 1, 35, Lev viii 2

j ch vi 6, 1 Kings xiv 21

3 Or, *fixed*

4 Heb *words*

t ch ii 4; Exod. xxvii. 20, 21, Lev. xxiv. 2, 3, 6.

k ch. ix. 29; xiii. 22; 1 Kings xiv. 30.

5 *Abyam*, 1 Kings xiv. 31; *Abia*, Matt. i. 7.

u Numb. x. 8; Acts v. 39

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Abijah succeeding maketh war against Jeroboam.* 4 *He declareth the right of his cause.* 13 *Trusting in God he overcometh Jeroboam.* 21 *The wives and children of Abijah.*

NOW in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam began Abijah to reign over Judah.[l]

2 He reigned three years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Michaiah the daughter of Uriel of Gibeah. And there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.[m]

3 And Abijah [6]set the battle in array with an army of valiant men of war, *even* four hundred thousand chosen men: Jeroboam also set the battle in array against him with eight hundred thousand chosen men, *being* mighty men of valour.

4 ¶ And Abijah stood up upon mount Zemaraim, which *is* in mount Ephraim, and said, Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and all Israel;[n]

5 Ought ye not to know that the LORD God of Israel gave the kingdom over Israel to David for ever, *even* to him and to his sons by a covenant of salt?[o]

6 Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, is risen up, and hath rebelled against his lord.[p]

7 And there are gathered unto him vain men, the children of Belial, and have strengthened themselves against Rehoboam the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam was young and tenderhearted, and could not withstand them.[q]

8 And now ye think to withstand the kingdom of the LORD in the hand of the sons of David; and ye *be* a great multitude, and *there are* with you golden calves, which Jeroboam made you for gods.[r]

9 Have ye not cast out the priests of the LORD, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites, and have made you priests after the manner of the nations of *other* lands? so that whosoever cometh to [7]consecrate himself with a young bullock and seven rams, *the same* may be a priest of *them that are* no gods.[s]

10 But as for us, the LORD *is* our God, and we have not forsaken him; and the priests, which minister unto the LORD, *are* the sons of Aaron, and the Levites *wait* upon *their* business:

11 And they burn unto the LORD every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices and sweet incense: the shewbread also *set they in order* upon the pure table; and the candlestick of gold with the lamps thereof, to burn every evening: for we keep the charge of the LORD our God; but ye have forsaken him.[t]

12 And, behold, God himself *is* with us for *our* captain, and his priests with sounding trumpets to cry alarm against you. O children of Israel, fight ye not against the LORD God of your fathers; for ye shall not prosper.[u]

13 ¶ But Jeroboam caused an ambushment to come about behind them: so they were before Judah, and the ambushment *was* behind them.

l 1 Kings xiv. 20

m ch xi 20

6 Heb *joined battle*

n Josh. xviii 22

o Numb xviii 19; 2 Sam vii. 12, 13, 16.

p 1 Kings xi 26, xii 20.

q Judg ix 4

7 Heb *to fill his hand*

r 1 Kings xii 28, xiv 9, Hos. viii 6

s ch xi 14, 15, Exod xxix 1, 35, Lev viii 2

t ch ii 4; Exod. xxvii. 20, 21, Lev. xxiv. 2, 3, 6.

u Numb. x. 8; Acts v. 39



DEFEAT OF THE ISRAELITES BY THE CHILDREN OF JUDAH.

14 And when Judah looked back, behold, the battle *was* before and behind: and they cried unto the LORD, and the priests sounded with the trumpets.

15 Then the men of Judah gave a shout: and as the men of Judah shouted, it came to pass, that God smote Jeroboam and all Israel before Abijah and Judah.[a]

16 And the children of Israel fled before Judah: and God delivered them into their hand.

17 And Abijah and his people slew them with a great slaughter: so there fell down slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men.

18 Thus the children of Israel were brought under at that time, and the children of Judah prevailed, because they relied upon the LORD God of their fathers.[b]

19 And Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and took cities from him, Beth-el with the towns thereof, and Jeshanah with the towns thereof, and Ephrain with the towns thereof.[c]

20 Neither did Jeroboam recover strength again in the days of Abijah: and the LORD struck him, and he died.[d]

21 ¶ But Abijah waxed mighty, and married fourteen wives, and begat twenty and two sons, and sixteen daughters.

22 And the rest of the acts of Abijah, and his ways, and his sayings, *are* written in the [1]story of the prophet Iddo.[e]

B C 975—958.

a ch. xiv. 12

b 1 Chron. v. 20. Ps. xxii. 5

2 Heb. *statues*

c ch. xv. 17; Exod. xxxiv. 13, 1 Kings xi. 7; xv. 14.

3 Heb. *sun images*

d 1 Sam. xxv. 38, 1 Kings xiv. 20

1 Or, *commentary.*

e ch. xii. 15

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Asa succeeding destroyeth idolatry* 6 *Having peace, he strengtheneth his kingdom with forts and armies.* 9 *Calling on God, he overthroweth Zerah, and spoileth the Ethiopians.*

SO Abijah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and Asa his son reigned in his stead. In his days the land was quiet ten years.[f]

2 And Asa did *that which was* good and right in the eyes of the LORD his God:

3 For he took away the altars of the strange *gods*, and the high places, and brake down the [2]images, and cut down the groves:[g]

4 And commanded Judah to seek the LORD God of their fathers, and to do the law and the commandment.

5 Also he took away out of all the cities of Judah the high places and the [3]images: and the kingdom was quiet before him.

6 ¶ And he built fenced cities in Judah: for the land had rest, and he had no war in those years; because the LORD had given him rest.

7 Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about *them* walls, and towers, gates, and bars, *while* the land *is* yet before us; because we have sought the LORD our God, we have sought *him*,

f 1 Kings xv. 8, &c.

g ch. xv. 17; Exod. xxxiv. 13, 1 Kings xi. 7; xv. 14.

and he hath given us rest on every side. So they built and prospered.

8 And Asa had an army *of men* that bare targets and spears, out of Judah three hundred thousand; and out of Benjamin, that bare shields and drew bows, two hundred and fourscore thousand: all these *were* mighty men of valour.

9 ¶ And there came out against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of a thousand thousand, and three hundred chariots; and came unto Mareshah.[a]

10 Then Asa went out against him, and they set the battle in array in the valley of Zephathah at Mareshah.

11 And Asa cried unto the LORD his God, and said, LORD, *it is* nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O LORD our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O LORD, thou *art* our God; let not [1]man prevail against thee.[b]

12 So the LORD smote the Ethiopians before Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled.[c]

13 And Asa and the people that *were* with him pursued them unto Gerar: and the Ethiopians were overthrown, that they could not recover themselves; for they were [2]destroyed before the LORD, and before his host; and they carried away very much spoil.[d]

14 And they smote all the cities round about Gerar; for the fear of the LORD came upon them: and they spoiled all the cities; for there was exceeding much spoil in them.[e]

15 They smote also the tents of cattle, and carried away sheep and camels in abundance, and returned to Jerusalem.

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Asa with Judah and many of Israel, moved by the prophecy of Azariah the son of Oded, make a solemn covenant with God.* 16 *He putteth down Maachah his mother for her idolatry.* 18 *He bringeth dedicate things into the house of God, and enjoyeth a long peace.*

AND the Spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Oded:[f]

2 And he went out [3]to meet Asa, and said unto him, Hear ye me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin; The LORD *is* with you, while ye be with him; and if ye seek him, he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you.[g]

3 Now for a long season Israel *hath been* without the true God, and without a teaching priest, and without law.[h]

4 But when they in their trouble did turn unto the LORD God of Israel, and sought him, he was found of them.[i]

5 And in those times *there was* no peace to him that went out, nor to him that came in, but great vexations *were* upon all the inhabitants of the countries.[j]

6 And nation was [4]destroyed of nation, and city of city: for God did vex them with all adversity.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 941.

5 Heb *abominations*

f ch xiii 19

a ch. xvi 8; Josh xv 44

m ch xi 16

6 Heb *in that day*

1 Or, *mortal man*

b ch. xiii. 14, Exod xiv 10, 1 Sam xiv 6, xvii 45; Ps. xxii 5, Prov xviii 10

n ch xiv 13, 15

c ch. xiii 15

o ch xxxiv 31; 2 Kings xxiii 3, Neh x. 29.

2 Heb. *broken*

p Exod xxii 20, Deut xiii 5, 9, 15

d Gen x. 19, xx. 1.

e ch xvii. 10, Gen xxxv 5

q ver 3

7 That is, *grandmother*, 1 Kings xv 2, 10.

8 Heb *horror*

r 1 Kings xv 13

s ch xiv 3, 5, 1 Kings xv 14, &c.

f ch xx 14, xxiv 20; Numb xxiv 2, Judg iii 10

3 Heb *before Asa*

g ver 4, 15; ch xxiv 20, xxxiii 12, 13, 1 Chron xxviii. 9; Jer xxix 13, Matt. vii 7; James iv. 8

h Lev x 11, Hos iii 4

i Deut iv 29, Neh i 9, Isa. lv. 6, 7; Jer xxix 10—14.

t ch. xv. 2; 1 Kings xv. 17, &c.

j Judg. v. 6.

4 Heb. *beaten in pieces*

k Matt. xxiv. 7.

9 Heb. *Darmesek*

7 Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for your work shall be rewarded.

8 And when Asa heard these words, and the prophecy of Oded the prophet, he took courage, and put away the [5]abominable idols out of all the land of Judah and Benjamin, and out of the cities which he had taken from mount Ephraim, and renewed the altar of the LORD, that *was* before the porch of the LORD.[l]

9 And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and the strangers with them out of Ephraim and Manasseh, and out of Simeon: for they fell to him out of Israel in abundance, when they saw that the LORD his God *was* with him.[m]

10 So they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the third month, in the fifteenth year of the reign of Asa.

11 And they offered unto the LORD [6]the same time, of the spoil *which* they had brought, seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep.[n]

12 And they entered into a covenant to seek the LORD God of their fathers with all their heart and with all their soul;[o]

13 That whosoever would not seek the LORD God of Israel should be put to death, whether small or great, whether man or woman.[p]

14 And they sware unto the LORD with a loud voice, and with shouting, and with trumpets, and with cornets.

15 And all Judah rejoiced at the oath: for they had sworn with all their heart, and sought him with their whole desire; and he was found of them: and the LORD gave them rest round about.[q]

16 ¶ And also *concerning* Maachah the [7]mother of Asa the king, he removed her from *being* queen, because she had made an [8]idol in a grove: and Asa cut down her idol, and stamped *it*, and burnt *it* at the brook Kidron.[r]

17 But the high places were not taken away out of Israel: nevertheless the heart of Asa was perfect all his days.[s]

18 ¶ And he brought into the house of God the things that his father had dedicated, and that he himself had dedicated, silver, and gold, and vessels.

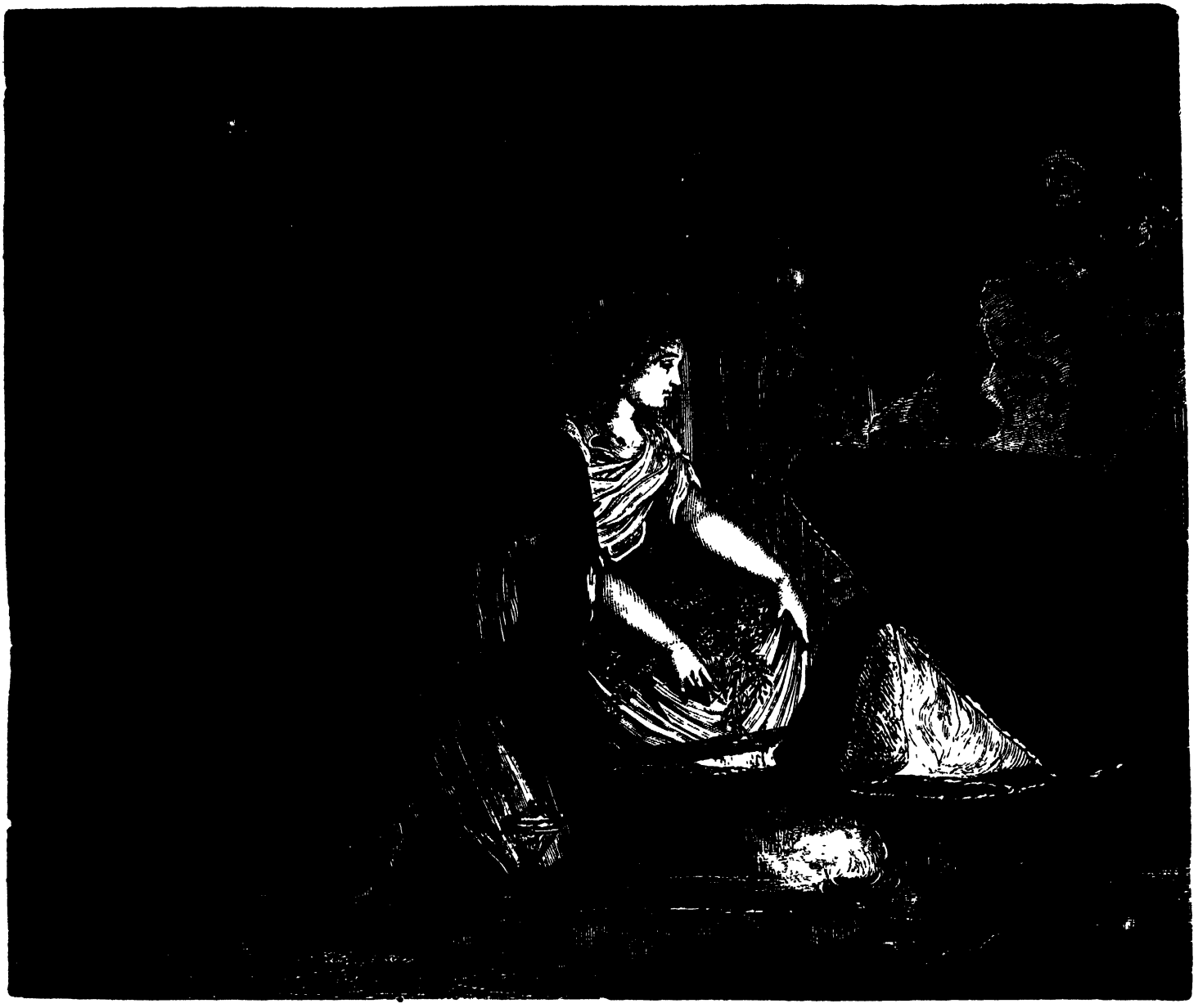
19 And there was no *more* war unto the five and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Asa, by the aid of the Syrians, diverteth Baasha from building of Ramah.* 7 *Being reproved thereof by Hanani, he putteth him in prison.* 11 *Among his other acts in his disease he seeketh not to God, but to the physicians.* 13 *His death and burial.*

IN the six and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa Baasha king of Israel came up against Judah, and built Ramah, to the intent that he might let none go out or come in to Asa king of Judah.[t]

2 Then Asa brought out silver and gold out of the treasures of the house of the LORD and of the king's house, and sent to Ben-hadad king of Syria, that dwelt at [9]Damascus, saying,



BURNING SPICES AT THE BURIAL OF KING ASA.

3 *There is* a league between me and thee, as *there was* between my father and thy father: behold, I have sent thee silver and gold; go, break thy league with Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart from me.

4 And Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains [1]of his armies against the cities of Israel; and they smote Ijon, and Dan, and Abel-maim, and all the store cities of Naphtali.

5 And it came to pass, when Baasha heard *it*, that he left off building of Ramah, and let his work cease.

6 Then Asa the king took all Judah; and they carried away the stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith Baasha was building; and he built therewith Geba and Mizpah.

7 ¶ And at that time Hanani the seer came to Asa king of Judah, and said unto him, Because thou hast relied on the king of Syria, and not relied on the LORD thy God, therefore is the host of the king of Syria escaped out of thine hand.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 930

[2] Heb. *in abundance*

[b] ch. xii. 3; xiv. 9

[3] Or, *strongly to hold with them, &c.*

[1] Heb. *which were his.*

[c] 1 Sam. xiii. 13; 1 Kings xv. 32; Job xxxiv. 21; Prov. v. 21; xv. 3; Jer. xvi. 17; xxxii. 19; Zech. iv. 10.

[4] Heb. *crushed.*

[d] ch. xviii. 26; Jer. xx. 2; Matt. xiv. 3.

[e] 1 Kings xv. 22.

[a] ch. xix. 2. 1 Kings xvi. 1; Isa. xxxi. 1; Jer. xvii. 5

[f] Jer. xvii. 5.

8 Were not the Ethiopians and the Lubims [2]a huge host, with very many chariots and horsemen? yet, because thou didst rely on the LORD, he delivered them into thine hand.[b]

9 For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, [3]to shew himself strong in the behalf of *them* whose heart *is* perfect toward him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars.[c]

10 Then Asa was wroth with the seer, and put him in a prison house; for *he was* in a rage with him because of this *thing*. And Asa [4]oppressed *some* of the people the same time.[d]

11 ¶ And, behold, the acts of Asa, first and last, lo, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.[e]

12 And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease *was* exceeding *great*: yet in his disease he sought not to the LORD, but to the physicians.[f]

13 ¶ And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign.[a]

14 And they buried him in his own sepulchres, which he [1]had made for himself in the city of David, and laid him in the bed which was filled with sweet odours and divers kinds *of spices* prepared by the apothecaries' art: and they made a very great burning for him.[b]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Jehoshaphat, succeeding Asa, reigneth well, and prospereth.* 7 *He sendeth Levites with the princes to teach Judah.* 10 *His enemies being terrified by God, some of them bring him presents and tribute.* 12 *His greatness, captains, and armies.*



AND Jehoshaphat his son reigned in his stead, and strengthened himself against Israel.[c]

2 And he placed forces in all the fenced cities of Judah, and set garrisons in the land of Judah, and in the cities of Ephraim, which Asa his father had taken.[d]

3 And the LORD was with Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first ways [2]of his father David, and sought not unto Baalim;

4 But sought to the *LORD* God of his father, and walked in his commandments, and not after the doings of Israel.[e]

5 Therefore the LORD stablished the kingdom in his hand; and all Judah [3]brought to Jehoshaphat presents; and he had riches and honour in abundance.[f]

6 And his heart [4]was lifted up in the ways of the LORD: moreover he took away the high places and groves out of Judah.[g]

7 ¶ Also in the third year of his reign he sent to his princes, *even* to Ben-hail, and to Obadiah, and to Zechariah, and to Nethaneel, and to Michaiah, to teach in the cities of Judah.[h]

8 And with them *he sent* Levites, *even* Shemaiah, and Nethaniah, and Zebadiah, and Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehonathan, and Adonijah, and Tobijah, and Tob-adonijah, Levites; and with them Elishama and Jehoram, priests.

9 And they taught in Judah, and *had* the book of the law of the LORD with them, and went about throughout all the cities of Judah, and taught the people.[i]

10 ¶ And the fear of the LORD [5]fell upon all the kingdoms of the lands that *were* round about Judah, so that they made no war against Jehoshaphat.[j]

11 Also *some* of the Philistines brought Jehoshaphat presents, and tribute silver; and the Arabians brought him flocks, seven thousand and seven hundred rams, and seven thousand and seven hundred he goats.[k]

12 ¶ And Jehoshaphat waxed great exceedingly; and he built in Judah [6]castles, and cities of store.

13 And he had much business in the cities of Judah: and the men of war, mighty men of valour, *were* in Jerusalem.

14 And these *are* the numbers of them according to the house of their fathers: Of Judah, the captains of thousands; Adnah the chief, and with him mighty men of valour three hundred thousand.

15 And [7]next to him *was* Jehohanan the captain, and with him two hundred and fourscore thousand.

16 And next him *was* Amasiah the son of Zichri, who willingly offered himself unto the LORD; and with him two hundred thousand mighty men of valour.[l]

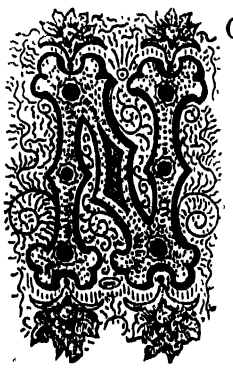
17 And of Benjamin; Eliada a mighty man of valour, and with him armed men with bow and shield two hundred thousand.

18 And next him *was* Jehozabad, and with him an hundred and fourscore thousand ready prepared for the war.

19 These waited on the king, beside *those* whom the king put in the fenced cities throughout all Judah.[m]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Jehoshaphat, joined in affinity with Ahab, is persuaded to go with him against Ramoth-gilead.* 4 *Ahab, seduced by false prophets, according to the word of Micaiah, is slain there.*



NOW Jehoshaphat had riches and honour in abundance, and joined affinity with Ahab.[n]

2 And [8]after *certain* years he went down to Ahab to Samaria. And Ahab killed sheep and oxen for him in abundance, and for the people that *he had* with him, and persuaded him to go up *with him* to Ramoth-gilead.[o]

3 And Ahab king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat king of Judah, Wilt thou go with me to Ramoth-gilead? And he answered him, I *am* as thou *art*, and my people as thy people; and *we will be* with thee in the war.

4 ¶ And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel, Enquire, I pray thee, at the word of the LORD to day.[p]

5 Therefore the king of Israel gathered together of prophets four hundred men, and said unto them, Shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said, Go up; for God will deliver *it* into the king's hand.

6 But Jehoshaphat said, *Is there* not here a prophet of the LORD [9]besides, that we might enquire of him?

7 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, *There is* yet one man, by whom we may enquire of the LORD: but I hate him; for he never prophesied good unto me, but always evil: the same *is* Micaiah the son of Imla. And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.

8 And the king of Israel called for one *of his* [10]officers, and said, [11]Fetch quickly Micaiah the son of Imla.

9 And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat king of Judah sat either of them on his throne, clothed in *their* robes, and they sat in a [12]void place at the entering in of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets prophesied before them.

10 And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah had made him horns of iron, and said, Thus saith the LORD, With these thou shalt push Syria until [13]they be consumed.

BEFORE CHRIST 913.

a 1 Kings xv. 24.

1 Heb. *digged.*
7 Heb. *at his hand.*

b ch. xxi. 19; Gen. l. 2; Jer. xxxiv. 5; Mark xvi. 1; John xix. 39, 40.
l Judg. v. 2, 9.

c 1 Kings xv. 24.
m ver 2.

d ch. xv. 8.
n ch xvii. 5; 2 Kings viii. 18.
8 Heb *at the end of years.*
2 Or, *of his father and of David.*

e 1 Kings xii. 28.
o 1 Kings xxii. 2, &c.
3 Heb. *gave.*

f ch. xviii. 1; 1 Sam. x 27; 1 Kings x. 25, 27.
4 That is, *was encouraged*

g ch xv. 17; xix. 3; xx. 33; 1 Kings xxii. 43.
p 1 Sam. xxiii. 2, 4, 9; 2 Sam. ii. 1.

h ch. xv. 3.
9 Heb. *yet*, or, *more.*

i ch. xxxv. 3; Neh. viii. 7.
5 Heb. *was.*

j Gen. xxxv. 5.
10 Or, *eunuchs.*
11 Heb. *Hasten.*

k 2 Sam. viii. 2.
12 Or, *floor.*
6 Or, *palaces.*
13 Heb. *thou consume them.*



MICAIAH AND THE FALSE PROPHETS BEFORE AHAB AND JEHOSHAPHAT.

11 And all the prophets prophesied so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver *it* into the hand of the king.

12 And the messenger that went to call Micaiah spake to him, saying, Behold, the words of the prophets *declare* good to the king [1]with one assent; let thy word therefore, I pray thee, be like one of their's, and speak thou good.

13 And Micaiah said, *As* the LORD liveth, even what my God saith, that will I speak.[a]

14 And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall I forbear? And he said, Go ye up, and prosper, and they shall be delivered into your hand.

15 And the king said to him, How many times shall I adjure thee that thou say nothing but the truth to me in the name of the LORD?

16 Then he said, I did see all Israel scattered upon the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd: and the LORD said, These have no master; let them return *therefore* every man to his house in peace.

17 And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, Did I not tell thee *that* he would not prophesy good unto me, [2]but evil?

BEFORE CHRIST 897.

1 Heb *with one mouth.*

a Numb xxii. 18, 20, 35, xxiii. 12, 26; xxiv. 13, 1 Kings xxii 14.
b Job i. 6.
c Job xii 16; Isa. xix. 14, Ezek. xiv 9
d Jer. xx. 2; Mark xiv 65; Acts xxiii. 2
3 Or, *from chamber to chamber.* Heb. *a chamber in a chamber*
2 Or, *but for evil.*

18 Again he said, Therefore hear the word of the LORD; I saw the LORD sitting upon his throne, and all the host of heaven standing on his right hand and *on* his left.

19 And the LORD said, Who shall entice Ahab king of Israel, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one spake saying after this manner, and another saying after that manner.

20 Then there came out a spirit, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will entice him. And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith?[b]

21 And he said, I will go out, and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And *the* LORD said, Thou shalt entice *him*, and thou shalt also prevail: go out, and do *even* so.

22 Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil against thee.[c]

23 Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near, and smote Micaiah upon the cheek, and said, Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee?[d]

24 And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalt see on that day when thou shalt go [3]into an inner chamber to hide thyself.

25 Then the king of Israel said, Take ye Micaiah, and carry him back to Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son;

26 And say, Thus saith the king, Put this *fellow* in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction, until I return in peace.[a]

27 And Micaiah said, If thou certainly return in peace, *then* hath not the LORD spoken by me. And he said, Hearken, all ye people.

28 So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-gilead.

29 And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disguise myself, and will go to the battle; but put thou on thy robes. So the king of Israel disguised himself; and they went to the battle.

30 Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of the chariots that *were* with him, saying, Fight ye not with small or great, save only with the king of Israel.

31 And it came to pass, when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, It *is* the king of Israel. Therefore they compassed about him to fight: but Jehoshaphat cried out, and the LORD helped him; and God moved them *to depart* from him.

32 For it came to pass, that, when the captains of the chariots perceived that it was not the king of Israel, they turned back again [1]from pursuing him.

33 And a *certain* man drew a bow [2]at a venture, and smote the king of Israel [3]between the joints of the harness: therefore he said to his chariot man, Turn thine hand, that thou mayest carry me out of the host, for I am [4]wounded.

34 And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed *himself* up in *his* chariot against the Syrians until the even: and about the time of the sun going down he died.

BEFORE CHRIST 897.

[a] ch xvi. 10.

[b] ch. xxxii. 25; 1 Sam. ix. 9; Ps cxxxix. 21.

[c] ch xii 12, xvii 4, 6, xxx. 19, Ezra vii 10

[5] Heb *he returned and went out.*

[1] Heb *from after him.*
[2] Heb *in his simplicity*
[3] Heb *between the joints and between the breastplate*
[4] Heb *made sick.*

[6] Heb *in the matter of judgment.*

[d] Deut. i. 17; Ps lxxxii. 1; Eccles. v 8

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *Jehoshaphat, reproved by Jehu, visiteth his kingdom.* 5 *His instructions to the judges,* 8 *to the priests and Levites.*

AND Jehoshaphat the king of Judah returned to his house in peace to Jerusalem.

2 And Jehu the son of Hanani the seer went out to meet him, and said to king Jehoshaphat, Shouldest thou help the ungodly, and love them that hate the LORD? therefore *is* wrath upon thee from before the LORD.[b]

3 Nevertheless there are good things found in thee, in that thou hast taken away the groves out of the land, and hast prepared thine heart to seek God.[c]

4 And Jehoshaphat dwelt at Jerusalem: and [5]he went out again through the people from Beer-sheba to mount Ephraim, and brought them back unto the LORD God of their fathers.

5 ¶ And he set judges in the land throughout all the fenced cities of Judah, city by city,

6 And said to the judges, Take heed what ye do: for ye judge not for man, but for the LORD, who *is* with you [6]in the judgment.[d]

7 Wherefore now let the fear of the LORD be upon



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you; take heed and do *it:* for *there is* no iniquity with the LORD our God, nor respect of persons, nor taking of gifts.[a]

8 ¶ Moreover in Jerusalem did Jehoshaphat set of the Levites, and *of* the priests, and of the chief of the fathers of Israel, for the judgment of the LORD, and for controversies, when they returned to Jerusalem.

9 And he charged them, saying, Thus shall ye do in the fear of the LORD, faithfully, and with a perfect heart.[b]

10 And what cause soever shall come to you of your brethren that dwell in their cities, between blood and blood, between law and commandment, statutes and judgments, ye shall even warn them that they trespass not against the LORD, and *so* wrath come upon you, and upon your brethren: this do, and ye shall not trespass.[c]

11 And, behold, Amariah the chief priest *is* over you in all matters of the LORD; and Zebadiah the son of Ishmael, the ruler of the house of Judah, for all the king's matters: also the Levites *shall be* officers before you. [1]Deal courageously, and the LORD shall be with the good.[d]

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Jehoshaphat in his fear proclaimeth a fast.* 5 *His prayer.* 14 *The prophecy of Jahaziel.* 20 *Jehoshaphat exhorteth the people, and setteth singers to praise the Lord.* 22 *The great overthrow of the enemies.* 26 *The people, having blessed God at Berachah, return in triumph.* 31 *Jehoshaphat's reign.* 35 *His convoy of ships, which he made with Ahaziah, according to the prophecy of Eliezer, unhappily perished.*

IT came to pass after this also, *that* the children of Moab, and the children of Ammon, and with them *other* beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle.

2 Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There cometh a great multitude against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria; and, behold, they *be* in Hazazon-tamar, which *is* En-gedi.[e]

3 And Jehoshaphat feared, and set [2]himself to seek the LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah.[f]

4 And Judah gathered themselves together, to ask *help* of the LORD: even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD.

5 ¶ And Jehoshaphat stood in the congregation of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of the LORD, before the new court,

6 And said, O LORD God of our fathers, *art* not thou God in heaven? and rulest *not* thou over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and in thine hand *is there not* power and might, so that none is able to withstand thee?[g]

7 *Art* not thou our God, [3]*who* didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before thy people Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham thy friend for ever?[h]

8 And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary therein for thy name, saying,

9 If, *when* evil cometh upon us, *as* the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy name *is* in this house,) and cry unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help.[i]

10 And now, behold, the children of Ammon and Moab and mount Seir, whom thou wouldest not let Israel invade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them, and destroyed them not;[j]

11 Behold, *I say, how* they reward us, to come to cast us out of thy possession, which thou hast given us to inherit.[k]

12 O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes *are* upon thee.[l]

13 And all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their children.

14 ¶ Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the congregation;[m]

15 And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle *is* not your's, but God's.[n]

16 To morrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the [4]cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the end of the [5]brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel.

17 Ye shall not *need* to fight in this *battle:* set yourselves, stand ye *still*, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to morrow go out against them: for the LORD *will be* with you.[o]

18 And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with *his* face to the ground: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD, worshipping the LORD.[p]

19 And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high.

20 ¶ And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.[q]

21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and [6]that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD, for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[r]

22 ¶ [7]And when they [8]began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and [9]they were smitten.[s]

23 For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy *them:* and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped [10]to destroy another.

BEFORE CHRIST 897.

a Deut. x. 17; xxxii. 4; Job xxxiv. 19; Acts x 34; Rom. ii. 11; ix. 14, Gal. ii. 6; Eph vi. 9; Col. iii. 25; 1 Peter i. 17

b ch vi. 20, 28—30; 1 Kings viii. 33, 37

c Deut. xvii. 8, &c.; Numb xvi. 46; Ezek. iii. 18.

d ch xv 2; 1 Chron. xxvi 30.

1 Heb. *Take courage and do*

e Gen xiv. 7, Josh. xv 62.

2 Heb *his face*

f ch xix 3, Ezra viii 21, Jer xxxvi 9, Jonah iii. 5

g Isa. vii. 9

h Gen. xvii. 7; Exod. vi 7; Ps. xliv 2; Isa. xli 8, James ii. 23.

i ch. xxxii 7; Exod xiv 13, 14; Deut. i. 29, 30; xxxi. 6, 8.

j Numb. xx. 21; Deut. ii. 4, 9, 19.

k Ps. lxxxiii. 12.

l 1 Sam. iii. 13; Ps xxv 15; cxxi. 1, 2; cxxiii. 1, 2; cxli. 8

m ch xv 1; xxiv 20, Numb xi. 25, 26, xxiv 2.

n ch. xv. 2, xxxii 8; Exod xiv 13, 14, Numb xiv 9.

o ch xv. 2, xxxii 8; Exod xiv 13, 14, Numb xiv 9.

p Exod iv 31.

q Isa. vii. 9

r ch v. 13; vii 3, 6; 1 Chron. xvi. 29, 34, 41.

s Judg. vii 22; 1 Sam. xiv. 20.

3 Heb. *thou.*

4 Heb. *ascent.*

5 Or, *valley.*

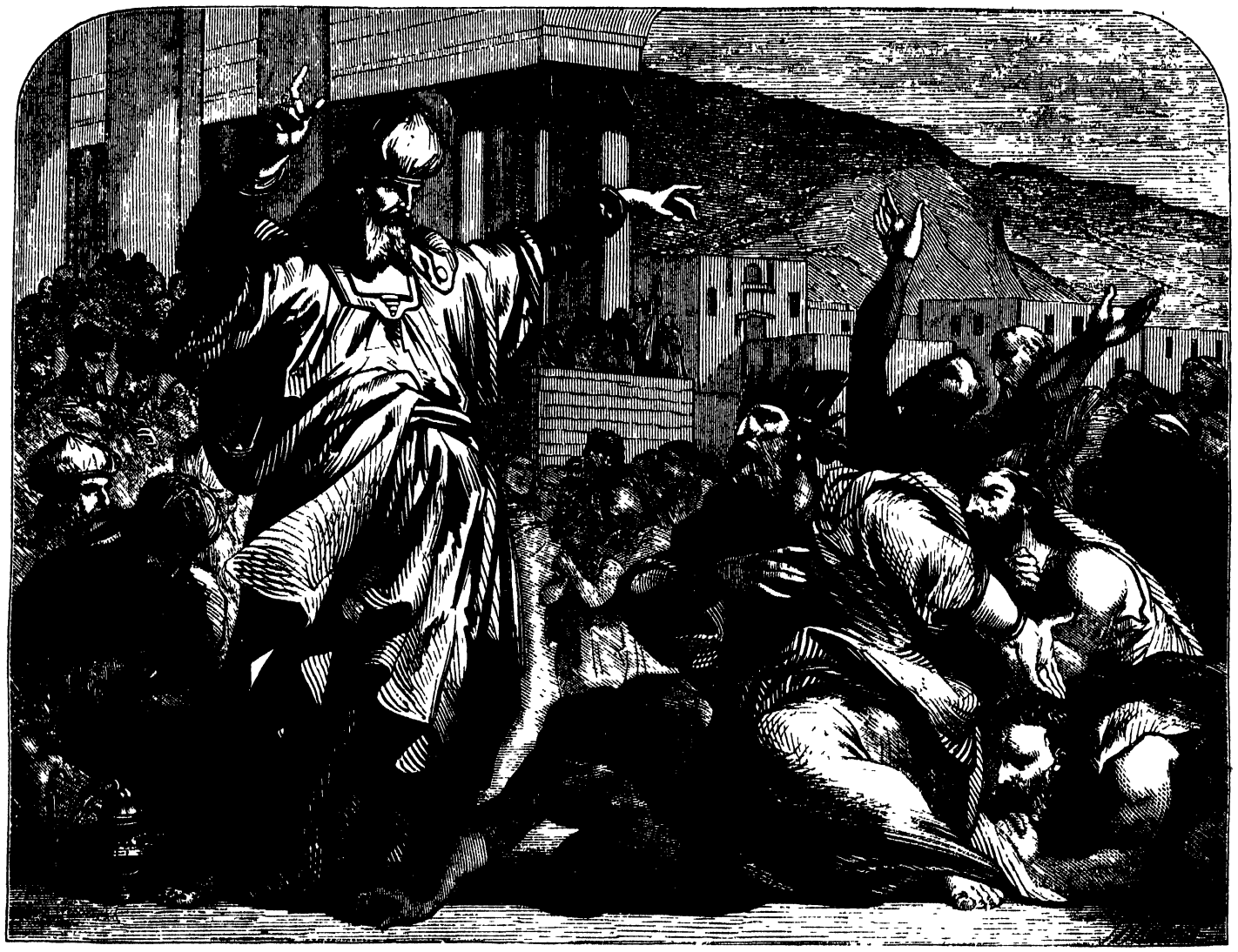
6 Heb. *praisers.*

7 Heb. *And in the time that they, &c.*

8 Heb. *in singing and praise.*

9 Or, *they smote one another.*

10 Heb *for the destruction.*



JEHOSHAPHAT AND THE PEOPLE MOURNING—THE PROPHECY OF JAHAZIEL

24 And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they looked unto the multitude, and, behold, they *were* dead bodies fallen to the earth, and [1]none escaped.

25 And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much.

26 ¶ And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of [2]Berachah; for there they blessed the LORD: therefore the name of the same place was called, The valley of Berachah, unto this day.

27 Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the [3]forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; for the LORD had made them to rejoice over their enemies.[e]

28 And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of the LORD.

29 And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of *those* countries, when they had heard that the LORD fought against the enemies of Israel.[b]

30 So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for his God gave him rest round about.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 896

1 Heb *there was not an escaping*

d 1 Kings xxii. 41, &c.

e ch. xii. 14, xvii. 6, xix. 3.

2 That is, *Blessing*

4 Heb *words.*

5 Heb *was made to ascend*

f 1 Kings xvi. 1, 7

3 Heb *head*

g 1 Kings xxii. 48, 49.

a Neh. xii. 43

b ch. xvii. 10

c ch. xv. 15; Job xxxiv. 29.

h ch. ix. 21, 1 Kings xxii. 48.

31 ¶ And Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: *he was* thirty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.[d]

32 And he walked in the way of Asa his father, and departed not from it, doing *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD.

33 Howbeit the high places were not taken away: for as yet the people had not prepared their hearts unto the God of their fathers.[e]

34 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the [4]book of Jehu the son of Hanani, who [5]*is* mentioned in the book of the kings of Israel.[f]

35 ¶ And after this did Jehoshaphat king of Judah join himself with Ahaziah king of Israel, who did very wickedly:[g]

36 And he joined himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the ships in Ezion-gaber.

37 Then Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying, Because thou hast joined thyself with Ahaziah, the LORD hath broken thy works. And the ships were broken, that they were not able to go to Tarshish.[h]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Jehoram, succeeding Jehoshaphat, slayeth his brethren.* 5 *His wicked reign.* 8 *Edom and Libnah revolt.* 12 *The prophecy of Elijah against him in writing.* 16 *Philistines and Arabians oppress him.* 18 *His incurable disease, infamous death, and burial.*

NOW Jehoshaphat slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David. And Jehoram his son [1]reigned in his stead.[a]

2 And he had brethren the sons of Jehoshaphat, Azariah, and Jehiel, and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah: all these *were* the sons of Jehoshaphat king of Israel.

3 And their father gave them great gifts of silver, and of gold, and of precious things, with fenced cities in Judah: but the kingdom gave he to Jehoram; because he *was* the firstborn.

4 Now when Jehoram was risen up to the kingdom of his father, he strengthened himself, and slew all his brethren with the sword, and *divers* also of the princes of Israel.

5 ¶ Jehoram *was* thirty and two years old when he began to [2]reign, and he reigned eight years in Jerusalem.

6 And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the house of Ahab: for he had the daughter of Ahab to wife: and he wrought *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD.[b]

7 Howbeit the LORD would not destroy the house of David, because of the covenant that he had made with David, and as he promised to give a [3]light to him and to his sons for ever.[c]

8 ¶ In his days the Edomites revolted from under the [4]dominion of Judah, and made themselves a king.

9 Then Jehoram went forth with his princes, and all his chariots with him: and he rose up by night, and smote the Edomites which compassed him in, and the captains of the chariots.

10 So the Edomites revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day. The same time *also* did Libnah revolt from under his hand; because he had forsaken the LORD God of his fathers.

11 Moreover he made high places in the mountains of Judah, and caused the inhabitants of Jerusalem to commit fornication, and compelled Judah *thereto*.[d]

12 ¶ And there came a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of David thy father, Because thou hast not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat thy father, nor in the ways of Asa king of Judah,

13 But hast walked in the way of the kings of Israel, and hast made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to go a whoring, like to the whoredoms of the house of Ahab, and also hast slain thy brethren of thy father's house, *which were* better than thyself:[e]

14 Behold, with [5]a great plague will the LORD smite thy people, and thy children, and thy wives, and all thy goods:

15 And thou *shalt have* great sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy bowels fall out by reason of the sickness day by day.[f]

16 ¶ Moreover the LORD stirred up against Jehoram the spirit of the Philistines, and of the Arabians, that *were* near the Ethiopians:[g]

17 And they came up into Judah, and brake into it, and [6]carried away all the substance that was found in the king's house, and his sons also, and his wives; so that there was never a son left him, save [7]Jehoahaz, the youngest of his sons.[h]

18 ¶ [8]And after all this the LORD smote him in his bowels with an incurable disease.[i]

19 And it came to pass, that in process of time, after the end of two years, his bowels fell out by reason of his sickness: so he died of sore diseases. And his people made no burning for him, like the burning of his fathers.[j]

20 Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem eight years, and departed [9]without being desired. Howbeit they buried him in the city of David, but not in the sepulchres of the kings.[k]

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Ahaziah succeeding reigneth wickedly.* 5 *In his confederacy with Joram the son of Ahab, he is slain by Jehu.* 10 *Athaliah, destroying all the seed royal, save Joash, whom Jehoshabeath his aunt hid, usurpeth the kingdom.*

AND the inhabitants of Jerusalem made Ahaziah his youngest son king in his stead: for the band of men that came with the Arabians to the camp had slain all the eldest. So Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah reigned.[l]

2 Forty and two years old *was* Ahaziah when he began to reign, and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Athaliah the daughter of Omri.[m]

3 He also walked in the ways of the house of Ahab: for his mother was his counsellor to do wickedly.

4 Wherefore he did evil in the sight of the LORD like the house of Ahab: for they were his counsellors after the death of his father to his destruction.

5 ¶ He walked also after their counsel, and went with Jehoram the son of Ahab king of Israel to war against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth-gilead: and the Syrians smote Joram.[n]

6 And he returned to be healed in Jezreel because of the wounds [10]which were given him at Ramah, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria. And [11]Azariah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Jehoram the son of Ahab at Jezreel, because he was sick.[o]

7 And the [12]destruction of Ahaziah was of God by coming to Joram: for when he was come, he went

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BEFORE CHRIST 889.

f vs. 18, 19.

g 1 Kings xi. 14, 23

1 Alone.

a 1 Kings xxii 50

6 Heb. *carried captive*, ch xxii. 1.

7 Or, *Ahaziah*, ch. xxii. 1; or, *Azariah*, ch. xxii. 6.

h ch. xxiv. 7.

8 His son, *Ahaziah Prorex*, 2 Kings ix. 29, soon after.

i ver. 15.

j ch. xvi 14

9 Heb. *without desire.*

k Jer. xxii. 18.

2 In consort, 2 Kings viii 17, &c.

b ch xxii. 2

3 Heb *lamp*, or, *candle.*

c 2 Sam. vii 12, 13, 1 Kings xi. 36, 2 Kings viii. 19; Ps. cxxxii. 11, &c.

4 Heb. *hand.*

l ver. 6; ch xxi 17; 2 Kings viii. 24, &c.

m ch xxi 6, 2 Kings viii. 26.

d ver. 13; Lev xvii. 7, xx. 5.

n 2 Kings viii 28, &c

10 Heb *wherewith they wounded him.*

11 Otherwise called *Ahaziah*, ver 1; and *Jehoahaz*, ch xxi 17.

o 2 Kings ix. 15.

e vs. 4, 11; Exod. xxxiv. 15; Deut. xxxi 16; 1 Kings xvi 31—33; 2 Kings ix. 22.

12 Heb *treading down*

f Heb. *a great stroke.*



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out with Jehoram against Jehu the son of Nimshi, whom the LORD had anointed to cut off the house of Ahab.[a]

8 And it came to pass, that, when Jehu was executing judgment upon the house of Ahab, and found the princes of Judah, and the sons of the brethren of Ahaziah, that ministered to Ahaziah, he slew them.[b]

9 And he sought Ahaziah: and they caught him, (for he was hid in Samaria,) and brought him to Jehu: and when they had slain him, they buried him: Because, said they, he *is* the son of Jehoshaphat, who sought the LORD with all his heart. So the house of Ahaziah had no power to keep still the kingdom.[c]

10 ¶ But when Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and destroyed all the seed royal of the house of Judah.[d]

11 But [1]Jehoshabeath, the daughter of the king, took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons that were slain, and put him and his nurse in a bedchamber. So Jehoshabeath, the daughter of king Jehoram, the wife of Jehoiada the priest, (for she was the sister of Ahaziah,) hid him from Athaliah, so that she slew him not.

12 And he was with them hid in the house of God six years: and Athaliah reigned over the land.

BEFORE CHRIST 884

a ch x. 15, Judg xiv 4, 1 Kings xii 15, 2 Kings ix 6, 7, 21

b 2 Kings x 10—14

c 2 Kings xi. 4, &c.

c ch xvii. 4, 2 Kings ix 27

d 2 Kings xi 1 &c.

1 *Jehosheba*, 2 Kings xi. 2.

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *Jehoiada, having set things in order, maketh Joash king.* 12 *Athaliah is slain.* 16 *Jehoiada restoreth the worship of God.*

AND in the seventh year Jehoiada strengthened himself, and took the captains of hundreds, Azariah the son of Jeroham, and Ishmael the son of Jehohanan, and Azariah the son of Obed, and Maaseiah the son of Adaiah, and Elishaphat the son of Zichri, into covenant with him.[e]

2 And they went about in Judah, and gathered the Levites out of all the cities of Judah, and the chief of the fathers of Israel, and they came to Jerusalem.

3 And all the congregation made a covenant with the king in the house of God. And he said unto them, Behold, the king's son shall reign, as the LORD hath said of the sons of David.[f]

4 This *is* the thing that ye shall do; A third part of you entering on the sabbath, of the priests and of the Levites, *shall be* porters of the [2]doors;[g]

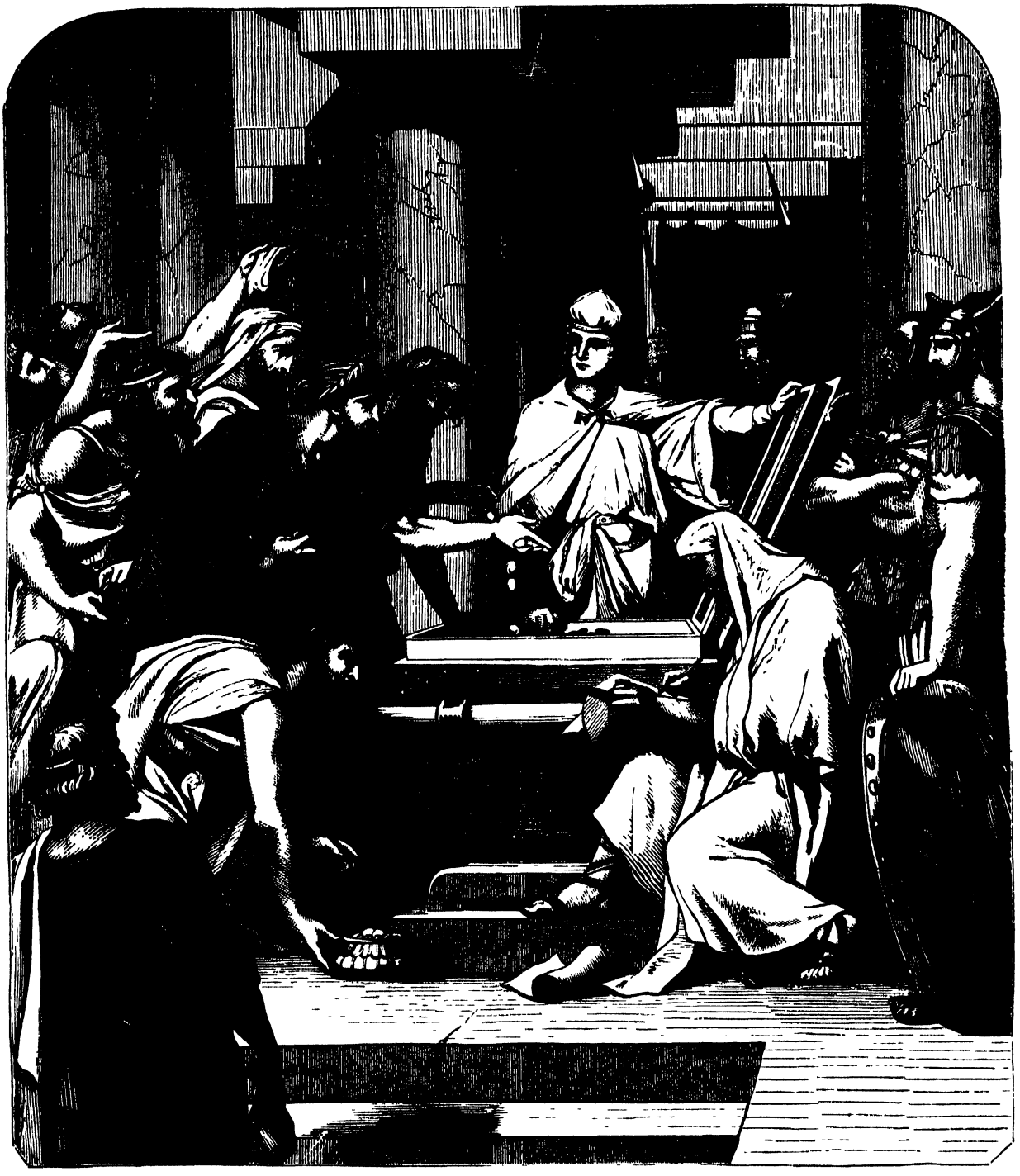
5 And a third part *shall be* at the king's house; and a third part at the gate of the foundation: and all the people *shall be* in the courts of the house of the LORD.

6 But let none come into the house of the LORD,

f ch vi. 16, vii. 18; xxi. 7; 2 Sam. vii. 12; 1 Kings ii. 4; ix. 5.

2 Heb. *thresholds.*

g 1 Chron. ix. 25.



PROCLAIMING THE REPAIRS OF THE TEMPLE AT JERUSALEM.

save the priests, and they that minister of the Levites; they shall go in, for they *are* holy: but all the people shall keep the watch of the LORD.[a]

7 And the Levites shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand; and whosoever *else* cometh into the house, he shall be put to death: but be ye with the king when he cometh in, and when he goeth out.

8 So the Levites and all Judah did according to all things that Jehoiada the priest had commanded, and took every man his men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that were to go *out* on the sabbath: for Jehoiada the priest dismissed not the courses.[b]

9 Moreover Jehoiada the priest delivered to the captains of hundreds spears, and bucklers, and shields, that *had been* king David's, which *were* in the house of God.

10 And he set all the people, every man having his weapon in his hand, from the [1]right side of the temple to the left side of the [2]temple, along by the altar and the temple, by the king round about.

11 Then they brought out the king's son, and put upon him the crown, and *gave him* the testimony, and made him king. And Jehoiada and his sons anointed him, and said, [3]God save the king.[c]

12 ¶ Now when Athaliah heard the noise of the people running and praising the king, she came to the people into the house of the LORD:

13 And she looked, and, behold, the king stood at

BEFORE CHRIST 878.

a 1 Chron. xxiii. 28, 29.

1 Heb. *shoulder*

2 Heb. *house*

3 Heb. *Let the king live.*

c Deut. xvii. 18.

b 1 Chron. xxiv., xxv.

his pillar at the entering in, and the princes and the trumpets by the king: and all the people of the land rejoiced, and sounded with trumpets, also the singers with instruments of musick, and such as taught to sing praise. Then Athaliah rent her clothes, and said, [1]Treason, Treason.[a]

14 Then Jehoiada the priest brought out the captains of hundreds that were set over the host, and said unto them, Have her forth of the ranges: and whoso followeth her, let him be slain with the sword. For the priest said, Slay her not in the house of the LORD.

15 So they laid hands on her, and when she was come to the entering of the horse gate by the king's house, they slew her there.[b]

16 ¶ And Jehoiada made a covenant between him, and between all the people, and between the king, that they should be the LORD'S people.

17 Then all the people went to the house of Baal, and brake it down, and brake his altars and his images in pieces, and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars.[c]

18 Also Jehoiada appointed the offices of the house of the LORD by the hand of the priests the Levites, whom David had distributed in the house of the LORD, to offer the burnt offerings of the LORD, as *it is* written in the law of Moses, with rejoicing and with singing, *as it was ordained* [2]by David.[d]

19 And he set the porters at the gates of the house of the LORD, that none *which was* unclean in any thing should enter in.[e]

20 And he took the captains of hundreds, and the nobles, and the governors of the people, and all the people of the land, and brought down the king from the house of the LORD: and they came through the high gate into the king's house, and set the king upon the throne of the kingdom.[f]

21 And all the people of the land rejoiced: and the city was quiet, after that they had slain Athaliah with the sword.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Joash reigneth well all the days of Jehoiada.* 4 *He giveth order for the repair of the temple.* 15 *Jehoiada's death and honourable burial.* 17 *Joash, falling to idolatry, slayeth Zechariah the son of Jehoiada.* 23 *Joash is spoiled by the Syrians, and slain by Zabad and Jehozabad.* 27 *Amaziah succeedeth him.*

JOASH *was* seven years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Zibiah of Beer-sheba.[g]

2 And Joash did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD all the days of Jehoiada the priest.[h]

3 And Jehoiada took for him two wives; and he begat sons and daughters.

4 ¶ And it came to pass after this, *that* Joash was minded [3]to repair the house of the LORD.

5 And he gathered together the priests and the Levites, and said to them, Go out unto the cities of Judah, and gather of all Israel money to repair the house of your God from year to year, and see that ye hasten the matter. Howbeit the Levites hastened *it* not.[i]

6 And the king called for Jehoiada the chief, and said unto him, Why hast thou not required of the Levites to bring in out of Judah and out of Jerusalem the collection, *according to the commandment* of Moses the servant of the LORD, and of the congregation of Israel, for the tabernacle of witness?[j]

7 For the sons of Athaliah, that wicked woman, had broken up the house of God; and also all the dedicated things of the house of the LORD did they bestow upon Baalim.[k]

8 And at the king's commandment they made a chest, and set it without at the gate of the house of the LORD.[l]

9 And they made [4]a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem, to bring in to the LORD the collection *that* Moses the servant of God *laid* upon Israel in the wilderness.[m]

10 And all the princes and all the people rejoiced, and brought in, and cast into the chest, until they had made an end.

11 Now it came to pass, that at what time the chest was brought unto the king's office by the hand of the Levites, and when they saw that *there was* much money, the king's scribe and the high priest's officer came and emptied the chest, and took it, and carried it to his place again. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in abundance.[n]

12 And the king and Jehoiada gave it to such as did the work of the service of the house of the LORD, and hired masons and carpenters to repair the house of the LORD, and also such as wrought iron and brass to mend the house of the LORD.

13 So the workmen wrought, and [5]the work was perfected by them, and they set the house of God in his state, and strengthened it.

14 And when they had finished *it*, they brought the rest of the money before the king and Jehoiada, whereof were made vessels for the house of the LORD, *even* vessels to minister, and [6]to offer *withal*, and spoons, and vessels of gold and silver. And they offered burnt offerings in the house of the LORD continually all the days of Jehoiada.[o]

15 ¶ But Jehoiada waxed old, and was full of days when he died; an hundred and thirty years old *was he* when he died.

16 And they buried him in the city of David among the kings, because he had done good in Israel, both toward God, and toward his house.

17 Now after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and made obeisance to the king. Then the king hearkened unto them.

18 And they left the house of the LORD God of their fathers, and served groves and idols: and wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem for this their trespass.[p]

19 Yet he sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto the LORD; and they testified against them: but they would not give ear.[q]

20 And the Spirit of God [7]came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, Why transgress ye the commandments of the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you.[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 878.

j Exod. xxx 12—16; Numb. i. 50; 2 Kings xii. 7; Acts vii. 44.

1 Heb. *Conspiracy.*

a 1 Chron. xxv. 8.

k ch. xxi. 17; 2 Kings xii. 4.

l 2 Kings xii 9.

4 Heb. *a voice.*

b Neh. iii 28.

m ver 6

c Deut xiii 9

n 2 Kings xii 10.

2 Heb *by the hands of David*, 1 Chron. xxv. 2, 6.

d Numb xxviii 2; 1 Chron xxiii 6, 30, 31; xxiv 1

e 1 Chron. xxvi 1, &c.

5 Heb *the healing went up upon the work*

f 2 Kings xi. 19

6 Or, *pestils*

o 2 Kings xii 13

g 2 Kings xi 21; xii. 1, &c.

h ch xxvi 5.

p ch xix 2; xxviii. 13, xxix 8, xxxii 25, Judg. v. 8, 1 Kings xiv. 22.

3 Heb *to renew*

q ch xxxvi. 15; Jer. vii 25, 26; xxv 4.

7 Heb *clothed*, as Judg vi. 34.

i 2 Kings xii 4, 5.

r ch xv. 1, 2; xx. 14; Numb xiv. 41

21 And they conspired against him, and stoned him with stones at the commandment of the king in the court of the house of the LORD.[a]

22 Thus Joash the king remembered not the kindness which Jehoiada his father had done to him, but slew his son. And when he died, he said, The LORD look upon *it*, and require *it*.

23 ¶ And it came to pass [1]at the end of the year, *that* the host of Syria came up against him: and they came to Judah and Jerusalem, and destroyed all the princes of the people from among the people, and sent all the spoil of them unto the king of [2]Damascus.[b]

24 For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men, and the LORD delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers. So they executed judgment against Joash.[c]

25 And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases,) his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died: and they buried him in the city of David, but they buried him not in the sepulchres of the kings.[d]

26 And these are they that conspired against him; [3]Zabad the son of Shimeath an Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of [4]Shimrith a Moabitess.

27 ¶ Now *concerning* his sons, and the greatness of the burdens *laid* upon him, and the [5]repairing of the house of God, behold, they *are* written in the [6]story of the book of the kings. And Amaziah his son reigned in his stead.[e]

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *Amaziah beginneth to reign well.* 3 *He executeth justice on the traitors* 5 *Having hired an army of Israelites against the Edomites, at the word of a prophet he loseth the hundred talents, and dismisseth them.* 11 *He overthroweth the Edomites.* 10, 13 *The Israelites, discontented with their dismission, spoil as they return home.* 14 *Amaziah, proud of his victory, serveth the gods of Edom, and despiseth the admonitions of the prophet.* 17 *He provoketh Joash to his overthrow.* 25 *His reign.* 27 *He is slain by conspiracy.*

AMAZIAH *was* twenty and five years old *when* he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.[f]

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, but not with a perfect heart.[g]

3 ¶ Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was [7]established to him, that he slew his servants that had killed the king his father.[h]

4 But he slew not their children, but *did* as *it is* written in the law in the book of Moses, where the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die for the fathers, but every man shall die for his own sin.[i]

5 ¶ Moreover Amaziah gathered Judah together, and made them captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, according to the houses of *their* fathers, throughout all Judah and Benjamin: and he numbered them from twenty years old and above, and found them three hundred thousand choice *men, able* to go forth to war, that could handle spear and shield.[j]

6 He hired also an hundred thousand mighty men of valour out of Israel for an hundred talents of silver.

7 But there came a man of God to him, saying, O king, let not the army of Israel go with thee; for the LORD *is* not with Israel, *to wit, with* all the children of Ephraim.

8 But if thou wilt go, do *it*, be strong for the battle: God shall make thee fall before the enemy: for God hath power to help, and to cast down.

9 And Amaziah said to the man of God, But what shall we do for the hundred talents which I have given to the [8]army of Israel? And the man of God answered, The LORD is able to give thee much more than this.[k]

10 Then Amaziah separated them, *to wit*, the army that was come to him out of Ephraim, [9]to go home again: wherefore their anger was greatly kindled against Judah, and they returned home [10]in great anger.

11 ¶ And Amaziah strengthened himself, and led forth his people, and went to the valley of salt, and smote of the children of Seir ten thousand.[l]

12 And *other* ten thousand *left* alive did the children of Judah carry away captive, and brought them unto the top of the rock, and cast them down from the top of the rock, that they all were broken in pieces.

13 ¶ But [11]the soldiers of the army which Amaziah sent back, that they should not go with him to battle, fell upon the cities of Judah, from Samaria even unto Beth-horon, and smote three thousand of them, and took much spoil.

14 ¶ Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, that he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them up *to be* his gods, and bowed down himself before them, and burned incense unto them.[m]

15 Wherefore the anger of the LORD was kindled against Amaziah, and he sent unto him a prophet, which said unto him, Why hast thou sought after the gods of the people, which could not deliver their own people out of thine hand?[n]

16 And it came to pass, as he talked with him, that *the king* said unto him, Art thou made of the king's counsel? forbear; why shouldest thou be smitten? Then the prophet forbare, and said, I know that God hath [12]determined to destroy thee, because thou hast done this, and hast not hearkened unto my counsel.[o]

17 ¶ Then Amaziah king of Judah took advice, and sent to Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, the son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us see one another in the face.[p]

18 And Joash king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, The [13]thistle that *was* in Lebanon sent to the cedar that *was* in Lebanon, saying, Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by [14]a wild beast that *was* in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle.

19 Thou sayest, Lo, thou hast smitten the Edomites; and thine heart lifteth thee up to boast: abide now at home; why shouldest thou meddle to *thine* hurt, that thou shouldest fall, *even* thou, and Judah with thee?

BEFORE CHRIST 840

j Numb. i. 3.

a Matt. xxiii. 35; Acts vii. 58, 59

1 Heb. *in the revolution of the year*

2 Heb. *Darmesek*

b 2 Kings xii. 17.

8 Heb. *band.*

k Prov. x. 22

c ch. xxii. 8; Lev. xxvi. 8, 25; Deut. xxviii. 25; xxxii. 30; Isa. x. 5; xxx. 17.

9 Heb. *to their place.*

10 Heb. *in heat of anger*

d ver 21; 2 Kings xii. 20

l 2 Kings xiv. 7

3 Or, *Jozachar*, 2 Kings xii. 21

4 Or, *Shomer.*

5 Heb. *founding*

11 Heb. *the sons of the band.*

6 Or, *commentary*

e 2 Kings xii. 18, 21

m ch. xxviii. 23; Exod. xx. 5.

n ver 11, Ps. xcvi. 5

f 2 Kings xiv. 1, &c.

12 Heb. *counselled.*

o 1 Sam. ii. 25

g ver 14, 2 Kings xiv. 4

7 Heb. *confirmed upon him.*

h 2 Kings xiv. 5, &c.

p 2 Kings xiv. 8, 9, &c.

13 Or, *furze-bush*, or, *thorn.*

14 Heb. *a beast of the field.*

i Deut. xxiv. 16; 2 Kings xiv. 6; Jer. xxxi. 30; Ezek. xviii. 20.

20 But Amaziah would not hear; for it *came* of God, that he might deliver them into the hand *of their enemies*, because they sought after the gods of Edom.[e]

21 So Joash the king of Israel went up; and they saw one another in the face, *both* he and Amaziah king of Judah, at Beth-shemesh, which *belongeth* to Judah.

22 And Judah was [1]put to the worse before Israel, and they fled every man to his tent.

23 And Joash the king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah, the son of Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, at Beth-shemesh, and brought him to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim to [2]the corner gate, four hundred cubits.[h]

24 And *he took* all the gold and the silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of God with Obed-edom, and the treasures of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria.

25 ¶ And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Josah son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years.[e]

26 Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, first and last, behold, *are* they not written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel?

27 ¶ Now after the time that Amaziah did turn [3]away from following the LORD they [4]made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him, and slew him there.

28 And they brought him upon horses, and buried him with his fathers in the city of [5]Judah.

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *Uzziah succeeding, and reigning well in the days of Zechariah, prospereth.* 16 *Waxing proud, he invadeth the priest's office, and is smitten with leprosy.* 22 *He dieth, and Jotham succeedeth him.*

THEN all the people of Judah took [6]Uzziah, who *was* sixteen years old, and made him king in the room of his father Amaziah.[d]

2 He built Eloth, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers.

3 Sixteen years old *was* Uzziah when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Jecoliah of Jerusalem.

4 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah did.

5 And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding [7]in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him to prosper.[e]

6 And he went forth and warred against the Philistines, and brake down the wall of Gath, and the wall of Jabneh, and the wall of Ashdod, and built cities [8]about Ashdod, and among the Philistines.

BEFORE CHRIST 827.

a ver. 14; ch. xxii 7; 1 Kings xii. 15.

f ch. xxi. 16.

9 Heb. *went.*

g ch. xvii. 11; 2 Sam viii 2.

1 Heb. *smitten.*

10 Or, *repaired.*

h 2 Kings xiv 13; Neh iii. 13, 19, 32; Zech. xiv. 10

11 Or, *cut out many cisterns*

7 And God helped him against the Philistines, and against the Arabians that dwelt in Gur-baal, and the Mehunims.[f]

8 And the Ammonites gave gifts to Uzziah: and his name [9]spread abroad *even* to the entering in of Egypt; for he strengthened *himself* exceedingly.[g]

9 Moreover Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the corner gate, and at the valley gate, and at the turning *of the wall*, and [10]fortified them.[h]

10 Also he built towers in the desert, and [11]digged



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many wells: for he had much cattle, both in the low country, and in the plains: husbandmen *also*, and vine dressers in the mountains, and in [12]Carmel: for he loved [13]husbandry.

11 Moreover Uzziah had an host of fighting men, that went out to war by bands, according to the number of their account by the hand of Jeiel the scribe and Maaseiah the ruler, under the hand of Hananiah, *one* of the king's captains.

12 The whole number of the chief of the fathers of the mighty men of valour *were* two thousand and six hundred.

13 And under their hand *was* [14]an army, three hundred thousand and seven thousand and five hundred, that made war with mighty power, to help the king against the enemy.

14 And Uzziah prepared for them throughout all the host shields, and spears, and helmets, and habergeons, and bows, and [15]slings *to cast* stones.

15 And he made in Jerusalem engines, invented by cunning men, to be on the towers and upon the bulwarks, to shoot arrows and great stones withal. And his name [16]spread far abroad; for he was marvellously helped, till he was strong.

16 ¶ But when he was strong, his heart was lifted up to *his* destruction: for he transgressed against the LORD his God, and went into the temple of the LORD to burn incense upon the altar of incense.[i]

17 And Azariah the priest went in after him, and with him fourscore priests of the LORD, *that were* valiant men:[j]

18 And they withstood Uzziah the king, and said

2 Heb *the gate of it that looketh*

b ch xxi 17

c 2 Kings xiv 17

3 Heb *from after*

4 Heb *conspired a conspiracy*

5 That is, *the city of David*, as it is 2 Kings xiv 20

12 Or, *fruitful fields*

13 Heb *ground.*

6 Or, *Azariah.*

d 2 Kings xiv 21, 22; xv 1, &c.

14 Heb *the power of an army.*

15 Heb *stones of slings*

16 Heb *went forth.*

7 Heb *in the seeing of God*

e ch. xxiv. 2; Gen. xli. 15; Dan. i. 17; ii. 19; x. 1.

i ch. xxv. 19; Deut. viii. 14; xxxii. 15.

j 1 Chron. vi. 10.

8 Or, *in the country of Ashdod.*



UZZIAH STRUCK WITH LEPROSY AFTER BURNING INCENSE UPON THE ALTAR.

unto him, *It appertaineth* not unto thee, Uzziah, to burn incense unto the LORD, but to the priests the sons of Aaron, that are consecrated to burn incense: go out of the sanctuary; for thou hast trespassed; neither *shall it be* for thine honour from the LORD God.[e]

19 Then Uzziah was wroth, and *had* a censer in his hand to burn incense: and while he was wroth with the priests, the leprosy even rose up in his forehead before the priests in the house of the LORD, from beside the incense altar.[f]

20 And Azariah the chief priest, and all the priests, looked upon him, and, behold, he *was* leprous in his forehead, and they thrust him out from thence; yea, himself hasted also to go out, because the LORD had smitten him.[g]

21 And Uzziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in a [1]several house, *being* a leper; for he was cut off from the house of the LORD: and Jotham his son *was* over the king's house, judging the people of the land.[h]

22 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Uzziah, first and last, did Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, write.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 810.

f 2 Kings xv. 7; Isa. vi. 1.

a Exod. xxx. 7, 8; Numb. xvi. 40, xviii. 7.

b Numb. xii. 10; 2 Kings v. 27.

c Esther vi. 12.

g 2 Kings xv. 32, &c.

1 Heb. *free.*

d Lev. xiii. 46; Numb. v. 2; 2 Kings xv. 5.

h 2 Kings xv. 35.

e Isa. i. 1.

2 Or, *the tower*, ch. xxviii. 14; Neh. iii. 26.

23 So Uzziah slept with his fathers, and they buried him with his fathers in the field of the burial which *belonged* to the kings; for they said, He *is* a leper: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.[j]

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *Jotham reigning well prospereth.* 5 *He subdueth the Ammonites.* 7 *His reign.* 9 *Ahaz succeedeth him.*

JOTHAM *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also *was* Jerushah, the daughter of Zadok.[a]

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Uzziah did: howbeit he entered not into the temple of the LORD. And the people did yet corruptly.[b]

3 He built the high gate of the house of the LORD, and on the wall of [2]Ophel he built much.

4 Moreover he built cities in the mountains of Judah, and in the forests he built castles and towers.

5 ¶ He fought also with the king of the Ammonites, and prevailed against them. And the children of Ammon gave him the same year an hundred talents of silver, and ten thousand [1]measures of wheat, and ten thousand of barley. [2]So much did the children of Ammon pay unto him, both the second year, and the third.

6 So Jotham became mighty, because he [3]prepared his ways before the LORD his God.

7 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars, and his ways, lo, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.

8 He was five and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem.

9 ¶ And Jotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.[a]

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *Ahaz reigning very wickedly is greatly afflicted by the Syrians.* 6 *Judah being captivated by the Israelites is sent home by the counsel of Oded the prophet.* 16 *Ahaz sending for aid to Assyria is not helped thereby.* 22 *In his distress he groweth more idolatrous.* 26 *He dying, Hezekiah succeedeth him.*

AHAZ *was* twenty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: but he did not *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, like David his father:[b]

2 For he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and made also molten images for Baalim.[c]

3 Moreover he [4]burnt incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and burnt his children in the fire, after the abominations of the heathen whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.[d]

4 He sacrificed also and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

5 Wherefore the LORD his God delivered him into the hand of the king of Syria; and they smote him, and carried away a great multitude of them captives, and brought *them* to [5]Damascus. And he was also delivered into the hand of the king of Israel, who smote him with a great slaughter.[e]

6 ¶ For Pekah the son of Remaliah slew in Judah an hundred and twenty thousand in one day, *which were* all [6]valiant men; because they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers.[f]

7 And Zichri, a mighty man of Ephraim, slew Maaseiah the king's son, and Azrikam the governor of the house, and Elkanah *that was* [7]next to the king.

8 And the children of Israel carried away captive of their brethren two hundred thousand, women, sons, and daughters, and took also away much spoil from them, and brought the spoil to Samaria.[g]

9 But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name *was* Oded: and he went out before the host that came to Samaria, and said unto them, Behold, because the LORD God of your fathers was wroth with Judah, he hath delivered them into your hand, and ye have slain them in a rage *that* reacheth up unto heaven.[h]

10 And now ye purpose to keep under the children of Judah and Jerusalem for bondmen and bondwomen unto you: *but are there* not with you, even with you, sins against the LORD your God?[i]

11 Now hear me therefore, and deliver the captives again, which ye have taken captive of your brethren: for the fierce wrath of the LORD *is* upon you.[j]

12 Then certain of the heads of the children of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, and Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against them that came from the war,

13 And said unto them, Ye shall not bring in the captives hither: for whereas we have offended against the LORD *already*, ye intend to add *more* to our sins and to our trespass: for our trespass is great, and *there is* fierce wrath against Israel.

14 So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the congregation.

15 And the men which were expressed by name rose up, and took the captives, and with the spoil clothed all that were naked among them, and arrayed them, and shod them, and gave them to eat and to drink, and anointed them, and carried all the feeble of them upon asses, and brought them to Jericho, the city of palm trees, to their brethren; then they returned to Samaria.[k]

16 ¶ At that time did king Ahaz send unto the kings of Assyria to help him.[l]

17 For again the Edomites had come and smitten Judah, and carried away [8]captives.

18 The Philistines also had invaded the cities of the low country, and of the south of Judah, and had taken Beth-shemesh, and Ajalon, and Gederoth, and Shocho with the villages thereof, and Timnah with the villages thereof, Gimzo also and the villages thereof: and they dwelt there.[m]

19 For the LORD brought Judah low because of Ahaz king of Israel; for he made Judah naked, and transgressed sore against the LORD.

20 And Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria came unto him, and distressed him, but strengthened him not.[n]

21 For Ahaz took away a portion *out* of the house of the LORD, and *out* of the house of the king, and of the princes, and gave *it* unto the king of Assyria: but he helped him not.

22 ¶ And in the time of his distress did he trespass yet more against the LORD: this *is that* king Ahaz.

23 For he sacrificed unto the gods of [9]Damascus, which smote him: and he said, Because the gods of the kings of Syria help them, *therefore* will I sacrifice to them, that they may help me. But they were the ruin of him, and of all Israel.[o]

24 And Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the house of God, and cut in pieces the vessels of the house of God, and shut up the doors of the house of the LORD, and he made him altars in every corner of Jerusalem.[p]

25 And in every several city of Judah he made

BEFORE CHRIST 758.

a 2 Kings xv 38

b 2 Kings xvi. 2.

c Exod. xxxiv 17; Lev. xix. 4; Judg ii. 11.

4 Or, *offered sacrifice.*

d ch xxxiii 6; Lev xviii 21, 2 Kings xvi 3; xxiii. 10

5 Heb *Darmesek*

e 2 Kings xvi. 5, 6; Isa. vii. 1.

6 Heb *sons of valour.*

f 2 Kings xv 27

7 Heb *the second to the king*

g ch. xi. 4.

h Ezra ix. 6; Ps. lxix. 26; Isa. x. 5; xlvii. 6; Ezek. xxv 12, 15; xxvi. 2; Obad. 10, &c.; Zech. i. 15.

1 The "measure" was a cor, which was equal to that of a homer.

2 Heb. *This.*

i Lev. xxv. 39, 42, 43, 46.

3 Or, *established.*

j James ii. 13.

k Deut. xxxiv 3, Judg i. 16, 2 Kings vi. 22, Prov. xxv 21, 22; Luke vi. 27, Rom. xii 20

l 2 Kings xvi 7

8 Heb. *a captivity.*

m Ezek. xvi. 27, 57.

n 2 Kings xv 29; xvi 7—9.

9 Heb *Darmesek*

o ch. xxv. 14; Jer. xliv. 17, 18.

p ch xxix. 3, 7.



THE CAPTIVES OF JUDAH BEING SENT HOME BY THE COUNSEL OF ODED THE PROPHET.

high places [1]to burn incense unto other gods, and provoked to anger the LORD God of his fathers.

26 ¶ Now the rest of his acts and of all his ways, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.[a]

27 And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city, *even* in Jerusalem: but they brought him not into the sepulchres of the kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *Hezekiah's good reign.* 3 *He restoreth religion.* 5 *He exhorteth the Levites.* 12 *They sanctify themselves, and cleanse the house of God.* 20 *Hezekiah offereth solemn sacrifices, wherein the Levites were more forward than the priests.*

HEZEKIAH began to reign *when he was* five and twenty years old, and he reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Abijah, the daughter of Zechariah.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 742

1 Or, *to offer*

a 2 Kings xvi 19, 20.

c ver. 7, ch xxviii 24.

d ch. xxxv. 6; 1 Chron. xv 12.

2 Heb. *given the neck.*

e Jer. ii 27; Ezek. viii. 16.

b ch xxvi. 5; 2 Kings xviii. 1.

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that David his father had done.

3 ¶ He in the first year of his reign, in the first month, opened the doors of the house of the LORD, and repaired them.[c]

4 And he brought in the priests and the Levites, and gathered them together into the east street,

5 And said unto them, Hear me, ye Levites, sanctify now yourselves, and sanctify the house of the LORD God of your fathers, and carry forth the filthiness out of the holy *place*.[d]

6 For our fathers have trespassed, and done *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD our God, and have forsaken him, and have turned away their faces from the habitation of the LORD, and [2]turned *their* backs.[e]

7 Also they have shut up the doors of the porch, and put out the lamps, and have not burned incense

nor offered burnt offerings in the holy *place* unto the God of Israel.[a]

8 Wherefore the wrath of the LORD was upon Judah and Jerusalem, and he hath delivered them to [1]trouble, to astonishment, and to hissing, as ye see with your eyes.[b]

9 For, lo, our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and our daughters and our wives *are* in captivity for this.[c]

10 Now *it is* in mine heart to make a covenant with the LORD God of Israel, that his fierce wrath may turn away from us.[d]

11 My sons, [2]be not now negligent: for the LORD hath chosen you to stand before him, to serve him, and that ye should minister unto him, and [3]burn incense.[e]

12 ¶ Then the Levites arose, Mahath the son of Amasai, and Joel the son of Azariah, of the sons of the Kohathites: and of the sons of Merari, Kish the son of Abdi, and Azariah the son of Jehalelel: and of the Gershonites; Joah the son of Zimmah, and Eden the son of Joah:

13 And of the sons of Elizaphan; Shimri, and Jeiel: and of the sons of Asaph; Zechariah, and Mattaniah:

14 And of the sons of Heman; Jehiel, and Shimei: and of the sons of Jeduthun; Shemaiah, and Uzziel.

15 And they gathered their brethren, and sanctified themselves, and came, according to the commandment of the king, [4]by the words of the LORD, to cleanse the house of the LORD.[f]

16 And the priests went into the inner part of the house of the LORD, to cleanse *it*, and brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of the LORD into the court of the house of the LORD. And the Levites took *it*, to carry *it* out abroad into the brook Kidron.

17 Now they began on the first *day* of the first month to sanctify, and on the eighth day of the month came they to the porch of the LORD: so they sanctified the house of the LORD in eight days; and in the sixteenth day of the first month they made an end.

18 Then they went in to Hezekiah the king, and said, We have cleansed all the house of the LORD, and the altar of burnt offering, with all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread table, with all the vessels thereof.

19 Moreover all the vessels, which king Ahaz in his reign did cast away in his transgression, have we prepared and sanctified, and, behold, they *are* before the altar of the LORD.[g]

20 ¶ Then Hezekiah the king rose early, and gathered the rulers of the city, and went up to the house of the LORD.

21 And they brought seven bullocks, and seven rams, and seven lambs, and seven he goats, for a sin offering for the kingdom, and for the sanctuary, and for Judah. And he commanded the priests the sons of Aaron to offer *them* on the altar of the LORD.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 726.

[a] ch. xxviii. 24.

[1] Heb. *commotion.*

[b] Deut. xxviii. 25; 1 Kings ix. 8; Jer. xviii. 16; xix. 8; xxv. 9, 18; xxix. 18.

[c] Lev. viii. 14, 15, 19, 24; Heb. ix. 21.

[5] Heb. *near.*

[d] ch. xxviii. 5, 6, 8, 17.

[e] Lev. iv. 15, 24.

[d] ch. xv. 12.

[2] Or, *be not now deceived.*

[e] Lev. xiv. 20.

[3] Or, *offer sacrifice.*

[e] Numb. iii. 6; viii. 14; xviii. 2, 6.

[6] Heb. *by the hand of the LORD.*

[7] Heb. *by the hand of*

[f] ch. viii. 14; xxx. 12; 2 Sam. xxiv. 11; 1 Chron. xxiii. 5; xxv. 1, 6.

[m] Numb. x. 8, 10; 1 Chron. xv. 24, xvi. 6; xxiii. 5; Amos vi. 5.

[8] Heb. *in the time*

[9] Heb. *hands of instruments.*

[n] ch. xxiii. 18

[10] Heb. *song.*

[4] Or, *in the business of the LORD.*

[f] ver 5; ch xxx. 12, 1 Chron. xxiii. 28

[11] Heb *found*

[o] ch xx 18

[12] Or, *filled your hand.*

[p] ch xiii. 9; Lev. vii. 12.

[g] ch. xxviii. 24.

[13] Heb. *strengthened them.*

[q] ch. xxx. 3; xxxv. 11; Ps. vii. 10.

[h] Lev. iv. 3, 14.

[r] Lev. iii. 16; Numb. xv. 5, 7, 10

22 So they killed the bullocks, and the priests received the blood, and sprinkled *it* on the altar: likewise, when they had killed the rams, they sprinkled the blood upon the altar: they killed also the lambs, and they sprinkled the blood upon the altar.[i]

23 And they brought [5]forth the he goats *for* the sin offering before the king and the congregation; and they laid their hands upon them:[j]

24 And the priests killed them, and they made reconciliation with their blood upon the altar, to make an atonement for all Israel: for the king commanded *that* the burnt offering and the sin offering *should be made* for all Israel.[k]

25 And he set the Levites in the house of the LORD with cymbals, with psalteries, and with harps, according to the commandment of David, and of Gad the king's seer, and Nathan the prophet: for *so was* the commandment [6]of the LORD [7]by his prophets.[l]

26 And the Levites stood with the instruments of David, and the priests with the trumpets.[m]

27 And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering upon the altar. And [8]when the burnt offering began, the song of the LORD began *also* with the trumpets, and with the [9]instruments ordained by David king of Israel.[n]

28 And all the congregation worshipped, and the [10]singers sang, and the trumpets sounded: *and* all *this continued* until the burnt offering was finished.

29 And when they had made an end of offering, the king and all that were [11]present with him bowed themselves, and worshipped.[o]

30 Moreover Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites to sing praise unto the LORD with the words of David, and of Asaph the seer. And they sang praises with gladness, and they bowed their heads and worshipped.

31 Then Hezekiah answered and said, Now ye have [12]consecrated yourselves unto the LORD, come near and bring sacrifices and thank offerings into the house of the LORD. And the congregation brought in sacrifices and thank offerings; and as many as were of a free heart burnt offerings.[p]

32 And the number of the burnt offerings, which the congregation brought, was threescore and ten bullocks, an hundred rams, *and* two hundred lambs: all these *were* for a burnt offering to the LORD.

33 And the consecrated things *were* six hundred oxen and three thousand sheep.

34 But the priests were too few, so that they could not flay all the burnt offerings: wherefore their brethren the Levites [13]did help them, till the work was ended, and until the *other* priests had sanctified themselves: for the Levites *were* more upright in heart to sanctify themselves than the priests.[q]

35 And also the burnt offerings *were* in abundance, with the fat of the peace offerings, and the drink offerings for *every* burnt offering. So the service of the house of the LORD was set in order.[r]



THE PRIESTS BLESSING THE PEOPLE AFTER THE RESTORATION OF THE TEMPLE SERVICES.

36 And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the people, that God had prepared the people: for the thing was *done* suddenly.

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *Hezekiah proclaimeth a solemn passover on the second month for Judah and Israel.* 13 *The assembly, having destroyed the altars of idolatry, keep the feast fourteen days.* 27 *The priests and Levites bless the people.*

AND Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah, and wrote letters also to Ephraim and Manasseh, that they should come to the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, to keep the passover unto the LORD God of Israel.

2 For the king had taken counsel, and his princes, and all the congregation in Jerusalem, to keep the passover in the second month.[a]

3 For they could not keep it at that time, because the priests had not sanctified themselves sufficiently, neither had the people gathered themselves together to Jerusalem.[b]

4 And the thing [1]pleased the king and all the congregation.

5 So they established a decree to make proclamation throughout all Israel, from Beer-sheba even to Dan, that they should come to keep the passover unto the LORD God of Israel at Jerusalem: for they had not done *it* of a long *time in such sort* as it was written.

BEFORE CHRIST 726

2 Heb *from the hand*

c 2 Kings xv 19, 29, Jer iv 1, Joel ii. 13

d ch xxix 8, Ezek. xx. 18

3 Heb *harden not your necks.*

4 Heb. *give the hand.*

a Numb ix 10, 11.

e ch xxix. 10; Deut. x 16; 1 Chron xxix 24, Ezra x. 19

b ch xxix 34, Exod xii. 6, 18.

1 Heb. *was right in the eyes of the king.*

f Exod xxxiv 6, Ps. cvi. 46, Isa. lv. 7.

6 So the posts went with the letters [2]from the king and his princes throughout all Israel and Judah, and according to the commandment of the king, saying, Ye children of Israel, turn again unto the LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and he will return to the remnant of you, that are escaped out of the hand of the kings of Assyria.[c]

7 And be not ye like your fathers, and like your brethren, which trespassed against the LORD God of their fathers, *who* therefore gave them up to desolation, as ye see.[d]

8 Now [3]be ye not stiffnecked, as your fathers *were*, *but* [4]yield yourselves unto the LORD, and enter into his sanctuary, which he hath sanctified for ever: and serve the LORD your God, that the fierceness of his wrath may turn away from you.[e]

9 For if ye turn again unto the LORD, your brethren and your children *shall find* compassion before them that lead them captive, so that they shall come again into this land: for the LORD your God *is* gracious and merciful, and will not turn away *his* face from you, if ye return unto him.[f]

10 So the posts passed from city to city through the country of Ephraim and Manasseh even unto

Zebulun: but they laughed them to scorn, and mocked them.[a]

11 Nevertheless divers of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselves, and came to Jerusalem.[b]

12 Also in Judah the hand of God was to give them one heart to do the commandment of the king and of the princes, by the word of the LORD.[c]

13 ¶ And there assembled at Jerusalem much people to keep the feast of unleavened bread in the second month, a very great congregation.

14 And they arose and took away the altars that *were* in Jerusalem, and all the altars for incense took they away, and cast *them* into the brook Kidron.[d]

15 Then they killed the passover on the fourteenth *day* of the second month: and the priests and the Levites were ashamed, and sanctified themselves, and brought in the burnt offerings into the house of the LORD.[e]

16 And they stood in [1]their place after their manner, according to the law of Moses the man of God: the priests sprinkled the blood, *which they received* of the hand of the Levites.

17 For *there were* many in the congregation that were not sanctified: therefore the Levites had the charge of the killing of the passovers for every one *that was* not clean, to sanctify *them* unto the LORD.[f]

18 For a multitude of the people, *even* many of Ephraim, and Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet did they eat the passover otherwise than it was written. But Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, The good LORD pardon every one[g]

19 *That* prepareth his heart to seek God, the LORD God of his fathers, though *he be* not *cleansed* according to the purification of the sanctuary.[h]

20 And the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah, and healed the people.

21 And the children of Israel that were [2]present at Jerusalem kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with great gladness: and the Levites and the priests praised the LORD day by day, *singing* with [3]loud instruments unto the LORD.[i]

22 And Hezekiah spake [4]comfortably unto all the Levites that taught the good knowledge of the LORD: and they did eat throughout the feast seven days, offering peace offerings, and making confession to the LORD God of their fathers.[j]

23 And the whole assembly took counsel to keep other seven days: and they kept *other* seven days with gladness.[k]

24 For Hezekiah king of Judah [5]did give to the congregation a thousand bullocks and seven thousand sheep; and the princes gave to the congregation a thousand bullocks and ten thousand sheep: and a great number of priests sanctified themselves.[l]

25 And all the congregation of Judah, with the priests and the Levites, and all the congregation that came out of Israel, and the strangers that came out of the land of Israel, and that dwelt in Judah, rejoiced.[m]

26 So there was great joy in Jerusalem: for since the time of Solomon the son of David king of Israel *there was* not the like in Jerusalem.

27 ¶ Then the priests the Levites arose and blessed the people: and their voice was heard, and their prayer came *up* to [6]his holy dwelling place, *even* unto heaven.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 726.

a ch. xxxvi. 16.

b vs. 18, 21; ch. xi. 16.
6 Heb. *the habitation of his holiness.*
n Numb. vi. 23; Ps. lxviii. 5.

c ch. xxix. 25; Phil ii. 13.

7 Heb. *found.*

d ch. xxviii. 24.
8 Heb. *statues.*

e ch. xxix. 34.

1 Heb. *their standing.*
9 Heb *until to make an end.*

o ch xxx 14, 2 Kings xviii. 4.

f ch xxix. 34

p 1 Chron. xxiii. 6, 30, 31.

g ver 11; Exod xii 43, &c
q Numb xxviii, xxix

h ch xix. 3

r Numb xviii 8, &c, Neh xiii 10, Mal iii 7

2 Heb *found.*
10 Heb *brake forth.*
11 Or, *dates*

3 Heb *instruments of strength*

i Exod xii. 15, xiii 6
s Exod xxii 29, Neh xiii 12

4 Heb *to the heart of all, &c.*

j ch xvii 9, xxxv 3, Deut. xxxiii 10, Ezra x 11, Isa. xl. 2
12 Heb *heaps, heaps.*
t Lev xxvii 30, Deut. xiv. 28.

k 1 Kings viii. 65

5 Heb *lifted up*, or, *offered.*

l ch xxix. 34; xxxv 7, 8

m vs. 11, 18.
u Mal. iii. 10.
13 Or, *storehouses*

CHAPTER XXXI.

1 *The people is forward in destroying idolatry.* 2 *Hezekiah ordereth the courses of the priests and Levites, and provideth for their work and maintenance.* 5 *The people's forwardness in offerings and tithes.* 11 *Hezekiah appointeth officers to dispose of the tithes.* 20 *The sincerity of Hezekiah.*



NOW when all this was finished, all Israel that were [7]present went out to the cities of Judah, and brake the [8]images in pieces, and cut down the groves, and threw down the high places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, [9]until they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to his possession, into their own cities.[o]

2 ¶ And Hezekiah appointed the courses of the priests and the Levites after their courses, every man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and for peace offerings, to minister, and to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the tents of the LORD.[p]

3 *He appointed* also the king's portion of his substance for the burnt offerings, *to wit*, for the morning and evening burnt offerings, and the burnt offerings for the sabbaths, and for the new moons, and for the set feasts, as *it is* written in the law of the LORD.[q]

4 Moreover he commanded the people that dwelt in Jerusalem to give the portion of the priests and the Levites, that they might be encouraged in the law of the LORD.[r]

5 ¶ And as soon as the commandment [10]came abroad, the children of Israel brought in abundance the firstfruits of corn, wine, and oil, and [11]honey, and of all the increase of the field; and the tithe of all *things* brought they in abundantly.[s]

6 And *concerning* the children of Israel and Judah, that dwelt in the cities of Judah, they also brought in the tithe of oxen and sheep, and the tithe of holy things which were consecrated unto the LORD their God, and laid *them* [12]by heaps.[t]

7 In the third month they began to lay the foundation of the heaps, and finished *them* in the seventh month.

8 And when Hezekiah and the princes came and saw the heaps, they blessed the LORD, and his people Israel.

9 Then Hezekiah questioned with the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps.

10 And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and said, Since *the people* began to bring the offerings into the house of the LORD, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty: for the LORD hath blessed his people; and that which is left *is* this great store.[u]

11 ¶ Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare [13]cham-

bers in the house of the LORD; and they prepared *them,*

12 And brought in the offerings and the tithes and the dedicated *things* faithfully: over which Cononiah the Levite *was* ruler, and Shimei his brother *was* the next.[a]

13 And Jehiel, and Azaziah, and Nahath, and Asahel, and Jerimoth, and Jozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah, *were* overseers [1]under the hand of Cononiah and Shimei his brother, at the commandment of Hezekiah the king, and Azariah the ruler of the house of God.

14 And Kore the son of Imnah the Levite, the porter toward the east, *was* over the freewill offerings of God, to distribute the oblations of the LORD, and the most holy things.

15 And [2]next him *were* Eden, and Miniamin, and Jeshua, and Shemaiah, Amariah, and Shecaniah, in the cities of the priests, in *their* [3]set office, to give to their brethren by courses, as well to the great as to the small:[b]

16 Beside their genealogy of males, from three years old and upward, *even* unto every one that entereth into the house of the LORD, his daily portion for their service in their charges according to their courses;[c]

17 Both to the genealogy of the priests by the house of their fathers, and the Levites from twenty years old and upward, in their charges by their courses;[d]

18 And to the genealogy of all their little ones, their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, through all the congregation: for in their [4]set office they sanctified themselves in holiness:

19 Also of the sons of Aaron the priests, *which were* in the fields of the suburbs of their cities, in every several city, the men that were expressed by name, to give portions to all the males among the priests, and to all that were reckoned by genealogies among the Levites.[e]

20 ¶ And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and wrought *that which was* good and right and truth before the LORD his God.[f]

21 And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he did *it* with all his heart, and prospered.

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 *Sennacherib invading Judah, Hezekiah fortifieth himself, and encourageth his people.* 9 *Against the blasphemies of Sennacherib, by message and letters, Hezekiah and Isaiah pray.* 21 *An angel destroyeth the host of the Assyrians, to the glory of Hezekiah.* 24 *Hezekiah praying in his sickness, God giveth him a sign of recovery.* 25 *He waxing proud is humbled by God.* 27 *His wealth and works.* 31 *His error in the ambassage of Babylon.* 32 *He dying, Manasseh succeedeth him.*

AFTER these things, and the establishment thereof, Sennacherib king of Assyria came, and entered into Judah, and encamped against the fenced cities, and thought [5]to win them for himself.[f]

2 And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib was come, and that [6]he was purposed to fight against Jerusalem,

3 He took counsel with his princes and his mighty men to stop the waters of the fountains which *were* without the city: and they did help him.

4 So there was gathered much people together, who stopped all the fountains, and the brook that [7]ran through the midst of the land, saying, Why should the kings of Assyria come, and find much water?

5 Also he strengthened himself, and built up all the wall that was broken, and raised *it* up to the towers, and another wall without, and repaired Millo *in* the city of David, and made [8]darts and shields in abundance.[g]

6 And he set captains of war over the people, and gathered them together to him in the street of the gate of the city, and [9]spake comfortably to them, saying,[h]

7 Be strong and courageous, be not afraid nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that *is* with him: for *there be* more with us than with him:[i]

8 With him *is* an arm of flesh; but with us *is* the LORD our God to help us, and to fight our battles. And the people [10]rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.[j]

9 ¶ After this did Sennacherib king of Assyria send his servants to Jerusalem, (but he *himself laid siege* against Lachish, and all his [11]power with him,) unto Hezekiah king of Judah, and unto all Judah that *were* at Jerusalem, saying,[k]

10 Thus saith Sennacherib king of Assyria, Whereon do ye trust, that ye abide [12]in the siege in Jerusalem?[l]

11 Doth not Hezekiah persuade you to give over yourselves to die by famine and by thirst, saying, The LORD our God shall deliver us out of the hand of the king of Assyria?[m]

12 Hath not the same Hezekiah taken away his high places and his altars, and commanded Judah and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall worship before one altar, and burn incense upon it?[n]

13 Know ye not what I and my fathers have done unto all the people of *other* lands? were the gods of the nations of those lands any ways able to deliver their lands out of mine hand?[o]

14 Who *was there* among all the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly destroyed, that could deliver his people out of mine hand, that your God should be able to deliver you out of mine hand?

15 Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you on this manner, neither yet believe him: for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you out of mine hand?[p]

16 And his servants spake yet *more* against the LORD God, and against his servant Hezekiah.

17 He wrote also letters to rail on the LORD God of Israel, and to speak against him, saying, As the gods of the nations of *other* lands have not delivered their people out of mine hand, so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliver his people out of mine hand.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 713.

6 Heb. *his face was to war.*

a Neh xiii. 13

7 Heb. *overflowed.*

1 Heb. *at the hand.*

8 Or, *swords*, or, *weapons*

g ch. xxv 23, 2 Sam. v 9; 1 Kings ix. 24, Isa. xxii. 9, 10.

2 Heb *at his hand*

9 Heb *spake to their heart*

h ch xxx. 22, Isa xl. 2

3 Or, *trust*

b Josh xxi 9, 1 Chron. ix. 22

i ch xx 15; Deut xxxi 6, 2 Kings vi. 16.

10 Heb *leaned.*

j ch xiii 12, Jer. xvii. 5, Rom viii. 31; 1 John iv 4.

11 Heb. *dominion*

c 1 Chron. xxiii. 24, 27

k 2 Kings xviii 17

4 Or, *trust.*

12 Or, *in the strong-hold*

l 2 Kings xviii 19.

m 2 Kings xviii. 30

d vs. 12—15, Lev xxv 34, Numb xxxv 2

n 2 Kings xviii 22

e 2 Kings xx 3

o 2 Kings xviii 33—35.

p 2 Kings xviii 29

5 Heb *to break them up*

f 2 Kings xviii. 13, &c.; Isa. xxxvi. 1, &c.

q 2 Kings xix. 9, 12.



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18 Then they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' speech unto the people of Jerusalem that *were* on the wall, to affright them, and to trouble them; that they might take the city.[a]

19 And they spake against the God of Jerusalem, as against the gods of the people of the earth, *which were* the work of the hands of man.[b]

20 And for this *cause* Hezekiah the king, and the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz, prayed and cried to heaven.

21 ¶ And the LORD sent an angel, which cut off all the mighty men of valour, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his own land. And when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own bowels [1]slew him there with the sword.[c]

22 Thus the LORD saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all *other*, and guided them on every side.

BEFORE CHRIST 713

2 Heb *precious things*

a 2 Kings xviii. 26—28
d ch. i. 1, xvii. 5

b 2 Kings xix. 2, 4, 15, 18
3 Or, *wrought a miracle for him.*
e 2 Kings xx. 1, Isa. xxxviii. 1.

f ch. xxiv. 18, xxvi. 16; Ps. cxvi. 12; Hab. ii. 4

4 Heb *the lifting up*

1 Heb. *made him fall.*
g 2 Kings xx. 19, Jer. xxvi. 18, 19.
c 2 Kings xix. 35, &c.

5 Heb. *instruments of desire.*

23 And many brought gifts unto the LORD to Jerusalem, and [2]presents to Hezekiah king of Judah: so that he was magnified in the sight of all nations from thenceforth.[d]

24 ¶ In those days Hezekiah was sick to the death, and prayed unto the LORD: and he spake unto him, and he [3]gave him a sign.[e]

25 But Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit *done* unto him; for his heart was lifted up: therefore there was wrath upon him, and upon Judah and Jerusalem.[f]

26 Notwithstanding Hezekiah [4]humbled himself for [4]the pride of his heart, *both* he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of the LORD came not upon them in the days of Hezekiah.[g]

27 ¶ And Hezekiah had exceeding much riches and honour: and he made himself treasuries for silver, and for gold, and for precious stones, and for spices, and for shields, and for all manner of [5]pleasant jewels;

28 Storehouses also for the increase of corn, and

wine, and oil; and stalls for all manner of beasts, and cotes for flocks.

29 Moreover he provided him cities, and possessions of flocks and herds in abundance: for God had given him substance very much.

30 This same Hezekiah also stopped the upper watercourse of Gihon, and brought it straight down to the west side of the city of David. And Hezekiah prospered in all his works.[a]

31 ¶ Howbeit in *the business of* the ambassadors of the princes of Babylon, who sent unto him to enquire of the wonder that was *done* in the land, God left him, to try him, that he might know all *that was* in his heart.[b]

32 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and his goodness, behold, they *are* written in the vision of Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, *and* in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.[c]

33 And Hezekiah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the [1]chiefest of the sepulchres of the sons of David: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem did him honour at his death. And Manasseh his son reigned in his stead.[d]

CHAPTER XXXIII.

1 *Manasseh's wicked reign.* 3 *He setteth up idolatry, and would not be admonished.* 11 *He is carried into Babylon.* 12 *Upon his prayer to God he is released, and putteth down idolatry.* 18 *His acts* 20 *He dying, Amon succeedeth him.* 21 *Amon reigning wickedly is slain by his servants.* 25 *The murderers being slain, Josiah succeedeth him.*

MANASSEH *was* twelve years old when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem:[e]

2 But did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, like unto the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.[f]

3 ¶ For [2]he built again the high places which Hezekiah his father had broken down, and he reared up altars for Baalim, and made groves, and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them.[g]

4 Also he built altars in the house of the LORD, whereof the LORD had said, In Jerusalem shall my name be for ever.[h]

5 And he built altars for all the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD.[i]

6 And he caused his children to pass through the fire in the valley of the son of Hinnom: also he observed times, and used enchantments, and used witchcraft, and dealt with a familiar spirit, and with wizards: he wrought much evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.[j]

7 And he set a carved image, the idol which he had made, in the house of God, of which God had said to David and to Solomon his son, In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen before all the tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever:[k]

8 Neither will I any more remove the foot of Israel from out of the land which I have appointed for your fathers; so that they will take heed to do all that I have commanded them, according to the whole law and the statutes and the ordinances by the hand of Moses.[l]

9 So Manasseh made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to err, *and* to do worse than the heathen, whom the LORD had destroyed before the children of Israel.

10 And the LORD spake to Manasseh, and to his people: but they would not hearken.

11 ¶ Wherefore the LORD brought upon them the captains of the host [3]of the king of Assyria, which took Manasseh among the thorns, and bound him with [4]fetters, and carried him to Babylon.[m]

12 And when he was in affliction, he besought the LORD his God, and humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers,[n]

13 And prayed unto him: and he was intreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the LORD he *was* God.[o]

14 Now after this he built a wall without the city of David, on the west side of Gihon, in the valley, even to the entering in at the fish gate, and compassed about [5]Ophel, and raised it up a very great height, and put captains of war in all the fenced cities of Judah.[p]

15 And he took away the strange gods, and the idol out of the house of the LORD, and all the altars that he had built in the mount of the house of the LORD, and in Jerusalem, and cast *them* out of the city.[q]

16 And he repaired the altar of the LORD, and sacrificed thereon peace offerings and thank offerings, and commanded Judah to serve the LORD God of Israel.[r]

17 Nevertheless the people did sacrifice still in the high places, *yet* unto the LORD their God only.[s]

18 ¶ Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and his prayer unto his God, and the words of the seers that spake to him in the name of the LORD God of Israel, behold, they *are written* in the book of the kings of Israel.[t]

19 His prayer also, and *how God* was intreated of him, and all his sins, and his trespass, and the places wherein he built high places, and set up groves and graven images, before he was humbled: behold, they *are* written among the sayings of [6]the seers.

20 ¶ So Manasseh slept with his fathers, and they buried him in his own house: and Amon his son reigned in his stead.[u]

21 ¶ Amon *was* two and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned two years in Jerusalem.[v]

22 But he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD, as did Manasseh his father: for Amon sacrificed unto all the carved images which Manasseh his father had made, and served them;

23 And humbled not himself before the LORD, as Manasseh his father had humbled himself; but Amon [7]trespassed more and more.[w]

24 And his servants conspired against him, and slew him in his own house.[x]

25 ¶ But the people of the land slew all them that had conspired against king Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead.[y]

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

l 2 Sam vii 10

a Isa xxii 9, 11

3 Heb *which were the king's.*

4 Or, *chains*

m Deut xxviii 36, Job xxxvi 8, Ps. cvii. 10, 11

b Deut. viii 2, 2 Kings xx. 12, Isa. xxxix. 1.

n 1 Peter v 6

c 2 Kings xviii—xx, Isa. xxxvi.—xxxix.

1 Or, *highest*

o 1 Chron. v 20, Ezra viii 23, Ps ix. 16; Dan. iv 25

d 2 Kings xx. 21, Prov x 7

b Or, *the tower*

p ch xxvii 3, 1 Kings i 33.

q vs 3, 5, 7.

e 2 Kings xxi. 1, &c.

r Lev. vii 12

s ch xxxii 12.

f Deut xviii 9; 2 Chron xxviii 3.

2 Heb. *he returned and built.*

t 1 Sam ix 9

g ch xxx 14; xxxi. 1; xxxii 12, Deut xvi 21, xvii. 3, 2 Kings xviii 4

6 Or, *Hosai*

h ch vi 6, vii 16, Deut xii 11, 1 Kings viii 29, ix 3

i ch iv 9

u 2 Kings xxi 18.

v 2 Kings xxi 19, &c

j ch xxviii 3; Lev. xviii 21, Deut. xviii 10, 11; 2 Kings xxi 6; xxiii. 10, Ezek. xxiii. 37, 39.

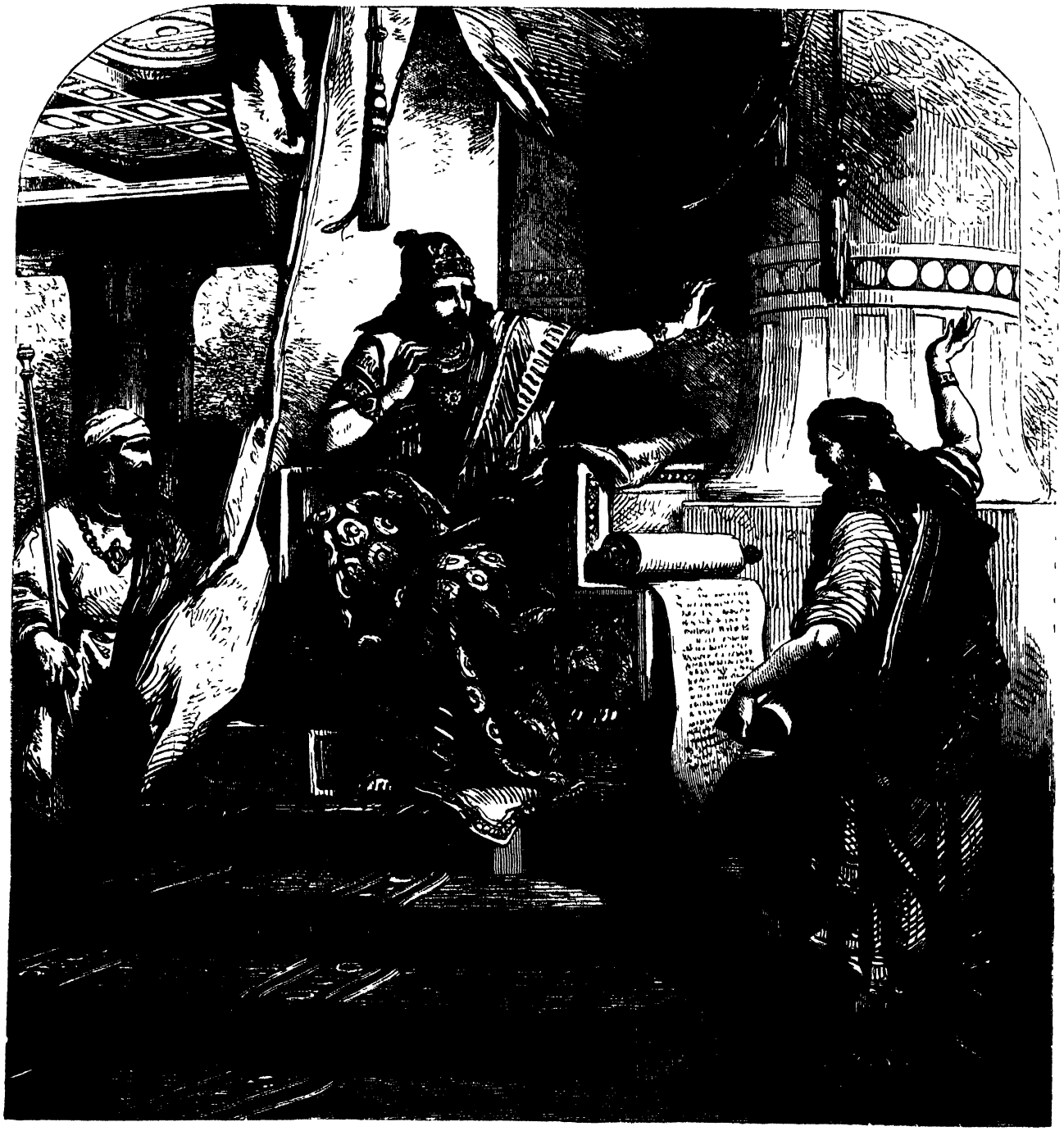
7 Heb *multiplied trespass*

w ver 12.

k 2 Kings xxi. 7; Ps cxxxii. 14

x 2 Kings xxi. 23.

y 2 Kings xxi. 24



SHAPHAN READING THE BOOK OF THE LAW BEFORE KING JOSIAH.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *Josiah's good reign.* 3 *He destroyeth idolatry.* 8 *He taketh order for the repair of the temple.* 14 *Hilkiah having found a book of the law, Josiah sendeth to Huldah to enquire of the Lord.* 23 *Huldah propheseth the destruction of Jerusalem, but respite thereof in Josiah's time.* 29 *Josiah, causing it to be read in a solemn assembly, reneweth the covenant with God.*

JOSIAH *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem one and thirty years.[a]

2 And he did *that which was* right in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the ways of David his father, and declined *neither* to the right hand, nor to the left.

BEFORE CHRIST 698

b ch xv 2, xxxiii. 17, 22, 1 Kings xiii 2

1 Or, *sun images.*

a 2 Kings xxii 1, &c.

2 Heb *face of the graves*

c Lev. xxvi. 30; 2 Kings xxiii. 4.

d 1 Kings xiii 2.

3 Or, *mauls.*

3 ¶ For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young, he began to seek after the God of David his father: and in the twelfth year he began to purge Judah and Jerusalem from the high places, and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images.[b]

4 And they brake down the altars of Baalim in his presence; and the [1]images, that *were* on high above them, he cut down; and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images, he brake in pieces, and made dust *of them*, and strowed *it* upon the [2]graves of them that had sacrificed unto them.[c]

5 And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem.[d]

6 And *so did he* in the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon, even unto Naphtali, with their [3]mattocks round about.

7 And when he had broken down the altars and the groves, and had beaten the graven images [1]into powder, and cut down all the idols throughout all the land of Israel, he returned to Jerusalem.[a]

8 ¶ Now in the eighteenth year of his reign, when he had purged the land, and the house, he sent Shaphan the son of Azaliah, and Maaseiah the governor of the city, and Joah the son of Joahaz the recorder, to repair the house of the LORD his God.[b]

9 And when they came to Hilkiah the high priest, they delivered the money that was brought into the house of God, which the Levites that kept the doors had gathered of the hand of Manasseh and Ephraim, and of all the remnant of Israel, and of all Judah and Benjamin; and they returned to Jerusalem.[c]

10 And they put *it* in the hand of the workmen that had the oversight of the house of the LORD, and they gave it to the workmen that wrought in the house of the LORD, to repair and amend the house:

11 Even to the artificers and builders gave they *it*, to buy hewn stone, and timber for couplings, and [2]to floor the houses which the kings of Judah had destroyed.

12 And the men did the work faithfully: and the overseers of them *were* Jahath and Obadiah, the Levites, of the sons of Merari; and Zechariah and Meshullam, of the sons of the Kohathites, to set *it* forward; and *other of* the Levites, all that could skill of instruments of musick.

13 Also *they were* over the bearers of burdens, and *were* overseers of all that wrought the work in any manner of service: and of the Levites *there were* scribes, and officers, and porters.[d]

14 ¶ And when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of the LORD, Hilkiah the priest found a book of the law of the LORD *given* [3]by Moses.[e]

15 And Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, I have found the book of the law in the house of the LORD. And Hilkiah delivered the book to Shaphan.

16 And Shaphan carried the book to the king, and brought the king word back again, saying, All that was committed [4]to thy servants, they do *it*.

17 And they have [5]gathered together the money that was found in the house of the LORD, and have delivered it into the hand of the overseers, and to the hand of the workmen.

18 Then Shaphan the scribe told the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath given me a book. And Shaphan read [6]it before the king.

19 And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the law, that he rent his clothes.

20 And the king commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and [7]Abdon the son of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a servant of the king's, saying,

21 Go, enquire of the LORD for me, and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah, concerning the words of the book that is found: for great *is* the wrath of the LORD that is poured out upon us, because our fathers have not kept the word of the LORD, to do after all that is written in this book.

22 And Hilkiah, and *they* that the king *had appointed*, went to Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvath, the son of [8]Hasrah, keeper of the [9]wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem [10]in the college:) and they spake to her to that *effect*.[f]

23 ¶ And she answered them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Tell ye the man that sent you to me,

24 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, *even* all the curses that are written in the book which they have read before the king of Judah:

25 Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be poured out upon this place, and shall not be quenched.

26 And as for the king of Judah, who sent you to enquire of the LORD, so shall ye say unto him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel *concerning* the words which thou hast heard;

27 Because thine heart was tender, and thou didst humble thyself before God, when thou heardest his words against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, and humbledst thyself before me, and didst rend thy clothes, and weep before me; I have even heard *thee* also, saith the LORD.

28 Behold, I will gather thee to thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered to thy grave in peace, neither shall thine eyes see all the evil that I will bring upon this place, and upon the inhabitants of the same. So they brought the king word again.

29 ¶ Then the king sent and gathered together all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem.[g]

30 And the king went up into the house of the LORD, and all the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the Levites, and all the people, [11]great and small: and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant that was found in the house of the LORD.

31 And the king stood in his place, and made a covenant before the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and to keep his commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this book.[h]

32 And he caused all that were [12]present in Jerusalem and Benjamin to stand *to it*. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the covenant of God, the God of their fathers.

33 And Josiah took away all the abominations out of all the countries that *pertained* to the children of Israel, and made all that were present in Israel to serve, *even* to serve the LORD their God. *And* all his days they departed not [13]from following the LORD, the God of their fathers.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 677.

1 Heb. *to make powder.*

a Deut. ix. 21

8 Or, *Harhas*

9 Heb. *garments*

10 Or, *in the school*, or, *in the second part*

f 2 Kings xxii. 14

b 2 Kings xxii. 3.

c 2 Kings xii 4, &c.

2 Or, *to rafter*

d 1 Chron xxiii. 4, 5

g 2 Kings xxiii 1, &c

3 Heb. *by the hand of*

e 2 Kings xxii 8, &c.

11 Heb *from great even to small*

4 Heb *to the hand of*

5 Heb *poured out*, or, *melted.*

h ch vi. 13; 2 Kings xi 14, xxiii 3

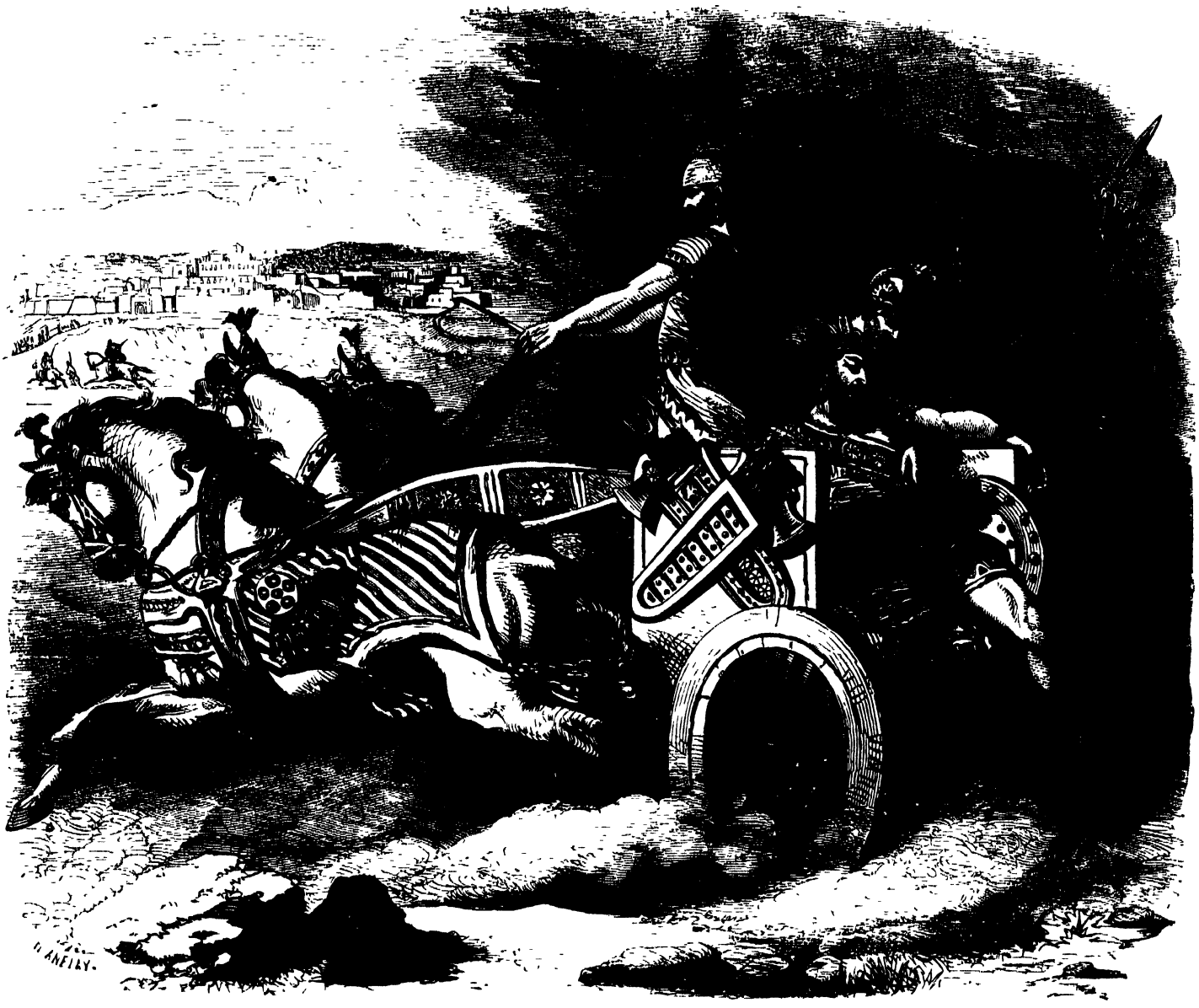
12 Heb *found.*

6 Heb *in it.*

7 Or, *Achbor*, 2 Kings xxii. 12

13 Heb. *from after.*

i 1 Kings xi 5; Jer. lii. 10.



DEATH OF JOSIAH

CHAPTER XXXV.

1 *Josiah keepeth a most solemn passover.* 20 *He, provoking Pharaoh-necho, is slain at Megiddo* 25 *Lamentations for Josiah.*

MOREOVER Josiah kept a passover unto the LORD in Jerusalem: and they killed the passover on the fourteenth *day* of the first month.[a]

2 And he set the priests in their charges, and encouraged them to the service of the house of the LORD,[b]

3 And said unto the Levites that taught all Israel, which were holy unto the LORD, Put the holy ark in the house which Solomon the son of David king of Israel did build; *it shall* not *be* a burden upon *your* shoulders: serve now the LORD your God, and his people Israel,[c]

4 And prepare *yourselves* by the houses of your fathers, after your courses, according to the writing of David king of Israel, and according to the writing of Solomon his son.[d]

5 And stand in the holy *place* according to the divisions of [1]the families of the fathers of your brethren [2]the people, and *after* the division of the families of the Levites.[e]

6 So kill the passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare your brethren, that *they* may do according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.[f]

7 And Josiah [3]gave to the people, of the flock, lambs and kids, all for the passover offerings, for all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks: these *were* of the king's substance.[g]

8 And his princes gave willingly unto the people, to the priests, and to the Levites: Hilkiah and Zechariah and Jehiel, rulers of the house of God, gave unto the priests for the passover offerings two thousand and six hundred *small cattle*, and three hundred oxen.

BEFORE CHRIST 624

d ch viii 14, 1 Chron ix. 10, xxiii, xxiv, xxv, xxvi

1 Heb *the house of the fathers*

2 Heb *the sons of the people*

e Ps cxxxiv 1

a Exod xii 6, Ezra vi 19, 2 Kings xxiii 21, 22

f ch xxix 5, 15, xxx 3, 15, Ezra vi. 20.

3 Heb *offered*

b ch xxiii 18, xxiv 5, 11, Ezra vi 18

g ch. xxx. 24.

c ch v. 7; xxx. 22; Deut. xxxiii. 10, 1 Chron. xxiii 26; Ezra vi. 18; Mal. ii. 7.

9 Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethaneel, his brethren, and Hashabiah and Jeiel and Jozabad, chief of the Levites, [1]gave unto the Levites for passover offerings five thousand *small cattle*, and five hundred oxen.

10 So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their place, and the Levites in their courses, according to the king's commandment.[a]

11 And they killed the passover, and the priests sprinkled *the blood* from their hands, and the Levites flayed *them*.[b]

12 And they removed the burnt offerings, that they might give according to the divisions of the families of the people, to offer unto the LORD, as *it is* written in the book of Moses. And so *did they* with the oxen.[c]

13 And they roasted the passover with fire according to the ordinance: but the *other* holy *offerings* sod they in pots, and in caldrons, and in pans, and [2]divided *them* speedily among all the people.[d]

14 And afterward they made ready for themselves, and for the priests: because the priests the sons of Aaron *were busied* in offering of burnt offerings and the fat until night; therefore the Levites prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron.

15 And the singers the sons of Asaph *were* in [3]their place, according to the commandment of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king's seer; and the porters *waited* at every gate; they might not depart from their service; for their brethren the Levites prepared for them.[e]

16 So all the service of the LORD was prepared the same day, to keep the passover, and to offer burnt offerings upon the altar of the LORD, according to the commandment of king Josiah.

17 And the children of Israel that were [4]present kept the passover at that time, and the feast of unleavened bread seven days.[f]

18 And there was no passover like to that kept in Israel from the days of Samuel the prophet; neither did all the kings of Israel keep such a passover as Josiah kept, and the priests, and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.[g]

19 In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this passover kept.

20 ¶ After all this, when Josiah had prepared the [5]temple, Necho king of Egypt came up to fight against Charchemish by Euphrates: and Josiah went out against him.[h]

21 But he sent ambassadors to him, saying, What have I to do with thee, thou king of Judah? *I come* not against thee this day, but against [6]the house wherewith I have war: for God commanded me to make haste: forbear thee from *meddling with* God, who *is* with me, that he destroy thee not.

22 Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God, and came to fight in the valley of Megiddo.[i]

23 And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his servants, Have me away; for I am sore [7]wounded.[j]

24 His servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and put him in the second chariot that he had; and they brought him to Jerusalem, and he died, and was buried [8]in *one of* the sepulchres of his fathers. And all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah.[k]

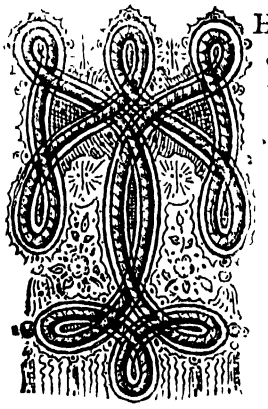
25 ¶ And Jeremiah lamented for Josiah: and all the singing men and the singing women spake of Josiah in their lamentations to this day, and made them an ordinance in Israel: and, behold, they *are* written in the lamentations.[l]

26 Now the rest of the acts of Josiah, and [9]his goodness, according to *that which was* written in the law of the LORD,

27 And his deeds, first and last, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

1 Jehoahaz succeeding is deposed by Pharaoh, and carried into Egypt. 5 Jehoiakim reigning ill is carried bound into Babylon. 9 Jehoiachin succeeding reigneth ill, and is brought into Babylon. 11 Zedekiah succeeding reigneth ill, and despiseth the prophets, and rebelleth against Nebuchadnezzar. 14 Jerusalem, for the sins of the priests and people, is wholly destroyed. 22 The proclamation of Cyrus.



THEN the people of the land took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah, and made him king in his father's stead in Jerusalem.[m]

2 Jehoahaz *was* twenty and three years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months in Jerusalem.

3 And the king of Egypt [10]put him down at Jerusalem, and [11]condemned the land in an hundred talents of silver and a talent of gold.

4 And the king of Egypt made Eliakim his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem, and turned his name to Jehoiakim. And Necho took Jehoahaz his brother, and carried him to Egypt.

5 ¶ Jehoiakim *was* twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem: and he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD his God.[n]

6 [12]Against him came up Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and bound him in fetters, to carry him to Babylon.[o]

7 Nebuchadnezzar also carried of the vessels of the house of the LORD to Babylon, and put them in his temple at Babylon.[p]

8 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and his abominations which he did, and that which was found in him, behold, they *are* written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah: and [13]Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

9 ¶ Jehoiachin *was* eight years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months and ten days in Jerusalem: and he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD.[q]

10 And [14]when the year was expired, king Nebuchadnezzar sent, and brought him to Babylon, with

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BEFORE CHRIST 610

7 Heb. *made sick.*

j 1 Kings xxii. 34.

1 Heb. *offered.*

8 Or, *among the sepulchres*

k 2 Kings xxiii. 30, Zech. xii. 11.

a Ezra vi. 18.

b ch xxix. 22, 34.

l Jer xxii 20, Lam iv 20, Matt. ix. 23

9 Heb. *kindnesses*

c Lev. iii. 3.

2 Heb *made them run.*

d Exod. xii. 8, 9, Deut xvi 7, 1 Sam ii 13—16

3 Heb *station*

m 2 Kings xxiii 30, &c.

e 1 Chron ix. 17, 18, xxv 1, &c, xxvi. 14, &c.

10 Heb *removed him*

11 Heb *mulcted.*

4 Heb *found.*

f ch xxx 21, Exod xii 15, xiii 6.

g 2 Kings xxiii 22, 23.

n 2 Kings xxiii. 36, 37

12 Foretold, Hab i. 6

5 Heb *house*

o 2 Kings xxiv 1; Jer xxii 18, 19, xxxvi. 30.

h 2 Kings xxiii. 29; Jer xlvi. 2.

p 2 Kings xxiv 13, Dan. i. 1, 2, v. 2.

6 Heb. *the house of my war.*

13 Or, *Jeconiah*, 1 Chron. iii. 16, or, *Coniah*, Jer. xxii. 24.

i 1 Kings xxii. 30.

q 2 Kings xxiv. 8.

14 Heb *at the return of the year*

the [1]goodly vessels of the house of the LORD, and made [2]Zedekiah his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem.[a]

11 ¶ Zedekiah *was* one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned eleven years in Jerusalem.[b]



BABYLON.

12 And he did *that which was* evil in the sight of the LORD his God, *and* humbled not himself before Jeremiah the prophet *speaking* from the mouth of the LORD.

13 And he also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God: but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart from turning unto the LORD God of Israel.[c]

14 ¶ Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the people, transgressed very much after all the abominations of the heathen; and polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Jerusalem.

15 And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by [3]his messengers, rising [4]up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place:[d]

16 But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till *there was* no [5]remedy.[e]

17 Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave *them* all into his hand.[f]

18 And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all *these* he brought to Babylon.[g]

19 And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.[h]

20 And [6]them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia:[i]

21 To fulfil the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeromiah, until the land had enjoyed her sabbaths: *for* as long as she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to fulfil threescore and ten years.[j]

22 ¶ Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD *spoken* by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying,[k]

23 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth hath the LORD God of heaven given me; and he hath charged me to build him an house in Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah. Who *is there* among you of all his people? The LORD his God *be* with him, and let him go up.[l]

B. C. 590—588.

1 Heb. *vessels of desire.*
3 Heb. *by the hand of his messengers.*
4 That is, *continually and carefully.*
2 Or, *Mattaniah, his father's brother,* 2 Kings xxiv. 17.

a 2 Kings xxiv. 10 — 17; Jer. xxxvii 1; Dan i. 1, 2; v 2.
d Jer. xxv. 3, 4, xxxv. 15; xliv. 4.
b 2 Kings xxiv. 18, Jer. lii. 1, &c.
5 Heb. *healing*
e Ps. lxxiv. 1; lxxix. 5, Prov. i. 25, 30, Jer. v 12,13, xxxii. 3; xxxviii. 6, Matt. xxiii. 34.
f Deut. xxviii 29, 2 Kings xxv. 1, &c.; Ezra ix. 7; Ps. lxxiv. 20; lxxix. 1—3
g 2 Kings xxv. 13, &c.
h 2 Kings xxv 9, Ps. lxxiv. 6, 7; lxxix. 1, 7.
6 Heb. *the remainder from the sword.*
i 2 Kings xxv 11; Jer xxvii. 7.
j Lev. xxv. 4, 5; xxvi. 34, 35, 43; Jer xxv 9, 11, 12, xxvi 6, 7, xxix. 10, Dan ix. 2
k Ezra i 1, Isa. xliv 28; Jer xxv. 12, 13, xxix 10, xxxiii. 10, 11, 14
c 2 Kings xvii 14, Jer lii. 3, Ezek. xvii. 15, 18.
l Ezra i. 2, 3.



WALLS OF JERUSALEM.





EZRA.

CHAPTER I

1 *The proclamation of Cyrus for the building of the temple.* 5 *The people provide for the return.* 7 *Cyrus restoreth the vessels of the temple to Sheshbazzar.*

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NOW in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he [1]made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying,[a]

2 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah.[b]

3 Who *is there* among you of all his people? his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah, and build the house of the LORD God of Israel, (he *is* the God,) which *is* in Jerusalem.[c]

4 And whosoever remaineth in any place where

1 Heb *caused a voice to pass*

a ch v 13, 14, 2 Chron xxxvi 22,23, Jer xxv 12, xxix 10.

b Isa xliv 28; xlv. 1, 13

c Dan vi 26.

he sojourneth, let the men of his place [1]help him with silver, and with gold, and with goods, and with beasts, beside the freewill offering for the house of God that *is* in Jerusalem.

5 ¶ Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the Levites, with all *them* whose spirit God had raised, to go up to build the house of the LORD which *is* in Jerusalem.[a]

6 And all they that *were* about them [2]strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, beside all *that* was willingly offered.

7 ¶ Also Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of the LORD, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had put them in the house of his gods;[b]

8 Even those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and numbered them unto Sheshbazzar, the prince of Judah.[c]

9 And this *is* the number of them: thirty chargers of gold, a thousand chargers of silver, nine and twenty knives,

10 Thirty basons of gold, silver basons of a second *sort* four hundred and ten, *and* other vessels a thousand.

11 All the vessels of gold and of silver *were* five thousand and four hundred. All *these* did Sheshbazzar bring up with *them of* [3]the captivity that were brought up from Babylon unto Jerusalem.

CHAPTER II.

1 *The number that return, of the people,* 36 *of the priests,* 40 *of the Levites,* 43 *of the Nethinims,* 55 *of Solomon's servants,* 62 *of the priests which could not shew their pedigree.* 64 *The whole number of them, with their substance.* 68 *Their oblations.*

NOW these *are* the children of the province that went up out of the captivity, of those which had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away unto Babylon, and came again unto Jerusalem and Judah, every one unto his city;[d]

2 Which came with Zerubbabel: Jeshua, Nehemiah, [4]Seraiah, [5]Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bilshan, [6]Mizpar, Bigvai, [7]Rehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of Israel:

3 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and two.

4 The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.

5 The children of Arah, seven hundred seventy and five.[e]

6 The children of Pahath-moab, of the children of Jeshua *and* Joab, two thousand eight hundred and twelve.[f]

7 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

8 The children of Zattu, nine hundred forty and five.

9 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.

10 The children of [8]Bani, six hundred forty and two.

11 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and three.

12 The children of Azgad, a thousand two hundred twenty and two.

13 The children of Adonikam, six hundred sixty and six.

14 The children of Bigvai, two thousand fifty and six.

15 The children of Adin, four hundred fifty and four.

16 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.

17 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and three.

18 The children of [9]Jorah, an hundred and twelve.

19 The children of Hashum, two hundred twenty and three.

20 The children of [10]Gibbar, ninety and five.

21 The children of Beth-lehem, an hundred twenty and three.

22 The men of Netophah, fifty and six.

23 The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.

24 The children of [11]Azmaveth, forty and two.

25 The children of Kirjath-arim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred and forty and three.

26 The children of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.

27 The men of Michmas, an hundred twenty and two.

28 The men of Beth-el and Ai, two hundred twenty and three.

29 The children of Nebo, fifty and two.

30 The children of Magbish, an hundred fifty and six.

31 The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.[g]

32 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.

33 The children of Lod, [12]Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and five.

34 The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.

35 The children of Senaah, three thousand and six hundred and thirty.

36 ¶ The priests: the children of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three.[h]

37 The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.[i]

38 The children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.[j]

39 The children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.[k]

40 ¶ The Levites: the children of Jeshua and Kadmiel, of the children of [13]Hodaviah, seventy and four.

41 ¶ The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred twenty and eight.

42 ¶ The children of the porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon,

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1 Heb. *lift him up.*

2 That is, *helped them.*

3 Heb. *the transportation.*

4 Or, *Azariah*, Neh. vii. 7

5 Or, *Raamiah*, Neh. vii. 7.

6 Or, *Mispereth.*

7 Or, *Nehum.*

8 Or, *Binnui*, Neh. vii. 15.

9 Or, *Hariph*, Neh. vii. 24.

10 Or, *Gibeon*, Neh vii. 25.

11 Or, *Beth-azmaveth*, Neh. vii. 28.

12 Or, *Hared.*

13 Or, *Judah*, ch. iii. 9 Called also *Hodevah*, Neh. vii. 43.

a Phil. ii. 13

b ch v 14; vi. 5; 2 Kings xxiv 13; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 7.

c ch. v. 14.

d 2 Kings xxiv. 15, 16, xxv 11; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 10; Neh. vii. 6, &c.

e Neh vii. 10.

f Neh. vii. 11.

g v 7

h 1 Chron. xxiv. 7

i 1 Chron. xxiv. 14

j 1 Chron. ix. 12

k 1 Chron. xxiv. 8

the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, *in* all an hundred thirty and nine.

43 ¶ The Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hasupha, the children of Tabbaoth,[a]

44 The children of Keros, the children of [1]Siaha, the children of Padon,

45 The children of Lebanah, the children of Hagabah, the children of Akkub,

46 The children of Hagab, the children of [2]Shalmai, the children of Hanan,

47 The children of Giddel, the children of Gahar, the children of Reaiah,

48 The children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda, the children of Gazzam,

49 The children of Uzza, the children of Paseah, the children of Besai,

50 The children of Asnah, the children of Mehunim, the children of [3]Nephusim,

51 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur,

52 The children of [4]Bazluth, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,

53 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Thamah,

54 The children of Neziah, the children of Hatipha.

55 ¶ The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of [5]Peruda,[b]

56 The children of Jaalah, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,

57 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of [6]Ami.

58 All the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants, *were* three hundred ninety and two.[c]

59 And these *were* they which went up from Telmelah, Tel-harsa, Cherub, [7]Addan, *and* Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, and their [8]seed, whether they *were* of Israel:

60 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred fifty and two.

61 ¶ And of the children of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz, the children of Barzillai; which took a wife of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name:[d]

62 These sought their register *among* those that were reckoned by genealogy, but they were not found: therefore [9]were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood.[e]

63 And the [10]Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and with Thummim.[f]

64 ¶ The whole congregation together *was* forty and two thousand three hundred *and* threescore,[g]

65 Beside their servants and their maids, of whom *there were* seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and *there were* among them two hundred singing men and singing women.

66 Their horses *were* seven hundred thirty and six; their mules, two hundred forty and five;

67 Their camels, four hundred thirty and five; *their* asses, six thousand seven hundred and twenty.

BEFORE CHRIST 536.

a 1 Chron. ix. 2.
h Neh. vii. 70.

1 Or, *Sia.*

c 1 Chron. xxvi. 20.

2 Or, *Shamlai.*

f ch. vi. 16, 17; Neh vii. 73.

3 Or, *Nephushesim.*

4 Or, *Basluth*, Neh. vii. 54.

11 Or, *Joshua*, Hagg. i. 1; ii. 2; Zech. iii. 1

12 Called *Zorobabel*, Matt. i. 12, Luke iii. 27

13 Called *Salathiel*, Matt. i. 12, Luke iii. 27.

5 Or, *Perida*, Neh vii. 57

b 1 Kings ix. 21
k Deut. xii. 5, 6

6 Or, *Amon*, Neh. vii 59.
l Numb. xxviii. 3, 4.

c Josh ix. 21, 27; 1 Kings ix. 21, 1 Chron. ix. 2

14 Heb *the matter of the day in his day*

7 Or, *Addon*, Neh. vii. 61

m Exod. xxiii. 16; Numb. xxviii. 3, 4, xxix. 12, &c., Neh viii 14, 17, Zech xiv 16, 17.

8 Or, *pedigree.*

n Exod xxix 38, Numb xxviii. 3, 11, 19, 26; xxix. 2, 8, 13

15 Heb. *the temple of the LORD was not yet founded.*

d 2 Sam xvii. 27.

9 Heb *they were polluted from the priesthood.*

16 Or, *workmen.*

e Numb. iii 10.

10 Or, *governor*, Neh viii. 9.

o ch. vi. 4; 1 Kings v. 6, 9, 2 Chron. ii. 10, 16; Acts ix 36; xii. 20.

f Exod. xxviii. 30; Lev xxii. 2, 10, 15, 16; Numb. xxvii. 21.

g Neh. vii. 66.

p 1 Chron. xxiii. 24, 27.

17 Or, *Hodaviah*, ch. ii. 40.

18 Heb. *as one.*

68 ¶ And *some* of the chief of the fathers, when they came to the house of the LORD which *is* at Jerusalem, offered freely for the house of God to set it up in his place:[h]

69 They gave after their ability unto the treasure of the work threescore and one thousand drams of gold, and five thousand pound of silver, and one hundred priests' garments.[i]

70 So the priests, and the Levites, and *some* of the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, dwelt in their cities, and all Israel in their cities.[j]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The altar is set up.* 4 *Offerings frequented.* 7 *Workmen prepared.* 8 *The foundations of the temple are laid in great joy and mourning.*

AND when the seventh month was come, and the children of Israel *were* in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem.

2 Then stood up [11]Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren the priests, and [12]Zerubbabel the son of [13]Shealtiel, and his brethren, and builded the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as *it is* written in the law of Moses the man of God.[k]

3 And they set the altar upon his bases; for fear *was* upon them because of the people of those countries: and they offered burnt offerings thereon unto the LORD, *even* burnt offerings morning and evening.[l]

4 They kept also the feast of tabernacles, as *it is* written, and *offered* the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custom, [14]as the duty of every day required;[m]

5 And afterward *offered* the continual burnt offering, both of the new moons, and of all the set feasts of the LORD that were consecrated, and of every one that willingly offered a freewill offering unto the LORD.[n]

6 From the first day of the seventh month began they to offer burnt offerings unto the LORD. But [15]the foundation of the temple of the LORD was not *yet* laid.

7 They gave money also unto the masons, and to the [16]carpenters; and meat, and drink, and oil, unto them of Zidon, and to them of Tyre, to bring cedar trees from Lebanon to the sea of Joppa, according to the grant that they had of Cyrus king of Persia.[o]

8 ¶ Now in the second year of their coming unto the house of God at Jerusalem, in the second month, began Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and the remnant of their brethren the priests and the Levites, and all they that were come out of the captivity unto Jerusalem; and appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to set forward the work of the house of the LORD.[p]

9 Then stood Jeshua *with* his sons and his brethren, Kadmiel and his sons, the sons of [17]Judah, [18]together, to set forward the workmen in the house of God: the



THE JEWISH PEOPLE REJOICING ON THEIR RETURN FROM CAPTIVITY AND ON THEIR LAYING THE FOUNDATION OF THE SECOND TEMPLE.

sons of Henadad, *with* their sons and their brethren the Levites.[a]

10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the ordinance of David king of Israel.[b]

11 And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the LORD; because *he is* good, for his mercy *endureth* for ever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.[c]

12 But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers, *who were* ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy:[d]

13 So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The adversaries, being not accepted in the building of the temple with the Jews, endeavour to hinder it.* 7 *Then letter to Artaxerxes.* 17 *The decree of Artaxerxes.* 23 *The building is hindered.*

NOW when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the [1]children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of Israel;[e]

2 Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers, and said unto them, Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye *do;* and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esar-haddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither.[f]

3 But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel, said unto them, Ye have nothing to do with us to build an house unto our God; but we ourselves together will build unto the LORD God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded us.[g]

4 Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building,[h]

5 And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia.

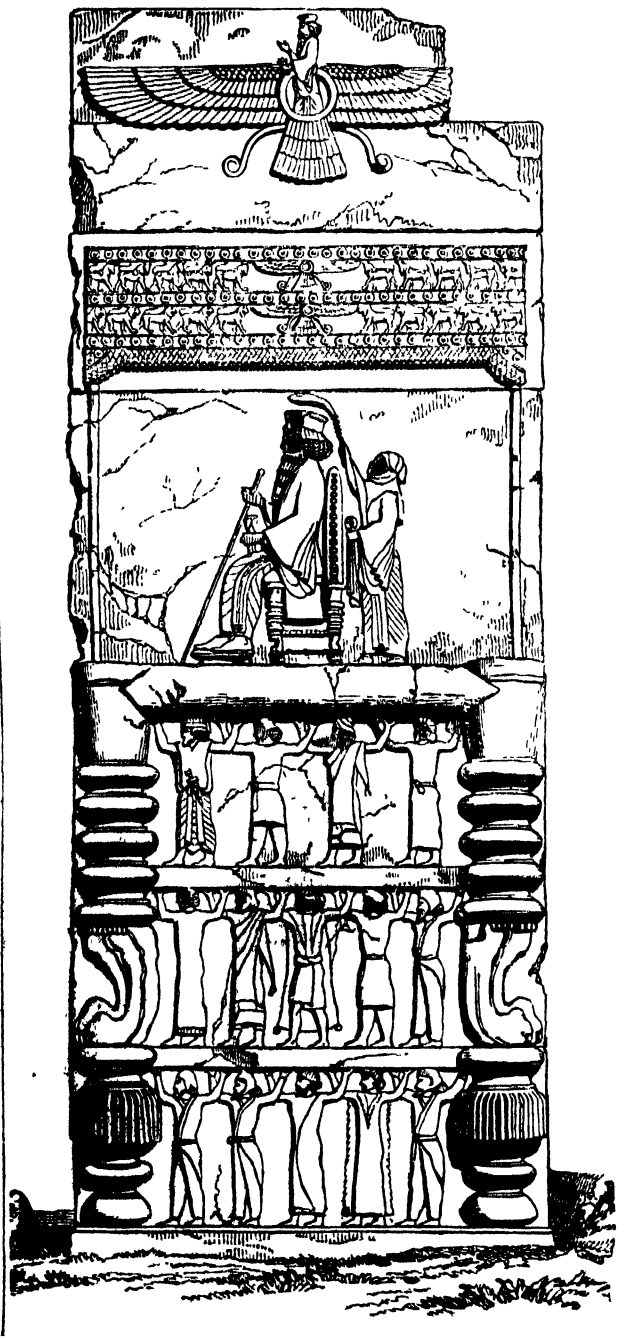
6 And in the reign of [2]Ahasuerus, in the beginning of his reign, wrote they *unto him* an accusation against the inhabitants of Judah and Jerusalem.

7 ¶ And in the days of Artaxerxes wrote [3]Bishlam, Mithredath, Tabeel, and the rest of their [4]companions, unto Artaxerxes king of Persia; and the writing of the letter *was* written in the Syrian tongue, and interpreted in the Syrian tongue.

8 Rehum the chancellor and Shimshai the [5]scribe wrote a letter against Jerusalem to Artaxerxes the king in this sort:

9 Then *wrote* Rehum the chancellor, and Shimshai the scribe, and the rest of their [6]companions; the Dinaites, the Apharsathchites, the Tarpelites, the Apharsites, the Archevites, the Babylonians, the Susanchites, the Dehavites, *and* the Elamites,[i]

10 And the rest of the nations whom the great and noble Asnapper brought over, and set in the cities of Samaria, and the rest *that are* on this side the river, and [7]at such a time.[j]



BAS-RELIEF FROM PERSEPOLIS. THRONE, OR ROYAL SEAT OF THE KING. ONE OF THE SCULPTURES IN THE PALACE OF CYRUS.

11 ¶ This *is* the copy of the letter that they sent unto him, *even* unto Artaxerxes the king; Thy servants the men on this side the river, and at such a time.

12 Be it known unto the king, that the Jews which came up from thee to us are come unto Jerusalem, building the rebellious and the bad city, and have [8]set up the walls *thereof*, and [9]joined the foundations.

13 Be it known now unto the king, that, if this city be builded, and the walls set up *again*, *then* will they

BEFORE CHRIST 532.

6 Chald. *societies.*

a ch. ii. 40.

b 2 Kings xvii. 30, 31.

1 Chron vi 31; xvi. 4—6, 42, xxv. 1.

7 Chald. *Cheeneth.*

j vs. 1, 11, 17; ch. vii. 12.

Exod. xv 21; 1 Chron xvi. 34, 41, 2 Chron vii 3, Neh xii. 24, Jer xxxiii. 11.

d Hagg. ii 3.

1 Heb *the sons of the transportation.*

e vs 7—9.

f ver 10, 2 Kings xvii. 24, 32, 33, xix. 37.

g ch. i. 1—3, Neh. ii. 20

h ch. iii. 3

2 Heb. *Ahashverosh.*

3 Or, *in peace.*

4 Heb *so.*

5 Or, *secretary*

8 Or, *finished.*

9 Chald. *sewed together*

not [1]pay toll, tribute, and custom, and *so* thou shalt endamage the [2]revenue of the kings.[a]

14 Now because [3]we have maintenance from *the king's* palace, and it was not meet for us to see the king's dishonour, therefore have we sent and certified the king;

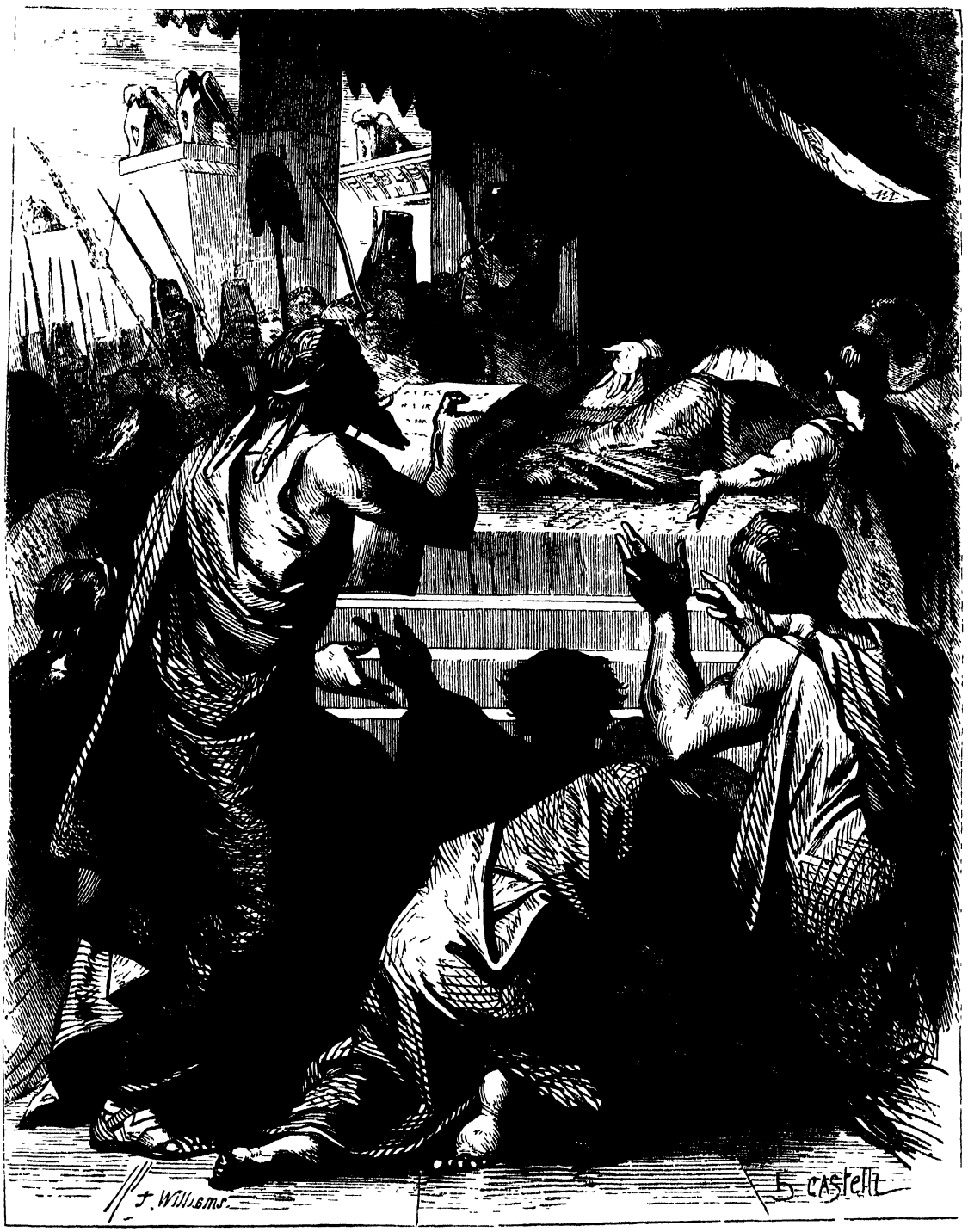
15 That search may be made in the book of the records of thy fathers: so shalt thou find in the book of the records, and know that this city *is* a rebellious city, and hurtful unto kings and provinces, and that they have [4]moved sedition [5]within the same of old time: for which cause was this city destroyed.

16 We certify the king that, if this city be builded *again*, and the walls thereof set up, by this means thou shalt have no portion on this side the river.

17 ¶ *Then* sent the king an answer unto Rehum the chancellor, and *to* Shimshai the scribe, and *to* the rest of their [6]companions that dwell in Samaria, and *unto* the rest beyond the river, Peace, and at such a time.

BEFORE CHRIST 532.

1 Chald. *give.*
2 Or, *strength.*
a ch. vii. 24.
3 Chald. *We are salted with the salt of the palace.*
6 Chald. *societies.*



COURT OF KING DARIUS—PRESENTATION OF THE LETTER OF COMPLAINT AGAINST THE JEWS.

18 The letter which ye sent unto us hath been plainly read before me.

19 And [7]I commanded, and search hath been made, and it is found that this city of old time [8]hath made insurrection against kings, and *that* rebellion and sedition have been made therein.

20 There have been mighty kings also over Jeru-

7 Chald. *by me a decree is set.*
4 Or, *made sedition.*
5 Chald. *in the midst thereof.*
8 Chald. *lifted up itself.*

salem, which have ruled over all *countries* beyond the river; and toll, tribute, and custom, was paid unto them.[a]

21 [1]Give ye now commandment to cause these men to cease, and that this city be not builded, until *another* commandment shall be given from me.

22 Take heed now that ye fail not to do this: why should damage grow to the hurt of the kings?

23 ¶ Now when the copy of king Artaxerxes' letter *was* read before Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions, they went up in haste to Jerusalem unto the Jews, and made them to cease [2]by force and power.

24 Then ceased the work of the house of God which *is* at Jerusalem. So it ceased unto the second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia.

CHAPTER V.

1 *Zerubbabel and Jeshua, incited by Haggai and Zechariah, set forward the building of the temple.* 3 *Tatnai and Shethar-boznai could not hinder the Jews.* 6 *Their letter to Darius against the Jews.*

THEN the prophets, Haggai the prophet, and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied unto the Jews that *were* in Judah and Jerusalem in the name of the God of Israel, *even* unto them.[b]

2 Then rose up Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and began to build the house of God which *is* at Jerusalem: and with them *were* the prophets of God helping them.[c]

3 ¶ At the same time came to them Tatnai, governor on this side the river, and Shethar-boznai, and their companions, and said thus unto them, Who hath commanded you to build this house, and to make up this wall?[d]

4 Then said we unto them after this manner, What are the names of the men [3]that make this building?

5 But the eye of their God was upon the elders of the Jews, that they could not cause them to cease, till the matter came to Darius: and then they returned answer by letter concerning this *matter*.[e]

6 ¶ The copy of the letter that Tatnai, governor on this side the river, and Shethar-boznai, and his companions the Apharsachites, which *were* on this side the river, sent unto Darius the king:[f]

7 They sent a letter unto him, [4]wherein was written thus; Unto Darius the king, all peace.

8 Be it known unto the king, that we went into the province of Judea, to the house of the great God, which is builded with [5]great stones, and timber is laid in the walls, and this work goeth fast on, and prospereth in their hands.

9 Then asked we those elders, *and* said unto them thus, Who commanded you to build this house, and to make up these walls?[g]

10 We asked their names also, to certify thee, that we might write the names of the men that *were* the chief of them.

11 And thus they returned us answer, saying, We are the servants of the God of heaven and earth, and build the house that was builded these many years ago, which a great king of Israel builded and set up.[h]

12 But after that our fathers had provoked the God of heaven unto wrath, he gave them into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, the Chaldean, who destroyed this house, and carried the people away into Babylon.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 522.

5 Chald. *stones of rolling*

a Gen. xv. 18; Josh. i. 4; 1 Kings iv. 21, Ps. lxxii. 8

1 Chald. *Make a decree*

g ver. 3, 4

2 Chald. *by arm and power.*

b Hagg. i. 1; Zech. i. 1

c ch. iii. 2.

d ver. 6, 9, 10, ch. vi. 6

3 Chald. *that build this building?*

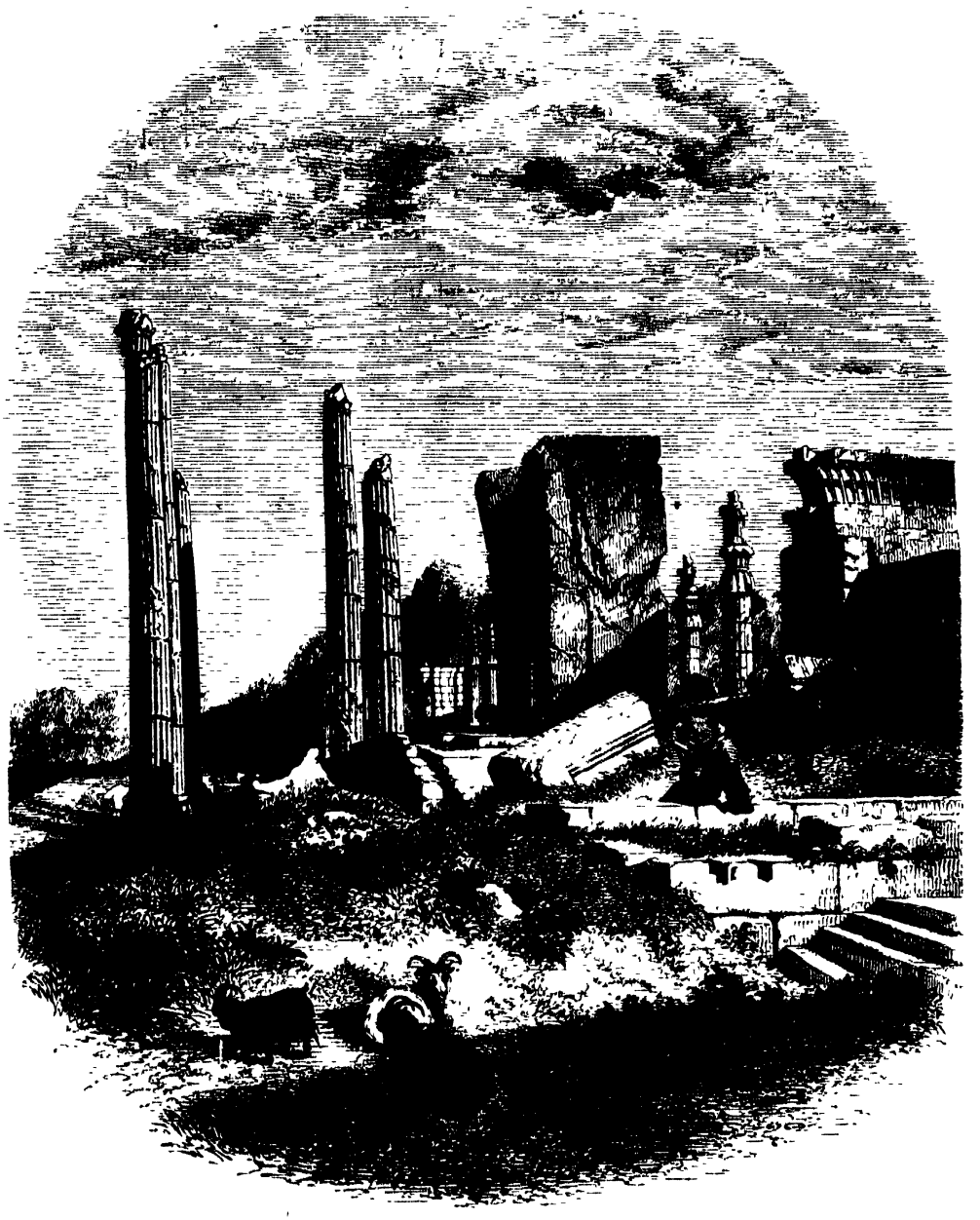
e ch. vi. 6; vii. 6, 28, Ps. xxxiii. 18.

h 1 Kings vi. 1.

f ch. iv. 9.

4 Chald. *in the midst whereof*

i 2 Kings xxiv. 2, xxv. 8, 9, 11; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 16, 17.



RUINS OF PERSEPOLIS, THE PLACE OF SEPULTURE OF THE PERSIAN KINGS.

13 But in the first year of Cyrus the king of Babylon *the same* king Cyrus made a decree to build this house of God.[a]

14 And the vessels also of gold and silver of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar took out of the temple that *was* in Jerusalem, and brought them into the temple of Babylon, those did Cyrus the king take out of the temple of Babylon, and they were delivered unto *one*, whose name *was* Sheshbazzar, whom he had made [1]governor;[b]

15 And said unto him, Take these vessels, go, carry them into the temple that *is* in Jerusalem, and let the house of God be builded in his place.

16 Then came the same Sheshbazzar, *and* laid the foundation of the house of God which *is* in Jerusalem: and since that time even until now hath it been in building, and *yet* it is not finished.[c]

17 Now therefore, if *it seem* good to the king, let there be search made in the king's treasure house, which *is* there at Babylon, whether it be *so*, that a decree was made of Cyrus the king to build this house of God at Jerusalem, and let the king send his pleasure to us concerning this matter.[d]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Darius, finding the decree of Cyrus, maketh a new decree for the advancement of the building* 13 *By the help of the enemies, and the directions of the prophets, the temple is finished.* 16 *The feast of the dedication is kept,* 19 *and the passover.*

THEN Darius the king made a decree, and search was made in the house of the [2]rolls, where the treasures were [3]laid up in Babylon.[e]

2 And there was found at [4]Achmetha, in the palace that *is* in the province of the Medes, a roll, and therein *was* a record thus written:

3 In the first year of Cyrus the king *the same* Cyrus the king made a decree *concerning* the house of God at Jerusalem, Let the house be builded, the place where they offered sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be strongly laid; the height thereof threescore cubits, *and* the breadth thereof threescore cubits;

4 *With* three rows of great stones, and a row of new timber: and let the expences be given out of the king's house:[f]

5 And also let the golden and silver vessels of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar took forth out of the temple which *is* at Jerusalem, and brought unto Babylon, be restored, and [5]brought again unto the temple which *is* at Jerusalem, *every one* to his place, and place *them* in the house of God.[g]

6 Now *therefore*, Tatnai, governor beyond the river, Shethar-boznai, and [6]your companions the Apharsachites, which *are* beyond the river, be ye far from thence:[h]

7 Let the work of this house of God alone; let the governor of the Jews and the elders of the Jews build this house of God in his place.

8 Moreover [7]I make a decree what ye shall do to the elders of these Jews for the building of this house of God: that of the king's goods, *even* of the tribute beyond the river, forthwith expences be given unto these men, that they be not [8]hindered.

9 And that which they have need of, both young bullocks, and rams, and lambs, for the burnt offerings of the God of heaven, wheat, salt, wine, and oil, according to the appointment of the priests which *are* at Jerusalem, let it be given them day by day without fail:

10 That they may offer sacrifices [9]of sweet savours unto the God of heaven, and pray for the life of the king, and of his sons.[i]

11 Also I have made a decree, that whosoever shall alter this word, let timber be pulled down from his house, and being set up, [10]let him be hanged thereon; and let his house be made a dunghill for this.[j]

12 And the God that hath caused his name to dwell there destroy all kings and people, that shall put to their hand to alter *and* to destroy this house of God which *is* at Jerusalem. I Darius have made a decree; let it be done with speed.[k]

13 ¶ Then Tatnai, governor on this side the river, Shethar-boznai, and their companions, according to that which Darius the king had sent, so they did speedily.

14 And the elders of the Jews builded, and they prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they builded, and finished *it*, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the commandment of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia.[l]

15 And this house was finished on the third day of the month Adar, which was in the sixth year of the reign of Darius the king.

16 ¶ And the children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the rest of [11]the children of the captivity, kept the dedication of this house of God with joy,[m]

17 And offered at the dedication of this house of God an hundred bullocks, two hundred rams, four hundred lambs; and for a sin offering for all Israel, twelve he goats, according to the number of the tribes of Israel.[n]

18 And they set the priests in their divisions, and the Levites in their courses, for the service of God, which *is* at Jerusalem; [12]as it is written in the book of Moses.[o]

19 And the children of the captivity kept the passover upon the fourteenth *day* of the first month.[p]

20 For the priests and the Levites were purified together, all of them *were* pure, and killed the passover for all the children of the captivity, and for their brethren the priests, and for themselves.[q]

21 And the children of Israel, which were come again out of captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them from the filthiness of the heathen of the land, to seek the LORD God of Israel, did eat,[r]

22 And kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with joy: for the LORD had made them joyful, and turned the heart of the king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands in the work of the house of God, the God of Israel.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 519.

a ch i. 1
8 Chald. *made to cease*

1 Or, *deputy*
b ch i. 7, 8; vi 5, Hagg i. 14; ii. 2, 21.
9 Chald. *of rest*
i ch. vii. 23, Jer xxix. 7, 1 Tim. ii. 1, 2.
10 Chald. *let him be destroyed.*
c ch. iii. 8, 10; vi. 15
j Dan. ii. 5; iii 29
k 1 Kings ix. 3
d ch vi. 1, 2

2 Chald *books*
3 Chald. *made to descend*
e ch. v 17
l ver 3; ch i 1, iv 24, v 1, 2, 13, vii 1
4 Or, *Ecbatana*, or, *in a coffer*
11 Chald *the sons of transportation*
m 1 Kings viii 63, 2 Chron vii 5
n ch viii. 35.
12 Chald *according to the writing*
o Numb iii 6; viii 9, 1 Chron. xxiii. 6; xxiv 1
f 1 Kings vi. 36
p Exod xii 6
5 Chald *go*
q 2 Chron xxx. 15; xxxv 11
g ch i. 7, 8; v 14.
6 Chald. *their societies.*
r ch. ix. 11.
h ch. v. 3.
7 Chald. *by me a decree is made.*
s ver. vi., &c.; ch. i. 1; Exod. xii. 15, xiii 6; 2 Kings xxiii 29, 2 Chron. xxx. 21; xxxiii. 11; xxxv 17; Prov. xxi. 1.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Ezra goeth up to Jerusalem.* 11 *The gracious commission of Artaxerxes to Ezra.* 27 *Ezra blesseth God for his favour.*

NOW after these things, in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia, Ezra the son of Seraiah, the son of Azariah, the son of Hilkiah,[a]

2 The son of Shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub,

3 The son of Amariah, the son of Azariah, the son of Meraioth,

4 The son of Zerahiah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki,

5 The son of Abishua, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the chief priest:

6 This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he *was* a ready scribe in the law of Moses, which the LORD God of Israel had given: and the king granted him all his request, according to the hand of the LORD his God upon him.[b]

7 And there went up *some* of the children of Israel, and of the priests, and the Levites, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, unto Jerusalem, in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king.[c]

8 And he came to Jerusalem in the fifth month, which *was* in the seventh year of the king.

9 For upon the first *day* of the first month [1]began he to go up from Babylon, and on the first *day* of the fifth month came he to Jerusalem, according to the good hand of his God upon him.[d]

10 For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do *it*, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.[e]

11 ¶ Now this *is* the copy of the letter that the king Artaxerxes gave unto Ezra the priest, the scribe, *even* a scribe of the words of the commandments of the LORD, and of his statutes to Israel.

12 Artaxerxes, king of kings, [2]unto Ezra the priest, a scribe of the law of the God of heaven, perfect *peace*, and at such a time.[f]

13 I make a decree, that all they of the people of Israel, and *of* his priests and Levites, in my realm, which are minded of their own freewill to go up to Jerusalem, go with thee.

14 Forasmuch as thou art [3]sent of the king, and of his seven counsellors, to enquire concerning Judah and Jerusalem, according to the law of thy God which *is* in thine hand;[g]

15 And to carry the silver and gold, which the king and his counsellors have freely offered unto the God of Israel, whose habitation *is* in Jerusalem,[h]

16 And all the silver and gold that thou canst find in all the province of Babylon, with the freewill offering of the people, and of the priests, offering willingly for the house of their God which *is* in Jerusalem:[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 515.

f Numb xv. 4—13, Deut. xii. 5, 11.

a 1 Chron. vi. 14; Neh. ii 1

4 Chald. *cora.*

5 Heb *Whatsoever is of the decree*

b vs 9, 11, 12, 21; ch viii 22, 31.

c ch ii 43, viii. 1, 15—20

1 Heb *was the foundation of the going up*

d ver 10, Exod. xviii 21, 22, Deut. xvi 18, 2 Chron. xvii 7, Mal ii 7; Matt xxiii. 2, 3

d ver 6, Neh ii. 8, 18.

6 Chald. *to rooting out*

e vs 6, 25, Deut xxxiii. 10; Neh viii 1—8, Ps cxix 45, Mal ii 7

f ch vi 22, 1 Chron xxix 10

2 Or, *to Ezra the priest, a perfect scribe of the law of the God of heaven, peace, &c.*

f ch iv 10, Ezek. xxvi 7, Dan ii. 37

m vs. 6, 9; ch v 5, viii 18, ix 9.

3 Chald *from before the king*

g Esther i. 14.

h 2 Chron vi 2 Ps cxxxv 21.

i 1 Chron. xxix. 6, 9.

n 1 Chron. iii. 22.

17 That thou mayest buy speedily with this money bullocks, rams, lambs, with their meat offerings and their drink offerings, and offer them upon the altar of the house of your God which *is* in Jerusalem.[j]

18 And whatsoever shall seem good to thee, and to thy brethren, to do with the rest of the silver and the gold, that do after the will of your God.

19 The vessels also that are given thee for the service of the house of thy God, *those* deliver thou before the God of Jerusalem.

20 And whatsoever more shall be needful for the house of thy God, which thou shalt have occasion to bestow, bestow *it* out of the king's treasure house.

21 And I, *even* I Artaxerxes the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers which *are* beyond the river, that whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven, shall require of you, it be done speedily,

22 Unto an hundred talents of silver, and to an hundred [4]measures of wheat, and to an hundred baths of wine, and to an hundred baths of oil, and salt without prescribing *how much.*

23 [5]Whatsoever is commanded by the God of heaven, let it be diligently done for the house of the God of heaven: for why should there be wrath against the realm of the king and his sons?

24 Also we certify you, that touching any of the priests and Levites, singers, porters, Nethinims, or ministers of this house of God, it shall not be lawful to impose toll, tribute, or custom, upon them.

25 And thou, Ezra, after the wisdom of thy God, that *is* in thine hand, set magistrates and judges, which may judge all the people that *are* beyond the river, all such as know the laws of thy God; and teach ye them that know *them* not.[k]

26 And whosoever will not do the law of thy God, and the law of the king, let judgment be executed speedily upon him, whether *it be* unto death, or [6]to banishment, or to confiscation of goods, or to imprisonment.

27 ¶ Blessed *be* the LORD God of our fathers, which hath put *such a thing* as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of the LORD which *is* in Jerusalem:[l]

28 And hath extended mercy unto me before the king, and his counsellors, and before all the king's mighty princes. And I was strengthened as the hand of the LORD my God *was* upon me, and I gathered together out of Israel chief men to go up with me.[m]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The companions of Ezra, who returned from Babylon.* 15 *He sendeth to Iddo for ministers for the temple.* 21 *He keepeth a fast.* 24 *He committeth the treasures to the custody of the priests.* 31 *From Ahava they come to Jerusalem.* 33 *The treasure is weighed in the temple.* 36 *The commission is delivered.*

THESE *are* now the chief of their fathers, and *this is* the genealogy of them that went up with me from Babylon, in the reign of Artaxerxes the king.

2 Of the sons of Phinehas; Gershom: of the sons of Ithamar; Daniel: of the sons of David; Hattush.[n]

3 Of the sons of Shechaniah, of the sons of Pharosh; Zechariah: and with him were reckoned by genealogy of the males an hundred and fifty.[a]

4 Of the sons of Pahath-moab; Elihoenai the son of Zerahiah, and with him two hundred males.

5 Of the sons of Shechaniah; the son of Jahaziel, and with him three hundred males.

6 Of the sons also of Adin; Ebed the son of Jonathan, and with him fifty males.

7 And of the sons of Elam; Jeshaiah the son of Athaliah, and with him seventy males.

8 And of the sons of Shephatiah; Zebadiah the son of Michael, and with him fourscore males.

9 Of the sons of Joab; Obadiah the son of Jehiel, and with him two hundred and eighteen males.

10 And of the sons of Shelomith; the son of Josiphiah, and with him an hundred and threescore males.

11 And of the sons of Bebai; Zechariah the son of Bebai, and with him twenty and eight males.

12 And of the sons of Azgad; Johanan [1]the son of Hakkatan, and with him an hundred and ten males.

13 And of the last sons of Adonikam, whose names *are* these, Eliphelet, Jeiel, and Shemaiah, and with them threescore males.

14 Of the sons also of Bigvai; Uthai and [2]Zabbud, and with them seventy males.

15 ¶ And I gathered them together to the river that runneth to Ahava; and there [3]abode we in tents three days: and I viewed the people, and the priests, and found there none of the sons of Levi.[b]

16 Then sent I for Eliezer, for Ariel, for Shemaiah, and for Elnathan, and for Jarib, and for Elnathan, and for Nathan, and for Zechariah, and for Meshullam, chief men; also for Joiarib, and for Elnathan, men of understanding.

17 And I sent them with commandment unto Iddo the chief at the place Casiphia, and [4]I told them what they should say unto Iddo, *and* to his brethren the Nethinims, at the place Casiphia, that they should bring unto us ministers for the house of our God.

18 And by the good hand of our God upon us they brought us a man of understanding, of the sons of Mahli, the son of Levi, the son of Israel; and Sherebiah, with his sons and his brethren, eighteen;[c]

19 And Hashabiah, and with him Jeshaiah of the sons of Merari, his brethren and their sons, twenty;

20 Also of the Nethinims, whom David and the princes had appointed for the service of the Levites, two hundred and twenty Nethinims: all of them were expressed by name.[d]



"THE RIVER THAT RUNNETH TO AHAVA

21 ¶ Then I proclaimed a fast there, at the river of Ahava, that we might afflict ourselves before our God, to seek of him a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance.[e]

22 For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God *is* upon all them for good that seek him; but his power and his wrath *is* against all them that forsake him.[f]

23 So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was intreated of us.[g]

24 ¶ Then I separated twelve of the chief of the priests, Sherebiah, Hashabiah, and ten of their brethren with them,

25 And weighed unto them the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, *even* the offering of the house of our God, which the king, and his counsellors, and his lords, and all Israel *there* present, had offered:

26 I even weighed unto their hand six hundred and

BEFORE CHRIST 475.

4 Heb. *I put words in their mouth*, 2 Sam. xiv. 3, 19.

a ch. ii. 3

c Neh. viii. 7, ix. 4, 5.

d ch. ii. 43

1 Or, *the youngest son*

2 Or, *Zaccur*

3 Or, *pitched.*

e ch. vii. 6, 9, 28, 2 Chron. xv. 2; Ps. xxxiii. 18, 19; xxxiv. 15, 22; Rom. viii. 28.

f 1 Chron. v. 20; 2 Chron. xxxiii. 13; Isa. xix. 22.

g 1 Chron. xxi. 29, xxiii. 28, 2 Chron. xx. 3, vs. 6, Isa. lviii.

b ch. vii. 7.



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fifty talents of silver, and silver vessels an hundred talents, *and* of gold an hundred talents;

27 Also twenty basons of gold, of a thousand drams; and two vessels of [1]fine copper, [2]precious as gold.

28 And I said unto them, Ye *are* holy unto the LORD; the vessels *are* holy also; and the silver and the gold *are* a freewill offering unto the LORD God of your fathers.[a]

29 Watch ye, and keep *them*, until ye weigh *them* before the chief of the priests and the Levites, and chief of the fathers of Israel, at Jerusalem, in the chambers of the house of the LORD.

30 So took the priests and the Levites the weight of the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, to bring *them* to Jerusalem unto the house of our God.

31 ¶ Then we departed from the river of Ahava on the twelfth *day* of the first month, to go unto Jerusalem: and the hand of our God was upon us, and he delivered us from the hand of the enemy, and of such as lay in wait by the way.[b]

32 And we came to Jerusalem, and abode there three days.[c]

33 ¶ Now on the fourth day was the silver and the gold and the vessels weighed in the house of our God by the hand of Meremoth the son of Uriah the priest;

BEFORE CHRIST 457

d Ns 26 30

1 Heb *vellow*, or, *shining brass*

2 Heb *desirable.*

a Lev xxi 6—8, xxii 2, 3, Numb iv. 4, 15, 19, 20, Deut. xxxiii. 8.

e ch vi. 17

f ch vii. 21

b ch. vii. 6, 9, 28

c ch. vii. 9, 28; Neh. ii 11

and with him *was* Eleazar the son of Phinehas; and with them *was* Jozabad the son of Jeshua, and Noadiah the son of Binnui, Levites;[d]

34 By number *and* by weight of every one: and all the weight was written at that time.

35 *Also* the children of those that had been carried away, which were come out of the captivity, offered burnt offerings unto the God of Israel, twelve bullocks for all Israel, ninety and six rams, seventy and seven lambs, twelve he goats *for* a sin offering: all *this was* a burnt offering unto the LORD.[e]

36 ¶ And they delivered the king's commissions unto the king's lieutenants, and to the governors on this side the river: and they furthered the people, and the house of God.[f]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Ezra mourneth for the affinity of the people with strangers.* 5 *He prayeth unto God with confession of sins.*

NOW when these things were done, the princes came to me, saying, The people of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, have not separated themselves from the people of the lands, *doing* according to their abominations, *even* of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the

Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites.[a]

2 For they have taken of their daughters for themselves, and for their sons: so that the holy seed have mingled themselves with the people of *those* lands: yea, the hand of the princes and rulers hath been chief in this trespass.[b]

3 And when I heard this thing, I rent my garment and my mantle, and plucked off the hair of my head and of my beard, and sat down astonied.[c]

4 Then were assembled unto me every one that trembled at the words of the God of Israel, because of the transgression of those that had been carried away; and I sat astonied until the evening sacrifice.[d]

5 ¶ And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my [1]heaviness; and having rent my garment and my mantle, I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto the LORD my God,[e]

6 And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our iniquities are increased over *our* head, and our [2]trespass is grown up unto the heavens.[f]

7 Since the days of our fathers *have* we *been* in a great trespass unto this day; and for our iniquities have we, our kings, *and* our priests, been delivered into the hand of the kings of the lands, to the sword, to captivity, and to a spoil, and to confusion of face, as *it is* this day.[g]

8 And now for [3]a little space grace hath been *shewed* from the LORD our God, to leave us a remnant to escape, and to give us a nail in his holy place, that our God may lighten our eyes, and give us a little reviving in our bondage.[h]

9 For we *were* bondmen; yet our God hath not forsaken us in our bondage, but hath extended mercy unto us in the sight of the kings of Persia, to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our God, and [4]to repair the desolations thereof, and to give us a wall in Judah and in Jerusalem.[i]

10 And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? for we have forsaken thy commandments,

11 Which thou hast commanded [5]by thy servants the prophets, saying, The land, unto which ye go to possess it, is an unclean land with the filthiness of the people of the lands, with their abominations, which have filled it [6]from one end to another with their uncleanness.[j]

12 Now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto your sons, nor seek their peace or their wealth for ever: that ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and leave *it* for an inheritance to your children for ever.[k]

13 And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds, and for our great trespass, seeing that thou our God [7]hast punished us less than our iniquities *deserve*, and hast given us *such* deliverance as this;[l]

14 Should we again break thy commandments, and join in affinity with the people of these abominations? wouldest not thou be angry with us till thou hadst consumed *us*, so that *there should be* no remnant nor escaping?[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 457.

a ch vi. 21; Deut. xii. 30, 31; Neh ix 2.

n Neh. ix. 33; Ps cxxx. 3; Dan. ix. 14; Rom. iii. 19; 1 Cor xv. 17.

b Exod. xix, 6; xxxiv. 16; Deut. vii 3 6; xiv. 2; Neh xiii 23, 2 Cor vi 14.

c Job i. 20.

d ch. x. 3; Exod. xxix. 39.

1 Or, *affliction.*

e Exod. ix 29.

8 Heb. *wept a great weeping*

o Dan ix. 20, 2 Chron xx. 9

2 Or, *guiltiness*

f 2 Chron. xxviii 9, Ps. xxxviii 4, Dan ix. 7, 8, Rev xviii. 5.

p Neh xiii. 27.

g Deut xxviii 36, 64; Neh ix. 30, Dan ix. 5—8

9 Heb *to bring forth*

3 Or, *a pin*, that is, *a constant and secure abode*

q ch ix. 4; Deut. vii 2, 3

h Ps. xiii 3; xxxiv 5, Isa xxii. 23

r 1 Chron xxviii 10

s Neh v 12

4 Heb *to set up*

i ch vii 28, Neh ix 36, Ps cxxxvi 23, Isa. v 2

5 Heb *by the hand of thy servants*

t Deut ix. 18

6 Heb *from month to month*

j ch vi 21, 2 Kings xxi 16

10 Heb *devoted*

k Exod xxiii 32, xxxiv. 16, Deut. vii. 3, xxiii. 6, Prov xiii 22, xx. 7.

7 Heb *hast withheld beneath our iniquities*

l Ps. ciii 10

11 Heb. *the showers.*

u 1 Sam. xii. 18.

12 Heb. *have caused to dwell*, or, *have*

Joh

2 Peter ii. 20, 21.

15 O LORD God of Israel, thou *art* righteous: for we remain yet escaped, as *it is* this day: behold, we *are* before thee in our trespasses: for we cannot stand before thee because of this.[n]

CHAPTER X.

1 *Shechaniah encourageth Ezra to reform the strange marriages.* 6 *Ezra mourning assembleth the people.* 9 *The people, at the exhortation of Ezra, repent, and promise amendment.* 15 *The care to perform it.* 18 *The names of them which had married strange wives.*

NOW when Ezra had prayed, and when he had confessed, weeping and casting himself down before the house of God, there assembled unto him out of Israel a very great congregation of men and women and children: for the people [8]wept very sore.[o]

2 And Shechaniah the son of Jehiel, *one* of the sons of Elam, answered and said unto Ezra, We have trespassed against our God, and have taken strange wives of the people of the land: yet now there is hope in Israel concerning this thing.[p]

3 Now therefore let us make a covenant with our God [9]to put away all the wives, and such as are born of them, according to the counsel of my lord, and of those that tremble at the commandment of our God; and let it be done according to the law.[q]

4 Arise; for *this* matter *belongeth* unto thee: we also *will be* with thee: be of good courage, and do *it*.[r]

5 Then arose Ezra, and made the chief priests, the Levites, and all Israel, to swear that they should do according to this word. And they sware.[s]

6 ¶ Then Ezra rose up from before the house of God, and went into the chamber of Johanan the son of Eliashib: and *when* he came thither, he did eat no bread, nor drink water: for he mourned because of the transgression of them that had been carried away.[t]

7 And they made proclamation throughout Judah and Jerusalem unto all the children of the captivity, that they should gather themselves together unto Jerusalem;

8 And that whosoever would not come within three days, according to the counsel of the princes and the elders, all his substance should be [10]forfeited, and himself separated from the congregation of those that had been carried away.

9 ¶ Then all the men of Judah and Benjamin gathered themselves together unto Jerusalem within three days. It *was* the ninth month, on the twentieth *day* of the month; and all the people sat in the street of the house of God, trembling because of *this* matter, and for [11]the great rain.[u]

10 And Ezra the priest stood up, and said unto them, Ye have transgressed, and [12]have taken strange wives, to increase the trespass of Israel.

Now therefore make confession unto the LORD God of your fathers, and do his pleasure: and separate



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yourselves from the people of the land, and from the strange wives.[a]

12 Then all the congregation answered and said with a loud voice, As thou hast said, so must we do.

13 But the people *are* many, and *it is* a time of much rain, and we are not able to stand without, neither *is this* a work of one day or two: for [1]we are many that have transgressed in this thing.

14 Let now our rulers of all the congregation stand, and let all them which have taken strange wives in our cities come at appointed times, and with them the elders of every city, and the judges thereof, until the fierce wrath of our God [2]for this matter be turned from us.[b]

15 ¶ Only Jonathan the son of Asahel and Jahaziah the son of Tikvah [3]were employed about this *matter:* and Meshullam and Shabbethai the Levite helped them.

16 And the children of the captivity did so. And Ezra the priest, *with* certain chief of the fathers, after the house of their fathers, and all of them by

BEFORE CHRIST 457.

a ver 3. Josh vii 19; Prov xxviii 13

1 Or *we have greatly offended in this thing*

c Lev vi 4 6, 2 Kings x 15

2 Or, *till this matter be dispatched*

b 2 Chron xxx 8.

3 Heb *stood.*

their names, were separated, and sat down in the first day of the tenth month to examine the matter.

17 And they made an end with all the men that had taken strange wives by the first day of the first month.

18 ¶ And among the sons of the priests there were found that had taken strange wives: *namely,* of the sons of Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren; Maaseiah, and Eliezer, and Jarib, and Gedaliah.

19 And they gave their hands that they would put away their wives; and *being* guilty, *they offered* a ram of the flock for their trespass.[c]

20 And of the sons of Immer; Hanani, and Zebadiah.

21 And of the sons of Harim; Maaseiah, and Elijah, and Shemaiah, and Jehiel, and Uzziah.

22 And of the sons of Pashur; Elioenai, Maaseiah, Ishmael, Nethaneel, Jozabad, and Elasah.

23 Also of the Levites; Jozabad, and Shimei, and Kelaiah, (the same *is* Kelita,) Pethahiah, Judah, and Eliezer.

24 Of the singers also; Eliashib: and of the porters; Shallum, and Telem, and Uri.

25 Moreover of [1]Israel: of the sons of Parosh; Ramiah, and Jeziah, and Malchiah, and Miamin, and Eleazar, and Malchijah, and Benaiah.

26 And of the sons of Elam, Mattaniah, Zechariah, and Jehiel, and Abdi, and Jeremoth, and Eliah.

27 And of the sons of Zattu; Elioenai, Eliashib, Mattaniah, and Jeremoth, and Zabad, and Aziza.

28 Of the sons also of Bebai; Jehohanan, Hananiah, Zabbai, *and* Athlai.

29 And of the sons of Bani; Meshullam, Malluch, and Adaiah, Jashub, and Sheal, and Ramoth.

30 And of the sons of Pahath-moab; Adna, and Chelal, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattaniah, Bezaleel, and Binnui, and Manasseh.

31 And *of* the sons of Harim; Eliezer, Ishijah, Malchiah, Shemaiah, Shimeon,

BEFORE CHRIST 457.

1 That is, Israelites, as distinguished from the priests, and the Levites, and the singers.

2 Or, *Madnaaebai.*

32 Benjamin, Malluch, *and* Shemariah.

33 Of the sons of Hashum; Mattenai, Mattathah, Zabad, Eliphelet, Jeremai, Manasseh, *and* Shimei.

34 Of the sons of Bani; Maadai, Amram, and Uel,

35 Benaiah, Bedeiah, Chelluh,

36 Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib,

37 Mattaniah, Mattenai, and Jaasau,

38 And Bani, and Binnui, Shimei,

39 And Shelemiah, and Nathan, and Adaiah,

40 [2]Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai,

41 Azareel, and Shelemiah, Shemariah,

42 Shallum, Amariah, *and* Joseph.

43 Of the sons of Nebo; Jeiel, Mattithiah, Zabad, Zebina, Jadau, and Joel, Benaiah.

44 All these had taken strange wives: and *some* of them had wives by whom they had children.



THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH.

CHAPTER I.

1 Nehemiah, understanding by Hanani the misery of Jerusalem, mourneth, fasteth, and prayeth. 5 His prayer

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THE words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. And it came to pass in the month Chisleu, in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the palace,[a]

[a] ch. x. 1

2 That Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and *certain* men of Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews that had escaped, which were left of the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem.

3 And they said unto me, The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province *are* in great affliction and reproach: the wall of Jerusalem also *is* broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire.[b]

[b] ch. ii. 17. 2 Kings xxv. 10

4 ¶ And it came to pass, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned *certain* days, and fasted, and prayed before the God of heaven,

5 And said, I beseech thee, O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth



covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments:[a]

6 Let thine ear now be attentive, and thine eyes open, that thou mayest hear the prayer of thy servant, which I pray before thee now, day and night, for the children of Israel thy servants, and confess the sins of the children of Israel, which we have sinned against thee: both I and my father's house have sinned.[b]

7 We have dealt very corruptly against thee, and have not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the judgments, which thou commandedst thy servant Moses.[c]

8 Remember, I beseech thee, the word that thou commandedst thy servant Moses, saying, *If* ye transgress, I will scatter you abroad among the nations:[d]

9 But *if* ye turn unto me, and keep my commandments, and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, *yet* will I gather them from thence, and will bring them unto the place that I have chosen to set my name there.[e]

10 Now these *are* thy servants and thy people, whom thou hast redeemed by thy great power, and by thy strong hand.[f]

11 O Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant, and to the prayer of thy servants, who desire to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray thee, thy servant this day, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. For I was the king's cupbearer.[g]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Artaxerxes understanding the cause of Nehemiah's sadness sendeth him with letters and commission to Jerusalem.* 9 *Nehemiah, to the grief of the enemies, cometh to Jerusalem.* 12 *He vieweth secretly the ruins of the walls.* 17 *He inciteth the Jews to build in despite of the enemies.*

AND it came to pass in the month Nisan, in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes the king, *that* wine *was* before him: and I took up the wine, and gave *it* unto the king. Now I had not been *beforetime* sad in his presence.[h]

2 Wherefore the king said unto me, Why *is* thy countenance sad, seeing thou *art* not sick? this *is* nothing *else* but sorrow of heart. Then I was very sore afraid,[i]

3 And said unto the king, Let the king live for ever: why should not my countenance be sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' sepulchres, *lieth* waste, and the gates thereof are consumed with fire?[j]

4 Then the king said unto me, For what dost thou make request? So I prayed to the God of heaven.

5 And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if thy servant have found favour in thy sight, that thou wouldest send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build it.

6 And the king said unto me, (the [1]queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy journey be? and when wilt thou return? So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time.[k]

7 Moreover I said unto the king, If it please the king, let letters be given me to the governors beyond the river, that they may convey me over till I come into Judah;

8 And a letter unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest, that he may give me timber to make beams for the gates of the palace which *appertained* to the house, and for the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the king granted me, according to the good hand of my God upon me.[l]

9 ¶ Then I came to the governors beyond the river, and gave them the king's letters. Now the king had sent captains of the army and horsemen with me.

10 When Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, heard *of it*, it grieved them exceedingly that there was come a man to seek the welfare of the children of Israel.

11 So I came to Jerusalem, and was there three days.[m]

12 ¶ And I arose in the night, I and some few men with me; neither told I *any* man what my God had put in my heart to do at Jerusalem: neither *was there any* beast with me, save the beast that I rode upon.

13 And I went out by night by the gate of the valley, even before the dragon well, and to the dung port, and viewed the walls of Jerusalem, which were broken down, and the gates thereof were consumed with fire.[n]

14 Then I went on to the gate of the fountain, and to the king's pool: but *there was* no place for the beast *that was* under me to pass.

15 Then went I up in the night by the brook, and viewed the wall, and turned back, and entered by the gate of the valley, and *so* returned.[o]

16 And the rulers knew not whither I went, or what I did; neither had I as yet told *it* to the Jews, nor to the priests, nor to the nobles, nor to the rulers, nor to the rest that did the work.

17 ¶ Then said I unto them, Ye see the distress that we *are* in, how Jerusalem *lieth* waste, and the gates thereof are burned with fire: come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more a reproach.[p]

18 Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me; as also the king's words that he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for *this* good *work*.[q]

19 But when Sanballat the Horonite, and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite, and Geshem the Arabian, heard *it*, they laughed us to scorn, and despised us, and said, What *is* this thing that ye do? will ye rebel against the king?[r]

20 Then answered I them, and said unto them, The God of heaven, he will prosper us; therefore we his servants will arise and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem.[s]

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[a] Exod. xx. 6, Dan. ix. 4. [b] ch. v. 14; xiii. 6.

[b] 1 Kings viii. 28, 29; 2 Chron. vi. 40, Dan. ix. 17, 18, 20

[c] Deut. xxviii. 15; Ps. cvi. 6; Dan. ix. 5.

[d] ver. 18, Ezra v. 5, vii. 6, 9, 28

[d] Lev. xxvi. 33, Deut. iv. 25—27, xxviii. 64.

[e] Lev. xxvi. 40, &c., Deut. iv. 29—31, xxx. 2, 4

[m] Ezra viii. 32

[f] Deut. ix. 29, Neh. i. 10

[g] ver. 6, ch. i. 1, Isa. xxxvi. 8, Heb. xiii. 18

[n] ver. 17, ch. i. 3, iii. 13, 2 Chron. xxvi. 9

[o] 2 Sam. xv. 23, Jer. xxxi. 40

[h] ch. i. 11, Ezra vii. 1

[p] ch. i. 3, Ps. xliv. 13, lxxix. 4, Jer. xxiv. 9, Ezek. v. 14, 15, xxii. 4

[i] Prov. xv. 13

[q] ver. 8, 2 Sam. iii. 7

[j] ch. i. 3, 1 Kings i. 31, Dan. ii. 4, v. 10; vi. 6, 21.

[r] ch. vi. 6; Ps. xliv. 13; lxxix. 4, lxxx. 6.

[1] Heb. wife.

[s] Ezra iv. 3



REBUILDING THE WALLS OF JERUSALEM, AFTER THE CAPTIVITY.

CHAPTER III.

The names and order of them that builded the wall.

THEN Eliashib the high priest rose up with his brethren the priests, and they builded the sheep gate; they sanctified it, and set up the doors of it; even unto the tower of Meah they sanctified it, unto the tower of Hananeel.[a]

2 And [1]next unto him builded the men of Jericho. And next to them builded Zaccur the son of Imri.[b]

3 But the fish gate did the sons of Hassenaah build, who *also* laid the beams thereof, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 445.

2 Or, *left Jerusalem unto the broad wall.*

f ch xii. 38.

3 Heb. *second measure.*

a ch. xii. 10, 39; Jer. xxxi. 38; Zech. xiv. 10; John v 2.

g ch. xii. 38

1 Heb *at his hand.*

b Ezra ii 34.

c ch. vi. 1; vii. 1; xii 39; 2 Chron xxxiii. 14; Zeph i 10

caries, and they [2]fortified Jerusalem unto the broad wall.[f]

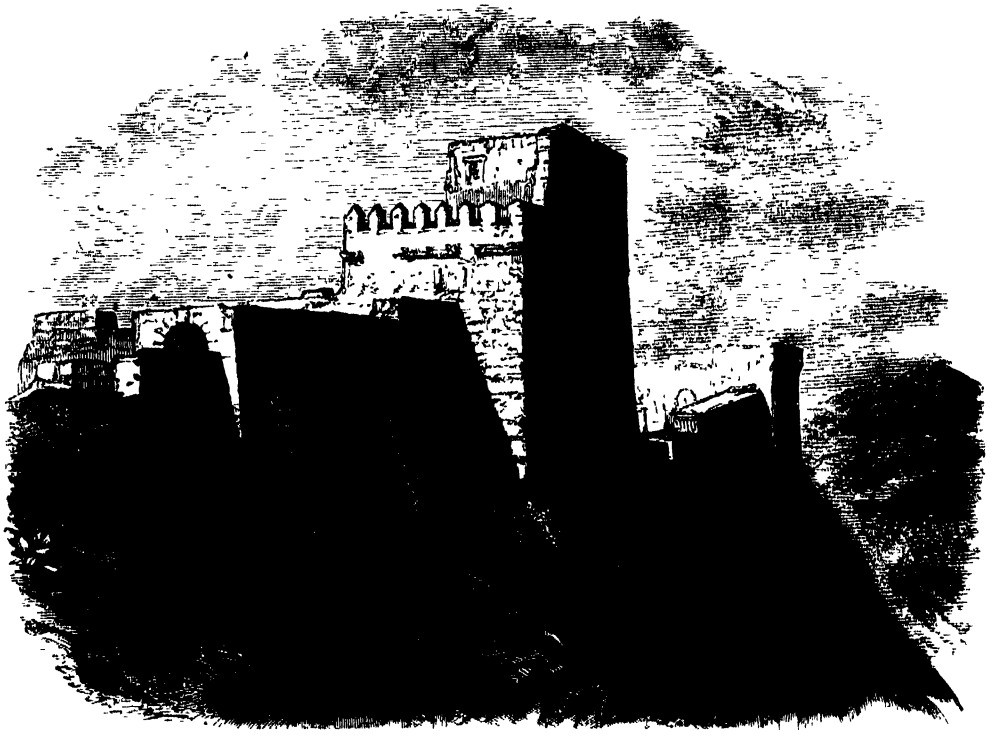
9 And next unto them repaired Rephaiah the son of Hur, the ruler of the half part of Jerusalem.

10 And next unto them repaired Jedaiah the son of Harumaph, even over against his house. And next unto him repaired Hattush the son of Hashabniah.

11 Malchijah the son of Harim, and Hashub the son of Pahath-moab, repaired [3]the other piece, and the tower of the furnaces.[g]

12 And next unto him repaired Shallum the son of Halohesh, the ruler of the half part of Jerusalem, he and his daughters.

13 The valley gate repaired Hanun, and the inhabitants of Zanoah; they built it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof,



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4 And next unto them repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah, the son of Koz. And next unto them repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah, the son of Meshezabeel. And next unto them repaired Zadok the son of Baana.

5 And next unto them the Tekoites repaired; but their nobles put not their necks to the work of their Lord.[d]

6 Moreover the old gate repaired Jehoiada the son of Paseah, and Meshullam the son of Besodeiah; they laid the beams thereof, and set up the doors thereof, and the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.[e]

7 And next unto them repaired Melatiah the Gibeonite, and Jadon the Meronothite, the men of Gibeon, and of Mizpah, unto the throne of the governor on this side the river.

8 Next unto him repaired Uzziel the son of Harhaiah, of the goldsmiths. Next unto him also repaired Hananiah the son of *one of* the apothe-

h ch ii 13

d Judg v 23

e ch xii. 39.

i ch. ii 14; John ix. 7.

j 2 Kings xx. 20; Isa. xxii. 11.

and a thousand cubits on the wall unto the dung gate.[h]

14 But the dung gate repaired Malchiah the son of Rechab, the ruler of part of Beth-haccerem, he built it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

15 But the gate of the fountain repaired Shallun the son of Col-hozeh, the ruler of part of Mizpah; he built it, and covered it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof, and the wall of the pool of Siloah by the king's garden, and unto the stairs that go down from the city of David.[i]

16 After him repaired Nehemiah the son of Azbuk, the ruler of the half part of Beth-zur, unto *the place* over against the sepulchres of David, and to the pool that was made, and unto the house of the mighty.[j]

17 After him repaired the Levites, Rehum the son of Bani. Next unto him repaired Hashabiah, the ruler of the half part of Keilah, in his part.

18 After him repaired their brethren, Bavai the son of Henadad, the ruler of the half part of Keilah.

19 And next to him repaired Ezer the son of Jeshua, the ruler of Mizpah, another piece over against the going up to the armoury at the turning *of the wall.*[g]

20 After him Baruch the son of [1]Zabbai earnestly repaired the other piece, from the turning *of the wall* unto the door of the house of Eliashib the high priest.

21 After him repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah the son of Koz another piece, from the door of the house of Eliashib even to the end of the house of Eliashib.

22 And after him repaired the priests, the men of the plain.

23 After him repaired Benjamin and Hashub over against their house. After him repaired Azariah the son of Maaseiah the son of Ananiah by his house.

24 After him repaired Binnui the son of Henadad another piece, from the house of Azariah unto the turning *of the wall*, even unto the corner.[h]

25 Palal the son of Uzai, over against the turning *of the wall*, and the tower which lieth out from the king's high house, that *was* by the court of the prison. After him Pedaiah the son of Parosh.[i]

26 Moreover the Nethinims [2]dwelt in Ophel, unto *the place* over against the water gate toward the east, and the tower that lieth out.[k]

27 After them the Tekoites repaired another piece, over against the great tower that lieth out, even unto the wall of Ophel.

28 From above the horse gate repaired the priests, every one over against his house.[l]

29 After them repaired Zadok the son of Immer over against his house. After him repaired also Shemaiah the son of Shechaniah, the keeper of the east gate.

30 After him repaired Hananiah the son of Shelemiah, and Hanun the sixth son of Zalaph, another piece. After him repaired Meshullam the son of Berechiah over against his chamber.

31 After him repaired Malchiah the goldsmith's son unto the place of the Nethinims, and of the merchants, over against the gate Miphkad, and to the [3]going up of the corner.

32 And between the going up of the corner unto the sheep gate repaired the goldsmiths and the merchants.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *While the enemies scoff, Nehemiah prayeth and continueth the work.*
7 *Understanding the wrath and secrets of the enemy, he setteth a watch.*
13 *He armeth the labourers,* 19 *and giveth military precepts.*

BUT it came to pass, that when Sanballat heard that we builded the wall, he was wroth, and took great indignation, and mocked the Jews.[f]

2 And he spake before his brethren and the army of Samaria, and said, What do these feeble Jews? will they [4]fortify themselves? will they sacrifice? will they make an end in a day? will they revive the stones out of the heaps of the rubbish which are burned?

3 Now Tobiah the Ammonite *was* by him, and he said, Even that which they build, if a fox go up, he shall even break down their stone wall.[s]

4 Hear, O our God; for we are [5]despised: and turn their reproach upon their own head, and give them for a prey in the land of captivity:[t]

5 And cover not their iniquity, and let not their sin be blotted out from before thee: for they have provoked *thee* to anger before the builders.[u]

6 So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work.

7 ¶ But it came to pass, *that* when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites, heard that the walls of Jerusalem [6]were made up, *and* that the breaches began to be stopped, then they were very wroth,[x]

8 And conspired all of them together to come *and* to fight against Jerusalem, and [7]to hinder it.[y]

9 Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them.[z]

10 And Judah said, The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed, and *there is* much rubbish; so that we are not able to build the wall.

11 And our adversaries said, They shall not know, neither see, till we come in the midst among them, and slay them, and cause the work to cease.

12 And it came to pass, that when the Jews which dwelt by them came, they said unto us ten times, [8]From all places whence ye shall return unto us *they will be upon you.*

13 ¶ Therefore set I [9]in the lower places behind the wall, *and* on the higher places, I even set the people after their families with their swords, their spears, and their bows.

14 And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, Be not ye afraid of them: remember the Lord, *which is* great and terrible, and fight for your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives, and your houses.[m]

15 And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and God had brought their counsel to nought, that we returned all of us to the wall, every one unto his work.[n]

16 And it came to pass from that time forth, *that* the half of my servants wrought in the work, and the other half of them held both the spears, the shields, and the bows, and the habergeons; and the rulers *were* behind all the house of Judah.

17 They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with those that laded, *every one* with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other *hand* held a weapon.

18 For the builders, every one had his sword girded by his side, and *so* builded. And he that sounded the trumpet *was* by me.[o]

19 ¶ And I said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people, The work *is* great and

BEFORE CHRIST 445.

g ch. iii. 10, 19.

a 2 Chron. xxvi. 9

b Heb. *dispute.*

1 Or, *Zaccai.*

h Ps lxxix. 12, cxxiii 3, 4, Prov iii 34

i Ps lxix 27, 28, cix 14, 15, Jer xviii 23

6 Heb *ascended.*

j ver 1

7 Heb *to make an error to it*

k Ps lxxxiii 3—5

b ver 19.

l Ps l 15

c Jer xxxii 2, xxxiii 1, xxxvii 21

2 Or, *which dwelt in Ophel, repaired unto*

d ch xiii 1 3, xi 21, xii 37, 2 Chron xxvii 3; Ezra ii 43

8 Or, *From all places whence ye shall return to us*

e 2 Kings xi 16, 2 Chron xxiii 15, Jer xxxi 40

9 Heb *from the lower parts of the place, &c*

m Numb xiv 9, Deut i 29 x 17, 2 Sam x 12.

3 Or, *corner-chamber*

n Job v 12

f ch ii 10, 19

o Heb *on his loins.*

4 Heb *leave them to themselves*

large, and we are separated upon the wall, one far from another.

20 In what place *therefore* ye hear the sound of the trumpet, resort ye thither unto us: our God shall fight for us.[a]

21 So we laboured in the work: and half of them held the spears from the rising of the morning till the stars appeared.

22 Likewise at the same time said I unto the people, Let every one with his servant lodge within Jerusalem, that in the night they may be a guard to us, and labour on the day.

23 So neither I, nor my brethren, nor my servants, nor the men of the guard which followed me, none of us put off our clothes, [1]*saving that* every one put them off for washing.[b]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The Jews complain of their debt, mortgage, and bondage.* 6 *Nehemiah rebuketh the usurers, and causeth them to make a covenant of restitution.* 14 *He forbeareth his own allowance, and keepeth hospitality.*

AND there was a great cry of the people and of their wives against their brethren the Jews.[c]

2 For there were that said, We, our sons, and our daughters, *are* many: therefore we take up corn *for them*, that we may eat, and live.

3 *Some* also there were that said, We have mortgaged our lands, vineyards, and houses, that we might buy corn, because of the dearth.

4 There were also that said, We have borrowed money for the king's tribute, *and that upon* our lands and vineyards.

5 Yet now our flesh *is* as the flesh of our brethren, our children as their children: and, lo, we bring into bondage our sons and our daughters to be servants, and *some* of our daughters are brought unto bondage *already*: neither *is it* in our power *to redeem them*; for other men have our lands and vineyards.[d]

6 ¶ And I was very angry when I heard their cry and these words.

7 Then [2]I consulted with myself, and I rebuked the nobles, and the rulers, and said unto them, Ye exact usury, every one of his brother. And I set a great assembly against them.[e]

8 And I said unto them, We after our ability have redeemed our brethren the Jews, which were sold unto the heathen; and will ye even sell your brethren? or shall they be sold unto us? Then held they their peace, and found nothing *to answer*.[f]

9 Also I said, It *is* not good that ye do: ought ye not to walk in the fear of our God because of the reproach of the heathen our enemies?[g]

10 I likewise, *and* my brethren, and my servants, might exact of them money and corn: I pray you, let us leave off this usury.

11 Restore, I pray you, to them, even this day, their lands, their vineyards, their olivevards, and their houses, also the hundredth *part* of the money, and of the corn, the wine, and the oil, that ye exact of them.

12 Then said they, We will restore *them*, and will require nothing of them; so will we do as thou sayest. Then I called the priests, and took an oath of them, that they should do according to this promise.[h]

13 Also I shook my lap, and said, So God shake out every man from his house, and from his labour, that performeth not this promise, even thus be he shaken out, and [3]emptied. And all the congregation said, Amen, and praised the LORD. And the people did according to this promise.[i]

14 ¶ Moreover from the time that I was appointed to be their governor in the land of Judah, from the twentieth year even unto the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes the king, *that is*, twelve years, I and my brethren have not eaten the bread of the governor.[j]

15 But the former governors that *had been* before me were chargeable unto the people, and had taken of them bread and wine, beside forty shekels of silver; yea, even their servants bare rule over the people: but so did not I, because of the fear of God.[k]

16 Yea, also I continued in the work of this wall, neither bought we any land: and all my servants *were* gathered thither unto the work.

17 Moreover *there were* at my table an hundred and fifty of the Jews and rulers, beside those that came unto us from among the heathen that *are* about us.[l]

18 Now *that* which was prepared *for me* daily *was* one ox *and* six choice sheep; also fowls were prepared for me, and once in ten days store of all sorts of wine: yet for all this required not I the bread of the governor, because the bondage was heavy upon this people.[m]

19 Think upon me, my God, for good, *according* to all that I have done for this people.[n]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Sanballat practiseth by craft, by rumours, by hired prophecies, to terrify Nehemiah.* 15 *The work is finished to the terror of the enemies.* 17 *Secret intelligence passeth between the enemies and the nobles of Judah.*

NOW it came to pass, when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and [4]Geshem the Arabian, and the rest of our enemies, heard that I had builded the wall, and *that* there was no breach left therein; (though at that time I had not set up the doors upon the gates;)[o]

2 That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in *some one of* the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief.[p]

3 And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I *am* doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you?

4 Yet they sent unto me four times after this sort; and I answered them after the same manner.

5 Then sent Sanballat his servant unto me in

BEFORE CHRIST 445.

a Exod. xiv 14, 25; Deut i 30, iii 22, xx 4, Josh xxiii 10

b Ezra x. 5; Jer xxxiv 8, 9

3 Heb *empty*, or, *void*

i 2 Kings xxiii 3, Matt. x 14, Acts xiii 51, xviii 6

1 Or, *every one went with his weapon for water*

b Judg v 11

j ch xiii 6

k ver 9

c Lev xxv 35—37, Deut. xv 7, Isa. v 7

l 2 Sam ix 7, 1 Kings xviii 19

m ch 14, 15, 1 Kings iv 22

n ch xiii 22

d Exod xxi 7, Lev xxv 39, Isa. lviii 7

4 Or, *Gashmu*

2 Heb *my heart consulted in me.*

e Exod xxii 25; Lev xxv 36, Ezek xxii 12.

o ver 6, ch ii. 10, 19; iii 1, 3, iv 1, 7

f Lev xxv. 48

p ch xi 35, 1 Chron. viii. 12, Ps xxxvii. 12, 32; Prov xxvi. 24, 25.

g Lev xxv 36; 2 Sam xii 14, Rom. ii. 24; 1 Peter ii. 12.



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like manner the fifth time with an open letter in his hand;

6 Wherein *was* written, It is reported among the heathen, and [1]Gashmu saith *it*, *that* thou and the Jews think to rebel: for which cause thou buildest the wall, that thou mayest be their king, according to these words.[a]

7 And thou hast also appointed prophets to preach of thee at Jerusalem, saying, *There is* a king in Judah: and now shall it be reported to the king according to these words. Come now therefore, and let us take counsel together.

8 Then I sent unto him, saying, There are no such things done as thou sayest, but thou feignest them out of thine own heart.

9 For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that it be not done. Now therefore, *O God*, strengthen my hands.

10 Afterward I came unto the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah the son of Mehetabeel, who *was* shut up; and he said, Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple, and let us shut the doors of the temple: for they will come to slay thee; yea, in the night will they come to slay thee.

11 And I said, Should such a man as I flee? and who *is there*, that, *being* as I *am*, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in.

12 And, lo, I perceived that God had not sent him; but that he pronounced this prophecy against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him.[b]

13 Therefore *was* he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and *that* they might have *matter* for an evil report, that they might reproach me.

14 My God, think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works, and on the prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the prophets, that would have put me in fear.[c]

15 ¶ So the wall was finished in the twenty and fifth *day* of *the month* Elul, in fifty and two days.

16 And it came to pass, that when all our enemies

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[a] ver 1, ch ii 19

[b] Ezek xiii 22

[c] ch xiii 29, Ezek. xiii 17

heard *thereof*, and all the heathen that *were* about us saw *these things*, they were much cast down in their own eyes: for they perceived that this work was wrought of our God.[a]

17 ¶ Moreover in those days the nobles of Judah [1]sent many letters unto Tobiah, and *the letters* of Tobiah came unto them.

18 For *there were* many in Judah sworn unto him, because he *was* the son in law of Shechaniah the son of Arah; and his son Johanan had taken the daughter of Meshullam the son of Berechiah.

19 Also they reported his good deeds before me, and uttered my [2]words to him. *And* Tobiah sent letters to put me in fear.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Nehemiah committeth the charge of Jerusalem to Hanani and Hananiah.* 5 *A register of the genealogy of them which came at the first out of Babylon,* 9 *of the people,* 39 *of the priests,* 43 *of the Levites,* 46 *of the Nethinims,* 57 *of Solomon's servants,* 63 *and of the priests which could not find their pedigree.* 66 *The whole number of them, with their substance.* 70 *Their oblations*

NOW it came to pass, when the wall was built, and I had set up the doors, and the porters and the singers and the Levites were appointed,[b]

2 That I gave my brother Hanani, and Hananiah the ruler of the palace, charge over Jerusalem: for he *was* a faithful man, and feared God above many.[c]

3 And I said unto them, Let not the gates of Jerusalem be opened until the sun be hot; and while they stand by, let them shut the doors, and bar *them:* and appoint watches of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, every one in his watch, and every one *to be* over against his house.

4 Now the city *was* [3]large and great: but the people *were* few therein, and the houses *were* not builded.

5 ¶ And my God put into mine heart to gather together the nobles, and the rulers, and the people, that they might be reckoned by genealogy. And I found a register of the genealogy of them which came up at the first, and found written therein,

6 These *are* the children of the province, that went up out of the captivity, of those that had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away, and came again to Jerusalem and to Judah, every one unto his city;[d]

7 Who came with Zerubbabel, Jeshua, Nehemiah, [4]Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Bigvai, Nehum, Baanah. The number, *I say*, of the men of the people of Israel *was this;*

8 The children of Parosh, two thousand an hundred seventy and two.

9 The children of [5]Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.

10 The children of Arah, six hundred fifty and two.

11 The children of Pahath-moab, of the children of Jeshua and Joab, two thousand and eight hundred *and* eighteen.

12 The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.

13 The children of Zattu, eight hundred forty and five.

14 The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.

15 The children of [6]Binnui, six hundred forty and eight.

16 The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and eight.

17 The children of Azgad, two thousand three hundred twenty and two.

18 The children of Adonikam, six hundred threescore and seven.

19 The children of Bigvai, two thousand threescore and seven.

20 The children of Adin, six hundred fifty and five.

21 The children of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety and eight.

22 The children of Hashum, three hundred twenty and eight.

23 The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and four.

24 The children of [7]Hariph, an hundred and twelve

25 The children of [8]Gibeon, ninety and five.

26 The men of Beth-lehem and Netophah, an hundred fourscore and eight.

27 The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight.

28 The men of [9]Beth-azmaveth, forty and two.

29 The men of [10]Kirjath-jearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred forty and three.

30 The men of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one.

31 The men of Michmas, an hundred and twenty and two.

32 The men of Beth-el and Ai, an hundred twenty and three.

33 The men of the other Nebo, fifty and two.

34 The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four.[e]

35 The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty.

36 The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five.

37 The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and one.

38 The children of Senaah, three thousand nine hundred and thirty.

39 ¶ The priests: the children of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three.[f]

40 The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.[g]

41 The children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven.[h]

42 The children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.[i]

43 ¶ The Levites: the children of Jeshua, of Kadmiel, *and* of the children of [11]Hodevah, seventy and four.

44 ¶ The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred forty and eight.

45 ¶ The porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children

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[a] ch. ii. 10; iv. 1, 7; vi. 1; Ps. cxxvi. 2.

[1] Heb. *multiplied their letters passing to Tobiah.*

[5] Or, *Bani.*

[2] Or, *matters.*

[6] Or, *Jora.*

[7] Or, *Gibbar*

[b] ch. vi. 1

[8] Or, *Azmaveth*

[9] Or, *Kirjath-arim*

[c] ch. v. 6. Exod. xviii. 21

[3] Heb. *broad in spaces*

[d] Ezra ii. 1, &c.

[e] ver. 12

[f] 1 Chron. xxiv. 7

[g] 1 Chron. xxiv. 14

[4] Or, *Seraiah*, Ezra ii. 2.

[h] 1 Chron. ix. 12; xxiv. 9.

[i] 1 Chron. xxiv. 8

[10] Or, *Hodaviah*, Ezra ii. 40; or, *Judah*, Ezra iii. 9.

of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, an hundred thirty and eight.

46 ¶ The Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hashupha, the children of Tabbaoth,

47 The children of Keros, the children of [1]Sia, the children of Padon,

48 The children of Lebana, the children of Hagaba, the children of [2]Shalmai,

49 The children of Hanan, the children of Giddel, the children of Gahar,

50 The children of Reaiah, the children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda,

51 The children of Gazzam, the children of Uzza, the children of Phaseah,

52 The children of Besai, the children of Meunim, the children of [3]Nephishesim,

53 The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur,

54 The children of [4]Bazlith, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha,

55 The children of Barkos, the children of Sisera, the children of Tamah,

56 The children of Neziah, the children of Hatipha.

57 ¶ The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai, the children of Sophereth, the children of [5]Perida,

58 The children of Jaala, the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel,

59 The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of [6]Amon.

60 All the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants, *were* three hundred ninety and two.

61 And these *were* they which went up *also* from Tel-melah, Tel-haresha, Cherub, [7]Addon, and Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, nor their [8]seed, whether they *were* of Israel.[a]

62 The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred forty and two.

63 ¶ And of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of Koz, the children of Barzillai, which took *one* of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was called after their name.

64 These sought their register *among* those that were reckoned by genealogy, but it was not found: therefore were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood.

65 And [9]the Tirshatha said unto them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood *up* a priest with Urim and Thummim.[b]

66 ¶ The whole congregation together *was* forty and two thousand three hundred and threescore,

67 Beside their manservants and their maidservants, of whom *there were* seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and they had two hundred forty and five singing men and singing women.

68 Their horses, seven hundred thirty and six: their mules, two hundred forty and five:

69 *Their* camels, four hundred thirty and five: six thousand seven hundred and twenty asses.

70 ¶ And [10]some of the chief of the fathers gave unto the work. The Tirshatha gave to the treasure a thousand drams of gold, fifty basons, five hundred and thirty priests' garments.[c]

71 And *some* of the chief of the fathers gave to the treasure of the work twenty thousand drams of gold, and two thousand and two hundred pound of silver.[d]

72 And *that* which the rest of the people gave *was* twenty thousand drams of gold, and two thousand pound of silver, and threescore and seven priests' garments.

73 So the priests, and the Levites, and the porters, and the singers, and *some* of the people, and the Nethinims, and all Israel, dwelt in their cities; and when the seventh month came, the children of Israel *were* in their cities.[e]

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c ch. viii. 9

1 Or, *Siaha*

d Ezra ii 69

2 Or, *Shamlai*

e Ezra iii 1.

3 Or, *Nephusim*

4 Or, *Bazluth*

f ch iii 26, Ezra iii 1, vii 6

5 Or, *Peruda*

11 Heb *that understood in hearing*

6 Or, *Ami*

g Lev xxiii 24, Deut xxxi 11, 12

12 Heb *from the light*

7 Or, *Addan.*

8 Or, *pedigree*

a Ezra ii 59.

13 Heb *tower of wood*

14 Heb *eyes*

h Judg iii 20

9 Or, *the governor*

b ch viii 9

i Exod iv 31; xii. 27, 2 Chron. xx 18, Lam iii. 41; 1 Cor xiv 16, 1 Tim ii 8

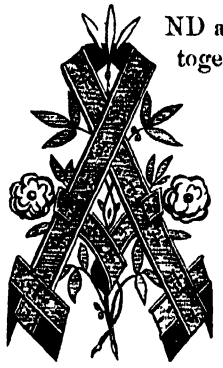
j Lev x 11; Deut. xxxiii 10, 2 Chron xvii. 7—9, Mal ii 7

15 Or, *the governor*

10 Heb *part*

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The religious manner of reading and hearing the law.* 9 *They comfort the people.* 13 *The forwardness of them to hear and be instructed.* 16 *They keep the feast of tabernacles.*



AND all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that *was* before the water gate; and they spake unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel.[f]

2 And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and [11]all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh month.[g]

3 And he read therein before the street that *was* before the water gate [12]from the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the people *were attentive* unto the book of the law.

4 And Ezra the scribe stood upon a [13]pulpit of wood, which they had made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Anaiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand; and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and Hashbadana, Zechariah, *and* Meshullam.

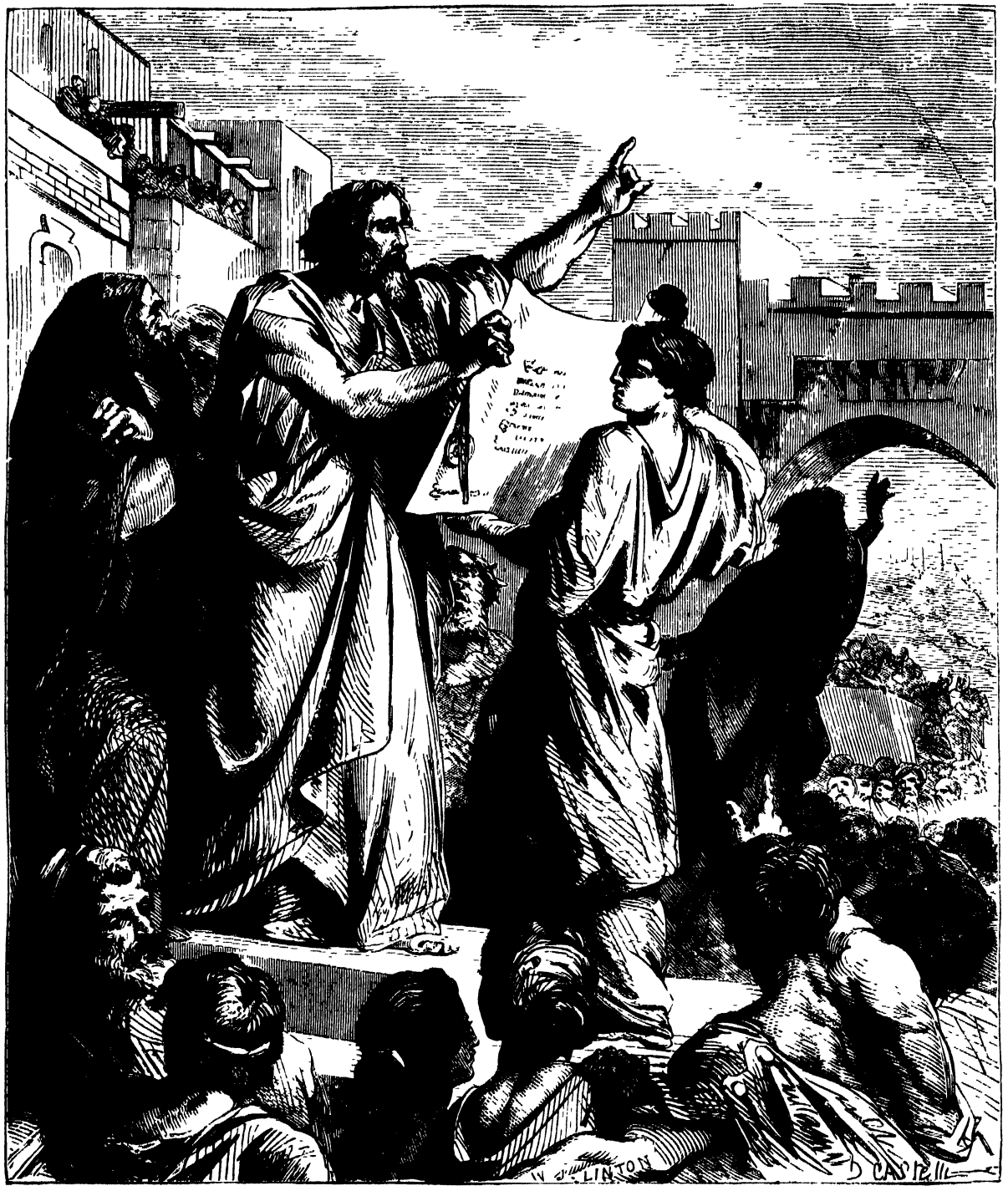
5 And Ezra opened the book in the [14]sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people stood up:[h]

6 And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD with *their* faces to the ground.[i]

7 Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, caused the people to understand the law: and the people *stood* in their place.[j]

8 So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused *them* to understand the reading.

9 ¶ And Nehemiah, which *is* [15]the Tirshatha, and Ezra the priest the scribe, and the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the people, This day *is* holy unto the LORD your God; mourn not, nor



EZRA READING THE LAW IN THE HEARING OF THE PEOPLE.

weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law.[a]

10 Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for *this* day *is* holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.[b]

11 So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace, for the day *is* holy; neither be ye grieved.

12 And all the people went their way to eat, and to drink, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had understood the words that were declared unto them.[c]

13 ¶ And on the second day were gathered together the chief of the fathers of all the people, the priests, and the Levites, unto Ezra the scribe, even [1]to understand the words of the law.

14 And they found written in the law which the LORD had commanded [2]by Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month:[d]

15 And that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, Go forth unto the mount, and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make booths, as *it is* written.[e]

16 ¶ So the people went forth, and brought *them*, and made themselves booths, every one upon the

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a ver 8, ch vii. 65; x. 1; Lev xxiii 24; Numb xxix 1, Deut. xvi. 14, 15; Eccles iii. 4.

1 Or, *that they might instruct in the words of the law.*

2 Heb *by the hand of.*

b Esther ix. 19, 22; Rev. xi. 10

c vs. 7, 8, 10.

d Lev. xxiii. 34, 42; Deut. xvi. 13.

e Lev. xxiii. 4, 40; Deut. xvi. 16.

roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and in the street of the water gate, and in the street of the gate of Ephraim.[a]

17 And all the congregation of them that were come again out of the captivity made booths, and sat under the booths: for since the days of Jeshua the son of Nun unto that day had not the children of Israel done so. And there was very great gladness.[b]

18 Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day, he read in the book of the law of God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day *was* [1]a solemn assembly, according unto the manner.[c]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *A solemn fast, and repentance of the people.* 4 *The Levites make a religious confession of God's goodness, and their wickedness.*

NOW in the twenty and fourth day of this month the children of Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackclothes, and earth upon them.[d]

2 And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all [2]strangers, and stood and confessed their sins, and the iniquities of their fathers.[e]

3 And they stood up in their place, and read in the book of the law of the LORD their God *one* fourth part of the day; and *another* fourth part they confessed, and worshipped the LORD their God.[f]

4 ¶ Then stood up upon the [3]stairs, of the Levites, Jeshua, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, *and* Chenani, and cried with a loud voice unto the LORD their God.

5 Then the Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, *and* Pethahiah, said, Stand up *and* bless the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.[g]

6 Thou, *even* thou, *art* LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all *things* that *are* therein, the seas, and all that *is* therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee.[h]

7 Thou *art* the LORD the God, who didst choose Abram, and broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of Abraham;[i]

8 And foundest his heart faithful before thee, and madest a covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the Girgashites, to give *it, I say,* to his seed, and hast performed thy words; for thou *art* righteous:[j]

9 And didst see the affliction of our fathers in Egypt, and heardest their cry by the Red sea;[k]

10 And shewedst signs and wonders upon Pharaoh, and on all his servants, and on all the people of his land: for thou knewest that they dealt proudly against them. So didst thou get thee a name, as *it is* this day.[l]

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a ch xii. 37, 39, Deut. xxii. 8; 2 Kings xiv 13

m Exod. xiv. 21, 22, 27, 28; xv. 5, 10, Ps lxxviii 13.

n Exod. xiii. 21.

b 2 Chron xxx. 21.

1 Heb *a restraint*

c Lev xxiii 36; Numb xxix 35, Deut. xxxi. 10, &c.

d Josh vii. 6, 1 Sam iv 12; 2 Sam i. 2; Job ii 12.

2 Heb *strange children.*

11 And thou didst divide the sea before them, so that they went through the midst of the sea on the dry land; and their persecutors thou threwest into the deeps, as a stone into the mighty waters.[m]

12 Moreover thou leddest them in the day by a cloudy pillar; and in the night by a pillar of fire, to give them light in the way wherein they should go.[n]

13 Thou camest down also upon mount Sinai, and spakest with them from heaven, and gavest them right



MOUNT SINAI

e ch. xiii 3, 30, Ezra x. 11

f ch viii 7, 8.

3 Or, *scaffold*

4 Heb *laws of truth*

o Exod xix 20, xx. 1, Ps xix 8, 9, Rom vii 12.

p Gen ii 3, Exod xx 8—11

g 1 Chron xxix 13

5 Heb *which thou hadst lift up thine hand to give them*

q Exod xvi. 14, 15, xvii. 6, Numb xiv 30, xx. 9, &c., Deut. i. 8.

h Gen i 1, ii. 1, Exod. xx. 11; Deut. x 14, 1 Kings viii 27, 2 Kings xix. 15, 19, Ps xxxvi 6, lxxxvi. 10; Isa. xxxvii. 16, 20; Rev xiv 7

r ver. 29; Deut. xxxi 27, 2 Kings xvii 14; 2 Chron. xxx. 8, Ps. cvi. 6; Jer xix 15

i Gen xi 31; xii. 1, xvii 5

s Exod xxxiv. 6, Numb xiv. 4, 18; Ps. lxxviii. 11, 42, 43; lxxxvi. 5, 15; Joel ii. 13

j Gen xii. 7; xv. 18—21; xvii. 7, 8; Josh. xxiii. 14.

t Exod xxxii. 4.

k Exod. ii. 24; iii. 7; xiv. 10

u ver 27; Exod. xiii. 21, 22; Numb. xiv. 14, Ps. cvi. 45; 1 Cor. x. 1.

l Exod. vii.—x., xii., xiv., xviii 11; Isa. lxiii. 12, 14, Dan. ix. 15.

judgments, and [4]true laws, good statutes and commandments:[o]

14 And madest known unto them thy holy sabbath, and commandedst them precepts, statutes, and laws, by the hand of Moses thy servant:[p]

15 And gavest them bread from heaven for their hunger, and broughtest forth water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and promisedst them that they should go in to possess the land [5]which thou hadst sworn to give them.[q]

16 But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and hardened their necks, and hearkened not to thy commandments,[r]

17 And refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but thou *art* a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not.[s]

18 Yea, when they had made them a molten calf, and said, This *is* thy God that brought thee up out of Egypt, and had wrought great provocations;[t]

19 Yet thou in thy manifold mercies forsookest them not in the wilderness: the pillar of the cloud departed not from them by day, to lead them in the way; neither the pillar of fire by night, to shew them light, and the way wherein they should go.[u]

20 Thou gavest also thy good spirit to instruct

them, and withholdest not thy manna from their mouth, and gavest them water for their thirst.[a]

21 Yea, forty years didst thou sustain them in the wilderness, *so that* they lacked nothing; their clothes waxed not old, and their feet swelled not.[b]

22 Moreover thou gavest them kingdoms and nations, and didst divide them into corners: so they possessed the land of Sihon, and the land of the king of Heshbon, and the land of Og king of Bashan.[c]

23 Their children also multipliedst thou as the stars of heaven, and broughtest them into the land, concerning which thou hadst promised to their fathers, that they should go in to possess *it*.[d]

24 So the children went in and possessed the land, and thou subduedst before them the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and gavest them into their hands, with their kings, and the people of the land, that they might do with them [1]as they would.[e]

25 And they took strong cities, and a fat land, and possessed houses full of all goods, [2]wells digged, vineyards, and oliveyards, and [3]fruit trees in abundance: so they did eat, and were filled, and became fat, and delighted themselves in thy great goodness.[f]

26 Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy prophets which testified against them to turn them to thee, and they wrought great provocations.[g]

27 Therefore thou deliveredst them into the hand of their enemies, who vexed them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto thee, thou heardest *them* from heaven; and according to thy manifold mercies thou gavest them saviours, who saved them out of the hand of their enemies.[h]

28 But after they had rest, [4]they did evil again before thee: therefore leftest thou them in the hand of their enemies, so that they had the dominion over them: yet when they returned, and cried unto thee, thou heardest *them* from heaven; and many times didst thou deliver them according to thy mercies;[i]

29 And testifiedst against them, that thou mightest bring them again unto thy law: yet they dealt proudly, and hearkened not unto thy commandments, but sinned against thy judgments, (which if a man do, he shall live in them;) and [5]withdrew the shoulder, and hardened their neck, and would not hear.[j]

30 Yet many years didst thou [6]forbear them, and testifiedst against them by thy spirit [7]in thy prophets: yet would they not give ear: therefore gavest thou them into the hand of the people of the lands.[k]

31 Nevertheless for thy great mercies' sake thou didst not utterly consume them, nor forsake them; for thou *art* a gracious and merciful God.[l]

32 Now therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, who keepest covenant and mercy, let not all the [8]trouble seem little before thee, [9]that hath come upon us, on our kings, on our princes, and on our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers, and on all thy people, since the time of the kings of Assyria unto this day.[m]

33 Howbeit thou *art* just in all that is brought upon us; for thou hast done right, but we have done wickedly:[n]

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a Exod. xvi. 15; xvii. 6, Numb xi. 17, Josh v 12, Isa. lxiii 11

b Deut. ii 7, viii 4, xxix 5

c ver 25, Deut xxviii. 47

d Gen xxii 17

e Josh i, ii, &c., Ps xliv. 2, 3

f ver 35, Numb xiii 27, Deut vi 11, viii 7, 8, xxxii 15, Ezek xx 6; Hos iii. 5

g Judg ii 11, 12, 1 Kings xiv 9, xviii 4, xix 10, 2 Chron xxiv 20, 21, Ps l 17, Matt xxiii 37, Acts vii 52

h Judg ii. 14, 18, iii 8, &c, Ps cvi 41—44

i Judg iii 11, 12, 30, iv 1, v 31, vi 1, Ps cvi 43.

j ver 16; Lev. xviii. 5; Ezek xx 11, Rom x. 5, Gal iii 12

k 2 Kings xvii. 13; 2 Chron xxxvi 15, Isa. v 5 xlii 24, Jer vii 25, xxv 4, Acts vii 51; 1 Peter i. 11; 2 Peter i. 21

l ver 17; Jer. iv 27; v 10, 18

m ch. i 5; Exod. xxxiv. 6, 7; 2 Kings xvii. 3.

n Dan. ix. 5, 6, 8, 14; Ps. cvi. 6, cxix. 137

1 Heb *according to their will.*

2 Or, *cisterns*

3 Heb *tree of food*

4 Heb *they returned to do evil*

5 Heb *they gave a withdrawing shoulder*, Zech. vii. 11

6 Heb *protract over them*

7 Heb *in the hand of thy prophets*

8 Heb *weariness.*

9 Heb *that hath found us.*

34 Neither have our kings, our princes, our priests, nor our fathers, kept thy law, nor hearkened unto thy commandments and thy testimonies, wherewith thou didst testify against them.

35 For they have not served thee in their kingdom, and in thy great goodness that thou gavest them, and in the large and fat land which thou gavest before them, neither turned they from their wicked works.[o]

36 Behold, we *are* servants this day, and *for* the land that thou gavest unto our fathers to eat the fruit thereof and the good thereof, behold, we *are* servants in it:[p]

37 And it yieldeth much increase unto the kings whom thou hast set over us because of our sins: also they have dominion over our bodies, and over our cattle, at their pleasure, and we *are* in great distress.[q]

38 And because of all this we make a sure *covenant*, and write *it;* and our princes, Levites, *and* priests, [10]seal *unto it*.[r]

CHAPTER X.

1 *The names of them that sealed the covenant.* 29 *The points of the covenant.*

NOW [11]those that sealed *were*, Nehemiah, [12]the Tirshatha, the son of Hachaliah, and Zidkijah,[s]

2 Seraiah, Azariah, Jeremiah,

3 Pashur, Amariah, Malchijah,

4 Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch,

5 Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah,

6 Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch,

7 Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin,

8 Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah: these *were* the priests.

9 And the Levites: both Jeshua the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Henadad, Kadmiel;

10 And their brethren, Shebaniah, Hodijah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan,

11 Micha, Rehob, Hashabiah,

12 Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah,

13 Hodijah, Bani, Beninu.

14 The chief of the people; Parosh, Pahath-moab, Elam, Zatthu, Bani,[t]

15 Bunni, Azgad, Bebai,

16 Adonijah, Bigvai, Adin,

17 Ater, Hizkijah, Azzur,

18 Hodijah, Hashum, Bezai,

19 Hariph, Anathoth, Nebai,

20 Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir,

21 Meshezabeel, Zadok, Jaddua,

22 Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah,

23 Hoshea, Hananiah, Hashub,

24 Hallohesh, Pileha, Shobek,

25 Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,

26 And Ahijah, Hanan, Anan,

27 Malluch, Harim, Baanah.

28 ¶ And the rest of the people, the priests, the Levites, the porters, the singers, the Nethinims, and all they that had separated themselves from the

10 Heb *are at the sealing*, or, *sealed*

o ch x 1, 29, 2 Kings xxiii 3, 2 Chron xxix 10, xxxiv 31, Ezra x 3

p ch x 1; viii 9, ix 38

q Judg ii 11, 12, 1 Kings xiv 9, xviii 4, xix 10, 2 Chron xxiv 20, 21, Ps l 17, Matt xxiii 37, Acts vii 52

r ch. ix 38; Jer. xxxii. 10, 44, Dan. vi 8, 12

11 Heb *at the sealings*

12 Or, *the governor*

s ch i. 1; viii 9, ix 38

t ch vii 8, &c; Ezra ii 3, &c



THE RULERS CHOSEN BY LOT TO DWELL AT JERUSALEM

people of the lands unto the law of God, their wives, their sons, and their daughters, every one having knowledge, and having understanding;[a]

29 They clave to their brethren, their nobles, and entered into a curse, and into an oath, to walk in God's law, which was given [1]by Moses the servant of God, and to observe and do all the commandments of the LORD our Lord, and his judgments and his statutes;[b]

30 And that we would not give our daughters unto the people of the land, nor take their daughters for our sons:[c]

31 And *if* the people of the land bring ware or any victuals on the sabbath day to sell, *that* we would not buy it of them on the sabbath, or on the holy day: and *that* we would leave the seventh year, and the exaction of [2]every debt.[d]

32 Also we made ordinances for us, to charge ourselves yearly with the third part of a shekel for the service of the house of our God;

33 For the shewbread, and for the continual meat offering, and for the continual burnt offering, of the sabbaths, of the new moons, for the set feasts, and for the holy *things*, and for the sin offerings to make an atonement for Israel, and *for* all the work of the house of our God.[e]

34 And we cast the lots among the priests, the Levites, and the people, for the wood offering, to bring *it* into the house of our God, after the houses of our fathers, at times appointed year by year, to burn upon the altar of the LORD our God, as *it is* written in the law:[f]

35 And to bring the firstfruits of our ground, and the firstfruits of all fruit of all trees, year by year, unto the house of the LORD:[g]

36 Also the firstborn of our sons, and of our cattle, as *it is* written in the law, and the firstlings of our herds and of our flocks, to bring to the house of our God, unto the priests that minister in the house of our God:[h]

37 And *that* we should bring the firstfruits of our

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a ch. xiii. 3, Ezra ii. 36—43, ix. 1, x. 11, 12, 19.

e Lev. xxiv. 5, &c.; Numb. xxviii. xxix.; 2 Chron. ii. 4

1 Heb. *by the hand of.*

b ch. v. 12, 13, Deut. xxix. 12, 14, 2 Kings xxiii. 3, 2 Chron. xxxiv. 31, Ps. cxix. 106

c Exod. xxxiv. 16, Deut. vii. 3, Ezra ix. 12, 14.

f ch. xiii. 31; Lev. vi. 12, Isa. xl. 16.

g Exod. xxiii. 19; xxxiv. 26; Lev. xix. 23, Numb. xviii. 12; Deut. xxvi. 2

2 Heb. *every hand*

d ch. xiii. 15, &c.; Exod. xx. 10; xxiii. 10, 11; Lev. xxiii. 3; xxv. 4; Deut. v. 12.

h Exod. xiii. 2, 12, 13; Lev. xxvii. 26, 27; Numb. xviii. 15, 16.

dough, and our offerings, and the fruit of all manner of trees, of wine and of oil, unto the priests, to the chambers of the house of our God; and the tithes of our ground unto the Levites, that the same Levites might have the tithes in all the cities of our tillage.[a]

38 And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when the Levites take tithes: and the Levites shall bring up the tithe of the tithes unto the house of our God, to the chambers, into the treasure house.[b]

39 For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of the corn, of the new wine, and the oil, unto the chambers, where *are* the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of our God.[c]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *The rulers, voluntary men, and the tenth man chosen by lot, dwell at Jerusalem.* 3 *A catalogue of their names.* 20 *The residue dwell in other cities.*

AND the rulers of the people dwelt at Jerusalem: the rest of the people also cast lots, to bring one of ten to dwell in Jerusalem the holy city, and nine parts *to dwell* in *other* cities.[d]

2 And the people blessed all the men, that willingly offered themselves to dwell at Jerusalem.[e]

3 ¶ Now these *are* the chief of the province that dwelt in Jerusalem: but in the cities of Judah dwelt every one in his possession in their cities, *to wit*, Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the Nethinims, and the children of Solomon's servants.[f]

4 And at Jerusalem dwelt *certain* of the children of Judah, and of the children of Benjamin. Of the children of Judah; Athaiah the son of Uzziah, the son of Zechariah, the son of Amariah, the son of Shephatiah, the son of Mahalaleel, of the children of [1]Perez;[g]

5 And Maaseiah the son of Baruch, the son of Col-hozeh, the son of Hazaiah, the son of Adaiah, the son of Joiarib, the son of Zechariah, the son of Shiloni.

6 All the sons of Perez that dwelt at Jerusalem *were* four hundred threescore and eight valiant men.

7 And these *are* the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Joed, the son of Pedaiah, the son of Kolaiah, the son of Maaseiah, the son of Ithiel, the son of Jesaiah.

8 And after him Gabbai, Sallai, nine hundred twenty and eight.

9 And Joel the son of Zichri *was* their overseer: and Judah the son of Senuah *was* second over the city.

10 Of the priests: Jedaiah the son of Joiarib, Jachin.[h]

11 Seraiah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, *was* the ruler of the house of God.

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a Lev. xxiii 17; xxvii. 30; Numb. xv. 19; xviii. 21, &c; Deut. xviii. 4; xxvi. 2

b Numb. xviii 26; 1 Chron ix. 26, 2 Chron. xxxi 11

2 Or, *the son of Hag-gedolim*

c ch xiii. 10—12; Deut. xii 6, 11; 2 Chron xxxi. 12.

3 Heb. *were over.*

d 1 Chron. xxvi 29

e ver 1

d ver 18, Matt iv 5, xxvii 53

4 Heb *at the gates*

e Judg v 9

5 Or, *the tower*

f ch iii 26

f 1 Chron ix 2, 3, Ezra ii 43, 55

6 Or, *a sure ordinance*

g Ezra vi 8, 9, vii 20, &c

1 Or, *Pharez*, Gen. xxxviii 29

g 1 Chron. ix. 3, &c

7 Or, *Zarah*

m Gen xxxviii 30, 1 Chron xvii 17.

n Josh xiv 15

h 1 Chron. ix 10, &c.

12 And their brethren that did the work of the house *were* eight hundred twenty and two: and Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pelaliah, the son of Amzi, the son of Zechariah, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchiah,

13 And his brethren, chief of the fathers, two hundred forty and two: and Amashai the son of Azareel, the son of Ahasai, the son of Meshillemoth, the son of Immer,

14 And their brethren, mighty men of valour, an hundred twenty and eight: and their overseer *was* Zabdiel, [2]the son of *one of* the great men.

15 Also of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hashub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Bunni;

16 And Shabbethai and Jozabad, of the chief of the Levites, [3]*had* the oversight of the outward business of the house of God.[i]

17 And Mattaniah the son of Micha, the son of Zabdi, the son of Asaph, *was* the principal to begin the thanksgiving in prayer: and Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and Abda the son of Shammua, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun.

18 All the Levites in the holy city *were* two hundred fourscore and four.[j]

19 Moreover the porters, Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren that kept [4]the gates, *were* an hundred seventy and two.

20 ¶ And the residue of Israel, of the priests, *and* the Levites, *were* in all the cities of Judah, every one in his inheritance.

21 But the Nethinims dwelt in [5]Ophel: and Ziha and Gispa *were* over the Nethinims.[k]

22 The overseer also of the Levites at Jerusalem *was* Uzzi the son of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Micha. Of the sons of Asaph, the singers *were* over the business of the house of God.

23 For *it was* the king's commandment concerning them, that [6]a certain portion should be for the singers, due for every day.[l]

24 And Pethahiah the son of Meshezabeel, of the children of [7]Zerah the son of Judah, *was* at the king's hand in all matters concerning the people.[m]

25 And for the villages, with their fields, *some* of the children of Judah dwelt at Kirjath-arba, and *in* the villages thereof, and at Dibon, and *in* the villages thereof, and at Jekabzeel, and *in* the villages thereof,[n]

26 And at Jeshua, and at Moladah, and at Beth-phelet,

27 And at Hazar-shual, and at Beer-sheba, and *in* the villages thereof,

28 And at Ziklag, and at Mekonah, and in the villages thereof,

29 And at En-rimmon, and at Zareah, and at Jarmuth,

30 Zanoah, Adullam, and *in* their villages, at Lachish, and the fields thereof, at Azekah, and *in* the villages thereof. And they dwelt from Beer-sheba unto the valley of Hinnom.

i 1 Chron. xxvi 29

j ver 1

k 1 Chron. ix 10, &c.

4 Heb *at the gates*

5 Or, *the tower*

6 Or, *a sure ordinance*

l Ezra vi 8, 9, vii 20, &c

7 Or, *Zarah*

m Gen xxxviii 30, 1 Chron xvii 17.

n Josh xiv 15

31 The children also of Benjamin [1]from Geba *dwelt* [2]at Michmash, and Aija, and Beth-el, and *in* their villages,
32 *And* at Anathoth, Nob, Ananiah,
33 Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim,
34 Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat,
35 Lod, and Ono, the valley of craftsmen.[a]
36 And of the Levites *were* divisions *in* Judah, *and* in Benjamin.

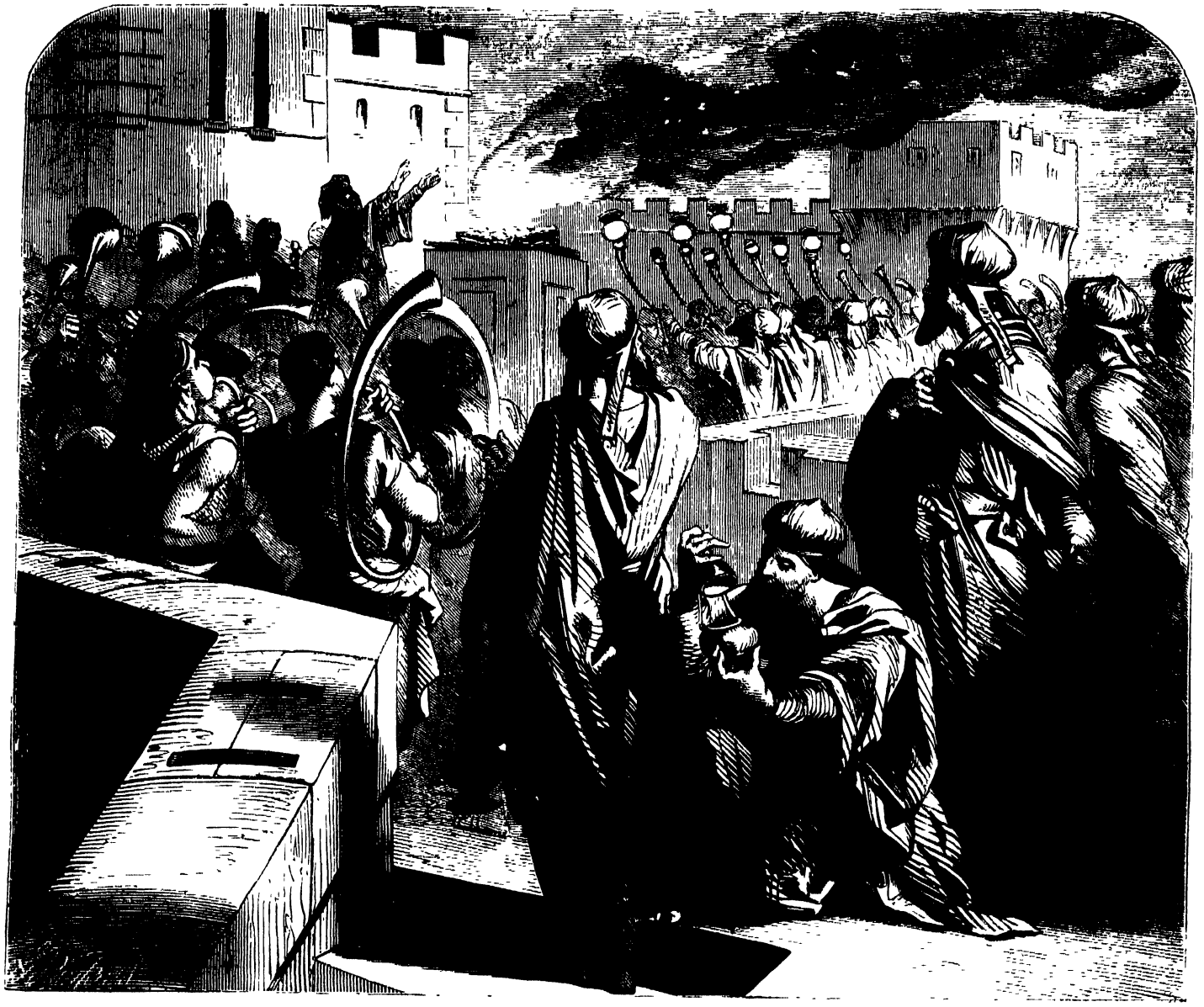
CHAPTER XII.

1 *The priests, 8 and the Levites, which came up with Zerubbabel. 10 The succession of high priests. 22 Certain chief Levites. 27 The solemnity of the dedication of the walls. 44 The offices of priests and Levites appointed in the temple.*

NOW these *are* the priests and the Levites that went up with Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua: Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra,[b]
2 Amariah, [3]Malluch, Hattush,
3 [4]Shechaniah, [5]Rehum, [6]Meremoth,
4 Iddo, [7]Ginnetho, Abijah,[c]
5 [8]Miamin, [9]Maadiah, Bilgah,
6 Shemaiah, and Joiarib, Jedaiah,
7 [10]Sallu, Amok, Hilkiah, Jedaiah. These *were* the chief of the priests and of their brethren in the days of Jeshua.[d]
8 Moreover the Levites: Jeshua, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Judah, *and* Mattaniah, *which was* over [11]the thanksgiving, he and his brethren.[e]
9 Also Bakbukiah and Unni, their brethren, *were* over against them in the watches.
10 ¶ And Jeshua begat Joiakim, Joiakim also begat Eliashib, and Eliashib begat Joiada,
11 And Joiada begat Jonathan, and Jonathan begat Jaddua.
12 And in the days of Joiakim were priests, the chief of the fathers: of Seraiah, Meraiah; of Jeremiah, Hananiah;
13 Of Ezra, Meshullam; of Amariah, Jehohanan;
14 Of Melicu, Jonathan; of Shebaniah, Joseph;
15 Of Harim, Adna; of Meraioth, Helkai;
16 Of Iddo, Zechariah; of Ginnethon, Meshullam;
17 Of Abijah, Zichri; of Miniamin, of Moadiah, Piltai;
18 Of Bilgah, Shammua; of Shemaiah, Jehonathan;
19 And of Joiarib, Mattenai; of Jedaiah, Uzzi;
20 Of Sallai, Kallai; of Amok, Eber;
21 Of Hilkiah, Hashabiah; of Jedaiah, Nethaneel.
22 ¶ The Levites in the days of Eliashib, Joiada, and Johanan, and Jaddua, *were* recorded chief of the fathers: also the priests, to the reign of Darius the Persian.
23 The sons of Levi, the chief of the fathers, *were* written in the book of the chronicles, even until the days of Johanan the son of Eliashib.[f]
24 And the chief of the Levites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Jeshua the son of Kadmiel, with their brethren over against them, to praise *and* to give thanks, according to the commandment of David the man of God, ward over against ward.[g]
25 Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub, *were* porters keeping the ward at the [12]thresholds of the gates.
26 These *were* in the days of Joiakim the son of Jeshua, the son of Jozadak, and in the days of Nehemiah the governor, and of Ezra the priest, the scribe.[h]
27 ¶ And at the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem they sought the Levites out of all their places, to bring them to Jerusalem, to keep the dedication with gladness, both with thanksgivings, and with singing, *with* cymbals, psalteries, and with harps.[i]
28 And the sons of the singers gathered themselves together, both out of the plain country round about Jerusalem, and from the villages of Netophathi;
29 Also from the house of Gilgal, and out of the fields of Geba and Azmaveth: for the singers had builded them villages round about Jerusalem.
30 And the priests and the Levites purified themselves, and purified the people, and the gates, and the wall.
31 Then I brought up the princes of Judah upon the wall, and appointed two great *companies of them that gave* thanks, *whereof one* went on the right hand upon the wall toward the dung gate:[j]
32 And after them went Hoshaiah, and half of the princes of Judah,
33 And Azariah, Ezra, and Meshullam,
34 Judah, and Benjamin, and Shemaiah, and Jeremiah,
35 And *certain* of the priests' sons with trumpets; *namely*, Zechariah the son of Jonathan, the son of Shemaiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Michaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son of Asaph:[k]
36 And his brethren, Shemaiah, and Azarael, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethaneel, and Judah, Hanani, with the musical instruments of David the man of God, and Ezra the scribe before them.[l]
37 And at the fountain gate, which was over against them, they went up by the stairs of the city of David, at the going up of the wall, above the house of David, even unto the water gate eastward.[m]
38 And the other *company of them that gave* thanks went over against *them*, and I after them, and the half of the people upon the wall, from beyond the tower of the furnaces even unto the broad wall;[n]
39 And from above the gate of Ephraim, and above the old gate, and above the fish gate, and the tower of Hananeel, and the tower of Meah, even unto the sheep gate: and they stood still in the prison gate.[o]
40 So stood the two *companies of them that gave* thanks in the house of God, and I, and the half of the rulers with me:
41 And the priests; Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah, *and* Hananiah, with trumpets;
42 And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Uzzi, and Jehohanan, and Malchijah, and Elam, and Ezer. And the singers [13]sang loud, with Jezrahiah *their* overseer.
43 Also that day they offered great sacrifices, and

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1 Or, *of Geba.*
2 Or, *to Michmash.*
12 Or, *treasuries, or, assemblies*
a 1 Chron. iv. 14.
b ch. viii. 9; Ezra vii. 6, 11
c Luke i. 5.
d Ezra iii. 2, Hagg. i. 1, Zech. iii. 1.
e ch. xi. 17.
f 1 Chron. ix. 14, &c.
g 1 Chron. xxiii., xxv., xxvi.; Ezra iii. 11.
h ch. viii. 9; Ezra vii. 6, 11
i Deut. xx. 5, 1 Chron. xxv. 6, 2 Chron. v. 13; vii. 6; Ps. xxx. title.
j ch. x. 2—8; Ezra ii. 1, 2.
k Numb. x. 2, 8
l 1 Chron. xxiii. 5
m ch. iii. 14, iii. 15, 26, viii. 1, 3, 16
n ver. 31, ch. iii. 8, 11.
o ch. iii. 1, 3, 6, 32; viii. 16, 2 Kings xiv. 13; Jer. xxxii. 2.
3 Or, *Melicu*, ver. 14
4 Or, *Shebaniah*, ver. 14
5 Or, *Harim*, ver. 15.
6 Or, *Meraioth*, ver. 15
7 Or, *Ginnethon*, ver. 16.
8 Or, *Miniamin*, ver. 17.
9 Or, *Moadiah*, ver. 17
10 Or, *Sallai*, ver. 20
11 That is, *the psalms of thanksgiving.*
13 Heb. *made their voice to be heard.*



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rejoiced: for God had made them rejoice with great joy: the wives also and the children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard even afar off.

44 ¶ And at that time were some appointed over the chambers for the treasures, for the offerings, for the firstfruits, and for the tithes, to gather into them out of the fields of the cities the [1]portions of the law for the priests and Levites: [2]for Judah rejoiced for the priests and for the Levites [3]that waited.[a]

45 And both the singers and the porters kept the ward of their God, and the ward of the purification, according to the commandment of David, *and* of Solomon his son.[b]

46 For in the days of David and Asaph of old *there were* chief of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving unto God.[c]

47 And all Israel in the days of Zerubbabel, and in the days of Nehemiah, gave the portions of the singers and the porters, every day his portion: and they [4]sanctified *holy things* unto the Levites; and the Levites sanctified *them* unto the children of Aaron.[d]

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5 Heb *there was read*

6 Heb *ears*

1 That is, *appointed by the law*

2 Heb *for the joy of Judah*

3 Heb *that stood*

a ch xiii 5, 12, 13, 2 Chron xxxi 11, 12

e ch viii 3-8, ix. 3; Deut xxiii 3, 4, xxxi 11, 12, 2 Kings xxiii. 2; Isa xxxix 16

b 1 Chron xxv., xxvi.

c 1 Chron xxv 1, &c.; 2 Chron xxix. 30.

f Numb xxii 5; xxiii. 11, xxiv 10, Deut. xxiii 5, Josh xxiv. 9, 10

4 That is, *set apart.*

g ch ix 2; x. 28.

d Numb xviii 21, 24, 28.

7 Heb *being set over.*

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Upon the reading of the law separation is made from the mixed multitude* 4 *Nehemiah at his return causeth the chambers to be cleansed* 10 *He reformeth the offices in the house of God* 15 *The violation of the sabbath,* 23 *and the marriages with strange wives*

ON that day [5]they read in the book of Moses in the [6]audience of the people; and therein was found written, that the Ammonite and the Moabite should not come into the congregation of God for ever;[e]

2 Because they met not the children of Israel with bread and with water, but hired Balaam against them, that he should curse them: howbeit our God turned the curse into a blessing.[f]

3 Now it came to pass, when they had heard the law, that they separated from Israel all the mixed multitude.[g]

4 ¶ And before this, Eliashib the priest, [7]having the

oversight of the chamber of the house of our God, *was* allied unto Tobiah:[a]

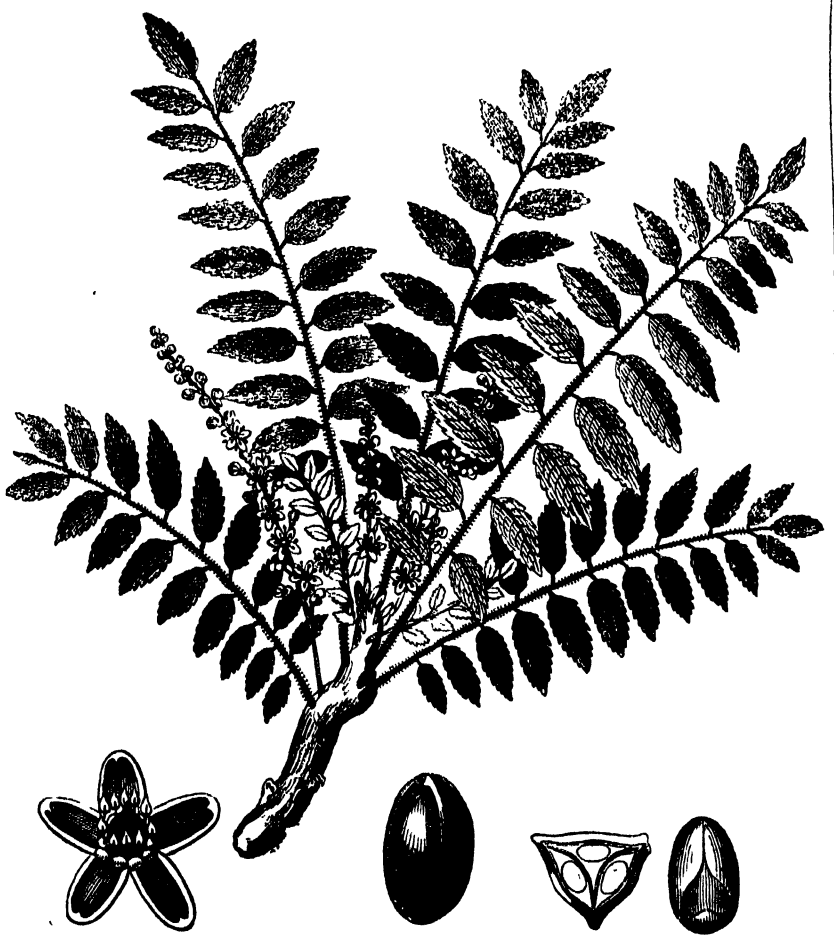
5 And he had prepared for him a great chamber, where aforetime they laid the meat offerings, the frankincense, and the vessels, and the tithes of the corn, the new wine, and the oil, [1]which was commanded *to be given* to the Levites, and the singers, and the porters; and the offerings of the priests.[b]

6 But in all this *time* was not I at Jerusalem: for in the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes king of Babylon came I unto the king, and [2]after certain days [3]obtained I leave of the king:[c]

7 And I came to Jerusalem, and understood of the evil that Eliashib did for Tobiah, in preparing him a chamber in the courts of the house of God.[d]

8 And it grieved me sore: therefore I cast forth all the houshold stuff of Tobiah out of the chamber.

9 Then I commanded, and they cleansed the chambers: and thither brought I again the vessels of the house of God, with the meat offering and the frankincense.[e]



FRANKINCENSE.

10 ¶ And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given *them:* for the Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every one to his field.[f]

11 Then contended I with the rulers, and said, Why is the house of God forsaken? And I gathered them together, and set them in their [4]place.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 434.

a ch. xii. 44.

5 Or, *storehouses.*

h ch x. 38, 39, xii. 44

6 Heb. *at their hand.*

1 Heb *the commandment of the Levites*

7 Heb *it was upon them.*

i ch vii. 2, xii 44; 2 Chron xxxi. 12; 1 Cor. iv. 2.

b ch xii. 44; Numb. xviii 21, 24

2 Heb *at the end of days*

3 Or, *I earnestly requested.*

c ch v 14.

d vs. 1, 5

e 2 Chron xxix. 5, 15, 16, 18.

8 Heb *kindnesses.*

9 Or, *observations.*

j vs 22, 31, ch. v 19

k ch x. 31, Exod xx 10, Jer xvii 21, 22

l ver 11

m Jer. xvii 21—23

n Lev xxiii 32; Jer xvii 21, 22

10 Heb *before the wall?*

f Numb xxxv. 2; Mal. iii 8

11 Or, *multitude.*

o vs 14, 31; ch xii 30.

4 Heb. *standing.*

g vs. 17, 25; ch. x. 39; Prov. xxviii. 4.

12 Heb. *had made to dwell with them*

12 Then brought all Judah the tithe of the corn and the new wine and the oil unto the [5]treasuries.[h]

13 And I made treasurers over the treasuries, Shelemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and [6]next to them *was* Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of Mattaniah: for they were counted faithful, and [7]their office *was* to distribute unto their brethren.[i]



TREADING THE WINE PRESS.

14 Remember me, O my God, concerning this, and wipe not out my [8]good deeds that I have done for the house of my God, and for the [9]offices thereof.[j]

15 ¶ In those days saw I in Judah *some* treading wine presses on the sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and lading asses; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all *manner of* burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the sabbath day: and I testified *against them* in the day wherein they sold victuals.[k]

16 There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought fish, and all manner of ware, and sold on the sabbath unto the children of Judah, and in Jerusalem.

17 Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them, What evil thing *is* this that ye do, and profane the sabbath day?[l]

18 Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this evil upon us, and upon this city? yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the sabbath.[m]

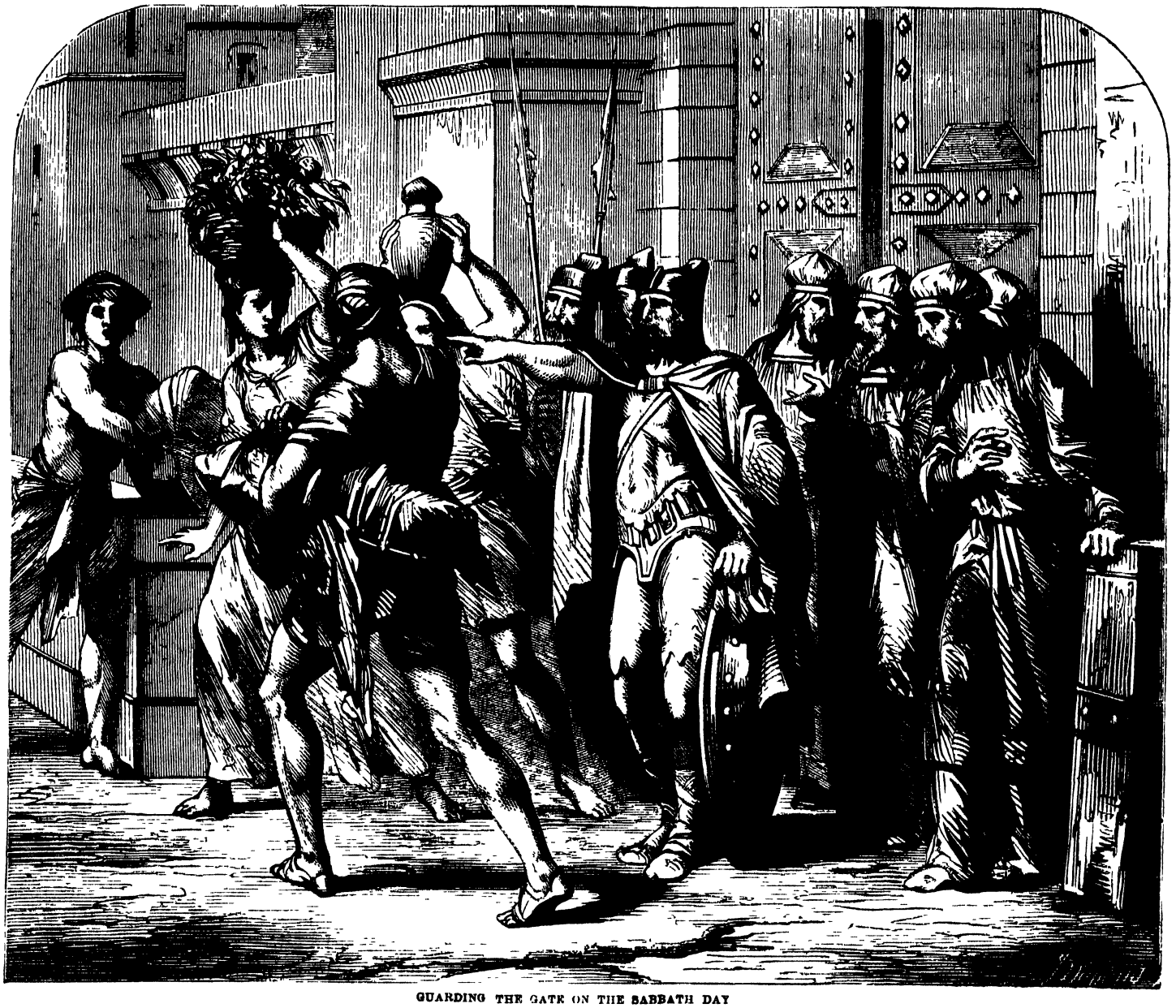
19 And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem began to be dark before the sabbath, I commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged that they should not be opened till after the sabbath: and *some* of my servants set I at the gates, *that* there should no burden be brought in on the sabbath day.[n]

20 So the merchants and sellers of all kind of ware lodged without Jerusalem once or twice.

21 Then I testified against them, and said unto them, Why lodge ye [10]about the wall? if ye do *so* again, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no *more* on the sabbath.

22 And I commanded the Levites that they should cleanse themselves, and *that* they should come *and* keep the gates, to sanctify the sabbath day. Remember me, O my God, *concerning* this also, and spare me according to the [11]greatness of thy mercy.[o]

23 ¶ In those days also saw I Jews *that* [12]had



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married wives of Ashdod, of Ammon, *and* of Moab:[a]

24 And their children spake half in the speech of Ashdod, [1]and could not speak in the Jews' language, but according to the language [2]of each people.

25 And I contended with them, and [3]cursed them, and smote certain of them, and plucked off their hair, and made them swear by God, *saying*, Ye shall not give your daughters unto their sons, nor take their daughters unto your sons, or for yourselves.[b]

26 Did not Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? yet among many nations was there no king like him, who was beloved of his God, and God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did outlandish women cause to sin.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 434

a Ezra ix. 2

d Ezra x. 2

1 Heb. *they discerned not to speak*

2 Heb. *of people and people*

3 Or, *reviled them*

e ch. xii. 10, 22

4 Heb. *for the defilings*

f ch. vi. 14; Mal. ii. 4, 11, 12

b ver. 11, Ezra x. 5; Prov. xxviii. 4.

g ch. x. 30; xii. 1, &c.

c 2 Sam. xii. 24; 1 Kings iii. 13, xi. 1, &c.; 2 Chron. i. 12.

h vs. 14, 22; ch. x. 34.

27 Shall we then hearken unto you to do all this great evil, to transgress against our God in marrying strange wives?[d]

28 And *one* of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, *was* son in law to Sanballat the Horonite: therefore I chased him from me.[e]

29 Remember them, O my God, [4]because they have defiled the priesthood, and the covenant of the priesthood, and of the Levites.[f]

30 Thus cleansed I them from all strangers, and appointed the wards of the priests and the Levites, every one in his business;[g]

31 And for the wood offering, at times appointed, and for the firstfruits. Remember me, O my God, for good.[h]

THE BOOK OF ESTHER

CHAPTER I.

1 *Ahasuerus maketh royal feasts.* 10 *Vashti, sent for, refuseth to come* 13 *Ahasuerus, by the counsel of Memucan, maketh the decree of men's sovereignty.*

NOW it came to pass in the days of Ahasuerus, (this *is* Ahasuerus which reigned, from India even unto Ethiopia, *over* an hundred and seven and twenty provinces:)[a]

2 *That* in those days, when the king Ahasuerus sat on the throne of his kingdom, which *was* in Shushan the palace,[b]

3 In the third year of his reign, he made a feast unto all his princes and his servants; the power of Persia and Media, the nobles and princes of the provinces, *being* before him:[c]

4 When he shewed the riches of his glorious kingdom and the honour of his excellent majesty many days, *even* an hundred and fourscore days.

5 And when these days were expired, the king made a feast unto all the people that were [1]present in Shushan the palace, both unto great and small, seven days, in the court of the garden of the king's palace;

[a] ch. viii. 9, Ezra iv. 6, Dan. vi. 1, ix. 1.

[b] 1 Kings i. 46, Neh. i. 1

[c] ch. ii. 18.

[1] Heb. *found*



6 *Where were* white, green, and [1]blue, *hangings*, fastened with cords of fine linen and purple to silver rings and pillars of marble: the beds *were of* gold and silver, upon a pavement [2]of red, and blue, and white, and black, marble.[a]

7 And they gave *them* drink in vessels of gold, (the vessels being diverse one from another,) and [3]royal wine in abundance, [4]according to the state of the king.

8 And the drinking *was* according to the law: none did compel: for so the king had appointed to all the officers of his house, that they should do according to every man's pleasure.

9 Also Vashti the queen made a feast for the women *in* the royal house which *belonged* to king Ahasuerus.

10 ¶ On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with wine, he commanded Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas, the seven [5]chamberlains that served in the presence of Ahasuerus the king,[b]

11 To bring Vashti the queen before the king with the crown royal, to shew the people and the princes her beauty: for she *was* [6]fair to look on.

12 But the queen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment [7]by *his* chamberlains: therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.

13 ¶ Then the king said to the wise men, which knew the times, (for so *was* the king's manner toward all that knew law and judgment:[c]

14 And the next unto him *was* Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena, *and* Memucan, the seven princes of Persia and Media, which saw the king's face, *and* which sat the first in the kingdom;)[d]

15 [8]What shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law, because she hath not performed the commandment of the king Ahasuerus by the chamberlains?

16 And Memucan answered before the king and the princes, Vashti the queen hath not done wrong to the king only, but also to all the princes, and to all the people that *are* in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus.

17 For *this* deed of the queen shall come abroad unto all women, so that they shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported, The king Ahasuerus commanded Vashti the queen to be brought in before him, but she came not.

18 *Likewise* shall the ladies of Persia and Media say this day unto all the king's princes, which have heard of the deed of the queen. Thus *shall there arise* too much contempt and wrath.

19 [9]If it please the king, let there go a royal commandment [10]from him, and let it be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes, [11]that it be not altered, That Vashti come no more before king Ahasuerus; and let the king give her royal estate [12]unto another that is better than she.[e]

20 And when the king's decree which he

BEFORE CHRIST 462.

1 Or, *violet.*

2 Or, *of porphyry, and marble, and alabaster, and stone of blue colour.*

f Eph. v. 33; Col. iii. 18; 1 Peter iii. 1.

a ch. vii. 8; Ezek. xxiii. 41; Amos vi. 4.

13 Heb. *was good in the eyes of the king.*

3 Heb. *wine of the kingdom.*

4 Heb. *according to the hand of the king.*

14 Heb. *that one should publish it according to the language of his people*

g Eph. v. 22—24; 1 Tim. ii. 12

5 Or, *eunuchs*

b ch. vii. 9; 2 Sam. xiii. 28

6 Heb. *good of countenance*

7 Heb. *which was by the hand of his eunuchs*

h ch. i. 19, 20

c 1 Chron. xii. 32; Jer. x. 7; Dan. ii. 12; Matt. ii. 1

15 Heb. *unto the hand*

16 Or, *Hegai*, ver. 8

d 2 Kings xxv. 19; Ezra vii. 14

8 Heb. *What to do*

17 Or, *Jehoiachin*, 2 Kings xxiv. 6

i 2 Kings xxiv. 14, 15; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 10, 20; Jer. xxiv. 1.

18 Heb. *nourished.*

19 Heb. *fair of form and good of countenance*

j ver. 15.

9 Heb. *If it be good with the king*

10 Heb. *from before him.*

11 Heb. *that it pass not away*

k ver. 3.

12 Heb. *unto her companion.*

e ch. viii. 8; Dan. vi. 8, 12, 15.

20 Heb. *her portions.*

shall make shall be published throughout all his empire, (for it is great,) all the wives shall give to their husbands honour, both to great and small.[f]

21 And the saying [13]pleased the king and the princes; and the king did according to the word of Memucan:

22 For he sent letters into all the king's provinces, into every province according to the writing thereof, and to every people after their language, that every man should bear rule in his own house, and [14]that *it* should be published according to the language of every people.[g]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Out of the choice of virgins a queen is to be chosen.* 5 *Mordecai the nursing father of Esther.* 8 *Esther is preferred by Hegai before the rest.* 12 *The manner of purification, and going in to the king.* 15 *Esther best pleasing the king is made queen.* 21 *Mordecai discovering a treason is recorded in the chronicles.*

AFTER these things, when the wrath of king Ahasuerus was appeased, he remembered Vashti, and what she had done, and what was decreed against her.[h]

2 Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, Let there be fair young virgins sought for the king:

3 And let the king appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdom, that they may gather together all the fair young virgins unto Shushan the palace, to the house of the women, [15]unto the custody of [16]Hege the king's chamberlain, keeper of the women; and let their things for purification be given *them:*

4 And let the maiden which pleaseth the king be queen instead of Vashti. And the thing pleased the king; and he did so.

5 ¶ *Now* in Shushan the palace there was a certain Jew, whose name *was* Mordecai, the son of Jair, the son of Shimei, the son of Kish, a Benjamite;

6 Who had been carried away from Jerusalem with the captivity which had been carried away with [17]Jeconiah king of Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away.[i]

7 And he [18]brought up Hadassah, that *is*, Esther, his uncle's daughter: for she had neither father nor mother, and the maid *was* [19]fair and beautiful; whom Mordecai, when her father and mother were dead, took for his own daughter.[j]

8 ¶ So it came to pass, when the king's commandment and his decree was heard, and when many maidens were gathered together unto Shushan the palace, to the custody of Hegai, that Esther was brought also unto the king's house, to the custody of Hegai, keeper of the women.[k]

9 And the maiden pleased him, and she obtained kindness of him; and he speedily gave her her things for purification, with [20]such things as belonged to her, and seven maidens, *which were* meet to be given her,

out of the king's house: and [1]he preferred her and her maids unto the best *place* of the house of the women.[c]

10 Esther had not shewed her people nor her kindred: for Mordecai had charged her that she should not shew *it*.[b]

11 And Mordecai walked every day before the court of the women's house, [2]to know how Esther did, and what should become of her.

12 ¶ Now when every maid's turn was come to go in to king Ahasuerus, after that she had been twelve months, according to the manner of the women, (for so were the days of their purifications accomplished, *to wit*, six months with oil of myrrh, and six months with sweet odours, and with *other* things for the purifying of the women;)

13 Then thus came *every* maiden unto the king; whatsoever she desired was given her to go with her out of the house of the women unto the king's house.

14 In the evening she went, and on the morrow she returned into the second house of the women, to the custody of Shaashgaz, the king's chamberlain, which kept the concubines: she came in unto the king no more, except the king delighted in her, and that she were called by name.

15 ¶ Now when the turn of Esther, the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, who had taken her for his daughter, was come to go in unto the king, she required nothing but what Hegai the king's chamberlain, the keeper of the women, appointed. And Esther obtained favour in the sight of all them that looked upon her.[c]

16 So Esther was taken unto king Ahasuerus into his house royal in the tenth month, which *is* the month Tebeth, in the seventh year of his reign.

17 And the king loved Esther above all the women, and she obtained grace and [3]favour [4]in his sight more than all the virgins; so that he set the royal crown upon her head, and made her queen instead of Vashti.

18 Then the king made a great feast unto all his princes and his servants, *even* Esther's feast; and he made a [5]release to the provinces, and gave gifts, according to the state of the king.[d]

19 And when the virgins were gathered together the second time, then Mordecai sat in the king's gate.[e]

20 Esther had not *yet* shewed her kindred nor her people; as Mordecai had charged her: for Esther did the commandment of Mordecai, like as when she was brought up with him.

21 ¶ In those days, while Mordecai sat in the king's gate, two of the king's chamberlains, [6]Bigthan and Teresh, of those which kept the door, were wroth, and sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.

22 And the thing was known to Mordecai, who told *it* unto Esther the queen; and Esther certified the king *thereof* in Mordecai's name.

23 And when inquisition was made of the matter, it was found out; therefore they were both hanged on a tree: and it was written in the book of the chronicles before the king.[f]

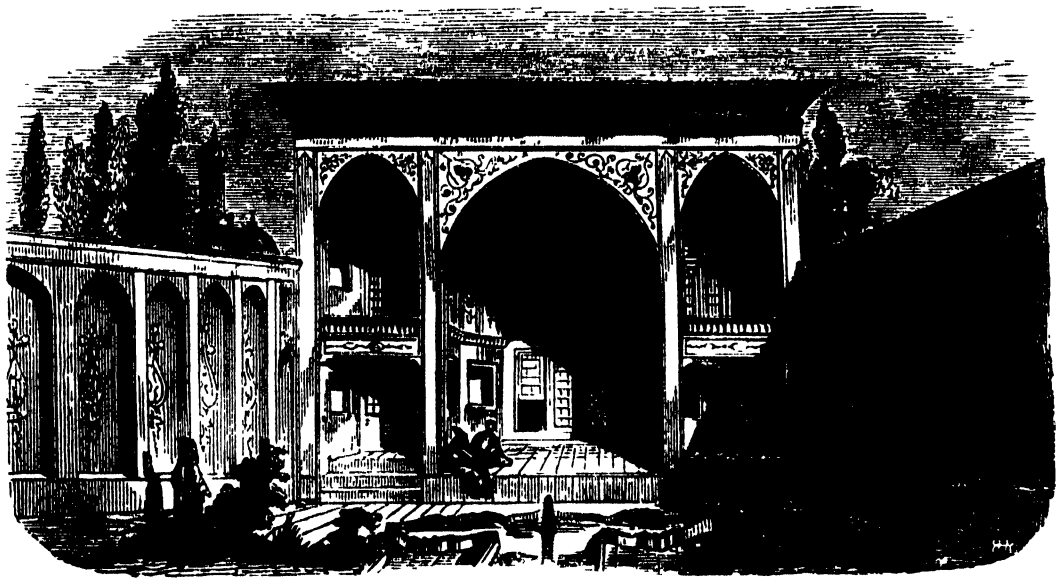
BEFORE CHRIST 461.

1 Heb. *he changed her*
5 Heb. *rest.*
d ch. i. 3
a vs. 3, 12
e vs. 10, 21; ch. iii. 2.
b ver. 20

2 Heb. *to know the peace.*

6 Or, *Bigthana*, ch. vi. 2

f ch. vi. 1



ROYAL PALACE, ISPAHAN.

c ver. 7.
g Numb. xxiv. 7; 1 Sam. xv. 8

3 Or, *favour*
4 Heb. *before him.*
h ver. 5; ch. ii. 19; Ps. xv. 4.

CHAPTER III.

Haman, advanced by the king, and despised by Mordecai, seeketh revenge upon all the Jews. 7 He casteth lots. 8 He obtaineth by calumniation a decree of the king to put the Jews to death.

AFTER these things did king Ahasuerus promote Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, and advanced him, and set his seat above all the princes that *were* with him.[g]

2 And all the king's servants, that *were* in the king's gate, bowed, and reverenced Haman: for the king had so commanded concerning him. But Mordecai bowed not, nor did *him* reverence.[h]

3 Then the king's servants, which *were* in the king's gate, said unto Mordecai, Why transgressest thou the king's commandment?[i]

4 Now it came to pass, when they spake daily unto him, and he hearkened not unto them, that they told Haman, to see whether Mordecai's matters would stand: for he had told them that he *was* a Jew.

5 And when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reverence, then was Haman full of wrath.[a]

6 And he thought scorn to lay hands on Mordecai alone; for they had shewed him the people of Mordecai: wherefore Haman sought to destroy all the Jews that *were* throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus, *even* the people of Mordecai.[b]

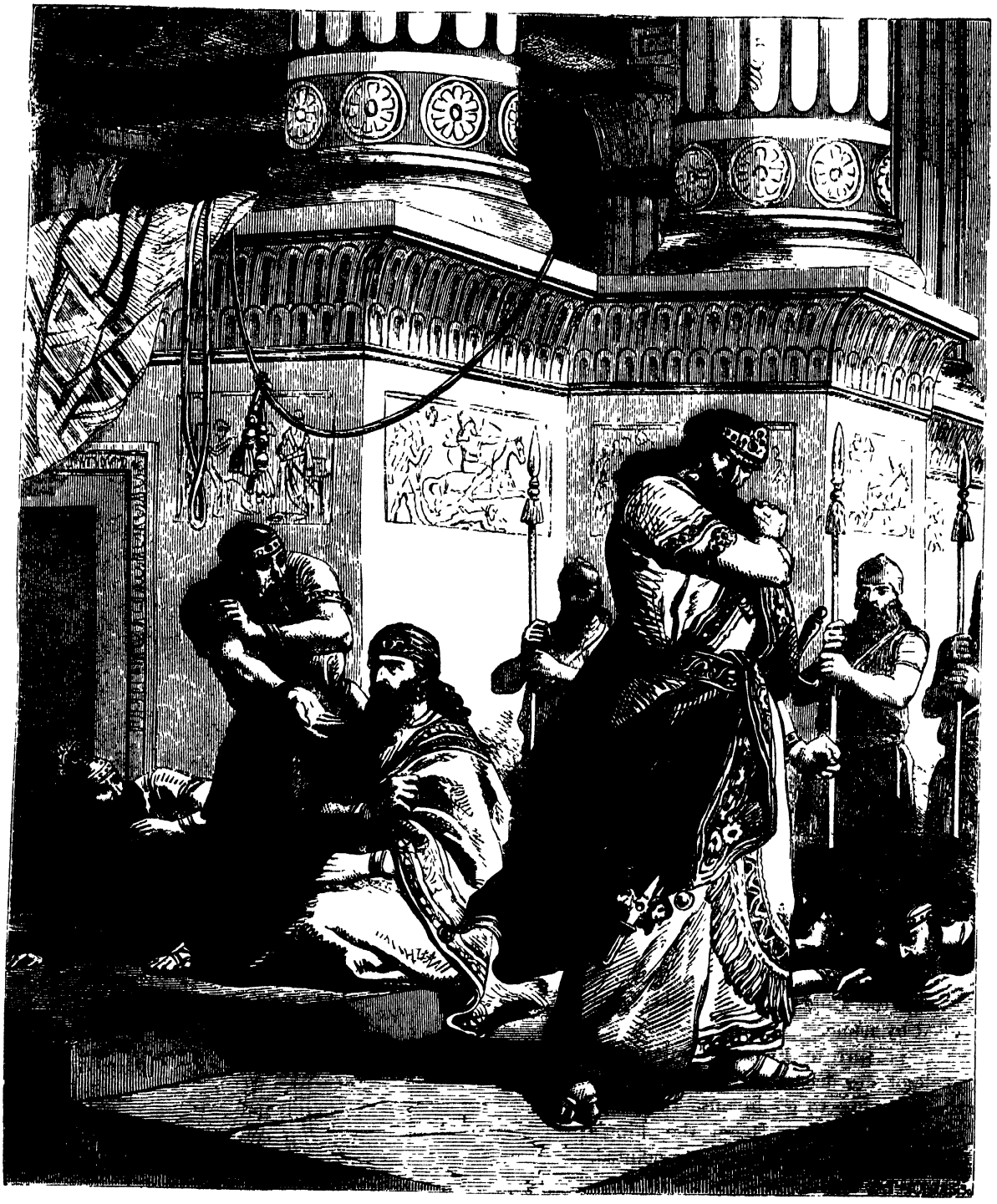
7 ¶ In the first month, that *is*, the month Nisan, in the twelfth year of king Ahasuerus, they cast Pur, that *is*, the lot, before Haman from day to day, and from month to month, *to* the twelfth *month*, that *is*, the month Adar.[c]

8 ¶ And Haman said unto king Ahasuerus, There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the people in all the provinces of thy kingdom; and their laws *are* diverse from all people; neither keep they the king's laws: therefore it *is* not [1]for the king's profit to suffer them.[d]

9 If it please the king, let it be written [2]that they may be destroyed: and I will [3]pay ten thousand talents of silver to the hands of those that have the

BEFORE CHRIST 457.

c ch. ix. 24



MORDECAI AT THE KING'S GATE.

a ver. 2, ch. v. 9; Dan. iii. 19

b Ps. lxxxiii. 4

1 Heb. *meet*, or, *equal.*

2 Heb. *to destroy them.*

3 Heb. *weigh.*

d Ezra iv. 13; Acts xvi. 20.

charge of the business, to bring *it* into the king's treasuries.

10 And the king took his ring from his hand, and gave it unto Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, the Jews' enemy.[a]

11 And the king said unto Haman, The silver *is* given to thee, the people also, to do with them as it seemeth good to thee.

12 Then were the king's [1]scribes called on the thirteenth day of the first month, and there was written according to all that Haman had commanded unto the king's lieutenants, and to the governors that *were* over every province, and to the rulers of every people of every province according to the writing thereof, and *to* every people after their language; in the name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and sealed with the king's ring.[b]

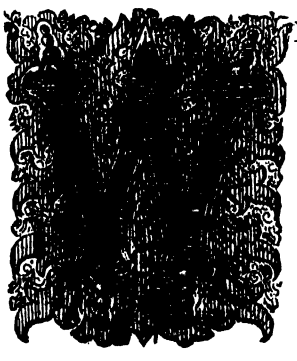
13 And the letters were sent by posts into all the king's provinces, to destroy, to kill, and to cause to perish, all Jews, both young and old, little children and women, in one day, *even* upon the thirteenth *day* of the twelfth month, which *is* the month Adar, and *to take* the spoil of them for a prey.[c]

14 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province was published unto all people, that they should be ready against that day.[d]

15 The posts went out, being hastened by the king's commandment, and the decree was given in Shushan the palace. And the king and Haman sat down to drink; but the city Shushan was perplexed.[e]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The great mourning of Mordecai and the Jews.* 4 *Esther, understanding it, sendeth to Mordecai, who sheweth the cause, and adviseth her to undertake the suit.* 10 *She excusing herself is threatened by Mordecai.* 15 *She appointing a fast undertaketh the suit.*



WHEN Mordecai perceived all that was done, Mordecai rent his clothes, and put on sackcloth with ashes, and went out into the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and a bitter cry;[f]

2 And came even before the king's gate: for none *might* enter into the king's gate clothed with sackcloth.

3 And in every province, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, *there was* great mourning among the Jews, and fasting, and weeping, and wailing; and [2]many lay in sackcloth and ashes.[g]

4 ¶ So Esther's maids and her [3]chamberlains came and told *it* her. Then was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him: but he received *it* not.

5 Then called Esther for Hatach, *one* of the king's chamberlains, [4]whom he had appointed to attend upon her, and gave him a commandment to Mordecai, to know what it *was*, and why it *was*.

6 So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city, which *was* before the king's gate.

BEFORE CHRIST 453.

h ch. iii. 9

a ch. viii. 2, 8; Gen. xli. 42

1 Or, *secretaries*

i ch. iii. 14, 15

b ch. i. 22; viii. 8—10, 1 Kings xxi. 8

j ch. v. 1, 2; viii. 4

c ch. viii. 10—12, &c.

d ch. viii. 13, 14.

5 Heb *respiration*

e ch. viii. 13—15, Prov. xxix. 2

k Job ix. 18

6 Heb. *found.*

l ch. v. 1, Gen. xliii. 14

7 Heb *passed*

f Gen. xxvii. 34; Josh. vii. 6; 2 Sam. i. 11; Ezek. xxvii. 30.

2 Heb. *sackcloth and ashes were laid under many.*

g Isa. lviii. 5; Dan. ix. 3.

3 Heb. *eunuchs.*

4 Heb. *whom he had set before her.*

m ch. iv. 11, 16; vi. 4.

7 And Mordecai told him of all that had happened unto him, and of the sum of the money that Haman had promised to pay to the king's treasuries for the Jews, to destroy them.[h]

8 Also he gave him the copy of the writing of the decree that was given at Shushan to destroy them, to shew *it* unto Esther, and to declare *it* unto her, and to charge her that she should go in unto the king, to make supplication unto him, and to make request before him for her people.[i]

9 And Hatach came and told Esther the words of Mordecai.

10 ¶ Again Esther spake unto Hatach, and gave him commandment unto Mordecai;

11 All the king's servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do know, that whosoever, whether man or woman, shall come unto the king into the inner court, who is not called, *there is* one law of his to put *him* to death, except such to whom the king shall hold out the golden sceptre, that he may live: but I have not been called to come in unto the king these thirty days.[j]

12 And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.

13 Then Mordecai commanded to answer Esther, Think not with thyself that thou shalt escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.

14 For if thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, *then* shall there [5]enlargement and deliverance arise to the Jews from another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for *such* a time as this?[k]

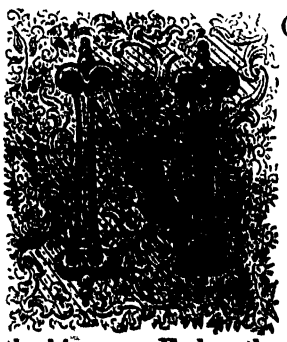
15 ¶ Then Esther bade *them* return Mordecai *this answer*,

16 Go, gather together all the Jews that are [6]present in Shushan, and fast ye for me, and neither eat nor drink three days, night or day: I also and my maidens will fast likewise; and so will I go in unto the king, which *is* not according to the law: and if I perish, I perish.[l]

17 So Mordecai [7]went his way, and did according to all that Esther had commanded him.

CHAPTER V.

1 *Esther, adventuring on the king's favour, obtaineth the grace of the golden sceptre, and inviteth the king and Haman to a banquet.* 6 *She, being encouraged by the king in her suit, inviteth them to another banquet the next day.* 9 *Haman, proud of his advancement, repineth at the contempt of Mordecai.* 14 *By the counsel of Zeresh he buildeth for him a pair of gallows.*



NOW it came to pass on the third day, that Esther put on *her* royal *apparel*, and stood in the inner court of the king's house, over against the king's house: and the king sat upon his royal throne in the royal house, over against the gate of the house.[m]

2 And it was so, when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, *that* she obtained favour in his sight: and the king held out to Esther the golden sceptre that *was* in his



ESTHER, IN THE PRESENCE OF AHASUERUS, TOUCHING THE ROYAL SCEPTRE.



READING THE BOOK OF THE RECORDS BEFORE KING AHASUERUS.

hand. So Esther drew near, and touched the top of the sceptre.[a]

3 Then said the king unto her, What wilt thou, queen Esther? and what *is* thy request? it shall be even given thee to the half of the kingdom.[b]

4 And Esther answered, If *it seem* good unto the king, let the king and Haman come this day unto the banquet that I have prepared for him.

5 Then the king said, Cause Haman to make haste, that he may do as Esther hath said. So the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.

6 ¶ And the king said unto Esther at the banquet of wine, What *is* thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: and what *is* thy request? even to the half of the kingdom it shall be performed.[c]

7 Then answered Esther, and said, My petition and my request *is;*

8 If I have found favour in the sight of the king, and if it please the king to grant my petition, and [1]to perform my request, let the king and Haman come to

BEFORE CHRIST 453

[a] ch iv 11, viii. 4, Prov. xxi 1

[b] Mark vi. 23.

[d] ch iii 5

2 Heb *caused to come.*

[e] 2 Sam xiii. 22.

[f] ch iii 1, ix 7, &c

[c] ch. vii 2, ix. 12

1 Heb. *to do.*

the banquet that I shall prepare for them, and I will do to morrow as the king hath said.

9 ¶ Then went Haman forth that day joyful and with a glad heart: but when Haman saw Mordecai in the king's gate, that he stood not up, nor moved for him, he was full of indignation against Mordecai.[d]

10 Nevertheless Haman refrained himself: and when he came home, he sent and [2]called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife.[e]

11 And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and all *the things* wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him above the princes and servants of the king.[f]

12 Haman said moreover, Yea, Esther the queen did let no man come in with the king unto the banquet that she had prepared but myself; and to morrow am I invited unto her also with the king.

13 Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long

as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate.

14 ¶ Then said Zeresh his wife and all his friends unto him, Let a [1]gallows be made of fifty cubits high, and to morrow speak thou unto the king that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then go thou in merrily with the king unto the banquet. And the thing pleased Haman; and he caused the gallows to be made.[a]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Ahasuerus, reading in the chronicles of the good service done by Mordecai, taketh care for his reward.* 4 *Haman, coming to sue that Mordecai might be hanged, unawares giveth counsel that he might do him honour.* 12 *Complaining of his misfortune, his friends tell him of his final destiny.*

ON that night [2]could not the king sleep, and he commanded to bring the book of records of the chronicles; and they were read before the king.[b]

2 And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of [3]Bigthana and Teresh, two of the king's chamberlains, the keepers of the [4]door, who sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus.[c]

3 And the king said, What honour and dignity hath been done to Mordecai for this? Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, There is nothing done for him.



INTERIOR OF A PERSIAN HOUSE.

4 ¶ And the king said, Who *is* in the court? Now Haman was come into the outward court of the king's house, to speak unto the king to hang Mordecai on the gallows that he had prepared for him.[d]

5 And the king's servants said unto him, Behold, Haman standeth in the court. And the king said, Let him come in.

6 So Haman came in. And the king said unto him, What shall be done unto the man [5]whom the king delighteth to honour? Now Haman thought in his heart, To whom would the king delight to do honour more than to myself?

7 And Haman answered the king, For the man [6]whom the king delighteth to honour,

8 [7]Let the royal apparel be brought [8]which the king *useth* to wear, and the horse that the king rideth upon, and the crown royal which is set upon his head:[e]

9 And let this apparel and horse be delivered to the hand of one of the king's most noble princes, that they may array the man *withal* whom the king delighteth to honour, and [9]bring him on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaim before him, Thus shall it be done to the man whom the king delighteth to honour.[f]

10 Then the king said to Haman, Make haste, *and* take the apparel and the horse, as thou hast said, and do even so to Mordecai the Jew, that sitteth at the king's gate: [10]let nothing fail of all that thou hast spoken.

11 Then took Haman the apparel and the horse, and arrayed Mordecai, and brought him on horseback through the street of the city, and proclaimed before him, Thus shall it be done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour.

12 ¶ And Mordecai came again to the king's gate. But Haman hasted to his house mourning, and having his head covered.[g]

13 And Haman told Zeresh his wife and all his friends every *thing* that had befallen him. Then said his wise men and Zeresh his wife unto him, If Mordecai *be* of the seed of the Jews, before whom thou hast begun to fall, thou shalt not prevail against him, but shalt surely fall before him.

14 And while they *were* yet talking with him, came the king's chamberlains, and hasted to bring Haman unto the banquet that Esther had prepared.[h]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Esther, entertaining the King and Haman, maketh suit for her own life and her people's.* 5 *She accuseth Haman.* 7 *The king in his anger, understanding of the gallows which Haman had made for Mordecai, causeth him to be hanged thereon.*

SO the king and Haman came [11]to banquet with Esther the queen.

2 And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine, What *is* thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted thee: and what *is* thy request? and it shall be performed, *even* to the half of the kingdom.[i]

3 Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition, and my people at my request:

4 For we are sold, I and my people, [12]to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 453.

1 Heb. *tree.*

6 Heb. *in whose honour the king delighteth*

7 Heb. *Let them bring the royal apparel.*

8 Heb. *wherewith the king clotheth himself.*

e 1 Kings i. 33.

a ch. vi. 4; vii. 9, 10.

9 Heb. *cause him to ride.*

f Gen. xli. 43

2 Heb. *the king's sleep fled away*

10 Heb. *suffer not a what to fall*

b ch. ii. 23.

3 Or, *Bigthan*

4 Heb. *threshold.*

c ch. ii. 21—23.

g 2 Sam. xv. 30; Jer. xiv. 3, 4.

h v. 8

11 Heb. *to drink*

i ch. v. 6

d ch. v. 1, 14.

12 Heb. *that they should be destroyed, and killed, and caused to perish.*

5 Heb. *in whose honour the king delighteth.*

j ch. iii. 9; iv. 7

5 ¶ Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen, Who is he, and where is he, [1]that durst presume in his heart to do so?

6 And Esther said, [2]The adversary and enemy *is* this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afraid [3]before the king and the queen.

BEFORE CHRIST 453.

4 Heb. *with me.*
1 Heb *whose heart hath filled him*
2 Heb *The man adversary*
a ch 1 6, Job ix 24
3 Or, *at the presence of*
5 Heb *tree.*

was fallen upon the bed whereon Esther *was.* Then said the king, Will he force the queen also [4]before me in the house? As the word went out of the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face.[a]

9 And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, Behold also, the [5]gallows fifty cubits



HAMAN DISCOVERED BY AHASUERUS PLEADING FOR HIS LIFE TO ESTHER.

7 ¶ And the king arising from the banquet of wine in his wrath *went* into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king.

8 Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine; and Haman

b ch 1 10, v. 14, Ps. vii. 16; Prov. xi. 5, 6.

c Ps xxxvii 35, 36, Dan. vi. 24.

high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon.[b]

10 So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacifie

CHAPTER VIII.

1 Mordecai is advanced. 3 Esther maketh suit to reverse Haman's letters. 7 Ahasuerus granteth to the Jews to defend themselves. 15 Mordecai's honour, and the Jews' joy.

ON that day did the king Ahasuerus give the house of Haman the Jews' enemy unto Esther the queen. And Mordecai came before the king; for Esther had told what he *was* unto her.[a]

2 And the king took off his ring, which he had taken from Haman, and gave it unto Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of Haman.[b]

3 ¶ And Esther spake yet again before the king, and fell down at his feet, [1]and besought him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman the Agagite, and his device that he had devised against the Jews.

4 Then the king held out the golden sceptre toward Esther. So Esther arose, and stood before the king,[c]

5 And said, If it please the king, and if I have found favour in his sight, and the thing *seem* right before the king, and I *be* pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse [2]the letters devised by Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, [3]which he wrote to destroy the Jews which *are* in all the king's provinces:

6 For [4]how can I endure to see the evil that shall come unto my people? or how can I endure to see the destruction of my kindred?[d]

7 ¶ Then the king Ahasuerus said unto Esther the queen and to Mordecai the Jew, Behold, I have given Esther the house of Haman, and him they have hanged upon the gallows, because he laid his hand upon the Jews.[e]

8 Write ye also for the Jews, as it liketh you, in the king's name, and seal *it* with the king's ring: for the writing which is written in the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring, may no man reverse.[f]

9 Then were the king's scribes called at that time in the third month, that *is*, the month Sivan, on the three and twentieth *day* thereof; and it was written according to all that Mordecai commanded unto the Jews, and to the lieutenants, and the deputies and rulers of the provinces which *are* from India unto Ethiopia, an hundred twenty and seven provinces, unto every province according to the writing thereof, and unto every people after their language, and to the Jews according to their writing, and according to their language.[g]

10 And he wrote in the king Ahasuerus' name, and sealed *it* with the king's ring, and sent letters by posts on horseback, *and* riders on mules, camels, *and* young dromedaries:[h]

11 Wherein the king granted the Jews which *were* in every city to gather themselves together, and to stand for their life, to destroy, to slay, and to cause to perish, all the power of the people and province that would assault them, *both* little ones and women, and *to take* the spoil of them for a prey,[i]

12 Upon one day in all the provinces of king Ahasuerus, *namely*, upon the thirteenth *day* of the twelfth month, which *is* the month Adar.[j]

13 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province *was* [5]published unto all people, and that the Jews should be ready against that day to avenge themselves on their enemies.[k]

14 *So* the posts that rode upon mules *and* camels went out, being hastened and pressed on by the king's commandment. And the decree was given at Shushan the palace.

15 ¶ And Mordecai went out from the presence of the king in royal apparel of [6]blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a garment of fine linen and purple: and the city of Shushan rejoiced and was glad.[l]

16 The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour.[m]

17 And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, the Jews had joy and gladness, a feast and a good day. And many of the people of the land became Jews; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them.[n]

CHAPTER IX.

1 The Jews (the rulers, for fear of Mordecai, helping them) slay their enemies, with the ten sons of Haman 12 Ahasuerus, at the request of Esther, granteth another day of slaughter, and Haman's sons to be hanged 20 The two days of Purim are made festival.

NOW in the twelfth month, that *is*, the month Adar, on the thirteenth day of the same, when the king's commandment and his decree drew near to be put in execution, in the day that the enemies of the Jews hoped to have power over them, (though it was turned to the contrary, that the Jews had rule over them that hated them;)[o]

2 The Jews gathered themselves together in their cities throughout all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, to lay hand on such as sought their hurt: and no man could withstand them; for the fear of them fell upon all people.[p]

3 And all the rulers of the provinces, and the lieutenants, and the deputies, and [7]officers of the king, helped the Jews; because the fear of Mordecai fell upon them.

4 For Mordecai *was* great in the king's house, and his fame went out throughout all the provinces: for this man Mordecai waxed greater and greater.[q]

5 Thus the Jews smote all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and slaughter, and destruction, and did [8]what they would unto those that hated them.

6 And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and destroyed five hundred men.

7 And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha,

8 And Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha,

9 And Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and Vajezatha,

10 The ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha,

BEFORE CHRIST 453.

a ch iii. 13, &c.; ix. 1.

5 Heb *revealed.*

b ch iii. 14, 15

c ch ii 7

6 Or, *violet*

d ch iii 10

e ch iii. 15; Prov xxix 2

1 Heb *and she wept and besought him*

m Ps xcvii 11

f ch iv 11, v 2

n ch ix 2, 19, 22 (Gen xxxv 5, Exod xv 16, Deut ii 25, 1 Sam xxv 8, Ps xviii 44

2 Heb *the device*

3 Or, *who wrote*

4 Heb *be able that I may see*

d ch vii 4, Neh ii. 3

e ver 1

o ch iii 13, viii. 12, 2 Sam xxii 41

f ch i 19, Dan vi. 8, 12, 15

p ver 16, ch. viii 11, 17, Ps. lxxi. 13, 24.

7 Heb *those which did the business that belonged to the king*

g ch i 1, 22; iii 12.

q 2 Sam. iii 1, 1 Chron. xi 9, Prov. iv 18.

h ch iii 12, 13, 1 Kings xxi 8

8 Heb. *according to their will.*

i ch. ix. 10, 15, 16.



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the enemy of the Jews, slew they; but on the spoil laid they not their hand.[a]

11 On that day the number of those that were slain in Shushan the palace [1]was brought before the king.

12 ¶ And the king said unto Esther the queen, The Jews have slain and destroyed five hundred men in Shushan the palace, and the ten sons of Haman; what have they done in the rest of the king's provinces? now what *is* thy petition? and it shall be granted thee: or what *is* thy request further? and it shall be done.[b]

13 Then said Esther, If it please the king, let it be granted to the Jews which *are* in Shushan to do to morrow also according unto this day's decree, and [2]let Haman's ten sons be hanged upon the gallows.[c]

14 And the king commanded it so to be done: and the decree was given at Shushan; and they hanged Haman's ten sons.

15 For the Jews that *were* in Shushan gathered themselves together on the fourteenth day also of the month Adar, and slew three hundred men at Shushan; but on the prey they laid not their hand.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 472

a ch. x. 11, viii. 11, Job xxvii. 13-15.

1 Heb. *came*

e ver. 2, ch. viii. 11

3 Heb. *in it*

b ch. v. 6, vii. 2

f ver. 11, 12.

2 Heb. *let men hang.*

c ch. viii. 11; 2 Sam. xxi. 6, 9

g ver. 22; ch. viii. 17; Deut. xvi. 11, 14; Neh. viii. 10, 12

d vs. 2, 10; ch. viii. 11.

16 But the other Jews that *were* in the king's provinces gathered themselves together, and stood for their lives, and had rest from their enemies, and slew of their foes seventy and five thousand, but they laid not their hands on the prey,[e]

17 On the thirteenth [3]day of the month Adar; and on the fourteenth day of the same rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.

18 But the Jews that *were* at Shushan assembled together on the thirteenth *day* thereof, and on the fourteenth thereof; and on the fifteenth *day* of the same they rested, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.[f]

19 Therefore the Jews of the villages, that dwelt in the unwalled towns, made the fourteenth day of the month Adar *a day of* gladness and feasting, and a good day, and of sending portions one to another.[g]

20 ¶ And Mordecai wrote these things, and sent letters unto all the Jews that *were* in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus, *both* nigh and far,

21 To stablish *this* among them, that they should

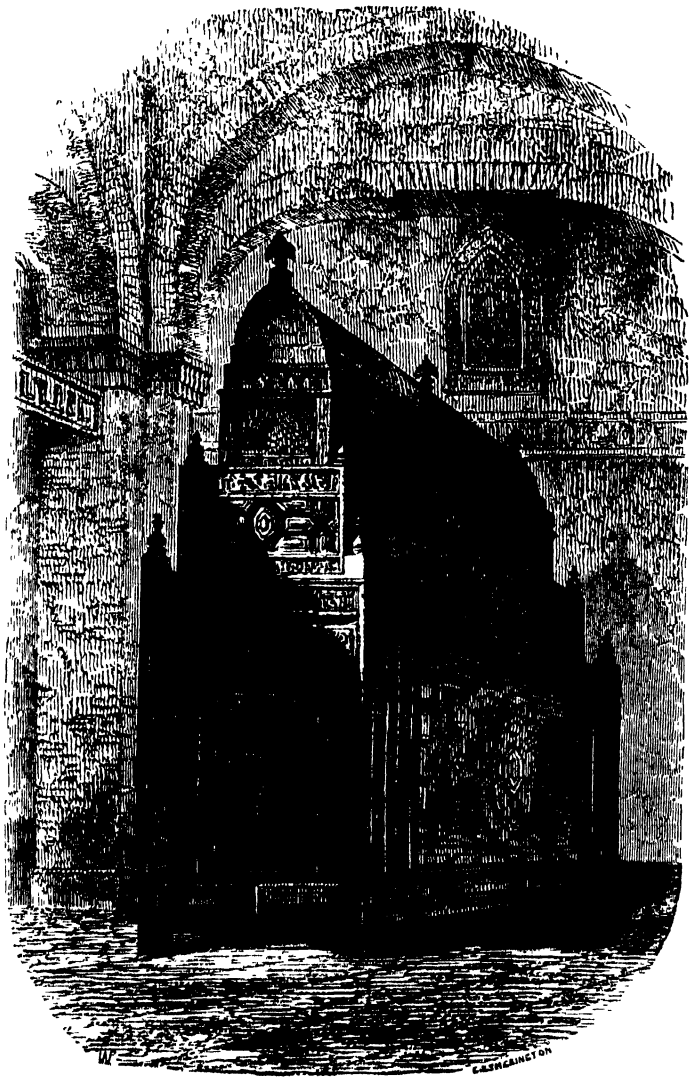
keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar, and the fifteenth day of the same, yearly,

22 As the days wherein the Jews rested from their enemies, and the month which was turned unto them from sorrow to joy, and from mourning into a good day: that they should make them days of feasting and joy, and of sending portions one to another, and gifts to the poor.[a]

23 And the Jews undertook to do as they had begun, and as Mordecai had written unto them;

24 Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews, had devised[b] against the Jews to destroy them, and had cast Pur, that *is*, the lot, to [1]consume them, and to destroy them;[b]

25 But [2]when *Esther* came before the king, he commanded by letters that his wicked device, which he devised against the Jews, should return upon his own head, and that he and his sons should be hanged on the gallows.[c]



TOMB OF ESTHER AND MORDECAI.

26 Wherefore they called these days Purim after the name of [3]Pur. Therefore for all the words of this letter, and *of that* which they had seen concerning this matter, and which had come unto them,[d]

27 The Jews ordained, and took upon them, and upon their seed, and upon all such as joined themselves unto them, so as it should not [4]fail, that they would keep these two days according to their writing, and according to their *appointed* time every year;[e]



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28 And *that* these days *should be* remembered and kept throughout every generation, every family, every province, and every city; and *that* these days of Purim should not [5]fail from among the Jews, nor the memorial of them [6]perish from their seed.

29 Then Esther the queen, the daughter of Abihail, and Mordecai the Jew, wrote with [7]all authority, to confirm this second letter of Purim.[f]

30 And he sent the letters unto all the Jews, to the hundred twenty and seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus, *with* words of peace and truth,[g]

31 To confirm these days of Purim in their times *appointed*, according as Mordecai the Jew and Esther the queen had enjoined them, and as they had decreed [8]for themselves and for their seed the matters of the fastings and their cry.[h]

32 And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim; and it was written in the book.

CHAPTER X.

1 *Ahasuerus's greatness.* 3 *Mordecai's advancement.*

AND the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and *upon* the isles of the sea.[i]

2 And all the acts of his power and of his might, and the declaration of the greatness of Mordecai, whereunto the king [9]advanced him, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Media and Persia?[j]

3 For Mordecai the Jew *was* next unto king Ahasuerus, and great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren, seeking the wealth of his people, and speaking peace to all his seed.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 452.

4 Heb *pass.*

e ch. viii. 17; Isa. lvi 3, 6; Zech. ii. 11

a ver 19, Neh. viii. 11; Ps. xxx. 11.

1 Heb *crush.*

b ch iii. 6, 7.

2 Heb *when she came.*

c vs 13, 14; ch vii 5, &c.; viii 3; Ps. vii. 16.

5 Heb. *pass*

6 Heb *be ended.*

7 Heb *all strength*

f ver. 20; ch viii 10

g ch. i 1

8 Heb. *for their souls*

h ch. iv 3, 16

i Gen x 5, Ps lxxii 10, Isa. xxiv 15

9 Heb *made him great*

3 That is, *lot.*

j ch viii. 15; ix. 4.

d ver 20

k Gen. xli. 40; 2 Chron xxviii. 7; Neh ii. 10; Ps. cxxii. 8, 9.



THE

BOOK OF JOB.

CHAPTER 1.

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The holiness, riches, and religious care of Job for his children. 6 Satan, appearing before God, by calumniation obtaineth leave to tempt Job. 13 Understanding of the loss of his goods and children, in his mourning he blesseth God.

a ch. ii. 3, Gen. vi. 9, xvii. 1, xxii. 20, 21, Prov. viii. 13, xvi. 6, Ezek. xiv. 14, James v. 11.

1 Or, *cattle*

THERE was a man in the land of Uz, whose name *was* Job; and that man was perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.[a]

2 And there were born unto him seven sons and three daughters.

3 His [1]substance also was seven thousand sheep, and three



thousand camels, and five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she asses, and a very great [1]houshold; so that this man was the greatest of all the [2]men of the east.

4 And his sons went and feasted *in their* houses, every one his day; and sent and called for their three sisters to eat and to drink with them.

5 And it was so, when the days of *their* feasting were gone about, that Job sent and sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning, and offered burnt offerings *according* to the number of them all: for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts. Thus did Job [3]continually.[e]

6 ¶ Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and [4]Satan came also [5]among them.[h]

7 And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.[c]

8 And the LORD said unto Satan, [6]Hast thou considered my servant Job, that *there is* none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil?[d]

9 Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought?

10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his [7]substance is increased in the land.[e]

11 But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face.[f]

12 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath *is* in thy [8]power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.

13 ¶ And there was a day when his sons and his daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:[g]

14 And there came a messenger unto Job, and said, The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them:

15 And the Sabeans fell *upon them*, and took them away; yea, they have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

16 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, [9]The fire of God is fallen from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

17 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, The Chaldeans made out three bands, and [10]fell upon the camels, and have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

18 While he *was* yet speaking, there came also another, and said, Thy sons and thy daughters *were* eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:[k]

19 And, behold, there came a great wind [11]from the wilderness, and smote the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young men, and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

20 Then Job arose, and rent his [12]mantle, and shaved his head, and fell down upon the ground, and worshipped,[l]

21 And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.[j]

22 In all this Job sinned not, nor [13]charged God foolishly.[k]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Satan appearing again before God obtaineth further leave to tempt Job.* 7 *He smiteth him with sore boils.* 9 *Job reproveth his wife, moving him to curse God.* 11 *His three friends condole with him in silence.*

AGAIN there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD.[i]

2 And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.[m]

3 And the LORD said unto Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that *there is* none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth God, and escheweth evil? and still he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me against him, [14]to destroy him without cause.[n]

4 And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life.

5 But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.[o]

6 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he *is* in thine hand; [15]but save his life.[p]

7 ¶ So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown.[q]

8 And he took him a potsherd to scrape himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes.[r]

9 ¶ Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die.[s]

10 But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.[t]

11 ¶ Now when Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they came every one from his own place; Eliphaz the Temanite, and Bildad the Shuhite, and Zophar the Naamathite: for they had made an appointment together to come to mourn with him and to comfort him.[u]

12 And when they lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they lifted up their voice, and wept; and they rent every one his mantle, and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven.[v]

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1 Or, *husbandry.*
2 Heb. *sons of the east*
12 Or, *robe.*
f Gen. xxxvii. 29; Ezra ix. 3, 1 Peter v 6
j Ps. xlix 17, Eccles. v 15, 19, Matt. xx 15, Eph v 20, 1 Thess. v 18, James i 17
13 Or, *attributed folly to God*
k ch ii 10
3 Heb *all the days*
a ch xlii 8, Gen viii. 20, 1 Kings xxi 10, 13
4 Heb *the Adversary*
5 Heb *in the midst of them*
b ch ii 1, xxxviii 7; 1 Kings xxii 19, 1 Chron xxi 1, Rev xii 9, 10
c ch ii 2, Matt xii 43, 1 Peter v 8
6 Heb *Hast thou set thy heart on*
e ch. i 6
d ver 1, ch. i. 8
m ch i 7
7 Or, *cattle*
e Ps xxxiv 7, cxxxiii 1, 2, Prov x 22, Isa. v 2
f ch ii 5, xix 21, Isa viii 21, Mal iii 13, 14
8 Heb *hand*
14 Heb *to swallow him up*
n ch i 1, 8, ix 17, xxvii 5, 6
g Eccles. ix 12
o ch i. 11, xix 20
15 Or, *only.*
p ch. i. 12
q Isa. i. 6.
r ch. xlii 6, 2 Sam xiii 19; Ezek xxvii 30; Matt. xi 21.
9 Or, *A great fire*
s ver 3; ch. xxi. 15
t ch. i. 21, 22; Ps. xxxix. 1; Rom xii. 12, James v 10, 11.
10 Heb *rushed.*
u ch xlii. 11; Gen. xxv 2, xxxvi. 11; Jer xlix. 7; Rom. xii 15
h vs. 4, 13.
11 Heb. *from aside, &c.*
v Neh ix. 1; Lam. ii 10; Ezek. xxvii 30

13 So they sat down with him upon the ground seven days and seven nights, and none spake a word unto him: for they saw that *his* grief was very great.[a]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Job curses the day and services of his birth* 13 *The ease of death* 20 *He complaineth of life, because of his anguish.*

AFTER this opened Job his mouth, and cursed his day.

2 And Job [1]spake, and said,

3 Let the day perish wherein I was born, and the night *in which* it was said, There is a man child conceived.[b]

4 Let that day be darkness; let not God regard it from above, neither let the light shine upon it.

5 Let darkness and the shadow of death [2]stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; [3]let the blackness of the day terrify it.[c]

6 *As for* that night, let darkness seize upon it; [4]let it not be joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of the months.

7 Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful voice come therein.[d]

8 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up [5]their mourning.[e]

9 Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark: let it look for light, but *have* none; neither let it see [6]the dawning of the day:[f]

10 Because it shut not up the doors of my *mother's* womb, nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.

11 Why died I not from the womb? *why* did I *not* give up the ghost when I came out of the belly?[g]

12 Why did the knees prevent me? or why the breasts that I should suck?[h]

13 For now should I have lain still and been quiet, I should have slept: then had I been at rest,

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a ch xv 28
a Gen l 10
y Ps lviii 8
7 Heb *wearied in strength*
k ch xxxix 7
1 Heb *answered*
l 1 Sam i 10; 2 Kings iv 27, Jer xx 18, Prov xxxi 6
b ch x 18, 19, Jer xv 10, xx 14
8 Heb *wait*
m Prov ii 4, Rev ix 6
n ch xix. 8, Lam iii 7
2 Or *challenge it*
9 Heb *before my meat*
3 Or, *let them terrify it, as those who have a bitter day*
c ch x 21, 22, xvi 16, xxviii 3, Ps xxiii 4, xliv 19, cvii 10, 14, Jer xiii 16, Amos v 8
10 Heb *I feared a fear, and it came upon me*
4 Or, *let it not rejoice among the days*
d Amos viii 10
5 Or, *a leviathan*
e Jer ix 17, 18
6 Heb *the eyelids of the morning*
f ch xli 18
11 Heb *a word*
g ch x 18
12 Heb *who can restrain from words?*
h Isa lxvi 12
o Isa xxxv 3
13 Heb *the bowing knees*
p Isa. xxxv 3, Heb xii 12
q ch i 1, Prov iii 24
r Ps xxxvii 25
s Ps xii 14, Prov xxii 8, Hos x 13, Gal vi 7, 8
14 That is, *by his anger*
t ch i 19, xv 30, 1 Kgs xv 5, Isa xl 1, xxx 33, 2 Thess ii 8
u Ps lviii 6
v Ps xxxiv 10
15 Heb *by stealth*



TOMB AT PETRA.

14 With kings and counsellors of the earth, which built desolate places for themselves;[i]

15 Or with princes that had gold, who filled their houses with silver:

16 Or as an hidden untimely birth I had not been; as infants *which* never saw light.[j]

17 There the wicked cease *from* troubling, and there the [7]weary be at rest.

18 *There* the prisoners rest together; they hear not the voice of the oppressor.[k]

19 The small and great are there; and the servant *is* free from his master.

20 Wherefore is light given to him that is in misery, and life unto the bitter *in* soul;[l]

21 Which [8]long for death, but it *cometh* not; and dig for it more than for hid treasures;[m]

22 Which rejoice exceedingly, *and* are glad, when they can find the grave?

23 *Why is light given* to a man whose way is hid, and whom God hath hedged in?[n]

24 For my sighing cometh [9]before I eat, and my roarings are poured out like the waters.

25 For [10]the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.

26 I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet; yet trouble came.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Eliphaz reproveth Job for want of religion* 7 *He teacheth God's judgments to be not for the righteous, but for the wicked.* 12 *His fearful vision, to humble the excellency of creatures before God*

THEN Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

2 *If* we assay [11]to commune with thee, wilt thou be grieved? but [12]who can withhold himself from speaking?

3 Behold, thou hast instructed many, and thou hast strengthened the weak hands.[o]

4 Thy words have upholden him that was falling, and thou hast strengthened [13]the feeble knees.[p]

5 But now it is come upon thee, and thou faintest, it toucheth thee, and thou art troubled.

6 *Is* not *this* thy fear, thy confidence, thy hope, and the uprightness of thy ways?[q]

7 Remember, I pray thee, who *ever* perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off?[r]

8 Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same.[s]

9 By the blast of God they perish, and [14]by the breath of his nostrils are they consumed.[t]

10 The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, and the teeth of the young lions, are broken.[u]

11 The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the stout lion's whelps are scattered abroad.[v]

12 Now a thing was [15]secretly brought to me, and mine ear received a little thereof.

13 In thoughts from the visions of the night, when deep sleep falleth on men,[a]

14 Fear [1]came upon me, and trembling, which made [2]all my bones to shake.[b]

15 Then a spirit passed before my face; the hair of my flesh stood up:

16 It stood still, but I could not discern the form thereof: an image *was* before mine eyes, [3]*there was* silence, and I heard a voice, *saying*,

17 Shall mortal man be more just than God? shall a man be more pure than his maker?[c]

18 Behold, he put no trust in his servants; [4]and his angels he charged with folly:[d]

19 How much less *in* them that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation *is* in the dust, *which* are crushed before the moth?[e]

20 They are [5]destroyed from morning to evening: they perish for ever without any regarding *it*.[f]

21 Doth not their excellency *which is* in them go away? they die, even without wisdom.[g]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The harm of inconsideration.* 8 *The end of the wicked is misery.* 6 *God is to be regarded in affliction.* 17 *The happy end of God's correction.*

CALL now, if there be any that will answer thee; and to which of the saints wilt thou [6]turn?

2 For wrath killeth the foolish man, and [7]envy slayeth the silly one.

3 I have seen the foolish taking root: but suddenly I cursed his habitation.[h]

4 His children are far from safety, and they are crushed in the gate, neither *is there* any to deliver *them*.[i]

5 Whose harvest the hungry eateth up, and taketh it even out of the thorns, and the robber swalloweth up their substance.[j]

6 Although [8]affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth trouble spring out of the ground;

7 Yet man is born unto [9]trouble, as the [10]sparks fly upward.[k]

8 I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause:

9 Which doeth great things [11]and unsearchable; marvellous things [12]without number:[l]

10 Who giveth rain upon the earth, and sendeth waters upon the [13]fields:[m]

11 To set up on high those that be low; that those which mourn may be exalted to safety.[n]

12 He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands [14]cannot perform *their* enterprise.[o]

13 He taketh the wise in their own craftiness: and the counsel of the froward is carried headlong.[p]

14 They [15]meet with darkness in the daytime, and grope in the noonday as in the night.[q]

15 But he saveth the poor from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mighty.[r]

16 So the poor hath hope, and iniquity stoppeth her mouth.[s]

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a ch. xxxiii. 15.

1 Heb. *met me.*

t Ps. xciv. 12; Prov. iii. 11, 12; Heb. xii. 5, James i. 12.

2 Heb. *the multitude of my bones.*

b Hab. iii. 16.

u Deut. xxxii. 39; 1 Sam. ii. 6; Isa. xxx. 26, Hos. vi. 1.

v Ps. xxxiv. 19; xci. 3, 10; Prov. xxiv. 16; 1 Cor. x. 13.

3 Or, *I heard a still voice.*

16 Heb. *from the hands*

w Ps. xxxiii. 19; xxxvii. 19.

17 Or, *when the tongue scourgeth.*

c ch. ix. 2.

4 Or, *nor in his angels, in whom he put light.*

x Ps. xxxi. 20.

d ch. xv 15; xxv. 5; 2 Peter ii. 4.

y Isa. xl. 9; xxxv. 9; lxv. 23, Ezek xxxiv. 25.

e ch. xv. 16; 2 Cor iv 7, v 1.

5 Heb *beaten in pieces*

f Ps. xc. 5, 6.

z Ps xci.12, Hos.ii 18

18 Or, *that peace is thy tabernacle.*

g ch xxxvi. 12, Ps xxxix. 11, xlix. 14.

19 Or, *err.*

20 Or, *much.*

a Ps lxxii. 16; cxii. 2

21 Heb *ascendeth*

b Prov. ix. 11, x. 27.

6 Or, *look?*

22 Heb *for thyself*

c Ps cxi. 2; Prov ix. 12

7 Or, *indignation.*

h Ps. xxxvii. 35, 36; Jer xii. 2, 3

i Ps civ. 12, cxix. 155 cxxvii. 5

23 Heb *lifted up.*

j ch. xviii. 9.

8 Or, *iniquity*

24 That is, *I want words to express my grief.*

d Ps. lxxvii. 4, Prov. xxvii. 3

9 Or, *labour*

10 Heb *the sons of the burning coal lift up to fly*

k Gen iii 17—19, 1 Cor x 13

e Ps. xxxviii 2; lxxxviii 15, 16.

25 Heb. *at grass.*

11 Heb *and there is no search.*

12 Heb *till there be no number.*

l ch ix 10; xxxvii. 5; Ps. xl. 5; lxxii. 18.

13 Heb *outplaces.*

m ch xxviii. 26; Ps. lxv. 9, 10; cxlvii. 8; Jer. v. 24; x. 13

n 1 Sam ii. 7; Ps. cxiii. 7. 26 Heb. *my expectation.*

14 Or, *cannot perform anything.*

o Neh iv 15; Ps. xxxiii. 10, Isa. viii. 10.

p Ps ix 15, 1 Cor. iii. 19

f 1 Kings xix. 4.

15 Or, *run into.*

q Deut xxviii. 29; Isa. lix. 10, Amos viii. 9.

g Lev xix. 2; Isa. lvii. 15, Hos. xi. 9; Acts xx. 20.

r Ps. xxxv. 10

s 1 Sam. ii 9, Ps. cvii. 42.

17 Behold, happy *is* the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty:[t]

18 For he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole.[u]

19 He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee.[v]

20 In famine he shall redeem thee from death: and in war [16]from the power of the sword.[w]

21 Thou shalt be hid [17]from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh.[x]

22 At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.[y]

23 For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.[z]

24 And thou shalt know [18]that thy tabernacle *shall be* in peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and shalt not [19]sin.

25 Thou shalt know also that thy seed *shall be* [20]great, and thine offspring as the grass of the earth.[a]

26 Thou shalt come to *thy* grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn [21]cometh in in his season.[b]

27 Lo this, we have searched it, so it *is*; hear it, and know thou *it* [22]for thy good.[c]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Job sheweth that his complaints are not causeless* 8 *He wisheth for death, wherein he is assured of comfort.* 14 *He reproveth his friends of unkindness.*

BUT Job answered and said,

2 Oh that my grief were throughly weighed, and my calamity [23]laid in the balances together!

3 For now it would be heavier than the sand of the sea: therefore [24]my words are swallowed up.[d]

4 For the arrows of the Almighty *are* within me, the poison whereof drinketh up my spirit: the terrors of God do set themselves in array against me.[e]

5 Doth the wild ass bray [25]when he hath grass? or loweth the ox over his fodder?

6 Can that which is unsavoury be eaten without salt? or is there *any* taste in the white of an egg?

7 The things *that* my soul refused to touch *are* as my sorrowful meat.

8 Oh that I might have my request; and that God would grant *me* [26]the thing that I long for!

9 Even that it would please God to destroy me; that he would let loose his hand, and cut me off!

10 Then should I yet have comfort; yea, I would harden myself in sorrow: let him not spare; for I have not concealed the words of the Holy One.[f]

11 What *is* my strength, that I should hope? and what *is* mine end, that I should prolong my life?



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12 *Is* my strength the strength of stones? or *is* my flesh [1]of brass?

13 *Is* not my help in me? and is wisdom driven quite from me?

14 [2]To him that is afflicted pity *should be shewed* from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear of the Almighty.[a]

15 My brethren have dealt deceitfully as a brook, *and* as the stream of brooks they pass away;[b]

16 Which are blackish by reason of the ice, *and* wherein the snow is hid:

17 What time they wax warm, [3]they vanish: [4]when it is hot, they are [5]consumed out of their place.

18 The paths of their way are turned aside; they go *to* nothing, and perish.

19 The troops of Tema looked, the companies of Sheba waited for them.[c]

20 They were confounded because they had hoped; they came thither, and were ashamed.[d]

B. C. 1500—1600.

6 Or, *For now ye are like to them.*

7 Heb. *not.*

1 Heb. *brazen.*

e ch. xiii. 4; Ps. xxxviii. 11.

2 Heb. *To him that melteth.*

a Prov. xvii. 17.

b Ps. xxxviii. 11; xli. 9; Jer. xv. 18.

3 Heb. *they are cut off.*

4 Heb. *in the heat thereof.*

5 Heb. *extinguished.*

8 Heb. *ye cause to fall upon.*

f Ps. lvii. 6.

9 Heb. *before your face.*

c Gen. xxv. 15; 1 Kings x. 1, Ps. lxxii. 10; Ezek. xxvii. 22, 23.

10 That is, *in this matter.*

g ch. xvii. 10.

11 Heb. *my palate.*

d Jer. xiv. 3.

h ch. xii. 11; xxxiv. 3.

21 [6]For now ye are [7]nothing; ye see *my* casting down, and are afraid.[e]

22 Did I say, Bring unto me? or, Give a reward for me of your substance?

23 Or, Deliver me from the enemy's hand? or, Redeem me from the hand of the mighty?

24 Teach me, and I will hold my tongue: and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.

25 How forcible are right words! but what doth your arguing reprove?

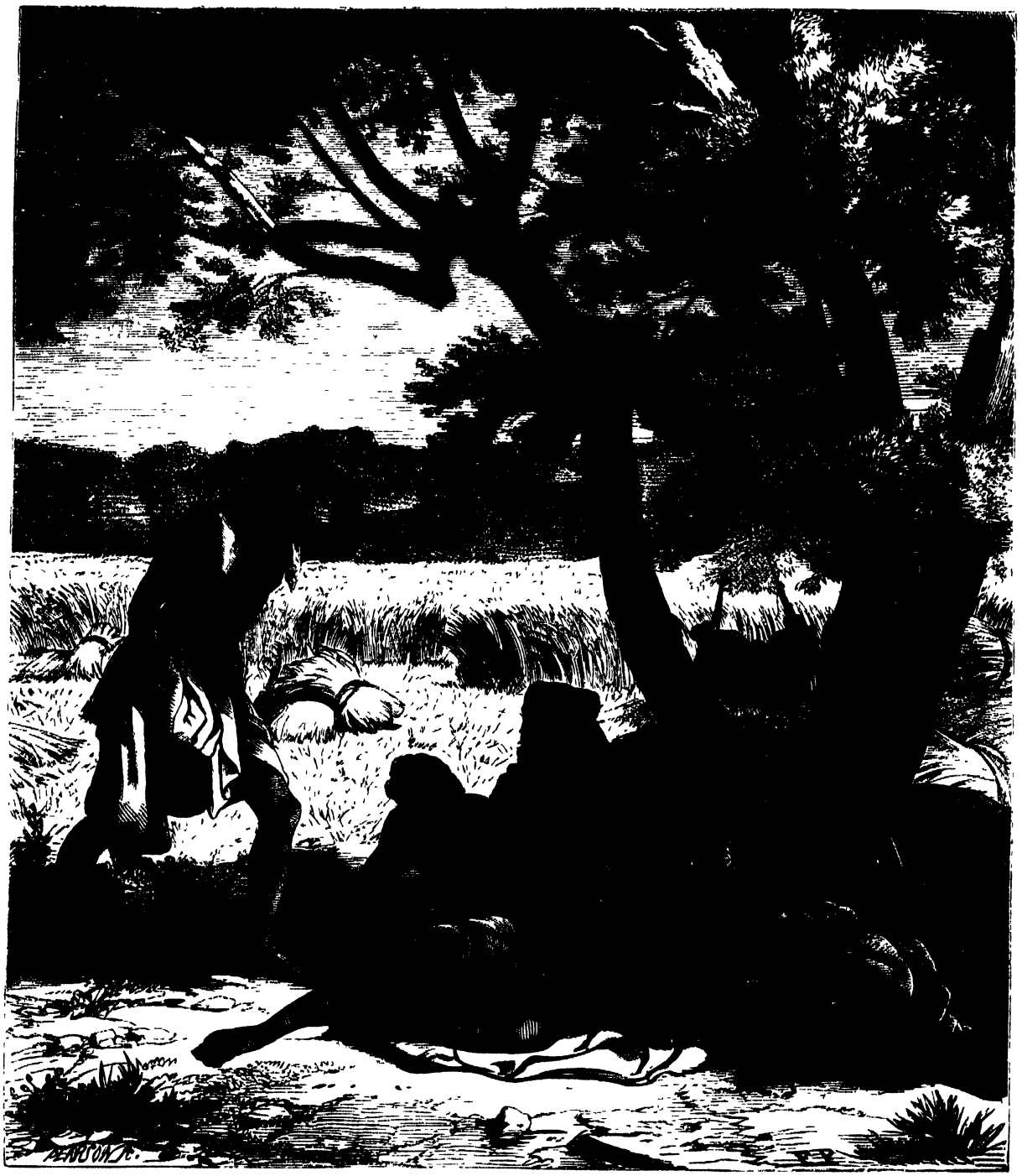
26 Do ye imagine to reprove words, and the speeches of one that is desperate, *which are* as wind?

27 Yea, [8]ye overwhelm the fatherless, and ye dig *a pit* for your friend.[f]

28 Now therefore be content, look upon me; for *it is* [9]evident unto you if I lie.

29 Return, I pray you, let it not be iniquity; yea, return again, my righteousness *is* [10]in it.[g]

30 Is there iniquity in my tongue? cannot [11]my taste discern perverse things?[h]



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CHAPTER VII.

1 *Job excuseth his desire of death.* 12 *He complaineth of his own restlessness,* 17 *and God's watchfulness.*

IS *there* not [1]an appointed time to man upon earth? *are not* his days also like the days of an hireling?[a]

2 As a servant [2]earnestly desireth the shadow, and as an hireling looketh for *the reward of* his work:

3 So am I made to possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights are appointed to me.[b]

4 When I lie down, I say, When shall I arise, and the night be gone? and I am full of tossings to and fro unto the dawning of the day.[c]

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d Isa. xiv 11
1 Or, *a warfare*
e ch ix 25; xvi. 22; xvii 11; Ps. xc 6; cii 11, cliii. 15; cxliv. 4; Isa. xxxviii 12, xl. 5; James iv. 14
a ch xiv 5, 13, 14; Ps. xxxix 4
d Heb *shall not return.*
4 *To see,* that is, *to enjoy.*
f Ps. lxxviii. 39; lxxxix. 47.
2 Heb. *gapeth after.*
5 That is, *I can live no longer.*
g ch xx. 9.
b ch. xxix 2.
h 2 Sam xii 23.
i ch viii. 18; xx. 9; Ps. ciii 16
c ch. xvii 12; Deut. xxviii. 67

5 My flesh is clothed with worms and clods of dust; my skin is broken, and become loathsome.[d]

6 My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and are spent without hope.[e]

7 O remember that my life *is* wind: mine eye shall [3]no more [4]see good.[f]

8 The eye of him that hath seen me shall see me no *more:* thine eyes *are* upon me, and [5]I *am* not.[g]

9 *As* the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no *more.*[h]

10 He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.[i]

11 Therefore I will not refrain my mouth; I will

speak in the anguish of my spirit; I will complain in the bitterness of my soul.[a]

12 *Am* I a sea, or a whale, that thou settest a watch over me?

13 When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my complaint;[b]

14 Then thou scarest me with dreams, and terrifiest me through visions:

15 So that my soul chooseth strangling, *and* death rather [1]than my life.

16 I loathe *it;* I would not live alway: let me alone; for my days *are* vanity.[c]

17 What *is* man, that thou shouldest magnify him? and that thou shouldest set thine heart upon him?[d]

18 And *that* thou shouldest visit him every morning, *and* try him every moment?

19 How long wilt thou not depart from me, nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle?

20 I have sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?[e]

21 And why dost thou not pardon my transgression, and take away mine iniquity? for now shall I sleep in the dust; and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I *shall* not *be.*

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Bildad sheweth God's justice in dealing with men according to their works.* 8 *He alleageth antiquity to prove the certain destruction of the hypocrite.* 20 *He applieth God's just dealing to Job.*

THEN answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 How long wilt thou speak these *things?* and *how long shall* the words of thy mouth *be like* a strong wind?

3 Doth God pervert judgment? or doth the Almighty pervert justice?[f]

4 If thy children have sinned against him, and he have cast them away [2]for their transgression;[g]

5 If thou wouldest seek unto God betimes, and make thy supplication to the Almighty;[h]

6 If thou *wert* pure and upright; surely now he would awake for thee, and make the habitation of thy righteousness prosperous.

7 Though thy beginning was small, yet thy latter end should greatly increase.

8 For enquire, I pray thee, of the former age, and prepare thyself to the search of their fathers:[i]

9 (For we *are but of* yesterday, and know [3]nothing, because our days upon earth *are* a shadow:)[j]

10 Shall not they teach thee, *and* tell thee, and utter words out of their heart?

11 Can the rush grow up without mire? can the flag grow without water?

12 Whilst it *is* yet in his greenness, *and* not cut down, it withereth before any *other* herb.[k]

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a ch. x. 1; 1 Sam. i. 10; Ps. xxxix. 1, 9; xl. 9

1 ch. xi. 20; xviii. 14; xxvii. 8; Ps. cxli. 10; Prov. x. 28.

4 Heb. *a spider's house.*

b ch. ix. 27.

m ch. xxvii. 18; Isa. lix. 5, 6.

1 Heb. *than my bones*

c ch. x. 1, 20, xiv. 6; Ps. xxxix. 13, lxii. 9

n ch. vii. 10, xx. 9, Ps. xxxvii. 36

d Ps. viii. 4, cxliv. 3; Heb. ii. 6

o Ps. cxlii. 7

5 Heb. *take the ungodly by the hand.*

6 Heb. *shouting for joy*

7 Heb. *shall not be*

p Ps. xxxv. 26, cix. 29

e ch. xvi. 12, Ps. xxi. 12, xxxvi. 6, Lam. iii. 12

8 Or, *before God?*

q Ps. cxliii. 2, Rom. iii. 20

r ch. xxxvi. 5

f ch. xxxiv. 12, 17, Gen. xviii. 25, Deut. xxxii. 4, 2 Chron. xix. 7, Dan. ix. 14, Rom. iii. 5

s ch. xxvi. 11, Isa. lv. 19, 21, Hagg. ii. 6, 21, Heb. xii. 26.

2 Heb. *in the hand of their transgression.*

g ch. i. 5, 18

h ch. v. 8; xi. 13, xxii. 23, &c.

9 Heb. *heights*

t Gen. i. 1, 6, Ps. civ. 2, 3

10 Heb. *Ash, Cesil,* and *Cimah.*

u ch. xxxviii. 31, &c., Gen. i. 16, Amos v. 8

v ch. v. 9, Ps. lxxi. 15.

w ch. xxiii. 8, 9, xxxv. 14.

i ch. xv. 18; Deut. iv. 32, xxxii. 7.

11 Heb. *who can turn him away?*

3 Heb. *not.*

x ch. xi. 10; Isa. xiv. 9; Jer. xviii. 6, Rom. ix. 20.

j ch. vii. 6; Gen. xlvii. 9; 1 Chron. xxix. 15, Ps. xxxix. 5; ciii. 11; cxliv. 4.

12 Heb. *helpers of pride,* or, *strength.*

y ch. xxvi. 12; Isa. xxx. 7.

k Ps. cxxix. 6; Jer. xvii. 6

z ch. x. 15

13 So *are* the paths of all that forget God; and the hypocrite's hope shall perish:[l]

14 Whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust *shall be* [4]a spider's web.

15 He shall lean upon his house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not endure.[m]

16 He *is* green before the sun, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.

17 His roots are wrapped about the heap, *and* seeth the place of stones.

18 If he destroy him from his place, then *it* shall deny him, *saying,* I have not seen thee.[n]

19 Behold, this *is* the joy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow.[o]

20 Behold, God will not cast away a perfect *man,* neither will he [5]help the evil doers:

21 Till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with [6]rejoicing.

22 They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame; and the dwelling place of the wicked [7]shall come to nought.[p]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Job, acknowledging God's justice, sheweth there is no contending with him* 22 *Man's innocency is not to be condemned by afflictions.*

THEN Job answered and said,

2 I know *it is* so of a truth: but how should man be just [8]with God?[q]

3 If he will contend with him, he cannot answer him one of a thousand.

4 *He is* wise in heart, and mighty in strength: who hath hardened *himself* against him, and hath prospered?[r]

5 Which removeth the mountains, and they know not: which overturneth them in his anger.

6 Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble.[s]

7 Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the stars.

8 Which alone spreadeth out the heavens, and treadeth upon the [9]waves of the sea.[t]

9 Which maketh [10]Arcturus, Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the south.[u]

10 Which doeth great things past finding out; yea, and wonders without number.[v]

11 Lo, he goeth by me, and I see *him* not: he passeth on also, but I perceive him not.

12 Behold, he taketh away, [11]who can hinder him? who will say unto him, What doest thou?[w]

13 *If* God will not withdraw his anger, the [12]proud helpers do stoop under him.[y]

14 How much less shall I answer him, *and* choose out my words *to reason* with him?

15 Whom, though I were righteous, *yet* would I not answer, *but* I would make supplication to my judge.[z]

16 If I had called, and he had answered me; *yet* would I not believe that he had hearkened unto my voice.

17 For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause.[a]

18 He will not suffer me to take my breath, but filleth me with bitterness.

19 If *I speak* of strength, lo, *he is* strong: and if of judgment, who shall set me a time *to plead?*

20 If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall condemn me: *if I say*, I *am* perfect, it shall also prove me perverse.

21 *Though* I *were* perfect, *yet* would I not know my soul: I would despise my life.

22 This *is* one *thing*, therefore I said *it*, He destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.[b]

23 If the scourge slay suddenly, he will laugh at the trial of the innocent.

24 The earth is given into the hand of the wicked: he covereth the faces of the judges thereof; if not, where, *and* who *is* he?[c]

25 Now my days are swifter than a post: they flee away, they see no good.[d]

26 They are passed away as the [1]swift ships: as the eagle *that* hasteth to the prey.[e]

27 If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leave off my heaviness, and comfort *myself:*[f]

28 I am afraid of all my sorrows, I know that thou wilt not hold me innocent.[g]

29 *If* I be wicked, why then labour I in vain?

30 If I wash myself with snow water, and make my hands never so clean;

31 Yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall [2]abhor me.

32 For *he is* not a man, as I *am*, *that* I should answer him, *and* we should come together in judgment.[h]

33 Neither is there [3]any daysman betwixt us, *that* might lay his hand upon us both.[i]

34 Let him take his rod away from me, and let not his fear terrify me:[j]

35 *Then* would I speak, and not fear him; [4]but *it is* not so with me.

CHAPTER X.

1 *Job, taking liberty of complaint, expostulateth with God about his afflictions.* 18 *He complaineth of life, and craveth a little ease before death.*

MY soul is [5]weary of my life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of my soul.[k]

2 I will say unto God, Do not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou contendest with me.

3 *Is it* good unto thee that thou shouldest oppress, that thou shouldest despise [6]the work of thine hands, and shine upon the counsel of the wicked?[l]

4 Hast thou eyes of flesh? or seest thou as man seeth?[m]

5 *Are* thy days as the days of man? *are* thy years as man's days,

6 That thou enquirest after mine iniquity, and searchest after my sin?

7 [7]Thou knowest that I am not wicked; and *there is* none that can deliver out of thine hand.[n]

8 Thine hands [8]have made me and fashioned me together round about; yet thou dost destroy me.

9 Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt thou bring me into dust again?[o]

10 Hast thou not poured me out as milk, and curdled me like cheese?[p]

11 Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast [9]fenced me with bones and sinews.

12 Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.

13 And these *things* hast thou hid in thine heart: I know that this *is* with thee.

14 If I sin, then thou markest me, and thou wilt not acquit me from mine iniquity.[q]

15 If I be wicked, woe unto me, and *if* I be righteous, *yet* will I not lift up my head. *I am* full of confusion; therefore see thou mine affliction;[r]

16 For it increaseth. Thou huntest me as a fierce lion: and again thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me.[s]

17 Thou renewest [10]thy witnesses against me, and increasest thine indignation upon me; changes and war *are* against me.[t]

18 Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb? Oh that I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me![u]

19 I should have been as though I had not been; I should have been carried from the womb to the grave.

20 *Are* not my days few? cease *then*, *and* let me alone, that I may take comfort a little,[v]

21 Before I go *whence* I shall not return, *even* to the land of darkness and the shadow of death;[w]

22 A land of darkness, as darkness *itself;* *and* of the shadow of death, without any order, and *where* the light *is* as darkness.

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Zophar reproveth Job for justifying himself.* 5 *God's wisdom is unsearchable.* 13 *The assured blessing of repentance.*

THEN answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 Should not the multitude of words be answered? and should [11]a man full of talk be justified?

3 Should thy [12]lies make men hold their peace? and when thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed?

4 For thou hast said, My doctrine *is* pure, and I am clean in thine eyes.[x]

5 But oh that God would speak, and open his lips against thee;

6 And that he would shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that *they are* double to that which is! Know

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a ch. ii. 3; xxxiv. 6.

7 Heb. *It is upon thy knowledge.*

n Deut. xxxii. 39; Ps. cxxxix. 1, 2.

8 Heb. *took pains about me.*

o Gen. ii. 7; iii. 19; Isa. lxiv. 8.

p Ps. cxxxix. 14—16.

9 Heb. *hedged.*

b Eccles. ix. 2, 3; Ezek. xxi 3.

c 2 Sam xv 30; xix. 4, Jer. xiv 4

q Ps. cxxxix 1

d ch vii 6, 7

1 Heb *ships of desire*, or, *ships of Ebeh*

r ch ix. 12, 15, 20, 21; Ps. xxv. 18, Isa. liii 11.

e Hab. i. 8.

f ch. vii 13.

s Isa. xxxviii. 13, Lam. iii. 10

10 That is, *thy plagues*

g Exod. xx. 7; Ps. cxix. 120

t Ruth i 21.

u ch iii 11.

2 Or, *make me to be abhorred.*

h Eccles. vi 10, Isa. xlv. 9, Jer. xlix. 19, Rom ix 20

3 Heb *one that should argue*, or, *umpire.*

v ch vii. 6, 16, 19, viii. 9; Ps. xxxix. 5.

i ver 19, 1 Sam. ii. 25.

w Ps. xxxiii. 4, lxxxviii 12.

j ch xiii 20—22, xxxiii 7, Ps. xxxix 10.

4 Heb *but I am not so with myself*

5 Or, *cut off while I live.*

11 Heb. *a man of lips*

k ch vii. 11, 16; 1 Kings xix 4, Jonah iv. 3, 8

12 Or, *devices.*

x ch. vi. 10; x. 7.

6 Heb *the labour of thine hands.*

l Ps. cxxxviii. 8; Isa. lxiv. 8.

m 1 Sam. xvi. 7



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therefore that God exacteth of thee *less* than thine iniquity *deserveth*.[a]

7 Canst thou by searching find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?[b]

8 *It is* as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know?

9 The measure thereof *is* longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.

10 If he [1]cut off, and shut up, or gather together, then [2]who can hinder him?[c]

11 For he knoweth vain men: he seeth wickedness also; will he not then consider *it*?[d]

12 For [3]vain man would be wise, though man be born *like* a wild ass's colt.[e]

13 If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward him;[f]

14 If iniquity *be* in thine hand, put it far away, and let not wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles.[g]

15 For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear:[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

a Ezra ix. 13.
i Isa. lxv. 16.
4 Heb. *shall arise above the noonday.*
b Eccles. iii. 11; Rom. xi. 33.
j Ps. xxxvii. 6; cxii. 4; Isa. lviii. 8, 10
k Lev. xxvi. 5, 6; Ps. iii. 5; iv. 8; Prov. iii. 24.
1 Or, *make a change.*
2 Heb *who can turn him away?*
c ch. ix. 12; xii. 14; Rev. iii 7.
5 Heb. *intreat thy face.*
l Ps. xlv. 12.
6 Heb. *flight shall perish from them.*
d Ps x. 11, 14; xxxv. 22; xciv. 11.
7 Or, *a puff of breath.*
3 Heb. *empty.*
m ch. viii. 14; xviii. 14; Lev. xxvi. 16; Deut. xxviii. 65; Prov. xi. 7.
e Ps. lxxiii. 22; xcii. 6; Eccles. iii. 18; Rom. i. 22.
f ch. v. 8; xxii. 21; 1 Sam. vii. 3; Ps. lxxviii. 8; lxxxviii. 9; cxliii. 6.
g Ps. ci. 3.
h ch. xxii. 26; Gen. iv. 5, 6; Ps. cxix. 6; 1 John iii. 21.
8 Heb. *an heart.*

16 Because thou shalt forget *thy* misery, *and* remember *it* as waters *that* pass away:[i]

17 And *thine* age [4]shall be clearer than the noonday; thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.[j]

18 And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt dig *about thee, and* thou shalt take thy rest in safety.[k]

19 Also thou shalt lie down, and none shall make *thee* afraid; yea, many shall [5]make suit unto thee.[l]

20 But the eyes of the wicked shall fail, and [6]they shall not escape, and their hope *shall be as* [7]the giving up of the ghost.[m]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Job maintaineth himself against his friends that reproves him.* 7 *He acknowledgeth the general doctrine of God's omnipotency.*

AND Job answered and said,

2 No doubt but ye *are* the people, and wisdom shall die with you.

3 But I have [8]understanding as well

as you; [1]I *am* not inferior to you: yea, [2]who knoweth not such things as these?[a]

4 I am *as* one mocked of his neighbour, who calleth upon God, and he answereth him: the just upright *man is* laughed to scorn.[b]

5 He that is ready to slip with *his* feet *is as* a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at ease.[c]

6 The tabernacles of robbers prosper, and they that provoke God are secure; into whose hand God bringeth *abundantly*.[d]

7 But ask now the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the fowls of the air, and they shall tell thee:

8 Or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee: and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee.

9 Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the LORD hath wrought this?

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

1 Heb. *I fall not lower than you.*
2 Heb. *with whom are not such things as these?*
a ch. xiii. 2
i ver. 13
i 2 Sam. xv. 31; xvii. 14, 23; Isa. xix. 12; xxix. 14; 1 Cor. i. 19.
b ch. xvi. 10; xvii. 2, 6; xxi. 3; xxx. 1; Ps. xci. 15.
c Prov. xiv. 2.
8 Heb. *the lip of the faithful*
d ch. xxi. 7; Ps. xxxvii. 1, 35; lxxiii. 11, 12; Jer. xii. 1; Mal. iii. 15
m ch. xxxii. 9; Isa. iii. 1—3
9 Or, *looseth the girdle of the strong*
n Ps. cvii. 40; Dan. ii. 21
o Dan. ii. 22, Matt. x. 26, 1 Cor. iv. 5
10 Heb *leadeth in*
p Ps. cvii. 38; Isa. ix. 3, xxvi. 15

16 With him *is* strength and wisdom: the deceived and the deceiver *are* his.[k]

17 He leadeth counsellors away spoiled, and maketh the judges fools.[l]

18 He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loins with a girdle.

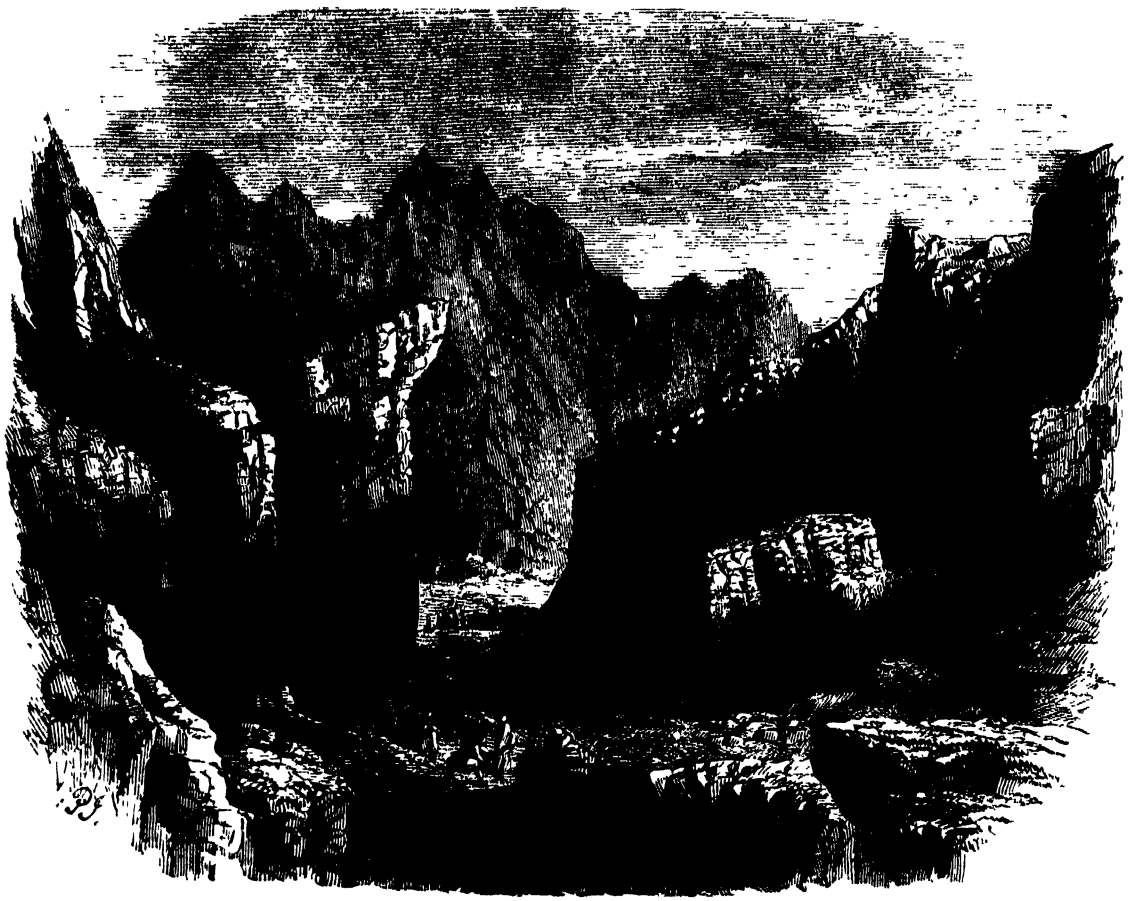
19 He leadeth princes away spoiled, and overthroweth the mighty.

20 He removeth away [8]the speech of the trusty and taketh away the understanding of the aged.[m]

21 He poureth contempt upon princes, and [9]weakeneth the strength of the mighty.[n]

22 He discovereth deep things out of darkness, and bringeth out to light the shadow of death.[o]

23 He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: he enlargeth the nations, and [10]straiteneth them *again*.[p]



WANDERERS IN THE WILDERNESS OF EDOM.

10 In whose hand *is* the [3]soul of every living thing, and the breath of [4]all mankind.[e]

11 Doth not the ear try words? and the [5]mouth taste his meat?[f]

12 With the ancient *is* wisdom; and in length of days understanding.[g]

13 [6]With him *is* wisdom and strength, he hath counsel and understanding.[h]

14 Behold, he breaketh down, and it cannot be built again: he shutteth [7]up a man, and there can be no opening.[i]

15 Behold, he withholdeth the waters, and they dry up: also he sendeth them out, and they overturn the earth.[j]

3 Or, *life*
4 Heb. *all flesh of man*
e Numb. xvi. 22; Dan. v. 23; Acts xvii. 28.
q Ps. cvii. 4, 40.
5 Heb. *palate.*
f ch. vi. 30
11 Heb. *wander*
r ch. v. 14; Deut. xxviii. 29; Ps. cvii. 27
g ch. xxii. 7
6 That is, *With God.*
h ch. ix. 4; xxxvi. 5.
7 Heb. *upon.*
i ch. xi. 10; Isa. xxii. 22; Rev. iii. 7.
j Gen. vii. 11, &c.; 1 Kings viii. 35; xvii. 1.
s ch. xii. 3.

24 He taketh away the heart of the chief of the people of the earth, and causeth them to wander in a wilderness *where there is* no way.[q]

25 They grope in the dark without light, and he maketh them to stagger like *a* drunken *man*.[r]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Job reproveth his friends of partiality.* 14 *He professeth his confidence in God:* 20 *and intreateth to know his own sins, and God's purpose in afflicting him.*

LO, mine eye hath seen all *this*, mine ear hath heard and understood it.

2 What ye know, *the same* do I know also: I *am* not inferior unto you.[s]

3 Surely I would speak to the Almighty, and I desire to reason with God.[a]

4 But ye *are* forgers of lies, ye *are* all physicians of no value.[b]

5 O that ye would altogether hold your peace! and it should be your wisdom.[c]



SYRIAN CULPRIT IN THE STOCKS.

6 Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.

7 Will ye speak wickedly for God? and talk deceitfully for him?[d]

8 Will ye accept his person? will ye contend for God?

9 Is it good that he should search you out? or as one man mocketh another, do ye *so* mock him?

10 He will surely reprove you, if ye do secretly accept persons.

11 Shall not his excellency make you afraid? and his dread fall upon you?

12 Your remembrances *are* like unto ashes, your bodies to bodies of clay.

13 [1]Hold your peace, let me alone, that I may speak, and let come on me what *will*.

14 Wherefore do I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my life in mine hand?[e]

15 Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him: but I will [2]maintain mine own ways before him.[f]

16 He also *shall be* my salvation: for an hypocrite shall not come before him.

17 Hear diligently my speech, and my declaration with your ears.

18 Behold now, I have ordered *my* cause, I know that I shall be justified.

19 Who *is* he *that* will plead with me? for now, if I hold my tongue, I shall give up the ghost.

20 Only do not two *things* unto me: then will I not hide myself from thee.

21 Withdraw thine hand far from me: and let not thy dread make me afraid.[g]

22 Then call thou, and I will answer: or let me speak, and answer thou me.

23 How many *are* mine iniquities and sins? make me to know my transgression and my sin.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and holdest me for thine enemy?[h]

25 Wilt thou break a leaf driven to and fro? and wilt thou pursue the dry stubble?

26 For thou writest bitter things against me, and makest me to possess the iniquities of my youth.[i]

27 Thou puttest my feet also in the stocks, and [3]lookest narrowly unto all my paths; thou settest a print upon the [4]heels of my feet.[j]

28 And he, as a rotten thing, consumeth, as a garment that is moth eaten.

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Job entreateth God for favour, by the shortness of life, and certainty of death.* 7 *Though life once lost be irrecoverable, yet he waiteth for his change.* 16 *By sin the creature is subject to corruption.*

MAN *that is* born of a woman *is* [5]of few days, and full of trouble.[k]

2 He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.[l]

3 And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me into judgment with thee?[m]

4 [6]Who can bring a clean *thing* out of an unclean? not one.[n]

5 Seeing his days *are* determined, the number of his months *are* with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass;[o]

6 Turn from him, that he may [7]rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.[p]

7 For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.[q]

8 Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground;

9 *Yet* through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.

10 But man dieth, and [8]wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where *is* he?

11 *As* the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up:

12 So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

a ch. xxiii. 4; xxxi. 35

b ch vi 21; xvi. 2.

c Prov xvii. 28.

d ch ix 34; xxxiii 7 Ps xxxix 10.

h ch. xvi. 9; xix. 11; xxxiii 10; Deut. xxxii. 20, 42; Ruth i 21; Ps. xiii. 1; Isa viii. 17; Lam. ii 5.

i ch. xx 11; Ps. xxv 7

3 Heb *observest.*

4 Heb *roots.*

j ch xxxiii. 11.

5 Heb *short of days*

k ch v 7, Eccles. ii. 23

l ch viii 9, Ps. xc. 5, 6, 9; ci 11; ciii. 15; cxliv. 4; Isa. xl 6, James i. 10, 11; iv. 14; 1 Peter i. 24.

m Ps. cxliii. 2; cxliv. 3.

n ch xvii. 5; xxxii. 21; xxxvi. 4.

6 Heb. *Who will give.*

o Gen. v. 3; Ps. li. 5; John iii. 16; Rom. v 12; Eph. ii. 5.

o ch vii. 1.

7 Heb. *cease.*

p ch. vii. 1, 16, 19; x. 20; Ps. xxxix. 13.

q ver 14.

1 Heb. *Be silent from me.*

8 Heb. *is weakened,* or, *cut off.*

e ch. xviii. 4; 1 Sam. xxviii. 21; Ps. cxix. 109.

2 Heb. *prove, or, argue.*

f ch. xxvii. 5; Ps. xxiii. 4; Prov. xiv. 32.



"THERE IS HOPE OF A TREE, IF IT BE CUT DOWN, THAT IT WILL SPROUT AGAIN."—JOB XIV. 7.

heavens *be* no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.[a]

13 O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me!

14 If a man die, shall he live *again?* all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.[b]

15 Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.[c]

16 For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin?[d]

17 My transgression *is* sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.

18 And surely the mountain falling [1]cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of his place.

19 The waters wear the stones: thou [2]washest away the things which grow *out* of the dust of the earth; and thou destroyest the hope of man.

20 Thou prevailest for ever against him, and he passeth: thou changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

21 His sons come to honour, and he knoweth *it* not; and they are brought low, but he perceiveth *it* not of them.[f]

22 But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him shall mourn.

BEFORE CHRIST 1520

a Psalm 49, Isa. lxv. 17, lxvi. 22, Acts iii. 21, 2 Peter iii. 7, 10, 11, Rev. xx. 11, xxi. 1

f Eccles. ix. 5, Isa. lxiii. 16

b ver. 7.

c ch. xiii. 22.

d ch. x. 6, 14; xiii. 27, xxxi. 4; xxxiv. 21; Ps. lvi. 8; cxxxix. 1—3; Prov. v. 21; Jer. xxxii. 19

e Deut. xxxii. 24; Hos. xiii. 12.

3 Heb. *knowledge of wind.*

1 Heb. *fadeth.*

2 Heb. *overflowest.*

4 Heb. *thou makest void.*

5 Or, *speech.*

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Eliphaz reproveth Job of impiety in justifying himself.* 17 *He proveth by tradition the unquietness of wicked men.*

THEN answered Eliphaz the Temanite, and said,

2 Should a wise man utter [3]vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east wind?

3 Should he reason with unprofitable talk? or with speeches wherewith he can do no good?

4 Yea, [4]thou castest off fear, and restrainest [5]prayer before God.

5 For thy mouth [1]uttereth thine iniquity, and thou choosest the tongue of the crafty.

6 Thine own mouth condemneth thee, and not I: yea, thine own lips testify against thee.[a]

7 *Art* thou the first man *that* was born? or wast thou made before the hills?[b]

8 Hast thou heard the secret of God? and dost thou restrain wisdom to thyself?[c]

9 What knowest thou, that we know not? *what* understandest thou, which *is* not in us?[d]

10 With us *are* both the grayheaded and very aged men, much elder than thy father.[e]

11 *Are* the consolations of God small with thee? is there any secret thing with thee?

12 Why doth thine heart carry thee away? and what do thy eyes wink at,

13 That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and lettest *such* words go out of thy mouth?

14 What *is* man, that he should be clean? and *he which is* born of a woman, that he should be righteous?[f]

15 Behold, he putteth no trust in his saints; yea, the heavens are not clean in his sight.[g]

16 How much more abominable and filthy *is* man, which drinketh iniquity like water?[h]

17 I will shew thee, hear me; and that *which* I have seen I will declare;

18 Which wise men have told from their fathers, and have not hid *it*:[i]

19 Unto whom alone the earth was given, and no stranger passed among them.[j]

20 The wicked man travaileth with pain all *his* days, and the number of years is hidden to the oppressor.[k]

21 [2]A dreadful sound *is* in his ears: in prosperity the destroyer shall come upon him.[l]

22 He believeth not that he shall return out of darkness, and he is waited for of the sword.

23 He wandereth abroad for bread, *saying*, Where *is it?* he knoweth that the day of darkness is ready at his hand.[m]

24 Trouble and anguish shall make him afraid; they shall prevail against him, as a king ready to the battle.

25 For he stretcheth out his hand against God, and strengtheneth himself against the Almighty.

26 He runneth upon him, *even* on *his* neck, upon the thick bosses of his bucklers:

27 Because he covereth his face with his fatness, and maketh collops of fat on *his* flanks.[n]

28 And he dwelleth in desolate cities, *and* in houses which no man inhabiteth, which are ready to become heaps.

29 He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue, neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof upon the earth.

30 He shall not depart out of darkness; the flame shall dry up his branches, and by the breath of his mouth shall he go away.[o]

31 Let not him that is deceived trust in vanity: for vanity shall be his recompence.[p]

32 It shall be [3]accomplished before his time, and his branch shall not be green.[q]

33 He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, and shall cast off his flower as the olive.

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

1 Heb. *teacheth.*

a Luke xix. 22.
4 Or, *iniquity.*
r Ps. vii. 14; Isa. lix. 4, Hos. x. 13

b Ps. xc. 2; Prov viii. 25.

c Rom. xi. 34; 1 Cor. ii 11

d ch xiii. 2.

e ch xxxii. 6, 7
5 Or, *troublesome.*
s ch xlii. 4
6 Heb *words of wind*

f ch xiv 4, 1 Kings viii. 46; 2 Chron. vi 36, Ps. xiv 3, Prov xx. 9, Eccles vii 20, 1 John i. 8, 10.
t Ps. xxii. 7, cix. 25, Lam ii. 15.

g ch. iv 18, xxv 5.

h ch. iv 19; xxxiv 7, Ps. xiv. 3, liii. 3; Prov xix. 28
7 Heb. *what goeth from me?*

i ch. viii. 8

j Joel iii 17

k Ps. xc. 12.
u ch. x. 16, 17, xiii. 24.

2 Heb. *A sound of fears.*

l 1 Thess. v. 3.
v Ps. xxii 13, xxxv 15; Lam iii. 30; Micah v. 1
8 Heb *hath shut me up.*
w ch. i. 15, 17

m ch xviii. 12; Ps. lix. 15; cix. 10.
x ch. vii. 20

n Deut. xxxii. 15.
y ch. xxx. 19, Ps vii. 5.
z ch. xxvii 9; Ps. lxvi 18, 19.

o ch iv. 9.
9 Heb. *in the high places.*
a Rom. i. 9.
10 Heb. *are my scorners.*

p Isa. lix. 4.

3 Or, *cut off.*

q ch. xxii. 16; Ps. lv. 23.
11 Or, *friend.*
b ch. xxxi. 35; Eccles. vi. 10; Isa. xiv. 9; Rom. ix. 20.
12 Heb. *years of number.*
c Eccles. xii. 5.

34 For the congregation of hypocrites *shall be* desolate, and fire shall consume the tabernacles of bribery.

35 They conceive mischief, and bring forth [4]vanity, and their belly prepareth deceit.[r]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Job reproveth his friends of unmercifulness.* 7 *He sheweth the pitifulness of his case.* 17 *He maintaineth his innocency.*

THEN Job answered and said,

2 I have heard many such things: [5]miserable comforters *are* ye all.[s]

3 Shall [6]vain words have an end? or what emboldeneth thee that thou answerest?

4 I also could speak as ye *do:* if your soul were in my soul's stead, I could heap up words against you, and shake mine head at you.[t]

5 *But* I would strengthen you with my mouth, and the moving of my lips should asswage *your grief.*

6 Though I speak, my grief is not asswaged: and *though* I forbear, [7]what am I eased?

7 But now he hath made me weary: thou hast made desolate all my company.

8 And thou hast filled me with wrinkles, *which* is a witness *against me:* and my leanness rising up in me beareth witness to my face.

9 He teareth *me* in his wrath, who hateth me: he gnasheth upon me with his teeth; mine enemy sharpeneth his eyes upon me.[u]

10 They have gaped upon me with their mouth; they have smitten me upon the cheek reproachfully; they have gathered themselves together against me.[v]

11 God [8]hath delivered me to the ungodly, and turned me over into the hands of the wicked.[w]

12 I was at ease, but he hath broken me asunder: he hath also taken *me* by my neck, and shaken me to pieces, and set me up for his mark.[x]

13 His archers compass me round about, he cleaveth my reins asunder, and doth not spare; he poureth out my gall upon the ground.

14 He breaketh me with breach upon breach, he runneth upon me like a giant.

15 I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and defiled my horn in the dust.[y]

16 My face is foul with weeping, and on my eyelids *is* the shadow of death;

17 Not for *any* injustice in mine hands: also my prayer *is* pure.

18 O earth, cover not thou my blood, and let my cry have no place.[z]

19 Also now, behold, my witness *is* in heaven, and my record [9]*is* on high.[a]

20 My friends [10]scorn me: *but* mine eye poureth out *tears* unto God.

21 O that one might plead for a man with God, as a man *pleadeth* for his [11]neighbour![b]

22 When [12]a few years are come, then I shall go the way *whence* I shall not return.[c]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Job appealeth from men to God.* 6 *The unmerciful dealing of men with the afflicted may astonish, but not discourage the righteous.* 11 *His hope is not in life, but in death.*

MY [1]breath is corrupt, my days are extinct, the graves *are ready* for me.[a]

2 *Are there* not mockers with me? and doth not mine eye [2]continue in their provocation?[b]

3 Lay down now, put me in a surety with thee; who *is* he *that* will strike hands with me?[c]

4 For thou hast hid their heart from understanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt *them.*

5 He that speaketh flattery to *his* friends, even the eyes of his children shall fail.

6 He hath made me also a byword of the people; and [3]aforetime I was as a tabret.[d]

7 Mine eye also is dim by reason of sorrow, and all [4]my members *are* as a shadow.[e]

8 Upright *men* shall be astonied at this, and the innocent shall stir up himself against the hypocrite.

9 The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands [5]shall be stronger and stronger.[f]

10 But as for you all, do ye return, and come now: for I cannot find *one* wise *man* among you.[g]

11 My days are past, my purposes are broken off, *even* [6]the thoughts of my heart.[h]

12 They change the night into day: the light *is* [7]short because of darkness.

13 If I wait, the grave *is* mine house: I have made my bed in the darkness.

14 I have [8]said to corruption, Thou *art* my father: to the worm, *Thou art* my mother, and my sister.

15 And where *is* now my hope? as for my hope, who shall see it?

16 They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when *our* rest together *is* in the dust.[i]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Bildad reproveth Job of presumption and impatience.* 5 *The calamities of the wicked.*

THEN answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,

2 How long *will it be ere* ye make an end of words? mark, and afterwards we will speak.

3 Wherefore are we counted as beasts, *and* reputed vile in your sight?[j]

4 He teareth [9]himself in his anger: shall the earth be forsaken for thee? and shall the rock be removed out of his place?[k]

5 Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out, and the spark of his fire shall not shine.[l]

6 The light shall be dark in his tabernacle, and his [10]candle shall be put out with him.[m]

7 The steps of his strength shall be straitened, and his own counsel shall cast him down.[n]

8 For he is cast into a net by his own feet, and he walketh upon a snare.[o]

9 The gin shall take *him* by the heel, *and* the robber shall prevail against him.[p]

10 The snare *is* [11]laid for him in the ground, and a trap for him in the way.

11 Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, and shall [12]drive him to his feet.[q]

12 His strength shall be hungerbitten, and destruction *shall be* ready at his side.[r]

13 It shall devour the [13]strength of his skin: *even* the firstborn of death shall devour his strength.

14 His confidence shall be rooted out of his tabernacle, and it shall bring him to the king of terrors.[s]

15 It shall dwell in his tabernacle, because *it is* none of his: brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation.

16 His roots shall be dried up beneath, and above shall his branch be cut off.[t]

17 His remembrance shall perish from the earth, and he shall have no name in the street.[u]

18 [14]He shall be driven from light into darkness, and chased out of the world.

19 He shall neither have son nor nephew among his people, nor any remaining in his dwellings.[v]

20 They that come after *him* shall be astonied at his day, as they that [15]went before [16]were affrighted.[w]

21 Surely such *are* the dwellings of the wicked, and this *is* the place *of him that* knoweth not God.[x]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *Job, complaining of his friends' cruelty, sheweth there is misery enough in him to feed their cruelty.* 21, 28 *He craveth pity.* 23 *He believeth the resurrection.*

THEN Job answered and said,

2 How long will ye vex my soul, and break me in pieces with words?

3 These ten times have ye reproached me: ye are not ashamed *that* ye [17]make yourselves strange to me.[y]

4 And be it indeed *that* I have erred, mine error remaineth with myself.

5 If indeed ye will magnify *yourselves* against me, and plead against me my reproach:[z]

6 Know now that God hath overthrown me, and hath compassed me with his net.

7 Behold, I cry out of [18]wrong, but I am not heard: I cry aloud, but *there is* no judgment.

8 He hath fenced up my way that I cannot pass, and he hath set darkness in my paths.[a]

9 He hath stripped me of my glory, and taken the crown *from* my head.[b]

10 He hath destroyed me on every side, and I am gone: and mine hope hath he removed like a tree.

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

n ch. v. 13.

o ch. xxii. 10; Ps. lx. 15; xxxv. 8.

1 Or, *spirit is spent.*

p ch. v. 5.

11 Heb *hidden.*

a Ps. lxxxviii. 3.

12 Heb. *scatter him.*

q ch. xv. 21, xx 25; Jer. vi. 25; xx. 3, xlvi. 5, xlix. 29

2 Heb. *lodge.*

b 1 Sam. i. 6, 7.

r ch. xv. 23.

13 Heb. *bars.*

c Prov. vi. 1; xvii. 8; xxii. 26.

s ch. viii. 14; xi. 20; Ps. cxii. 10; Prov x. 28.

3 Or, *before them*

d ch. xxx. 9.

4 Or, *my thoughts.*

e Ps. vi. 7; xxxi 9

t ch. xxix. 19, Isa v 24, Amos ii. 9, Mal. iv 1.

u Ps. xxxiv 16, cix 13; Prov. ii. 22, x 7

14 Heb *They shall drive him*

5 Heb *shall add strength*

f Ps. xxiv. 4.

v Isa xiv. 22, Jer. xxii 30

g ch vi 29.

15 Or, *lived with him*

16 Heb. *laid hold on horror.*

6 Heb *the possessions.*

h ch vii 6; ix. 25

w Ps xxxvii. 13

7 Heb *near*

x Jer ix. 3, x 25, 1 Thess. iv. 5, 2 Thess. i. 8, Titus i. 16.

8 Heb *cried,* or, *called.*

i ch iii 17—19, Ps. lxxxviii 4—6

17 Or, *harden yourselves against me.*

y Gen xxxi. 7

z Ps xxxviii. 16

j Ps. lxxiii 22.

18 Or, *violence.*

9 Heb *his soul.*

a ch iii. 23; Ps. lxxxviii. 8.

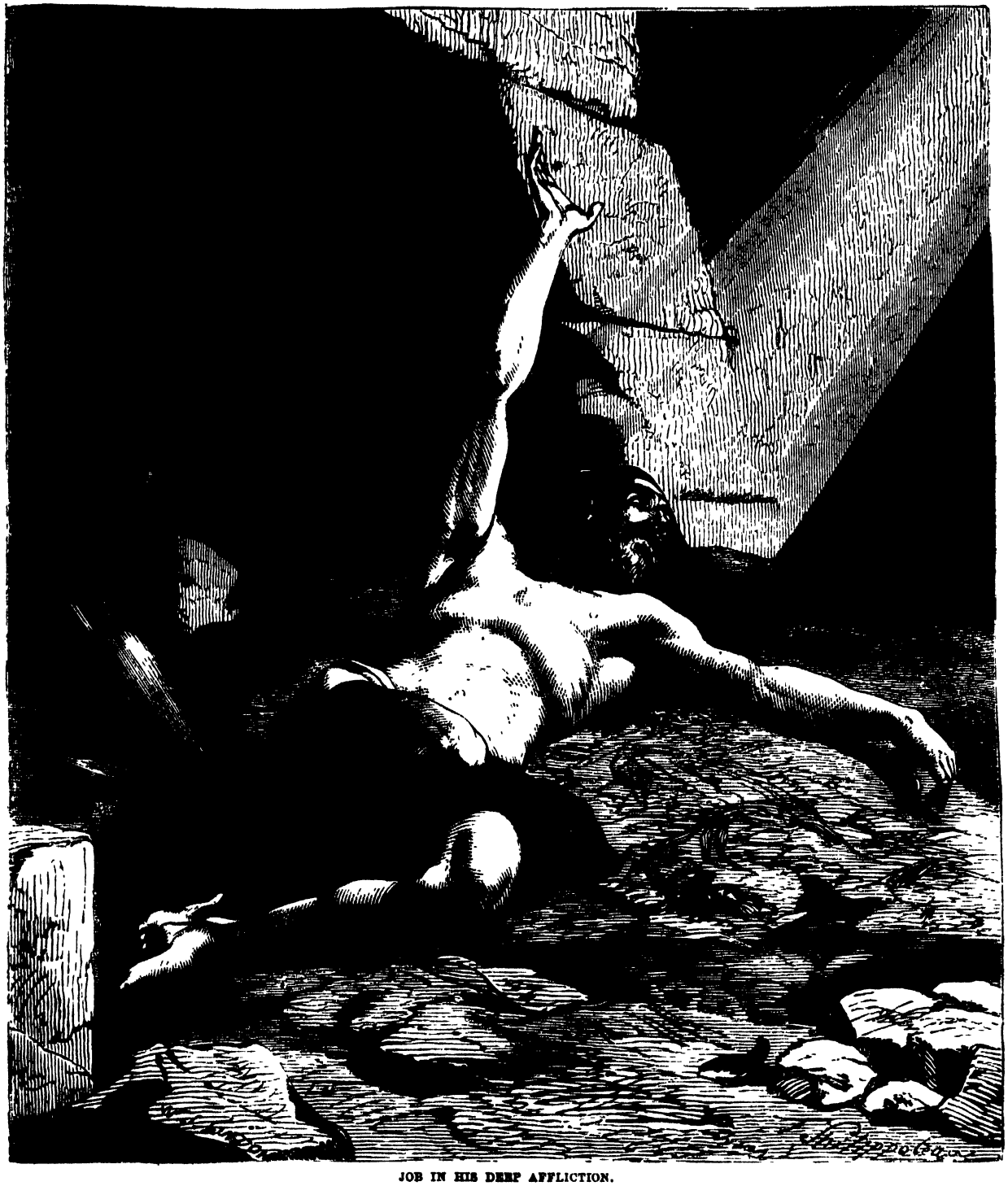
k ch. xiii. 14.

b Ps. lxxxix. 44.

l Prov. iv. 19; xiii. 9.

10 Or, *lamp.*

m ch. xxi. 17; Ps. xviii. 28; Prov. xxiv. 20.



JOB IN HIS DEEP AFFLICTION.

11 He hath also kindled his wrath against me, and he counteth me unto him as *one of* his enemies.[a]

12 His troops come together, and raise up their way against me, and encamp round about my tabernacle.[b]

13 He hath put my brethren far from me, and mine acquaintance are verily estranged from me.[c]

14 My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar friends have forgotten me.

15 They that dwell in mine house, and my maids, count me for a stranger: I am an alien in their sight.

16 I called my servant, and he gave *me* no answer; I intreated him with my mouth.

BEFORE CHRIST 1520

a ch. xiii. 24· Lam ii. 5

1 Or, *the wicked.*

d 2 Kings ii. 23.

b ch xxx 12.

2 Heb *the men of my secret*

e Ps xli. 9; lv. 13, 14

c Ps. xxxi. 11; xxxviii. 11; lxix. 8; lxxxviii. 8, 18

3 Or, *as.*

f ch. xxx. 30; Ps. cii. 5, Lam. iv. 8.

g ch. i. 11; Ps. xxxviii. 2.

h Ps. lxix. 26.

4 Heb. *Who will give, &c.*

17 My breath is strange to my wife, though I intreated for the children's *sake* of mine own body.

18 Yea, [1]young children despised me; I arose, and they spake against me.[d]

19 All [2]my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loved are turned against me.[e]

20 My bone cleaveth to my skin [3]and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.[f]

21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me.[g]

22 Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?[h]

23 [4]Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book!

24 That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever!

25 For I know *that* my redeemer liveth, and *that* he shall stand at the latter *day* upon the earth:

26 And *though* after my skin *worms* destroy this *body*, yet in my flesh shall I see God:[a]



YASILI-KAIA, THE SCULPTURED ROCKS OF ANCIENT CAPPADOCIA

27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not [1]another; [2]*though* my reins be consumed [3]within me.

28 But ye should say, Why persecute we him, [4]seeing the root of the matter is found in me?[b]

29 Be ye afraid of the sword: for wrath *bringeth* the punishments of the sword, that ye may know *there is* a judgment.[c]

CHAPTER XX.

Zophar sheweth the state and portion of the wicked.

THEN answered Zophar the Naamathite, and said,

2 Therefore do my thoughts cause me to answer, and [5]for *this* I make haste.

3 I have heard the check of my reproach, and the spirit of my understanding causeth me to answer.

4 Knowest thou *not* this of old, since man was placed upon earth,

5 That the triumphing of the wicked *is* [6]short, and the joy of the hypocrite *but* for a moment?[d]

6 Though his excellency mount up to the heavens, and his head reach unto the [7]clouds;[e]

7 *Yet* he shall perish for ever like his own dung: they which have seen him shall say, Where *is* he?[f]

8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: yea, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

h ch. vii. 8, 10; viii. 18; Ps. xxxvii. 36; ciii. 16.

8 Or, *The poor shall oppress his children.*

i ver. 18.

a Ps. xvii. 15; 1 Cor. xiii. 12; 1 John iii. 2.

j ch. xiii. 26; xxi. 26; Ps. xxv. 7

9 The eye also *which* saw him shall *see him* no more; neither shall his place any more behold him.[h]

10 [8]His children shall seek to please the poor, and his hands shall restore their goods.[i]

11 His bones are full *of the sin* of his youth, which shall lie down with him in the dust.[j]

12 Though wickedness be sweet in his mouth, *though* he hide it under his tongue;

13 *Though* he spare it, and forsake it not; but keep it still [9]within his mouth:

14 *Yet* his meat in his bowels is turned, *it is* the gall of asps within him.

15 He hath swallowed down riches, and he shall vomit them up again: God shall cast them out of his belly.

16 He shall suck the poison of asps: the viper's tongue shall slay him.

17 He shall not see the rivers, the [10]floods, the brooks of honey and butter.[k]

18 That which he laboured for shall he restore, and shall not swallow *it* down: [11]according to *his* substance *shall* the restitution *be*, and he shall not rejoice *therein*.[l]

19 Because he hath [12]oppressed *and* hath forsaken the poor; *because* he hath violently taken away an house which he builded not;

20 Surely he shall not [13]feel quietness in his belly, he shall not save of that which he desired.[m]

21 [14]There shall none of his meat be left; therefore shall no man look for his goods.

22 In the fulness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits: every hand of the [15]wicked shall come upon him.

23 *When* he is about to fill his belly, *God* shall cast the fury of his wrath upon him, and shall rain *it* upon him while he is eating.[n]



THE ASP, OR VIPER.

24 He shall flee from the iron weapon, *and* the bow of steel shall strike him through.[o]

25 It is drawn, and cometh out of the body; yea,

9 Heb. *in the midst of his palate.*

10 Or, *streaming brooks.*

k Isa. vii. 15; Zech. xvii. 6.

11 Heb. *according to the substance of his exchange.*

l ver. 10, 15.

12 Heb *crushed.*

13 Heb *know.*

m Eccles. v. 13, 14.

1 Heb. *a stranger.*

2 Or, *my reins within me are consumed with earnest desire* [for that day]

14 Or, *There shall be none left for his meat*

3 Heb *in my bosom*

4 Or, *and what root of matter is found in me?*

b ver. 22.

15 Or, *troublesome.*

c Ps. lviii. 10, 11

n Numb. xi. 33; Ps. lxxviii. 30, 31

5 Heb *my haste is in me.*

6 Heb *from near*

d Ps. xxxvii. 35, 36.

7 Heb *cloud.*

e Isa. xiv. 13, 14; Obad. 3, 4.

f Ps. lxxxiii. 10.

o Isa. xxiv. 18; Jer. xlviii. 44; Amos v. 19.

g Ps. lxxiii. 20; xc. 5.



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the glittering sword cometh out of his gall: terrors *are* upon him.[a]

26 All darkness *shall be* hid in his secret places: a fire not blown shall consume him: it shall go ill with him that is left in his tabernacle.[b]

27 The heaven shall reveal his iniquity; and the earth shall rise up against him.

28 The increase of his house shall depart, *and his goods* shall flow away in the day of his wrath.

29 This *is* the portion of a wicked man from God, and the heritage [1]appointed unto him by God.[c]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Job sheweth that even in the judgment of man he hath reason to be grieved.* 7 *Sometimes the wicked do so prosper, as they despise God.* 16 *Sometimes their destruction is manifest.* 22 *The happy and unhappy are alike in death.* 27 *The judgment of the wicked is in another world.*

BUT Job answered and said,

2 Hear diligently my speech, and let this be your consolations.

3 Suffer me that I may speak; and after that I have spoken, mock on.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

a ch. xvi. 13; xviii 11.
2 Heb *shortened.*
3 Heb *Look unto me*
c ch xxix. 9, xl 4 Judg. xviii 19, Ps xxxix. 9.
b Ps. xxi. 9
f ch. xii. 6; Ps. xvii 10, 14; lxxiii 3, 12, Jer. xii. 1, Hab. i 16.
1 Heb *of his decree from God.*
c ch xxvii. 13; xxxi. 2, 3
4 Heb *are peace from fear.*
g Ps. lxxiii. 5.
h Exod. xxiii. 26.
5 Or, *in mirth.*
i ch. xxxvi. 11.
d ch. xvi. 10; xvii. 2.
j ch. xxii. 17.

4 As for me, *is* my complaint to man? and if *it were so,* why should not my spirit be [2]troubled?

5 [3]Mark me, and be astonished, and lay *your* hand upon *your* mouth.[e]

6 Even when I remember I am afraid, and trembling taketh hold on my flesh.

7 Wherefore do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?[f]

8 Their seed is established in their sight with them, and their offspring before their eyes.

9 Their houses [4]*are* safe from fear, neither *is* the rod of God upon them.[g]

10 Their bull gendereth, and faileth not; their cow calveth, and casteth not her calf.[h]

11 They send forth their little ones like a flock, and their children dance.

12 They take the timbrel and harp, and rejoice at the sound of the organ.

13 They spend their days [5]in wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave.[i]

14 Therefore they say unto God, Depart from us; for we desire not the knowledge of thy ways.[j]

15 What *is* the Almighty, that we should serve him? and what profit should we have, if we pray unto him?[a]

16 Lo, their good *is* not in their hand: the counsel of the wicked is far from me.[b]

17 How oft is the [1]candle of the wicked put out! and *how oft* cometh their destruction upon them! *God* distributeth sorrows in his anger.[c]

18 They are as stubble before the wind, and as chaff that the storm [2]carrieth away.[d]

19 God layeth up [3]his iniquity for his children: he rewardeth him, and he shall know *it*.[e]

20 His eyes shall see his destruction, and he shall drink of the wrath of the Almighty.[f]

21 For what pleasure *hath* he in his house after him, when the number of his months is cut off in the midst?

22 Shall *any* teach God knowledge? seeing he judgeth those that are high.[g]

23 One dieth [4]in his full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.

24 His breasts are full of milk, and his bones are moistened with marrow.

25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soul, and never eateth with pleasure.

26 They shall lie down alike in the dust, and the worms shall cover them.

27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices *which* ye wrongfully imagine against me.

28 For ye say, Where *is* the house of the prince? and where [5]*are* the dwelling places of the wicked?[h]

29 Have ye not asked them that go by the way? and do ye not know their tokens,

30 That the wicked is reserved to [6]the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath.[i]

31 Who shall declare his way to his face? and who shall repay him *what* he hath done?

32 Yet shall he be brought to the [7]grave, and shall [8]remain in the tomb.

33 The clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, and every man shall draw after him, as *there are* innumerable before him.

34 How then comfort ye me in vain, seeing in your answers there remaineth [9]falsehood?

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Eliphaz sheweth that man's goodness profiteth not God.* 5 *He accuseth Job of divers sins* 21 *He exhorteth him to repentance, with promises of mercy.*



THEN Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

2 Can a man be profitable unto God, [10]as he that is wise may be profitable unto himself?[j]

3 *Is it* any pleasure to the Almighty, that thou art righteous? or *is it* gain *to him*, that thou makest thy ways perfect?

4 Will he reprove thee for fear of thee? will he enter with thee into judgment?

5 *Is* not thy wickedness great? and thine iniquities infinite?

6 For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and [11]stripped the naked of their clothing.[k]

7 Thou hast not given water to the weary to drink, and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.[l]

8 But *as for* [12]the mighty man, he had the earth; and [13]the honourable man dwelt in it.

9 Thou hast sent widows away empty, and the arms of the fatherless have been broken.[m]

10 Therefore snares *are* round about thee, and sudden fear troubleth thee;[n]

11 Or darkness, *that* thou canst not see; and abundance of waters cover thee.[o]

12 *Is* not God in [14]the height of heaven? and behold the height of the stars, how high they are!

13 And thou sayest, [15]How doth God know? can he judge through the dark cloud?[p]

14 Thick clouds *are* a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.[q]

15 Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden?

16 Which were cut down out of time, [16]whose foundation was overflown with a flood:[r]

17 Which said unto God, Depart from us: and what can the Almighty do for them?[s]

18 Yet he filled their houses with good *things*: but the counsel of the wicked is far from me.[t]

19 The righteous see *it*, and are glad: and the innocent laugh them to scorn.[u]

20 Whereas our [17]substance is not cut down, but the [18]remnant of them the fire consumeth.

21 Acquaint now thyself [19]with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee.[v]

22 Receive, I pray thee, the law from his mouth, and lay up his words in thine heart.[w]

23 If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt be built up, thou shalt put away iniquity far from thy tabernacles.[x]

24 Then shalt thou lay up gold [20]as dust, and the *gold* of Ophir as the stones of the brooks.[y]

25 Yea, the Almighty shall be thy [21]defence, and thou shalt have [22]plenty of silver.

26 For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty, and shalt lift up thy face unto God.[z]

27 Thou shalt make thy prayer unto him, and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy vows.[a]

28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.

29 When *men* are cast down, then thou shalt say, *There is* lifting up; and he shall save [23]the humble person.[b]

30 [24]He shall deliver the island of the innocent: and it is delivered by the pureness of thine hands.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

a ch. xxxiv. 9; xxxv. 3; Exod. v. 2; Mal. iii. 14.

b ch. xxii. 18; Ps. i. 1; Prov. i. 10.

1 Or, *lamp.*

11 Heb. *stripped the clothes of the naked.*

k ch. xxiv 3, 9; Exod. xxii 26, 27; Deut. xxiv. 10, &c., Ezek xviii. 12.

c ch. xviii. 6; Luke xii. 46.

2 Heb. *stealeth away.*

d Ps. i 4; xxxv. 5; Isa. xvii. 13, xxix. 5; Hos. xiii. 3.

l ch. xxxi. 17; Deut. xv. 7, &c.; Isa. lviii. 7; Ezek. xviii. 7, 16; Matt. xxv. 42.

3 That is, *the punishment of his iniquity.*

12 Heb. *the man of arm.*

e Exod. xx. 5

13 Heb. *eminent*, or, *accepted for countenance.*

f Ps. lxxv 8, Isa. li. 17, Jer. xxv. 15, Rev xiv. 10; xix. 15

m ch. xxxi 21; Isa x. 2, Ezek. xxii 7

n ch. xviii. 8—10, xix. 6

o Ps. lxix 1, 2, cxxiv. 4, Lam. iii 54.

g Isa. xl 13, xlv 9, Rom. xi 34, 1 Cor ii. 16.

14 Heb *the head of the stars*

4 Heb. *is his very perfection*, or, *is the strength of his perfection.*

15 Or, *What?*

p Ps. x. 11; lix. 7; lxxiii. 11; xciv. 7.

q Ps. cxxxix. 11, 12.

16 Heb. *a flood was poured upon their foundation.*

r ch. xv. 32; Gen. vii. 11; Ps. lv 23; cii. 24; Eccles. viii. 17, 1 Peter iii. 5.

5 Heb. *the tent of the tabernacles of the wicked?*

h ch xx. 7.

s ch xxi. 14, Ps. iv 6.

t ch xxi. 16.

6 Heb. *the day of wraths?*

u Ps. lviii. 10; cvii. 42.

i Prov. xvi. 4, 2 Peter ii. 9

17 Or, *estate.*

18 Or, *their excellency.*

19 That is, *with God.*

7 Heb *graves*

v Isa xxvii 5

8 Heb. *watch in the heap.*

w Ps cxix. 11.

x ch viii 5, 6; xi. 13, 14

9 Heb *transgression*

20 Or, *on the dust*

y 2 Chron i 15

21 Or, *gold*

22 Heb *silver of strength.*

z ch. xi. 15; xxvii. 10, Isa. lviii. 14.

a Ps l. 14, 15; Isa. lviii. 9.

10 Or, *if he may be profitable, doth his good success depend thereon?*

j ch. xxxv. 7; Ps. xvi. 2; Luke xvii. 10

23 Heb. *him that hath low eyes*

b Prov xxix. 23; James iv. 6; 1 Peter v. 5.

24 Or, *The innocent shall deliver the island.*

c Gen xviii. 26, &c.



DRIVING AWAY THE ASS OF THE FATHERLESS, AND TAKING THE WIDOW'S OX.

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 Job longeth to appear before God, 6 in confidence of his mercy. 8 God, who is invisible, observeth our ways. 11 Job's innocency. 13 God's decree is immutable.

THEN Job answered and said,

2 Even to day *is* my complaint bitter: [1]my stroke is heavier than my groaning.

3 Oh that I knew where I might find him! *that* I might come *even* to his seat!

4 I would order *my* cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.[a]

5 I would know the words *which* he would answer me, and understand what he would say unto me.

6 Will he plead against me with *his* great power? No; but he would put *strength* in me.[b]

7 There the righteous might dispute with him; so should I be delivered for ever from my judge.

8 Behold, I go forward, but he *is* not *there;* and backward, but I cannot perceive him:[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

2 Heb *the way that is with me.*

d Ps. xvii. 3; lxvi 10; cxxxix. 1—3; James i. 12.

1 Heb *my hand.*

e Ps xliv. 18.

3 Heb. *I have hid,* or, *laid up.*

4 Or, *my appointed portion.*

f John iv. 32, 34.

g ch. ix. 12, 13; xii. 14; Rom. ix. 19, Ps. cxv. 3.

a ch. xiii. 3, xvi. 21 & 1 Thess. iii. 3.

b Isa. xxvii. 4, 5; lvii. 16.

c Ps. xxii 14.

c ch. ix. 11.

9 On the left hand, where he doth work, but I cannot behold *him*: he hideth himself on the right hand, that I cannot see *him:*

10 But he knoweth [2]the way that I take: *when* he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.[d]

11 My foot hath held his steps, his way have I kept, and not declined.[e]

12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; [3]I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than [4]my necessary *food.*[f]

13 But he *is* in one *mind,* and who can turn him? and *what* his soul desireth, even *that* he doeth.[g]

14 For he performeth *the thing that is* appointed for me: and many such *things are* with him.[h]

15 Therefore am I troubled at his presence: when I consider, I am afraid of him.

16 For God maketh my heart soft, and the Almighty troubleth me:[i]

17 Because I was not cut off before the darkness, *neither* hath he covered the darkness from my face.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Wickedness goeth often unpunished.* 17 *There is a secret judgment for the wicked.*

WHY, seeing times are not hidden from the Almighty, do they that know him not see his days?[a]

2 *Some* remove the landmarks; they violently take away flocks, and [1]feed *thereof.*[b]

3 They drive away the ass of the fatherless, they take the widow's ox for a pledge.[c]

4 They turn the needy out of the way: the poor of the earth hide themselves together.[d]

5 Behold, *as* wild asses in the desert, go they forth to their work; rising betimes for a prey: the wilderness *yieldeth* food for them *and* for *their* children.

6 They reap *every one* [2]his corn in the field: and [3]they gather the vintage of the wicked.

7 They cause the naked to lodge without clothing, that *they have* no covering in the cold.[e]

8 They are wet with the showers of the mountains, and embrace the rock for want of a shelter.[f]

9 They pluck the fatherless from the breast, and take a pledge of the poor.

10 They cause *him* to go naked without clothing, and they take away the sheaf *from* the hungry;

11 *Which* make oil within their walls, *and* tread *their* winepresses, and suffer thirst.

12 Men groan from out of the city, and the soul of the wounded crieth out: yet God layeth not folly *to them.*

13 They are of those that rebel against the light; they know not the ways thereof, nor abide in the paths thereof.

14 The murderer rising with the light killeth the poor and needy, and in the night is as a thief.[g]

15 The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, saying, No eye shall see me: and [4]disguiseth *his* face.[h]

16 In the dark they dig through houses, *which* they had marked for themselves in the daytime: they know not the light.[i]

17 For the morning *is* to them even as the shadow of death: if *one* know *them, they are in* the terrors of the shadow of death.

18 He *is* swift as the waters; their portion is cursed in the earth: he beholdeth not the way of the vineyards.

19 Drought and heat [5]consume the snow waters: *so doth* the grave *those which* have sinned.

20 The womb shall forget him; the worm shall feed sweetly on him; he shall be no more remembered; and wickedness shall be broken as a tree.[j]

21 He evil entreateth the barren *that* beareth not: and doeth not good to the widow.

22 He draweth also the mighty with his power: he riseth up, and [6]no *man* is sure of life.

23 *Though* it be given him *to be* in safety, whereon he resteth; yet his eyes *are* upon their ways.[k]

24 They are exalted for a little while, but [7]are gone and brought low; they are [8]taken out of the way as all *other*, and cut off as the tops of the ears of corn.

25 And if *it be* not *so* now, who will make me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth?

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

k Ps. xl. 4; Prov. xv. 3.

7 Heb. *are not.*

8 Heb *closed up.*

a Acts i. 7

1 Or, *feed them.*

b Deut. xix. 14; xxvii. 17; Prov. xxii. 28; xxiii. 10; Hos. v. 10.

c ch. xxii. 6, Deut. xxiv. 6, 10, 12, 17

d Prov. xxviii. 28.

l James i. 17

m ch. iv. 17, &c., xv. 14; Ps. cxxx. 3, cxliii. 2

2 Heb *mingled corn*, or, *dredge*

3 Heb *the wicked gather the vintage*

e ch. xxii. 6; Exod. xxii. 26, 27, Deut. xxiv. 12, 13

n Ps. xxii. 6.

f Lam. iv. 5.

g Ps. x. 8

4 Heb *setteth his face in secret.*

9 Or, *with the inhabitants*

h Ps. x. 11, Prov. vii. 9

o Ps. cxxxix. 8, 11, Prov. xv. 11, Heb. iv. 13.

i John iii. 20

p ch. ix. 8; Ps. xxiv. 2, civ. 2, &c.

q Prov. xxx. 4

10 Heb *until the end of light with darkness*

r ch. xxxviii. 8; Ps. xxxiii. 7; civ. 9; Prov. viii. 29; Jer. v. 22.

5 Heb *violently take.*

11 Heb. *pride.*

s Exod. xiv. 21; Ps. lxxiv. 13; Isa. li. 15; Jer. xxxi. 35.

j Prov. x. 7.

t Ps. xxxiii. 6; Isa. xxvii. 1.

6 Or, *he trusteth not his own life.*

CHAPTER XXV.

Bildad sheweth that man cannot be justified before God.

THEN answered Bildad the Shuhite and said,

2 Dominion and fear *are* with him, he maketh peace in his high places.

3 Is there any number of his armies? and upon whom doth not his light arise?[l]

4 How then can man be justified with God? or how can he be clean *that is* born of a woman?[m]

5 Behold even to the moon, and it shineth not; yea, the stars are not pure in his sight.

6 How much less man, *that is* a worm? and the son of man, *which is* a worm?[n]

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *Job, reproving the uncharitable spirit of Bildad, 5 acknowledgeth the power of God to be infinite and unsearchable.*

BUT Job answered and said,

2 How hast thou helped *him that is* without power? *how* savest thou the arm *that hath* no strength?

3 How hast thou counselled *him that hath* no wisdom? and *how* hast thou plentifully declared the thing as it is?

4 To whom hast thou uttered words? and whose spirit came from thee?

5 Dead *things* are formed from under the waters, [9]and the inhabitants thereof.

6 Hell *is* naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.[o]

7 He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, *and* hangeth the earth upon nothing.[p]

8 He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.[q]

9 He holdeth back the face of his throne, *and* spreadeth his cloud upon it.

10 He hath compassed the waters with bounds, [10]until the day and night come to an end.[r]

11 The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his reproof.

12 He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through [11]the proud.[s]

13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.

14 Lo, these *are* parts of his ways: but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand?



A MOUNTAIN TORRENT INUNDATING A VALLEY

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *Job protesteth his sincerity.* 8 *The hypocrite is without hope.* 11 *The blessings which the wicked have are turned into curses.*

MOREOVER Job [1]continued his parable, and said,

2 *As* God liveth, *who* hath taken away my judgment; and the Almighty, *who* hath [2]vexed my soul;[a]

3 All the while my breath *is* in me, and [3]the spirit of God *is* in my nostrils;

4 My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter deceit.

5 God forbid that I should justify you: till I die I will not remove mine integrity from me.[b]

6 My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go: my heart shall not reproach *me* [4]so long as I live.[c]

7 Let mine enemy be as the wicked, and he that riseth up against me as the unrighteous.

8 For what *is* the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul?[d]

9 Will God hear his cry when trouble cometh upon him?[e]

10 Will he delight himself in the Almighty? will he always call upon God?[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

5 Or, *being in the hand*, &c.

1 Heb. *added to take up*

g ch. xx. 29

2 Heb. *made my soul bitter*

a ch. xxxiv. 5, Ruth i. 20, 2 Kings iv. 27

h Deut. xxviii. 41, Esther ix. 10; Hos. ix. 13

3 That is, *the breath which God gave him.*

i Ps. lxxviii. 64.

j Prov. xxviii. Eccles. ii. 26.

b ch. ii. 9; xiii. 15.

k Isa. i. 8; Lam. ii. 6.

4 Heb. *from my days.*

c ch. ii. 3; Acts xxiv. 16.

l ch. xviii. 11.

d Matt. xvi. 26; Luke xii. 20

e ch. xxxv. 12, Ps. xviii. 41; cix. 7; Prov. i. 28; xxviii. 9; Isa. i. 15, Jer. xiv. 12; Ezek. viii. 18; Micah iii. 4; John ix. 31; James iv. 3.

6 Heb. *in fleeing he*

f ch. xxii. 26, 27.

11 I will teach you [5]by the hand of God: *that* which *is* with the Almighty will I not conceal.

12 Behold, all ye yourselves have seen *it;* why then are ye thus altogether vain?

13 This *is* the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressors, *which* they shall receive of the Almighty.[g]

14 If his children be multiplied, *it is* for the sword: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.[h]

15 Those that remain of him shall be buried in death: and his widows shall not weep.[i]

16 Though he heap up silver as the dust, and prepare raiment as the clay;

17 He may prepare *it*, but the just shall put *it* on, and the innocent shall divide the silver.[j]

18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth *that* the keeper maketh.[k]

19 The rich man shall lie down, but he shall not be gathered: he openeth his eyes, and he *is* not.

20 Terrors take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.[l]

21 The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth: and as a storm hurleth him out of his place.

22 For *God* shall cast upon him, and not spare: [6]he would fain flee out of his hand.

23 *Men* shall clap their hands at him, and shall hiss him out of his place

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *There is a knowledge of natural things.* 12 *But wisdom is an excellent gift of God.*

SURELY there is [1]a vein for the silver, and a place for gold *where* they fine *it*.

2 Iron is taken out of the [2]earth, and brass *is* molten *out of* the stone.

3 He setteth an end to darkness, and searcheth out all perfection: the stones of darkness, and the shadow of death.

4 The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; *even the waters* forgotten of the foot: they are dried up, they are gone away from men.

5 *As for* the earth, out of it cometh bread: and under it is turned up as it were fire.

6 The stones of it *are* the place of sapphires: and it hath [3]dust of gold.

7 *There is* a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen:

8 The lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the fierce lion passed by it.

9 He putteth forth his hand upon the [4]rock; he overturneth the mountains by the roots.

10 He cutteth out rivers among the rocks; and his eye seeth every precious thing.

11 He bindeth the floods [5]from overflowing; and *the thing that is* hid bringeth he forth to light.

12 But where shall wisdom be found? and where *is* the place of understanding?[a]

13 Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the living.[b]

14 The depth saith, It *is* not in me: and the sea saith, *It is* not with me.[c]

15 [6]It cannot be gotten for gold, neither shall silver be weighed *for* the price thereof.[d]

16 It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the sapphire.

17 The gold and the crystal cannot equal it: and the exchange of it *shall not be for* [7]jewels of fine gold.

18 No mention shall be made of [8]coral, or of pearls: for the price of wisdom *is* above rubies.

19 The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.

20 Whence then cometh wisdom? and where *is* the place of understanding?[e]

21 Seeing it is hid from the eyes of all living, and kept close from the fowls of the [9]air.

22 Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with our ears.[f]

23 God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.

24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, *and* seeth under the whole heaven;[g]

25 To make the weight for the winds: and he weigheth the waters by measure.[h]

26 When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520

10 Or, *number it.*

1 Or, *a mine.*

j Deut. iv. 6; Ps. cxl. 10; Prov. i. 7; ix. 10; Eccles. xii. 13.

2 Or, *dust.*

11 Heb *added to take up.*

k ch. vii. 3

12 Or, *lamp*

l ch. xviii. 6; Ps. xviii. 28.

m Ps. xxv. 14

3 Or, *gold ore*

13 Heb. *with me*

n ch. xx. 17; Gen. xlix. 11; Deut. xxxii. 13, xxxiii. 24; Ps. lxxxi. 16.

4 Or, *flint.*

o ch. xxi. 5

5 Heb. *from weeping*

14 Heb. *The voice of the nobles was hid.*

p Ps. cxxxvii. 6

a ver. 20, Eccles. vii. 24.

b Prov. iii. 15.

q Ps. lxxii. 12; Prov. xxi. 13; xxiv. 11

c ver. 22, Rom. xi. 33, 34.

6 Heb. *Fine gold shall not be given for it*

d Prov. iii. 13—15, viii. 10, 11, 19, xvi. 16

r Deut. xxiv. 13, Ps. cxxxvi. 9, Isa. lix. 17, lxi. 10; Eph. vi. 14, &c.; 1 Thess. v. 8.

s Numb. x. 31.

7 Or, *vessels of fine gold.*

t Prov. xxix. 7.

15 Heb. *the jaw teeth*, or, *the grinders*

8 Or, *Ramoth.*

16 Heb. *cast*

u Ps. lviii. 6, Prov. xxx. 14.

v Ps. xxx. 6.

17 Heb. *opened.*

w ch. xviii. 16; Ps. l. 3; Jer. xvii. 8.

e ver. 12.

18 Heb. *new.*

19 Heb. *changed.*

x Gen. xlix. 24.

9 Or, *heaven.*

f ver. 14.

y Zech. x. 1.

g Prov. xv. 3.

h Ps. cxxxv. 7

i ch. xxxviii. 25.

27 Then did he see it, and [10]declare it; he prepared it, yea, and searched it out.

28 And unto man he said, Behold, the fear of the Lord, that *is* wisdom; and to depart from evil *is* understanding.[j]

CHAPTER XXIX.

Job bemoaneth himself of his former prosperity and honour.

MOREOVER Job [11]continued his parable, and said,

2 Oh that I were as *in* months past, as *in* the days *when* God preserved me;[k]

3 When his [12]candle shined upon my head, *and when* by his light I walked *through* darkness;[l]

4 As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret of God *was* upon my tabernacle;[m]

5 When the Almighty *was* yet with me, *when* my children *were* about me;

6 When I washed my steps with butter, and the rock poured [13]me out rivers of oil;[n]

7 When I went out to the gate through the city, *when* I prepared my seat in the street!

8 The young men saw me, and hid themselves: and the aged arose, *and* stood up.

9 The princes refrained talking, and laid *their* hand on their mouth.[o]

10 [14]The nobles held their peace, and their tongue cleaved to the roof of their mouth.[p]

11 When the ear heard *me*, then it blessed me; and when the eye saw *me*, it gave witness to me:

12 Because I delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless, and *him that had* none to help him.[q]

13 The blessing of him that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy.

14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment *was* as a robe and a diadem.[r]

15 I was eyes to the blind, and feet *was* I to the lame.[s]

16 I *was* a father to the poor: and the cause *which* I knew not I searched out.[t]

17 And I brake [15]the jaws of the wicked, and [16]plucked the spoil out of his teeth.[u]

18 Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply *my* days as the sand.[v]

19 My root *was* [17]spread out by the waters, and the dew lay all night upon my branch.[w]

20 My glory *was* [18]fresh in me, and my bow was [19]renewed in my hand.[x]

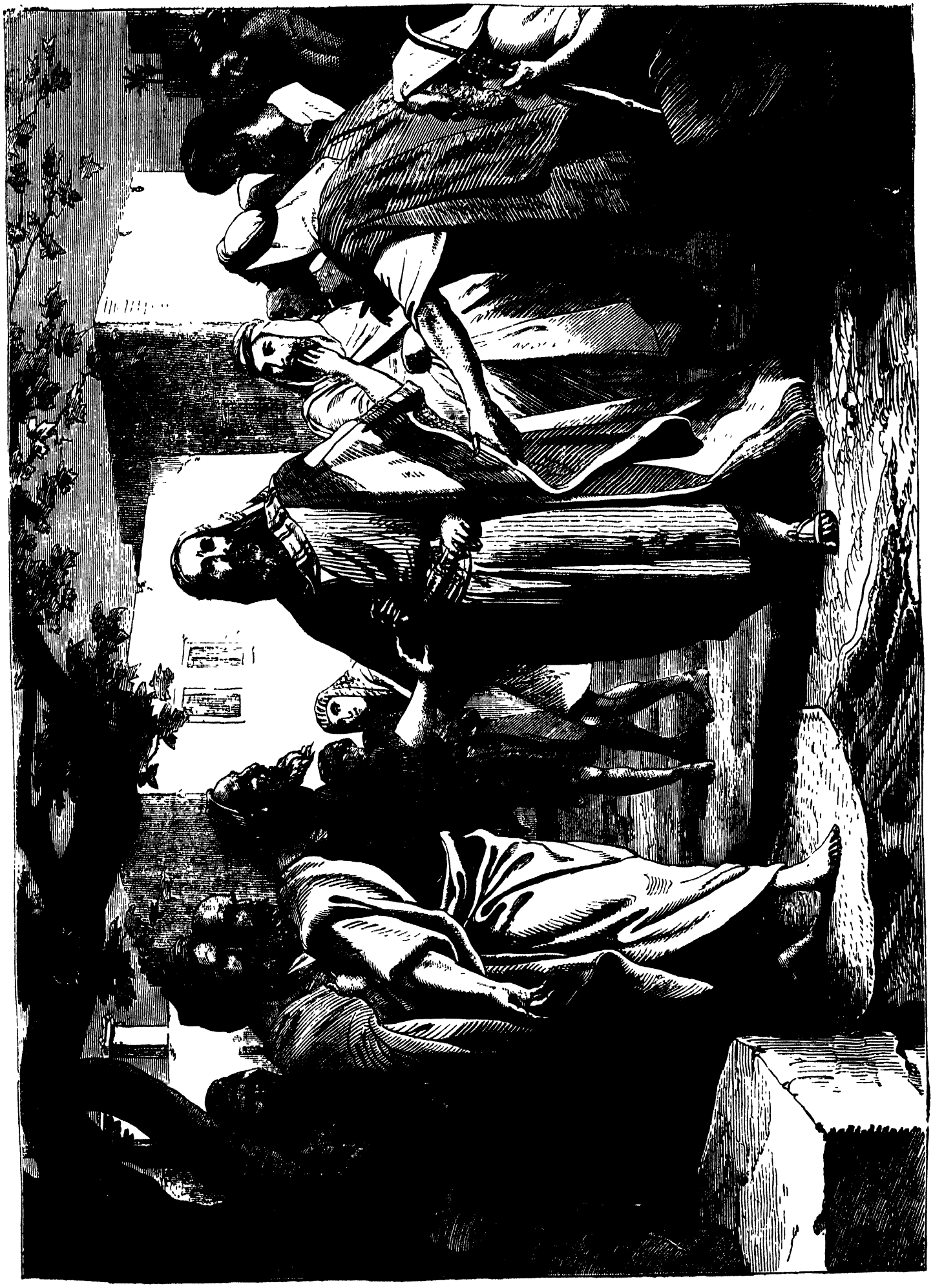
21 Unto me *men* gave ear, and waited, and kept silence at my counsel.

22 After my words they spake not again; and my speech dropped upon them.

23 And they waited for me as for the rain; and they opened their mouth wide *as* for the latter rain.[y]

24 *If* I laughed on them, they believed *it* not; and the light of my countenance they cast not down.

25 I chose out their way, and sat chief, and dwelt as a king in the army, as one *that* comforteth the mourners.



JOB IN HIS PROSPERITY.



ELIHU REPROVING JOB AND HIS THREE FRIENDS.

7 Behold, my terror shall not make thee afraid, neither shall my hand be heavy upon thee.[a]

8 Surely thou hast spoken [1]in mine hearing, and I have heard the voice of *thy* words, *saying*,

9 I am clean without transgression, I *am* innocent; neither *is there* iniquity in me.[b]

10 Behold, he findeth occasions against me, he counteth me for his enemy,[c]

11 He putteth my feet in the stocks, he marketh all my paths.[d]

12 Behold, *in* this thou art not just: I will answer thee, that God is greater than man.

13 Why dost thou strive against him? for [2]he giveth not account of any of his matters.[e]

14 For God speaketh once, yea twice, *yet man* perceiveth it not.[f]

15 In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falleth upon men, in slumberings upon the bed;[g]

16 Then [3]he openeth the ears of men, and sealeth their instruction,[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520

4 Heb *work*

a ch ix. 34, xiii 21.

1 Heb *in my ears.*

5 Heb *from passing by the sword*

b ch ix 17, x 7, xi. 4, xvi 17, xxiii 10, 11, xxvii 5, xxix 14, xxxi 1

c ch xiii 24, xvi. 9, xix 11

6 Heb *meat of desire*

† Ps cvii 18.

d ch xiii 27, xiv. 16; xxxi. 4

f Ps cii 5

2 Heb *he answereth not.*

e Isa xlv 9

f ch xl 5, Ps. lxii. 11.

7 Or, *an atonement.*

k Rom iii. 24.

g ch. iv 13, Numb. xii. 6.

8 Heb *than childhood.*

3 Heb *he revealeth*, or, *uncovereth.*

l 2 Kings v. 14.

h ch. xxxvi. 10, 15

17 That he may withdraw man *from his* [4]purpose, and hide pride from man.

18 He keepeth back his soul from the pit, and his life [5]from perishing by the sword.

19 He is chastened also with pain upon his bed, and the multitude of his bones with strong *pain:*

20 So that his life abhorreth bread, and his soul [6]dainty meat.[i]

21 His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen; and his bones *that* were not seen stick out.[j]

22 Yea, his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers.

23 If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter, one among a thousand, to shew unto man his uprightness:

24 Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found [7]a ransom.[k]

25 His flesh shall be fresher [8]than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth:[l]

26 He shall pray unto God, and he will be

favourable unto him: and he shall see his face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness.[a]

27 [1]He looketh upon men, and *if any* say, I have sinned, and perverted *that which was* right, and it profited me not;[b]

28 [2]He will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.[c]

29 Lo, all these *things* worketh God [3]oftentimes with man,

30 To bring back his soul from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the living.[d]

31 Mark well, O Job, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I will speak.

32 If thou hast any thing to say, answer me: speak, for I desire to justify thee.

33 If not, hearken unto me: hold thy peace, and I shall teach thee wisdom.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *Elihu accuseth Job for charging God with injustice.* 10 *God omnipotent cannot be unjust.* 31 *Man must humble himself unto God.* 34 *Elihu reproveth Job.*

FURTHERMORE Elihu answered and said,

2 Hear my words, O ye wise *men;* and give ear unto me, ye that have knowledge.

3 For the ear trieth words, as the [4]mouth tasteth meat.[e]

4 Let us choose to us judgment: let us know among ourselves what *is* good.

5 For Job hath said, I am righteous: and God hath taken away my judgment.[f]

6 Should I lie against my right? my wound *is* incurable without transgression.[g]

7 What man *is* like Job, *who* drinketh up scorning like water?[h]

8 Which goeth in company with the workers of iniquity, and walketh with wicked men.

9 For he hath said, It profiteth a man nothing that he should delight himself with God.[i]

10 Therefore hearken unto me, ye [5]men of understanding: far be it from God, *that he should do* wickedness; and *from* the Almighty, *that he should commit* iniquity.[j]

11 For the work of a man shall he render unto him, and cause every man to find according to *his* ways.[k]

12 Yea, surely God will not do wickedly, neither will the Almighty pervert judgment.[l]

13 Who hath given him a charge over the earth? or who hath disposed [6]the whole world?

14 If he set his heart [7]upon man, *if* he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath;[m]

15 All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turn again unto dust.[n]

16 If now *thou hast* understanding, hear this: hearken to the voice of my words.

17 Shall even he that hateth right [8]govern? and wilt thou condemn him that is most just?[o]

18 *Is it fit* to say to a king, *Thou art* wicked? *and* to princes, *Ye are* ungodly?[p]

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

a Ps. l. 14, 15.

1 Or, *He shall look upon men, and say, I have sinned, &c.*

q ch. xxxi. 15; Deut. x. 17; 2 Chron. xix. 7; Acts x. 34; Rom. ii. 11; Gal. ii. 6, Ephes. vi. 9; Col. iii. 25; 1 Peter i. 17.

b 2 Sam. xii. 13; Prov. xxviii. 13; Luke xv. 21; Rom. vi. 21; 1 John i. 9

9 Heb. *they shall take away the mighty.*

2 Or, *He hath delivered my soul, &c., and my life.*

r Exod. xii. 29, 30.

c Isa. xxxviii. 17.

3 Heb. *twice and thrice*

s ch. xxxi. 4, 2 Chron. xvi. 9, Ps. xxxiv. 15; Prov. v. 21; xv. 3; Jer. xvi. 17, xxxii. 19

d ver. 28; Ps. lvi. 13, Zech. ix. 11.

t Ps. cxxxix. 12, Amos ix. 2, 3, Heb. iv. 13.

10 Heb. *go*

11 Heb. *without searching out.*

u Dan. ii. 21.

12 Heb. *crushed*

13 Heb. *in the place of beholders.*

14 Heb. *from after him.*

v 1 Sam. xv. 11; Ps. xxviii. 5; Isa. v. 12.

w ch. xxxv. 9; Exod. xxii. 23, James v. 4.

4 Heb. *palate.*

e ch. vi. 30; xii. 11

x 1 Kings xii. 28, 30; 2 Kings xxi. 9, Prov. xxix. 2, 12.

y Dan. ix. 7—14.

f ch. xxvii. 2; xxxiii. 9.

15 Heb. *Should it be from with thee?*

g ch. vi. 4; ix. 17, xvi. 13

h ch. xv. 16.

16 Heb. *of heart.*

i ch. ix. 22, 23, 30; xxxv. 3, Mal. iii. 14.

z ch. xxxv. 16.

5 Heb. *men of heart.*

17 Or, *My father, let Job be tried.*

j ch. viii. 3; xxxvi. 23; Gen. xviii. 25; Deut. xxxii. 4; 2 Chron. xix. 7; Ps. xcii. 15; Rom. ix. 14.

k Ps. lxii. 12; Prov. xxiv. 12; Jer. xxxii. 19; Ezek. xxxiii. 20; Matt. xvi. 27; Rom. ii. 6; 2 Cor. v. 10; 1 Peter i. 17; Rev. xxii. 12.

l ch. viii. 3.

6 Heb. *all of it.*

7 Heb. *upon him.*

m Ps. civ. 29.

n Gen. iii. 19; Eccles. xii. 7.

8 Heb. *bind.*

o Gen. xviii. 25; 2 Sam. xxiii. 3; Ps. xxxvii. 34, 35; Prov. iii. 31, 32; Eccles. v. 8; Ezek. xlv. 8; Amos iv. 1, 2.

18 Or, *Is it more than by my sins?*

p Exod. xxii. 28.

q ch. xxi. 22, xxxiv. 9.

19 *How much less to him* that accepteth not the persons of princes, nor regardeth the rich more than the poor? for they all *are* the work of his hands.[q]

20 In a moment shall they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and pass away: and [9]the mighty shall be taken away without hand.[r]

21 For his eyes *are* upon the ways of man, and he seeth all his goings.[s]

22 *There is* no darkness, nor shadow of death, where the workers of iniquity may hide themselves.[t]

23 For he will not lay upon man more *than right;* that he should [10]enter into judgment with God.

24 He shall break in pieces mighty men [11]without number, and set others in their stead.[u]

25 Therefore he knoweth their works, and he overturneth *them* in the night, so that they are [12]destroyed.

26 He striketh them as wicked men [13]in the open sight of others;

27 Because they turned back [14]from him, and would not consider any of his ways:[v]

28 So that they cause the cry of the poor to come unto him, and he heareth the cry of the afflicted.[w]

29 When he giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and when he hideth *his* face, who then can behold him? whether *it be done* against a nation, or against a man only:

30 That the hypocrite reign not, lest the people be ensnared.[x]

31 Surely it is meet to be said unto God, I have borne *chastisement,* I will not offend *any more:*[y]

32 *That which* I see not teach thou me: if I have done iniquity, I will do no more.

33 [15]*Should it be* according to thy mind? he will recompense it, whether thou refuse, or whether thou choose; and not I: therefore speak what thou knowest.

34 Let men [16]of understanding tell me, and let a wise man hearken unto me.

35 Job hath spoken without knowledge, and his words *were* without wisdom.[z]

36 [17]My desire *is that* Job may be tried unto the end because of *his* answers for wicked men.

37 For he addeth rebellion unto his sin, he clappeth *his hands* among us, and multiplieth his words against God.

CHAPTER XXXV.

1 *Comparison is not to be made with God, because our good or evil cannot extend unto him.* 9 *Many cry in their afflictions, but are not heard for want of faith*

ELIHU spake moreover, and said,

2 Thinkest thou this to be right, *that* thou saidst, My righteousness *is* more than God's?

3 For thou saidst, What advantage will it be unto thee? *and,* What profit shall I have, [18]*if I be cleansed* from my sin?[a]

4 [1]I will answer thee, and thy companions with thee.[a]

5 Look unto the heavens, and see; and behold the clouds *which* are higher than thou.[b]

6 If thou sinnest, what doest thou against him? or *if* thy transgressions be multiplied, what doest thou unto him?[c]

7 If thou be righteous, what givest thou him? or what receiveth he of thine hand?[d]

8 Thy wickedness *may hurt* a man as thou *art*; and thy righteousness *may profit* the son of man.

9 By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make *the oppressed* to cry: they cry out by reason of the arm of the mighty.[e]

10 But none saith, Where *is* God my maker, who giveth songs in the night;[f]

11 Who teacheth us more than the beasts of the earth, and maketh us wiser than the fowls of heaven?[g]

12 There they cry, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men.[h]

13 Surely God will not hear vanity, neither will the Almighty regard it.[i]

14 Although thou sayest thou shalt not see him, *yet* judgment *is* before him; therefore trust thou in him.[j]

15 But now, because *it is* not *so*, [2]he hath visited in his anger; yet [3]he knoweth *it* not in great extremity:[k]

16 Therefore doth Job open his mouth in vain; he multiplieth words without knowledge.[l]

CHAPTER XXXVI.

1 *Elihu sheweth how God is just in his ways.* 16 *How Job's sins hinder God's blessings.* 24 *God's works are to be magnified.*

ELIHU also proceeded, and said,

2 Suffer me a little, and I will shew thee [4]that *I have* yet to speak on God's behalf.

3 I will fetch my knowledge from afar, and will ascribe righteousness to my Maker.

4 For truly my words *shall* not *be* false: he that is perfect in knowledge *is* with thee.

5 Behold, God *is* mighty, and despiseth not *any*: *he is* mighty in strength *and* [5]wisdom.[m]

6 He preserveth not the life of the wicked: but giveth right to the [6]poor.

7 He withdraweth not his eyes from the righteous: but with kings *are they* on the throne; yea, he doth establish them for ever, and they are exalted.[n]

8 And if *they be* bound in fetters, *and* be holden in cords of affliction;[o]

9 Then he sheweth them their work, and their transgressions that they have exceeded.

10 He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that they return from iniquity.[p]

11 If they obey and serve *him*, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures.[q]

12 But if they obey not, [7]they shall perish by the sword, and they shall die without knowledge.

13 But the hypocrites in heart heap up wrath: they cry not when he bindeth them.[r]

14 [8]They die in youth, and their life *is* among the unclean.[s]

15 He delivereth the poor in his affliction, and openeth their ears in oppression.

16 Even so would he have removed thee out of the



KINGS IN CAPTIVITY BOUND WITH FETTERS FROM THE ANCIENT SCULPTURES.

strait *into* a broad place, where *there is* no straitness; and [9]that which should be set on thy table *should be* full of fatness.[t]

17 But thou hast fulfilled the judgment of the wicked: [10]judgment and justice take hold *on thee*.

18 Because *there is* wrath, *beware* lest he take thee away with *his* stroke: then a great ransom cannot [11]deliver thee.[u]

19 Will he esteem thy riches? *no*, not gold, nor all the forces of strength.[v]

20 Desire not the night, when people are cut off in their place.

21 Take heed, regard not iniquity: for this hast thou chosen rather than affliction.[w]

22 Behold, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him?[x]

23 Who hath enjoined him his way? or who can say, Thou hast wrought iniquity?[y]

24 Remember that thou magnify his work, which men behold.[z]

25 Every man may see it; man may behold *it* afar off.[a]

26 Behold, God *is* great, and we know *him* not, neither can the number of his years be searched out.[b]

27 For he maketh small the drops of water: they pour down rain according to the vapour thereof:[c]

28 Which the clouds do drop *and* distil upon man abundantly.[d]

29 Also can *any* understand the spreadings of the clouds, *or* the noise of his tabernacle?

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

1 Heb. *I will return to thee words.*
7 Heb. *they shall pass away by the sword.*
a ch. xxxiv. 8.
b ch xxii 12.
r Rom. ii. 5.
8 Heb. *Their soul dieth*
s ch. xv. 32; xxii. 16; Ps. lv. 23.
c Prov. viii. 36; Jer vii. 19
d ch xxii 2, 3, Ps xvi 2, Prov ix 12, Rom xi 34, 35
e ch xxxiv 28; Exod ii 23
f Isa. li 13; Ps. xlii 8; lxxvii. 6, cxlix 5, Acts xvi 25
g Ps. xciv 12.
h Prov i 28
i ch. xxvii 9, Prov xv 29, Isa i 15, Jer xi 11
j Ps xxxvii 5, 6
2 That is, *God*
3 That is, *Job*
k Ps lxxxix 32
l ch xxxiv 35, 37, xxxviii 2
9 Heb *the rest of thy table*
t Ps xviii 19, xxiii 5, xxxi 8, xxxvi. 8, cxviii 5
10 Or, *judgment and justice should uphold thee*
11 Heb *turn thee aside*
u Ps xlix 7,8; lxxxix 48
4 Heb *that there are yet words for God.*
v Prov xi 4.
w Ps lxvi. 18; Heb xi 25.
x Isa xl 13, 14; Rom xi. 34; 1 Cor. ii. 16
5 Heb *heart*
m ch ix. 4; xii 13, 16; xxvii 23; Ps. xcix. 4.
y ch xxxiv 10, 13
6 Or *afflicted*
z Ps xcii 5, Rev xv. 3
a Rom i 19
n Ps xxxiii. 18, xxxiv. 15
o Ps. cvii 10
b Ps xc. 2, ciii. 24, 27; 1 Cor xiii. 12; Heb i. 12.
c Ps. cxlvii 8
p ch xxxiii 16, 23.
d Prov iii 20
q ch. xxi. 13. Isa. i. 19, 20; 1 Tim. iv. 8



SUMMER SCENE IN THE EAST

30 Behold, he spreadeth his light upon it, and covereth [1]the bottom of the sea.[a]

31 For by them judgeth he the people; he giveth meat in abundance.[b]

32 With clouds he covereth the light; and commandeth it *not to shine* by *the cloud* that cometh betwixt.[c]

33 The noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattle also concerning [2]the vapour.[d]

CHAPTER XXXVII.

1 *God is to be feared because of his great works.* 15 *His wisdom is unsearchable in them*

AT this also my heart trembleth, and is moved out of his place.

2 [3]Hear attentively the noise of his voice, and the sound *that* goeth out of his mouth.[e]

3 He directeth it under the whole heaven, and his [4]lightning unto the [5]ends of the earth.

4 After it a voice roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his excellency; and he will not stay them when his voice is heard.[f]

5 God thundereth marvellously with his voice; great things doeth he, which we cannot comprehend.[g]

6 For he saith to the snow, Be thou *on* the earth; [6]likewise to the small rain, and to the great rain of his strength.[h]

7 He sealeth up the hand of every man; that all men may know his work.[i]

8 Then the beasts go into dens, and remain in their places.[j]

9 [7]Out of the south cometh the whirlwind: and cold out of [8]the north.

10 By the breath of God frost is given: and the breadth of the waters is straitened.[k]

11 Also by watering he wearieth the thick cloud: he scattereth his bright cloud:[l]

12 And it is turned round about by his counsels: that they may do whatsoever he commandeth them upon the face of the world in the earth.

13 He causeth it to come, whether for [9]correction, or for his land, or for mercy.[m]

14 Hearken unto this, O Job: stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God.[n]

15 Dost thou know when God disposed them, and caused the light of his cloud to shine?

16 Dost thou know the balancings of the clouds, the wondrous works of him which is perfect in knowledge?[o]

17 How thy garments *are* warm, when he quieteth the earth by the south *wind?*

18 Hast thou with him spread out the sky, *which is* strong, *and* as a molten looking glass?[p]

19 Teach us what we shall say unto him; *for* we cannot order *our speech* by reason of darkness.

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

6 Heb *and to the shower of rain, and to the showers of rain of his strength.*

1 Heb *the roots*

a ch xxxvii 3

h Ps. cxlvii 16, 17

b ch. xxxvii 13, xxxviii 28, Ps. cxxxvi. 25

i Ps cix 27; cxi 2

j Ps civ 22

c Ps cxlvii 8

7 Heb *Out of the chamber*

8 Heb *scattering winds*

2 Heb. *that which goeth up*

d 1 Kings xviii 41, 45

k ch xxxviii 29, 30, Ps. cxlvii 17, 18

l Ps cxlviii 8

3 Heb *Hear in hearing*

9 Heb. *a rod.*

m ch xxxvi 31, Exod. ix. 18, 23, 1 Sam xii. 18, Lam. iii. 9.

e Ps. xcii 5, Rev xv 3.

n Ps. cxi 2

4 Heb. *light.*

5 Heb *wings of the earth*

o ch xxxvi. 4, 29, Ps. civ 24.

f Ps. xxix. 3; lxviii. 33

p Gen. i. 6; Isa. xlv 24.

g ch v 9, ix. 10, xxxvi 26; Rev. xv. 3.

20 Shall it be told him that I speak? if a man speak, surely he shall be swallowed up.

21 And now *men* see not the bright light which *is* in the clouds: but the wind passeth, and cleanseth them.

22 [1]Fair weather cometh out of the north: with God *is* terrible majesty.

23 *Touching* the Almighty, we cannot find him out: *he is* excellent in power, and in judgment, and in plenty of justice: he will not afflict.[a]

24 Men do therefore fear him: he respecteth not any *that are* wise of heart.[b]

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

1 *God challengeth Job to answer.* 4 *God, by his mighty works, convinceth Job of ignorance,* 31 *and of imbecility.*

THEN the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,[c]

2 Who *is* this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?[d]

3 Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and [2]answer thou me.[e]

4 Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, [3]if thou hast understanding.[f]

5 Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who hath stretched the line upon it?

6 Whereupon are the [4]foundations thereof [5]fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;

7 When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?[g]

8 Or *who* shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, *as if* it had issued out of the womb?[h]

9 When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and thick darkness a swaddlingband for it,

10 And [6]brake up for it my decreed *place*, and set bars and doors,[i]

11 And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall [7]thy proud waves be stayed?[j]

12 Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days; *and* caused the dayspring to know his place;[k]

13 That it might take hold of the [8]ends of the earth, that the wicked might be shaken out of it?[l]

14 It is turned as clay *to* the seal; and they stand as a garment.

15 And from the wicked their light is withholden, and the high arm shall be broken.[m]

16 Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea? or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?[n]

17 Have the gates of death been opened unto thee? or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death?[o]

18 Hast thou perceived the breadth of the earth? declare if thou knowest it all.

19 Where *is* the way *where* light dwelleth? and *as for* darkness, where *is* the place thereof,

20 That thou shouldest take it [9]to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths *to* the house thereof?

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

p Ps. cxxxv. 7

1 Heb. *North.*

q Exod. ix. 18; Josh. x. 11; Isa. xxx. 30; Ezek. xiii. 11, 13; Rev. xvi. 21.

a ch. xxxvi. 5; Lam. iii. 33; 1 Tim. i. 16.

b Matt. x. 28; xi. 25; 1 Cor. i. 26.

r ch. xxviii. 26.

s Ps. civ. 35.

c Exod. xix. 16, 18; 1 Kings xix. 11; Ezek. i. 4; Nahum i. 3.

t Jer. xiv. 22; Ps. cxlvii. 7, 8

d ch. xxxiv. 35; xlii. 3; 1 Tim. i. 7.

u Ps. cxlvii. 16.

10 Heb. *is taken.*

v ch. xxxvii. 10.

2 Heb. *make me know.*

e ch. xl. 7.

11 Or, *the seven stars.* Heb. *Cimah.*

12 Heb. *Cesil?*

w ch. ix. 9; Amos v. 8.

13 Or, *the twelve signs.*

3 Heb. *if thou knowest understanding.*

f Ps. civ. 5; Prov. viii. 29; xxx. 4.

14 Heb. *guide them.*

x Jer. xxxi. 35.

4 Heb. *sockets.*

5 Heb. *made to sink?*

g ch. i. 6.

15 Heb. *Behold us.*

h Gen. i. 9; Ps. xxxiii. 7, civ. 9; Prov. viii. 29; Jer. v. 22.

y ch. xxxii. 6; Ps. li. 6, Eccles. ii. 26.

16 Heb *who can cause to lie down.*

6 Or, *established my decree upon it.*

17 Or, *When the dust is turned into mire.*

18 Heb. *is poured.*

i ch. xxvi. 10.

7 Heb. *the pride of thy waves.*

j Ps. lxxxix. 9; xciii. 4.

19 Heb. *the life.*

z Ps. civ. 21; cxlv. 15

k Ps. lxxiv. 16; cxlviii. 5.

8 Heb. *wings.*

l Ps. civ. 35.

a Ps. cxlvii. 9; Matt vi. 26.

m ch. xviii. 5; Ps. x. 15.

n Ps. lxxvii. 19.

o Ps. ix. 13.

b Ps. xxix. 9.

9 Or, *at.*

21 Knowest thou *it*, because thou wast then born? or *because* the number of thy days *is* great?

22 Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail,[p]

23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?[q]

24 By what way is the light parted, *which* scattereth the east wind upon the earth?

25 Who hath divided a watercourse for the overflowing of waters, or a way for the lightning of thunder;[r]

26 To cause it to rain on the earth, *where* no man *is; on* the wilderness, wherein *there is* no man;

27 To satisfy the desolate and waste *ground;* and to cause the bud of the tender herb to spring forth?[s]

28 Hath the rain a father? or who hath begotten the drops of dew?[t]

29 Out of whose womb came the ice? and the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered it?[u]

30 The waters are hid as *with* a stone, and the face of the deep [10]is frozen.[v]

31 Canst thou bind the sweet influences of [11]Pleiades, or loose the bands of [12]Orion?[w]

32 Canst thou bring forth [13]Mazzaroth in his season? or canst thou [14]guide Arcturus with his sons?

33 Knowest thou the ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in the earth?[x]

34 Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds, that abundance of waters may cover thee?

35 Canst thou send lightnings, that they may go, and say unto thee, [15]Here we *are?*

36 Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the heart?[y]

37 Who can number the clouds in wisdom? or [16]who can stay the bottles of heaven,

38 [17]When the dust [18]groweth into hardness, and the clods cleave fast together?

39 Wilt thou hunt the prey for the lion? or fill [19]the appetite of the young lions,[z]

40 When they couch in *their* dens, *and* abide in the covert to lie in wait?

41 Who provideth for the raven his food? when his young ones cry unto God, they wander for lack of meat.[a]

CHAPTER XXXIX.

1 *Of the wild goats and hinds.* 5 *Of the wild ass.* 9 *The unicorn.* 13 *The peacock, stork, and ostrich.* 19 *The horse.* 26 *The hawk.* 27 *The eagle.*

KNOWEST thou the time when the wild goats of the rock bring forth? *or* canst thou mark when the hinds do calve?[b]

2 Canst thou number the months *that* they fulfil? or knowest thou the time when they bring forth?

3 They bow themselves, they bring forth their young ones, they cast out their sorrows.

4 Their young ones are in good liking, they grow



A SEA STORM: "HITHERTO SHALT THOU COME, BUT NO FURTHER: AND HERE SHALL THY PROUD WAVES BE STAYED"—JOB XXXVIII. 11.

up with corn; they go forth, and return not unto them.

5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?

6 Whose house I have made the wilderness, and the [1]barren land his dwellings.[a]

7 He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the crying [2]of the driver.[b]

8 The range of the mountains *is* his pasture, and he searcheth after every green thing.

9 Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee, or abide by thy crib?[c]

10 Canst thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or will he harrow the valleys after thee?

11 Wilt thou trust him, because his strength *is* great? or wilt thou leave thy labour to him?

12 Wilt thou believe him, that he will bring home thy seed, and gather *it into* thy barn?

13 *Gavest thou* the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or [3]wings and feathers unto the ostrich?

BEFORE CHRIST 1520

1 Heb. *salt places*

a ch. xxiv. 5, Jer. ii. 24, Hos. viii. 9.
d Lam. iv. 3.

2 Heb. *of the exactor.*

b ch. iii. 18.
e ch. xxxv. 11.

c Numb. xxiii. 22; Deut. xxxiii. 17.

4 Heb. *terror.*

5 Or, *His feet dig*

6 Heb. *the armour*

f Jer. viii. 6.

3 Or, *the feathers of the stork and ostrich.*

14 Which leaveth her eggs in the earth, and warmeth them in dust,

15 And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that the wild beast may break them.

16 She is hardened against her young ones, as though *they were* not her's: her labour is in vain without fear;[d]

17 Because God hath deprived her of wisdom, neither hath he imparted to her understanding.[e]

18 What time she lifteth up herself on high, she scorneth the horse and his rider.

19 Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou clothed his neck with thunder?

20 Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper? the glory of his nostrils [4]*is* terrible.

21 [5]He paweth in the valley, and rejoiceth in *his* strength: he goeth on to meet [6]the armed men.[f]

22 He mocketh at fear, and is not affrighted; neither turneth he back from the sword.

23 The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering spear and the shield.

24 He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage: neither believeth he that *it is* the sound of the trumpet.

25 He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha; and he smelleth the battle afar off, the thunder of the captains, and the shouting.

26 Doth the hawk fly by thy wisdom, *and* stretch her wings toward the south?

27 Doth the eagle mount up [1]at thy command, and make her nest on high?[a]

28 She dwelleth and abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place.

29 From thence she seeketh the prey, *and* her eyes behold afar off.

30 Her young ones also suck up blood: and where the slain *are*, there *is* she.[b]

CHAPTER XL.

1 Job humbleth himself to God. 6 God stirreth him up to shew his right consuss, power, and wisdom. 15 Of the behemoth

MOREOVER the LORD answered Job, and said,

2 Shall he that contendeth with the Almighty instruct *him?* he that reproveth God, let him answer it.[c]

3 ¶ Then Job answered the LORD, and said,

4 Behold, I am vile; what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth.[d]

5 Once have I spoken; but I will not answer: yea, twice; but I will proceed no further.

6 ¶ Then answered the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind, and said,[e]

7 Gird up thy loins now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.[f]

8 Wilt thou also disannul my judgment? wilt thou condemn me, that thou mayest be righteous?[g]

9 Hast thou an arm like God? or canst thou thunder with a voice like him?[h]

10 Deck thyself now *with* majesty and excellency; and array thyself with glory and beauty.[i]

11 Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold every one *that is* proud, and abase him.

12 Look on every one *that is* proud, *and* bring him low; and tread down the wicked in their place.[j]

13 Hide them in the dust together; *and* bind their faces in secret.

14 Then will I also confess unto thee that thine own right hand can save thee.

15 ¶ Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox.

16 Lo now, his strength *is* in his loins, and his force *is* in the navel of his belly.

17 [2]He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together.

18 His bones *are as* strong pieces of brass; his bones *are* like bars of iron.

19 He *is* the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach *unto him.*

20 Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play.[k]

21 He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens.

22 The shady trees cover him *with* their shadow: the willows of the brook compass him about.

23 Behold, [3]he drinketh up a river, *and* hasteth not; he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth.[l]

24 [4]He taketh it with his eyes: *his* nose pierceth through snares.[m]

CHAPTER XLI.

Of God's great power in the leviathan.

CANST thou draw out leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord [5]*which* thou lettest down?[n]

2 Canst thou put an hook into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?[o]

3 Will he make many supplications unto thee? will he speak soft *words* unto thee?

4 Will he make a covenant with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?

5 Wilt thou play with him as *with* a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?

6 Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?

7 Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?

8 Lay thine hand upon him, remember the battle, do no more.

9 Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not *one* be cast down even at the sight of him?

10 None *is so* fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?

11 Who hath prevented me, that I should repay *him?* *whatsoever* is under the whole heaven is mine.[p]

12 I will not conceal his parts, nor his power, nor his comely proportion.

13 Who can discover the face of his garment? *or* who can come *to him* [6]with his double bridle?

14 Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth *are* terrible round about.

15 *His* [7]scales *are his* pride, shut up together *as with* a close seal.

16 One is so near to another, that no air can come between them.

17 They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered.

18 By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes *are* like the eyelids of the morning.

19 Out of his mouth go burning lamps, *and* sparks of fire leap out.

20 Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as *out* of a seething pot or caldron.

21 His breath kindleth coals, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.

22 In his neck remaineth strength, and [8]sorrow is turned into joy before him.

BEFORE CHRIST 1520

1 Ps civ. 14.

3 Heb. *he oppresseth*

l Gen xiii 10, Jer xli 5

1 Heb *by thy mouth*

4 Or, *Will any take him in his sight, or bore his nose with a gin?*

a Job xlix 16, Obad 4

m ch xli 1, 2

b Matt xxiv 28, Luke xvii. 37.

5 Heb *which thou drawest*

n Ps civ 26, Isa xxvii 1

o Isa xxxvii 29

c ch xxxiii 13, xxxv 37, Isa xlv 9

d ch xxix 9, Ezek xlv 9, Ps xxxix 9, Jer 4 Zech ii 13

e ch xxxviii 1, Ps 1 3

f ch xxxviii 3, xlii 4

g Ps li 4, Rom iii 4

h 1 Sam xiv 9, Deut x 17, Ps xxiv 1 1 12, Rom xi 33, 1 Cor x 26, 28

i ch xxxvii 4, Ps xxix 3, 4

j Ps xcvii 1, civ 1

6 Or, *within*

k Isa ii 12, Dan iv 37

7 Heb *strong pairs of shields*

2 Or, *He setteth up*

8 Heb *sorrow rejoiceth.*



JOB RECEIVING THE PRESENTS OF HIS FRIENDS UPON HIS RESTORATION TO PROSPERITY.—CHAP. XLII. 11.

23 [1]The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.

24 His heart is as firm as a stone; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether *millstone.*

25 When he raiseth up himself, the mighty are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves.

26 The sword of him that layeth at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the [2]habergeon.

27 He esteemeth iron as straw, *and* brass as rotten wood.

28 The arrow cannot make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble.

29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear.

30 [3]Sharp stones *are* under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire.

31 He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.

32 He maketh a path to shine after him; *one* would think the deep to be hoary.

33 Upon earth there is not his like, [4]who is made without fear.

34 He beholdeth all high *things:* he *is* a king over all the children of pride.

CHAPTER XLII.

1 *Job submitteth himself unto God.* 7 *God, preferring Job's cause, maketh his friends submit themselves, and accepteth him.* 10 *He magnifieth and blesseth Job.* 16 *Job's age and death.*

THEN Job answered the LORD, and said,

2 I know that thou canst do every *thing,* and *that* [5]no thought can be withholden from thee.[a]

3 Who *is* he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I know not.[b]

4 Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.[c]

5 I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee.

BEFORE CHRIST 1520.

1 Heb. *The fallings.*

d ch. xl 4; Ezra ix. 6.

2 Or, *breastplate.*

6 Heb. *his face,* or, *person.*

e Gen. xx. 17; Numb. xxiii. 1; 1 Sam. xxv. 35; Mal. i. 8; Matt. v 23, 24; James v 15, 16; 1 John v. 16.

3 Heb *Sharp pieces of potsherd.*

7 Heb. *the face of Job*

8 Heb *added all that had been to Job unto the double*

f Ps. xiv 7, cxxvi 1, Zech. ix 12

4 Or, *who behave themselves without fear*

g ch. xix. 13.

h ch i 3, viii 7, James v 11

5 Or, *no thought of thine can be hindered*

i ch. i. 2

a Gen. xviii 14, Matt xix. 26; Mark x 27, xiv. 36, Luke xviii 27.

b ch xxxviii 2; Ps xl. 5; cxxxi 1, cxxxix 6.

c ch xxxviii 3, xl 7

j ch v 26, Prov iii 16

k Gen xxv 8

6 Wherefore I abhor *myself,* and repent in dust and ashes.[d]

7 ¶ And it was *so,* that after the LORD had spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said to Eliphaz the Temanite, My wrath is kindled against thee, and against thy two friends: for ye have not spoken of me *the thing that is* right, as my servant Job *hath.*

8 Therefore take unto you now seven bullocks and seven rams, and go to my servant Job, and offer up for yourselves a burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for you: for [6]him will I accept: lest I deal with you *after your* folly, in that ye have not spoken of me *the thing which is* right, like my servant Job.[e]

9 So Eliphaz the Temanite and Bildad the Shuhite *and* Zophar the Naamathite went, and did according as the LORD commanded them: the LORD also accepted [7]Job.

10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD [8]gave Job twice as much as he had before.[f]

11 Then came there unto him all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all they that had been of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house: and they bemoaned him, and comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold.[g]

12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses.[h]

13 He had also seven sons and three daughters.[i]

14 And he called the name of the first, Jemima; and the name of the second, Kezia; and the name of the third, Keren-happuch.

15 And in all the land were no women found *so* fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren.

16 After this lived Job an hundred and forty years, and saw his sons, and his sons' sons, *even* four generations.[j]

17 So Job died, *being* old and full of days.[k]



HIPPOPOTAMUS, OR BEHEMOTH.





THE BOOK OF

PSALMS.

PSALM I.

1 *The happiness of the godly.* 4 *The unhappiness of the ungodly.*

B C 1021

1 Or, *wicked*

a Ps xxvi 4, Prov. iv 14, 15, Jer xv. 17

b Ps. cxix 1, 35, 47, 92, 97, Josh i 8.

2 Heb *fade*

c Ps cxxviii. 2, Gen xxxix 3, 24, Isa lii 10, Jer xvii 8, Ezek. xlvii 12

3 Or, *chaff before the wind.* A threshing-floor being, in the East, an open space, the bruised corn was placed in the middle of the floor, and being then tossed up into the air, the wind carried off the chaff

d Ps xxxv 5, Job xxi. 18, Isa. xvii 13, xxix 5, Hos xiii 3

BLESSED *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the [1]ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.[a]

2 But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.[b]

3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not [2]wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.[c]

4 The ungodly *are* not so: but *are* like the [3]chaff which the wind driveth away.[d]

5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

6 For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.[a]

PSALM II.

1 *The kingdom of Christ.* 10 *Kings are exhorted to accept it.*

WHY do the heathen [1]rage, and the people [2]imagine a vain thing?[b]

2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, *saying*,[c]

3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.[d]

4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.[e]

5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and [3]vex them in his sore displeasure.

6 Yet have I [4]set my king [5]upon my holy hill of Zion.[f]

7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou *art* my Son; this day have I begotten thee.[g]

8 Ask of me, and I shall give *thee* the heathen *for* thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth *for* thy possession.[h]

9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.[i]

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.[j]

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish *from* the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed *are* all they that put their trust in him.[k]

PSALM III.

The security of God's protection.

A Psalm of David, when he fled from Absalom his son

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me! many *are* they that rise up against me.[l]

2 Many *there be* which say of my soul, *There is* no help for him in God. Selah.[m]

3 But thou, O LORD, *art* a shield [6]for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head.[n]

4 I cried unto the LORD with my voice, and he heard me out of his holy hill. Selah.[o]

5 I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the LORD sustained me.[p]

6 I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set *themselves* against me round about.[q]

7 Arise, O LORD; save me, O my God: for thou hast smitten all mine enemies *upon* the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.[r]

8 Salvation *belongeth* unto the LORD: thy blessing *is* upon thy people. Selah.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 1021

a Ps xxxvii 18; Nahum i 7, John x 14, 2 Tim. ii 19

1 Or, *tumultuously assemble.*

2 Heb *meditate.*

b Ps. xlvi. 6; Acts iv. 25, 26.

7 Or, *be gracious unto me.*

c Ps. xiv 7; John i. 41.

d Jer v 5, Luke xix. 14.

e 2 Thes ii 10, 2 Peter ii 9

e Ps xl. 4 xxxvii. 13; lix 8; Prov i 26

u Ps lxxvii 6, 2 Cor. xiii 5, Eph iv 26

3 Or, *trouble.*

4 Heb. *anointed.*

5 Heb *upon Zion, the hill of my holiness*

v Ps xxxvii 3; i 14, ii 19; lxii 8; Deut xxxiii 19, 2 Sam xv. 12.

f 2 Sam v 7

w Ps. lxxv 3, 7, 19, cxix 155, Numb vi. 26.

g Acts xiii 33, Heb i. 5, v 5

x Isa. lx 3

h Ps. xxii. 27, lxxii 8, lxxxix 27, Dan vii 13, 14; John xvii 4, 5, xix 15.

y Ps iii 5, Lev xxv 18, 19, xxvi. 5, Deut xii 10 Job xi 18, 19

i Ps lxxxix 23, Rev ii 27, xii 5

j Phil ii 12, Heb xii 28

k Ps xxxiv 8, lxxxiv 12, Prov xvi 20, Isa xxx 18, Jer xvii. 7, John v 23, Rom ix. 33, x 11; 1 Peter ii. 6; Rev vi 16, 17

z Ps iii 4, lxv 2

a Ps xxx 5, lxxxviii 11, cxxx 6

l 2 Sam xv 12, xvi 15

b Heb *before thine eyes*

b Hab i 13

m Ps lxxi 11, 2 Sam xvi 8

6 Or, *about*

9 Heb *the man of bloods and deceit*

c Ps lv 21, Rev xxi 8

n Ps xxvii 6; xxviii 7, cxix 114, Gen xv 1

o Ps ii 6, xxxiv. 4, xliii 3, xcix. 9.

10 Heb *the temple of thy holiness*

d Ps xxviii 2, cxxxii 7, cxxxviii 2; 1 Kings viii. 29, 30, 35, 38.

p Ps. iv. 8, Lev xxvi 6, Prov. iii 24

11 Heb *those which observe me*

e Ps xxv 4, 5, xxvii 11

12 Or, *steadfastness*

13 Heb *in his mouth*, that is, *in the mouth of any of them.*

q Ps xxvii 3

14 Heb. *wickednesses*

f Ps lxii 4; Luke xi. 44; Rom iii. 13

15 Or, *Make them guilty.*

16 Or, *from their counsels.*

r Ps lviii 6, Job xvi 10; xxix 17, Lam iii 30

s Prov xxi 31; Isa. xliii. 11, Jer li. 23; Hos xiii. 4, Jonah ii. 9; Rev. vii. 10; xix 1.

g 2 Sam. xv. 31; xvii. 14. 23

17 Heb *thou coverest over*, or, *protectest them*

PSALM IV.

1 *David prayeth for audience.* 2 *He reproveth and exhorteth his enemies* 6 *Man's happiness is in God's favour.*

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm of David.

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me *when I was* in distress; [7]have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.

2 O ye sons of men, how long *will ye turn* my glory into shame? *how long* will ye love vanity, *and* seek after leasing? Selah.

3 But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.[t]

4 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah.[u]

5 Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.[v]

6 *There be* many that say, Who will shew us *any* good? LORD, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.[w]

7 Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time *that* their corn and their wine increased.[x]

8 I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.[y]

PSALM V.

1 *David prayeth, and professeth his study in prayer.* 4 *God favoureth not the wicked.* 7 *David, professing his faith, prayeth unto God to guide him,* 10 *to destroy his enemies,* 11 *and to preserve the godly.*

To the chief Musician upon Nehiloth, A Psalm of David.

GIVE ear to my words, O LORD, consider my meditation.

2 Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I pray.[z]

3 My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct *my prayer* unto thee, and will look up.[a]

4 For thou *art* not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.

5 The foolish shall not stand [8]in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.[b]

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor [9]the bloody and deceitful man.[c]

7 But as for me, I will come *into* thy house in the multitude of thy mercy: *and* in thy fear will I worship toward [10]thy holy temple.[d]

8 Lead me, O LORD, in thy righteousness because of [11]mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.[e]

9 For *there is* no [12]faithfulness [13]in their mouth; their inward part *is* [14]very wickedness; their throat *is* an open sepulchre; they flatter with their tongue.[f]

10 [15]Destroy thou them, O God; let them fall [16]by their own counsels: cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions; for they have rebelled against thee.[g]

11 But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because [17]thou



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defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.[e]

12 For thou, LORD, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou [1]compass him as *with* a shield.[h]

PSALM VI.

1 *David's complaint in his sickness.* 8 *By faith he triumpheth over his enemies.*

To the chief Musician on Neginoth upon Sheminith, A Psalm of David.

LORD, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.[i]

2 Have mercy upon me, O LORD: for I *am* weak: O LORD, heal me; for my bones are vexed.[d]

3 My soul is also sore vexed: but thou, O LORD, how long?[e]

4 Return, O LORD, deliver my soul: oh save me for thy mercies' sake.

5 For in death *there is* no remembrance of thee: in the grave who shall give thee thanks?[f]

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2 Or, *every night*

a Isa lxv 11

1 Heb *crown him*

b Ps cxv 13

g Ps xxxi 9, xxxviii 10 lxxxviii 9, Job xvii 7, Lam v 17

h Ps lii 4, cxix 115; Matt vii 23, xxv 41, Luke xiii 27

c Ps xxxviii 1, Jer x 24, xlvi 28

d Ps xli 4, Hos vi 1

e Ps xc 13

f Ps xxx 9 lxxxvin 11, cxv 17; cxviii 17, Isa xxxviii 18

i Ps. xxxi 15.

6 I am weary with my groaning; [2]all the night make I my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears.

7 Mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.[g]

8 Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the LORD hath heard the voice of my weeping.[h]

9 The LORD hath heard my supplication; the LORD will receive my prayer.

10 Let all mine enemies be ashamed and sore vexed: let them return *and* be ashamed suddenly.

PSALM VII.

1 *David prayeth against the malice of his enemies, professing his innocency.* 10 *By faith he seeth his defence, and the destruction of his enemies.*

Shiggaion of David, which he sang unto the LORD, concerning the words of Cush the Benjamite

LORD my God, in thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me:[i]

2 Lest he tear my soul like a lion, rending *it* in pieces, while *there is* [1]none to deliver.[a]

3 O LORD my God, if I have done this; if there be iniquity in my hands;[b]

4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that was at peace with me; (yea, I have delivered him that without cause is mine enemy:)[c]

5 Let the enemy persecute my soul, and take *it;* yea, let him tread down my life upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust. Selah.

6 Arise, O LORD, in thine anger, lift up thyself because of the rage of mine enemies: and awake for me *to* the judgment *that* thou hast commanded.[d]

7 So shall the congregation of the people compass thee about: for their sakes therefore return thou on high.

8 The LORD shall judge the people: judge me, O LORD, according to my righteousness, and according to mine integrity *that is* in me.[e]

9 Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins.[f]

10 [2]My defence *is* of God, which saveth the upright in heart.[g]

11 [3]God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry *with the wicked* every day.

12 If he turn not, he will whet his sword; he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.[h]

13 He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death; he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.[i]

14 Behold, he travaileth with iniquity, and hath conceived mischief, and brought forth falsehood.[j]

15 [4]He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into the ditch *which* he made.[k]

16 His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his violent dealing shall come down upon his own pate.[l]

17 I will praise the LORD according to his righteousness: and will sing praise to the name of the LORD most high.

PSALM VIII.

God's glory is magnified by his works, and by his love to man

To the chief Musician upon Gittith, A Psalm of David.

O LORD our Lord, how excellent *is* thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens.[m]

2 Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou [5]ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.[n]

3 When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;[o]

4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?[p]

5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.

6 Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all *things* under his feet:[q]

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6 Heb. *Flocks and oxen all of them.*

1 Heb. *not a deliverer.*

a Ps. l. 22; Isa. xxxviii. 13.

b 1 Sam. xxiv. 11; 2 Sam. xvi. 7, 8.

c 1 Sam xxiv. 7; xxvi. 9

r ver. 1.

d Ps xliv 23, xciv. 2

s Ps v 11; lxi. 2, lxxviii 18

e Ps xviii 20; xxxv. 24.

7 Heb *thou hast made my judgment.*

8 Heb *the righteousness*

f Ps. cxxxix 1; 1 Sam xvi. 7, 1 Chron xxviii 9; Jer. xi 20, xvii. 10, xx. 12; Rev ii. 23

2 Heb. *My buckler is upon God.*

g Ps. cxxv. 4

h Deut. ix 14; Prov x. 7.

3 Or, *God is a righteous judge.*

9 Or, *The destructions of the enemy are come to a perpetual end: and their cities hast thou destroyed, &c.*

h Deut. xxxii. 41.

u Ps. ciii. 12, 26; Heb. i. 11.

i Ps. lxiv. 7; Deut. xxxii. 23, 42.

v Ps. xcvi. 13; xcviii 9.

j Job xv. 35; Isa. xxxiii. 11; lix. 4; James i. 15.

4 Heb. *He hath digged a pit.*

k Ps. ix. 15; x. 2; xxxv 8; xciv. 23; cvii. 10; Esther vii 10; Job iv 8, Prov v. 22; xxvi 27, Eccles x 8

w Ps. xci. 14

l 1 Kings ii 32; Esther ix 25

x Ps cvii. 22

10 Or, *afflicted*

y Gen ix 5

m Ps cxiii 4, cxlviii 13

z Ps xlv. 5, xx 5, xxxv 9

5 Heb *founded.*

n Ps xliv 16, Matt xi 25, xxi 16, 1 Cor i. 27

a Ps. vii 15, 16; xxxv 8, lvii. 6; xciv. 23; Prov. v. 22; xxii 8; xxvi. 27.

o Ps cxi. 2.

11 That is, *Meditation.*

b Exod. vii. 5; xiv. 4, 10

p Ps cxliv. 3; Job vii. 17, Heb ii. 6.

c ver. 12; Ps. xii. 5; Prov. xxiii. 18; xxiv. 14.

q Gen. i. 26, 28.

7 [6]All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field;

8 The fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, *and whatsoever* passeth through the paths of the seas.

9 O LORD our Lord, how excellent *is* thy name in all the earth![r]

PSALM IX.

1 *David praiseth God for executing of judgment.* 11 *He inciteth others to praise him.* 13 *He prayeth that he may have cause to praise him.*

To the chief Musician upon Muth-labben, A Psalm of David.

I WILL praise *thee*, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works.

2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High.[s]

3 When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence.

4 For [7]thou hast maintained my right and my cause; thou satest in the throne judging [8]right.

5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, thou hast destroyed the wicked, thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.[t]

6 [9]O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end: and thou hast destroyed cities; their memorial is perished with them.

7 But the LORD shall endure for ever: he hath prepared his throne for judgment.[u]

8 And he shall judge the world in righteousness, he shall minister judgment to the people in uprightness.[v]

9 The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.

10 And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.[w]

11 Sing praises to the LORD, which dwelleth in Zion: declare among the people his doings.[x]

12 When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them: he forgetteth not the cry of the [10]humble.[y]

13 Have mercy upon me, O LORD; consider my trouble *which I suffer* of them that hate me, thou that liftest me up from the gates of death:

14 That I may shew forth all thy praise in the gates of the daughter of Zion: I will rejoice in thy salvation.[z]

15 The heathen are sunk down in the pit *that* they made: in the net which they hid is their own foot taken.[a]

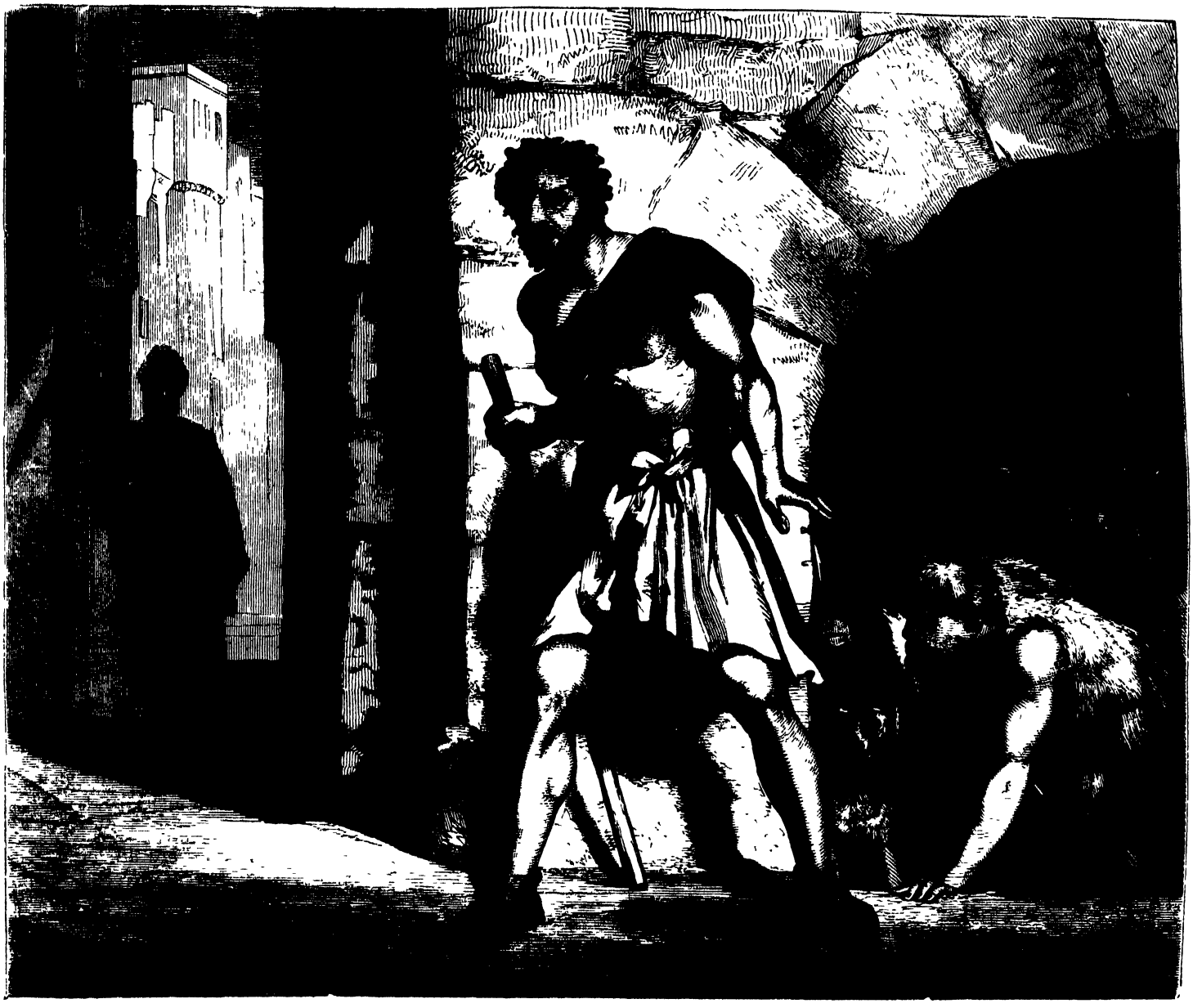
16 The LORD is known *by* the judgment *which* he executeth: the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands. [11]Higgaion. Selah.[b]

17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, *and* all the nations that forget God.

18 For the needy shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall *not* perish for ever.[c]

19 Arise, O LORD; let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in thy sight.

20 Put them in fear, O LORD: *that* the nations may know themselves *to be but* men. Selah.



THE LURKING-PLACE OF ROBBERS

PSALM X.

1 *David complaineth to God of the outrage of the wicked.* 12 *He prayeth for remedy.* 16 *He professeth his confidence.*

WHY standest thou afar off, O LORD? *why* hidest thou *thyself* in times of trouble?

2 [1]The wicked in *his* pride doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined.[a]

3 For the wicked boasteth of his [2]heart's desire, and [3]blesseth the covetous, *whom* the LORD abhorreth.[b]

4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek *after God:* [4]God *is* not in all his thoughts.[c]

5 His ways are always grievous; thy judgments *are* far above out of his sight: *as for* all his enemies, he puffeth at them.[d]

B.C. 1042—541.

e Ps. xxx. 6; Eccles viii. 11; Isa. lvi. 12.
5 Heb *deceits.*
6 Or, *iniquity.*
f Ps. xii. 2; Job xx. 12; Rom. iii. 14.
7 Heb. *hide themselves.*
g Ps xvii. 11; Hab iii. 14.
1 Heb. *In the pride of the wicked he doth persecute.*
8 Heb. *in the secret places.*
h Ps. xvii. 12; Micah vii 2.
a Ps. vii. 16; ix. 15, 16; Prov. v. 22.
9 Heb *He breaketh himself.*
2 Heb. *soul's.*
10 Or, *into his strong parts.*
3 Or, *the covetous blesseth himself, he abhorreth the LORD.*
b Ps xciv 4, Prov. xxviii. 4; Rom i. 32.
c Ps. lxxiii. 11; xciv. 7; Job xxii. 13; Ezek. viii. 12; ix. 9.
4 Or, *all his thoughts are, There is no God.*
11 Or, *afflicted.*
f Micah v. 9.
c Ps. xiv. 1, 2; liii. 1.
d Ps. xii. 5.

6 He hath said in his heart, I shall not be moved: for *I shall* never *be* in adversity.[e]

7 His mouth is full of cursing and [5]deceit and fraud: under his tongue *is* mischief and [6]vanity.[f]

8 He sitteth in the lurking places of the villages: in the secret places doth he murder the innocent: his eyes [7]are privily set against the poor.[g]

9 He lieth in wait [8]secretly as a lion in his den: he lieth in wait to catch the poor: he doth catch the poor, when he draweth him into his net.[h]

10 [9]He croucheth, *and* humbleth himself, that the poor may fall [10]by his strong ones.

11 He hath said in his heart, God hath forgotten: he hideth his face; he will never see *it.*[i]

12 Arise, O LORD; O God, lift up thine hand: forget not the [11]humble.[j]

13 Wherefore doth the wicked contemn God? he hath said in his heart, Thou wilt not require *it.*

14 Thou hast seen *it;* for thou beholdest mischief and spite, to requite *it* with thy hand: the poor com-

mitteth himself unto thee; thou art the helper of the fatherless.[a]

15 Break thou the arm of the wicked and the evil *man:* seek out his wickedness *till* thou find none.[b]

16 The LORD *is* King for ever and ever: the heathen are perished out of his land.[c]

17 LORD, thou hast heard the desire of the humble: thou wilt [1]prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:[d]

18 To judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that the man of the earth may no more [2]oppress.[e]

PSALM XI.

1 *David encourageth himself in God against his enemies* 4 *The providence and justice of God.*

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David.

IN the LORD put I my trust: how say ye to my soul, Flee *as* a bird to your mountain?[f]

2 For, lo, the wicked bend *their* bow, they make ready their arrow upon the string, that they may [3]privily shoot at the upright in heart.[g]

3 If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?[h]

4 The LORD *is* in his holy temple, the LORD'S throne *is* in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.[i]

5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.[j]

6 Upon the wicked he shall rain [4]snares, fire and brimstone, and [5]an horrible tempest: *this shall be* the portion of their cup.[k]

7 For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright.[l]

PSALM XII.

1 *David, destitute of human comfort, craveth help of God* 3 *He comforteth himself with God's judgments on the wicked, and confidence in God's tried promises.*

To the chief Musician upon Sheminith. A Psalm of David

HELP,[6] LORD; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men.[m]

2 They speak vanity every one with his neighbour: *with* flattering lips *and* with [7]a double heart do they speak.[n]

3 The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, *and* the tongue that speaketh [8]proud things:[o]

4 Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; our lips [9]*are* our own: who *is* lord over us?

5 For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the LORD; I will set *him* in safety *from him that* [10]puffeth at him.[p]

6 The words of the LORD *are* pure words: *as* silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.[q]

7 Thou shalt keep them, O LORD, thou shalt preserve [11]them from this generation for ever.

8 The wicked walk on every side, when [12]the vilest men are exalted.

B.C. 1042—511.

a Ps. lxviii. 5; Hos. xiv. 3; 2 Tim. i. 12; 1 Peter iv. 19

b Ps. xxxvii. 17.

c Ps. xxix. 10; cxlv. 13; cxlvi. 10; Jer. x. 10; Lam. v. 19; Dan. iv. 34, vi. 26, 1 Tim. i. 17.

d Ps. xlv. 24; lxxxvii. 14; lxxxix. 46; Deut. xxxi. 17; Job xiii. 24, Isa. lx. 2

1 Or, *establish.*

e 1 Chron. xxix. 18.

2 Or, *terrify*

f Ps. lxxxii. 3; Isa. xi. 4.

g Ezra ix. 8; Jer. li. 39.

h Ps. xxv. 2; xxxv. 19; xxxviii. 16

i Ps. xxxiii. 21.

j Ps. lvi. 11; 1 Sam. xxvi. 20

k Ps. cxvi. 7; cxix. 17.

3 Heb. *in darkness.*

l Ps. xxi. 12; lxiv. 3. 4.

h Ps. lxxxii. 5.

i Ps. ii. 4; xxxiii. 13; xxxiv. 15, 16; lxvi. 7; Isa. lxvi. 1; Matt. v. 34, xxiii. 22; Acts vii. 49; Rev. iv. 2

k Ps. x. 4; liii. 1, &c., Gen. vi. 11, 12, Rom. iii. 10, &c.

j Gen. xxii. 1; James i. 12

4 Or, *quick-burning coals*

5 Or, *a burning tempest*

k Ps. lxxv. 8; Gen. xix. 24, xliii. 34; 1 Sam. i. 4, ix. 23, Ezek. xxxviii. 22

l Ps. xxxiii. 13, cii. 19

l Ps. xxxiii. 18; xxxiv. 15, cxlvi. 8, Job xxxvi. 7, 1 Peter iii. 12.

13 Heb *stinking*

m Rom. iii. 10—12

n Ps. lxxix. 6, Isa. lxiv. 7; Jer. x. 25, Amos viii. 4, Micah iii. 3

14 Heb *they feared a fear*

6 Or, *Save*

a Ps. liii. 5

m Isa. lvii. 1; Micah vii. 2

b Ps. ix. 9, cxlii. 5.

15 Heb *Who will give,* &c., Rom. xi. 26

7 Heb *an heart and an heart,* 1 Chron. xii. 33

n Ps. x. 7, xxviii. 3, lxii. 4, Jer. ix. 8, Rom. xvi. 18

c Ps. liii. 6, cxxvi. 1

8 Heb *great things*

o 1 Sam. ii. 3, Ps. xvii. 10, Dan. vii. 8, 25

9 Heb *are with us*

d Ps. ii. 6, liii. 4, xxiv. 3, &c.

10 Or, *would ensnare him*

p Ps. x. 5, Exod. iii. 7, 8, Isa. xxxiii. 10

e Isa. xxxiii. 15; Zech. viii. 16; Eph. iv. 25

q Ps. xviii. 30; xix. 8; cxix. 40, 2 Sam. xxii. 31, Prov. xxx. 5

16 Or, *preserveth,* or, *endureth*

f Ps. xxxiv. 13; Exod. xxiii. 1; Lev. xix. 16

11 Heb *him;* that is, *every one of them.*

12 Heb. *the vilest of the sons of men are exalted.*

g Judg. xi. 35, Esther iii. 2

PSALM XIII.

1 *David complaineth of delay in help.* 3 *He prayeth for preventing grace.* 5 *He boasteth of divine mercy.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O LORD? for ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?[r]

2 How long shall I take counsel in my soul, *having* sorrow in my heart daily? how long shall mine enemy be exalted over me?

3 Consider *and* hear me, O LORD my God: lighten mine eyes, lest I sleep the *sleep of* death;[s]

4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him; *and* those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved.[t]

5 But I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.[u]

6 I will sing unto the LORD, because he hath dealt bountifully with me.[v]

PSALM XIV.

1 *David describeth the corruption of a natural man.* 4 *He convinceth the wicked by the light of their conscience.* 7 *He glorieth in the salvation of God.*

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David.

THE fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, *there is* none that doeth good.[w]

2 The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, *and* seek God.[x]

3 They are all gone aside, they are *all* together become [13]filthy: *there is* none that doeth good, no, not one.[y]

4 Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people *as* they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD.[z]

5 There [14]were they in great fear: for God *is* in the generation of the righteous.[a]

6 Ye have shamed the counsel of the poor, because the LORD *is* his refuge.[b]

7 [15]Oh that the salvation of Israel *were come* out of Zion! when the LORD bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, *and* Israel shall be glad.[c]

PSALM XV.

David describeth a citizen of Zion.

A Psalm of David.

LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?[d]

2 He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.[e]

3 *He that* backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor [16]taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.[f]

4 In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them that fear the LORD. *He that* sweareth to *his own* hurt, and changeth not.[g]

r Ps. xxxv. 17.

s Jer. li. 39.

t Ps. xxv. 2; xxxv. 19; xxxviii. 16

u Ps. xxxiii. 21.

v Ps. cxvi. 7; cxix. 17.

w Ps. x. 4; liii. 1, &c., Gen. vi. 11, 12, Rom. iii. 10, &c.

x Ps. xxxiii. 13, civ. 19

y Rom. iii. 10—12

z Ps. lxxix. 6, Isa. lxiv. 7; Jer. x. 25, Amos viii. 4, Micah iii. 3

13 Heb *stinking*

14 Heb *they feared a fear*

a Ps. liii. 5

b Ps. ix. 9, cxlii. 5.

15 Heb *Who will give,* &c., Rom. xi. 26

c Ps. liii. 6, cxxvi. 1

d Ps. ii. 6, liii. 4, xxiv. 3, &c.

e Isa. xxxiii. 15; Zech. viii. 16; Eph. iv. 25

f Ps. xxxiv. 13; Exod. xxiii. 1; Lev. xix. 16

16 Heb *him;* that is, *every one of them.*

g Judg. xi. 35, Esther iii. 2

5 *He that* putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these *things* shall never be moved.[a]

PSALM XVI.

1 *David, in distrust of merits, and hatred of idolatry, fleeth to God for preservation.* 5 *He sheweth the hope of his calling, of the resurrection, and life everlasting.*

Michtam of David.

PRESERVE me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust.[b]

2 *O my soul,* thou hast said unto the LORD, Thou *art* my Lord: my goodness *extendeth* not to thee;[c]

3 *But* to the saints that *are* in the earth, and *to* the excellent, in whom *is* all my delight.

4 Their sorrows shall be multiplied *that* [1]hasten *after* another *god:* their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.[d]

5 The LORD *is* the portion [2]of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.[e]

6 The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant *places;* yea, I have a goodly heritage.

7 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.[f]

8 I have set the LORD always before me: because *he is* at my right hand, I shall not be moved.[g]

9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall [3]rest in hope.[h]

10 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.[i]

11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence *is* fulness of joy; at thy right hand *there are* pleasures for evermore.[j]

PSALM XVII.

1 *David, in confidence of his integrity, craveth defence of God against his enemies.* 10 *He sheweth their pride, craft, and eagerness.* 13 *He prayeth against them in confidence of his hope.*

A Prayer of David.

HEAR [4]the right, O LORD, attend unto my cry, give ear unto my prayer, *that goeth* [5]not out of feigned lips.

2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal.

3 Thou hast proved mine heart; thou hast visited *me* in the night; thou hast tried me, *and* shalt find nothing; I am purposed *that* my mouth shall not transgress.[k]

4 Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept *me from* the paths of the destroyer.

5 Hold up my goings in thy paths, *that* my footsteps [6]slip not.[l]

6 I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God: incline thine ear unto me, *and hear* my speech.[m]

7 Shew thy marvellous lovingkindness, O thou [7]that savest by thy right hand them which put their trust *in thee* from those that rise up *against them.*[n]

8 Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings,[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 1042.

8 Heb *that waste me.*

9 Heb *my enemies against the soul.*

a Ps. xvi 4, Exod. xxii. 25, xxiii 8; Lev. xxv. 36, Deut xvi 19; xxiii 19, Ezek xviii. 8; xxii. 12, 2 Peter i. 10.

p Ps xxxi. 18; lxxiii 7, cxix 70, Deut. xxxii 15, 1 Sam ii 3, Job xv. 27

q Ps. x 8—10, 1 Sam xxiii. 26.

10 Heb *The likeness of him* (that is, *of every one of them*) *is as a lion that desireth to ravin.*

11 Heb. *sitting.*

12 Heb *prevent his face.*

b Ps xxv 20

13 Or, *by thy sword.*

r Isa. x 5

14 Or, *From men by thine hand.*

c Job xxii 2, 3, xxxv 7, 8, Ps. l 9; Rom. xi 35

15 Or, *their children are full.*

s Ps. lxxiii. 12, Luke xvi 25, James v 5

1 Or, *give gifts to another*

d Exod xxiii 13, Josh. xxiii. 7, Hos. ii. 16, 17

t Ps iv 6, 7; xvi 11, lxv 4; 1 John iii. 2.

2 Heb. *of my part.*

e Ps xi 6, lxxiii 26; cxix 57, cxlii. 5, Deut. xxxii 9, Jer x. 16, Lam. iii. 24.

f Ps xvii. 3

u Ps cxliv 1

g Ps xv 5, lxxiii 23, cx 5, cxxi 5; Acts ii 25, &c.

16 Heb *my rock*

3 Heb. *dwell confidently*

h Ps xxx 12, lvii 8

v Heb. ii 13

i Ps xlix 15; Acts ii 27, 31, xiii 35

w Ps lxxvi 4

j Ps xvii 15, xxi 6, xxxvi 8, Matt v 8, vii 14, 1 Cor xiii 12, 1 John iii 2

17 Heb *Belial*

x Ps. cxvi 3

18 Or, *cords*

4 Heb *justice.*

5 Heb *without lips of deceit*

19 Heb *by his.*

y Ps cxliv 5.

k Ps xvi 7; xxvi 2, lxvi. 10, cxxxix.2; Job xxiii 10, Zech. xiii. 9; Mal iii 2, 3, 1 Peter i. 7.

z Ps. xcix. 1; civ. 3.

a Ps. xcvii. 2.

6 Heb *be not moved.*

l Ps. cxix. 133.

b Ps. xcvii. 3.

m Ps. cxvi. 2.

c Ps. xxix. 3.

7 Or, *that savest them which trust in thee from those that rise up against thy right hand.*

n Ps. xxxi. 21

d Ps cxliv. 6; Josh. x 10, Isa. xxx. 30.

o Ps. xxxvi 7; lvii. 1; lxi. 4; lxiii. 7; xci. 1, 4; Deut. xxxii. 10; Ruth ii 12; Zech. ii. 8; Matt. xxiii. 37.

9 From the wicked [8]that oppress me, *from* [9]my deadly enemies, *who* compass me about.

10 They are inclosed in their own fat: with their mouth they speak proudly.[p]

11 They have now compassed us in our steps: they have set their eyes bowing down to the earth;[q]

12 [10]Like as a lion *that* is greedy of his prey, and as it were a young lion [11]lurking in secret places.

13 Arise, O LORD, [12]disappoint him, cast him down: deliver my soul from the wicked, [13]*which is* thy sword:[r]

14 [14]From men *which are* thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, *which have* their portion in *this* life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid *treasure:* [15]they are full of children, and leave the rest of their *substance* to their babes.[s]

15 As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness.[t]

PSALM XVIII.

David praiseth God for his manifold and marvellous blessings.

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David, the servant of the LORD, who spake unto the LORD the words of this song in the day *that* the LORD delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul And he said,

I WILL love thee, O LORD, my strength.[u]

2 The LORD *is* my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, [16]my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, *and* my high tower.[v]

3 I will call upon the LORD, *who is worthy* to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.[w]

4 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of [17]ungodly men made me afraid.[x]

5 The [18]sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death prevented me.

6 In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, *even* into his ears.

7 Then the earth shook and trembled; the foundations also of the hills moved and were shaken, because he was wroth.

8 There went up a smoke [19]out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down: and darkness *was* under his feet.[y]

10 And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: yea, he did fly upon the wings of the wind.[z]

11 He made darkness his secret place; his pavilion round about him *were* dark waters *and* thick clouds of the skies.[a]

12 At the brightness *that was* before him his thick clouds passed, hail *stones* and coals of fire.[b]

13 The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his voice; hail *stones* and coals of fire.[c]

14 Yea, he sent out his arrows, and scattered them; and he shot out lightnings, and discomfited them.[d]

15 Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were discovered at thy

rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils.[a]

16 He sent from above, he took me, he drew me out of [1]many waters.[b]

17 He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.

18 They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.

19 He brought me forth also into a large place: he delivered me, because he delighted in me.[c]

20 The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.[d]

21 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.

22 For all his judgments *were* before me, and I did not put away his statutes from me.

23 I was also upright [2]before him, and I kept myself from mine iniquity.

24 Therefore hath the LORD recompensed me according to my righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands [3]in his eyesight.[e]

25 With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful; with an upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright;[f]

26 With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt [4]shew thyself froward.[g]

27 For thou wilt save the afflicted people; but wilt bring down high looks.[h]

28 For thou wilt light my [5]candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.[i]

29 For by thee I have [6]run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over a wall.

30 *As for* God, his way *is* perfect: the word of the LORD is [7]tried: he *is* a buckler to all those that trust in him.[j]

31 For who *is* God save the LORD? or who *is* a rock save our God?[k]

32 *It is* God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect.[l]

33 He maketh my feet like hinds' *feet*, and setteth me upon my high places.[m]

34 He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.[n]

35 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy right hand hath holden me up, and [8]thy gentleness hath made me great.

36 Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, that [9]my feet did not slip.[o]

37 I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken them: neither did I turn again till they were consumed.

38 I have wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are fallen under my feet.

39 For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast [10]subdued under me those that rose up against me.

40 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies; that I might destroy them that hate me.

41 They cried, but *there was* none to save *them: even* unto the LORD, but he answered them not.[p]

BEFORE CHRIST 1042

a Ps. cvi. 9, Exod. xv 8
q Zech. x. 5; Isa. lii. 15.

1 Or, *great waters*

b Ps. cxliv 7

r 2 Sam ii. 9, 10; iii 1; viii.

11 Heb *At the hearing of the ear.*

12 Heb. *the sons of the stranger*

13 Or, *yield feigned obedience* Heb *lie*

s Ps. lxvi. 3, lxxxi 15, Deut. xxxiii 29

c Ps xxxi 8, cxviii 5
t Micah vii. 17

d 1 Sam xxiv. 19.

14 Heb. *giveth avengements for me.*

15 Or, *destroyeth.*

u Ps xlvii 3.

16 Heb *man of violence*

v Ps lix. 1

2 Heb. *with.*

17 Or, *confess*

w Rom xv 9

3 Heb *before his eyes*

e 1 Sam xxvi 23

x Ps cxliv 10, 2 Sam vii. 13

f 1 Kings viii 32

4 Or, *wrestle*

g Lev xxvi 23, 24, 27, 28, Prov iii 34

h Ps ci 5, Prov vi 17

5 Or, *lamp*, Job xxix 3

i Job xviii 6

y Gen i 6, Isa. xl 22, Rom i 19, 20

6 Or, *broken*

7 Or, *refined*

j Ps xii 6, xviii 7, cxix 140, Deut xxxii 4, Prov xxx 5, Dan iv 37, Rev xv 3

18 Or, *without these their voice is heard* Heb *without their voice heard*

19 Or, *Their rule*, or, *direction*

k Ps lxxxvi 8, Deut xxxii 31, 39, 1 Sam ii 2, Isa. xlv 5

l Ps xci. 2.

m Deut. xxxii 13, xxxiii 29, 2 Sam ii 18, Hab iii 19

z Eccles. i 5

n Ps cxliv. 1

8 Or, *with thy meekness thou hast multiplied me*

20 Or, *doctrine*

21 Or, *restoring*

a Ps. cxi 7

9 Heb *mine ancles*

o Prov. iv. 12.
b Ps. xii. 6, xlii. 3

22 Heb. *truth*

10 Heb *caused to bow*

23 Heb. *the dropping of honeycombs.*

c Ps cxix. 72, 103, 127; Prov viii. 10, 11, 19.

d Prov. xxix. 18

p Job xxvii 9; xxxv 12, Prov. i 28; Isa. i. 15, Jer xi. 11; xiv. 12, Ezek viii 18; Micah iii. 4, Zech. vii. 13.

e Ps. xc. 8; Lev. iv. 2, &c.

42 Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind: I did cast them out as the dirt in the streets.[q]

43 Thou hast delivered me from the strivings of the people; *and* thou hast made me the head of the heathen: a people *whom* I have not known shall serve me.[r]

44 [11]As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me: [12]the strangers shall [13]submit themselves unto me.[s]

45 The strangers shall fade away, and be afraid out of their close places.[t]

46 The LORD liveth; and blessed *be* my rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted.

47 *It is* God that [14]avengeth me, and [15]subdueth the people under me.[u]

48 He delivereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the [16]violent man.[v]

49 Therefore will I [17]give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the heathen, and sing praises unto thy name.[w]

50 Great deliverance giveth he to his king; and sheweth mercy to his anointed, to David, and to his seed for evermore.[x]

PSALM XIX.

1 *The creatures shew God's glory* 7 *The word his grace.* 12 *David prayeth for grace.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.



THE heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.[y]

2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.

3 *There is* no speech nor language, [18]*where* their voice is not heard.

4 [19]Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,

5 Which *is* as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *and* rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.[z]

6 His going forth *is* from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7 The [20]law of the LORD *is* perfect, [21]converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple.[a]

8 The statutes of the LORD *are* right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD *is* pure, enlightening the eyes.[b]

9 The fear of the LORD *is* clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD *are* [22]true *and* righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired *are they* than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and [23]the honeycomb.[c]

11 Moreover by them is thy servant warned: *and* in keeping of them *there is* great reward.[d]

12 Who can understand *his* errors? cleanse thou me from secret *faults.*[e]



DAVID REJOICING WITH HIS "MIGHTY MEN" AT A VICTORY OVER HIS ENEMIES.

13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous *sins;* let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from [1]the great transgression.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, [2]my strength, and my redeemer.[h]

PSALM XX.

1 *The church blesseth the king in his exploits.* 7 *Her confidence in God's succour.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

THE LORD hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob [3]defend thee;[c]

2 Send [4]thee help from the sanctuary, and [5]strengthen thee out of Zion;

3 Remember all thy offerings, and [6]accept thy burnt sacrifice; Selah.

4 Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy counsel.[d]

5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up *our* banners: the LORD fulfil all thy petitions.[e]

6 Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed; he will hear him [7]from his holy heaven [8]with the saving strength of his right hand.[f]

7 Some *trust* in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the name of the LORD our God.[g]

8 They are brought down and fallen: but we are risen, and stand upright.

9 Save, LORD: let the king hear us when we call.

PSALM XXI.

1 *A thanksgiving for victory.* 7 *Confidence of further success*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

THE king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice![h]

2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withholden the request of his lips. Selah.[i]

3 For thou preventest him with the blessings of goodness: thou settest a crown of pure gold on his head.[j]

4 He asked life of thee, *and* thou gavest *it* him, *even* length of days for ever and ever.[k]

5 His glory *is* great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou laid upon him.

6 For thou hast [9]made him most blessed for ever: thou hast [10]made him exceeding glad with thy countenance.[l]

7 For the king trusteth in the LORD, and through the mercy of the most High he shall not be moved.[m]

8 Thine hand shall find out all thine enemies: thy right hand shall find out those that hate thee.

9 Thou shalt make them as a fiery oven in the time of thine anger: the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, and the fire shall devour them.[n]

10 Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from among the children of men.[o]

11 For they intended evil against thee: they imagined a mischievous device, *which* they are not able *to perform.*[p]

12 Therefore [11]shalt thou make them turn their [12]back, *when* thou shalt make ready *thine arrows* upon thy strings against the face of them.[q]

13 Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: *so* will we sing and praise thy power.

PSALM XXII.

1 *David complaineth in great discouragement.* 9 *He prayeth in great distress.* 23 *He praiseth God.*

To the chief Musician upon Aijeleth Shahar, A Psalm of David.

MY God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? *why art thou so* far [13]from helping me, *and from* the words of my roaring?[r]

2 O my God, I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and [14]am not silent.

3 But thou *art* holy, *O thou* that inhabitest the praises of Israel.[s]

4 Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them.

5 They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.[t]

6 But I *am* a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people.[u]

7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they [15]shoot out the lip, they shake the head, *saying,*[v]

8 [16]He trusted on the LORD *that* he would deliver him: let him deliver him, [17]seeing he delighted in him.[w]

9 But thou *art* he that took me out of the womb: thou [18]didst make me hope *when I was* upon my mother's breasts.[x]

10 I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou *art* my God from my mother's belly.[y]

11 Be not far from me; for trouble *is* near; for *there is* [19]none to help.

12 Many bulls have compassed me: strong *bulls* of Bashan have beset me round.[z]

13 They [20]gaped upon me *with* their mouths, *as* a ravening and a roaring lion.[a]

14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are [21]out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels.[b]

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.[c]

16 For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet.[d]

17 I may tell all my bones: they look *and* stare upon me.[e]

18 They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.[f]

19 But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to help me.[g]

20 Deliver my soul from the sword; [22]my darling [23]from the power of the dog.[h]

21 Save me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns.[i]

22 I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1036.

p Ps. ii 1.

1 Or. *much*

11 Or, *thou shalt set them as a butt.*

a Ps. cxix. 133; Gen. xx 6, 1 Sam. xxv. 32—34, 39, Rom vi. 12, 14

12 Heb *shoulder.*

q Job vii 20; xvi 12, Lam iii 12

2 Heb *my rock*

b Ps. xviii. 1; Isa. xliii. 14, xliv. 6; xlvii. 4; 1 Thess. i. 10.

3 Heb *set thee on an high place*

13 Heb *from my salvation.*

c Prov xviii. 10.

r Matt. xxvii 46; Mark xv. 34, Heb. v 7.

4 Heb *thy help*

5 Heb *support thee*

14 Heb *there is no silence to me*

6 Heb *turn to ashes*, or, *make fat*

s Deut. x 21

d Ps xxi. 2.

e Ps lx. 4, Exod. xvii 15

t Ps. xxv 2, 3, xxxi. 1; lxxi 1, Isa. xlix. 23, Rom ix. 33.

7 Heb *from the heaven of his holiness*

8 Heb. *by the strength of the salvation of his right hand.*

u Job xxv 6, Isa. xli. 14, liii 3.

f Ps ii 2

15 Heb *open*

v Ps cix 25, Job xvi 4, Matt xxvii 39, Mark xv 29

g Ps xxxii. 16, 17; 2 Chron xxxii. 8, Prov xxi 31, Isa. xxxi 1

16 Heb *He rolled himself on the LORD*

17 Or, *if he delight in him*

w Ps xci 14, Matt. xxvii 43

18 Or, *keptest me in safety*

x Ps. lxxi 6

y Isa. xlvi 3, xlix. 1.

19 Heb *not a helper.*

h Ps xx 4—6

z Ps lxviii 30; Deut. xxxii. 14; Ezek. xxxix. 18

20 Heb *opened their mouths against me.*

a Ps. xxxv. 21; Job xvi 10, Lam. ii. 16; iii 46

i Ps xx 4, 5

21 Or, *sundered.*

b Josh. vii. 5; Job xxiii 16; Dan. v. 6.

j 2 Sam xii. 30; 1 Chron. xx. 2

k Ps xci 16; 2 Sam. vii. 19

c Job xxix 10; Prov. xvii 22, Lam iv. 4; John xix. 28

9 Heb *set him to be blessings*, Ps lxxii. 17, Gen xii 2

d Matt xxvii. 35; Mark xv 24, Luke xxiii 33; John xix 23, 37, xx 25.

10 Heb *gladdened him with joy*

l Ps xlv. 7, xvi. 11; Acts ii 28

e Luke xxiii. 27, 35

m Ps xvi 8

f Luke xxiii 34; John xix 23, 24.

g ver. 11; Ps x 1.

22 Heb *my only one.*

23 Heb. *from the hand*

h ver. 16; Ps. xxxv. 17

n Ps. xviii 8; lvi 1, 2; Isa. xxvi. 11, Mal iv. 1.

o Isa. xxxiv 7; Acts iv. 27; 2 Tim. iv. 17.

o Ps. xxxvii. 28; cix. 13; Job xviii. 16, 17, 19; Isa. xiv. 20.

j Ps. xl 9; John xx. 17; Rom. viii. 29; Heb. ii. 12.

23 Ye that fear the LORD, praise him; all ye the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ye the seed of Israel.[a]

24 For he hath not despised nor abhorred the affliction of the afflicted; neither hath he hid his face from him, but when he cried unto him, he heard.[b]

25 My praise *shall be* of thee in the great congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.[c]

26 The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.[d]

27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee.[e]

28 For the kingdom *is* the LORD's: and he *is* the governor among the nations.[f]

29 All *they that be* fat upon earth shall eat and worship: all they that go down to the dust shall bow before him: and none can keep alive his own soul.[g]

30 A seed shall serve him; it shall be accounted to the Lord for a generation.[h]

31 They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born, that he hath done *this*.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1042

a Ps. cxxxv 19, 20
e Ps. ii 8, lxxii 11; lxxxvi 9, xcvi 7, xcviii 3, Isa xlix 6
f Ps xlvii 8, Obad 21, Zech xiv 9, Matt vi 13
b Heb v 7
g Ps xlv 12, Isa xxvi 19, Phil ii 10
c Ps xxxv 18, xl 9, 10; lxvi 13, cxi 1, cxvi 14, Eccles v 4
h Ps lxxxvii 6
d Ps. lxix 32; Lev. vii. 11, 12, 15, 16; Isa. lxv 13, John vi. 51.
i Ps lxxviii.6; lxxxvi 9, cii 18; Isa. lx 3, Rom iii 21, 22



AN EASTERN SHEPHERD LEADING HIS FLOCK.—PSALM XXIII

PSALM XXIII.

David's confidence in God's grace.

A Psalm of David.

THE LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want.[a]

2 He maketh me to lie down in [1]green pastures: he leadeth me beside the [2]still waters.[b]

3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.[c]

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou *art* with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.[d]

5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou [3]anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.[e]

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD [4]for ever.

PSALM XXIV.

1 *God's lordship in the world.* 3 *The citizens of his spiritual kingdom.* 7 *An exhortation to receive him.*

A Psalm of David.

THE earth *is* the LORD'S, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.[f]

2 For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established it upon the floods.[g]

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?[h]

4 [5]He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.[i]

5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This *is* the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, [6]O Jacob. Selah.[j]

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.[k]

8 Who *is* this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift *them* up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he *is* the King of glory. Selah.

PSALM XXV.

1 *David's confidence in prayer.* 7 *He prayeth for remission of sins,* 16 *and for help in affliction.*

A Psalm of David.

UNTO thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul.[l]

2 O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.[m]

3 Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.

4 Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.[n]

5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou *art* the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

6 Remember, O LORD, [7]thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they *have been* ever of old.[o]

7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.[p]

8 Good and upright *is* the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

9 The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.

10 All the paths of the LORD *are* mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

11 For thy name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it *is* great.[q]

12 What man *is* he that feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the way *that* he shall choose.[r]

13 His soul [8]shall dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the earth.[s]

14 The secret of the LORD *is* with them that fear him; [9]and he will shew them his covenant.[t]

15 Mine eyes *are* ever toward the LORD; for he shall [10]pluck my feet out of the net.[u]

16 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I *am* desolate and afflicted.[v]

17 The troubles of my heart are enlarged: *O* bring thou me out of my distresses.

18 Look upon mine affliction and my pain; and forgive all my sins.[w]

19 Consider mine enemies; for they are many, and they hate me with [11]cruel hatred.

20 O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be ashamed; for I put my trust in thee.[x]

21 Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.

22 Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles.[y]

PSALM XXVI.

David resorteth unto God in confidence of his integrity

A Psalm of David.

JUDGE me, O LORD; for I have walked in mine integrity: I have trusted also in the LORD; *therefore* I shall not slide.[z]

2 Examine me, O LORD, and prove me, try my reins and my heart.[a]

3 For thy lovingkindness *is* before mine eyes: and I have walked in thy truth.[b]

4 I have not sat with vain persons, neither will I go in with dissemblers.[c]

5 I have hated the congregation of evil doers; and will not sit with the wicked.[d]

6 I will wash mine hands in innocency: so will I compass thine altar, O LORD:[e]

7 That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.

8 LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place [12]where thine honour dwelleth.[f]

9 [13]Gather not my soul with sinners, nor my life with [14]bloody men:[g]

10 In whose hands *is* mischief, and their right hand is [15]full of bribes.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1042

7 Heb. *thy bowels.*

o Ps. cii. 17; cvi. 1; cvii. 1, Isa. lxiii. 15, Jer. xxxiii. 11

a Isa. xl. 11, Jer. xxiii. 4, Ezek. xxxiv. 11, 12, 23, John x. 11, Phil. iv. 19, 1 Peter ii. 25, Rev. vii. 17.

1 Heb. *pastures of tender grass*

p Ps. li. 1; Job xiii. 26, xx. 11; Jer. iii. 25.

2 Heb. *waters of quietness.*

b Ezek. xxxiv. 14.

c Ps. v. 8; xxxi. 3, Prov. viii. 20

d Ps. iii. 6, xxvii. 1, xliv. 19; cxviii. 6, Job iii. 5, x. 21, 22, xxiv. 17, Isa. xliii. 2.

q Ps. xxxi. 3, lxxix. 9, cix. 21, cxliii. 11; Rom. v. 20

3 Heb. *makest fat.*

e Ps. xcii. 10; civ. 15.

r Ps. xxxvii. 23

8 Heb. *shall lodge in goodness.*

s Ps. xxxvii. 11, 22, 29; Prov. xix. 23

4 Heb. *to length of days*

9 Or, *and his covenant to make them know it*

t Prov. iii. 32, John vii. 17, xv. 15

10 Heb. *bring forth*

u Ps. cxli. 8

v Ps. lxix. 16, lxxxvi. 16.

f Ps. l. 12, Exod. ix. 29, xix. 5; Deut. x. 14, Job xli. 11, 1 Cor. x. 26, 28

g Ps. civ. 5, cxxxvi. 6, Gen. i. 9, Job xxxviii. 6, 2 Peter iii. 5

w 2 Sam. xvi. 12

11 Heb. *hatred of violence.*

h Ps. xv. 1.

5 Heb. *The clean of hands*

x ver. 2.

i Ps. xv. 4, Job xvii. 9, Matt. v. 8, 1 Tim. ii. 8

y Ps. cxxx. 8

6 Or, *O God of Jacob*

j Ps. xxvii. 8; cv. 4

k Ps. xcvii. 6; Isa. xxvi. 2, Hagg. ii. 7, Mal. iii. 1, 1 Cor. ii. 8

z ver. 11, Ps. vii. 8, xxviii. 7; xxxi. 14, 2 Kings xx. 3, Prov. xx. 7, xxix. 25.

a Ps. vii. 9, xvii. 3, lxvi. 10, cxxxix. 23, Zech. xiii. 9.

b 2 Kings xx. 3.

c Ps. i. 1; Jer. xv. 17.

d Ps. i. 1, xxxi. 6; cxxxix. 21, 22.

e Ps. lxxiii. 13; 1 Tim. ii. 8

l Ps. lxxxvi. 4; cxliii. 8, Lam. iii. 41.

m Ps. xiii. 4; xxii. 5, xxxi. 1, xxxiv. 8; Isa. xxviii. 16; xlix. 23, Rom. x. 11

12 Heb. *of the tabernacle of thy honour*

f Ps. xxvii. 4.

13 Or, *Take not away*

14 Heb. *men of blood*

g Ps. xxviii. 3; 1 Sam. xxv. 29

n Ps. v. 8, xxvii. 11; lxxxvi. 11; cxix. 8, 10, Exod. xxxiii. 13

15 Heb. *filled with.*

h Exod. xxiii. 8, Deut. xvi. 19; 1 Sam. viii. 3; Isa. xxxiii. 15

11 But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: redeem me, and be merciful unto me.[a]

12 My foot standeth in an even place: in the congregations will I bless the LORD.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 1020

a ver 1
c Ps iii. 6
b Ps xxii. 22, xxvii. 11, xl. 2, cvii. 32, cxl. 1.

3 Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this *will* I *be* confident.[c]

4 One *thing* have I desired of the LORD, that will I



OCCUPATIONS OF THE RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED CONTRASTED. PS. 4 XXVI.

PSALM XXVII.

1 *David sustaineth his faith by the power of God,* 4 *by his love to the service of God,* 9 *by prayer.*

A Psalm of David.

THE LORD *is* my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD *is* the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?[c]

2 When the wicked, *even* mine enemies and my foes, [1]came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.[d]

2 Or, *the delight*
f Ps xxvi 8; lxv. 4, xc 17, Luke ii. 37.
g Ps xxxi 20; xl. 2, lxxxiii 3, xci 1, Isa. iv 6
c Ps lxii 2, 6; lxxxiv 11, cxviii 14, 21; Exod xv 2, Isa xii 2, Micah vii 8
1 Heb *approached against*
3 Heb *of shouting*
d Ps xiv 4
h Ps iii 8

seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold [2]the beauty of the LORD, and to enquire in his temple.[f]

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.[g]

6 And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices [3]of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.[h]

7 Hear, O LORD, *when* I cry with my voice: have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

8 [1] *When thou saidst,* Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, LORD, will I seek.[a]

9 Hide not thy face *far* from me; put not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.[b]

10 When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD [2]will take me up.[c]

11 Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in [3]a plain path, because of [4]mine enemies.[d]

12 Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.[e]

13 *I had fainted,* unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.[f]

14 Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.[g]

PSALM XXVIII.

1 *David prayeth earnestly against his enemies* 6 *He blesseth God.* 9 *He prayeth for the people.*

A *Psalm* of David

UNTO thee will I cry, O LORD my rock; be not silent [5]to me: lest, *if* thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit.[h]

2 Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands [6]toward thy holy oracle.[i]

3 Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity, which speak peace to their neighbours, but mischief *is* in their hearts.[j]

4 Give them according to their deeds, and according to the wickedness of their endeavours: give them after the work of their hands; render to them their desert.[k]

5 Because they regard not the works of the LORD, nor the operation of his hands, he shall destroy them, and not build them up.[l]

6 Blessed *be* the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.[m]

7 The LORD *is* my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.[n]

8 The LORD *is* [7]their strength, and he *is* the [8]saving strength of his anointed.[o]

9 Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: [9]feed them also, and lift them up for ever.[p]

PSALM XXIX.

1 *David exhorteth princes to give glory to God,* 3 *by reason of his power,* 11 *and protection of his people.*

A Psalm of David.

GIVE unto the LORD, O [10]ye mighty, give unto the LORD glory and strength.[q]

2 Give unto the LORD [11]the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD [12]in the beauty of holiness.[r]

3 The voice of the LORD *is* upon the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD *is* upon [13]many waters.[s]

4 The voice of the LORD *is* [14]powerful; the voice of the LORD *is* [15]full of majesty.

5 The voice of the LORD breaketh the cedars; yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.[t]

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.[u]

7 The voice of the LORD [16]divideth the flames of fire.

8 The voice of the LORD shaketh the wilderness; the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.[v]

9 The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds [17]to calve, and discovereth the forests: and in his temple [18]doth every one speak of *his* glory.[w]

10 The LORD sitteth upon the flood; yea, the LORD sitteth King for ever.[x]

11 The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace.[y]

PSALM XXX.

1 *David praiseth God for his deliverance* 4 *He exhorteth others to praise him by example of God's dealing with him.*

A Psalm *and* Song [1]*at* the dedication of the house of David.

I WILL extol thee, O LORD; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me.[a]

2 O LORD my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.[b]

3 O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.[c]

4 Sing unto the LORD, O ye saints of his, and give thanks [19]at the remembrance of his holiness.[d]

5 For [20]his anger *endureth but* a moment; in his favour *is* life: weeping may endure [21]for a night, but [22]joy *cometh* in the morning.[e]

6 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved.[f]

7 LORD, by thy favour thou hast [23]made my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, *and* I was troubled.

8 I cried to thee, O LORD; and unto the LORD I made supplication.[g]

9 What profit *is there* in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee? shall it declare thy truth?[h]

10 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me: LORD, be thou my helper.

11 Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;[i]

12 To the end that [24]*my* glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.[j]

PSALM XXXI.

1 *David shewing his confidence in God craveth his help.* 7 *He rejoiceth in his mercy.* 9 *He prayeth in his calamity.* 19 *He praiseth God for his goodness.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

IN thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness.[k]

2 Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily:

BEFORE CHRIST 1018.

14 Heb. *in power.*
15 Heb *in majesty*
1 Or, *My heart said unto thee, Let my face seek thy face,* &c
a Ps xxiv 6, cv 4
t Isa. li. 13; xiv 8, Ezek. xxxi. 15
u Ps. cxiv. 4; Deut. iii 9.
16 Heb. *cutteth out.*
b Ps lxix. 17; cxliii. 7.
v Numb xiii. 26.
2 Heb *will gather me.*
c Isa. xl. 11; xlix. 15.
17 Or, *to be in pain*
3 Heb. *a way of plainness.*
18 Or, *every whit of it uttereth,* &c.
4 Heb. *those which observe me*
d Ps. v 8; xxv 4, liv 5; lxxxvi 11, cxix.
w Job xxxix. 1—3
x Ps. x. 16; Gen vi 17; Job xxxviii. 8, 25.
e Ps xxxv. 11, 25; 1 Sam xxii. 9, 2 Sam. xvi 7, 8, Acts ix. 1.
y Ps xxviii. 8.
f Ps. lvi. 13, cxvi 9, Jer. xl. 19; Ezek. xxvi 20
g Ps. xxxi. 24; lxii 1, 5, cxxx 5; Isa. xxv 9, Hab ii 3
z Deut xx 5, 2 Sam v 11 vi 20, Neh xii 27
a Ps xxv 2, xxviii 9, xxxv 19, 24
5 Heb *from me*
b Ps vi 2, cii 3.
h Ps lxxxiii 1, lxxxviii 4; cxliii. 7
c Ps xxviii.1, lxxxvi 13.
6 Or, *towards the oracle of thy sanctuary*
i Ps v 7, cxxxviii. 2, 1 Kings vi. 22, 23; viii 28, 29
19 Or, *to the memorial*
d Ps. xcvii 12, 1 Chron. xvi 4
20 Heb. *there is but a moment in his anger*
j Ps xii 2, xxvi 9; lv 21, lxii 4, Jer ix 8
21 Heb *in the evening*
22 Heb *singing*
e Ps. lxiii. 3; cii 9, cxxvi. 5, Isa xii. 1, xxvi. 20, liv. 7, 8
f Job xxix 18.
k 2 Tim iv. 14; Rev xviii 6
23 Heb *settled strength for my mountain*
l Job xxxiv. 27; Isa. v. 12.
g Ps xxviii 6.
m Ps. iii 4, vi. 8, xviii. 6, cxvi 1.
h Ps vi 5; lxxxviii. 11, cxv 17, cxviii 17, Isa xxxviii 18.
n Ps xiii 5; xviii 2; xxii 4.
7 Or, *his strength*
8 Heb *strength of salvations*
o Ps xx 6.
9 Or, *rule.*
p Ps. lxxviii 71; Deut. ix. 29, 1 Kings viii. 51, 53; Ezra i 4
i 2 Sam vi. 14; Isa. lxi 3, Jer. xxxi. 4.
24 That is, *my tongue,* or, *my soul*
j Ps. lvii. 8
10 Heb *ye sons of the mighty*
q Ps xcvi 7—9; 1 Chron. xvi 28, 29
11 Heb. *the honour of his name*
12 Or, *in his glorious sanctuary*
r 2 Chron. xx. 21.
k Ps xxii.5; xxv. 2; lxxi 1; cxliii. 1; Isa. xlix. 23
13 Or, *great waters.*
s Job xxxvii. 4, 5.
t Ps xxix 5.
u Ps. cxiv. 4.
14 Heb. *in power.*
15 Heb *in majesty*
v Numb xiii. 26.
16 Heb. *cutteth out.*
w Job xxxix. 1—3
17 Heb *will gather me.*
x Ps. xxix. 10.
y Ps. xxix. 11.
1 Or, *at the dedication of the house of David*
a Ps. xxi. 1, xxviii. 7, xxxiii. 20, xl. 16, xlii. 5, 11, xliii. 5, xlvi. 10, xlvii. 1, xcvii. 9, xcix. 2, cxlvi. 2, cxlviii. 13, Isa. xii. 1, xxv. 1, Dan. iv. 37, Rom. xii. 19.
b Ps. vi. 2, xli. 4, ciii. 3, Isa. xxxviii. 16, 17, Jer. xvii. 14, James v. 15.
c Ps. lxxxvi. 13, Isa. xxxviii. 17, Jonah ii. 6.
19 Heb. *to the remembrance*
d Ps. xcvii. 12, 1 Chron. xvi. 4
20 Heb. *his anger is but for a moment*
e Ps. xxx. 11, cxxvi. 5, 6, Isa. liv. 7, 8, Lam. iii. 31, 32.
21 Heb. *for the evening*
22 Heb. *singing*
f Ps. xxi. 7, xxxii. 6, lxii. 2, 6, lxxxix. 33, 34, Isa. liv. 9, 10.
23 Heb. *settled strength for my mountain*
g Ps. xxviii. 1, xxx. 2, xl. 1, 2, lxxxviii. 1, 2, 13, cxix. 145, 146, Lam. iii. 55, 56.
h Ps. vi. 5, lxxxviii. 10—12, Isa. xxxviii. 18, 19.
i Ps. xxx. 11, Isa. lxi. 3, Jer. xxxi. 4.
24 That is, *my tongue,* or, *my soul*
j Ps. lvii. 8, lxiii. 5, cviii. 1, 2, cxlv. 21, Isa. xxvi. 12.
k Ps. xxii. 5, xxv. 2, lxxi. 1, cxliii. 1, Isa. xlix. 23

be thou [1]my strong rock, for an house of defence to save me.[a]

3 For thou *art* my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.[b]

4 Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for thou *art* my strength.

BEFORE CHRIST 1017.

1 Heb *to me for a rock of strength*
a Ps lxxi 2
f Ps iv 1, xvii 19, Deut. xxxii 30, 1 Sam xxvi 46
b Ps xvii 2, xxiii 3, xxv 11 Deut xxxii 4, 15 18 30 31
g Ps vi 7

8 And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.[f]

9 Have mercy upon me, O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, *yea*, my soul and my belly.[g]

10 For my life is spent with grief, and my years



A STORM IN THE WILDERNESS.

5 Into thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.[c]

6 I have hated them that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the LORD.[d]

7 I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities:[e]

c Luke xxiii 46; Acts vii 59
h Ps. xxxii. 3; cii. 3.
d Jonah ii. 8.
i Ps. xxxviii 11, lxiv 8, lxxxviii. 8, 18, Job xix. 13, Isa liii 4
e Ps lxix 16; lxxxix 1

with sighing: my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.[h]

11 I was a reproach among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours, and a fear to mine acquaintance: they that did see me without fled from me.[i]

12 I am forgotten as a dead man out of mind: I am like [2]a broken vessel.

13 For I have heard the slander of many: fear *was* on every side: while they took counsel together against me, they devised to take away my life.[a]

14 But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my God.

15 My times *are* in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

16 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy mercies' sake.[b]

17 Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let the wicked be ashamed, *and* [1]let them be silent in the grave.[c]

18 Let the lying lips be put to silence; which speak [2]grievous things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous.[d]

19 *Oh* how great *is* thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; *which* thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men![e]

20 Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.[f]

21 Blessed *be* the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marvellous kindness in a [3]strong city.[g]

22 For I said in my haste, I am cut off from before thine eyes: nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications when I cried unto thee.[h]

23 O love the LORD, all ye his saints: *for* the LORD preserveth the faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.[i]

24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.[j]

PSALM XXXII.

1 *Blessedness consisteth in remission of sins* 3 *Confession of sins giveth ease to the conscience.* 8 *God's promises bring joy.*

A Psalm of David, Maschil.

BLESSED *is he whose* transgression *is* forgiven, *whose* sin *is* covered.[k]

2 Blessed *is* the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit *there is* no guile.[l]

3 When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.

4 For day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Selah.[m]

5 I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. Selah.[n]

6 For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee [4]in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.[o]

7 Thou *art* my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.[p]

8 I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: [5]I will guide thee with mine eye.

9 Be ye not as the horse, *or* as the mule, *which* have no understanding: whose mouth must be held in with bit and bridle, lest they come near unto thee.[q]

10 Many sorrows *shall be* to the wicked: but he that trusteth in the LORD, mercy shall compass him about.[r]

11 Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all *ye that are* upright in heart.[s]

PSALM XXXIII.

1 *God is to be praised for his goodness,* 6 *for his power,* 12 *and for his providence.* 20 *Confidence is to be placed in God.*

REJOICE in the LORD, O ye righteous: *for* praise is comely for the upright.[t]

2 Praise the LORD with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery *and* an instrument of ten strings.[u]

3 Sing unto him a new song; play skilfully with a loud noise.[v]

4 For the word of the LORD *is* right; and all his works *are done* in truth.

5 He loveth righteousness and judgment: the earth is full of the [6]goodness of the LORD.[w]

6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.[x]

7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses.[y]

8 Let all the earth fear the LORD: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

9 For he spake, and it was *done;* he commanded, and it stood fast.[z]

10 The LORD [7]bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect.[a]

11 The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart [8]to all generations.[b]

12 Blessed *is* the nation whose God *is* the LORD; *and* the people *whom* he hath chosen for his own inheritance.[c]

13 The LORD looketh from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men.[d]

14 From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth.

15 He fashioneth their hearts alike; he considereth all their works.[e]

16 There is no king saved by the multitude of an host: a mighty man is not delivered by much strength.

17 An horse *is a vain thing* for safety: neither shall he deliver *any* by his great strength.[f]

18 Behold, the eye of the LORD *is* upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy;[g]

19 To deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine.[h]

20 Our soul waiteth for the LORD: he *is* our help and our shield.[i]

21 For our heart shall rejoice in him, because we have trusted in his holy name.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1031.

5 Heb. *I will counsel thee: mine eye shall be upon thee.*

a Jer. vi. 25; xx. 3, 10, Lam. ii. 22; Matt. xxvii. 1

q Job xxxv. 11; Prov. xxvi. 3; James iii. 3

r Ps. xxxiv. 8; lxxxiv. 12, Prov. xiii. 21; xvi. 20; Jer. xvii. 7; Rom. ii. 9.

b Ps. iv. 6; lxvii. 1; Numb. vi. 25, 26.

s Ps. lxiv. 10; lxviii. 3.

1 Or, *let them be cut off for the grave.*

c Ps. xxv. 2; cxv. 17; 1 Sam. ii. 9.

2 Heb. *a hard thing.*

d Ps. xii. 3; xciv. 4; 1 Sam. ii. 3; Jude 15.

t Ps. xxxii. 11; xcvii. 12; cxlvii. 1

u Ps. xcii. 3; cxliv. 9

e Isa. lxiv. 4, 1 Cor. ii. 9

v Ps. xcvi. 1; xcviii. 1; cxliv. 9; cxlix. 1; Isa. xlii. 10, Rev. v. 9.

f Ps. xxvii. 5; xxxi. 7; Job v. 21.

6 Or, *mercy.*

w Ps. xi. 7, xiv. 7, cxix. 64.

3 Or, *fenced city*

g Ps. xvii. 7; 1 Sam. xxiii. 7.

x Gen. i. 6, 7, ii. 1, Job xxvi. 13, 2 Peter iii. 5; Heb. xi. 3.

h Isa. xxxviii. 11, 12; Lam. iii. 54, Jonah ii. 4.

y Gen. i. 9; Job xxvi. 10, xxxviii. 8.

i Ps. xxxiv. 9; xcvii. 10; cxlv. 20.

j Ps. xxvii. 14; lxii. 1, 5; cxxx. 5; Isa. xxv. 9; Hab. ii. 3.

z Ps. cxlviii. 5; Gen. i. 3.

7 Heb. *maketh frustrate.*

a Isa. viii. 10; xix. 3.

8 Heb. *to generation and generation.*

b Job xxiii. 13; Prov. xix. 21; Isa. xlvi. 10.

k Ps. lxxxv. 2; Rom. iv. 6—8.

c Ps. lxv. 4; cxliv. 15; Exod. xix. 5, Deut. vii. 6.

l John i. 47, 2 Cor. v. 19.

d Ps. xi. 4; xiv. 2, 2 Chron. xvi. 9; Job xxviii. 24; Prov. xv. 3.

e Job xxxiv. 21; Jer. xxxii. 19.

m Ps. xxxviii. 2; 1 Sam. v. 6, 11; Job xxxiii. 7.

n Prov. xxviii. 13; Isa. lv. 24; Luke xv. 18, 21, &c.; 1 John i. 9.

f Ps. xx. 7; cxlvii. 10; Prov. xxi. 31.

4 Heb. *in a time of finding.*

g Ps. xxxiv. 15; cxlvii. 11; Job xxxvi. 7; 1 Peter iii. 12.

o Isa. lv. 6, John vii. 34; 1 Tim. i. 16

h Ps. xxxvii. 19 Job v. 20

i Ps. lxii. 1, 5; cxv. 9—11; cxxx. 6.

p Ps. ix. 9, xxvii. 5; xxxi. 20, cxix. 114; Exod. xv. 1, Judg. v. 1; 2 Sam. xxii. 1

j Ps. xiii. 5; Zech. x. 7, John xvi. 22.



PRAISE YE THE LORD ON THE HARP, ETC.—PSALM XXVIII. 1—3.

22 Let thy mercy, O LORD, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.

PSALM XXXIV.

1 *David praiseth God, and exhorteth others thereto by his experience.* 8 *They are blessed that trust in God.* 11 *He exhorteth to the fear of God* 15 *The privileges of the righteous.*

A Psalm of David, when he changed his behaviour before Abimelech, who drove him away, and he departed.

I WILL bless the LORD at all times: his praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth.[a]

2 My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear *thereof*, and be glad.[b]

3 O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.[c]

4 I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.[d]

5 [1]They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard *him*, and saved him out of all his troubles.[e]

7 The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.[f]

8 O taste and see that the LORD *is* good: blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.[g]

9 O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for *there is* no want to them that fear him.[h]

10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good *thing*.[i]

11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.[j]

12 What man *is he that* desireth life, *and* loveth *many* days, that he may see good?[k]

13 Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.[l]

14 Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.[m]

15 The eyes of the LORD *are* upon the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their cry.[n]

16 The face of the LORD *is* against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.[o]

17 *The righteous* cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.[p]

18 The LORD *is* nigh [2]unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be [3]of a contrite spirit.[q]

19 Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.[r]

20 He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken.[s]

21 Evil shall slay the wicked: and they that hate the righteous [4]shall be desolate.[t]

22 The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.[u]

BEFORE CHRIST 1031

a Ps. lxxxiv 11, Job xv 10, 11
b Ps xxxii 8
k 1 Peter iii 10, 11
l John i 47, 1 Peter ii 22
a Eph v 20, 1 Thess v 18, 2 Thess. i 3, ii 13
m Ps xxxvii 27, Isa i. 16, 17, Amos v 15
n vs 6, 17, Ps xxxiii 18, Job xxxvi 7
b Ps. cxix 74, cxlii 7, Jer. ix 24, 1 Cor i 31, 2 Cor x 17
c Ps. lxix 30, Luke i 46
o Lev xvii 10, Deut xxix 19, 20, Prov x. 7, Jer xliv. 11
d Matt vii 7, Luke xi 9
p vs 6, 15, 19, Ps. cxlv. 19, 20.
1 Or, *They flowed unto him*
2 Heb *to the broken of heart*
3 Heb *contrite of spirit*
q Ps li 17; cxlv 18, Isa. lvii 15; lxi 1.
e vs 17, 19, 2 Sam xxii 1
r vs 6, 17; Prov. xxiv. 16; 2 Tim iii. 11, 12.
f Gen. xxxii 1, 2; 2 Kings vi. 17; Dan. vi 22; Zech ix. 8, Heb i. 14
s John xix 36.
g Ps ii 12; 1 Peter ii. 3.
4 Or, *shall be guilty.*
t Ps. xciv. 23.
h Ps. xxxi. 23.
u Ps. lxxi. 23; cii. 4, 2 Sam. iv. 9; 1 Kings i. 29: Lam. iii. 58

PSALM XXXV.

1 *David prayeth for his own safety, and his enemies' confusion.* 11 *He complaineth of their wrongful dealing.* 22 *Thereby he inciteth God against them.*

A Psalm of David.

PLEAD *my cause*, O LORD, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me.[a]

2 Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help.

3 Draw out also the spear, and stop *the way* against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I *am* thy salvation.

4 Let them be confounded and put to shame that seek after my soul: let them be turned back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt.[b]

5 Let them be as chaff before the wind: and let the angel of the LORD chase *them*.[c]

6 Let their way be [1]dark and slippery: and let the angel of the LORD persecute them.[d]

7 For without cause have they hid for me their net *in* a pit, *which* without cause they have digged for my soul.[e]

8 Let destruction come upon him at unawares; and let his net that he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.[f]

9 And my soul shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in his salvation.[g]

10 All my bones shall say, LORD, who *is* like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poor and the needy from him that spoileth him?[h]

11 [2]False witnesses did rise up; [3]they laid to my charge *things* that I knew not.[i]

12 They rewarded me evil for good *to* the [4]spoiling of my soul.[j]

13 But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing *was* sackcloth: I [5]humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom.[k]

14 I [6]behaved myself [7]as though *he had been* my friend *or* brother: I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth *for his* mother.

15 But in mine [8]adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: *yea*, the abjects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew *it* not; they did tear *me*, and ceased not.[l]

16 With hypocritical mockers in feasts, they gnashed upon me with their teeth.[m]

17 Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue my soul from their destructions, [9]my darling from the lions.[n]

18 I will give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among [10]much people.[o]

19 Let not them that are mine enemies [11]wrongfully rejoice over me: *neither* let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause.[p]

20 For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters against *them that are* quiet in the land.

21 Yea, they opened their mouth wide against me, *and* said, Aha, aha, our eye hath seen *it*.[q]

22 *This* thou hast seen, O LORD: keep not silence: O Lord, be not far from me.[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 1062.

e Ps. xliv. 23; lxxx. 2.
t ver 19, 2 Thess. i. 6.
12 Heb. *Ah, ah, our soul.*
u Ps. xxvii. 12; lxx. 3; cxl. 8; Lam. ii. 16.
a Ps xliii 1; cxix. 154; Exod. xiv. 25; Lam. iii 58.
v ver 4; Ps. xxxviii. 16; xl 14; cix. 29; cxxxii. 18.
13 Heb. *my righteousness*
w Ps lxx. 4, cxlix 4.
b ver 26, Ps xl 14, 15, lxx 2, 3; cxxix 5.
x Ps li 14, lxxi. 24
c Ps i 4, lxxxiii. 13; Job xxi 18, Isa. xxix. 5; Hos xiii 3.
1 Heb. *darkness and slipperiness.*
d Ps. lxxiii 18, Jer. xxiii. 12
e Ps. ix 15
y Rom iii 18
f Ps. vii 15, 16, lvii. 6; cxli 9, 10, Prov v. 22
14 Heb *to find his iniquity to hate*
z Deut. xxix. 19; Ps. x. 3, xlix 18.
g Ps xiii 5
a Ps xii 2, Jer iv. 22
15 Or, *vanity*
b Prov iv 16, Isa. lxv 2, Micah ii. 1.
h Ps li 8, lxxi 19, lxxxvi 8, lxxxix 6, 8, Exod xv 11.
2 Heb. *Witnesses of wrong*
3 Heb *they asked me*
c Ps lvii. 10, cviii 4.
i Ps. xxvii. 12
16 Heb *the mountains of God.*
4 Heb *depriving.*
j Ps. xxxviii 20, cix 3—5, Jer xviii 20, John x 32
d Ps lxxvii 19, cxiv. 9, Job vii 20, xi 8; Rom. xi 33, 1 Tim iv 10
17 Heb *precious*
5 Or, *afflicted*
e Ps xvii. 8, xxxi 19, xci 4, Ruth ii 12
k Ps lxix 10, Job xxx 25, Matt x 13, Luke x 6
18 Heb *watered.*
6 Heb *walked*
7 Heb *as a friend, as a brother to me*
f Ps xvi 11, Job xx 17, Rev xxii 1
8 Heb *halting*
g Jer li 13, John iv 10, 14, 1 Peter ii 9
19 Heb *draw out at length*
l Ps xxxviii 17, Job xvi 9, xxx 1, 8, 12
h Ps vii 10, xciv 15, xcvii 11, Jer xxii 16
m Ps xxxvii 12, Job xvi 9, Lam ii 16
9 Heb *my only one*
n Ps xxii 20, Hab i. 13
i Ps i 5
10 Heb *strong.*
o Ps xxii 25, 31, xl. 9, 10, cxi 1
11 Heb *falsely*
p Ps xiii 4; xxv. 2, xxxviii. 16, lxix. 4; cix. 3, cxix. 161, Job xv. 12; Prov. vi. 13; x. 10; Lam iii 52; John xv. 25
j ver 7, Ps. lxxiii. 3; Prov. xxiii. 17, xxiv 1, 19.
q Ps xxii. 13, xl. 15; Hv 7, lxx. 3.
k Ps. xc. 5, 6.
r Exod iii. 7; Ps. x. 1; xxii 11, 19, xxxviii. 21, lxxi. 12, lxxxiii. 1
20 Heb *in truth, or stableness*

23 Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, *even* unto my cause, my God and my Lord.[s]

24 Judge me, O LORD my God, according to thy righteousness; and let them not rejoice over me.[t]

25 Let them not say in their hearts, [12]Ah, so would we have it: let them not say, We have swallowed him up.[u]

26 Let them be ashamed and brought to confusion together that rejoice at mine hurt: let them be clothed with shame and dishonour that magnify *themselves* against me.[v]

27 Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour [13]my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.[w]

28 And my tongue shall speak of thy righteousness *and* of thy praise all the day long.[x]

PSALM XXXVI.

1 *The grievous estate of the wicked.* 5 *The excellency of God's mercy.* 10 *David prayeth for favour to God's children.*

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David the servant of the LORD.

THE transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, *that there is* no fear of God before his eyes.[y]

2 For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, [14]until his iniquity be found to be hateful.[z]

3 The words of his mouth *are* iniquity and deceit: he hath left off to be wise, *and* to do good.[a]

4 He deviseth [15]mischief upon his bed; he setteth himself in a way *that is* not good; he abhorreth not evil.[b]

5 Thy mercy, O LORD, *is* in the heavens; *and* thy faithfulness *reacheth* unto the clouds.[c]

6 Thy righteousness *is* like [16]the great mountains; thy judgments *are* a great deep: O LORD, thou preservest man and beast.[d]

7 How [17]excellent *is* thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.[e]

8 They shall be abundantly [18]satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.[f]

9 For with thee *is* the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.[g]

10 O [19]continue thy lovingkindness unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart.[h]

11 Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me.

12 There are the workers of iniquity fallen: they are cast down, and shall not be able to rise.[i]

PSALM XXXVII.

David persuadeth to patience and confidence in God, by the different estate of the godly and the wicked.

A Psalm of David.

FRET not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.[j]

2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.[k]

3 Trust in the LORD, and do good; *so* shalt thou dwell in the land, and [20]verily thou shalt be fed.

s Ps xliv. 23; lxxx. 2.
t ver 19, 2 Thess. i. 6.
12 Heb. *Ah, ah, our soul.*
u Ps. xxvii. 12; lxx. 3; cxl. 8; Lam. ii. 16.
v ver 4; Ps. xxxviii. 16; xl 14; cix. 29; cxxxii. 18.
13 Heb. *my righteousness*
w Ps lxx. 4, cxlix 4.
x Ps li 14, lxxi. 24
y Rom iii 18
z Deut. xxix. 19; Ps. x. 3, xlix 18.
a Ps xii 2, Jer iv. 22
15 Or, *vanity*
b Prov iv 16, Isa. lxv 2, Micah ii. 1.
c Ps lxxvii 19, cxiv. 9, Job vii 20, xi 8; Rom. xi 33, 1 Tim iv 10
17 Heb *precious*
d Ps xvii. 8, xxxi 19, xci 4, Ruth ii 12
e Ps lxix 10, Job xxx 25, Matt x 13, Luke x 6
18 Heb *watered.*
f Ps xvi 11, Job xx 17, Rev xxii 1
g Jer li 13, John iv 10, 14, 1 Peter ii 9
19 Heb *draw out at length*
h Ps vii 10, xciv 15, xcvii 11, Jer xxii 16
i Ps i 5
j ver 7, Ps. lxxiii. 3; Prov. xxiii. 17, xxiv 1, 19.
k Ps. xc. 5, 6.



SYMPATHY WITH THE SICK AND AFFLICTED — PSALM XXXV. 14.

4 Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.[a]

5 [1]Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring *it* to pass.[b]

6 And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.[c]

7 [2]Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.[d]

8 Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.[e]

9 For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.[f]

10 For yet a little while, and the wicked *shall* not *be:* yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it *shall* not *be.*[g]

11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.[h]

12 The wicked [3]plotteth against the just, and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.[i]

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a Isa. lviii. 14
j Ps. ii. 4, 1 Sam. xxvi. 10.

1 Heb. *Roll thy way upon the LORD*

b Ps. lv. 22, Prov. xvi. 3; Matt. vi. 25, Luke xii. 22, 1 Peter v. 7
4 Heb. *the upright of way*

c Job xi. 17; Micah vii. 9.

2 Heb. *Be silent to the LORD*
k Micah v. 6
l Prov. xxv. 26, xvi. 32; 1 Tim. vi. 6

d vs. 1, 8, Ps. lxii. 1, Isa. xxx. 15; Jer. xii. 1; Lam. iii. 26.
m Ps. x. 15; Job xxxviii. 15; Ezek. xxx. 21, &c.

e Ps. lxxiii. 3; Eph. iv. 26
n Ps. i. 6; Isa. lx. 21.

f vs. 11, 22, 29, Job xxvii. 13, 14; Isa. lvii. 13.
o Ps. xxxiii. 19; Job v. 20

g Job vii. 10; xx. 9; Heb. x. 36, 37
5 Heb. *the preciousness of lambs.*
p Ps. cii. 3.

h Matt. v. 5.

3 Or, *practiseth.*
q Ps. cxii. 5, 9.

i Ps. xxxvii. 16

13 The Lord shall laugh at him: for he seeth that his day is coming.[j]

14 The wicked have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, *and* to slay [4]such as be of upright conversation.

15 Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.[k]

16 A little that a righteous man hath *is* better than the riches of many wicked.[l]

17 For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous.[m]

18 The LORD knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever.[n]

19 They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied.[o]

20 But the wicked shall perish, and the enemies of the LORD *shall be* as [5]the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.[p]

21 The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth.[q]

22 For *such as be* blessed of him shall inherit the

earth; and *they that be* cursed of him shall be cut off.[a]

23 The steps of a *good* man are [1]ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.[b]

24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth *him with* his hand.[c]

25 I have been young, and *now* am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.[d]

26 *He is* [2]ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed *is* blessed.[e]

27 Depart from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore.[f]

28 For the LORD loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.[g]

29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.[h]

30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment.[i]

31 The law of his God *is* in his heart; none of his [3]steps shall slide.[j]

32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.[k]

33 The LORD will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.[l]

34 Wait on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see *it*.[m]

35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like [4]a green bay tree.[n]

36 Yet he passed away, and, lo, he *was* not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.[o]

37 Mark the perfect *man*, and behold the upright: for the end of *that* man *is* peace.[p]

38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.[q]

39 But the salvation of the righteous *is* of the LORD: *he is* their strength in the time of trouble.[r]

40 And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him.[s]

PSALM XXXVIII.

David moveth God to take compassion of his pitiful case.

A Psalm of David, to bring to remembrance.

O LORD, rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.[t]

2 For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth me sore.[u]

3 *There is* no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger; neither *is there any* [5]rest in my bones because of my sin.[v]

4 For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they are too heavy for me.[w]

5 My wounds stink *and* are corrupt because of my foolishness.

6 I am [6]troubled; I am bowed down greatly; I go mourning all the day long.[x]

7 For my loins are filled with a loathsome *disease*; and *there is* no soundness in my flesh.[y]

8 I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart.[z]

9 Lord, all my desire *is* before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.

10 My heart panteth, my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes, it also [7]is gone from me.[a]

11 My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my [8]sore; and [9]my kinsmen stand afar off.[b]

12 They also that seek after my life lay snares *for me:* and they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.[c]

13 But I, as a deaf *man*, heard not; and *I was* as a dumb man *that* openeth not his mouth.[d]

14 Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth *are* no reproofs.

15 For [10]in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt [11]hear, O Lord my God.[e]

16 For I said, *Hear me*, lest *otherwise* they should rejoice over me: when my foot slippeth, they magnify *themselves* against me.[f]

17 For I *am* ready [12]to halt, and my sorrow *is* continually before me.[g]

18 For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my sin.[h]

19 But mine enemies [13]*are* lively, *and* they are strong: and they that hate me wrongfully are multiplied.[i]

20 They also that render evil for good are mine adversaries; because I follow *the thing that* good *is*.[j]

21 Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not far from me.[k]

22 Make haste [14]to help me, O Lord my salvation.

PSALM XXXIX.

1 *David's care of his thoughts.* 4 *The consideration of the brevity and vanity of life,* 7 *the reverence of God's judgments,* 10 *and prayer, are his bridles of impatiency.*

To the chief Musician, *even* to Jeduthun, A Psalm of David.

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep [15]my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.[m]

2 I was dumb with silence, I held my peace, *even* from good; and my sorrow was [16]stirred.[n]

3 My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned: *then* spake I with my tongue,[o]

4 LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it *is; that* I may know [17]how frail I *am*.[p]

5 Behold, thou hast made my days *as* an handbreadth; and mine age *is* as nothing before thee: verily every man [18]at his best state *is* altogether vanity. Selah.

6 Surely every man walketh in [19]a vain show: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up *riches*, and knoweth not who shall gather them.[r]

7 And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope *is* in thee.[s]

8 Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish.[t]

9 I was dumb, I opened not my mouth; because thou didst *it*.[u]

10 Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the [20]blow of thine hand.[v]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

a ver. 9; Prov. iii. 33.
s Ps. xxii. 1; Job iii. 24; Isa. lix. 11.

1 Or, *established.*

b 1 Sam. ii. 9; Prov. xvi. 9.
c Ps. xxxiv. 19, 20; xl. 2; xci. 12; Prov. xxiv. 16; Micah vii. 8; 2 Cor. iv 9.

7 Heb *is not with me.*
a Ps. vi. 7; lxxxviii. 9.

8 Heb. *stroke.*

9 Or, *my neighbours.*
b Ps. xxxi. 11; Luke x. 31, 32; xxiii 49

d Ps. lix. 15; cix. 10, Job xv. 23.

2 Heb *all the day.*

e Ps. cxii 5, 9; Deut. xv 8, 10
c Ps. xxxv. 20; 2 Sam xvi. 7, 8; xvii. 1—3.

f Ps xxxiv. 14; Isa. i. 16, 17.
d Ps. xxxix 2, 9, 2 Sam xvi. 10.

g Ps. xi 7, xxi. 10; Prov ii 21
10 Or, *thee do I wait for.*
11 Or, *answer.*
e Ps cxxiii 1—3.

h Prov ii. 21.

i Matt. xii 35.
f Ps xiii. 4, xxxv 26; Deut. xxxii. 35
12 Heb. *for halting.*

3 Or, *goings.*

j Ps xl. 8; cxix. 98; Deut. vi. 6; Isa. li. 7.
g Ps. xxxv. 15.

k Ps x. 8.
h Ps. xxxii. 5; Prov. xxviii. 13; 2 Cor. vii. 9, 10.
13 Heb. *being living, are strong.*

l Ps. cix. 31; 2 Peter ii. 9.
i Ps. xxxv. 19.
j Ps. xxxv. 12; 1 Peter iii. 13; 1 John iii. 12.

m ver. 9; Ps. xxvii. 14; iii. 5, 6, xci. 8; Prov. xx. 22.
k Ps. xxxv. 22.

4 Or, *a green tree that groweth in his own soil.*

n Job v. 3.
14 Heb. *for my help.*
l Ps. xxvii. 1; lxii. 2, 6; Isa. xii. 2.

o Job xx. 5, &c.

p Isa xxxii 17, lvii. 2

q Ps i 4, lii 5

r Ps iii 8, ix. 9
15 Heb. *a bridle,* or, *muzzle for my mouth*
m Ps cxli 3, 1 Kings ii 4; 2 Kings x. 31.

s 1 Chron v 20, Isa. xxxi. 5, Dan. iii. 17, 28, vi. 23
16 Heb. *troubled.*
n Ps xxxviii. 13.
o Jer xx. 9, Col iv 5
17 Or, *what time I have h've*
p Ps. xc. 12; cxix. 84

t Ps vi 1.
18 Heb *settled.*

u Ps xxxii 4; Job vi. 4.
q ver 11; Ps lxii. 9; xc 4, cxliv. 4.
19 Heb. *an image*

5 Heb. *peace,* or, *health.*

v Ps. vi 2.
r Job xxvii. 17; Eccles. v 14; Luke xii. 20, 21; 1 Cor. vii. 31; James iv. 14.

w Ps. xl. 12; Ezra ix. 6; Matt xi. 28.
s Ps. xxxviii. 15.
t Ps. xliv. 13; lxxix. 4.

6 Heb. *vried.*

x Ps. xxxv. 14; xlii. 9; xliii 2, Job xxx. 28.
u Ps. xxxviii. 13; Lev. x. 3; 2 Sam. xvi. 10; Job ii. 10; ix. 34.

y ver 3; Job vii. 5.
20 Heb. *conflict.*
v Job ix. 34; xiii. 21.



HE HEAPETH UP RICHES, AND KNOWETH NOT WHO SHALL GATHER THEM."—PSALM XXXIX 6.

11 When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest [1]his beauty to consume away like a moth: surely every man *is* vanity. Selah.[a]

12 Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears: for I *am* a stranger with thee, *and* a sojourner, as all my fathers *were*.[b]

13 O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more.[c]

PSALM XL.

1 *The benefit of confidence in God.* 6 *Obedience is the best sacrifice.* 11 *The sense of David's evils inflameth his prayer*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

[2]I WAITED patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.[d]

2 He brought me up also out of [3]an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, *and* established my goings.[e]

3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth, *even* praise unto our God: many shall see *it*, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

1 Heb *that which is to be desired in him to melt away*
a ver 5, Job iv. 19; xiii. 28, Isa. l. 9; Hos v 12
y Ps. xxxix 8, ci 3, 7 Jer xvii 7
4 Or, *none can order them unto thee*
b Ps. cxix 19, Gen xlvii 9, Lev xxv. 23, Heb xi 13; 1 Peter i. 17; ii 11
h Ps. lxxi 15, xcii 5; cxxxix 6, 17, Exod xv 11, Job v 9, ix 10
c Job x 20, 21, xiv 5, 6, 10—12.
5 Heb *ceased*, Exod xxi 6
i Ps i 8, ii 16, 1 Sam xv 22, Isa i 11, lxvi 3, Hos vi 6, Matt. ix. 13, xii 7; Heb. x. 5.
j Luke xxiv 44.
2 Heb. *In waiting I waited*
6 Heb *in the midst of my bowels.*
k Ps. xxxvii 31, cxix. 16, 24, 47, 92; Jer xxxi 33; John iv 34; Rom vii 22.
d Ps. xxvii. 14; xxxvii. 7
3 Heb *a pit of noise.*
l Ps. xxii. 22, 25, xxxv. 18; cxix. 13
e Ps. xxvii 5; xxxvii 23 lxix 2, 14
f Ps. xxxii. 3; lii. 6
m Acts xx. 20, 27

4 Blessed *is* that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.[g]

5 Many, O LORD my God, *are* thy wonderful works *which* thou hast done, and thy thoughts *which are* to us-ward: [4]they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: *if* I would declare and speak *of them*, they are more than can be numbered.[h]

6 Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou [5]opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.[i]

7 Then said I, Lo, I come: in the volume of the book *it is* written of me,[j]

8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law *is* [6]within my heart.[k]

9 I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest.[l]

10 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; I have declared thy faithfulness and thy salvation: I have not concealed thy lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation.[m]

11 Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me.[a]

12 For innumerable evils have compassed me about: mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart [1]faileth me.[b]

13 Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD, make haste to help me.[c]

14 Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my soul to destroy it: let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.[d]

15 Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame that say unto me, Aha, aha.[e]



HARTS AT THE WATER BROOK.

16 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.[f]

17 But I *am* poor and needy; *yet* the Lord thinketh upon me: thou *art* my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.[g]

PSALM XLI.

1 *God's care of the poor.* 4 *David complaineth of his enemies' treachery.* 10 *He fleeth to God for succour.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

BLESSED *is* he that considereth [2]the poor: the LORD will deliver him [3]in time of trouble.[h]

2 The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; *and* he shall be blessed upon the earth: and [4]thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.[i]

3 The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt [5]make all his bed in his sickness.

4 I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I have sinned against thee.[j]

5 Mine enemies speak evil of me, When shall he die, and his name perish?

6 And if he come to see *me*, he speaketh vanity: his heart gathereth iniquity to itself; *when* he goeth abroad, he telleth *it*.[k]

7 All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they devise [6]my hurt.

8 [7]An evil disease, *say they*, cleaveth fast unto him: and *now* that he lieth he shall rise up no more.

9 Yea, [8]mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath [9]lifted up *his* heel against me.[l]

10 But thou, O LORD, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.

11 By this I know that thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me.

12 And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for ever.[m]

13 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting. Amen, and Amen.[n]

PSALM XLII.

1 *David's zeal to serve God in the temple.* 5 *He encourageth his soul to trust in God.*

To the chief Musician, Maschil, for the sons of Korah.

AS the hart [10]panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God.

2 My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?[o]

3 My tears have been my meat day and night, while they continually say unto me, Where *is* thy God?[p]

4 When I remember these *things*, I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the multitude. I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.[q]

5 Why art thou [11]cast down, O my soul? and *why* art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet [12]praise him [13]*for* the help of his countenance.[r]

6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from [14]the hill Mizar.[s]

7 Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts: all thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.[t]

8 *Yet* the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and in the night his song *shall be* with me, *and* my prayer unto the God of my life.[u]

9 I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?[v]

BEFORE CHRIST 1024.

5 Heb. *turn.*
a Ps. xliii. 3; lvi. 3.
b Ps. vi. 2; cxlvii. 3; 2 Chron. xxx. 20.
1 Heb. *forsaketh.*
b Ps. xxxviii. 4; lxxiii. 26.
c Ps. lxx. 1, &c
d Ps. xxxv. 4, 26; lxx. 2, 3; lxxi. 13
6 Heb. *evil to me.*
7 Heb. *A thing of belial.*
e Ps. lxx. 3; lxxiii. 19.
8 Heb. *the man of my peace.*
9 Heb. *magnified.*
f Ps. lv. 12, 13, 20; 2 Sam. xv. 12; Job xix. 19; Jer. xx. 10; Obad. 7; John xiii. 18.
m Ps. xxxiv. 15; Job xxxvi. 7.
n Ps. cvi. 48.

10 Heb. *braveth.*
o Ps. lxiii. 1, lxxxiv 2 John vii. 37, 1 Thess. i. 9
p ver 10, Ps lxxix. 10, lxxx. 5, cii 9; cxv 2 Ps lxii. 8, Job xxx. 16; Isa. xxx. 29
11 Heb *bowed down.* xxxv 27, lxx. 4.
12 Or, *give thanks*
13 Or, *his presence is salvation*
r ver 11, Ps. xliii 5; Lam iii. 24
g Ps lxx 5; 1 Peter v 7.
14 Or, *the little hill.*
s Ps cxxxiii 3.
t Ps lxxxviii 7; Jer. iv. 20, Ezek. vii. 26, Jonah ii. 3
2 Or, *the weak*, or, *sick*
3 Heb. *in the day of evil.*
h Prov xiv. 21.
u Ps xxxii. 7; lxiii. 6, cxxxiii. 3; cxlix. 5; Lev xxv. 21; Deut xxviii. 8; Job xxxv 10
4 Or, *do not thou deliver.*
i Ps. xxvii 12
v Ps. xxxviii 6; xliii. 2.



A FATHER IN ISRAEL DISCOURSING OF THE OLDEN TIME TO THE YOUNG.—PSALM XLIV. 1.

10 *As* with a [1]sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; while they say daily unto me, Where *is* thy God?[a]

11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my countenance, and my God.[b]

PSALM XLIII.

1 *David, praying to be restored to the temple, promiseth to serve God joyfully.* 5 *He encourageth his soul to trust in God.*

JUDGE me, O God, and plead my cause against an [2]ungodly nation: O deliver me [3]from the deceitful and unjust man.[c]

2 For thou *art* the God of my strength: why dost thou cast me off? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?[d]

3 O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles.[e]

4 Then will I go unto the altar of God, unto God [4]my exceeding joy: yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God my God.

5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise him, *who is* the health of my countenance, and my God.[f]

PSALM XLIV.

1 *The church, in memory of former favours, 7 complaineth of their present evils.* 17 *Professing her integrity, 23 she fervently prayeth for succour.*

To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, Maschil.

WE have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, *what* work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.[g]

2 *How* thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; *how* thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out.[h]

3 For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto them.[i]

4 Thou art my King, O God: command deliverances for Jacob.[j]

5 Through thee will we push down our enemies: through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us.[k]

6 For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.[l]

7 But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.[m]

8 In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever. Selah.[n]

9 But thou hast cast off, and put us to shame; and goest not forth with our armies.[o]

10 Thou makest us to turn back from the enemy: and they which hate us spoil for themselves.[p]

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

1 Or, *killing.*

5 Heb. *as sheep of meat.*

a ver. 3; Joel ii. 17; Micah vii. 10.

6 Heb. *without riches.*

r Isa. lii. 3, 4; Jer. xv. 13.

b ver. 5; Ps. xliii. 5.

s Ps. lxxix. 4; lxxx. 6.

t Ps. xxii. 7; Deut. xxviii. 37; 2 Kings xix. 21; Job xvi. 4.

2 Or, *unmerciful.*

u Ps. viii. 2.

3 Heb. *from a man of deceit and iniquity.*

c Ps. xxvi. 1; xxxv. 1, 24.

v Dan. ix. 18

7 Or, *goings.*

w Ps. cxix. 51, 157; Job xxiii. 11.

d Ps. xxviii. 7; xlii. 9.

x Ps. xxiii. 4; Isa. xxxiv. 13, xxxv. 7.

e Ps. lii. 4, xl. 11; lvii. 3.

y Ps lxviii. 31, Job xi. 13.

4 Heb. *the gladness of my joy.*

z Ps. cxxxix. 1; Job xxxi. 14; Jer. xvii. 10.

a Rom. viii. 36.

b ver. 9; Ps. vii. 6; xxxv. 23, lix. 4, 5; lxxviii. 65.

f Ps. xlii. 5, 11.

c Ps. xiii. 1, lxxxviii. 14; Job xiii. 24.

d Ps. cxix. 25.

8 Heb *a help for us.*

g Ps lxxviii 3, Exod. xii 26, 27

9 Heb *boileth*, or, *bubbleth up*

h Ps. lxxviii. 55; lxxx. 8, Exod. xv. 17; Deut. vii. 1.

e Luke iv 22.

i Deut. iv. 37; vii. 7, 8; viii. 17; Josh. xxiv 12.

f Isa. ix. 6; xlix. 2, Heb iv. 12; Rev. i. 16; xix. 15.

j Ps. lxxiv. 12

10 Heb *prosper thou, ride thou.*

g Rev vi. 2

k Phil iv 13

l Ps. xxxiii. 16; Hos i. 7

h Ps. xciii. 2; Heb. i. 8.

m Ps. xl. 14.

11 Or, *O God.*

n Ps xxxiv 2; Jer. ix. 24; Rom. ii. 17.

i Ps. xxi. 6; xxxiii. 5; 1 Kings i. 39; Isa. lxi. 1.

o Ps. lx. 1, 10; lxxiv. 1; lxxxviii. 14; lxxxix. 38; cviii. 11,

j Cant. i. 3.

p Lev. xxvi. 17; Deut. xxviii. 25; Josh. vii. 8, 12

11 Thou hast given us [5]like sheep *appointed* for meat; and hast scattered us among the heathen.[q]

12 Thou sellest thy people [6]for nought, and dost not increase *thy wealth* by their price.[r]

13 Thou makest us a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and a derision to them that are round about us.[s]

14 Thou makest us a byword among the heathen, a shaking of the head among the people.[t]

15 My confusion *is* continually before me, and the shame of my face hath covered me,

16 For the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by reason of the enemy and avenger.[u]

17 All this is come upon us; yet have we not forgotten thee, neither have we dealt falsely in thy covenant.[v]

18 Our heart is not turned back, neither have our [7]steps declined from thy way;[w]

19 Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow of death.[x]

20 If we have forgotten the name of our God, or stretched out our hands to a strange god;[y]

21 Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.[z]

22 Yea, for thy sake are we killed all the day long; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter.[a]

23 Awake, why sleepest thou, O LORD? arise, cast *us* not off for ever.[b]

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face, *and* forgettest our affliction and our oppression?[c]

25 For our soul is bowed down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the earth.[d]

26 Arise [8]for our help, and redeem us for thy mercies' sake.

PSALM XLV.

1 *The majesty and grace of Christ's kingdom.* 10 *The duty of the church, and the benefits thereof.*

To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim, for the sons of Korah, Maschil, A Song of loves.

MY heart [9]is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue *is* the pen of a ready writer.

2 Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.[e]

3 Gird thy sword upon *thy* thigh, O *most* mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty.[f]

4 And in thy majesty [10]ride prosperously because of truth and meekness *and* righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.[g]

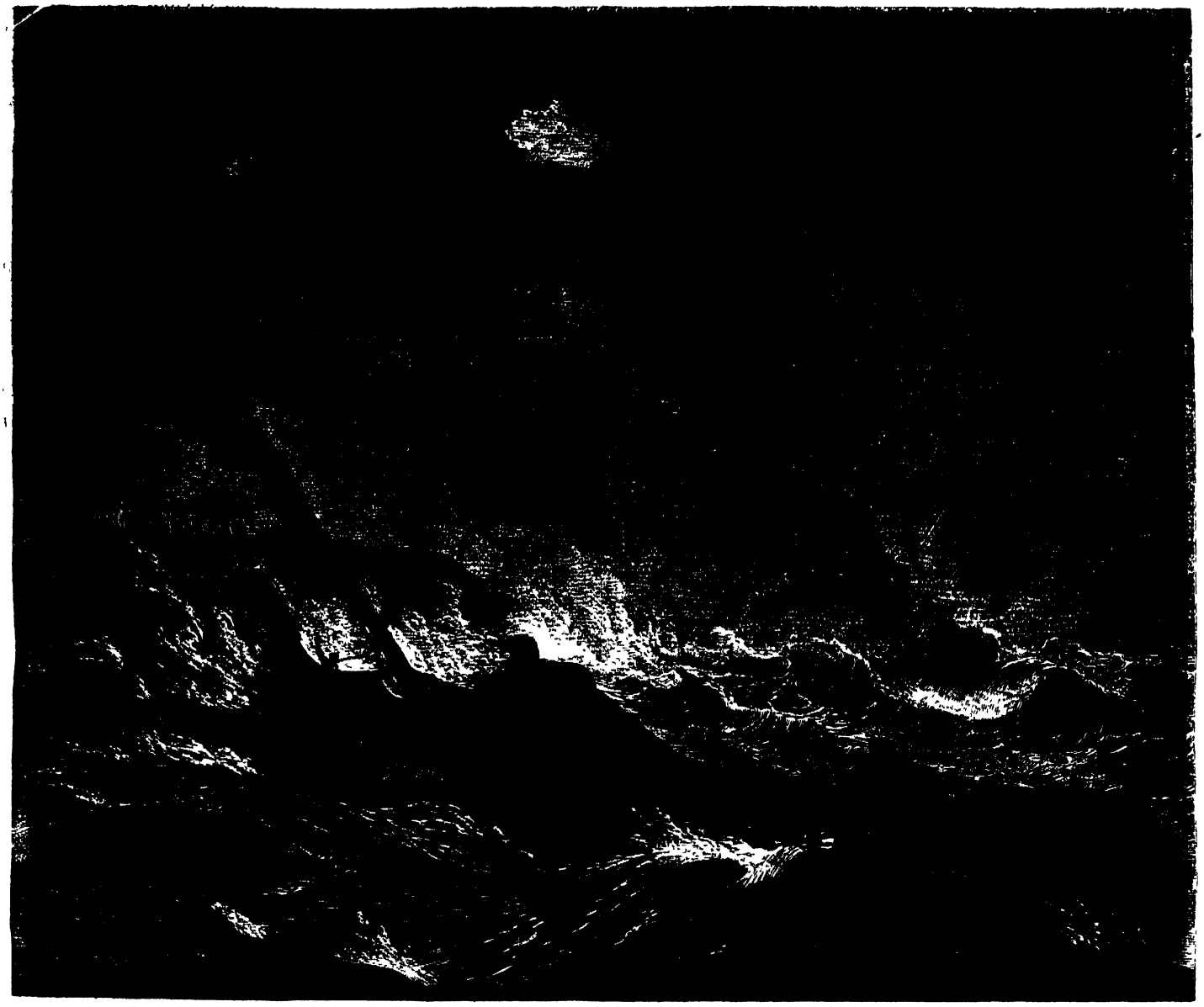
5 Thine arrows *are* sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; *whereby* the people fall under thee.

6 Thy throne, O God, *is* for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom *is* a right sceptre.[h]

7 Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore [11]God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.[i]

8 All thy garments *smell* of myrrh, and aloes, *and* cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.[j]

9 Kings' daughters *were* among thy honourable



"THOU BREAKEST THE SHIPS OF TARSHISH WITH AN EAST WIND."—PSALM XLVIII 7

women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.[a]

10 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house;[b]

11 So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he *is* thy Lord; and worship thou him.[c]

12 And the daughter of Tyre *shall be there* with a gift, *even* the rich among the people shall intreat [1]thy favour.[d]

13 The king's daughter *is* all glorious within: her clothing *is* of wrought gold.[e]

14 She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee.[f]

15 With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: they shall enter into the king's palace.

16 Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth.[g]

17 I will make thy name to be remembered in all

BEFORE CHRIST 1042.

a 1 Kings xi 19, Cant vi. 8
h Mal i. 11
b Deut xxi 13
c Ps xcv 6, Isa. liv 5.
1 Heb *thy face*
d Ps lxii 7, 8; xci. 2; cxlii 5, cxlv. 18; Deut. iv 7
Ps xxii 29, lxxii. 10; Isa. xlix 23
Rev xix 7, 8.
2 Heb *the heart of the seas*
e Cant. i 4
Ps xciii 3, 4; Jer. v 22, Matt. viii. 25.
Ps xlviii. 1, 8; Isa. vii 7; ix 14.
1 Peter ii 9, Rev. i. 6; v 10, xx 6.
3 Heb *when the morning appeareth*
Ps. [illegible] 8, Exod. xiv 24, 27
f Deut. xxiii. 14; Isa. xii 6, Ezek. xliii. 7, 9; Hos. xi. 9, Joel ii. 27; Zeph iii. 15, Zech ii 5, 10, 11; viii. 3.

generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever.[h]

PSALM XLVI.

The confidence which the church hath in God. 8 An exhortation to behold it.

To the chief Musician for the sons of Korah, A Song upon Alamoth.

GOD *is* our refuge and strength, a very present

2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into [2]the midst of the sea;

3 *Though* the waters thereof roar *and* be troubled, *though* the mountains shake with the swelling thereof.

4 *There is* a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy *place* of the tabernacles of the most High.[k]

5 God *is* in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, [3]*and that* right early.[l]

6 The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted.[a]

7 The LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge. Selah.[b]

8 Come, behold the works of the LORD, what desolations he hath made in the earth.[c]

9 He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire.[d]

10 Be still, and know that I *am* God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.[e]

11 The LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our refuge. Selah.[f]

PSALM XLVII.

The nations are exhorted cheerfully to entertain the kingdom of Christ.

To the chief Musician, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.

CLAP your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.[g]

2 For the LORD most high *is* terrible; *he is* a great King over all the earth.[h]

3 He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet.[i]

4 He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved. Selah.[j]

5 God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.[k]

6 Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises.

7 For God *is* the King of all the earth: sing ye praises [1]with understanding.[l]

8 God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.[m]

9 [2]The princes of the people are gathered together, *even* the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth *belong* unto God: he is greatly exalted.[n]

PSALM XLVIII.

The ornaments and privileges of the church.

A Song *and* Psalm for the sons of Korah.

GREAT *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, *in* the mountain of his holiness.[o]

2 Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, *is* mount Zion, *on* the sides of the north, the city of the great King.[p]

3 God is known in her palaces for a refuge.

4 For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.[q]

5 They saw *it*, *and* so they marvelled; they were troubled, *and* hasted away.

6 Fear took hold upon them there, *and* pain, as of a woman in travail.[r]

7 Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind.[s]

8 As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God: God will establish it for ever. Selah.[t]

9 We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple.[u]

10 According to thy name, O God, so *is* thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousness.[v]

11 Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.

12 Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.

13 [3]Mark ye well her bulwarks, [4]consider her palaces; that ye may tell *it* to the generation following.

14 For this God *is* our God for ever and ever: he will be our guide *even* unto death.[w]

PSALM XLIX.

1 *An earnest persuasion to build the faith of resurrection, not on worldly power, but on God.* 16 *Worldly prosperity is not to be admired.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm for the sons of Korah.

HEAR this, all *ye* people; give ear, all *ye* inhabitants of the world:

2 Both low and high, rich and poor, together.[x]

3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart *shall be* of understanding.

4 I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying upon the harp.[y]

5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, *when* the iniquity of my heels shall compass me about?[z]

6 They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;[a]

7 None *of them* can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him:[b]

8 (For the redemption of their soul *is* precious, and it ceaseth for ever:)[c]

9 That he should still live for ever, *and* not see corruption.[d]

10 For he seeth *that* wise men die, likewise the fool and the brutish person perish, and leave their wealth to others.[e]

11 Their inward thought *is*, *that* their houses *shall continue* for ever, *and* their dwelling places [5]to all generations; they call *their* lands after their own names.[f]

12 Nevertheless man *being* in honour abideth not: he is like the beasts *that* perish.[g]

13 This their way *is* their folly: yet their posterity [6]approve their sayings. Selah.

14 Like sheep they are laid in the grave; death shall feed on them; and the upright shall have dominion over them in the morning; and their [7]beauty shall consume [8]in the grave from their dwelling.[h]

15 But God will redeem my soul [9]from the power of [10]the grave: for he shall receive me. Selah.[i]

16 Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased;

17 For when he dieth he shall carry nothing away: his glory shall not descend after him.[j]

18 Though [11]while he lived he blessed his soul: and *men* will praise thee, when thou doest well to thyself.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 1004.

a Ps. ii. 1; Josh. ii. 9, 24.
v Ps. cxiii. 3; Deut. xxviii. 58; Josh. vii. 9; Mal. i. 11, 14.
b ver 11; Numb. xiv. 9; 2 Chron. xiii. 12.
c Ps. lxvi. 5.
3 Heb. *Set your heart to her bulwarks.*
4 Or, *raise up.*
d Ps. lxxvi. 3; Isa. ii. 4; Ezek. xxxix. 9.
e Isa. ii. 11, 17.
w Isa. lviii. 11.
f ver 7.
g Isa. lv. 12.
h Ps. lxxvi. 12; Deut. vii. 21, Neh. i. 5; Mal. i. 14.
x Ps. lxii. 9.
i Ps xviii. 47.
j 1 Peter i. 4.
y Ps. lxxviii. 2; Matt. xiii. 35.
k Ps. lxviii. 24, 25.
z Ps. xxxviii. 4.
a Ps. lii 7; lxii. 10, Job xxxi. 24, 25, Mark x. 24; 1 Tim vi. 17.
1 Or, *every one that hath understanding*
l Zech. xiv 9, 1 Cor xiv. 15, 16.
b Matt. xvi. 26.
m Ps. xciii. 1; xcvi. 10; xcvii. 1; xcix. 1; 1 Chron. xvi. 31; Rev. xix. 6.
2 Or, *The voluntary of the people are gathered unto the people of the God of Abraham.*
c Job xxxvi. 18, 19.
d Ps. lxxxix. 48.
n Ps. lxxxix. 18; Rom. iv. 11, 12
e Prov xi. 4, Eccles. ii. 16, 18, 21.
5 Heb *to generation and generation.*
o Ps. xlvi. 4; lxxxvii 3; Isa. ii 2, 3, Micah iv. 1; Zech. viii. 3.
f Gen iv 17
g ver 20, Ps xxxix. 5, lxxii 7
p Ps 1 2, Isa xiv 13, Jer iii 19, Lam ii 15, Ezek xx 6, Dan viii 9, xi. 16, Matt v 35
6 Heb *delight in their mouth*
q 2 Sam x 6, 14, 16, 18, 19
7 Or, *strength*
8 Or, *the grave being an habitation to every one of them*
h Ps xxii. 23; xxxix 11, Job iv 21, Dan vii 22, Mal. iv. 3, Luke xxii. 30; 1 Cor. vi. 2; Rev. ii. 26; xx. 4.
9 Heb *from the hand of the grave*
r Exod. xv. 15; Hos. xiii. 13.
10 Or, *hell*
i Ps lvi. 13; Hos xiii 14
s Jer xviii 17; Ezek. xxvii 26
j Job xxvii. 19.
t vs 1, 2, Isa. ii. 2; Micah iv 1
11 Heb *in his life*
u Ps. xxvi. 3, xl 10
k Deut. xxix. 19; Luke xii. 19.

19 [1]He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light.[a]

20 Man *that is* in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts *that* perish.[b]

PSALM L.

1 The majesty of God in the church. 5 His order to gather saints. 7 The pleasure of God is not in ceremonies, 14 but in sincerity of obedience.

A Psalm of Asaph.

THE mighty God, *even* the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.[c]

2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined.[d]

3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.[e]

4 He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people.[f]

5 Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.[g]

6 And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God *is* judge himself. Selah.[h]

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and I will testify against thee: I *am* God, *even* thy God.[i]

8 I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, *to have been* continually before me.[j]

9 I will take no bullock out of thy house, *nor* he goats out of thy folds.[k]

10 For every beast of the forest *is* mine, *and* the cattle upon a thousand hills.

11 I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field *are* [2]mine.

12 If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for the world *is* mine, and the fulness thereof.[l]

13 Will I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

14 Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High:[m]

15 And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.[n]

16 But unto the wicked God saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes, or *that* thou shouldest take my covenant in thy mouth?

17 Seeing thou hatest instruction, and castest my words behind thee.[o]

18 When thou sawest a thief, then thou consentedst with him, and [3]hast been partaker with adulterers.[p]

19 Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit.[q]

20 Thou sittest *and* speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest thine own mother's son.

21 These *things* hast thou done, and I kept silence; thou thoughtest that I was altogether *such an one* as thyself: *but* I will reprove thee, and set *them* in order before thine eyes.

22 Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear *you* in pieces, and *there be* none to deliver.[r]

23 Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him [4]that ordereth *his* conversation *aright* will I shew the salvation of God.[s]

PSALM LI.

1 David prayeth for remission of sins, whereof he maketh a deep confession. 6 He prayeth for sanctification. 10 God delighteth not in sacrifice, but in sincerity. 18 He prayeth for the church

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in to Bath-sheba

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.[u]

2 Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.[v]

3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin *is* ever before me.[w]

4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done *this* evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, *and* be clear when thou judgest.[x]

5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother [5]conceive me.[y]

6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden *part* thou shalt make me to know wisdom.[z]

7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.[a]

8 Make me to hear joy and gladness; *that* the bones *which* thou hast broken may rejoice.[b]

9 Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.[c]

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew [6]a right spirit within me.[d]

11 Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.[e]

12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me *with thy* free spirit.[f]

13 *Then* will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from [7]bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: *and* my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.[g]

15 O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

16 For thou desirest not sacrifice; [8]else would I give *it*: thou delightest not in burnt offering.[h]

17 The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.[i]

18 Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

1 Heb. *The soul shall go.*

a Gen. xv. 15, Job xxxiii. 30.

s Ps. ix 17; Job viii. 13, Isa. li 13.

b ver 12; Eccles. iii. 19.

4 Heb. *that disposeth his way*

t Ps. xxvii 6; Rom. xii 1; Gal. vi. 16.

c Neh. ix. 32; Isa. ix. 6; Jer xxxii. 18

d Ps. lxxx. 1; Deut. xxxiii. 2.

u ver. 9; Isa. xliii. 25; xliv. 22; Col. ii 14.

e Ps xcvii 3, Lev x 2, Numb xvi. 35; Dan. vii 10

v Heb. ix. 14, 1 John i 7, 9, Rev i 5

f Deut iv 26, xxxi 28; xxxii 1, Isa. i 2; Micah vi. 1, 2

w Ps. xxxii 5; xxxviii 18.

g Exod. xxiv 7, Deut xxxiii. 3; Isa. xlii 3.

h Ps. lxxv 7, xcvii 6.

x Gen xx 6, xxxix 9, Lev v 19, vi 2, 2 Sam xii. 13; Luke xv. 21, Rom iii. 4

5 Heb *warm me*

y Ps lviii 3, Job xiv. 4, John iii. 6, Rom v 12, Eph ii. 3

i Ps. lxxxi. 8, Exod. xx 2.

z Job xxxviii 36

j Isa. i 11, Jer vii 22, Hos vi 6

a Lev xiv 4, 6, 49, Numb xix 18, Isa i. 18, Heb ix 19

k Micah vi. 6, Acts xvii 25

b Matt. v 4.

c ver 1, Jer xvi 17.

2 Heb *with me*

6 Or, *a constant spirit*

d Acts xv 9, Eph. ii. 10

l Ps xxiv 1, Exod xix

e Gen iv 14, 2 Kings

9, Eph iv 30

f 2 Cor iii 17

m Ps. lxxvi 11, Deut xxiii 21, Job xxii 27; Eccles. v 4, 5, Hos xiv. 2; Heb. xiii 15

n ver 23; Ps. xxii. 23; xci. 15, cvii 6, 13, 19, 28, Job xxii. 27; Zech xiii. 9.

7 Heb *bloods.*

xi 17, xii 9

o Neh ix. 26, Rom. ii. 21, 22

8 Or, *that I should give it*

h Ps xl. 6; 1 8; Numb xv. 27, 30; Isa. i. 11; Jer. vii. 22; Hos vi. 6.

3 Heb. *thy portion was with adulterers*

p Rom. i. 32; 1 Tim. v. 22

i Ps. xxxiv. 18; Isa. lvii. 15; lxvi. 2

q Ps. lii. 2.

j Ps. iv. 5; Mal. iii. 3.

r Ps. xc. 8.



"GOD SHALL TAKE THEE AWAY, AND PLUCK THEE OUT OF THY DWELLING PLACE."—PSALM LII. 5

PSALM LII.

1 *David, condemning the spitefulness of Doeg, propheseth his destruction* 6 *The righteous shall rejoice at it.* 8 *David, upon his confidence in God's mercy, giveth thanks*

To the chief Musician, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David, when Doeg the Edomite came and told Saul, and said unto him, David is come to the house of Ahimelech.

WHY boastest thou thyself in mischief, O mighty man? the goodness of God *endureth* continually.[a]

2 Thy tongue deviseth mischiefs; like a sharp razor, working deceitfully.[b]

3 Thou lovest evil more than good; *and* lying rather than to speak righteousness. Selah.[c]

4 Thou lovest all devouring words, [1]O *thou* deceitful tongue.

5 God shall likewise [2]destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of *thy* dwelling place, and root thee out of the land of the living. Selah.[d]

6 The righteous also shall see, and fear, and shall laugh at him:[e]

7 Lo, *this is* the man *that* made not God his strength; but trusted in the abundance of his riches, *and* strengthened himself in his [3]wickedness.[f]

8 But I *am* like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 1003

h Ps. liv. 6

a 1 Sam. xxi. 7

b Ps. l. 19, lvii. 4, lix. 7, lxiv. 3.

i Ps. x. 4, xiv. 1, &c.

c Jer. ix. 4, 5

1 Or, *and the deceitful tongue*

2 Heb. *beat thee down.*

d Prov. ii. 22.

k Rom. iii. 10.

e Ps. xxxvii. 34; xl. 3, lviii. 10, lxiv. 9; Job xxii. 19, Mal. i. 5.

l Jer. iv. 22.

4 Heb. *they feared a fear*

3 Or *substance.*

f Ps. xlix. 6.

m Ps. xiv. 5; Lev. xxvi. 17, 36; Prov. xxviii. 1; Ezek. vi. 5

5 Heb. *Who will give salvations, &c.*

g Jer. xi. 16; Hos. xiv. 6.

9 I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done *it*: and I will wait on thy name; for *it is* good before thy saints.[h]

PSALM LIII.

1 *David describeth the corruption of a natural man.* 4 *He convinceth the wicked by the light of their own conscience.* 6 *He glorieth in the salvation of God.*

To the chief Musician upon Mahalath, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David.

THE fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: *there is* none that doeth good.[i]

2 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were *any* that did understand, that did seek God.[j]

3 Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; *there is* none that doeth good, no, not one.[k]

4 Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people *as* they eat bread: they have not called upon God.[l]

5 There [4]were they in great fear, *where* no fear was: for God hath scattered the bones of him that encampeth *against* thee: thou hast put *them* to shame, because God hath despised them.[m]

6 [5]Oh that the salvation of Israel *were come* out of



"MY HEART IS SORE PAINED WITHIN ME."—PSALM LV. 4

Zion! When God bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, *and* Israel shall be glad.[a]

PSALM LIV.

1 *David, complaining of the Ziphims, prayeth for salvation.* 4 *Upon his confidence in God's help he promiseth sacrifice.*

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David, when the Ziphims came and said to Saul, Doth not David hide himself with us?

SAVE me, O God, by thy name, and judge me by thy strength.

2 Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

3 For strangers are risen up against me, and oppressors seek after my soul: they have not set God before them. Selah.[b]

4 Behold, God *is* mine helper: the Lord *is* with them that uphold my soul.[c]

5 He shall reward evil unto [1]mine enemies: cut them off in thy truth.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

e Ps. liii. 9

a Ps. xiv. 7.

f Ps. lix. 10; xcii. 1

g Isa. xxxviii. 14.

b Ps. lxxxvi. 14.

c Ps. cxviii. 7.

h 2 Sam. xvi. 7, 8, xix. 19.

1 Heb. *those that observe me.*

d Ps. v. 8; xxii. 19, lxxxix. 49.

i Ps. cxvi. 3.

6 I will freely sacrifice unto thee: I will praise thy name, O LORD; for *it is* good.[e]

7 For he hath delivered me out of all trouble: and mine eye hath seen *his desire* upon mine enemies.[f]

PSALM LV.

1 *David in his prayer complaineth of his fearful case* 9 *He prayeth against his enemies, of whose wickedness and treachery he complaineth.* 16 *He comforteth himself in God's preservation of him, and confusion of his enemies*

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, Maschil, *A Psalm* of David.

GIVE ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not thyself from my supplication.

2 Attend unto me, and hear me: I mourn in my complaint, and make a noise;[g]

3 Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked: for they cast iniquity upon me, and in wrath they hate me.[h]

4 My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors of death are fallen upon me.[i]

5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath [1]overwhelmed me.

6 And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! *for then* would I fly away, and be at rest.

7 Lo, *then* would I wander far off, *and* remain in the wilderness. Selah.

8 I would hasten my escape from the windy storm *and* tempest.

9 Destroy, O Lord, *and* [2]divide their tongues: for I have seen violence and strife in the city.[a]

10 Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof: mischief also and sorrow *are* in the midst of it.

11 Wickedness *is* in the midst thereof: deceit and guile depart not from her streets.

12 For *it was* not an enemy *that* reproached me; then I could have borne *it:* neither *was it* he that hated me *that* did magnify *himself* against me; then I would have hid myself from him:[b]

13 But *it was* thou, [3]a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance.[c]

14 [4]We took sweet counsel together, *and* walked unto the house of God in company.[d]

15 Let death seize upon them, *and* let them go down quick into [5]hell: for wickedness *is* in their dwellings, *and* among them.[e]

16 As for me, I will call upon God; and the LORD shall save me.

17 Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice.[f]

18 He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle *that was* against me: for there were many with me.[g]

19 God shall hear, and afflict them, even he that abideth of old. Selah. [6]Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God.[h]

20 He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him: [7]he hath broken his covenant.[i]

21 *The words* of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war *was* in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet *were* they drawn swords.[j]

22 Cast thy [8]burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.[k]

23 But thou, O God, shalt bring them down into the pit of destruction: [9]bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; but I will trust in thee.[l]

PSALM LVI.

1 *David, praying to God in confidence of his word, complaineth of his enemies* 9 *He professeth his confidence in God's word, and promiseth to praise him.*

To the chief Musician upon Jonath-elem-rechokim, Michtam of David, when the Philistines took him in Gath

BE merciful unto me, O God: for man would swallow me up; he fighting daily oppresseth me.[m]

2 [10]Mine enemies would daily swallow *me* up: for *they be* many that fight against me, O thou most High.[n]

3 What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee.

4 In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.[o]

5 Every day they wrest my words: all their thoughts *are* against me for evil.

BEFORE CHRIST 1002.

1 Heb. *covered me.*

p Ps. lix. 3; lxvi 10, cxl. 2.

q Mal. iii 16

r Rom. viii 31.

2 Or, *distract their counsels*

a Jer vi 7

s ver 4

t Ps cxvi. 8, Job xxxiii 30.

b Ps xxxv. 26, xxxviii. 16, xli 9

3 Heb. *a man according to my rank*

c Ps. xli. 9; 2 Sam xv 12; xvi 23; Jer. ix. 4

4 Heb *Who sweetened counsel*

d Ps xlii 4

5 Or, *the grave.*

e Numb. xvi 30

u Ps xvii 8; lvi. 1, lxiii 7, Isa xxvi.20

f Dan vi 10, Luke xviii. 1, Acts iii 1, x. 3, 9, 30; 1 Thess. v 17

v Ps cxxxviii 8

g 2 Chron xxxii. 7, 8.

11 Or, *he reproacheth him that would swallow me up.*

6 Or, *With whom also there be no changes, yet they fear not God*

w Ps xl. 11, xliii 3, lvi. 1, lxi 7

h Deut xxxii 27, Micah v 2

7 Heb *he hath profaned.*

i Ps vii. 4, Acts xii 1

x Ps lv 21, lxiv 3, Prov xxx 14

y ver 11, Ps cviii 5

j Ps xxviii. 3, lvii 4, lxii 4, lxiv 3, Prov v 3, 4, xii 18

8 Or, *gift*

z Ps vii 15, 16, ix 15

k Ps xxxvii 5, 24, Matt vi 25, Luke xii 22, 1 Peter v 7

12 Or, *prepared*

a Ps. cviii 1, &c

9 Heb *men of bloods and deceit*

l Ps v 6, Job xv. 32, Prov x 27, Eccles vii 17

b Ps xvi 9, xxx. 12, cviii 1, 2

c Ps cviii 3

d Ps xxxvi 5; lxxi. 19, ciii 11, cviii. 4

e ver 5

m Ps lvii 1

10 Heb *Mine observers.*

n Ps. liv 5, lvii 3.

o vs. 10, 11; Ps cxviii. 6; Isa. xxxi. 3, Heb. xiii. 6.

f Ps. xciv 20; Isa. x. 1.

6 They gather themselves together, they hide themselves, they mark my steps, when they wait for my soul.[p]

7 Shall they escape by iniquity? in *thine* anger cast down the people, O God.

8 Thou tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle: *are they* not in thy book?[q]

9 When I cry *unto thee*, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God *is* for me.[r]

10 In God will I praise *his* word: in the LORD will I praise *his* word.[s]

11 In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.

12 Thy vows *are* upon me, O God: I will render praises unto thee.

13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death: *wilt* not *thou deliver* my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?[t]

PSALM LVII.

1 *David in prayer fleeing unto God complaineth of his dangerous case.* 7 *He encourageth himself to praise God.*

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, Michtam of David, when he fled from Saul in the cave.

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until *these* calamities be overpast.[u]

2 I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth *all things* for me.[v]

3 He shall send from heaven, and save me [11]*from* the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth.[w]

4 My soul *is* among lions: *and* I lie *even among* them that are set on fire, *even* the sons of men, whose teeth *are* spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.[x]

5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; *let* thy glory *be* above all the earth.[y]

6 They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down: they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen *themselves.* Selah.[z]

7 My heart is [12]fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise.[a]

8 Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I *myself* will awake early.[b]

9 I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations.[c]

10 For thy mercy *is* great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.[d]

11 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: *let* thy glory *be* above all the earth.[e]

PSALM LVIII.

1 *David reproveth wicked judges,* 3 *describeth the nature of the wicked,* 6 *devoteth them to God's judgments,* 10 *whereat the righteous shall rejoice.*

To the chief Musician, Al-taschith, Michtam of David.

DO ye indeed speak righteousness, O congregation? do ye judge uprightly, O ye sons of men?

2 Yea, in heart ye work wickedness; ye weigh the violence of your hands in the earth.[f]



EASTERN SERPENT-CHARMER.—PSALM LVIII. 5.

3 The wicked are estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as they be born, speaking lies.[a]

4 Their poison *is* [1]like the poison of a serpent: *they are* like the deaf [2]adder *that* stoppeth her ear;[b]

5 Which will not hearken to the voice of charmers, [3]charming never so wisely.

6 Break their teeth, O God, in their mouth: break out the great teeth of the young lions, O LORD.[c]

7 Let them melt away as waters *which* run continually: *when* he bendeth *his bow to shoot* his arrows, let them be as cut in pieces.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1001.

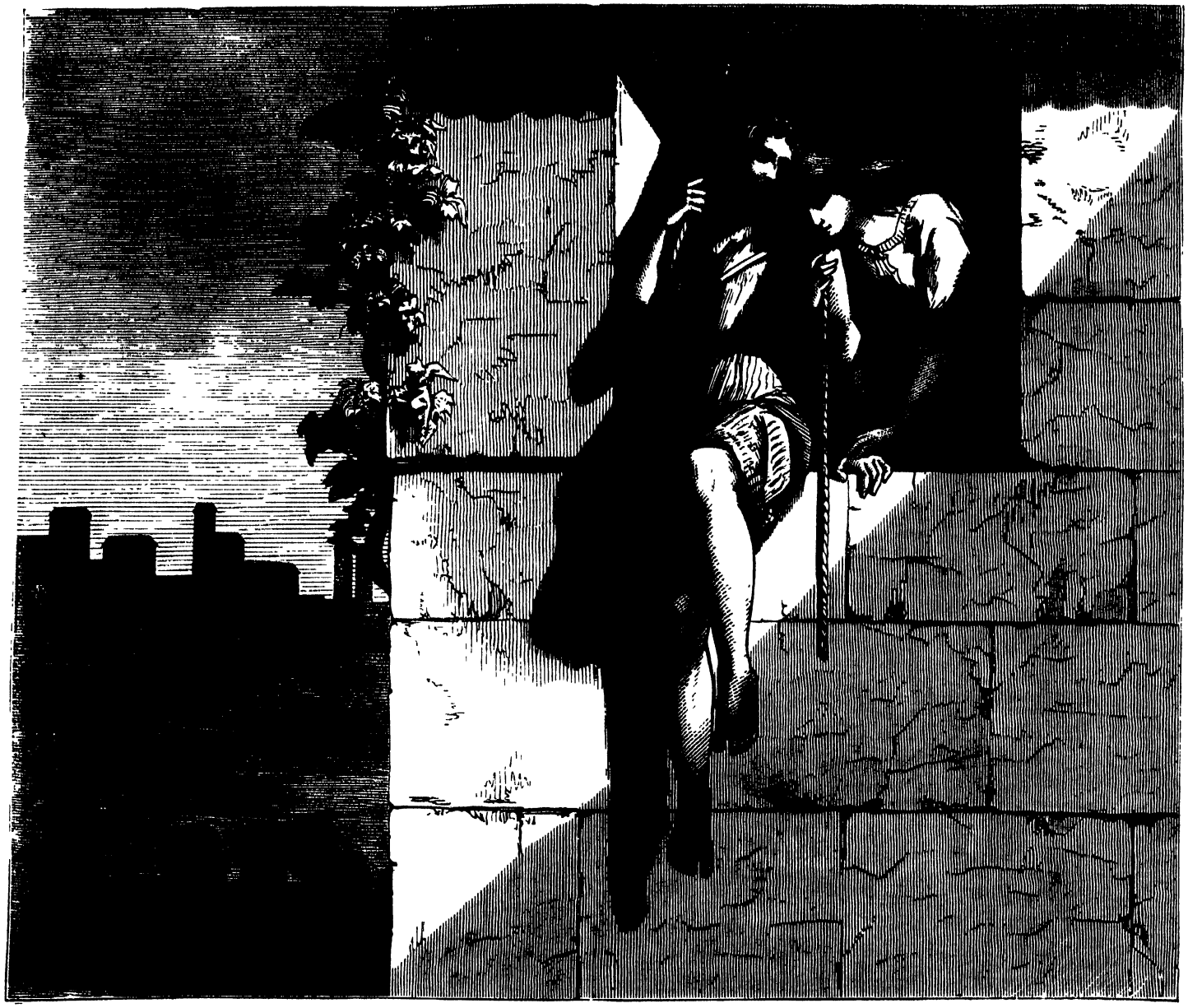
a Ps. li. 5; Isa. xlviii. 8.
e Job iii. 16; Eccles. vi. 3
1 Heb *according to the likeness.*
2 Or, *asp.*
b Ps. cxl. 3; Eccles. x. 11; Jer. viii. 17.
4 Heb *as living as wrath.*
f Prov. x. 26.
3 Or, *be the charmer never so cunning.*
c Ps. iii. 7; Job iv. 10
g Ps. lii. 6; lxiv. 10; lxviii. 23; cvii. 42
5 Heb. *fruit of the, &c.*; Isa. iii. 10.
d Ps. cxii. 10; Josh. vii. 5
h Ps. lxvii. 4; xcii. 15; xcvi. 13; xcviii. 9; Isa. iii. 10.

8 As a snail *which* melteth, let *every one of them* pass away: *like* the untimely birth of a woman, *that* they may not see the sun.[e]

9 Before your pots can feel the thorns, he shall take them away as with a whirlwind, [4]both living, and in *his* wrath.[f]

10 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance: he shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked.[g]

11 So that a man shall say, Verily, *there* is [5]a reward for the righteous: verily he is a God that judgeth in the earth.[h]



DAVID ESCAPING BY A WINDOW, WHILE SAUL'S SOLDIERS WERE LYING IN WAIT FOR HIM.—PSALM LIX.

PSALM LIX.

1 *David prayeth to be delivered from his enemies.* 6 *He complaineth of their cruelty* 8 *He trusteth in God.* 11 *He prayeth against them.* 16 *He praiseth God*

To the chief Musician, [1]Al-taschith, Michtam of [a]David, when Saul sent, and they watched the house to kill him.

DELIVER me from mine enemies, O my God: [2]defend me from them that rise up against me.[b]

2 Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and save me from bloody men.

3 For, lo, they lie in wait for my soul: the mighty are gathered against me; not *for* my transgression, nor *for* my sin, O LORD.[c]

4 They run and prepare themselves without *my* fault: awake [3]to help me, and behold.[d]

5 Thou therefore, O LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to visit all the heathen: be not merciful to any wicked transgressors. Selah.

BEFORE CHRIST 1001.

e ver 14.

f Ps x. 11, 13; lvii 4; lxiv 5; lxxiii 11, xciv 7, Prov xii. 18

1 Or, *Destroy not, A golden Psalm of David*

a Ps lvii title; 1 Sam. xix 11

g Ps ii 4, 1 Sam. xix 16.

2 Heb *set me on high.*

4 Heb *my high place.*

h ver 17, Ps. lxii. 2.

b Ps xviii. 48

b Heb *mine observers;* Ps lvi. 2.

i Ps xxi. 3; liv. 7, xcii 11; cxii. 8.

j Gen iv. 12, 15.

c Ps. lvi. 6; 1 Sam. xxiv. 11

3 Heb. *to meet me.*

d Ps. xxxv. 23; xliv. 23.

k Prov. xii. 13; xviii. 7.

l Ps. lxxxiii. 18.

6 They return at evening: they make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.[e]

7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth: swords *are* in their lips: for who, *say they*, doth hear?[f]

8 But thou, O LORD, shalt laugh at them; thou shalt have all the heathen in derision.[g]

9 *Because of* his strength will I wait upon thee: for God *is* [4]my defence.[h]

10 The God of my mercy shall prevent me: God shall let me see *my desire* upon [5]mine enemies.[i]

11 Slay them not, lest my people forget: scatter them by thy power; and bring them down, O Lord our shield.[j]

12 *For* the sin of their mouth *and* the words of their lips let them even be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying *which* they speak.[k]

13 Consume *them* in wrath, consume *them*, that they *may* not *be:* and let them know that God ruleth in Jacob unto the ends of the earth. Selah.[l]

14 And at evening let them return; *and* let them make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.[a]

15 Let them wander up and down [1]for meat, [2]and grudge if they be not satisfied.[b]

16 But I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.

17 Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for God *is* my defence, *and* the God of my mercy.[c]

PSALM LX.

1 *David, complaining to God of former judgment, 4 now, upon better hope, prayeth for deliverance. 6 Comforting himself in God's promises, he craveth that help whereon he trusteth.*

To the chief Musician [d]upon Shushan-eduth, [3]Michtam of David, to teach; [e]when he strove with Aram-naharaim and with Aram-zobah, when Joab returned, and smote of Edom in the valley of salt twelve thousand.



GOD, thou hast cast us off, thou hast [4]scattered us, thou hast been displeased; O turn thyself to us again.[f]

2 Thou hast made the earth to tremble; thou hast broken it: heal the breaches thereof; for it shaketh.[g]

3 Thou hast shewed thy people hard things: thou hast made us to drink the wine of astonishment.[h]

4 Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because of the truth. Selah.[i]

5 That thy beloved may be delivered; save *with* thy right hand, and hear me.[j]

6 God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.[k]

7 Gilead *is* mine, and Manasseh *is* mine; Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine head; Judah *is* my lawgiver;[l]

8 Moab *is* my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe: Philistia, [5]triumph thou because of me.[m]

9 Who will bring me *into* the [6]strong city? who will lead me into Edom?

10 *Wilt* not thou, O God, *which* hadst cast us off? and *thou*, O God, *which* didst not go out with our armies?[n]

11 Give us [7]help from trouble: for vain *is* the help of man.[o]

12 Through God we shall do valiantly: for he *it is that* shall tread down our enemies.[p]

PSALM LXI.

1 *David fleeth to God upon his former experience. 4 He voweth perpetual service unto him, because of his promises*

To the chief Musician upon Neginah, *A Psalm* of David.



HEAR my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.

2 From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock *that* is higher than I.

3 For thou hast been a shelter for me, *and* a strong tower from the enemy.[q]

4 I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will [8]trust in the covert of thy wings. Selah.[r]

5 For thou, O God, hast heard my vows: thou hast given *me* the heritage of those that fear thy name.

6 [9]Thou wilt prolong the king's life: *and* his years [10]as many generations.[s]

7 He shall abide before God for ever: O prepare mercy and truth, *which* may preserve him.[t]

8 So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever, that I may daily perform my vows.

PSALM LXII.

1 *David professing his confidence in God discourageth his enemies 5 In the same confidence he encourageth the godly 9 No trust is to be put in worldly things. 11 Power and mercy belong to God.*

To the chief Musician, to [u]Jeduthun, A Psalm of David.



TRULY[11] my soul [12]waiteth upon God: from him *cometh* my salvation.[v]

2 He only *is* my rock and my salvation; *he is* my defence; I shall not be greatly moved.[w]

3 How long will ye imagine mischief against a man? ye shall be slain all of you: as a bowing wall *shall ye be*, *and as* a tottering fence.[x]

4 They only consult to cast *him* down from his excellency: they delight in lies: they bless with their mouth, but they curse [13]inwardly. Selah.[y]

5 My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation *is* from him.[z]

6 He only *is* my rock and my salvation: *he is* my defence; I shall not be moved.

7 In God *is* my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, *and* my refuge, *is* in God.[a]

8 Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God *is* a refuge for us. Selah.[b]

9 Surely men of low degree *are* vanity, *and* men of high degree *are* a lie: to be laid in the balance, they *are* [14]altogether *lighter* than vanity.[c]

10 Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: if riches increase, set not your heart *upon them*.[d]

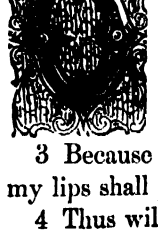
11 God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that [15]power *belongeth* unto God.[e]

12 Also unto thee, O Lord, *belongeth* mercy: for thou renderest to every man according to his work.[f]

PSALM LXIII.

1 *David's thirst for God 4 His manner of blessing God 9 His confidence of his enemies' destruction, and his own safety*

A Psalm of David, [g]when he was in the wilderness of Judah.



GOD, thou *art* my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and [16]thirsty land, [17]where no water is;[h]

2 To see thy power and thy glory, so *as* I have seen thee in the sanctuary.[i]

3 Because thy lovingkindness *is* better than life my lips shall praise thee.[j]

4 Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name.[k]

5 My soul shall be satisfied as *with* [18]marrow and fatness; and my mouth shall praise *thee* with joyful lips:[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 1001.

a ver. 6.

1 Heb. *to eat.*

2 Or, *if they be not satisfied, then they will stay all night.*

9 Heb *Thou shalt add days to the days of the king*

b Ps cix. 10, Job xv 23

10 Heb *as generation and generation*

s Ps. xxi 4

t Ps xl. 11, Prov xx 28

c vs. 9, 10, Ps xviii 1

u 1 Chron xxv 1, 3

d Ps. lxxx

3 Or, *A golden Psalm*

11 Or, *Only*

12 Heb *is silent*, Ps lxv 1.

e 2 Sam viii 3, 13, 1 Chron xviii 3, 12

v Ps xxxiii 20

w ver 6, Ps xxxvii 24

4 Heb *broken.*

f Ps xliv 9

x Isa. xxx 13

g 2 Chron vii 14

13 Heb *in their inward parts*

y Ps xxviii 3

h Ps lxxi 20, Isa. li 17, 22, Jer. xxv 15

z vs. 1, 2

i Ps xx. 5

j Ps cviii 6, &c.

a Jer iii. 23

k Ps lxxxix 35, Gen xii 6, Josh i 6, xiii 27

b Ps xviii. 2, xlii 4, 1 Sam i 15, Lam ii 19

l Gen xlix 10, Deut xxxiii 17

14 Or, *alike*

c Ps. xxxix 5, 11, Isa. xl 15, 17, Rom iii 4

5 Or, *triumph thou over me* (by an irony) Ps cviii 9

m Ps cviii. 9, 2 Sam viii. 1, 2, 14

6 Heb *city of strength*, 2 Sam. xi. 1, xii. 26

d Ps lii 7, Job xxxi 25, Luke xii. 15, 1 Tim vi 17

15 Or, *strength.*

e Job xxxiii. 14; Rev. xix 1

n ver 1, Ps xliv 9, cviii. 11, Josh vii. 12

7 Heb *salvation.*

f Ps lxxxvi. 15, ciii 8, Job xxxiv 11; Prov. xxiv 12, Jer xxxii 19, Ezek. vii 27, xxxiii. 20, Dan ix 9, Matt. xvi 27, Rom ii 6, 1 Cor. iii. 8, 2 Cor v 10, Eph. vi 8; Col. iii 25, 1 Peter i. 17, Rev xxii. 12.

o Ps. cxviii. 8, cxlvi. 3.

p Numb. xxiv. 18; 1 Chron. xix. 13; Isa. lxiii 3

g 1 Sam. xxii. 5; xxiii. 14—16.

16 Heb *weary.*

17 Heb *without water.*

h Ps. xlii. 2; lxxxiv. 2; cxliii. 6.

i Ps. xxvii 4; lxxviii. 61; 1 Sam. iv 21; 1 Chron. xvi. 11.

j Ps. xxx. 5.

q Prov. xviii. 10.

k Ps. civ. 33, cxlvi. 2

18 Heb. *fatness.*

8 Or, *make my refuge.*

r Ps. xvii. 8; xxvii. 4; lvii. 1; xci. 4.

l Ps. xxxvi. 8.

6 When I remember thee upon my bed, *and* meditate on thee in the *night* watches.[a]

7 Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.[b]

8 My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.

9 But those *that* seek my soul, to destroy *it*, shall go into the lower parts of the earth.

10 [1]They shall fall by the sword: they shall be a portion for foxes.[c]

11 But the king shall rejoice in God; every one that sweareth by him shall glory: but the mouth of them that speak lies shall be stopped.[d]

PSALM LXIV.

1 *David prayeth for deliverance, complaining of his enemies.* 7 *He promiseth himself to see such an evident destruction of his enemies, as the righteous shall rejoice at it*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

HEAR my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

2 Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity:

3 Who whet their tongue like a sword, *and* bend *their bows to shoot* their arrows, *even* bitter words:[e]

4 That they may shoot in secret at the perfect: suddenly do they shoot at him, and fear not.

5 They encourage themselves *in* an evil [2]matter: they commune [3]of laying snares privily; they say, Who shall see them?[f]

6 They search out iniquities; [4]they accomplish [5]a diligent search: both the inward *thought* of every one *of them*, and the heart, *is* deep.

7 But God shall shoot at them *with* an arrow; suddenly [6]shall they be wounded.[g]

8 So they shall make their own tongue to fall upon themselves: all that see them shall flee away.[h]

9 And all men shall fear, and shall declare the work of God; for they shall wisely consider of his doing.[i]

10 The righteous shall be glad in the LORD, and shall trust in him; and all the upright in heart shall glory.[j]

PSALM LXV.

1 *David praiseth God for his grace.* 4 *The blessedness of God's chosen by reason of benefits.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm *and* Song of David.

PRAISE [7]waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

2 O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.[k]

3 [8]Iniquities prevail against me: *as for* our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.[l]

4 Blessed *is the man whom* thou choosest, and causest to approach *unto thee, that* he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, *even* of thy holy temple.[m]

5 *By* terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation; *who art* the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off *upon* the sea:[n]

6 Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains; *being* girded with power:[o]

7 Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people.[p]

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening [9]to rejoice.

9 Thou visitest the earth, [10]and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, *which* is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.[q]

10 Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: [11]thou settlest the furrows thereof: [12]thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof.

11 Thou crownest [13]the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness.

12 They drop *upon* the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills [14]rejoice on every side.

13 The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy, they also sing.[r]

PSALM LXVI.

1 *David exhorteth to praise God,* 5 *to observe his great works,* 8 *to bless him for his gracious benefits.* 12 *He voweth for himself religious service to God* 16 *He declareth God's special goodness to himself*

To the chief Musician, A Song *or* Psalm.

MAKE a joyful noise unto God, [15]all ye lands:[s]

2 Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.

3 Say unto God, How terrible *art thou in* thy works! through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies [16]submit themselves unto thee.[t]

4 All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they shall sing *to* thy name. Selah.[u]

5 Come and see the works of God: *he is* terrible *in his* doing toward the children of men.[v]

6 He turned the sea into dry *land:* they went through the flood on foot: there did we rejoice in him.[w]

7 He ruleth by his power for ever; his eyes behold the nations: let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah.[x]

8 O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard:

9 Which [17]holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved.[y]

10 For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast tried us, as silver is tried.[z]

11 Thou broughtest us into the net; thou laidst affliction upon our loins.[a]

12 Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a [18]wealthy *place*.[b]

13 I will go into thy house with burnt offerings: I will pay thee my vows,[c]

14 Which my lips have [19]uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble.

BEFORE CHRIST 1001.

a Ps. xlii. 8, cxix. 55, cxlix. 5

n Ps. xxii. 27.

b Ps. lxi. 4.

o Ps. xciii. 1.

p Ps lxxvi 10; lxxxix. 9, cvii 29; Isa xvii 12, 13; Matt. viii 26.

1 Heb *They shall make him run out like water by the hands of the sword*

c Ezek xxxv. 5.

9 Or, *to sing.*

10 Or, *after thou hadst made it to desire rain.*

d Deut xi 13; Isa. xlv 23, lxv 16; Zeph. i 5

q Ps xlvi 4, lxviii 9, 10, civ. 13; Deut xi 12, Jer. v. 24.

11 Or, *thou causest rain to descend into the furrows thereof.*

12 Heb *thou dissolvest it*

13 Heb *the year of thy goodness*

14 Heb *are girded with joy*

r Isa. lv 12

e Ps xi 2, lvii 4, lviii 7, Jer ix 3

15 Heb *all the earth*

2 Or, *speech*

s Ps c 1

3 Heb *to hide snares*

f Ps x 11, lix 7

4 Or, *we are consumed by that which they have thoroughly searched*

5 Heb *a search searched*

16 Or, *yield feigned obedience* Heb *lie* Ps xviii 44, lxxxi 15

t Ps xviii 44; lxv 5

6 Heb *their wound shall be*

g Ps vii 12, 13

u Ps xcii 27, lxvii 3, xcvi 1, 2, cxvii 1

h Ps xxxi 11, lii 6, Prov xii 13; xviii. 7

v Ps xlvi 8

i Ps xl 3, Jer l 28; li 10

w Exod xiv 21, Josh iii 14, 16

j Ps xxxii 11, lviii. 10, lxviii 3

x Ps xi 4.

17 Heb *putteth.*

y Ps cxxi 3

7 Heb *is silent;* Ps lxii. 1

z Ps xvii 3, Isa. xlviii 10, Zech xiii 9; 1 Peter i. 6, 7.

k Isa. lxvi. 23

a Lam. i. 13.

8 Heb. *Words,* or, *Matters of iniquities.*

l Ps li 2; lxxix. 9; Isa vi 7, Heb ix. 14; 1 John i. 7, 9

18 Heb. *moist.*

b Isa xliii. 2; li. 23

c Ps. c. 4; cxvi. 14, 17—19; Eccles. v. 4.

m Ps lv. 3; xxxiii. 12; xxxvi. 8, lxxxiv. 4.

19 Heb. *opened.*



'THOU CROWNEST THE YEAR WITH THY GOODNESS."—PSALM LXV. 11.

15 I will offer unto thee burnt sacrifices of [1]fatlings, with the incense of rams; I will offer bullocks with goats. Selah.

16 Come *and* hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul.[a]

17 I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my tongue.

18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me:*[b]

19 *But* verily God hath heard *me;* he hath attended to the voice of my prayer.[c]

20 Blessed *be* God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

PSALM LXVII.

1 *A prayer for the enlargement of God's kingdom, 3 to the joy of the people, 6 and the increase of God's blessings*

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm *or* Song.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us; *and* cause his face to shine [2]upon us; Selah.[d]

2 That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.[e]

3 Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.[f]

4 O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and [3]govern the nations upon earth. Selah.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 540

1 Heb. *marrow.*

h Ps lxxxv 12, Lev xxvi 4, Ezek xxxiv 27.

a Ps xxxiv. 11

i Ps. xxii 27

b Job xxvii 9, Prov xv 29, xxviii 9, Isa i 15, John ix 31, James iv 3

c Ps cxvi 1, 2

4 Heb *from his face*

j Numb x 35, Isa xxxiii. 3

k Ps xcvii. 5; Isa. ix 18, Hos. xiii 3, Micah i 4

5 Heb *rejoice with gladness*

l Ps xxxii 11, lviii 10; lxiv 10.

2 Heb. *with us*

d Ps. iv 6; xxxi 16, lxxx. 3, 7, 19; cxix. 135, Numb. vi. 25.

m ver. 33, Ps lxvi. 4, Exod. vi, 3, Deut. xxxiii. 26

e Luke ii 30, 31, Acts xviii. 25; Titus ii. 11.

n Ps x. 14, 18; cxlvi 9.

f Ps lxvi. 4

6 Heb *in a house.*

3 Heb *lead*

o Ps. cvii. 10, 14, 34, 40; cxlvi. 7; 1 Sam ii. 5; Acts xii 6—10

g Ps. xcvi. 10, 13; xcviii. 9

5 Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee.

6 *Then* shall the earth yield her increase; *and* God, *even* our own God, shall bless us.[h]

7 God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.[i]

PSALM LXVIII.

1 *A prayer at the removing of the ark.* 4 *An exhortation to praise God for his mercies,* 7 *for his care of the church,* 19 *for his great works.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm *or* Song of David.

LET God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee [4]before him.[j]

2 As smoke is driven away, *so* drive *them* away: as wax melteth before the fire, *so* let the wicked perish at the presence of God.[k]

3 But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them [5]exceedingly rejoice.[l]

4 Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.[m]

5 A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, *is* God in his holy habitation.[n]

6 God setteth the solitary [6]in families: he bringeth out those which are bound with chains: but the rebellious dwell in a dry *land.*[o]

7 O God, when thou wentest forth before thy

35 For God will save Zion, and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there, and have it in possession.[a]

36 The seed also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his name shall dwell therein.[b]

PSALM LXX.

David solicited God to the speedy destruction of the wicked, and preservation of the godly.

To the chief Musician, *A Psalm* of David, [c]to bring to remembrance.

MAKE *haste*, O God, to deliver me; make haste [1]to help me, O LORD.[d]

2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul: let them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.[e]

3 Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame that say, Aha, aha.[f]

4 Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say continually, Let God be magnified.

5 But I *am* poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou *art* my help and my deliverer; O LORD, make no tarrying.[g]

PSALM LXXI.

1 *David, in confidence of faith, and experience of God's favour, prayeth both for himself, and against the enemies of his soul.* 14 *He promiseth constancy.* 17 *He prayeth for perseverance.* 19 *He praiseth God, and promiseth to do it cheerfully.*

IN thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.[h]

2 Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline thine ear unto me, and save me.[i]

3 [2]Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou *art* my rock and my fortress.[j]

4 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.[k]

5 For thou *art* my hope, O Lord GOD: *thou art* my trust from my youth.[l]

6 By thee have I been holden up from the womb: thou art he that took me out of my mother's bowels: my praise *shall be* continually of thee.[m]

7 I am as a wonder unto many; but thou *art* my strong refuge.[n]

8 Let my mouth be filled *with* thy praise *and with* thy honour all the day.[o]

9 Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth.[p]

10 For mine enemies speak against me; and they that [3]lay wait for my soul take counsel together,[q]

11 Saying, God hath forsaken him: persecute and take him; for *there is* none to deliver *him*.

12 O God, be not far from me: O my God, make haste for my help.[r]

13 Let them be confounded *and* consumed that are adversaries to my soul; let them be covered *with* reproach and dishonour that seek my hurt.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 1021.

a Ps. ii. 18; Isa. xliv. 26.

t vs. 8, 24; Ps. xxxv 28; xl. 5; cxxxix. 17, 18.

b Ps. cii. 28.

c Ps. xxxviii. title.

4 Heb. *unto old age and grey hairs.*

1 Heb *to my help.*

d Ps xl 13, &c; lxxi. 12.

5 Heb. *thine arm.*

u ver. 9.

e Ps. xxxv. 4, 26; lxxi. 13.

v Ps xxxv. 10; lvii. 10, lxxxvi.8; lxxxix. 6, 8.

f Ps. xl 15.

w Ps. lx. 3; Hos vi. 1, 2.

6 Heb *with the instrument of psaltery*

g Ps xl. 17, cxli 1

x Ps xcii. 1—3; ci 3; 2 Kings xix 22; Isa. lx. 9.

y Ps. ciii. 4.

h Ps. xxv. 2, 3, xxxi. 1

z vs. 8, 13, 15.

i Ps. xvii. 6; xxxi. 1

2 Heb. *Be thou to me for a rock of habitation.*

7 Or, *of.*

a Ps. cxxvii. title.

j Ps. xxxi 2, 3; xliv 4.

k Ps. cxl. 1, 4.

b Isa xi 2—4, xxxii 1

l Jer xvii 7, 17

c Ps lxxxv 10, Isa xxxii. 17, lii 7

m Ps xxii 9, 10, Isa xlvi 3

d Isa. xi 4.

n Isa viii 18, Zech iii. 8, 1 Cor iv. 9

e vs 7, 17, Ps. lxxxix 36, 37

o Ps xxxv. 28

f 2 Sam xxiii 4; Hos. vi 3.

p ver 18

8 Heb *till there be no moon.*

3 Heb *watch*, or, *observe*

q 2 Sam xvii. 1; Matt. xxvii 1

g Isa. ii. 4; Dan. ii. 44; Luke i. 33.

h Ps. ii. 8; lxxx. 11; lxxxix. 25; Exod xxiii 31; 1 Kings iv 21, 24; Zech. ix 10.

r Ps. xxii. 11, 19; xxxv. 22; xxxviii. 21, 22; lxx. 1.

i Ps. lxxiv. 14; Isa. xlix. 23; Micah vii 17.

s ver. 24; Ps. xxxv. 4, 26, xl. 14, lxx. 2.

j Ps. xiv. 12; lxviii. 29; 2 Chron. ix. 21; Isa. xlix. 7; lx. 6, 9.

14 But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.

15 My mouth shall shew forth thy righteousness *and* thy salvation all the day; for I know not the numbers *thereof*.[t]

16 I will go in the strength of the Lord GOD: I will make mention of thy righteousness, *even* of thine only.

17 O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works.

18 Now also [4]when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed [5]thy strength unto *this* generation, *and* thy power to every one *that* is to come.[u]

19 Thy righteousness also, O God, *is* very high, who hast done great things: O God, who *is* like unto thee![v]

20 *Thou*, which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth.[w]

21 Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side.

22 I will also praise thee [6]with the psaltery, *even* thy truth, O my God: unto thee will I sing with the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.[x]

23 My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee, and my soul, which thou hast redeemed.[y]

24 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded, for they are brought unto shame, that seek my hurt.[z]

PSALM LXXII.

1 *David, praying for Solomon, sheweth the goodness and glory of his, in type, and in truth, of Christ's kingdom.* 18 *He blesseth God.*

A Psalm [7]for [a]Solomon.

GIVE the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.

2 He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment.[b]

3 The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness.[c]

4 He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor.[d]

5 They shall fear thee as long as the sun and moon endure, throughout all generations.[e]

6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers *that* water the earth.[f]

7 In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace [8]so long as the moon endureth.[g]

8 He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.[h]

9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his enemies shall lick the dust.[i]

10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.[j]



"THE KINGS OF TARSHISH AND OF THE ISLES SHALL BRING PRESENTS."—PSALM LXXII. 10

11 Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.[a]

12 For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also, and *him* that hath no helper.[b]

13 He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.

14 He shall redeem their soul from deceit and violence: and precious shall their blood be in his sight.[c]

15 And he shall live, and to him [1]shall be given of the gold of Sheba: prayer also shall be made for him continually; *and* daily shall he be praised.

16 There shall be an handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon: and *they* of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.[d]

17 His name [2]shall endure for ever: his name [3]shall be continued as long as the sun: and *men* shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed.[e]

18 Blessed *be* the LORD God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things.[f]

19 And blessed *be* his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled *with* his glory; Amen, and Amen.[g]

20 The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.

BEFORE CHRIST 710

a Isa. xlix. 22, 23

b Job xxix. 12

4 Or, *A Psalm for Asaph*

h Ps. 1. title

5 Or, *Yet*

6 Heb. *clean of heart*

c Ps. cxvi. 15.

1 Heb. *one shall give*

i Ps. xxxvii. 1, Job xxi. 7; Jer. xii. 1

7 Heb. *fat.*

8 Heb. *in the trouble of other men*

9 Heb. *with.*

d 1 Kings iv. 20.

2 Heb. *shall be*

3 Heb. *shall be as a son to continue his father's name for ever.*

10 Heb. *they pass the thoughts of the heart.*

i Ps. xvii. 10; cxix. 70; Job xv. 27; Jer. v. 28.

e Ps. lxxxix. 36; Gen. xii. 3, xxii. 18; Jer. iv. 2, Luke i. 48.

k Ps. liii. 1; Hos. vii. 16; 2 Peter ii. 18; Jude 1, 6.

f Ps. xli. 13; lxxvii. 14; cvi. 48, cxxxvi. 4, Exod. xv. 11; 1 Chron. xxix. 10

l Rev. xiii. 6.

g Numb. xiv. 21; Neh. ix. 5; Zech. xiv. 9.

m Ps. lxxv. 8

n Ps. x. 11; xciv. 7, Job xxii. 13.

PSALM LXXIII.

1 *The prophet, prevailing in a temptation,* 2 *sheweth the occasion thereof, the prosperity of the wicked.* 13 *The wound given thereby diffidence.* 15 *The victory over it, knowledge of God's purpose, in destroying of the wicked, and sustaining the righteous.*

[4]A Psalm of [h]Asaph.

TRULY[5] God *is* good to Israel, *even* to such as are [6]of a clean heart.

2 But as for me, my feet were almost gone; my steps had well nigh slipped.

3 For I was envious at the foolish, *when* I saw the prosperity of the wicked.[i]

4 For *there are* no bands in their death: but their strength *is* [7]firm.

5 They *are* not [8]in trouble *as other* men; neither are they plagued [9]like *other* men.

6 Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them *as* a garment.

7 Their eyes stand out with fatness: [10]they have more than heart could wish.[l]

8 They are corrupt, and speak wickedly *concerning* oppression: they speak loftily.[k]

9 They set their mouth against the heavens, and their tongue walketh through the earth.[l]

10 Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full *cup* are wrung out to them.[m]

11 And they say, How doth God know? and is there knowledge in the most High?[n]

12 Behold, these *are* the ungodly, who prosper in the world; they increase *in* riches.[a]

13 Verily I have cleansed my heart *in* vain, and washed my hands in innocency.[b]

14 For all the day long have I been plagued, and [1]chastened every morning.

15 If I say, I will speak thus; behold, I should offend *against* the generation of thy children.

16 When I thought to know this, [2]it *was* too painful for me;[c]

17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; *then* understood I their end.[d]

18 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction.

19 How are they *brought* into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors.

20 As a dream when *one* awaketh; *so*, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.[e]

21 Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.[f]

22 So foolish *was* I, and [3]ignorant: I was *as* a beast [4]before thee.[g]

23 Nevertheless I *am* continually with thee: thou hast holden *me* by my right hand.

24 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me *to* glory.[h]

25 Whom have I in heaven *but thee?* and *there is* none upon earth *that* I desire beside thee.[i]

26 My flesh and my heart faileth: *but* God *is* the [5]strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.[j]

27 For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.[k]

28 But *it is* good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works.[l]

PSALM LXXIV.

1 *The prophet complaineth of the desolation of the sanctuary* 10 *He moveth God to help in consideration of his power,* 18 *of his reproachful enemies, of his children, and of his covenant*

[6]Maschil of Asaph



GOD, why hast thou cast *us* off for ever? *why* doth thine anger smoke against the sheep of thy pasture?[m]

2 Remember thy congregation, *which* thou hast purchased of old; the [7]rod of thine inheritance, *which* thou hast redeemed; this mount Zion, wherein thou hast dwelt.[n]

3 Lift up thy feet unto the perpetual desolations; *even* all *that* the enemy hath done wickedly in the sanctuary.

4 Thine enemies roar in the midst of thy congregations; they set up their ensigns *for* signs.[o]

5 *A man* was famous according as he had lifted up axes upon the thick trees.

6 But now they break down the carved work thereof at once with axes and hammers.[p]

7 [8]They have cast fire into thy sanctuary, they have defiled *by casting down* the dwelling place of thy name to the ground.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

9 Heb. *break.*

a ver. 3.

r Ps lxxxiii. 4.

b Ps xxvi 6; Job xxi. 15; xxxiv. 9, xxxv. 3, Mal. iii. 14.

1 Heb. *my chastisement was*

s 1 Sam iii. 1; Amos viii. 11.

2 Heb. *it was labour in mine eyes.*

c Eccles. viii. 17.

t Lam. ii. 3.

d Ps. xxxvii. 38.

u Ps. xliv. 4.

10 Or, *whales*

v Exod. xiv. 21; Isa. li. 9, 10; Ezek. xxix. 3; xxxii. 2.

w Ps. lxxii 9, Numb. xiv. 9.

e Ps. lxxviii 65; xc 5; Job xx. 8, Isa. xxix 7, 8.

11 Heb. *rivers of strength*

x Ps. cv. 41, Exod xvii. 5, 6, Numb xx 11, Josh iii 13, &c., Isa. xlviii 21.

f ver 3

3 Heb *I knew not*

y Gen i. 14, &c

4 Heb *with thee.*

g Ps. xcii 6, Prov xxx 2

12 Heb *made them*

z Gen viii 22, Acts xvii. 26

h Ps xxxii 8, Isa lviii 8

a ver 22, Ps xxxix 8

i Philipp iii. 8

b Ps lxviii. 10, Cant ii 14

5 Heb *rock*

j Ps xvi 5, lxxxiv 2, cxix 57, 81

c Ps cvi 45, Gen xvii 7, 8, Lev xxvi 44, 45; Jer xxxiii 21

k Ps cxix 155; Exod xxxiv. 15, Numb xv 39; James iv 4

l Ps cvii 22, cxviii 17, Heb. x 22

d ver 18, Ps lxxxix. 51

13 Heb *ascendeth,* Jonah i. 2

6 Or, *A Psalm for Asaph to give instruction*

m Ps. xliv 9, 23; lx. 1, 10, lxxvii 7, xcv. 7, c 3, Deut xxix. 20, Jer. xxxi 37, xxxiii 24

14 Or, *Destroy not*

e Ps lvii. title

15 Or, *for Asaph*

7 Or, *tribe*

n Exod. xv. 16, Deut. ix. 29, xxxii. 9; Jer. x. 16

16 Or, *When I shall take a set time.*

o Lam ii. 7; Dan. vi. 27.

f Zech. i. 21.

p 1 Kings vi. 18, 29, 32, 35

8 Heb. *They have sent thy sanctuary into the fire.*

17 Heb. *desert.*

q Ps. lxxxix. 39; 2 Kings xxv. 9.

g Ps. l. 6; lviii. 11; 1 Sam. ii. 7; Dan. ii 21

8 They said in their hearts, Let us [9]destroy them together: they have burned up all the synagogues of God in the land.[r]

9 We see not our signs: *there is* no more any prophet: neither *is there* among us any that knoweth how long.[s]

10 O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme thy name for ever?

11 Why withdrawest thou thy hand, even thy right hand? pluck *it* out of thy bosom.[t]

12 For God *is* my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth.[u]

13 Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: thou brakest the heads of the [10]dragons in the waters.[v]

14 Thou brakest the heads of leviathan in pieces, *and* gavest him *to be* meat to the people inhabiting the wilderness.[w]

15 Thou didst cleave the fountain and the flood: thou driedst up [11]mighty rivers.[x]

16 The day *is* thine, the night also *is* thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun.[y]

17 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast [12]made summer and winter.[z]

18 Remember this, *that* the enemy hath reproached, O LORD, and *that* the foolish people have blasphemed thy name.[a]

19 O deliver not the soul of thy turtledove unto the multitude *of the wicked:* forget not the congregation of thy poor for ever.[b]

20 Have respect unto the covenant: for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty.[c]

21 O let not the oppressed return ashamed: let the poor and needy praise thy name.

22 Arise, O God, plead thine own cause: remember how the foolish man reproacheth thee daily.[d]

23 Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the tumult of those that rise up against thee [13]increaseth continually.

PSALM LXXV.

1 *The prophet praiseth God.* 2 *He promiseth to judge uprightly.* 4 *He rebuketh the proud by consideration of God's providence.* 9 *He praiseth God, and promiseth to execute justice.*

To the chief Musician, [14]*e*Al-taschith, A Psalm *or* Song [15]*of* Asaph.



NTO thee, O God, do we give thanks, *unto thee* do we give thanks: for *that* thy name is near thy wondrous works declare.

2 [16]When I shall receive the congregation I will judge uprightly.

3 The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolved: I bear up the pillars of it. Selah.

4 I said unto the fools, Deal not foolishly: and to the wicked, Lift not up the horn:[f]

5 Lift not up your horn on high: speak *not with* a stiff neck.

6 For promotion *cometh* neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the [17]south.

7 But God *is* the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.[g]



THE DESOLATION OF THE SANCTUARY.—PSALM LXXIV. 6, 7.

3 For in the hand of the LORD *there is* a cup, and the wine is red; it is full of mixture, and he poureth out of the same: but the dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring *them* out, *and* drink *them*.[a]

9 But I will declare for ever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

10 All the horns of the wicked also will I cut off; *but* the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.[b]

PSALM LXXVI.

1 *A declaration of God's majesty in the church* 11 *An exhortation to serve him reverently.*

To the chief Musician on Neginoth, A Psalm *or* Song [1]of Asaph.

IN Judah *is* God known: his name *is* great in Israel.[c]

2 In Salem also is his tabernacle, and his dwelling place in Zion.

3 There brake he the arrows of the bow, the shield, and the sword, and the battle. Selah.[d]

4 Thou *art* more glorious *and* excellent than the mountains of prey.[e]

5 The stouthearted are spoiled, they have slept *their* sleep: and none of the men of might have found their hands.[f]

6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob, both the chariot and horse are cast into a dead sleep.[g]

7 Thou, *even* thou, *art* to be feared: and who may stand in thy sight when once thou art angry?[h]

8 Thou didst cause judgment to be heard from heaven; the earth feared, and was still,[i]

9 When God arose to judgment, to save all the meek of the earth. Selah.[j]

10 Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.[k]

11 Vow, and pay unto the LORD your God: let all that be round about him bring presents [2]unto him that ought to be feared.[l]

12 He shall cut off the spirit of princes: *he is* terrible to the kings of the earth.[m]

PSALM LXXVII.

1 *The psalmist sheweth what fierce combat he had with diffidence.* 10 *The victory which he had by consideration of God's great and gracious works.*

To the chief Musician, [n]to Jeduthun, A Psalm [3]of Asaph.

I CRIED unto God with my voice, *even* unto God with my voice; and he gave ear unto me.[o]

2 In the day of my trouble I sought the Lord: [4]my sore ran in the night, and ceased not: my soul refused to be comforted.[p]

3 I remembered God, and was troubled: I complained, and my spirit was overwhelmed. Selah.[q]

4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so troubled that I cannot speak.

5 I have considered the days of old, the years of ancient times.[r]

6 I call to remembrance my song in the night: I commune with mine own heart: and my spirit made diligent search.[s]

7 Will the Lord cast off for ever? and will he be favourable no more?[t]

BEFORE CHRIST 746.

5 Heb. *to generation and generation.*

u Rom. ix. 9.

a Ps. lx. 3, lxxiii. 10; Job xxi. 20; Prov. xxiii. 30, Jer. xxv. 15; Rev. xiv. 10; xvi. 19.

v Isa. xlix. 15.

w Ps. xxxi. 22.

b Ps. lxxxix. 17; cl. 8; cxlviii. 14; Jer. xlviii. 25.

x Ps. cxliii. 5.

y Ps. lxxiii. 17; Exod. xv. 11.

1 Or, *for Asaph.*

c Ps. xlviii. 1, &c.

z Exod. vi. 6; Deut. ix. 29.

a Ps. cxiv. 3; Exod. xiv. 21; Josh. iii. 15, 16; Hab. iii. 8, &c.

d Ps. xlvi. 9; Ezek. xxxix. 9

6 Heb. *The clouds were poured forth with water.*

b 2 Sam. xxii. 15, Hab. iii. 11

e Ezek. xxxviii. 12, 13, xxxix. 4

c Ps. xcvii. 4, 2 Sam. xxii. 8

f Ps. xlii. 3, Isa. xlvi. 12, Jer. li. 39

d Exod. xiv. 28, Hab. iii. 15

g Exod. xv. 1, 21, Ezek. xxxix. 20, Nahum ii. 13, Zech. xii. 4

e Ps. lxxviii. 52, lxxx. 1, Exod. xiii. 21, xiv. 19; Isa. lxiii. 11, 12, Hos. xi. 10.

h Nahum i. 6.

i 2 Chron. xx. 29, 30, Ezek. xxxviii. 20

j Ps. ix. 7—9; lxxii. 4

7 Or, *A Psalm for Asaph to give instruction*

f Ps. lxxix. title

k Ps. lxv. 7, Exod. ix. 16; xviii. 11

2 Heb. *to fear*

g Isa. ii. 4.

l Ps. lxviii. 29, lxxxix. 7; 2 Chron. xxxii. 22, 23; Eccles. v. 4—6

h Ps. xlix. 4; Matt. xiii. 35.

m Ps. lxviii. 35

i Ps. xlix. 1

n Ps. xxxix. and lxii. title.

3 Or, *for Asaph*

j Exod. xii. 26, 27; xiii. 8, 14, Deut. iv. 9, vi. 7, Josh. iv. 6, 7, Joel i. 3.

o Ps. lii. 4

k Ps. cxlvii. 19; Deut. iv. 9; vi. 7; xi. 19.

4 Heb. *my hand.*

p Ps. l. 15; Isa. xxvi. 9, 16

l Ps. cii. 18.

q Ps. cxlii. 3; cxliii. 4.

8 Heb. that *prepared not their heart.*

r Ps. cxliii. 5; Deut. xxxii. 7; Isa. li. 9.

m ver. 37; Ps. lxviii. 6; Exod. xxxii. 9; xxxiii. 3; xxxiv. 9; Deut. ix. 6, 13; xxxi. 27; 2 Chron. xx. 33

s Ps. lv. 4; xlii. 8.

9 Heb. *throwing forth.*

t Ps. lxxiv. 1; lxxxv. 1.

n 2 Kings xvii. 15.

8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever? doth *his* promise fail [5]for evermore?[u]

9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies? Selah.[v]

10 And I said, This *is* my infirmity: *but I will remember* the years of the right hand of the most High.[w]

11 I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.[x]

12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.

13 Thy way, O God, *is* in the sanctuary: who *is so* great a God as *our* God?[y]

14 Thou *art* the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people.

15 Thou hast with *thine* arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah.[z]

16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled.[a]

17 [6]The clouds poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: thine arrows also went abroad.[b]

18 The voice of thy thunder *was* in the heaven: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook.[c]

19 Thy way *is* in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.[d]

20 Thou leddest thy people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.[e]

PSALM LXXVIII.

1 *An exhortation both to learn and to preach the law of God.* 9 *The story of God's wrath against the incredulous and disobedient.* 67 *The Israelites being rejected, God chose Judah, Zion, and David.*

[7]Maschil of Asaph.

GIVE ear, O my people, *to* my law: incline your ears to the words of my mouth.[f]

2 I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:[g]

3 Which we have heard and known, and our fathers have told us.[h]

4 We will not hide *them* from their children, shewing to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and his strength, and his wonderful works that he hath done.[i]

5 For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children:[k]

6 That the generation to come might know *them, even* the children *which* should be born; *who* should arise and declare *them* to their children:[l]

7 That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:

8 And might not be as their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation [8]*that* set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.[m]

9 The children of Ephraim, *being* armed, *and* [9]carrying bows, turned back in the day of battle.

10 They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law;[n]



HE RAINED DOWN MANNA UPON THEM TO EAT.—PSALM LXXVIII. 24

11 And forgat his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them.[a]

12 Marvellous things did he in the sight of their fathers, in the land of Egypt, *in* the field of Zoan.[b]

13 He divided the sea, and caused them to pass through; and he made the waters to stand as an heap.[c]

14 In the daytime also he led them with a cloud, and all the night with a light of fire.[d]

15 He clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave *them* drink as *out of* the great depths.[e]

16 He brought streams also out of the rock, and caused waters to run down like rivers.[f]

17 And they sinned yet more against him by provoking the most High in the wilderness.[g]

18 And they tempted God in their heart by asking meat for their lust.[h]

19 Yea, they spake against God; they said, Can God [1]furnish a table in the wilderness?[i]

20 Behold, he smote the rock, that the waters gushed out, and the streams overflowed, can he give bread also? can he provide flesh for his people?[j]

21 Therefore the LORD heard *this*, and was wroth: so a fire was kindled against Jacob, and anger also came up against Israel;[k]

22 Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in his salvation:[l]

23 Though he had commanded the clouds from above, and opened the doors of heaven,[m]

24 And had rained down manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the corn of heaven.[n]

25 [2]Man did eat angels' food: he sent them meat to the full.

26 He caused an east wind [3]to blow in the heaven: and by his power he brought in the south wind.[o]

27 He rained flesh also upon them as dust, and [4]feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea:

28 And he let *it* fall in the midst of their camp, round about their habitations.

BEFORE CHRIST 900

a Ps cvi 13
/ Exod. xvii 6, Numb xx 11
b ver 43, Exod. vii—xii, Isa xix. 11, 13, Ezek xxx 14
k Numb xi 1, 10
c Ps xxxiii. 7; Exod xiv 21, xv 8
l Heb iii 18, Jude 5
d Ps cv 39, Exod xiii 21, xiv 24
m Gen vii 11, Mal iii 10
e Ps cv 41; Exod xvii 6, Numb. xx. 11, 1 Cor x. 4
n Ps cv 40, Exod xvi 4, 14, John vi 31, 1 Cor x. 3
f Ps. cv 41, Deut ix 21
2 Or, *Every one did eat the bread of the mighty*, Ps cliii. 20
g Ps. xcv 8; Heb iii. 16.
3 Heb. *to go.*
o Numb. xi. 31.
h Exod. xvi. 2.
4 Heb *fowl of wing.*
1 Heb. *order.*
i Numb. xi. 4.

29 So they did eat, and were well filled: for he gave them their own desire;[a]

30 They were not estranged from their lust. But while their meat *was* yet in their mouths,[b]

31 The wrath of God came upon them, and slew the fattest of them, and [1]smote down the [2]chosen *men* of Israel.

32 For all this they sinned still, and believed not for his wondrous works.[c]

33 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, and their years in trouble.[d]

34 When he slew them, then they sought him: and they returned and enquired early after God.[e]

35 And they remembered that God *was* their rock, and the high God their redeemer.[f]

36 Nevertheless they did flatter him with their mouth, and they lied unto him with their tongues.[g]

37 For their heart was not right with him, neither were they stedfast in his covenant.[h]

38 But he, *being* full of compassion, forgave *their* iniquity, and destroyed *them* not: yea, many a time turned he his anger away, and did not stir up all his wrath.[i]

39 For he remembered that they *were but* flesh; a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.[j]

40 How oft did they [3]provoke him in the wilderness, *and* grieve him in the desert![k]

41 Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel.[l]

42 They remembered not his hand, *nor* the day when he delivered them from the enemy.

43 How he had [4]wrought his signs in Egypt, and his wonders in the field of Zoan:[m]

44 And had turned their rivers into blood; and their floods, that they could not drink.[n]

45 He sent divers sorts of flies among them, which devoured them; and frogs, which destroyed them.[o]

46 He gave also their increase unto the caterpiller, and their labour unto the locust.[p]

47 He [5]destroyed their vines with hail, and their sycomore trees with [6]frost.[q]

48 [7]He gave up their cattle also to the hail, and their flocks to [8]hot thunderbolts.[r]

49 He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels *among them.*

50 He made a way to his anger; he spared not their soul from death, but gave [9]their life over to the pestilence;

51 And smote all the firstborn in Egypt; the chief of *their* strength in the tabernacles of Ham:[s]

52 But made his own people to go forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.

53 And he led them on safely, so that they feared not: but the sea [10]overwhelmed their enemies.[t]

54 And he brought them to the border of his sanctuary, *even to* this mountain, *which* his right hand had purchased.[u]

55 He cast out the heathen also before them, and divided them an inheritance by line, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.[v]

BEFORE CHRIST 900.

a Numb. xi. 20.
w Judg ii. 11, 12.
b Numb. xi. 33
x ver. 41; Ezek xx. 27, 28; Hos vii. 16.
1 Heb. *made to bow*
2 Or, *young men*
y Deut xii 2, 4; xxxii 16, 21; Judg ii. 12, 20; 1 Kings xi 7; xii. 31; Ezek. xx. 28
c ver 22; Numb. xiv, xvi, xvii
d Numb. xiv 29, 35; xxvi 64, 65
z 1 Sam iv. 11; Jer vii. 12, 14, xxvi 6, 9
e Hos v 15.
a Judg xviii. 30.
f Exod xv 13, Deut. vii 8; xxxii 4, 15, 31, Isa xii 14, xliv 6, lxiii. 9
b 1 Sam iv 10
g Ezek. xxxiii 31
11 Heb *praised*
c Jer vii 34, xvi 9; xxv 10
h ver 8
d 1 Sam. iv. 11; xxii. 18, Job xxvii 15, Ezek xxiv 25
e Ps xliv 23, Isa xlii 14
i Numb xiv 18, 20, 1 Kings xxi 29, Isa xlviii 9
j Ps ciii 14, 15, Gen. vi 3, 1 Kings xxi 29, Job vii 7, 16; John iii 6, James iv 14
3 Or, *rebel against him*
k ver 17, Ps xcv 9, 10, Isa. vii 13, lxiii 10
f Ps. lxxxvii 2
l ver 20, Numb xiv 22, Deut. vi 16
12 Heb. *founded*
g 1 Kings vi
4 Heb. *set*
h 1 Sam xvi. 11, 12, 2 Sam vii. 8
m ver 12, Ps. cv 27, &c
13 Heb *From after*
n Ps. cv 29, Exod vii. 20
i Gen xxxiii 13; 2 Sam v 2; 1 Chron xi 2, Isa. xl. 11
o Ps cv 30, 31, Exod viii. 6, 24
j 1 Kings ix 4
p Ps cv 34, 35, Exod x 13, 15
5 Heb *killed*
6 Or, *great hail-stones*
q Ps cv 33, Exod ix 23, 25
14 Or, *for Asaph*
7 Heb *He shut up*
8 Or, *lightnings*
r Exod ix 23—25
k Ps lxxiv 2, 7 Exod xv 17, 2 Kings xxi 9, 10, 2 Chron xxxvi 19, Micah iii 12
9 Or, *their beasts to the murrain*
l Jer vii 33, xvi 4, xxxiv 20
s Ps cv 36; cvi. 22, cxxxvi 10, Exod xii 29
m Ps cxii 7; Jer. xiv. 16, xvi 4, Rev. xi. 9
10 Heb *covered*
t Exod xiv 19, 27, 28; xv 10
n Ps xliv. 13; lxxx. 6.
u Exod xv 17
o Ps lxxiv 1, 9, 10; lxxxv 5, lxxxix. 46; Zeph i. 18; iii 8.
v Ps xliv 2, cxxxvi. 21, 22; Josh xiii. 7; xix. 51.
p Ps. liii. 4; Isa. xiv. 4, 5; Jer x. 25; 2 Thess. i. 8; Rev. xvi 1

56 Yet they tempted and provoked the most high God, and kept not his testimonies:[w]

57 But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they were turned aside like a deceitful bow.[x]

58 For they provoked him to anger with their high places, and moved him to jealousy with their graven images.[y]

59 When God heard *this*, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel:

60 So that he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent *which* he placed among men;[z]

61 And delivered his strength into captivity, and his glory into the enemy's hand.[a]

62 He gave his people over also unto the sword; and was wroth with his inheritance.[b]

63 The fire consumed their young men; and their maidens were not [11]given to marriage.[c]

64 Their priests fell by the sword; and their widows made no lamentation.[d]

65 Then the Lord awaked as one out of sleep, *and* like a mighty man that shouteth by reason of wine.[e]

66 And he smote his enemies in the hinder parts: he put them to a perpetual reproach.

67 Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraim:

68 But chose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which he loved.[f]

69 And he built his sanctuary like high *palaces*, like the earth which he hath [12]established for ever.[g]

70 He chose David also his servant, and took him from the sheepfolds:[h]

71 [13]From following the ewes great with young he brought him to feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.[i]

72 So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands.[j]

PSALM LXXIX.

1 *The psalmist complaineth of the desolation of Jerusalem* 8 *He prayeth for deliverance,* 13 *and promiseth thankfulness.*

A Psalm [14]of Asaph.

O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance; thy holy temple have they defiled; they have laid Jerusalem on heaps.[k]

2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given *to be* meat unto the fowls of the heaven, the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the earth.[l]

3 Their blood have they shed like water round about Jerusalem; and *there was* none to bury *them.*[m]

4 We are become a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and derision to them that are round about us.[n]

5 How long, LORD? wilt thou be angry for ever? shall thy jealousy burn like fire?[o]

6 Pour out thy wrath upon the heathen that have not known thee, and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy name.[p]

11 Heb *praised*
c Jer vii 34, xvi 9; xxv 10
h ver 8
d 1 Sam. iv. 11; xxii. 18, Job xxvii 15, Ezek xxiv 23
e Ps xliv 23, Isa xlii 14
i Numb xiv 18, 20, 1 Kings xxi 29, Isa xlviii 9
j Ps ciii 14, 15, Gen. vi 3, 1 Kings xxi 29, Job vii 7, 16; John iii 6, James iv 14
3 Or, *rebel against him*
k ver 17, Ps xcv 9, 10, Isa. vii 13, lxiii 10
f Ps. lxxxvii 2
l ver 20, Numb xiv 22, Deut. vi 16
12 Heb. *founded*
g 1 Kings vi
4 Heb. *set*
h 1 Sam xvi. 11, 12, 2 Sam vii. 8
m ver 12, Ps. cv 27, &c
13 Heb *From after*
n Ps. cv 29, Exod vii. 20
i Gen xxxiii 13; 2 Sam v 2; 1 Chron xi 2, Isa. xl. 11
o Ps cv 30, 31, Exod viii. 6, 24
j 1 Kings ix 4
p Ps cv 34, 35, Exod x 13, 15
5 Heb *killed*
6 Or, *great hail-stones*
q Ps cv 33, Exod ix 23, 25
14 Or, *for Asaph*
7 Heb *He shut up*
8 Or, *lightnings*
r Exod ix 23—25
k Ps lxxiv 2, 7 Exod xv 17, 2 Kings xxi 9, 10, 2 Chron xxxvi 19, Micah iii 12
9 Or, *their beasts to the murrain*
l Jer vii 33, xvi 4, xxxiv 20
s Ps cv 36; cvi. 22, cxxxvi 10, Exod xii 29
m Ps cxii 7; Jer. xiv. 16, xvi 4, Rev. xi. 9
10 Heb *covered*
t Exod xiv 19, 27, 28; xv 10
n Ps xliv. 13; lxxx. 6.
u Exod xv 17
o Ps lxxiv 1, 9, 10; lxxxv 5, lxxxix. 46; Zeph i. 18; iii 8.
v Ps xliv 2, cxxxvi. 21, 22; Josh xiii. 7; xix. 51.
p Ps. liii. 4; Isa. xiv. 4, 5; Jer x. 25; 2 Thess. i. 8; Rev. xvi 1

7 For they have devoured Jacob, and laid waste his dwelling place.

8 O remember not against us [1]former iniquities: let thy tender mercies speedily prevent us: for we are brought very low.[a]

9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for thy name's sake.[b]

10 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where *is* their God? let him be known among the heathen in our sight *by* the [2]revenging of the blood of thy servants *which is* shed.[c]

11 Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee; according to the greatness of [3]thy power [4]preserve thou those that are appointed to die;[d]

12 And render unto our neighbours sevenfold into their bosom their reproach, wherewith they have reproached thee, O Lord.[e]

13 So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks for ever: we will shew forth thy praise [5]to all generations.[f]

PSALM LXXX.

1 *The psalmist in his prayer complaineth of the miseries of the church.* 8 *God's former favours are turned into judgments.* 14 *He prayeth for deliverance.*

To the chief Musician [g]upon Shoshannim-Eduth, A Psalm [6]of Asaph.

GIVE ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest *between* the cherubims, shine forth.[h]

2 Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh stir up thy strength, and [7]come *and* save us.[i]

3 Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.[j]

4 O Lord God of hosts, how long [8]wilt thou be angry against the prayer of thy people?

5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears; and givest them tears to drink in great measure.[k]

6 Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours: and our enemies laugh among themselves.[l]

7 Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.[m]

8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.[n]

9 Thou preparedst *room* before it, and didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land.[o]

10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof *were like* [9]the goodly cedars.

11 She sent out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the river.[p]

12 Why hast thou *then* broken down her hedges, so that all they which pass by the way do pluck her?[q]

13 The boar out of the wood doth waste it, and the wild beast of the field doth devour it.

14 Return, we beseech thee, O God of hosts: look down from heaven, and behold, and visit this vine;[r]

15 And the vineyard which thy right hand hath planted, and the branch *that* thou madest strong for thyself.[s]

16 *It is* burned with fire, *it is* cut down: they perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.[t]

17 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, upon the son of man *whom* thou madest strong for thyself.[u]

18 So will not we go back from thee: quicken us, and we will call upon thy name.

19 Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts, cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.[v]

PSALM LXXXI.

1 *An exhortation to a solemn praising of God.* 4 *God challengeth that duty by reason of his benefits.* 8 *God, exhorting to obedience, complaineth of their disobedience, which proveth their own hurt.*

To the chief Musician [w]upon Gittith, *A Psalm* [10]of Asaph.

SING aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2 Take a psalm, and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery.

3 Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.

4 For this *was* a statute for Israel, *and* a law of the God of Jacob.[x]

5 This he ordained in Joseph *for* a testimony, when he went out [11]through the land of Egypt: *where* I heard a language *that* I understood not.[y]

6 I removed his shoulder from the burden: his hands [12]were delivered from the pots.[z]

7 Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee: I answered thee in the secret place of thunder: I proved thee at the waters of [13]Meribah. Selah.[a]

8 Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto thee: O Israel, if thou wilt hearken unto me;[b]

9 There shall no strange god be in thee; neither shalt thou worship any strange god.[c]

10 I *am* the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.[d]

11 But my people would not hearken to my voice; and Israel would none of me.[e]

12 So I gave them up [14]unto their own hearts' lust: *and* they walked in their own counsels.[f]

13 Oh that my people had hearkened unto me, *and* Israel had walked in my ways![g]

14 I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand against their adversaries.

15 The haters of the Lord should have [15]submitted themselves unto him: but their time should have endured for ever.[h]

16 He should have fed them also with the finest of the wheat: and with honey out of the rock should I have satisfied thee.[i]

PSALM LXXXII.

1 *The psalmist, having exhorted the judges,* 5 *and reproved their negligence,* 8 *prayeth God to judge.*

A Psalm [16]of Asaph.

GOD standeth in the congregation of the mighty; he judgeth among the gods.[j]

2 How long will ye judge unjustly, and accept the persons of the wicked? Selah.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 588

t Ps. xxxix. 11; lxxvi 7

1 Or, *the iniquities of them that were before us*

a Ps cxlii 6, Deut xxviii. 43, Isa. lxiv 9

u Ps lxxxix. 21.

b 2 Chron. xiv 11; Jer. xiv 7, 21

v vs 3, 7

2 Heb *vengeance.*

c Ps xlii. 10, cxv. 2.

w Ps viii. title

10 Or, *for Asaph.*

3 Heb *thine arm*

4 Heb *reserve the children of death*

d Ps ciii 20

e Ps lxxiv 18, 22, Gen. iv 15, Isa. lxv 6, 7, Jer xxxii 18, Luke vi 35

5 Heb *to generation and generation*

f Ps lxxiv 1, xcv 7, c 3, Isa xliii 21

x Lev xxiii 24, Numb x 10

11 Or, *against*

y Ps cxiv 1

g Ps xlv, lxix. title

6 Or, *for Asaph*

12 Heb *passed away*

z Exod i 14, Isa. ix 4, x. 27

13 Or, *strife*

a Ps l 15, Exod ii 23, xiv 10, xvii 6, 7, xix. 16, Numb xx. 13.

h Ps l. 2; xciv 1, xcix. 1, Exod xxv 20, 22, Deut xxxiii 2; 1 Sam. iv 4, 2 Sam. vi. 2.

b Ps l 7

7 Heb *come for salvation to us*

i Numb ii 18—23

c Exod. xx 3, 5, Deut. xxxii 12, Isa xliii. 12

j vs 7, 19, Ps iv 6, lxvii. 1, Numb vi. 25

8 Heb *wilt thou smoke,* Ps lxxiv 1

d Ps xxxvii 3, 4, Exod xx 2, John xv 7, Eph iii 20

k Ps xlii 3, ci 9, Isa xxx 20

e Exod xxxii 1, Deut xxxii 15, 18

14 Or, *to the hardness of their hearts or imaginations*

l Ps xliv. 13, lxxix. 4

f Acts vii 42, xiv 16; Rom. i 24, 26

m vs 3, 19

g Deut v 29, x 12, 13, xxxii 29, Isa xlviii 18

n Ps xliv 2, lxxviii 55, Isa. v. 1, 7, Jer ii 21, Ezek xv 6, xvii 6, xix. 10.

15 Or, *yielded feigned obedience.* Heb. *lied.*

o Exod xxiii 28; Josh. xxiv 12

h Ps xviii. 44,45; lxvi. 3, Rom i 30

9 Heb *the cedars of God.*

p Ps. lxxii. 8.

i Ps. cxlvii 14; Deut. xxxii 13, 14, Job xxix 6

q Ps. lxxxix. 40, 41; Isa. v 5, Nahum ii. 2.

16 Or, *for Asaph.*

r Isa. lxii. 15.

j Exod. xxii 28, 2 Chron. xix. 6; Eccles. v. 8.

s Isa. xlix. 5

k Deut. i 17, 2 Chron. xix. 7; Prov. xviii. 5.



PRIESTS BLOWING THE TRUMPET AT NEW MOON.—PSALM LXXXI. 3

3 [1]Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy.[a]

4 Deliver the poor and needy: rid *them* out of the hand of the wicked.[b]

5 They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are [2]out of course.[c]

6 I have said, Ye *are* gods; and all of you *are* children of the most High.[d]

7 But ye shall die like men, and fall like one of the princes.[e]

8 Arise, O God, judge the earth: for thou shalt inherit all nations.[f]

PSALM LXXXIII.

1 A complaint to God of the enemies' conspiracies. 9 A prayer against them that oppress the church.

A Song *or* Psalm [3]of Asaph.

KEEP not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God.[g]

2 For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head.[h]

3 They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones.[i]

4 They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from *being* a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 515

1 Heb *Judge*

4 Heb *heart*

a Jer xxii 3

b Job xxix 12, Prov xxiv 11.

l 2 Chron. xx 1, 10, 11

2 Heb *moved*

c Ps xi 3, lxxv 3, Micah iii 1

5 Heb *they have been an arm to the children of Lot*

d ver 1, Exod xxii. 28, John x 34

l Numb xxxi 7, Judg iv 15, 24, v. 21, vii 22

e Ps. xlix 12, Job xxi 32, Ezek xxxi 14

m 2 Kings ix 37, Zeph i 17

f Ps. ii 8, Rev xi 15

n Judg. vii 25; viii. 12, 21

3 Or, *for Asaph*

o Ps xxxv 5, Isa. xvii 13, 14

g Ps xxviii 1, xxxv. 22; lix 1

p Deut xxxii 22

q Job ix. 17.

h Ps ii 1, lxxxi. 15, Acts iv 25

r Ps xxxv. 4, 26.

i Ps. xxvii 5; xxxi. 20.

j Esther iii. 6, 9; Jer. xi 19, xxxi 36

s Ps xcii. 8; Exod. vi. 3.

5 For they have consulted together with one [4]consent: they are confederate against thee:

6 The tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the Hagarenes;[k]

7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre;

8 Assur also is joined with them: [5]they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah.

9 Do unto them as *unto* the Midianites; as *to* Sisera, as *to* Jabin, at the brook of Kison:[l]

10 *Which* perished at En-dor: they became *as* dung for the earth.[m]

11 Make their nobles like Oreb, and like Zeeb: yea, all their princes as Zebah, and as Zalmunna:[n]

12 Who said, Let us take to ourselves the houses of God in possession.

13 O my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the wind.[o]

14 As the fire burneth a wood, and as the flame setteth the mountains on fire;[p]

15 So persecute them with thy tempest, and make them afraid with thy storm.[q]

16 Fill their faces with shame; that they may seek thy name, O LORD.[r]

17 Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be put to shame, and perish:

18 That *men* may know that thou, whose name alone *is* JEHOVAH, *art* the most high over all the earth.[s]



JOY IN THE SERVICE OF THE SANCTUARY.—PSALM LXXXIV. 10

PSALM LXXXIV.

1 *The prophet, longing for the communion of the sanctuary, 4 sheweth how blessed they are that dwell therein 8 He prayeth to be restored unto it*

To the chief Musician[a] upon Gittith, A Psalm [1]for the sons of Korah.

HOW amiable *are* thy tabernacles, O LORD of hosts![b]

2 My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.[c]

3 Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, *even* thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.

4 Blessed *are* they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah.[d]

5 Blessed *is* the man whose strength *is* in thee; in whose heart *are* the ways *of them.*

6 *Who* passing through the valley [2]of Baca make it a well; the rain also [3]filleth the pools.[e]

7 They go [4]from strength to strength, *every one of them* in Zion appeareth before God.[f]

8 O LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer: give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah.

9 Behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed.[g]

10 For a day in thy courts *is* better than a thousand. [5]I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

11 For the LORD God *is* a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good *thing* will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.[h]

12 O LORD of hosts, blessed *is* the man that trusteth in thee.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 588

5 Heb *I would choose rather to sit at the threshold.*

a Ps viii title.

1 Or, *of*

b ver 9, Ps xxxiv 9, 10, cxv 9—11, cxix 114, Gen xv 1, Prov. ii 7

c Ps xlii 1, 2, lxiii 1, lxxiii 26, cxix 20

6 Or, *of*

d Ps lxv 4

e Ps xxiii 1

7 Or, *well pleased*

f Ps xiv 7, Ezra i 11, ii. 1, Jer xxx 18, xxxi 23, Ezek xxxix 25, Joel iii. 1

8 Or, *thou hast turned thine anger from waxing hot,* Deut. xiii 17

2 Or, *of mulberry trees make him a well, &c.*

3 Heb *covereth*

g 2 Sam v. 22, 23.

4 Or, *from company to company.*

h Ps lxxx 7

i Deut. xvi. 16; Zech. xiv. 16.

k Ps. lxxiv 1; lxxix. 5, lxxx 4.

l Hab iii 2.

m ver 11, Gen xv. 1.

PSALM LXXXV.

1 *The psalmist, out of the experience of former mercies, prayeth for the continuance thereof. 8 He promiseth to wait thereon, out of confidence of God's goodness*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm [6]*of* for the sons of Korah

LORD, thou hast been [7]favourable unto thy land: thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob.[k]

2 Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people, thou hast covered all their sin. Selah.[l]

3 Thou hast taken away all thy wrath: [8]thou hast turned *thyself* from the fierceness of thine anger.

4 Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thine anger toward us to cease.[m]

5 Wilt thou be angry with us for ever? wilt thou draw out thine anger to all generations?[n]

6 Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?[o]

7 Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation.

8 I will hear what God the LORD will speak: for he will speak peace unto his people, and to his saints: but let them not turn again to folly.[a]

9 Surely his salvation *is* nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land.[b]

10 Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed *each other*.[c]

11 Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven.[d]

12 Yea, the LORD shall give *that which is* good; and our land shall yield her increase.[e]

13 Righteousness shall go before him; and shall set *us* in the way of his steps.[f]

PSALM LXXXVI.

1 *David strengtheneth his prayer by the conscience of his religion, 5 by the goodness and power of God 11 He desireth the continuance of former grace. 14 Complaining of the proud, he craveth some token of God's goodness.*

[1]A Prayer of David.

BOW down thine ear, O LORD, hear me: for I *am* poor and needy.

2 Preserve my soul; for I *am* [2]holy: O thou my God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee.

3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I cry unto thee [3]daily.[g]

4 Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.[h]

5 For thou, Lord, *art* good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.[i]

6 Give ear, O LORD, unto my prayer; and attend to the voice of my supplications.

7 In the day of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou wilt answer me.[j]

8 Among the gods *there is* none like unto thee, O Lord; neither *are there any works* like unto thy works.[k]

9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name.[l]

10 For thou *art* great, and doest wondrous things: thou *art* God alone.[m]

11 Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.[n]

12 I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore.

13 For great *is* thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest [4]hell.[o]

14 O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of [5]violent *men* have sought after my soul; and have not set thee before them.[p]

15 But thou, O Lord, *art* a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.[q]

16 O turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the son of thine handmaid.[r]

17 Shew me a token for good; that they which hate me may see *it*, and be ashamed: because thou, LORD, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

BEFORE CHRIST 530

a Hab. ii. 1; 2 Peter ii. 20, 21.

6 Or, *of.*

b Isa. xlvi 13, Zech. ii. 5; John i. 14

s Ps. xlviii. 1.

c Ps. lxxii 3; Isa. xxxii 17; Luke ii. 14

t Ps. lxxviii 67, 68

d Isa. xlv 8.

u Isa. lx

7 Or, *Egypt*

e Ps lxvii 6; lxxxiv 11; James i 17

v Ps. lxxxix. 10; Exod xiv. 26—28; Isa xxx. 7, li. 9.

f Ps lxxxix 14

w Ps. xxii 30, Ezek iii. 9

1 Or, *A Prayer, being a Psalm of David*

2 Or, *one whom thou favourest*, Isa. xxvi 3.

8 Or, *of*

9 Or, *A Psalm of Heman the Ezrahite, giving instruction*

x 1 Kings iv 31, 1 Chron ii 6

3 Or, *all the day.*

g Ps lvi 1, lvii. 1

u Ps xxvii 9, li 14, Luke xviii. 7

h Ps xxv 1, cxliii. 8

i ver 15; Ps cxxx. 7, cxlv 9, Joel ii. 13

z Ps cvii. 18.

a Ps xxviii. 1, xxxi 12

j Ps l. 15

10 Or, *by thy hand*

b Isa liii 8

k Ps. lxxxix 6, Exod xv 11, Deut. iii 24

l Ps xxii 31, cii 18, Isa. xliii. 7, Rev xv 4

c Ps xlii. 7

m Ps lxxii. 18, lxxvii 14, Exod xv 11, Deut i 4, xxxii 39, Isa xxxvii 16, xliv 6, Mark xii 29, 1 Cor viii 4, Eph iv 6

d Ps xxxi 11, cxlii 4, Job xix 13, 19, Lam iii 7

n Ps. xxv 4, xxvii 11, cxix 33, cxliii 8

e Ps xxxviii. 10, lxxxvi 3, cxliii 6, Job xi 13.

f Ps vi 5, xxx 9, cxv 17, cxviii 17; Isa xxxviii. 18

4 Or, *grave*

o Ps lvi 13, cxvi. 8.

5 Heb *terrible*

p Ps. liv. 3

g ver 5; Ps. xxxi. 12; cxliii. 3, Job x. 21; Eccles viii 10; ix. 5

h Ps v 3, cxix 147.

q ver 5, Ps ciii. 8; cxi. 4, cxxx. 4, 7; cxlv. 8; Exod xxxiv 6; Numb. xiv. 18; Neh. ix. 17; Joel ii 13.

i Ps. xiii 1; xliii. 2; Job xiii. 14

r Ps. xxv. 16; lxix. 16; cxvi. 16.

j Job vi. 4.

PSALM LXXXVII.

1 *The nature and glory of the church. 4 The increase, honour, and comfort of the members thereof.*

A Psalm *or* Song [6]*for the sons of Korah.*

HIS foundation *is* in the holy mountains.[s]

2 The LORD loveth the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.[t]

3 Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God. Selah.[u]

4 I will make mention of [7]Rahab and Babylon to them that know me: behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia; this *man* was born there.[v]

5 And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her: and the highest himself shall establish her.

6 The LORD shall count, when he writeth up the people, *that* this *man* was born there. Selah.[w]

7 As well the singers as the players on instruments *shall be there:* all my springs *are* in thee.

PSALM LXXXVIII.

A prayer containing a grievous complaint.

A Song *or* Psalm [8]*for the sons of Korah,* to the chief Musician upon Mahalath Leannoth, [9]*Maschil* of [x]*Heman the Ezrahite.*

O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day *and* night before thee:[y]

2 Let my prayer come before thee: incline thine ear unto my cry;

3 For my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.[z]

4 I am counted with them that go down into the pit: I am as a man *that hath* no strength:[a]

5 Free among the dead, like the slain that lie in the grave, whom thou rememberest no more: and they are cut off [10]from thy hand.[b]

6 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps.

7 Thy wrath lieth hard upon me, and thou hast afflicted *me* with all thy waves. Selah.[c]

8 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me; thou hast made me an abomination unto them: *I am* shut up, and I cannot come forth.[d]

9 Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction: LORD, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched out my hands unto thee.[e]

10 Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead? shall the dead arise *and* praise thee? Selah.[f]

11 Shall thy lovingkindness be declared in the grave? *or* thy faithfulness in destruction?

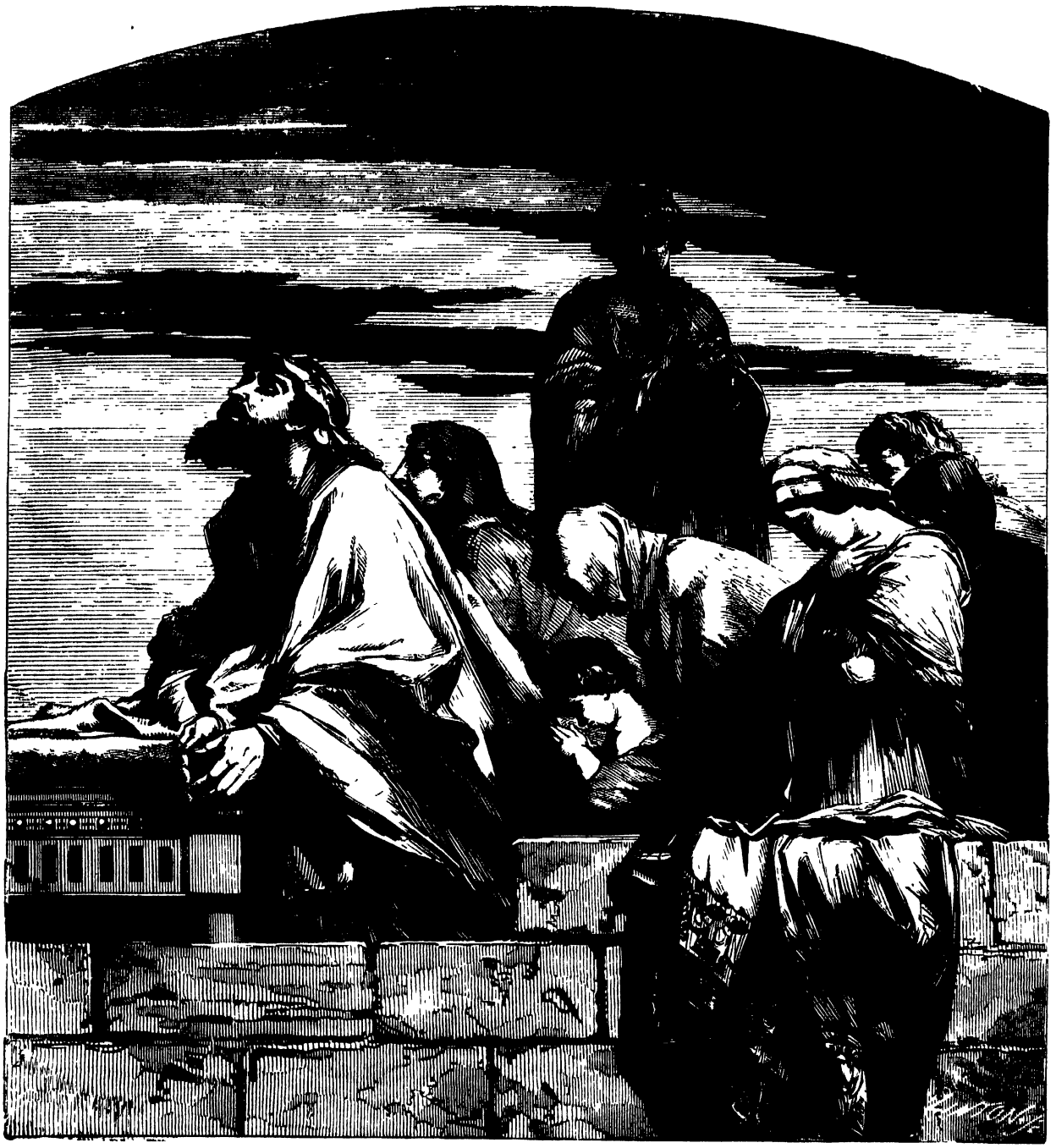
12 Shall thy wonders be known in the dark? and thy righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?[g]

13 But unto thee have I cried, O LORD; and in the morning shall my prayer prevent thee.[h]

14 LORD, why castest thou off my soul? *why* hidest thou thy face from me?[i]

15 I *am* afflicted and ready to die from *my* youth up: *while* I suffer thy terrors I am distracted.[j]

16 Thy fierce wrath goeth over me; thy terrors have cut me off.



"IN THE MORNING SHALL MY PRAYER PREVENT THEE"—PSALM LXXXVIII. 13

17 They came round about me [1]daily like water; they compassed me about together.[a]

18 Lover and friend hast thou put far from me, *and* mine acquaintance into darkness.[b]

PSALM LXXXIX.

1 *The psalmist praiseth God for his covenant, 5 for his wonderful power, 15 for the care of his church, 19 for his favour to the kingdom of David. 38 Then complaining of contrary events, 46 he expostulateth, prayeth, and blesseth God.*

[2]Maschil of [c]Ethan the Ezrahite.

I WILL sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness [3]to all generations.[d]

2 For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.[e]

3 I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David my servant,[f]

4 Thy seed will I establish for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations. Selah.[g]

5 And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O LORD: thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints.[h]

6 For who in the heaven can be compared unto the LORD? *who* among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the LORD?[i]

7 God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all *them that are* about him.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 840.

1 Or, *all the day.*
a Ps. xxii. 16.
e Ps cxix 89
b Ps. xxxi. 11; xxxviii 11
f 2 Sam. vii 11, &c., 1 Kings viii 16, 1 Chron xvii 10, &c.; Isa. xlii 1, Jer xxx 9; Ezek xxxiv 23, Hos. iii 5
g vs 1, 29, 36, Luke i 32, 33.
h ver 7; Ps xix. 1; xcvii. 6.
2 Or, *A Psalm for Ethan the Ezrahite, to give instruction*
c 1 Kings iv. 31; 1 Chron. ii 6
i Ps. xl 5; lxxi. 19; lxxxvi. 8; cxiii. 5.
3 Heb *to generation and generation*, ver. 4; Ps. cxix. 90.
d Ps. ci 1.
j Ps. lxxvi. 7, 11.

8 O LORD God of hosts, who *is* a strong LORD like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness round about thee?[a]

9 Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.[b]

10 Thou hast broken [1]Rahab in pieces, as one that is slain; thou hast scattered thine enemies [2]with thy strong arm.[c]

11 The heavens *are* thine, the earth also *is* thine: *as for* the world and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them.[d]

12 The north and the south thou hast created them: Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy name.[e]

13 Thou hast [3]a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, *and* high is thy right hand.

14 Justice and judgment *are* the [4]habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.[f]

15 Blessed *is* the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.[g]

16 In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

17 For thou *art* the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our horn shall be exalted.[h]

18 For [5]the LORD *is* our defence; and the Holy One of Israel *is* our king.

19 Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one, and saidst, I have laid help upon *one that is* mighty; I have exalted *one* chosen out of the people.[i]

20 I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him:[j]

21 With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall strengthen him.[k]

22 The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness afflict him.[l]

23 And I will beat down his foes before his face, and plague them that hate him.[m]

24 But my faithfulness and my mercy *shall be* with him: and in my name shall his horn be exalted.[n]

25 I will set his hand also in the sea, and his right hand in the rivers.[o]

26 He shall cry unto me, Thou *art* my father, my God, and the rock of my salvation.[p]

27 Also I will make him *my* firstborn, higher than the kings of the earth.[q]

28 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore, and my covenant shall stand fast with him.[r]

29 His seed also will I make *to endure* for ever, and his throne as the days of heaven.[s]

30 If his children forsake my law, and walk not in my judgments;[t]

31 If they [6]break my statutes, and keep not my commandments,

32 Then will I visit their transgression with the rod, and their iniquity with stripes.[u]

33 Nevertheless my lovingkindness [7]will I not utterly take from him, nor suffer my faithfulness [8]to fail.[v]

34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.

35 Once have I sworn by my holiness [9]that I will not lie unto David.[w]

36 His seed shall endure for ever, and his throne as the sun before me.[x]

BEFORE CHRIST 641.

a Ps. xxxv. 10; lxxi 19, Exod. xv. 11; 1 Sam. ii. 2

b Ps. lxv. 7; xciii. 3, 4; cvii. 29.

y Ps xliv. 9; lx 1, 10; lxxviii. 59, Deut. xxxii. 19, 1 Chron. xxviii. 9.

1 Or, *Egypt.*

2 Heb *with the arm of thy strength.*

c Ps lxxxvii. 4; Exod xiv. 26—28; Isa. xxx. 7; li 9.

z Ps. lxxiv 7, Lam. v 16.

a Ps lxxx. 12

d Ps. xxiv. 1, 2; l. 12; Gen i 1

b Ps. xliv. 13; lxxix. 4.

e Job xxvi. 7; Josh xii 1, xix. 22.

3 Heb. *an arm with might.*

4 Or, *establishment.*

f Ps. lxxxv. 13, xcvii 2

10 Heb. *brightness.*

c ver. 39

g Ps iv. 6, xliv 3, xcviii 6, Numb x. 10, xxiii 21

d Ps lxxviii 63, lxxix. 5

h ver 24, Ps. lxxv 10, xcii. 10, cxxxii 17

e Ps. xxxix 5, cxix 84, Job vii 7, x. 9, xiv 1

5 Or, *our shield is of the LORD, and our King is of the Holy One of Israel,* Ps xlvii 9

f Ps xlix 9, Heb xl 5

i ver 3, 1 Kings xi 34

g Ps liv. 5, 2 Sam. vii 15, Isa. lv 3.

j 1 Sam xvi 1, 12

h Ps. lxix[x] 9, 19.

k Ps. lxxx 17.

l 2 Sam vii 13

i Ps lxxiv 22.

m 2 Sam vii 9

j Ps xii 13

n ver 17, Ps lxi 7

o Ps lxxii 8; lxxx 11.

11 Or, *A Prayer, being a Psalm of Moses*

k Deut xxxiii 1

p 2 Sam vii 14, xxii 47, 1 Chron. xxii 10

12 Heb *in generation and generation*

l Deut. xxxiii. 27, Ezek xi 16

q Ps ii 7; Numb xxiv 7, Col i 15, 18

r ver 34, Isa lv 3.

m Prov. viii 25, 26

s ver 4, 36, Deut. xi 21, Isa lx 7, Jer xxxiii 17

n Gen iii 19, Eccles xii 7

t Ps cxix 53, 2 Sam vii 14, Jer ix. 13

6 Heb *profane my statutes*

13 Or, *when he hath passed them*

o 2 Peter iii. 8

u 2 Sam vii. 14, 1 Kings xi 31.

14 Or, *is changed*

p Ps lxxiii 20, cii. 15, Isa. xl. 6

7 Heb *I will not make void from him.*

8 Heb *to lie*

v 2 Sam vii 13.

q Ps xci. 7, Job xiv. 2.

9 Heb *if I lie.*

w Amos iv 2

r Ps xix. 12; l. 21, Jer xvi. 17.

15 Heb. *turned away.*

x ver 4, Ps. lxxii. 5, 17; 2 Sam. vii. 16; Jer. xxxiii 20; Luke i. 33; John xii 34.

16 Or, *as a meditation*

37 It shall be established for ever as the moon, and *as* a faithful witness in heaven. Selah.

38 But thou hast cast off and abhorred, thou hast been wroth with thine anointed.[y]

39 Thou hast made void the covenant of thy servant: thou hast profaned his crown *by casting it* to the ground.[z]

40 Thou hast broken down all his hedges, thou hast brought his strong holds to ruin.[a]

41 All that pass by the way spoil him: he is a reproach to his neighbours.[b]

42 Thou hast set up the right hand of his adversaries; thou hast made all his enemies to rejoice.

43 Thou hast also turned the edge of his sword, and hast not made him to stand in the battle.

44 Thou hast made his [10]glory to cease, and cast his throne down to the ground.[c]

45 The days of his youth hast thou shortened: thou hast covered him with shame. Selah.

46 How long, LORD? wilt thou hide thyself for ever? shall thy wrath burn like fire?[d]

47 Remember how short my time is: wherefore hast thou made all men in vain?[e]

48 What man *is he that* liveth, and shall not see death? shall he deliver his soul from the hand of the grave? Selah.[f]

49 Lord, where *are* thy former lovingkindnesses, *which* thou swarest unto David in thy truth?[g]

50 Remember, Lord, the reproach of thy servants; *how* I do bear in my bosom *the reproach of* all the mighty people;[h]

51 Wherewith thine enemies have reproached, O LORD; wherewith they have reproached the footsteps of thine anointed.[i]

52 Blessed *be* the LORD for evermore. Amen, and Amen.[j]

PSALM XC.

1 *Moses, setting forth God's providence,* 3 *complaineth of human fragility,* 7 *divine chastisements,* 10 *and brevity of life* 12 *He prayeth for the knowledge and sensible experience of God's good providence.*

[11]A Prayer [k]of Moses the man of God.

LORD, thou hast been our dwelling place [12]in all generations.[l]

2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou *art* God.[m]

3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.[n]

4 For a thousand years in thy sight *are but* as yesterday [13]when it is past, and *as* a watch in the night.[o]

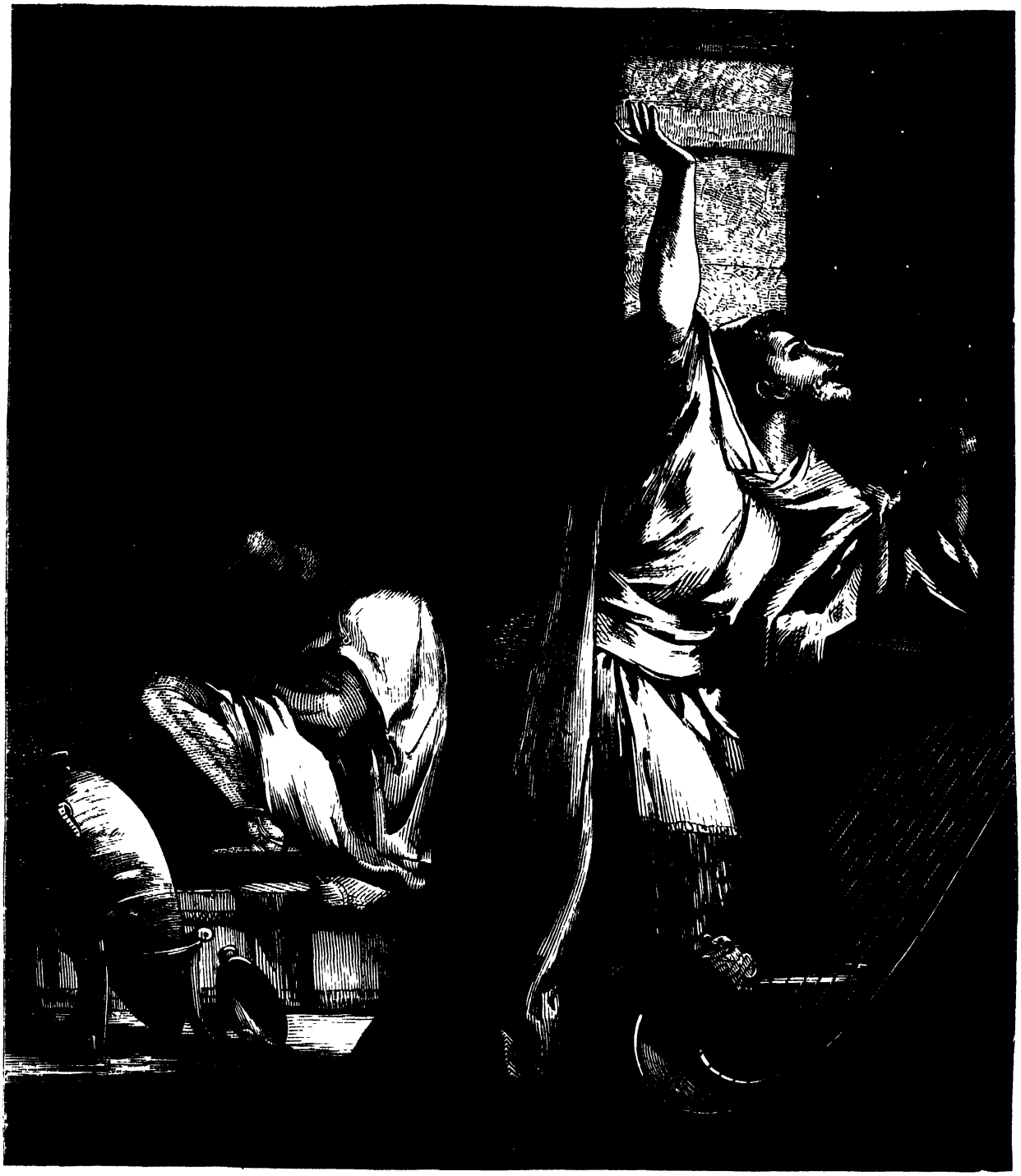
5 Thou carriest them away as with a flood; they are *as* a sleep: in the morning *they are* like grass *which* [14]groweth up.[p]

6 In the morning it flourisheth, and groweth up: in the evening it is cut down, and withereth.[q]

7 For we are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath are we troubled.

8 Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret *sins* in the light of thy countenance.[r]

9 For all our days are [15]passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years [16]as a tale *that is told.*



'O LORD, HOW GREAT ARE THY WORKS!'"—PSALM XCII 5.

10 [1]The days of our years *are* threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength *they be* fourscore years, yet *is* their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

11 Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, *so is* thy wrath.

12 So teach *us* to number our days, that we may [2]apply *our* hearts unto wisdom.[a]

13 Return, O LORD, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants.[b]

14 O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.[c]

15 Make us glad according to the days *wherein* thou hast afflicted us, *and* the years *wherein* we have seen evil.

BEFORE CHRIST 714

1 Heb. *As for the days of our years, in them are seventy years*

d Hab. iii. 2.

e Ps. xxvii. 4; Isa. xxvi. 12.

2 Heb. *cause to come.*

a Ps. xxxix. 4.

b Ps. cxxxv. 14, Deut. xxxii. 36.

Heb. *lodge.*

c Ps. lxxxv. 6; cxlix. 2.

f Ps. xvii. 8; xxvii. 5, xxxi. 20; xxxvi. 7.

Ps. cxiii. 5.

16 Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children.[d]

17 And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.[e]

PSALM XCI.

1 *The state of the godly.* 3 *Their safety.* 9 *Their habitation.* 11 *Their servants.* 14 *Their friend, with the effects of them all.*

HE that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall [3]abide under the shadow of the Almighty.[f]

2 I will say of the LORD, *He is* my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.[g]

3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, *and* from the noisome pestilence.[a]

4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth *shall be thy* shield and buckler.[b]

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; *nor* for the arrow *that* flieth by day;[c]

6 *Nor* for the pestilence *that* walketh in darkness; *nor* for the destruction *that* wasteth at noonday.

7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; *but* it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.[d]

9 Because thou hast made the LORD, *which is* my refuge, *even* the most High, thy habitation;[e]

10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.[f]

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.[g]

12 They shall bear thee up in *their* hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.[h]

13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and [1]adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.[i]

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I *will be* with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.[j]

16 With [2]long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

PSALM XCII.

1 *The prophet exhorteth to praise God, 4 for his great works, 6 for his judgments on the wicked, 10 and for his goodness to the godly.*

A Psalm *or* Song for the sabbath day.

IT *is a* good *thing* to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High:[k]

2 To shew forth thy lovingkindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness [3]every night,[l]

3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; [4]upon the harp with [5]a solemn sound.[m]

4 For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands.

5 O LORD, how great are thy works! *and* thy thoughts are very deep.[n]

6 A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this.[o]

7 When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; *it is* that they shall be destroyed for ever:[p]

8 But thou, LORD, *art most* high for evermore.[q]

9 For, lo, thine enemies, O LORD, for, lo, thine enemies shall perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.[r]

10 But my horn shalt thou exalt like *the horn of* an unicorn: I shall be anointed with fresh oil.[s]

11 Mine eye also shall see *my desire* on mine enemies, *and* mine ears shall hear *my desire* of the wicked that rise up against me.[t]

12 The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.[u]

13 Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.[v]

14 They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and [6]flourishing;

15 To shew that the LORD *is* upright: *he is* my rock, and *there is* no unrighteousness in him.[w]

PSALM XCIII.

The majesty, power, and holiness of Christ's kingdom.

THE LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, *wherewith* he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.[x]

2 Thy throne *is* established [7]of old: thou *art* from everlasting.[y]

3 The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their waves.

4 The LORD on high *is* mightier than the noise of many waters, *yea, than* the mighty waves of the sea.[z]

5 Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O LORD, [8]for ever.

PSALM XCIV.

1 *The prophet, calling for justice, complaineth of tyranny and impiety 8 He teacheth God's providence. 12 He sheweth the blessedness of affliction. 16 God is the defender of the afflicted.*

O LORD [9]God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, [10]shew thyself.[a]

2 Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud.[b]

3 LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph?[c]

4 *How long* shall they utter *and* speak hard things? *and* all the workers of iniquity boast themselves?[d]

5 They break in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine heritage.

6 They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless.

7 Yet they say, The LORD shall not see, neither shall the God of Jacob regard *it*.[e]

8 Understand, ye brutish among the people: and *ye* fools, when will ye be wise?[f]

9 He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he not see?[g]

10 He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not he correct? he that teacheth man knowledge, *shall not he know?*[h]

11 The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they *are* vanity.[i]

12 Blessed *is* the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;[j]

13 That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the wicked.

14 For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 714

a Ps. cxxiv. 7.

b Ps. liv. 7; lix. 10; cxli. 8.

c Ps. lii. 8; Isa. lxv. 22; Hos. xiv. 5, 6.

d Ps. xvii. 8; lvii. 1; lxi. 4.

e Ps. c. 4; cxxxv. 2.

f Ps. cxii. 7; cxxi. 6; Job v. 19, &c.; Prov. iii. 23, 24; Isa. xliii. 2.

6 Heb. *green.*

g Deut. xxxii. 4, Rom. ix. 14.

d Ps. xxxvii. 34; Mal. i. 5.

e ver. 2; Ps. lxxi. 3; xc. 1.

f Prov. xii. 21.

x Ps. lxv. 6; xcvi. 10; xcvii. 1; xcix. 1; civ. 1; Isa. lii. 7; Rev. xix. 6.

7 Heb. *from then*

g Ps. xxxiv. 7; lxxi 3; Matt. iv. 6, Luke iv. 10, 11; Heb. i 14.

y Ps. xlv. 6, Prov. viii 22, &c.

h Ps. xxxvii 24, Job v. 23

1 Or, *asp.*

z Ps. lxv 7, lxxxix. 9

8 Heb. *to length of days.*

i Ps. ix. 10

j Ps. l. 15; 1 Sam. ii. 30; Isa. xliii. 2.

2 Heb. *length of days,* Prov. iii. 2.

9 Heb. *God of revenges.*

10 Heb. *shine forth,* Ps. lxxx. 1.

a Deut. xxxii 35, Nahum i. 2.

b Ps. vii 6.; Gen. xviii. 25.

c Job xx. 5.

k Ps. cxlvii. 1.

d Ps. xxxi. 18; Jude 15.

3 Heb. *in the nights.*

l Ps. lxxxix. 1.

4 Or, *upon the solemn sound with the harp.*

5 Heb. *Higgaion,* Ps. ix. 16.

m Ps. xxxiii 2, 1 Chron xxiii. 5

e Ps x 11, 13, lix 7

f Ps lxxiii 22; xcii.6

n Ps xl 5, cxxxix 17; Isa. xxviii. 29 Rom. xi. 33, 34.

g Exod iv. 11; Prov xx. 12.

o Ps lxxiii. 22; xciv 8

h Job xxxv. 11; Isa. xxviii 26.

p Ps xxxvii 1, 2, 35, 38, Job xii 6, xxi. 7; Jer xii. 1, 2, Mal. iii. 15.

q Ps lvi 2; lxxxiii 18.

i 1 Cor iii. 20.

j Job v 17; Prov. iii. 11, 1 Cor. xi. 32; Heb. xii. 5, &c.

r Ps. lxviii. 1; lxxxix. 10.

s Ps. xxiii. 5; lxxxix. 17, 24.

k 1 Sam. xii. 22; Rom. xi. 1, 2.



GOING UP TO THE TEMPLE WITH OFFERINGS.—PSALM XCVI. 8

15 But judgment [1]shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart shall follow it.

16 Who will rise up for me against the evildoers? *or* who will stand up for me against the workers of iniquity?

17 Unless the LORD *had been* my help, my soul had [2]almost dwelt in silence.[a]

18 When I said, My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O LORD, held me up.[b]

19 In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul.

20 Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which frameth mischief by a law?[c]

21 They gather themselves together against the soul of the righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.[d]

22 But the LORD is my defence; and my God *is* the rock of my refuge.[e]

23 And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; *yea*, the LORD our God shall cut them off.[f]

PSALM XCV.

1 *An exhortation to praise God, 3 for his greatness, 6 and for his goodness, 8 and not to tempt him*

O COME, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.[g]

2 Let us [3]come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

3 For the LORD *is* a great God, and a great King above all gods.[h]

4 [4]In his hand *are* the deep places of the earth: [5]the strength of the hills *is* his also.

5 [6]The sea *is* his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry *land*.[i]

6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.[j]

7 For he *is* our God; and we *are* the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To day if ye will hear his voice,[k]

8 Harden not your heart, as in the [7]provocation, *and* as *in* the day of temptation in the wilderness:[l]

9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my work.[m]

10 Forty years long was I grieved with *this* generation, and said, It *is* a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways:[n]

11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath [8]that they should not enter into my rest.[o]

PSALM XCVI.

1 *An exhortation to praise God, 4 for his greatness, 8 for his kingdom, 11 for his general judgment.*

O SING unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the earth.[p]

2 Sing unto the LORD, bless his name; shew forth his salvation from day to day.

3 Declare his glory among the heathen, his wonders among all people.

4 For the LORD *is* great, and greatly to be praised: he *is* to be feared above all gods.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 714

1 Heb. *shall be after it.*

r Ps. cxv 15; Isa. xlii. 5; Jer. x 11, 12.

s Ps. xxix. 2.

t Ps. xxix 1, 2.

2 Or, *quickly*

a Ps. cxxiv 1, 2

9 Heb. *of his name*

b Ps. xxxviii. 16.

10 Or, *in the glorious sanctuary.*

u Ps. xxix 2, cx 3.

c Ps lviii. 2, Isa x. 1; Amos vi. 3

v ver 13, Ps lxvii 4, xcii. 1, xcvii 1; xcviii 9, Rev xi 15, xix. 6

d Exod xxiii 7; Prov xvii 15, Matt xxvii 1

w Ps. lxix. 34, xcviii 7, &c.

e Ps. lix 9; lxii 2, 6

f Ps vii 16, Prov. ii 22, v. 22

x Ps lxvii. 4; Rev xix 11.

11 Heb. *many*, or, *great isles*

y Ps xcvi 10, Isa. lx. 9.

g Ps c. 1, Deut xxxii 15; 2 Sam xxii 47

3 Heb *prevent his face*

12 Or, *establishment*

z Ps xviii 11, lxxxix 14, 1 Kings viii 12

a Ps xviii 8, 1 5, Dan vii 10, Hab iii 5

h Ps xcvi 4, xcvii 9, cxxxv. 5

4 Heb. *In whose*

b Ps lxxvii 18, civ 32, Exod. xix 18

5 Or, *the heights of the hills are his*

6 Heb. *Whose the sea is.*

c Judg v 5; Micah i. 4, Nahum i. 5.

i Gen. i. 9, 10.

d Ps xix 1, 1 6

j 1 Cor vi 20.

e Exod xx 4, Lev xxvi 1, Deut v 8, xxvii 15, Heb i 6

k Ps. lxxix 13, lxxx 1, c 3, Heb iii 7, 15; iv 7.

7 Heb *contention*

l Exod xvii 2, 7, Numb xiv 22, &c, xx. 13, Deut vi 16

f Ps. xcv 3, xcvi 4, Exod xviii 11

m Ps lxxviii 18, 56, Numb xiv 22, 1 Cor x 9

g Ps xxxiv 14, xxxvii 27, 28, 39, 40, ci. 3; cxlv. 20, Prov. ii 8, Dan iii. 28; vi 22, 27, Amos v. 15

n Numb xiv. 22, Heb. iii 10, 17

h Ps. cxii. 4, Job xxii 28, Prov. iv. 18

8 Heb *if they enter into my rest*

o Numb xiv. 23, 28, 30; Heb. iii 11, 18, iv. 3, 5

13 Or, *to the memorial.*

t Ps. xxx 4, xxxiii. 1.

p Ps xxxiii 3; 1 Chron xvi 22—33.

j Ps xxxiii 3; lxxvii. 14; lxxxvi 10; xcvi. 1; cv. 5; cxxxvi. 4; cxxxix. 14, Exod xv. 6, 11; Isa xlii. 10; lix. 16; lxiii 5.

q Ps xviii. 3; xcv. 3; cxlv. 3.

14 Or, *revealed.*

k Isa. lii. 10; lxii. 2; Luke ii. 30, 31; Rom. iii 25, 26.

5 For all the gods of the nations *are* idols: but the LORD made the heavens.[r]

6 Honour and majesty *are* before him: strength and beauty *are* in his sanctuary.[s]

7 Give unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.[t]

8 Give unto the LORD the glory [9]*due unto* his name: bring an offering, and come into his courts.

9 O worship the LORD [10]in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.[u]

10 Say among the heathen *that* the LORD reigneth: the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved: he shall judge the people righteously.[v]

11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof.[w]

12 Let the field be joyful, and all that *is* therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice

13 Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.[x]

PSALM XCVII.

1 *The majesty of God's kingdom. 7 The church rejoiceth at God's judgments upon idolaters. 10 An exhortation to godliness and gladness*

THE LORD reigneth; let the earth rejoice, let the [11]multitude of isles be glad *thereof*.[y]

2 Clouds and darkness *are* round about him: righteousness and judgment *are* the [12]habitation of his throne.[z]

3 A fire goeth before him, and burneth up his enemies round about.[a]

4 His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and trembled.[b]

5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.[c]

6 The heavens declare his righteousness, and all the people see his glory.[d]

7 Confounded be all they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of idols: worship him, all *ye* gods.[e]

8 Zion heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O LORD.

9 For thou, LORD, *art* high above all the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods.[f]

10 Ye that love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.[g]

11 Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.[h]

12 Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and give thanks [13]at the remembrance of his holiness.[i]

PSALM XCVIII.

1 *The psalmist exhorteth the Jews, 4 the Gentiles, 7 and all the creatures to praise God.*

A Psalm.

O SING unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.[j]

2 The LORD hath made known his salvation: his righteousness hath he [14]openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.[k]

3 He hath remembered his mercy and his truth toward the house of Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.[a]

4 Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise.[b]

5 Sing unto the LORD with the harp; with the harp, and the voice of a psalm.

6 With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the LORD, the King.[c]

7 Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.[d]

8 Let the floods clap *their* hands: let the hills be joyful together[e]

9 Before the LORD; for he cometh to judge the earth: with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.[f]

PSALM XCIX.

1 *The prophet, setting forth the kingdom of God in Zion, 5 exhorteth all, by the example of forefathers, to worship God at his holy hill.*

THE LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth *between* the cherubims; let the earth [1]be moved.[g]

2 The LORD *is* great in Zion; and he *is* high above all the people.[h]

3 Let them praise thy great and terrible name; *for* it *is* holy.[i]

4 The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.[j]

5 Exalt ye the LORD our God, and worship at his footstool; *for* [2]he *is* holy.[k]

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among them that call upon his name; they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.[l]

7 He spake unto them in the cloudy pillar: they kept his testimonies, and the ordinance *that* he gave them.[m]

8 Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God: thou wast a God that forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.[n]

9 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy hill; for the LORD our God *is* holy.[o]

PSALM C.

1 *An exhortation to praise God cheerfully, 3 for his greatness, 4 and for his power.*

[p]A Psalm of [3]praise.

MAKE a joyful noise unto the LORD, [4]all ye lands.[q]

2 Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

3 Know ye that the LORD he *is* God: *it is* he *that* hath made us, and not we ourselves; *we are* his people, and the sheep of his pasture.[r]

4 Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, *and* into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, *and* bless his name.[s]

B. C. 714—1040.

5 Heb *to generation and generation*, Ps. lxxxix. 1

t Ps cxxxvi. 1, &c

a Isa xlix 6, lii 10, Luke i 54, 55, 72, ii 30, 31, iii 6, Acts xiii 47, xxviii. 28.

b Ps. xcv 1, c 1

u Ps lxxxix. 1

c Numb x 10, 1 Chron. xv 28, 2 Chron xxix. 27.

d Ps xcvi 11, &c.

v 1 Sam xviii. 14; 1 Kings ix 4, xi 4.

6 Heb *thing of Belial*

e Isa. lv 12

w Ps. xl 4, xcvii. 10, cxxv 5, Josh xxiii. 6, 1 Sam xii 20, 21.

f Ps xcvi 10, 13

x Matt vii 23, 2 Tim ii 19

y Ps xviii 27, Prov vi 17

7 Or, *perfect in the way*

z Ps. cxix 1.

1 Heb *stagger*

g Ps xviii 10, lxxx 1, xciii. 1, Exod xxv 22

8 Heb *shall not be established*

h Ps xcvii 9

i Deut xxviii 58, Rev xv 4

a Ps xlviii 2, 8, lxxv 10, Jer xxi 12.

j Job xxxvi 5—7

2 Or, *it is holy.*

k ver 9, Ps cxxxii 7, 1 Chron xxviii 2

9 Or, *for*

b Ps lxi 2, cxlii 2, 3

l Exod xiv 15; xv 25, Lev xix 2, 1 Sam vii 9, xii 18, Jer xv 1

c Ps xviii. 6; Exod. ii 23, 1 Sam ix. 16

m Exod xxxiii. 9

d Ps xxvii 9, lxix 17, lxxi 2, lxxxviii 2

n Exod xxxii 2, &c, Numb xiv 20, xx 12, 24, Deut ix 20, Jer xlvi. 28, Zeph iii 7

e Ps xxxi 16, cxix 83, Job xxx 30, Lam i 13, James iv 14

o ver 5, Ps. xxxiv 3, cxviii 28, Exod xv 2

f ver 11, Ps xxxvii 2

10 Or, *flesh*

g Job xix. 20, Lam. iv 8

p Ps cxiv title

3 Or, *thanksgiving*

h Job xxx. 29, Isa xxxiv 11, Zeph. ii. 14.

4 Heb. *all the earth*

q Ps xcv 1, xcviii 4

i Ps xxxviii. 11, lxxvii. 4

j Acts xvii 12; xxvi. 11.

k Ps. xlii 3; lxxx. 5.

l Ps xxx 7

r Ps. xcv. 7, cxix 73; cxxxix. 13, &c; cxlix. 2; Ezek. xxxiv. 30, 31; Eph. ii. 10.

m ver. 4; Ps cix. 23; cxliv. 4; Job xiv 2; Eccles. vi. 12; Isa. xl. 6—8; James i. 10.

s Ps. lxvi 13; cxvi. 17—19.

n ver 26; Ps. ix. 7; cxxxv. 13; Lam v 19.

5 For the LORD *is* good; his mercy *is* everlasting; and his truth *endureth* [5]to all generations.[t]

PSALM CI.

David maketh a vow and profession of godliness.

A Psalm of David.

I WILL sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.[u]

2 I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way. O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house with a perfect heart.[v]

3 I will set no [6]wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; *it* shall not cleave to me.[w]

4 A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked *person*.[x]

5 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.[y]

6 Mine eyes *shall be* upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh [7]in a perfect way, he shall serve me.[z]

7 He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies [8]shall not tarry in my sight.

8 I will early destroy all the wicked of the land; that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD.[a]

PSALM CII.

1 *The prophet in his prayer maketh a grievous complaint 12 He taketh comfort in the eternity and mercy of God 18 The mercies of God are to be recorded 23 He sustaineth his weakness by the unchangeableness of God*

A Prayer [9]of the afflicted, [1]when he is overwhelmed, and poureth out his complaint before the LORD

HEAR my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come unto thee.[c]

2 Hide not thy face from me in the day *when* I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me: in the day *when* I call answer me speedily.[d]

3 For my days are consumed like smoke, and my bones are burned as an hearth.[e]

4 My heart is smitten, and withered like grass; so that I forget to eat my bread.[f]

5 By reason of the voice of my groaning my bones cleave to my [10]skin.[g]

6 I am like a pelican of the wilderness: I am like an owl of the desert.[h]

7 I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon the house top.[i]

8 Mine enemies reproach me all the day; *and* they that are mad against me are sworn against me.[j]

9 For I have eaten ashes like bread, and mingled my drink with weeping,[k]

10 Because of thine indignation and thy wrath: for thou hast lifted me up, and cast me down.[l]

11 My days *are* like a shadow that declineth; and I am withered like grass.[m]

12 But thou, O LORD, shalt endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations.[n]

13 Thou shalt arise, *and* have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come.[a]

14 For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the dust thereof.[b]

15 So the heathen shall fear the name of the LORD, and all the kings of the earth thy glory.[c]

16 When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory.[d]

17 He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer.[e]

18 This shall be written for the generation to come: and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.[f]

19 For he hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary; from heaven did the LORD behold the earth;[g]

20 To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to loose [1]those that are appointed to death;[h]

21 To declare the name of the LORD in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem;[i]

22 When the people are gathered together, and the kingdoms, to serve the LORD.

23 He [2]weakened my strength in the way; he shortened my days.[j]

24 I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days: thy years *are* throughout all generations.[k]

25 Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens *are* the work of thy hands.[l]

26 They shall perish, but thou shalt [3]endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed:[m]

27 But thou *art* the same, and thy years shall have no end.[n]

28 The children of thy servants shall continue, and their seed shall be established before thee.[o]

PSALM CIII.

1 *An exhortation to bless God for his mercy,* 15 *and for the constancy thereof*

A Psalm of David.

BLESS the LORD, O my soul: and all that is within me, *bless* his holy name.[p]

2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

3 Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;[q]

4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;[r]

5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good *things; so that* thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.[s]

6 The LORD executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.[t]

7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.[u]

8 The LORD *is* merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and [4]plenteous in mercy.[v]

9 He will not always chide: neither will he keep *his anger* for ever.[w]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034

a Isa. xl. 2; lx. 10; Zech i. 12.
x Ezra ix. 13.
5 Heb *according to the height of the heaven.*
b Ps lxxix 1
y Ps. lvii. 10; Eph iii. 18.
c Ps cxxxviii. 4; 1 Kings viii 43; Isa. lx. 3.
z Isa. xliii. 25, Micah vii 18.
d Isa. lx 1, 2
a Mal iii 17
e Neh i. 6, 11, ii 8
b Ps lxxviii 39; Gen iii 19; Eccles xii 7.
f Ps xxii 31; Isa xlii 21, Rom xv. 4, 1 Cor x. 11
c Ps xc 5, 6, Job xiv. 1, 2; James i 10, 11, 1 Peter i 24
6 Heb. *it is not*
d Job vii 10, xx. 9
g Ps xiv 2, xxxiii 13, 14, Deut. xxvi. 15.
1 Heb *the children of death*
h Ps. lxxix 11
e Exod xx 6
i Ps xxii 22
f Deut vii 9
g Ps xl 4; xlvii 2, Dan iv 25, 34, 35
2 Heb *afflicted*
7 Heb *mighty in strength*
j Job xxi 21
h Ps cxlviii 2, Matt vi 10, Heb i 14
k Ps xc 2, Isa. xxxviii 10, Hab i 12
i Ps lxviii 17, Gen xxxii 2, Josh v 14, Dan vii 9, 10, Heb i. 14
j ver 1; Ps cxiv 10
l Gen. i. 1, ii 1, Heb i. 10
3 Heb *stand.*
m ver 12, Isa xxxiv 4, li 6, lxv 17, lxvi 22, 2 Peter iii 7, 10—12
n Mal iii 6, Heb xiii 8, James i 17
k ver 35, Ps xciii 1, cxi 1.
o Ps lxix 36
l Isa xl 22, xlv 12, Dan vii. 9
m Ps xviii 10, Isa xix 1, Amos ix 6
p ver 22, Ps civ 1, cxlvi 1
n 2 Kings ii 11, vi 17, Heb i 7
5 Heb *He hath founded the earth upon her bases*
o Ps xxiv 2, cxxxvi 6, Job xxvi 7, xxxviii 4, 6, Eccles i 4
q Ps cxxx 8, cxlvii 3, Exod. xv 26, Isa xxxiii 24, Jer xvii 14, Matt ix 2, 6; Mark ii 5, 10, 11, Luke vii 47
p Gen viii 19
r Ps v 12, xxxiv. 22, lvi 13
q Gen viii 1
9 Or, *The mountains ascend, the valleys descend*
s Isa. xl. 31.
r Gen. viii 5; Job xxxviii 10, 11
t Ps cxlvi. 7
u Ps cxlvii 19.
s Ps xxxiii. 7; Gen ix 11, 15; Job xxvi. 10; Jer. v. 22.
10 Heb *Who sendeth.*
4 Heb. *great of mercy.*
v Ps lxxxvi. 15; Exod xxxiv 6, 7; Numb. xiv. 18, Deut. v. 10; Neh. ix 17; Jer. xxxii. 18.
11 Heb. *walk.*
w Ps. xxx. 5; Isa. lvii. 16; Jer. iii. 5; Micah vii. 18
12 Heb. *break.*

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.[x]

11 For [5]as the heaven is high above the earth, *so* great is his mercy toward them that fear him.[y]

12 As far as the east is from the west, *so* far hath he removed our transgressions from us.[z]

13 Like as a father pitieth *his* children, *so* the LORD pitieth them that fear him.[a]

14 For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we *are* dust.[b]

15 *As for* man, his days *are* as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.[c]

16 For the wind passeth over it, and [6]it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.[d]

17 But the mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;[e]

18 To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.[f]

19 The LORD hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all.[g]

20 Bless the LORD, ye his angels, [7]that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.[h]

21 Bless ye the LORD, all *ye* his hosts; *ye* ministers of his, that do his pleasure.[i]

22 Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul.[j]

PSALM CIV.

1 *A meditation upon the mighty power, 7 and wonderful providence of God* 31 *God's glory is eternal.* 33 *The prophet voweth perpetually to praise God*

BLESS the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with honour and majesty.[k]

2 Who coverest *thyself* with light as *with* a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain:[l]

3 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: who maketh the clouds his chariot: who walketh upon the wings of the wind:[m]

4 Who maketh his angels spirits; his ministers a flaming fire:[n]

5 [8]*Who* laid the foundations of the earth, *that* it should not be removed for ever.[o]

6 Thou coveredst it with the deep as *with* a garment: the waters stood above the mountains.[p]

7 At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.[q]

8 [9]They go up by the mountains; they go down by the valleys unto the place which thou hast founded for them.[r]

9 Thou hast set a bound that they may not pass over; that they turn not again to cover the earth.[s]

10 [10]He sendeth the springs into the valleys, *which* [11]run among the hills.

11 They give drink to every beast of the field: the wild asses [12]quench their thirst.



'MAN GOETH FORTH UNTO HIS WORK AND TO HIS LABOUR UNTIL THE EVENING."—PSALM CIV 23.

12 By them shall the fowls of the heaven have their habitation, *which* [1]sing among the branches.

13 He watereth the hills from his chambers: the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works.[a]

14 He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth;[b]

15 And wine *that* maketh glad the heart of man, *and* [2]oil to make *his* face to shine, and bread *which* strengtheneth man's heart.[c]

16 The trees of the LORD are full *of sap;* the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted;[d]

17 Where the birds make their nests: *as for* the stork, the fir trees *are* her house.

18 The high hills *are* a refuge for the wild goats; *and* the rocks for the conies.[e]

19 He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down.[f]

20 Thou makest darkness, and it is night: wherein [3]all the beasts of the forest do creep *forth.*[g]

21 The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from God.[h]

22 The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens.

23 Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the evening.[i]

24 O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches.[j]

25 *So is* this great and wide sea, wherein *are* things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

26 There go the ships: *there is* that leviathan, *whom* thou hast [4]made to play therein.[k]

27 These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give *them* their meat in due season.[l]

28 *That* thou givest them they gather: thou openest thine hand, they are filled with good.

29 Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust.[m]

30 Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.[n]

31 The glory of the LORD [5]shall endure for ever: the LORD shall rejoice in his works.[o]

32 He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: he toucheth the hills, and they smoke.[p]

33 I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live: I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.[q]

34 My meditation of him shall be sweet: I will be glad in the LORD.

35 Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless thou the LORD, O my soul. Praise ye the LORD.[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

1 Heb *give a voice*

j Prov iii 19.

a Ps. lxv 9, 10; cxlvii. 8, Jer. x. 13; xiv 22.

b Ps. cxxxvi 25; cxlvii. 8, 9; Gen i. 29, 30; iii 18; ix. 3, Job xxviii. 5

4 Heb. *formed.*

k Job xli. 1.

2 Heb *to make his face shine with oil, or more than oil.*

l Ps. cxxxvi. 25, cxlv 15; cxlvii 9

c Ps. xxiii 5; Judg ix. 13; Prov. xxxi 6, 7

d Numb xxiv 6.

m Ps. cxlvi. 4; Job xxxiv.14,15, Eccles xii 7

e Prov. xxx. 26

n Isa. xxxii. 15; Ezek. xxxvii. 9.

5 Heb. *shall be.*

f Gen i. 14; Job xxxviii. 12

o Gen. i 31.

3 Heb *all the beasts thereof do trample on the forest.*

g Isa. xlv. 7.

p Ps. cxliv. 5, Hab. iii. 10.

h Job xxxviii 39; Joel i. 20.

q Ps. lxiii. 4; cxlvi. 2.

i Gen. iii. 19.

r ver. 1; Ps. xxxvii. 38; Prov. ii. 22.

PSALM CV.

1 *An exhortation to praise God, and to seek out his works.* 7 *The story of God's providence over Abraham,* 16 *over Joseph,* 23 *over Jacob in Egypt,* 26 *over Moses delivering the Israelites,* 37 *over the Israelites brought out of Egypt, fed in the wilderness, and planted in Canaan.*



GIVE thanks unto the LORD; call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people.[a]

2 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: talk ye of all his wondrous works.[b]

3 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

4 Seek the LORD, and his strength: seek his face evermore.[c]

5 Remember his marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;[d]

6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen.

7 He *is* the LORD our God: his judgments *are* in all the earth.[e]

8 He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word *which* he commanded to a thousand generations.[f]

9 Which *covenant* he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac;[g]

10 And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, *and* to Israel *for* an everlasting covenant:

11 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, [1]the lot of your inheritance:[h]

12 When they were *but* a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.[i]

13 When they went from one nation to another, from *one* kingdom to another people;

14 He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sakes;[j]

15 *Saying,* Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

16 Moreover he called for a famine upon the land: he brake the whole staff of bread.[k]

17 He sent a man before them, *even* Joseph, *who* was sold for a servant:[l]

18 Whose feet they hurt with fetters: [2]he was laid in iron:[m]

19 Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.[n]

20 The king sent and loosed him; *even* the ruler of the people, and let him go free.[o]

21 He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his [3]substance:[p]

22 To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators wisdom.

23 Israel also came into Egypt; and Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.[q]

24 And he increased his people greatly; and made them stronger than their enemies.[r]

25 He turned their heart to hate his people, to deal subtilly with his servants.[s]

26 He sent Moses his servant; *and* Aaron whom he had chosen.[t]

27 They shewed [4]his signs among them, and wonders in the land of Ham.[u]

28 He sent darkness, and made it dark; and they rebelled not against his word.[v]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

w Ps. lxxviii. 44; Exod. vii. 20, 21.

x Ps. lxxviii. 45; Exod. viii. 6.

y Ps. lxxviii. 45; Exod. viii. 17, 24.

5 Heb. *He gave their rain hail.*

a Ps cxiv. 4, 5, 11, 1 Chron xvi. 8—34; Isa. xii. 4

z Ps lxxviii. 48; Exod. ix. 23, 25.

b Ps. lxxvii. 12; cxix. 27.

a Ps. lxxviii. 47.

b Ps lxxviii. 46; Exod. x. 4, 13, 14.

c Ps xxvii. 8.

d Ps lxxvii. 11.

c Ps. lxxviii. 51; Gen. xlix. 3; Exod. xii 29.

d Exod. xii 35

e Isa. xxvi. 9.

e Exod. xii. 38.

f Luke i. 72.

f Exod. xiii. 21; Neh ix. 19

g Gen. xvii. 2; xxii. 16, &c.; xxvi 3; xxviii 13; xxxv. 11; Luke i 73; Heb vi. 17.

g Ps lxxviii. 18, 24, 25, 27; Exod. xvi 12, &c.

h Ps. lxxviii 15, 16; Exod.xvii.6; Numb xx. 11.

1 Heb *the cord.*

h Gen. xiii. 15; xv. 18.

i Gen xv. 14.

i Gen xxxiv 30; Deut. vii. 7; xxvi. 5; Heb. xi. 9

6 Heb. *singing*

j Ps lxxviii 55, Deut. vi 10, 11, Josh xiii 7, &c

j Gen xii 17, xx 3, 7, xxxv 5

7 Heb *Hallelujah*

k Deut. iv 1, 40, vi 21—25

k Gen xli. 54, Lev xxvi 26, Isa. iii 1, Ezek. iv 16.

l Gen xxxvii. 28, 36; xlv 5; l 20

2 Heb *his soul came into iron*

8 Heb *Hallelujah.*

m Gen. xxxix. 20, xl 15

l Ps cvii 1; cxviii 1; cxxxvi. 1, 1 Chron. xvi 34.

n Gen. xli 25.

o Gen xli 14

m Ps xl 5

3 Heb *possession.*

p Gen xli 40

n Ps xv 2; Acts xxiv. 16, Gal. vi. 9.

o Ps. cxix. 132

q Ps cvi. 22; Gen. xlvi. 6.

r Exod i. 7.

s Exod i. 8, &c.

p Lev. xxvi. 40; 1 Kings viii. 47; Dan. ix. 5.

t Exod. iii. 10; iv. 12, 14; Numb. xvi. 5; xvii. 5

4 Heb. *words of his signs.*

u Ps. lxxviii. 43, &c.; cvi. 22; Exod. vii.—xii.

q Exod. xiv. 11, 12.

v Exod x. 22.

r Exod. ix. 16; Ezek. xx. 14.

29 He turned their waters into blood, and slew their fish.[w]

30 Their land brought forth frogs in abundance, in the chambers of their kings.[x]

31 He spake, and there came divers sorts of flies, *and* lice in all their coasts.[y]

32 [5]He gave them hail for rain, *and* flaming fire in their land.[z]

33 He smote their vines also and their fig trees; and brake the trees of their coasts.[a]

34 He spake, and the locusts came, and caterpillers, and that without number,[b]

35 And did eat up all the herbs in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.

36 He smote also all the firstborn in their land, the chief of all their strength.[c]

37 He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and *there was* not one feeble *person* among their tribes.[d]

38 Egypt was glad when they departed: for the fear of them fell upon them.[e]

39 He spread a cloud for a covering; and fire to give light in the night.[f]

40 *The people* asked, and he brought quails, and satisfied them with the bread of heaven.[g]

41 He opened the rock, and the waters gushed out; they ran in the dry places *like* a river.[h]

42 For he remembered his holy promise, *and* Abraham his servant.[i]

43 And he brought forth his people with joy, *and* his chosen with [6]gladness:

44 And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people;[j]

45 That they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws. [7]Praise ye the LORD.[k]

PSALM CVI.

1 *The psalmist exhorteth to praise God* 4 *He prayeth for pardon of sin, as God did with the fathers* 7 *The story of the people's rebellion, and God's mercy.* 47 *He concludeth with prayer and praise.*



PRAISE[8] ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[l]

2 Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD? *who* can shew forth all his praise?[m]

3 Blessed *are* they that keep judgment, *and* he that doeth righteousness at all times.[n]

4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favour *that thou bearest unto* thy people: O visit *me* with thy salvation;[o]

5 That I may see the good *of* thy chosen, that I may rejoice in the gladness of thy nation, that I may glory with thine inheritance.

6 We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.[p]

7 Our fathers understood not thy wonders in Egypt; they remembered not the multitude of thy mercies; but provoked *him* at the sea, *even* at the Red sea.[q]

8 Nevertheless he saved them for his name's sake, that he might make his mighty power to be known.[r]



"HE MADE THEM ALSO TO BE PITIED OF ALL THOSE THAT CARRIED THEM CAPTIVES."—PSALM CVI. 46.

9 He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up: so he led them through the depths, as through the wilderness.[c]

10 And he saved them from the hand of him that hated *them*, and redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.[b]

11 And the waters covered their enemies: there was not one of them left.[c]

12 Then believed they his words; they sang his praise.[d]

13 [1]They soon forgat his works; they waited not for his counsel:[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

2 Heb. *lusted a lust*
f Ps. lxxviii. 18; Numb xi. 4; 1 Cor. x. 6
a Ps. xviii. 15; Exod xiv 21; Isa. lxiii 11—14; Nahum i 4.
g Ps. lxxviii 29; Numb. xi. 31; Isa. x 16.
b Exod. xiv. 30
h Numb xvi. 1, &c.
c Exod. xiv. 27, 28; xv. 5.
i Numb. xvi. 31, 32; Deut. xi. 6.
d Exod. xiv. 31; xv. 1.
j Numb. xvi. 35, 46
1 Heb. *They made haste, they forgat.*
e Ps. lxxviii. 11; Exod xv. 24, xvi. 2; xvii 2.
k Exod. xxxii. 4.

14 But [2]lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, and tempted God in the desert.[f]

15 And he gave them their request; but sent leanness into their soul.[g]

16 They envied Moses also in the camp, *and* Aaron the saint of the LORD.[h]

17 The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan, and covered the company of Abiram.[i]

18 And a fire was kindled in their company; the flame burned up the wicked.[j]

19 They made a calf in Horeb, and worshipped the molten image.[k]

20 Thus they changed their glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass.[a]

21 They forgat God their saviour, which had done great things in Egypt;[b]

22 Wondrous works in the land of Ham, *and* terrible things by the Red sea.[c]

23 Therefore he said that he would destroy them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy *them*.[d]

24 Yea, they despised [1]the pleasant land, they believed not his word:[e]

25 But murmured in their tents, *and* hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD.[f]

26 Therefore he lifted up his hand against them, to overthrow them in the wilderness:[g]

27 [2]To overthrow their seed also among the nations, and to scatter them in the lands.[h]

28 They joined themselves also unto Baal-peor, and ate the sacrifices of the dead.[i]

29 Thus they provoked *him* to anger with their inventions: and the plague brake in upon them.

30 Then stood up Phinehas, and executed judgment: and *so* the plague was stayed.[j]

31 And that was counted unto him for righteousness unto all generations for evermore.[k]

32 They angered *him* also at the waters of strife, so that it went ill with Moses for their sakes:[l]

33 Because they provoked his spirit, so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.[m]

34 They did not destroy the nations, concerning whom the LORD commanded them:[n]

35 But were mingled among the heathen, and learned their works.[o]

36 And they served their idols: which were a snare unto them.[p]

37 Yea, they sacrificed their sons and their daughters unto devils,[q]

38 And shed innocent blood, *even* the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan: and the land was polluted with blood

39 Thus were they defiled with their own works, and went a whoring with their own inventions.[r]

40 Therefore was the wrath of the LORD kindled against his people, insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.[s]

41 And he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over them.[t]

42 Their enemies also oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under their hand.

43 Many times did he deliver them; but they provoked *him* with their counsel, and were [3]brought low for their iniquity.[u]

44 Nevertheless he regarded their affliction, when he heard their cry:[v]

45 And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of his mercies.[w]

46 He made them also to be pitied of all those that carried them captives.[x]

47 Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us from among the heathen, to give thanks unto thy holy name, *and* to triumph in thy praise.[y]

48 Blessed *be* the LORD God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. [4]Praise ye the LORD.[z]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

a Jer. ii. 11; Rom. i. 23.
z 1 Chron. xvi 35, 36.
b Ps lxxviii. 11, 12.
4 Heb *Hallelujah.*
a Ps. xli. 13.
c Ps. lxxviii. 51; cv. 23, 27.
d Exod xxxii. 10, 11, 32; Deut. ix 19, 25; x. 10; Ezek. xiii. 5; xx. 13; xxii. 30.
1 Heb. *a land of desire.*
e Deut. viii. 7; Jer. iii. 19, Ezek. xx. 6; Heb. iii. 18.
b Ps cvi. 1; cxviii. 1; cxix. 68; cxxxvi. 1; Matt. xix. 17.
f Numb xiv. 2, 27.
c Ps. cvi. 10.
g Ps. xcv 11, Exod. vi 8, Numb xiv. 28, &c; Deut. xxxii. 40; Ezek xx. 15; Heb iii. 11, 18.
2 Heb. *To make them fall.*
h Ps. xliv 11; Lev. xxvi. 33; Ezek. xx. 23.
5 Heb. *from the sea.*
d Ps. cvi. 47, Isa xliii. 5, 6, Jer. xxix 14; xxxi. 8, 10, Ezek. xxxix. 27, 28.
i Numb xxv. 2, 3; xxxi. 16; Deut. iv. 3, xxxii. 17; Hos. ix. 10; Rev. ii. 14.
e ver 40; Deut. xxxii. 10.
f vs. 13, 19, 28, Ps l. 15; Hos v 15
j Numb xxv 7, 8.
g Ezra viii 21.
k Numb. xxv. 11—13.
l Ps. lxxxi 7, Numb. xx. 3, 12, 13, Deut i. 37; iii 26.
h vs. 15, 21, 31.
m Numb. xx. 10
i Ps. xxxiv. 10, Luke i. 53.
n Deut vii. 2, 16; Judg i. 21, 27—29, &c., ii 2
j Job xxxvi. 8, Luke i. 79.
o Judg. ii. 2; iii. 5, 6; Isa. ii. 6; 1 Cor v 6
k Ps. lxxiii 24, cxix 24; Lam iii 42, Luke vii 30, Acts xx. 27
p Exod. xxiii 33, Deut. vii. 16; Judg ii 2, 3, 13, 17, 19, iii 6, 7
l Ps. xxii 11, Isa lxiii. 5
q Lev. xvii 7; Deut xxxii 17, 2 Kings xvi 3, 2 Chron xi 15; Isa. lvii. 5; Ezek. xvi. 20, xx. 26; 1 Cor. x. 20.
m vs. 6, 19, 28.
n Ps. lxviii. 6; cxlvi. 7; Acts xii. 7, &c, xvi. 26, &c
r Numb. xxxv. 33.
o vs. 8, 21, 31.
s Lev. xvii. 7; Numb. xv. 39; Ezek. xx. 18, 30, 31.
p Isa. xlv 2
t Ps. lxxviii 59, 62; Deut. ix. 28; Judg ii. 14, &c.
q Lam. iii. 39
u Judg. ii. 14, Neh. ix. 27, &c.
r Ps. ix. 13; lxxxviii. 3; Job xxxiii. 20, 22.
s vs. 6, 13, 28.
3 Or, *impoverished*, or, *weakened.*
t Ps. xxx 2, 3; xlix. 15; lvi 13, cii. 3, 4; cxlvii. 15, 18; 2 Kings xx. 4, 5; Job xxxiii. 28, 30, Matt. viii. 8.
v Judg. ii 16; Neh. ix. 27, &c.
w Judg. iii. 9; iv. 3; vi. 7; x. 10; Neh. ix. 27, &c.
u vs. 8, 15, 31.
6 Heb. *singing.*
v Ps. ix. 11; l. 14; lxxiii. 28; cxvi. 17; cxviii. 17; Lev. vii. 12; Heb. xiii. 15.
x Ps. ii. 1; lxix. 16; Lev. xxvi. 41, 42; Judg. ii. 18; Isa. lxiii. 7; Lam. iii. 32.
y Ezra ix. 9; Jer. xlii. 12.

PSALM CVII.

1 *The psalmist exhorteth the redeemed, in praising God, to observe his manifold providence,* 4 *over travellers,* 10 *over captives,* 17 *over sick men,* 23 *over seamen,* 33 *and in divers varieties of life.*



GIVE thanks unto the LORD, for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[a]

2 Let the redeemed of the LORD say *so*, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy,[c]

3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and [5]from the south.[d]

4 They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in.[e]

5 Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.

6 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he delivered them out of their distresses.[f]

7 And he led them forth by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.[g]

8 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men![h]

9 For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.[i]

10 Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, *being* bound in affliction and iron;[j]

11 Because they rebelled against the words of God, and contemned the counsel of the most High:[k]

12 Therefore he brought down their heart with labour; they fell down, and *there was* none to help.[l]

13 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he saved them out of their distresses.[m]

14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder.[n]

15 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men![o]

16 For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder.[p]

17 Fools because of their transgression, and because of their iniquities, are afflicted.[q]

18 Their soul abhorreth all manner of meat; and they draw near unto the gates of death.[r]

19 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, *and* he saveth them out of their distresses.[s]

20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered *them* from their destruction.[t]

21 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men![u]

22 And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with [6]rejoicing.[v]

23 They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters;

24 These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep.



"THEY MOUNT UP TO THE HEAVEN, THEY GO DOWN AGAIN TO THE DEPTHS: THEIR SOUL IS MELTED BECAUSE OF TROUBLE."—PSALM CVII. 26.

25 For he commandeth, and [1]raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.[a]

26 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble.[b]

27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and [2]are at their wit's end.

28 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses.[c]

29 He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 1034.

1 Heb. *maketh to stand.*
a Jonah i. 4.
b Ps. xxii. 14; cxix. 28; Nahum ii. 10.
c vs. 6, 13, 19.
2 Heb. *all their wisdom is swallowed up.*
f Ps. xxii. 22, 25; cxi. 1.
g 1 Kings xvii. 1, 7.
3 Heb. *saltness.*
d Ps. lxxxix. 9; Matt. viii. 26.
h Gen. xiii. 10; xiv. 3; xix. 25.

30 Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.

31 Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!

32 Let them exalt him also in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.[f]

33 He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and the watersprings into dry ground;[g]

34 A fruitful land into [3]barrenness, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.[h]

35 He turneth the wilderness into a standing water, and dry ground into watersprings.[a]

36 And there he maketh the hungry to dwell, that they may prepare a city for habitation;

37 And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits of increase.

38 He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly; and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.[b]

39 Again, they are minished and brought low through oppression, affliction, and sorrow.[c]

40 He poureth contempt upon princes, and causeth them to wander in the [1]wilderness, *where there is* no way.[d]

41 Yet setteth he the poor on high [2]from affliction, and maketh *him* families like a flock.[e]

42 The righteous shall see *it*, and rejoice: and all iniquity shall stop her mouth.[f]

43 Whoso *is* wise, and will observe these *things*, even they shall understand the lovingkindness of the LORD.[g]

PSALM CVIII.

1 *David encourageth himself to praise God.* 5 *He prayeth for God's assistance according to his promise.* 11 *His confidence in God's help.*

A Song *or* Psalm of David.



GOD, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.[h]

2 Awake, psaltery and harp: I *myself* will awake early.[i]

3 I will praise thee, O LORD, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

4 For thy mercy *is* great above the heavens: and thy truth *reacheth* unto the [3]clouds.

5 Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth;[j]

6 That thy beloved may be delivered: save *with* thy right hand, and answer me.[k]

7 God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

8 Gilead *is* mine; Manasseh *is* mine; Ephraim also *is* the strength of mine head; Judah *is* my lawgiver;[l]

9 Moab *is* my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe; over Philistia will I triumph.

10 Who will bring me into the strong city? who will lead me into Edom?[m]

11 *Wilt* not *thou*, O God, *who* hast cast us off? and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?

12 Give us help from trouble: for vain *is* the help of man.

13 Through God we shall do valiantly: for he *it is that* shall tread down our enemies.[n]

PSALM CIX.

1 *David, complaining of his slanderous enemies, under the person of Judas devoteth them.* 16 *He sheweth their sin.* 21 *Complaining of his own misery, he prayeth for help.* 29 *He promiseth thankfulness.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

HOLD not thy peace, O God of my praise;[o]

2 For the [4]mouth of the wicked and the mouth of the deceitful [5]are opened against me: they have spoken against me with a lying tongue.

3 They compassed me about also with words of hatred; and fought against me without a cause.[p]

4 For my love they are my adversaries: but I *give myself unto* prayer.

5 And they have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my love.[q]

6 Set thou a wicked man over him: and let [6]Satan stand at his right hand.[r]

7 When he shall be judged, let him [7]be condemned: and let his prayer become sin.[s]

8 Let his days be few; *and* let another take his [8]office.[t]

9 Let his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow.[u]

10 Let his children be continually vagabonds, and beg: let them seek *their bread* also out of their desolate places.

11 Let the extortioner catch all that he hath; and let the strangers spoil his labour.[v]

12 Let there be none to extend mercy unto him: neither let there be any to favour his fatherless children.

13 Let his posterity be cut off; *and* in the generation following let their name be blotted out.[w]

14 Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembered with the LORD; and let not the sin of his mother be blotted out.[x]

15 Let them be before the LORD continually, that he may cut off the memory of them from the earth.[y]

16 Because that he remembered not to shew mercy, but persecuted the poor and needy man, that he might even slay the broken in heart.[z]

17 As he loved cursing, so let it come unto him: as he delighted not in blessing, so let it be far from him.[a]

18 As he clothed himself with cursing like as with his garment, so let it come [9]into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.[b]

19 Let it be unto him as the garment *which* covereth him, and for a girdle wherewith he is girded continually.

20 *Let* this *be* the reward of mine adversaries from the LORD, and of them that speak evil against my soul.

21 But do thou for me, O GOD the Lord, for thy name's sake; because thy mercy *is* good, deliver thou me.

22 For I *am* poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.

23 I am gone like the shadow when it declineth: I am tossed up and down as the locust.[c]

24 My knees are weak through fasting; and my flesh faileth of fatness.[d]

25 I became also a reproach unto them: *when* they looked upon me they shaked their heads.[e]

26 Help me, O LORD my God: O save me according to thy mercy:

27 That they may know that this *is* thy hand, *that* thou, LORD, hast done it.[f]

28 Let them curse, but bless thou: when they arise, let them be ashamed; but let thy servant rejoice.[g]

29 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame,

BEFORE CHRIST 1084.

a Ps. cxiv. 8; Isa. xli. 18.
p Ps. xxxv. 7; lxix. 4; John xv. 25.
q Ps. xxxv. 7, 12; xxxviii. 20.
6 Or, *an adversary.*
b Gen. xii. 2; xvii. 16, 20; Exod. i. 7.
r Zech. iii. 1.
7 Heb. *go out guilty,* or, *wicked.*
c 2 Kings x 32.
s Prov xxviii. 9.
1 Or, *void place.*
8 Or, *charge.*
t Acts i. 20.
d Job xii. 21, 24.
2 Or, *after.*
u Exod. xxii. 24.
e Ps. lxxviii. 52; cxiii 7, 8, 1 Sam. ii. 8.
f Ps lii. 6; lviii. 10; lxiii. 11; Job v. 16; xxii. 20, Prov. x. 11, Rom. iii 19.
v Job v. 5; xviii 9
g Ps. lxiv. 9; Jer ix. 12, Hos. xiv. 9.
w Ps. xxxvii. 28; Job xviii 19, Prov. x. 7.
h Ps. lvii. 7
x Exod. xx. 5; Neh. iv. 5, Jer. xviii. 23.
i Ps. lvii. 8—11.
y Ps. xxxiv. 16; Job xviii. 17.
z Ps. xxxiv. 18.
3 Or, *skies.*
a Prov. xiv. 14; Ezek. xxxv. 6.
j Ps. lvii. 5, 11.
9 Heb *within him*
k Ps. lx 5, &c.
b Numb. v. 22.
l Gen. xlix. 10.
m Ps. lx. 9.
c Ps. cii 11; cxliv 4.
d Heb xii. 12.
n Ps lx 12
e Ps xxii. 6, 7; Matt. xxvii. 39.
f Job xxxvii. 7.
o Ps. lxxxiii 1.
4 Heb *mouth of deceit.*
5 Heb. *have opened themselves.*
g 2 Sam xvi. 11, 12; Isa. lxv. 14.

and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a mantle.[a]

30 I will greatly praise the LORD with my mouth; yea, I will praise him among the multitude.[b]

31 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor, to save *him* [1]from those that condemn his soul.[c]

PSALM CX.

1 *The kingdom, 4 the priesthood, 5 the conquest, 7 and the passion of Christ.*

A Psalm of David.

THE LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.[d]

2 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

3 Thy people *shall be* willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness [2]from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth.[e]

4 The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.[f]

5 The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath.[g]

6 He shall judge among the heathen, he shall fill *the places* with the dead bodies; he shall wound the heads over many countries.[h]

7 He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up the head.[i]

PSALM CXI.

1 *The psalmist by his example inciteth others to praise God for his glorious, 5 and gracious works. 10 The fear of God breedeth true wisdom.*

PRAISE[3] ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with *my* whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and *in* the congregation.[j]

2 The works of the LORD *are* great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.[k]

3 His work *is* honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever.[l]

4 He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the LORD *is* gracious and full of compassion.[m]

5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant.[n]

6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7 The works of his hands *are* verity and judgment; all his commandments *are* sure.[o]

8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *and are* done in truth and uprightness.[p]

9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and reverend *is* his name.[q]

10 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do *his commandments*: his praise endureth for ever.

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a Ps. xxxv. 26; cxxxii. 18.

b Ps. xxxv. 18; cxi. 1.
4 Heb. *Hallelujah.*

1 Heb. *from the judges of his soul.*

c Ps. xvi. 8; lxxiii. 23; cx. 5; cxxi 5.
r Ps. cxix. 16, 35, 47, 70, 143; cxxviii. 1.
s Ps. xxv. 13; xxxvii. 26; cii. 28.
t Matt. vi. 33.

d Ps. xlv. 6, 7; Matt. xxii. 44; Mark xii. 36, Luke xx. 42, Acts ii. 34, 1 Cor. xv. 25, Heb. i 13; 1 Peter iii 22.
u Ps xcvii. 11, Job xi. 17
5 Heb. *judgment.*
v Ps. xxxvii. 26; Luke vi. 35; Eph v. 15; Col iv. 5.
w Ps xv 5; Prov x. 7.

2 Or, *more than the womb of the morning thou shalt have, &c.*
x Ps. lvii. 7; lxiv. 10; Prov i 33

e Ps xcvi. 9, Judg. v. 2
y Ps. lix 10, cxviii. 7; Prov i 33.

f Numb. xxiii. 19; Zech vi. 13, Heb. v. 6; vi. 20, vii. 17, 21.
z ver 3; Ps. lxxv. 10, Deut. xxiv 13; 2 Cor ix 9.

g Ps. ii 5, 12; xvi. 8; Rom. ii 5, Rev. xi. 18
a Ps xxxvii. 12, lviii 7, 8; Prov. x. 28, xi. 7; Luke xiii. 28

h Ps. lxviii. 21; Hab iii 13.

i Judg. vii. 5, 6, Isa lii. 12.
6 Heb *Hallelujah.*
b Ps. cxxxv. 1

3 Heb *Hallelujah*
c Dan ii. 20
d Isa. lix. 19, Mal i 11.

j Ps. xxxv 18; lxxxix 5; cvii 32; cix. 30, cxlix 1
e Ps viii 1, xcvii 9; xciv. 2

k Ps. xcii. 5; cxxxix. 14; cxliii 5, Job xxxviii—xli, Rev xv 3
7 Heb *exalteth himself to dwell*
f Ps. lxxxix. 6.

l Ps cxiv 4, 5, 10.
g Ps xi 4, cxxxviii 6, Isa. lvii 15

m Ps lxxxvi. 5, ciii. 8
h Ps cvii 41; 1 Sam. ii. 8.

n Matt. vi. 26, 33.
i Job xxxvi. 7
8 Heb. *to dwell in an house.*
j Ps. lxviii. 6; 1 Sam. ii 5; Isa. liv. 1; Gal. iv. 27.

o Ps. xix 7; Rev. xv. 3.

p Ps. xix. 9; Isa. xl. 8; Matt. v. 18
k Ps. lxxxi. 5; Exod. xiii 3

q Matt. i. 21, Luke i. 49, 68.
l Exod. vi. 7; xix. 6; xxv. 8; xxix. 45, 46; Deut. xxvii. 9.
m Ps.lxxvii.16; Exod. xiv. 21; Josh. iii. 13, 16.
n Ps. xxix. 6; lxviii 16; Hab. iii. 6.

PSALM CXII.

1 *Godliness hath the promises of this life, 4 and of the life to come. 10 The prosperity of the godly shall be an eyesore to the wicked.*

PRAISE[4] ye the LORD. Blessed *is* the man *that* feareth the LORD, *that* delighteth greatly in his commandments.[r]

2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.[s]

3 Wealth and riches *shall be* in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.[t]

4 Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: *he is* gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.[u]

5 A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with [5]discretion.[v]

6 Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.[w]

7 He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD.[x]

8 His heart *is* established, he shall not be afraid, until he see *his desire* upon his enemies.[y]

9 He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.[z]

10 The wicked shall see *it*, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.[a]

PSALM CXIII.

1 *An exhortation to praise God for his excellency, 6 for his mercy.*

PRAISE[6] ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD.[b]

2 Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and for evermore.[c]

3 From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the LORD's name *is* to be praised.[d]

4 The LORD *is* high above all nations, *and* his glory above the heavens.[e]

5 Who *is* like unto the LORD our God, who [7]dwelleth on high,[f]

6 Who humbleth *himself* to behold *the things that are* in heaven, and in the earth![g]

7 He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, *and* lifteth the needy out of the dunghill;[h]

8 That he may set *him* with princes, *even* with the princes of his people.[i]

9 He maketh the barren woman [8]to keep house, *and to be* a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the LORD.[j]

PSALM CXIV.

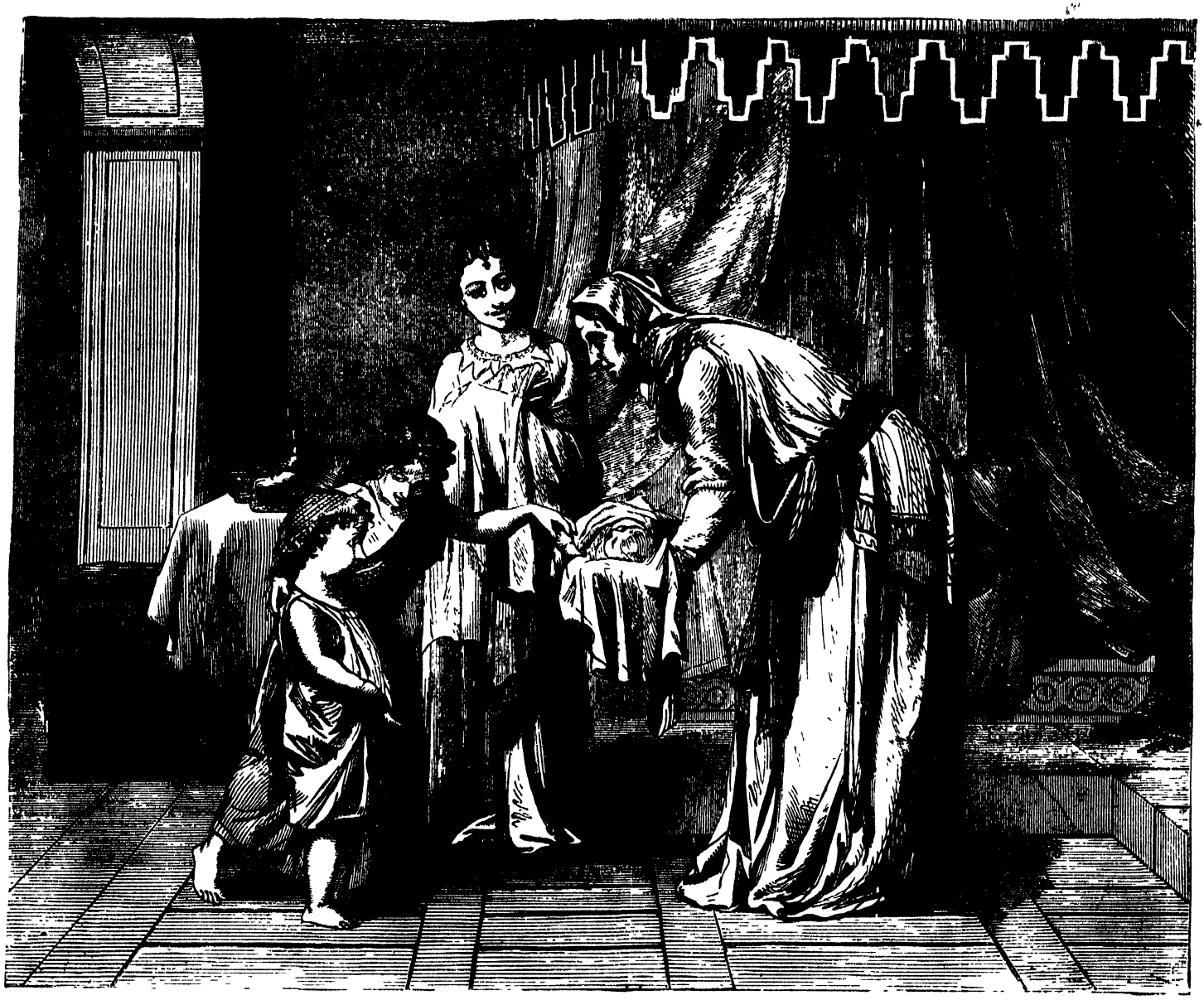
An exhortation, by the example of the dumb creatures, to fear God in his church.

WHEN Israel went out of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language;[k]

2 Judah was his sanctuary, *and* Israel his dominion.[l]

3 The sea saw *it*, and fled: Jordan was driven back.[m]

4 The mountains skipped like rams, *and* the little hills like lambs.[n]



"HE MAKETH THE BARREN WOMAN TO KEEP HOUSE, AND TO BE A JOYFUL MOTHER OF CHILDREN."—PSALM CXIII. 9.

5 What *ailed* thee, O thou sea, that thou fleddest? thou Jordan, *that* thou wast driven back?[a]

6 Ye mountains, *that* ye skipped like rams; *and* ye little hills, like lambs?

7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob;

8 Which turned the rock *into* a standing water, the flint into a fountain of waters.[b]

PSALM CXV.

1 *Because God is truly glorious, 4 and idols are vanity, 9 he exhorteth to confidence in God. 12 God is to be blessed for his blessings.*

NOT unto us, O LORD, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, *and* for thy truth's sake.[c]

2 Wherefore should the heathen say, Where *is* now their God?[d]

3 But our God *is* in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.[e]

4 Their idols *are* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a Hab. iii 8.

b Ps. cvii. 35; Exod. xvii 6; Numb. xx. 11.

g Ps. cxxxv. 18; Isa. xliv. 9—11; Jonah ii. 8; Hab ii. 18, 19

h Ps. xxxiii. 20; cxviii. 2—4; cxxxv. 19, 20; Prov. xxx. 5.

c Isa xlviii. 11; Ezek. xxxvi. 32.

d Ps. xlii. 3, 10; Joel ii. 17.

e Ps cxxxv. 6; 1 Chron. xvi. 26, Dan. iv. 35.

f Ps. cxxxv. 15, 16; Deut. iv. 28; Jer. x. 3, &c.

1 Heb. *with.*

i Ps. cxxviii. 1, 4.

5 They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes have they, but they see not:

6 They have ears, but they hear not: noses have they, but they smell not:

7 They have hands, but they handle not: feet have they, but they walk not: neither speak they through their throat.

8 They that make them are like unto them; *so is* every one that trusteth in them.[g]

9 O Israel, trust thou in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.[h]

10 O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

11 Ye that fear the LORD, trust in the LORD: he *is* their help and their shield.

12 The LORD hath been mindful of us: he will bless *us;* he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.

13 He will bless them that fear the LORD, *both* small 'and great.'

14 The LORD shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

15 Ye *are* blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth.[a]

16 The heaven, *even* the heavens, *are* the LORD'S: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.

17 The dead praise not the LORD, neither any that go down into silence.[b]

18 But we will bless the LORD from this time forth and for evermore. Praise the LORD.[c]

PSALM CXVI.

1 *The psalmist professeth his love and duty to God for his deliverance.* 12 *He studieth to be thankful.*

I LOVE the LORD, because he hath heard my voice *and* my supplications.[d]

2 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me, therefore will I call upon *him* [1]as long as I live.

3 The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell [2]gat hold upon me: I found trouble and sorrow.[e]

4 Then called I upon the name of the LORD; O LORD, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.

5 Gracious *is* the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God *is* merciful.[f]

6 The LORD preserveth the simple: I was brought low, and he helped me.

7 Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.[g]

8 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, *and* my feet from falling.[h]

9 I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.[i]

10 I believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly afflicted:[j]

11 I said in my haste, All men *are* liars.[k]

12 What shall I render unto the LORD *for* all his benefits toward me?

13 I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.

14 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people.[l]

15 Precious in the sight of the LORD *is* the death of his saints.[m]

16 O LORD, truly I *am* thy servant; I *am* thy servant, *and* the son of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds.[n]

17 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the LORD.[o]

18 I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people,[p]

19 In the courts of the LORD'S house, in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.[q]

PSALM CXVII.

An exhortation to praise God for his mercy and truth.

O PRAISE the LORD, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people.[r]

2 For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the LORD *endureth* for ever. Praise ye the LORD.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a Ps. xcvi. 5; Gen. i. 1; xiv. 19.

b Ps. cvi. 1; cvii. 1, cxxxvi. 1; 1 Chron. xvi. 8, 34.

c Ps. cxv. 9, &c.

d Ps. vi. 5; lxxxviii. 10—12, Isa. xxxviii. 18.

e Ps. cxiii. 2; Dan. ii. 20.

3 Heb. *out of distress.*

f Ps. cxx. 1.

4 Heb. *for me.*

g Ps. xviii. 1

w Ps. xxvii 1, lvi. 4, 11, cxlvi 5; Isa li. 12; Heb xiii 6.

1 Heb. *in my days.*

x Ps. liv. 4, lix. 10.

2 Heb. *found me.*

y Ps. xl 4, lxii. 8, 9, Jer xvii. 5, 7

e Ps. xviii. 4—6

z Ps cxlvi. 3

5 Heb. *cut them off*

f Ps cxix 137, cxlv 17, Ezra ix 15, Neh ix. 8.

a Ps lxxxviii 17

g Ps xiii. 6, cxix. 17, Jer. vi. 16, Matt xi 29.

b Deut. i 44; Eccles. vii 6, Nahum i 10.

h Ps. lvi. 13.

i Ps. xxvii. 13.

c Exod. xv. 2, Isa xii. 2.

j 2 Cor. iv. 13

k Ps. xxxi. 22, Rom. iii 4

d Exod xv 6

e Ps. vi 5, lxxiii. 28; Hab i. 12.

l ver 18, Ps. xxii 25; Jonah ii 9

f 2 Cor. vi 9.

m Ps. lxxii. 14.

g Isa. xxvi. 2.

h Ps. xxiv. 7; Isa. xxxv. 8; Rev xxi. 27; xxii. 14, 15.

n Ps. lxxxvi. 16; cxix. 125; cxliii. 12.

i ver. 14; Ps. cxvi. 1.

o Ps. l. 14; cvii. 22; Lev. vii. 12.

l Matt. xxi. 42; Mark xii. 10; Luke xx. 17; Acts iv. 11; Eph ii. 20; 1 Peter ii. 4, 7.

p ver. 14.

6 Heb. *This is from the LORD.*

q Ps. xcvi. 8; c. 4; cxxxv. 2.

r Rom. xv. 11.

k Matt. xxi. 9; xxiii. 39; Mark xi. 9; Luke xix. 38.

s Ps. c. 5.

PSALM CXVIII.

1 *An exhortation to praise God for his mercy.* 5 *The psalmist by his experience sheweth how good it is to trust in God.* 19 *Under the type of the psalmist the coming of Christ in his kingdom is expressed.*

O GIVE thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: because his mercy *endureth* for ever.[a]

2 Let Israel now say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.[a]

3 Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

4 Let them now that fear the LORD say, that his mercy *endureth* for ever.

5 I called upon the LORD [3]in distress: the LORD answered me, *and set me* in a large place.[v]

6 The LORD *is* [4]on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?[w]

7 The LORD taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall I see *my desire* upon them that hate me.[x]

8 *It is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.[y]

9 *It is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.[z]

10 All nations compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD will I [5]destroy them.

11 They compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.[a]

12 They compassed me about like bees, they are quenched as the fire of thorns: for in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.[b]

13 Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the LORD helped me.

14 The LORD *is* my strength and song, and is become my salvation.[c]

15 The voice of rejoicing and salvation *is* in the tabernacles of the righteous: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.

16 The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.[d]

17 I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.[e]

18 The LORD hath chastened me sore: but he hath not given me over unto death.[f]

19 Open to me the gates of righteousness: I will go into them, *and* I will praise the LORD:[g]

20 This gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.[h]

21 I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.[i]

22 The stone *which* the builders refused is become the head *stone* of the corner.[j]

23 [6]This is the LORD'S doing; it *is* marvellous in our eyes.

24 This *is* the day *which* the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.

26 Blessed *be* he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.[k]

27 God *is* the LORD, which hath shewed us light:



"OPEN THOU MINE EYES, THAT I MAY BEHOLD WONDROUS THINGS OUT OF THY LAW."—PSALM CXIX. 18.

bind the sacrifice with cords, *even* unto the horns of the altar.[a]

28 Thou *art* my God, and I will praise thee: *thou art* my God, I will exalt thee.[b]

29 O give thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[c]

PSALM CXIX.

This psalm containeth sundry prayers, praises, and professions of obedience.

ALEPH.

BLESSED *are* the [1]undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.[d]

2 Blessed *are* they that keep his testimonies, *and that* seek him with the whole heart.

3 They also do no iniquity: they walk in his ways.[e]

4 Thou hast commanded *us* to keep thy precepts diligently.

5 O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!

6 Then shall I not be ashamed, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.[f]

7 I will praise thee with uprightness of heart, when I shall have learned [2]thy righteous judgments.[g]

8 I will keep thy statutes: O forsake me not utterly.

BETH.

9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed *thereto* according to thy word.

10 With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.[h]

11 Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.[i]

12 Blessed *art* thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes.[j]

13 With my lips have I declared all the judgments of thy mouth.[k]

14 I have rejoiced in the way of thy testimonies, as *much as* in all riches.

15 I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.[l]

16 I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.[m]

GIMEL.

17 Deal bountifully with thy servant, *that* I may live, and keep thy word.[n]

18 [3]Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

19 I *am* a stranger in the earth: hide not thy commandments from me.[o]

20 My soul breaketh for the longing *that it hath* unto thy judgments at all times.[p]

21 Thou hast rebuked the proud *that are* cursed, which do err from thy commandments.[q]

22 Remove from me reproach and contempt; for I have kept thy testimonies.[r]

23 Princes also did sit *and* speak against me: *but* thy servant did meditate in thy statutes.[s]

24 Thy testimonies also *are* my delight *and* [4]my counsellors.[t]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a Esther viii 16; 1 Peter ii. 9.
u ver. 40, Ps. xliv. 25; cxliii. 11.
b Exod xv 2, Isa. xxv. 1.
v ver 12; Ps. xxv. 4; xxvii 11, lxxxvi. 11
c ver 1
w Ps cxlv 5, 6.
5 Heb *droppeth.*
x Ps cvii 26

1 Or, *perfect*, or, *sincere*

d Ps. cxxviii 1

y 1 Kings iv. 29; Isa. lx. 5, 2 Cor. vi. 11.
e 1 John iii. 9, v. 18.
z vs 12, 112; Matt. x. 22; Rev ii. 26
a ver 73, Prov. ii. 6, James i. 5
f Job xxii 26, 1 John ii 28.
b ver 16

2 Heb. *judgments of thy righteousness*

g ver. 171.
c Ezek. xxxiii 31; Mark vii 21, 22, Luke xii 15, 1 Tim vi. 10, Heb. xiii 5
6 Heb. *Make to pass*
d ver. 40; Prov xxiii 5, Isa xxxii 15
e 2 Sam vii 25
h vs. 21, 118, 2 Chron. xv 15.
i Ps xxxvii. 31, Luke ii. 19, 51.
f vs 25, 37, 88, 107, 149, 156, 159
j vs 26, 33, 64, 68, 108, 124, 135, Ps. xxv 4.
k Ps xxxiv 11.
g ver. 77, Ps. cvi. 4.
7 Or, *So shall I answer him that reproacheth me in anything*
l vs 23, 48, 78.
m vs. 35, 47, 70, 77, Ps. i. 2.
8 Heb. *at large.*
n Ps. cxvi. 7.
h Ps. cxxxviii. 1, Matt. x. 18, 19, Acts xxvi. 1, 2.
3 Heb *Reveal.*
i ver 16.
o Ps xxxix. 12; Gen. xlvii. 9; 1 Chron. xxix. 15, Heb. xi. 13.
j ver. 15.
p vs. 10, 131; Ps. xlii. 1, 2, lxiii 1; lxxxiv 2
q vs. 10, 110, 118.
k vs. 74, 81, 147; Rom. xv. 4.
r Ps. xxxix. 8
s ver. 15.
l ver. 157; Ps. xliv. 18; Job xxiii. 11; Jer. xx. 7.
4 Heb. *men of my counsel*
t vs. 77, 92.

DALETH.

25 My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word.[u]

26 I have declared my ways, and thou heardest me: teach me thy statutes.[v]

27 Make me to understand the way of thy precepts: so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.[w]

28 My soul [5]melteth for heaviness: strengthen thou me according unto thy word.[x]

29 Remove from me the way of lying: and grant me thy law graciously.

30 I have chosen the way of truth: thy judgments have I laid *before me.*

31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD, put me not to shame.

32 I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart.[y]

HE.

33 Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it *unto* the end.[z]

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with *my* whole heart.[a]

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.[b]

36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.[c]

37 [6]Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; *and* quicken thou me in thy way.[d]

38 Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who *is devoted* to thy fear.[e]

39 Turn away my reproach which I fear: for thy judgments *are* good.

40 Behold, I have longed after thy precepts: quicken me in thy righteousness.[f]

VAU.

41 Let thy mercies come also unto me, O LORD, *even* thy salvation, according to thy word.[g]

42 [7]So shall I have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me: for I trust in thy word.

43 And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth; for I have hoped in thy judgments.

44 So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever.

45 And I will walk [8]at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.

46 I will speak of thy testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed.[h]

47 And I will delight myself in thy commandments, which I have loved.[i]

48 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in thy statutes.[j]

ZAIN.

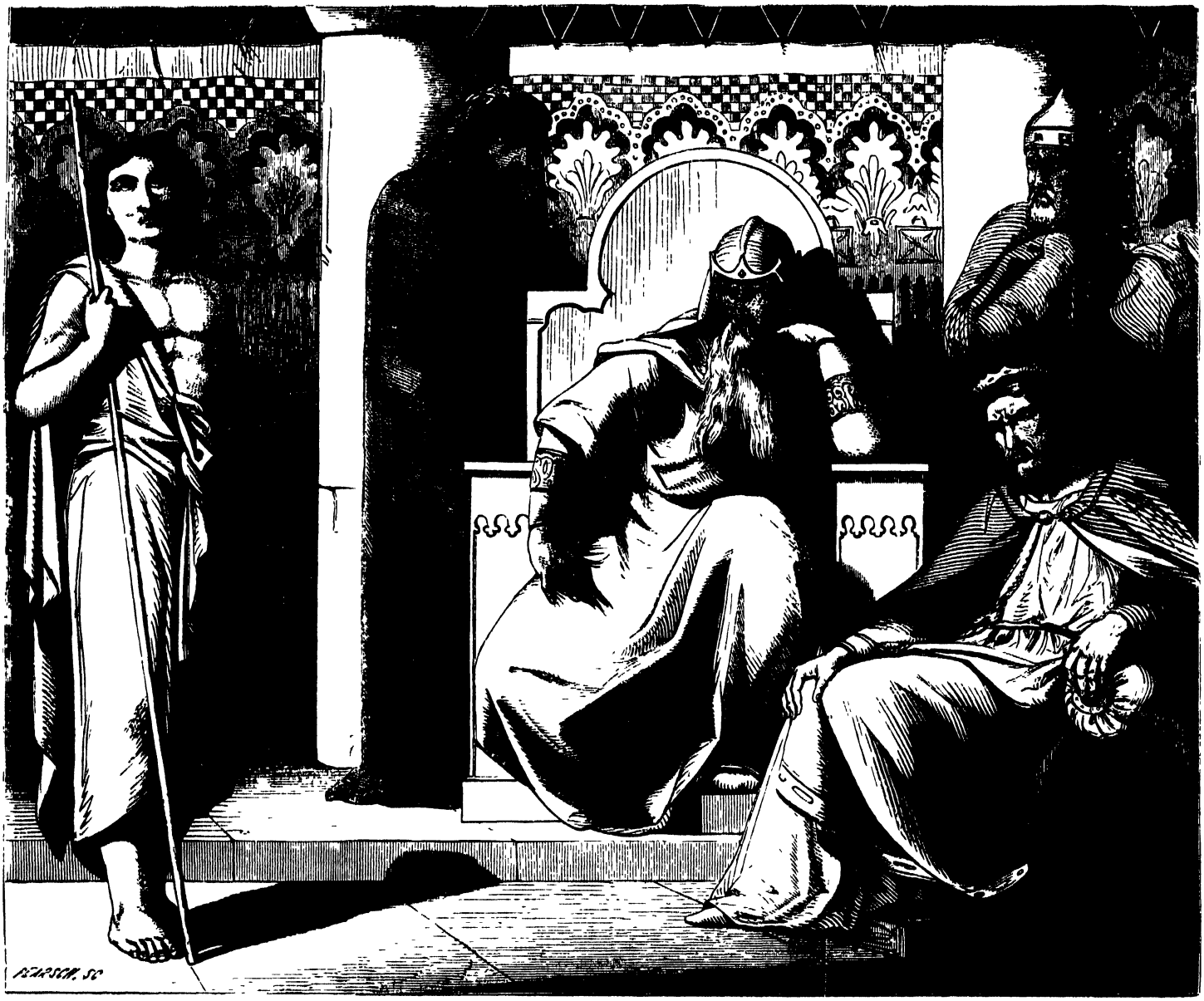
49 Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.[k]

50 This *is* my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.

51 The proud have had me greatly in derision: *yet* have I not declined from thy law.[l]

52 I remembered thy judgments of old, O LORD; and have comforted myself.

5 Heb *droppeth.*
x Ps cvii 26
y 1 Kings iv. 29; Isa. lx. 5, 2 Cor. vi. 11.
z vs 12, 112; Matt. x. 22; Rev ii. 26
a ver 73, Prov. ii. 6, James i. 5
b ver 16
c Ezek. xxxiii 31; Mark vii 21, 22, Luke xii 15, 1 Tim vi. 10, Heb. xiii 5
6 Heb. *Make to pass*
d ver. 40; Prov xxiii 5, Isa xxxii 15
e 2 Sam vii 25
f vs 25, 37, 88, 107, 149, 156, 159
g ver. 77, Ps. cvi. 4.
7 Or, *So shall I answer him that reproacheth me in anything*
h Ps. cxxxviii. 1, Matt. x. 18, 19, Acts xxvi. 1, 2.
i ver 16.
j ver. 15.
k vs. 74, 81, 147; Rom. xv. 4.
l ver. 157; Ps. xliv. 18; Job xxiii. 11; Jer. xx. 7.



PRINCES DID SIT AND SPEAK AGAINST ME.—PSALM CXIX. 23, 51.

53 Horror hath taken hold upon me because of the wicked that forsake thy law.[a]

54 Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.

55 I have remembered thy name, O LORD, in the night, and have kept thy law.[b]

56 This I had, because I kept thy precepts.

CHETH.

57 *Thou art* my portion, O LORD: I have said that I would keep thy words.[c]

58 I intreated thy [1]favour with *my* whole heart: be merciful unto me according to thy word.[d]

59 I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.[e]

60 I made haste, and delayed not to keep thy commandments.

61 The [2]bands of the wicked have robbed me: *but* I have not forgotten thy law.

62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee because of thy righteous judgments.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a Ezra ix. 3.

g vs. 12, 26, Ps. xxxiii. 5.

b Ps. lxiii. 6.

c Ps. xvi. 5; Jer. x. 16; Lam. iii. 24.

h ver. 71; Jer. xxxi. 18, 19, Heb. xii. 11.

d ver. 41.

i vs. 12, 26; Ps. cvi. 1, cvii. 1; Matt. xix. 17.

e Luke xv. 17, 18.

j Ps. cix. 2; Job xiii. 4.

k ver. 35; Ps. xvii. 10; Isa. vi. 10; Acts xxviii. 27.

2 Or, *companies.*

l ver. 67; Heb. xii. 10, 11.

f Acts xvi. 25.

m ver. 127; Ps. xix. 10; Prov. viii. 10, 11, 19.

63 I *am* a companion of all *them* that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts.

64 The earth, O LORD, is full of thy mercy: teach me thy statutes.[g]

TETH.

65 Thou hast dealt well with thy servant, O LORD, according unto thy word.

66 Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.

67 Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.[h]

68 Thou *art* good, and doest good; teach me thy statutes.[i]

69 The proud have forged a lie against me: *but* I will keep thy precepts with *my* whole heart.[j]

70 Their heart is as fat as grease; *but* I delight in thy law.[k]

71 *It is* good for me that I have been afflicted; that I might learn thy statutes.[l]

72 The law of thy mouth *is* better unto me than thousands of gold and silver.[m]

JOD.

73 Thy hands have made me and fashioned me: give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.[a]

74 They that fear thee will be glad when they see me; because I have hoped in thy word.[b]

75 I know, O LORD, that thy judgments *are* [1]right, and *that* thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me.[c]

76 Let, I pray thee, thy merciful kindness be [2]for my comfort, according to thy word unto thy servant.

77 Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law *is* my delight.[d]

78 Let the proud be ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: *but* I will meditate in thy precepts.[e]

79 Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have known thy testimonies.

80 Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.

CAPH.

81 My soul fainteth for thy salvation: *but* I hope in thy word.[f]

82 Mine eyes fail for thy word, saying, When wilt thou comfort me?[g]

83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke; *yet* do I not forget thy statutes.[h]

84 How many *are* the days of thy servant? when wilt thou execute judgment on them that persecute me?[i]

85 The proud have digged pits for me, which *are* not after thy law.[j]

86 All thy commandments *are* faithful: they persecute me wrongfully; help thou me.[k]

87 They had almost consumed me upon earth; but I forsook not thy precepts.

88 Quicken me after thy lovingkindness; so shall I keep the testimony of thy mouth.[l]

LAMED.

89 For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.[m]

90 Thy faithfulness *is* [3]unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it [4]abideth.[n]

91 They continue this day according to thine ordinances: for all *are* thy servants.[o]

92 Unless thy law *had been* my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.[p]

93 I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me.

94 I *am* thine, save me; for I have sought thy precepts.

95 The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: *but* I will consider thy testimonies.

96 I have seen an end of all perfection: *but* thy commandment *is* exceeding broad.[q]

MEM.

97 O how love I thy law! it *is* my meditation all the day.[r]

98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for [5]they *are* ever with me.[s]

99 I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies *are* my meditation.[t]

100 I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.[u]

101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.[v]

102 I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me.

103 How sweet are thy words unto my [6]taste! *yea*, *sweeter* than honey to my mouth![w]

104 Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.[x]

NUN.

105 Thy word *is* a [7]lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.[y]

106 I have sworn, and I will perform *it*, that I will keep thy righteous judgments.[z]

107 I am afflicted very much: quicken me, O LORD, according unto thy word.[a]

108 Accept, I beseech thee, the freewill offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments.[b]

109 My soul *is* continually in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.[c]

110 The wicked have laid a snare for me: yet I erred not from thy precepts.[d]

111 Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they *are* the rejoicing of my heart.[e]

112 I have inclined mine heart to [8]perform thy statutes alway, *even unto* the end.[f]

SAMECH.

113 I hate *vain* thoughts: but thy law do I love.

114 Thou *art* my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word.[g]

115 Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God.[h]

116 Uphold me according unto thy word, that I may live: and let me not be ashamed of my hope.[i]

117 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually.

118 Thou hast trodden down all them that err from thy statutes: for their deceit *is* falsehood.[j]

119 Thou [9]puttest away all the wicked of the earth *like* dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.[k]

120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy judgments.[l]

AIN.

121 I have done judgment and justice: leave me not to mine oppressors.

122 Be surety for thy servant for good: let not the proud oppress me.[m]

123 Mine eyes fail for thy salvation, and for the word of thy righteousness.[n]

124 Deal with thy servant according unto thy mercy, and teach me thy statutes.[o]

125 I *am* thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies.[p]

126 *It is* time for *thee*, LORD, to work: *for* they have made void thy law.

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

t 2 Tim. iii. 15.

a vs. 34, 144; Ps. c. 3; cxxxviii 8; cxxxix. 14; Job x. 8.
u Job xxxii. 7—9.
b vs. 49, 147; Ps. xxxix 2.
v Prov. i 15.
1 Heb *righteousness.*
c Heb. xii 10
2 Heb. *to comfort me.*
6 Heb *palate.*
w Ps. xix. 10; Prov. viii. 11.
d vs. 24, 47, 174.
x ver. 128.
e vs 23, 86; Ps. xxv. 3.
7 Or, *candle*
y Prov. vi 23.
z Neh. x 29.
a ver. 88.
f vs 74, 114; Ps. lxxiii 26, lxxxiv. 2.
b vs 12, 26; Hos xiv 2, Heb. xiii 15
g ver 123; Ps. lxix. 3.
c Job xiii 14.
h Job xxx. 30.
d vs 10, 21; Ps. cxl 5; cxli. 9.
e vs 77, 92, 174; Deut. xxxiii 4
i Ps. xxxix 4; Rev. vi. 10
8 Heb. *to do.*
f ver 33.
j Ps xxxv. 7; Prov xvi 27
k ver 78, Ps xxxv 19 xxxviii 19
g ver 81, Ps xxvii 7, xci 1.
l ver 40
h Ps. vi 8, cxxxix 19; Matt vii 23
i Ps. xxv 2; Rom v. 5; ix. 33; x 11
m Ps lxxxix 2, Matt xxiv 34, 35; 1 Peter i. 25
3 Heb *to generation and generation*, Ps lxxxix. 1
4 Heb. *standeth*
n Jer. xxxiii. 25.
j ver. 21
o Jer xxxiii. 25
9 Heb *causest to cease*
k Ezek. xxii 18
p ver. 24.
l Hab. iii. 16
m Heb. vii. 22.
q Matt. v 18.
n vs 81, 82.
o ver. 12.
r Ps. i. 2.
p Ps. cxvi. 16.
5 Heb. *it is ever with me.*
s Deut. iv. 6, 8.



"GREAT PEACE HAVE THEY WHICH LOVE THY LAW."—PSALM CXIX. 165.

127 Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.[a]

128 Therefore I esteem all *thy* precepts *concerning* all *things to be* right; *and* I hate every false way.[b]

PE.

129 Thy testimonies *are* wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.

130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.[c]

131 I opened my mouth, and panted: for I longed for thy commandments.[d]

132 Look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, [1]as thou usest to do unto those that love thy name.[e]

133 Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me.[f]

134 Deliver me from the oppression of man: so will I keep thy precepts.[g]

135 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes.[h]

136 Rivers of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law.[i]

TZADDI.

137 Righteous *art* thou, O LORD, and upright *are* thy judgments.[j]

138 Thy testimonies *that* thou hast commanded *are* [2]righteous and very [3]faithful.[k]

139 My zeal hath [4]consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.[l]

140 Thy word *is* very [5]pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.[m]

141 I *am* small and despised: *yet* do not I forget thy precepts.

142 Thy righteousness *is* an everlasting righteousness, and thy law *is* the truth.[n]

143 Trouble and anguish have [6]taken hold on me: *yet* thy commandments *are* my delights.[o]

144 The righteousness of thy testimonies *is* everlasting: give me understanding, and I shall live.[p]

KOPH.

145 I cried with *my* whole heart; hear me, O LORD: I will keep thy statutes.

146 I cried unto thee; save me, [7]and I shall keep thy testimonies.

147 I prevented the dawning of the morning, and cried: I hoped in thy word.[q]

148 Mine eyes prevent the *night* watches, that I might meditate in thy word.[r]

149 Hear my voice according unto thy lovingkindness: O LORD, quicken me according to thy judgment.[s]

150 They draw nigh that follow after mischief: they are far from thy law.

151 Thou *art* near, O LORD; and all thy commandments *are* truth.[t]

152 Concerning thy testimonies, I have known of old that thou hast founded them for ever.

RESH.

153 Consider mine affliction, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.[u]

BEFORE CHRIST 700

a ver 72; Ps. xix. 10; Prov. viii 11

v ver 40, Ps xxxv 1; 1 Sam xxiv. 15, Micah vii 9

b ver. 104

w Job v 4

8 Or, *Many*

x ver 149

y ver 51; Ps. xliv 18.

c Ps xix 7, Prov. i. 4.

z ver. 136; Ezek. ix 4.

d ver. 20.

a ver 88.

9 Heb *The beginning of thy word is true*

1 Heb *according to the custom towards those, &c*

e Ps cvi 4

f Ps xvii 5; xix. 13, Rom vi. 12

g Luke i 74

b ver 23; 1 Sam xxiv 11, 14; xxvi 18

h vs 12, 26, Ps iv 6

i Jer ix 1, xiv. 17, Ezek. ix 4

10 Heb *they shall have no stumblingblock*

c Prov. iii. 2; Isa xxxii. 17

j Ezra ix 15; Neh. ix. 33, Jer xii 1, Dan. ix. 7

2 Heb *righteousness*

3 Heb *faithfulness*

k Ps. xix 7—9

4 Heb *cut me off*

l Ps lxix 9, John ii 17

5 Heb *tried*, or, *refined*

d Prov v. 21

m Ps xii 6, xviii 30, xix 8, Prov xxx 5

e ver 144

n ver 151, Ps xix 9, John xvii 17

6 Heb *found me*

o ver 77

f ver 7

p vs 34, 73, 169

g Josh xxiv 22, Prov i 29, Luke x 42

7 Or, *that I may keep.*

h vs 16, 24, 47, 77, 111, 166

q ver 74, Ps v 3, lxxxviii 13, cxix 6.

s Isa liii 6, Luke xv. 4, &c, 1 Peter ii. 25

r Ps lxiii 6

s vs 40, 154

t Ps cxviii 5, Jonah ii 2.

t ver 142, Ps. cxlv 18.

11 Or, *What shall the deceitful tongue give unto thee?* or, *What shall it profit thee?*

12 Heb. *added.*

13 Or, *It is as the sharp arrows of the mighty man, with coals of juniper.*

u Lam. v. 1.

154 Plead my cause, and deliver me: quicken me according to thy word.[v]

155 Salvation *is* far from the wicked: for they seek not thy statutes.[w]

156 [8]Great *are* thy tender mercies, O LORD: quicken me according to thy judgments.[x]

157 Many *are* my persecutors and mine enemies; *yet* do I not decline from thy testimonies.[y]

158 I beheld the transgressors, and was grieved; because they kept not thy word.[z]

159 Consider how I love thy precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy lovingkindness.[a]

160 [9]Thy word *is* true *from* the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments *endureth* for ever.

SCHIN.

161 Princes have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.[b]

162 I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.

163 I hate and abhor lying: *but* thy law do I love.

164 Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous judgments.

165 Great peace have they which love thy law: and [10]nothing shall offend them.[c]

166 LORD, I have hoped for thy salvation, and done thy commandments.

167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and I love them exceedingly.

168 I have kept thy precepts and thy testimonies: for all my ways *are* before thee.[d]

TAU.

169 Let my cry come near before thee, O LORD: give me understanding according to thy word.[e]

170 Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me according to thy word.

171 My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes.[f]

172 My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments *are* righteousness.

173 Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen thy precepts.[g]

174 I have longed for thy salvation, O LORD; and thy law *is* my delight.[h]

175 Let my soul live, and it shall praise thee; and let thy judgments help me.

176 I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek thy servant; for I do not forget thy commandments.[i]

PSALM CXX.

1 *David prayeth against Doeg,* 3 *reproveth his tongue,* 5 *complaineth of his necessary conversation with the wicked.*

A Song of degrees

IN my distress I cried unto the LORD, and he heard me.[j]

2 Deliver my soul, O LORD, from lying lips, *and* from a deceitful tongue.

3 [11]What shall be given unto thee? or what shall be [12]done unto thee, thou false tongue?

4 [13]Sharp arrows of the mighty, with coals of juniper.

5 Woe is me, that I sojourn in Mesech, *that* I dwell in the tents of Kedar![a]

6 My soul hath long dwelt with him that hateth peace.

7 I *am* [1]*for* peace: but when I speak, they *are* for war.

PSALM CXXI.

The great safety of the godly, who put their trust in God's protection.

A Song of degrees.

I [2]WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

2 My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.[b]

3 He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.[c]

4 Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

5 The LORD *is* thy keeper: the LORD *is* thy shade upon thy right hand.[d]

6 The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.[e]

7 The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.[f]

8 The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.[g]

PSALM CXXII.

1 *David professeth his joy for the church, 6 and prayeth for the peace thereof.*

A Song of degrees of David.

I WAS glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.[h]

2 Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.

3 Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together:[i]

4 Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the name of the LORD.[j]

5 For there [3]are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.[k]

6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.[l]

7 Peace be within thy walls, *and* prosperity within thy palaces.

8 For my brethren and companions' sakes, I will now say, Peace *be* within thee.

9 Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek thy good.[m]

PSALM CXXIII.

1 *The godly profess their confidence in God, 3 and pray to be delivered from contempt.*

A Song of degrees.

UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens.[n]

2 Behold, as the eyes of servants *look* unto the hand of their masters, *and* as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress; so our eyes *wait* upon the LORD our God, until that he have mercy upon us.

3 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us: for we are exceedingly filled with contempt.

4 Our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that are at ease, *and* with the contempt of the proud.

PSALM CXXIV.

The church blesseth God for a miraculous deliverance.

A Song of degrees of David.

IF *it had not been* the LORD who was on our side, now may Israel say;[o]

2 If *it had not been* the LORD who was on our side, when men rose up against us:

3 Then they had swallowed us up quick, when their wrath was kindled against us:[p]

4 Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul:

5 Then the proud waters had gone over our soul.

6 Blessed *be* the LORD, who hath not given us *as a* prey to their teeth.

7 Our soul is escaped as a bird out of the snare of the fowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.[q]

8 Our help *is* in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.[r]

PSALM CXXV.

1 *The safety of such as trust in God. 4 A prayer for the godly, and against the wicked*

A Song of degrees.

THEY that trust in the LORD *shall be* as mount Zion, *which* cannot be removed, *but* abideth for ever.

2 *As* the mountains *are* round about Jerusalem, so the LORD *is* round about his people from henceforth even for ever.

3 For the rod of [4]the wicked shall not rest upon the lot of the righteous; lest the righteous put forth their hands unto iniquity.[s]

4 Do good, O LORD, unto *those that be* good, and to *them that are* upright in their hearts.

5 As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the LORD shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: *but* peace *shall be* upon Israel.[t]

PSALM CXXVI.

1 *The church, celebrating her incredible return out of captivity, 4 prayeth for, and prophesieth the good success thereof.*

A Song of degrees.

WHEN the LORD [5]turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.[u]

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The LORD [6]hath done great things for them.

3 The LORD hath done great things for us; *whereof* we are glad.

4 Turn again our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the south.

5 They that sow in tears shall reap in [7]joy.[v]

6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a Gen. x. 2; xxv. 13; Jer. xlix. 28, 29, Ezek. xxvii. 13.

1 Or, *a man of peace.*

o Ps. cxxix. 1.

2 Or, *Shall I lift up mine eyes to the hills? whence should my help come?*

b Ps. cxxiv. 8.

p Ps. lvi. 1, 2; lvii 3; Prov. i. 12.

c Ps cxxvii. 1; Isa. xxvii 3.

d Ps xvi 8, cix 31, Isa xxv 4.

e Ps. xci 5, Isa xlix. 10. Rev vii 16

q Ps xci 3, Prov vi 5

f Ps. xli 2, xcvii. 10; cxlv 20

r Gen i 1, Ps. cxxi 2, cxxxiv 3

g Deut xxviii 6, Prov ii. 8; iii. 6

h Isa. ii 3; Zech. viii. 21.

i 2 Sam. v 9

4 Heb. *wickedness*

s Prov. xxii. 8; Isa xiv. 5.

j Exod. xvi 34; xxiii. 17; Deut. xvi 16

3 Heb. *do sit*

k Deut. xvii 8; 2 Chron xix. 8.

l Ps. li. 18.

t Ps. cxxviii 6; Prov. ii 15, Gal. vi 16

m Neh. ii 10

5 Heb. *returned the returning of Zion,* Ps lliii. 6; lxxxv 1; Hos vi. 11: Joel iii. 1.

u Acts xii. 9.

6 Heb. *hath magnified to do with them.*

n Ps ii 4; xi. 4; cxv. 3; cxxi 1; cxii. 8.

7 Or, *singing.*

v Jer xxxi. 9, &c.



"JERUSALEM—WHITHER THE TRIBES GO UP, THE TRIBES OF THE LORD."—PSALM CXXII. 3, 4

[1]precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves *with him.*

PSALM CXXVII.

1 *The virtue of God's blessing.* 3 *Good children are his gift.*

A Song of [2]degrees [2]for Solomon.

EXCEPT the LORD build the house, they labour in vain [3]that build it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh *but* in vain.[a]

2 *It is* vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: *for* so he giveth his beloved sleep.[b]

3 Lo, children *are* an heritage of the LORD: *and* the fruit of the womb *is his* reward.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 700

1 Or, *seed basket*

4 Heb *hath filled his quiver with them.*

5 Or, *shall subdue*, as Ps. xviii. 47, or, *destroy*

d Job v. 4; Prov. xxvii. 11

2 Or, *of Solomon*, Ps. lxxii. title

3 Heb *that are builders of it in it*

a Ps. cxxi. 3—5

e Ps. cxii. 1; cxv. 13; cxix. 1

b Gen. iii. 17, 19

f Isa. lii. 10.

c Gen. xxxiii. 5; xlviii. 4; [Deut. xxviii. 4; Josh. xxiv. 3, 4.

4 As arrows *are* in the hand of a mighty man; so *are* children of the youth.

5 Happy *is* the man that [4]hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they [5]shall speak with the enemies in the gate.[d]

PSALM CXXVIII.

The sundry blessings which follow them that fear God.

A Song of degrees.

BLESSED *is* every one that feareth the LORD; that walketh in his ways.[e]

2 For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: happy *shalt* thou *be*, and *it shall be* well with thee.[f]

3 Thy wife *shall be* as a fruitful vine by the sides



'THY WIFE SHALL BE AS A FRUITFUL VINE."—PSALM CXXVIII. 3.

of thine house: thy children like olive plants round about thy table.[a]

4 Behold, that thus shall the man be blessed that feareth the LORD.

5 The LORD shall bless thee out of Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all the days of thy life.[b]

6 Yea, thou shalt see thy children's children, *and* peace upon Israel.[c]

PSALM CXXIX.

1 *An exhortation to praise God for saving Israel in their great afflictions.*
5 *The haters of the church are cursed.*

A Song of degrees.

MANY[1] a time have they afflicted me from my youth, may Israel now say:[d]

2 Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth: yet they have not prevailed against me.

3 The plowers plowed upon my back: they made long their furrows.

4 The LORD *is* righteous: he hath cut asunder the cords of the wicked.

5 Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Zion.

6 Let them be as the grass *upon* the housetops, which withereth afore it groweth up:[e]

7 Wherewith the mower filleth not his hand; nor he that bindeth sheaves his bosom.

8 Neither do they which go by say, The blessing of the LORD *be* upon you: we bless you in the name of the LORD.[f]

PSALM CXXX.

1 *The psalmist professeth his hope in prayer,* 5 *and his patience in hope.*
7 *He exhorteth Israel to hope in God.*

A Song of degrees.

OUT of the depths have I cried unto thee, O LORD.[g]

2 Lord, hear my voice: let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.

3 If thou, LORD, shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall stand?[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a Ps. iii. 8; cxxxiv. 3; cxliv. 12.

e Ps. xxxvii. 2.

b Ps. cxxxiv. 3.

c Ps. cxxv. 5, Gen. l. 23; Job xlii. 16.

f Ps. cxviii. 26; Ruth ii. 4

1 Or, *Much.*

d Ps. cxxiv. 1; Ezek. xxiii. 3; Hos. ii. 15; xi. 1

g Lam. iii. 55; Jonah ii. 2

h Ps. cxliii. 2; Rom. iii. 20, 23, 24.

4 But *there is* forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.[a]

5 I wait for the LORD, my soul doth wait, and in his word do I hope.[b]

6 My soul *waiteth* for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning: [1]*I say, more than* they that watch for the morning.[c]

7 Let Israel hope in the LORD: for with the LORD *there is* mercy, and with him *is* plenteous redemption.[d]

8 And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.[e]

PSALM CXXXI.

1 *David, professing his humility, 3 exhorteth Israel to hope in God.*

A Song of degrees of David.

LORD, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty: neither do I [2]exercise myself in great matters, or in things too [3]high for me.[f]

2 Surely I have behaved and quieted [4]myself, as a child that is weaned of his mother: my soul *is* even as a weaned child.[g]

3 Let Israel hope in the LORD [5]from henceforth and for ever.[h]

PSALM CXXXII.

1 *David in his prayer commendeth unto God the religious care he had for the ark.* 8 *His prayer at the removing of the ark,* 11 *with a repetition of God's promises.*

A Song of degrees

LORD, remember David, *and* all his afflictions:

2 How he sware unto the LORD, *and* vowed unto the mighty *God* of Jacob;[i]

3 Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, nor go up into my bed;

4 I will not give sleep to mine eyes, *or* slumber to mine eyelids,[j]

5 Until I find out a place for the LORD, [6]an habitation for the mighty *God* of Jacob.[k]

6 Lo, we heard of it at Ephratah: we found it in the fields of the wood.[l]

7 We will go into his tabernacles: we will worship at his footstool.[m]

8 Arise, O LORD, into thy rest; thou, and the ark of thy strength.[n]

9 Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints shout for joy.[o]

10 For thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of thine anointed.

11 The LORD hath sworn *in* truth unto David; he will not turn from it; Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.[p]

12 If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them, their children shall also sit upon thy throne for evermore.

13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired *it* for his habitation.[q]

14 This *is* my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it.[r]

15 I will [7]abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread.[s]

16 I will also clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints shall shout aloud for joy.[t]

17 There will I make the horn of David to bud: I have ordained a [8]lamp for mine anointed.[u]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a Ps li. 11; Exod. xxxiv. 7; 1 Kings viii. 40; Jer xxxiii. 8, 9

v Ps xxxv. 26; cix. 29

b Ps. xxvii 14, xxxiii. 20; xl 1, cxix 81, Isa. viii. 17, xxvi. 8; xxx. 18

1 Or, *which watch unto the morning.*

c Ps lxiii 6, cxix. 147

9 Heb *even together.*

w Gen xiii. 8, Heb xiii 1

d Ps lxxvi 5, 15, cxxxi 3, Isa. lv 7

e Ps. ciii 3, 4, Matt. i 21

x Exod xxx. 25, 30

y Ps xlii 8, Lev xxv 21; Deut iv. 48, xxviii 8.

2 Heb *walk*

3 Heb *wonderful*, Ps. cxxxix. 6, Job xlii 3

f Rom. xii 16

4 Heb. *my soul*

g Matt. xviii 3, 1 Cor xiv 20

5 Heb *from now.*

h Ps. cxxx. 7

z Ps. cxxxv 1, 2, 1 Chron ix 33

10 Or, *in holiness*

a 1 Tim ii 8

b Ps cxxiv 8, cxxviii 5, cxxxv 21

i Ps lxv 1; Gen xlix 24

c Ps cxiii 1, cxxxiv 1

j Prov vi 4

d Ps xcii 13, xcvi 8, cxvi 19, Luke ii 37

6 Heb *habitations.*

k Acts vii 46

e Ps. cxix 68, cxlvii 1

l 1 Sam vii 1, xvii 12, 1 Chron xiii 5

f Exod xix 5, Deut vii 6, 7, x 15

m Ps v 7, xcix 5

g Ps xcv 3, xcvii 9

n Ps lxxviii 61, Numb x 35, 2 Chron vi 41, 42.

h Ps cxv. 3

o ver 16, Job xxix 14, Isa lxi 10

i Job xxviii 25, 26, xxxviii 22, 24, &c., Jer x 13, li 16, Zech x 1

11 Heb *from man unto beast*

j Ps lxxviii 51, cxxxvi 10, Exod xii 12, 29

p Ps lxxxix. 3, 4, 33, &c., cx 4, 2 Sam vii 12, 1 Kings viii 25, 2 Chron. vi 16, Luke i 69, Acts ii. 30

k Ps. cxxxvi 15, Exod. vii —x., xiv

l Ps. cxxxvi 17, &c

m Numb. xxi 24—26, 34, 35, cxxxvi 19, 20

q Ps xlviii 1, 2.

n Ps. lxxviii. 55, cxxxvi 21, 22; Josh xii 7

r Ps. lxviii. 16.

12 Heb *to generation and generation.*

o Ps. cii. 12; Exod. iii. 15.

7 Or, *surely.*

s Ps cxlvii. 14.

p Deut xxxii. 36.

t ver 9; Ps. cxlix. 4; 2 Chron vi 41; Hos. xi.12.

q Ps. cxv. 4—8.

8 Or, *candle.*

u 1 Kings xi. 36, xv 4, 2 Chron xxi 7; Ezek xxix. 21; Luke i 69

18 His enemies will I clothe with shame: but upon himself shall his crown flourish.[v]

PSALM CXXXIII.

The benefit of the communion of saints.

A Song of degrees of David.

BEHOLD, how good and how pleasant *it is* for brethren to dwell [9]together in unity![w]

2 *It is* like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, *even* Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments;[x]

3 As the dew of Hermon, *and as the dew* that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the LORD commanded the blessing, *even* life for evermore.[y]

PSALM CXXXIV.

An exhortation to bless God.

A Song of degrees.

BEHOLD, bless ye the LORD, all *ye* servants of the LORD, which by night stand in the house of the LORD.[z]

2 Lift up your hands [10]*in* the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.[a]

3 The LORD that made heaven and earth bless thee out of Zion.[b]

PSALM CXXXV.

1 *An exhortation to praise God for his mercy,* 5 *for his power,* 8 *for his judgments.* 15 *The vanity of idols.* 19 *An exhortation to bless God.*

PRAISE ye the LORD. Praise ye the name of the LORD; praise *him*, O ye servants of the LORD.[c]

2 Ye that stand in the house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God,[d]

3 Praise the LORD; for the LORD *is* good: sing praises unto his name; for *it is* pleasant.[e]

4 For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, *and* Israel for his peculiar treasure.[f]

5 For I know that the LORD *is* great, and *that* our Lord *is* above all gods.[g]

6 Whatsoever the LORD pleased, *that* did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places.[h]

7 He causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings for the rain; he bringeth the wind out of his treasuries.[i]

8 Who smote the firstborn of Egypt, [11]both of man and beast.[j]

9 *Who* sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his servants.[k]

10 Who smote great nations, and slew mighty kings;[l]

11 Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan:[m]

12 And gave their land *for* an heritage, an heritage unto Israel his people.[n]

13 Thy name, O LORD, *endureth* for ever; *and* thy memorial, O LORD, [12]throughout all generations.[o]

14 For the LORD will judge his people, and he will repent himself concerning his servants.[p]

15 The idols of the heathen *are* silver and gold, the work of men's hands.[q]

16 They have mouths, but they speak not; eyes have they, but they see not:

17 They have ears, but they hear not; neither is there *any* breath in their mouths.

18 They that make them are like unto them: *so is* every one that trusteth in them.

19 Bless the LORD, O house of Israel: bless the LORD, O house of Aaron:[a]

20 Bless the LORD, O house of Levi: ye that fear the LORD, bless the LORD.

21 Blessed be the LORD out of Zion, which dwelleth at Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.[b]

PSALM CXXXVI.

An exhortation to give thanks to God for particular mercies

O GIVE thanks unto the LORD; for *he is* good: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[c]

2 O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[d]

3 O give thanks to the Lord of lords: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

4 To him who alone doeth great wonders: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[e]

5 To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[f]

6 To him that stretched out the earth above the waters: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[g]

7 To him that made great lights: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[h]

8 The sun [1]to rule by day: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[i]

9 The moon and stars to rule by night: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

10 To him that smote Egypt in their firstborn: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[j]

11 And brought out Israel from among them: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[k]

12 With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[l]

13 To him which divided the Red sea into parts: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[m]

14 And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

15 But [2]overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red sea: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[n]

16 To him which led his people through the wilderness: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[o]

17 To him which smote great kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[p]

18 And slew famous kings: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[q]

19 Sihon king of the Amorites: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[r]

20 And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[s]

21 And gave their land for an heritage: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[t]

22 *Even* an heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

23 Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy *endureth* for ever:[u]

24 And hath redeemed us from our enemies: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

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25 Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.[v]

26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

PSALM CXXXVII.

1 *The constancy of the Jews in captivity.* 7 *The prophet curseth Edom and Babel.*

BY the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept, when we remembered Zion.

2 We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof.

3 For there they that carried us away captive required of us [3]a song; and they that [4]wasted us *required of us* mirth, *saying*, Sing us *one* of the songs of Zion.[w]

4 How shall we sing the LORD's song in a [5]strange land?

5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget *her cunning*.

6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above [6]my chief joy.[x]

7 Remember, O LORD, the children of Edom in the day of Jerusalem; who said, [7]Rase *it*, rase *it*, *even* to the foundation thereof.[y]

8 O daughter of Babylon, who art to be [8]destroyed; happy *shall he be*, [9]that rewardeth thee as thou hast served us.[z]

9 Happy *shall he be*, that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against [10]the stones.[a]

PSALM CXXXVIII.

1 *David praiseth God for the truth of his word* 4 *He prophesieth that the kings of the earth shall praise God.* 7 *He professeth his confidence in God*

A Psalm of David.

I WILL praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.[b]

2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for thou hast magnified thy word above all thy name.[c]

3 In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, *and* strengthenedst me *with* strength in my soul.

4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O LORD, when they hear the words of thy mouth.[d]

5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great *is* the glory of the LORD.

6 Though the LORD *be* high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he knoweth afar off.[e]

7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me: thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.[f]

8 The LORD will perfect *that which* concerneth me: thy mercy, O LORD, *endureth* for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands.[g]

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a Ps. cxv. 9, &c.

b Ps. cxxxiv. 3.

3 Heb *the words of a song*

4 Heb. *laid us on heaps*

c Ps cvi 1, cvii 1, cxviii 1, 1 Chron xvi 34, 41, 2 Chron xx. 21.

d Deut x 17

e Ps. lxxix 1

5 Heb *land of a stranger?*

f Ps lxxii 18

f Gen i 1, Prov iii 19, Jer li 15

6 Heb *the head of my joy*

x Ezek iii 26

g Ps xxiv 2, Gen i 9, Jer x. 12

7 Heb *Make bare*

h Gen i 14

y Jer xlix 7, &c., Lam iv 22, Ezek xxv. 12, Obad. 10, &c.

8 Heb. *wasted*

1 Heb *for the rulings by day*

9 Heb *that recompenseth unto thee thy deed which thou didst to us*

i Gen i. 16

z Isa xiii 1, 6, &c., xlvii 1, Jer xxv 12, l 2, 15, 29, Rev xviii 6

10 Heb *the rock*

a Isa xiii 16

j Ps cxxxv 8, Exod xii 29

k Exod xii 51, xiii 3, 17

l Exod vi 6

m Ps lxxviii. 13, Exod xiv 21, 22

b Ps cxix 46

2 Heb *shaked off*

n Ps cxxxv 9, Exod xiv 27.

o Exod. xiii. 18, xv 22, Deut viii. 15.

c Ps v 7; xxviii. 2, 1 Kings viii 29, 30, Isa. xliii 21

p Ps cxxxv 10, 11.

q Deut xxix. 7.

d Ps cii. 15, 22.

r Numb xxi. 21.

s Numb xxi. 33; Josh. xii 1, &c.

e Ps cxiii. 5, 6, Prov iii. 34; Isa. lvii. 15, James iv 6; 1 Peter v 5

t Ps. cxxxv. 12.

f Ps. xxiii. 3, 4.

u Ps. cxiii 7, Gen. viii. 1; Deut. xxxii. 36.

g Ps. lvii 2; Job x. 3, 8; xiv.15, Philipp. i. 6.



"BY THE RIVERS OF BABYLON, THERE WE SAT DOWN, YEA, WE WEPT."—PSALM CXXXVII 1

PSALM CXXXIX.

1 *David praiseth God for his allseeing providence,* 17 *and for his infinite mercies.* 19 *He defieth the wicked.* 23 *He prayeth for sincerity.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David

O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known *me.*[a]

2 Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off.[b]

3 Thou [1]compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted *with* all my ways.[c]

4 For *there is* not a word in my tongue, *but,* lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.[d]

5 Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me.

6 *Such* knowledge *is* too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot *attain* unto it.[e]

7 Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?[f]

8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou *art* there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou *art there.*[g]

9 *If* I take the wings of the morning, *and* dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;

10 Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

11 If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me.

12 Yea, the darkness [2]hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: [3]the darkness and the light *are* both alike *to thee.*[h]

13 For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

14 I will praise thee: for I am fearfully *and* wonderfully made: marvellous *are* thy works, and *that* my soul knoweth [4]right well.

15 My [5]substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, *and* curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.[i]

16 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book [6]all *my members* were written, [7]*which* in continuance were fashioned, when *as yet there was* none of them.

17 How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them![j]

18 *If* I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.

19 Surely thou wilt slay the wicked, O God: depart from me therefore, ye bloody men.[k]

20 For they speak against thee wickedly, *and* thine enemies take *thy name* in vain.[l]

21 Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate thee? and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee?[m]

22 I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.

23 Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 1055

3 Heb *as is the darkness, so is the light*

h Job xxvi 6, xxxiv 22, Dan ii. 22, Heb iv 13.

a Ps xvii. 3; Jer. xii. 3

4 Heb *greatly.*

5 Or, *strength,* or, *body.*

b 2 Kings xix. 27; Matt. ix. 4; John ii 24, 25.

1 Or, *winnowest*

i Job x. 8, 9, Eccles. xi. 5.

c Job xxxi 4.

6 Heb. *all of them*

7 Or, what *days they should be fashioned*

d Heb iv. 13.

j Ps. xl. 5.

e Ps. xl. 5; cxxxi. 1; Job xlii. 3

f Jer. xxiii. 24; Jonah i 3.

k Ps. cxix. 115, Isa. xi 4.

g Job xxvi 6, Prov xv. 11, Amos ix. 2—4.

l Jude 15.

m Ps. cxix. 158; 2 Chron. xix. 2.

2 Heb. *darkeneth not.*

n Ps. xxvi. 2; Job xxxi. 6.



LET THE RIGHTEOUS REPROVE ME, AND IT SHALL BE A KINDNESS.—PSALM CXLI. 5.

24 And see if *there be any* wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.[a]

PSALM CXL.

1 *David prayeth to be delivered from Saul and Doeg.* 8 *He prayeth against them* 12 *He comforteth himself by confidence in God.*

To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David.

DELIVER me, O LORD, from the evil man: [1]preserve me from the [1]violent man;[b]

2 Which imagine mischiefs in *their* heart; continually are they gathered together *for* war.[c]

3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent; adders' poison *is* under their lips. Selah.[d]

4 Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings.[e]

5 The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords; they have spread a net by the wayside; they have set gins for me. Selah.[f]

6 I said unto the LORD, Thou *art* my God: hear the voice of my supplications, O LORD.

BEFORE CHRIST 1055.

a Ps. v. 8; cxliii. 10

2 Or, *let them* not *be exalted*

g Deut. xxxii. 27.

h Ps. vii 16; xciv. 23; Prov. xii 13; xviii. 7.

1 Heb *man of violences.*

i Ps xi. 6.

b ver. 4.

3 Heb. *a man of tongue*, or, *an evil speaker, a wicked man of violence, be stablished in the earth: let him be hunted to* his *overthrow.*

c Ps lvi. 6.

j Ps. ix. 4; 1 Kings viii. 45

d Ps. lviii. 4; Rom. iii. 13.

e ver 1; Ps lxxi. 4.

f Ps xxxv. 7; lvii. 6; cxix 110; cxii. 9; Jer. xviii. 22.

k Ps. lxx, 5.

7 O GOD the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.

8 Grant not, O LORD, the desires of the wicked: further not his wicked device; [2]*lest* they exalt themselves. Selah.[g]

9 *As for* the head of those that compass me about, let the mischief of their own lips cover them.[h]

10 Let burning coals fall upon them: let them be cast into the fire; into deep pits, that they rise not up again.[i]

11 Let not [3]an evil speaker be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the violent man to overthrow *him.*

12 I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted, *and* the right of the poor.[j]

13 Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy name: the upright shall dwell in thy presence.

PSALM CXLI.

1 *David prayeth that his suit may be acceptable,* 3 *his conscience sincere,* 7 *and his life safe from snares.*

A Psalm of David.

LORD, I cry unto thee: make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.[k]

2 Let my prayer be set forth before thee

as incense; *and* the lifting up of my hands *as* the evening sacrifice.[a]

3 Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

4 Incline not my heart to *any* evil thing, to practise wicked works with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of their dainties.[b]

5 [1]Let the righteous smite me; *it shall be* a kindness: and let him reprove me; *it shall be* an excellent oil, *which* shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also *shall be* in their calamities.[c]

6 When their judges are overthrown in stony places, they shall hear my words; for they are sweet.

7 Our bones are scattered at the grave's mouth, as when one cutteth and cleaveth *wood* upon the earth.[d]

8 But mine eyes *are* unto thee, O GOD the Lord: in thee is my trust; [2]leave not my soul destitute.[e]

9 Keep[f] me from the snares *which* they have laid for me, and the gins of the workers of iniquity.[f]

10 Let the wicked fall into their own nets, whilst that I withal [3]escape.[g]

PSALM CXLII.

David sheweth that in his trouble all his comfort was in prayer unto God.

[4]Maschil of David; [h] A Prayer when he was in the cave.[i]

I CRIED unto the LORD with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication.

2 I poured out my complaint before him; I shewed before him my trouble.[j]

3 When my spirit was overwhelmed within me, then thou knewest my path. In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.[k]

4 [5]I looked on *my* right hand, and beheld, but *there was* no man that would know me: refuge [6]failed me; [7]no man cared for my soul.[l]

5 I cried unto thee, O LORD: I said, Thou *art* my refuge *and* my portion in the land of the living.[m]

6 Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I.[n]

7 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name: the righteous shall compass me about; for thou shalt deal bountifully with me.[o]

PSALM CXLIII.

1 *David prayeth for favour in judgment.* 3 *He complaineth of his griefs.* 5 *He strengtheneth his faith by meditation and prayer.* 7 *He prayeth for grace,* 9 *for deliverance,* 10 *for sanctification,* 12 *for destruction of his enemies.*

A Psalm of David.

HEAR my prayer, O LORD, give ear to my supplications: in thy faithfulness answer me, *and* in thy righteousness.[p]

2 And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.[q]

3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground; he hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those that have been long dead.

BEFORE CHRIST 1055.

a Ps. cxxxiv. 2; Exod. xxix. 39; 1 Tim. ii. 8; Rev. v. 8; viii. 3, 4.

r Ps. lxxvii. 3; cxiii. 3

s Ps. lxxvii. 5, 10, 11.

t Ps. lxiii. 1; lxxxviii. 9.

b Prov. xxiii. 6.

1 Or, *Let the righteous smite me kindly, and reprove me; let not* their *precious oil break my head, &c.*

8 Or *for I am become like, &c.*, Ps. lxxxviii. 4.

u Ps. xxviii. 1.

Prov. ix. 8; xix. 25; xxv.

v Ps. v. 8; xxv. 1; xlvi. 5.

9 Heb. *hide me with thee.*

d 2 Cor. i. 9.

w Ps. xxv. 4, 5; cxxxix. 24, Neh. ix. 20; Isa. xxvi. 10.

2 Heb *make not my soul bare.*

e Ps. xxv. 15; cxxii. 1, 2, 2 Chron. xx. 12.

x Ps. cxix. 25, 37, 40 &c.

f Ps cxix. 110; cxl. 5 cxlii. 3.

3 Heb. *pass over.*

g Ps. xxxv. 8.

y Ps. liv. 5; cxvi. 16.

4 Or, *A Psalm of David giving instruction.*

h Ps lvii title.

1 Sam. xxii. 1; xxiv. 3.

10 Heb *my rock*, Ps xviii. 2, 31

11 Heb *to the war*, &c

i Ps xviii. 34; 2 Sam. xxii. 35.

j Ps. cii. title, Isa. xxvi. 16

12 Or, *My mercy*

a 2 Sam. xxii. 2, 3, 40, 48.

k Ps cxl. 5; cxlii. 4

5 Or, *Look on the right hand, and see.*

6 Heb. *perished from me.*

b Ps. viii. 4; Job vii. 17; Heb. ii. 6

7 Heb. *no man sought after my soul*

l Ps xxxi. 11; lxix. 20, lxxxviii. 8, 18.

c Ps. xxxix. 5, lxii. 9, cii. 11, Job iv. 19; xiv. 2.

m Ps. xvi. 5; xxvii. 13, xlvi. 1; lxxiii 26, xci 2; cxix. 57; Lam. iii 24

d Ps. xviii 9; civ 32, Isa. lxiv. 1.

n Ps. cxvi. 6

e Ps. xviii. 13, 14.

13 Heb *hands*

o Ps. xii 6; xxxiv. 2; cxix. 17.

f ver. 11; Ps. xviii.16, liv 3; lxix. 1, 2, 14; Mal. ii. 11.

g Ps. xii. 2.

h Ps. xxxiii. 2, 3; xl 3

14 Or, *victory.*

i Ps. xviii. 50.

p Ps. xxxi. 1.

j vs. 7, 8.

q Ps cxxx. 3; Exod. xxxiv. 7; Job iv 17 ix. 2; xv 14; xxv. 4 Eccles. vii. 20; Rom iii. 20; Gal. ii. 16.

15 Heb. *cut.*

k Ps. cxxviii. 3.

16 Heb. *from kind to kind.*

4 Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me; my heart within me is desolate.[r]

5 I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.[s]

6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul *thirsteth* after thee, as a thirsty land. Selah.[t]

7 Hear me speedily, O LORD: my spirit faileth: hide not thy face from me, [8]lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.[u]

8 Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust: cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee.[v]

9 Deliver me, O LORD, from mine enemies: I [9]flee unto thee to hide me.

10 Teach me to do thy will; for thou *art* my God: thy spirit *is* good; lead me into the land of uprightness.[w]

11 Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's sake: for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.[x]

12 And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies, and destroy all them that afflict my soul: for I *am* thy servant.[y]

PSALM CXLIV.

1 *David blesseth God for his mercy both to him and to man.* 5 *He prayeth that God would powerfully deliver him from his enemies* 9 *He promiseth to praise God.* 11 *He prayeth for the happy state of the kingdom.*

A Psalm of David

BLESSED *be* the LORD [10]my strength, which teacheth my hands [11]to war, *and* my fingers to fight:[z]

2 [12]My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and *he* in whom I trust; who subdueth my people under me.[a]

3 LORD, what *is* man, that thou takest knowledge of him! *or* the son of man, that thou makest account of him![b]

4 Man is like to vanity: his days *are* as a shadow that passeth away.[c]

5 Bow thy heavens, O LORD, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.[d]

6 Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them.[e]

7 Send thine [13]hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children,[f]

8 Whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand *is* a right hand of falsehood.[g]

9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery *and* an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.[h]

10 *It is he* that giveth [14]salvation unto kings: who delivereth David his servant from the hurtful sword.[i]

11 Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand *is* a right hand of falsehood:[j]

12 That our sons *may be* as plants grown up in their youth; *that* our daughters *may be* as corner stones, [15]polished *after* the similitude of a palace:[k]

13 *That* our garners *may be* full, affording [16]all manner of store: *that* our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets:[l]

14 *That* our oxen *may be* [1]strong to labour, *that there be* no breaking in, nor going out, that *there be* no complaining in our streets.

15 Happy *is that* people, that is in such a case: *yea*, happy *is that* people, whose God *is* the LORD.[o]

PSALM CXLV.

1 *David praiseth God for his fame,* 8 *for his goodness,* 11 *for his kingdom,* 14 *for his providence,* 17 *for his saving mercy.*

David's *Psalm* of praise.[b]

I WILL extol thee, my God, O king; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever.

2 Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever.

3 Great *is* the LORD, and greatly to be praised; [2]and his greatness *is* unsearchable.[c]

4 One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts.[d]

5 I will speak of the glorious honour of thy majesty, and of thy wondrous [3]works.

6 And *men* shall speak of the might of thy terrible acts: and I will [4]declare thy greatness.

7 They shall abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodness, and shall sing of thy righteousness.

8 The LORD *is* gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and [5]of great mercy.[e]

9 The LORD *is* good to all: and his tender mercies *are* over all his works.[f]

10 All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD; and thy saints shall bless thee.[g]

11 They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power;

12 To make known to the sons of men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.

13 Thy kingdom *is* [6]an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion *endureth* throughout all generations.[h]

14 The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all *those that be* bowed down.[i]

15 The eyes of all [7]wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.[j]

16 Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.[k]

17 The LORD *is* righteous in all his ways, and [8]holy in all his works.

18 The LORD *is* nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.[l]

19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him: he also will hear their cry, and will save them.

20 The LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy.[m]

21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD: and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

PSALM CXLVI.

1 *The psalmist voweth perpetual praises to God.* 3 *He exhorteth not to trust in man.* 5 *God, for his power, justice, mercy, and kingdom, is only worthy to be trusted.*

PRAISE[9] ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.[n]

2 While I live will I praise the LORD: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 1055.

1 Heb. *able to bear burdens,* or, *loaden* with flesh.

10 Or, *salvation.*

p Ps. cxviii. 8, 9; Isa. ii. 22.

q Ps. civ. 29; Eccles. xii. 7; Isa. ii. 22, 1 Cor. ii. 6.

a Ps. xxxiii. 12; lxv. 4, cxlvi. 5; Deut. xxxiii. 29.

r Ps. cxliv. 15; Jer xvii. 7.

s Gen. i. 1; Rev. xiv. 7.

b Ps. c. title.

t Ps. lxviii. 6; ciii 6; cvii. 9, 10, 14.

u Ps cxiv 14; cxlvii. 6, Matt ix 30; Luke xiii. 13; John ix. 7—32.

2 Heb. *and of his greatness* there is *no search,* Job v. 9; ix. 10, Rom. xi. 33

c Ps. xcvi. 4; cxlvii. 5.

v Ps lxviii 5; cxlvii 6; Deut. x. 18

d Isa. xxxviii 19

w Ps x. 16; cxiv 13, Exod xv. 18, Rev xi 15

3 Heb *things,* or, *words*

4 Heb *declare it*

5 Heb *great in mercy*

e Ps lxxxvi. 5, 15; ciii 8, Exod xxxiv 6, 7, Numb xiv 18.

x Ps. xxxiii. 1; xcii 1, cxxxv 3

f Ps c 5; Nahum i 7.

y Ps cii. 16, Deut xxx. 3.

g Ps. xix 1.

11 Heb *griefs*

z Ps li 17, Isa. lvii 18, lxi. 1, Luke iv. 18

a Gen xv 5, Isa xl 26.

12 Heb *of his understanding there is no number*

6 Heb *a kingdom of all ages*

b Ps xlviii 1, xcvi 4, cxiv 3, 1 Chron xvi 25; Isa xl 28; Nahum i 3

h Ps cxlv 10, 1 Tim i 17

c Ps cxlvi 8, 9

i Ps. cxlvi 8

7 Or, *look unto thee*

j Ps civ 27; cxxxvi 25

k Ps civ 21; cxlvii 9

d Ps civ 13, 14, Job xxxviii 26, 27.

8 Or, *merciful,* or, *bountiful*

e Ps civ 27, 28; cxxxvi 25, cxlv 15; Job xxxviii. 41, Matt vi 26.

l Deut iv 7, John iv 24

f Ps xxxiii 16—18; Hos i. 7.

m Ps. xxxi. 23; xcvii. 10.

13 Heb. *Who maketh thy border peace.*

14 Heb *fat of wheat,* Ps lxxxi. 16; Deut xxxii 14

g Ps cxxii. 6, 7; Isa. lx. 17, 18.

9 Heb *Hallelujah.*

h Ps cvii. 20; Job xxxvii 12.

n Ps ciii 1.

i Job xxxvii. 6.

o Ps. civ. 33.

3 Put not your trust in princes, *nor* in the son of man, in whom *there is* no [10]help.[p]

4 His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.[q]

5 Happy *is he* that *hath* the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope *is* in the LORD his God:[r]

6 Which made heaven, and earth, the sea, and all that therein *is:* which keepeth truth for ever:[s]

7 Which executeth judgment for the oppressed: which giveth food to the hungry. The LORD looseth the prisoners:[t]

8 The LORD openeth *the eyes of* the blind: the LORD raiseth them that are bowed down: the LORD loveth the righteous:[u]

9 The LORD preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the fatherless and widow: but the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.[v]

10 The LORD shall reign for ever, *even* thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye the LORD.[w]

PSALM CXLVII.

1 *The prophet exhorteth to praise God for his care of the church,* 4 *his power,* 6 *and his mercy* 7 *to praise him for his providence.* 12 *to praise him for his blessings upon the kingdom,* 15 *for his power over the meteors,* 19 *and for his ordinances in the church.*

PRAISE ye the LORD: for *it is* good to sing praises unto our God; for *it is* pleasant; *and* praise is comely.[x]

2 The LORD doth build up Jerusalem: he gathereth together the outcasts of Israel.[y]

3 He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their [11]wounds.[z]

4 He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by *their* names.[a]

5 Great *is* our Lord, and of great power: [12]his understanding *is* infinite.[b]

6 The LORD lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.[c]

7 Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God:

8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.[d]

9 He giveth to the beast his food, *and* to the young ravens which cry.[e]

10 He delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.[f]

11 The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy.

12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.

13 For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; he hath blessed thy children within thee.

14 [13]He maketh peace *in* thy borders, *and* filleth thee with the [14]finest of the wheat.[g]

15 He sendeth forth his commandment *upon* earth: his word runneth very swiftly.[h]

16 He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.[i]

17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold?

10 Or, *salvation.*

p Ps cxviii. 8, 9; Isa. ii. 22.

q Ps. civ. 29; Eccles. xii. 7; Isa. ii. 22, 1 Cor. ii. 6.

r Ps. cxliv. 15; Jer xvii. 7.

s Gen. i. 1; Rev. xiv. 7.

t Ps. lxviii. 6; ciii 6; cvii. 9, 10, 14.

u Ps cxiv 14; cxlvii. 6, Matt ix 30; Luke xiii. 13; John ix. 7—32.

v Ps lxviii 5; cxlvii 6; Deut. x. 18

w Ps x. 16; cxiv 13, Exod xv. 18, Rev xi 15

x Ps cxlvi 1, Isa. lvii 18, lxi. 1, Luke iv. 18

y Ps cxlvi 2, Isa xi 12, lvi 8, Jer xxxi 10, Ezek xi 17, xxxiv 13, xxxvi 24, xxxvii 21, Mic iv 6, Zeph iii 19, Matt xxiv 31, Mark xiii 27

11 Heb *griefs*

z Ps li 17, Isa. lvii 18, lxi. 1, Luke iv. 18

a Gen xv 5, Isa xl 26.

12 Heb *of his understanding there is no number*

b Ps xlviii 1, xcvi 4, cxiv 3, 1 Chron xvi 25; Isa xl 28; Nahum i 3

c Ps cxlvi 8, 9

d Ps civ 13, 14, Job xxxviii 26, 27.

e Ps civ 27, 28; cxxxvi 25, cxlv 15; Job xxxviii. 41, Matt vi 26.

f Ps xxxiii 16—18; Hos i. 7.

13 Heb. *Who maketh thy border peace.*

14 Heb *fat of wheat,* Ps lxxxi. 16; Deut xxxii 14

g Ps cxxii. 6, 7; Isa. lx. 17, 18.

h Ps cvii. 20; Job xxxvii 12.

i Job xxxvii. 6.



"STORMY WIND FULFILLING HIS WORD."—PSALM CXLVIII. 8.

18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, *and* the waters flow.[a]

19 He sheweth [1]his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel.[b]

20 He hath not dealt so with any nation: and *as for* *his* judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.[c]

PSALM CXLVIII.

1 *The psalmist exhorteth the celestial, 7 the terrestrial, 11 and the rational creatures to praise God.*

PRAISE[2] ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights.

2 Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.[d]

3 Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

4 Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that *be* above the heavens.[e]

5 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.[f]

6 He hath also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass.[g]

7 Praise the LORD from the earth, ye dragons, and all deeps:[h]

8 Fire, and hail; snow, and vapours; stormy wind fulfilling his word:[i]

9 Mountains, and all hills; fruitful trees, and all cedars:[j]

10 Beasts, and all cattle; creeping things, and [3]flying fowl:

BEFORE CHRIST 650

a ver 15, Job xxxvii 10

1 Heb *his words*

b Ps lxxvi 1, lxxxiii 5, cxli. 7; Deut xxxiii 2—4 Mal iv 4.

4 Heb *exalted.*

c Deut. iv. 32—34; Rom iii 1, 2.

d Ps viii 1, cxlii 4; Isa xii. 4.

e Ps lxxv 10, cxlix. 9; Eph ii 17.

2 Heb. *Hallelujah*

f Ps. cii. 20, 21.

5 Heb. *Hallelujah*

g Ps. xxxiii. 3; Isa. xlii 10

h Gen. i. 7, 1 Kings viii. 27, 2 Cor. xii. 2.

i Ps. c. 3; Job xxxv. 10; Isa liv 5; Zech. ix. 9; Matt. xxi. 5.

j Ps. xxxiii. 6, 9; Gen. i 1, 6, 7

k Ps. lxxxix 37, cxix 90, 91, Jer xxxi. 35, 36; xxxiii 25

l Ps lxxxi 2, cl 4.

m Isa xliii 20

n Ps. xxxv 27, cxxxii. 16.

o Ps cxlvii 15—18

p Job xxxv 10.

6 Heb. *in their throat.*

q Isa. xlv. 23; xlix. 18; lv. 12.

r Heb iv. 12; Rev i. 16

3 Heb. *birds of wing*

11 Kings of the earth, and all people; princes, and all judges of the earth:

12 Both young men, and maidens; old men, and children:

13 Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is [4]excellent; his glory *is* above the earth and heaven.[k]

14 He also exalteth the horn of his people, the praise of all his saints; *even* of the children of Israel, a people near unto him. Praise ye the LORD.[l]

PSALM CXLIX.

1 *The prophet exhorteth to praise God for his love to the church, 5 and for that power which he hath given to the church.*

PRAISE[5] ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, *and* his praise in the congregation of saints.[m]

2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.[n]

3 Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.[o]

4 For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.[p]

5 Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.[q]

6 *Let* the high *praises* of God *be* [6]in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand;[r]

7 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, *and* punishments upon the people;

8 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron;

9 To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.[a]

PSALM CL.

1 *An exhortation to praise God,* 3 *with all kind of instruments.*

PRAISE[1] ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

BEFORE CHRIST 650.

b Ps. cxiv. 5, 6; Deut. iii. 24.
2 Or, *cornet.*
a Ps. cxlviii. 14; Deut. vii. 1, 2.
c Ps. lxxxi. 2; xcviii. 6; cxlix. 3.
3 Or, *pipe.*
d Ps. xxxiii. 2; xcii. 3; cxliv. 9; cxlix. 3; Isa. xxxviii. 20.
1 Heb. *Hallelujah.*
e 1 Chron. xv. 16, 19, 28; xvi. 5; xxv. 1, 6.

2 Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.[b]

3 Praise him with the sound of the [2]trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.[c]

4 Praise him with the timbrel and [3]dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.[d]

5 Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.[e]

6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.



ANCIENT MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.



THE

PROVERBS

CHAPTER I.

1 *The use of the proverbs.* 7 *An exhortation to fear God, and believe his word.* 10 *To avoid the enticings of sinners.* 20 *Wisdom complaineth of her contempt.* 24 *She threateneth her contemners.*

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

THE proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;[a]

2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and [1]equity;[b]

4 To give subtilty to the simple, to the young man knowledge and [2]discretion.

5 A wise *man* will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:[c]

6 To understand a proverb, and [3]the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.[d]

7 ¶ The fear of the LORD *is* [4]the beginning of knowledge: *but* fools despise wisdom and instruction.[e]

8 My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother:[f]

9 For they *shall be* [5]an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.[g]

10 ¶ My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.[h]

a ch x. 1; xxv. 1; 1 Kings iv. 32; Eccles. xii. 9.

1 Heb. *equities.*
b ch ii 1, 9

2 Or, *advisement.*

c ch. ix. 9.

3 Or, *an eloquent speech.*
d Ps. lxxviii 2.

4 Or, *the principal part*
e ch. ix. 10; Job xxviii. 28; Ps. cxi. 10; Eccles. xii. 13.

f ch. iv. 1; vi. 20.

5 Heb. *an adding.*
g ch. iii. 22.

h Gen. xxxix. 7, &c.; Ps. i. 1; Eph. v. 11.

11 If they say, Come with us, let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily for the innocent without cause:[a]

12 Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole, as those that go down into the pit:[b]

13 We shall find all precious substance, we shall fill our houses with spoil:

14 Cast in thy lot among us; let us all have one purse:

15 My son, walk not thou in the way with them; refrain thy foot from their path:[c]

16 For their feet run to evil, and make haste to shed blood.[d]

17 Surely in vain the net is spread [1]in the sight of any bird.

18 And they lay wait for their *own* blood; they lurk privily for their *own* lives.

19 So *are* the ways of every one that is greedy of gain; *which* taketh away the life of the owners thereof.[e]

20 ¶ [2]Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets:[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

o ch. xiv. 14; xxii. 8; Job iv. 8; Isa. iii. 10; Jer. vi. 13.

a Jer. v. 26.

3 Or, *ease of the simple.*

b Ps. xxviii. 1; cxliii. 7.

p Ps. xxv. 12, 13; cxii. 7.

c ch. iv. 14; Ps. i. 1; cxix 101.

d Isa. lix. 7; Rom. iii. 15.

1 Heb *in the eyes of everything that hath a wing*

q ch. i. 21; viii. 1.

4 Heb. *givest thy voice.*

e ch. xv 27; 1 Tim. vi. 10.

2 Heb. *Wisdoms*, that is, *Excellent wisdom.*

f ch. viii. 1, &c., ix. 3; John vii. 37

r ch. iii. 14; Matt xiii. 44.

31 Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own devices.[o]

32 For the [3]turning away of the simple shall slay them, and the prosperity of fools shall destroy them.

33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.[p]

CHAPTER II.

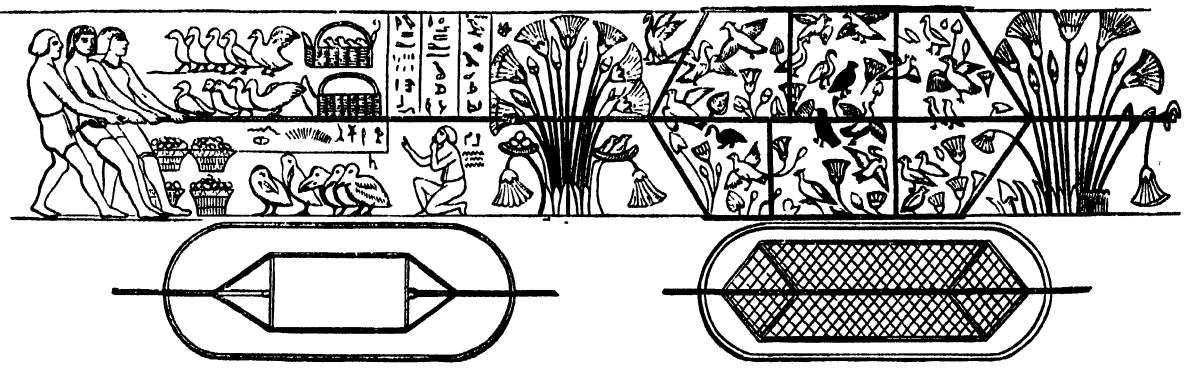
1 *Wisdom promiseth godliness to her children,* 10 *and safety from evil company,* 20 *and direction in good ways.*

MY son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;[q]

2 So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, *and* apply thine heart to understanding;

3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, *and* [4]liftest up thy voice for understanding;

4 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as *for* hid treasures;[r]



SNARING BIRDS.—PROV. I. 17

21 She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, *saying,*

22 How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity? and the scorners delight in their scorning, and fools hate knowledge?

23 Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.[s]

24 ¶ Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;[t]

25 But ye have set at nought all my counsel, and would none of my reproof:[u]

26 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh;[v]

27 When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.[w]

28 Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:[x]

29 For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD:[y]

30 They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.[z]

s 1 Kings iii. 9, 12, James i. 5

t ch xxx 5; Ps. lxxxiv. 11.

u 1 Sam ii. 9; Ps. lxvi. 9.

g Joel ii. 28

h Isa. lxv 12, lxvi. 4; Jer. vii. 13; Zech. vii. 11

i ver 30; Ps. cvii. 11; Luke vii. 30.

v ch vi. 22.

j Ps. ii. 4.

k ch x. 24

w John iii. 19, 20.

x ch. x. 23; Jer. xi. 15; Rom. i 32.

l Job xxvii. 9; xxxv. 12; Isa. i. 15; Jer. xi. 11; xiv. 12; Ezek. viii. 18; Micah iii 4; Zech. vii. 13, James iv. 3.

y Ps. cxxv. 5.

m ver. 22; Job xxi. 14; Ps. cxix. 173.

n ver 25; Ps. lxxxi 11.

z ch. v. 3, 20; vi. 24; vii. 5.

5 Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

6 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth *cometh* knowledge and understanding.[a]

7 He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: *he is* a buckler to them that walk uprightly.[b]

8 He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.[c]

9 Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity; *yea,* every good path.

10 ¶ When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;

11 Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee:[d]

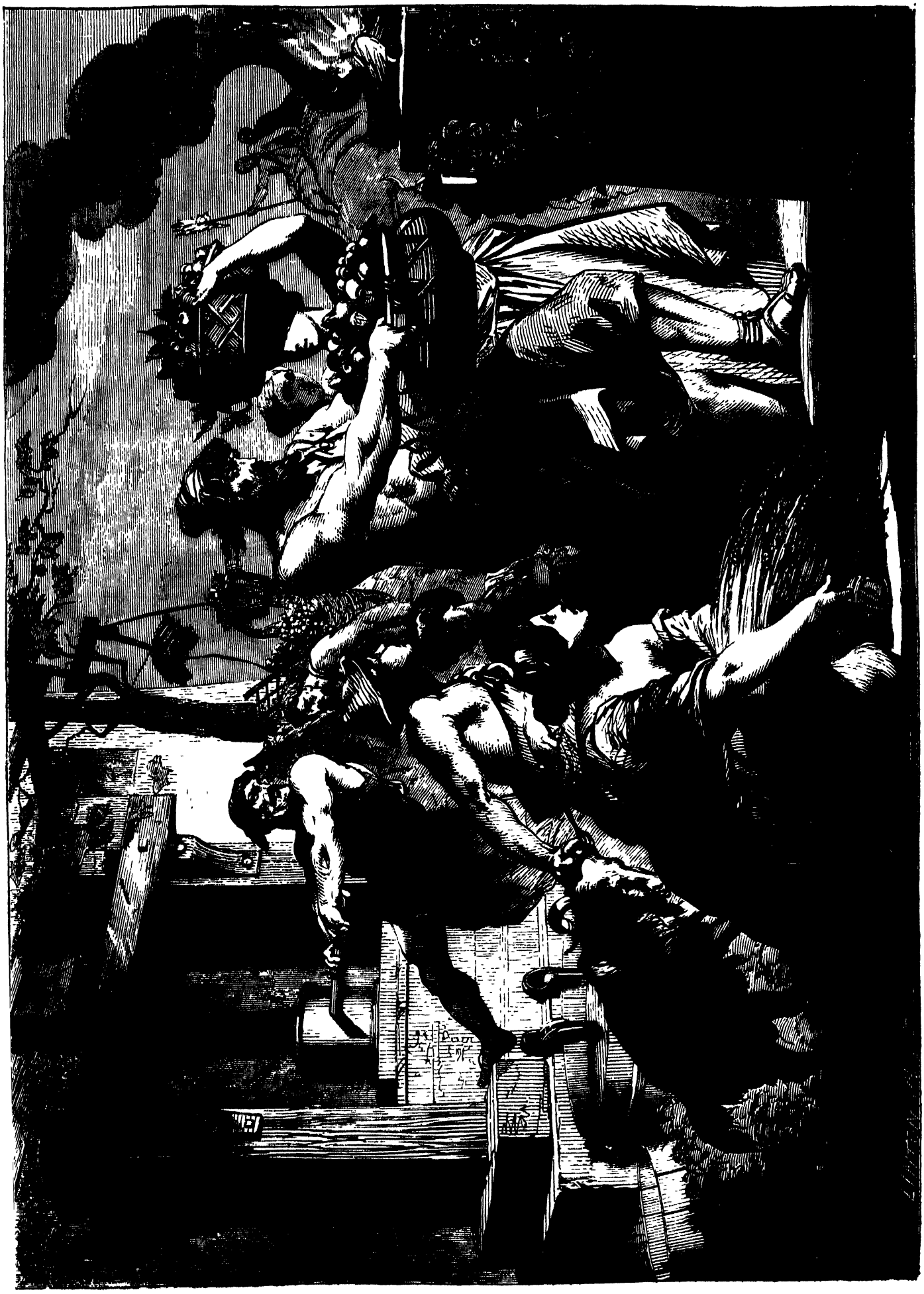
12 To deliver thee from the way of the evil *man,* from the man that speaketh froward things;

13 Who leave the paths of uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness;[e]

14 Who rejoice to do evil, *and* delight in the frowardness of the wicked;[f]

15 Whose ways *are* crooked, and *they* froward in their paths:[g]

16 To deliver thee from the strange woman, *even* from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words;[h]



PROSPERITY OF THE GODLY.—PROV. III. 9, 10, 16, 17

17 Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and forgetteth the covenant of her God.[a]

18 For her house inclineth unto death, and her paths unto the dead.[b]

19 None that go unto her return again, neither take they hold of the paths of life.

20 That thou mayest walk in the way of good *men*, and keep the paths of the righteous.

21 For the upright shall dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it.[c]

22 But the wicked shall be cut off from the earth, and the transgressors shall be [1]rooted out of it.[d]

CHAPTER III.

1 *An exhortation to obedience, 5 to faith, 7 to mortification, 9 to devotion, 11 to patience. 13 The happy gain of wisdom. 19 The power, 21 and the benefits of wisdom. 27 An exhortation to charitableness, 30 peaceableness, 31 and contentedness. 33 The cursed state of the wicked.*

MY son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:[e]

2 For length of days, and [2]long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.[f]

3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:[g]

4 So shalt thou find favour and [3]good understanding in the sight of God and man.[h]

5 ¶ Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.[i]

6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.[j]

7 ¶ Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.[k]

8 It shall be [4]health to thy navel, and [5]marrow to thy bones.[l]

9 Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:[m]

10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.[n]

11 ¶ My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:[o]

12 For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son *in whom* he delighteth.[p]

13 ¶ Happy *is* the man *that* findeth wisdom, and [6]the man *that* getteth understanding.[q]

14 For the merchandise of it *is* better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.[r]

15 She *is* more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.[s]

16 Length of days *is* in her right hand, *and* in her left hand riches and honour.[t]

17 Her ways *are* ways of pleasantness, and all her paths *are* peace.[u]

18 She *is* a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy *is every one* that retaineth her.[v]

19 The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he [7]established the heavens.[w]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000

a Mal. ii. 14, 15.
x Gen. i. 9; Deut. xxxiii. 28; Job xxxvi. 28.
b ch. vii. 27.
y ch. i. 9.
z ch. x. 9; Ps. xxxvii. 24; xxxi. 11, 12.
c Ps. xxxvii. 29.
a Lev. xxvi. 6; Ps. lii. 5; lv. 8.
1 Or, *plucked up.*
d Job xviii. 17; Ps. xxxvii. 28; civ. 35.
b Ps. xci. 5; cxii. 7.
8 Heb. *the owners thereof.*
c Rom. xiii. 7; Gal. vi. 10.
e Deut. viii. 1; xxx. 16, 20.
d Lev. xix. 18; Deut. xxiv. 15.
9 Or, *Practise no evil.*
2 Heb. *years of life.*
f Ps. cxix. 165.
e Rom. xii. 18.
10 Heb. *a man of violence.*
f ch. xxiv. 1; Ps. xxxvii. 1; lxxiii. 3.
g ch. vi. 21; vii. 3; Exod. xiii. 9; Jer. xvii 1; 2 Cor. iii. 3.
3 Or, *good success.*
g Ps. xxv. 14.
h 1 Sam. ii. 26; Ps. cxi. 10; Luke ii. 52 Acts ii. 47; Rom. xiv. 18.
h Lev. xxvi. 14, &c.; Ps. l. 3; xxxvii 22; Zech. v. 4, Mal. ii 2.
i Ps. xxxvii 3, 5, Jer. ix. 23.
i James iv. 6; 1 Peter v 5.
j 1 Chron. xxviii. 9, Jer. x. 23.
11 Heb. *exalteth the fools.*
k ch xvi 6, Job i. 1
4 Heb. *medicine*
5 Heb. *watering*, or, *moistening.*
l Job xxi. 24.
m Exod. xxii 29, xxiii. 19; xxxiv 26; Deut xxvi 2, &c.; Mal. iii. 10, &c., Luke xiv. 13.
n Deut xxviii. 8.
j ch i. 8, Ps. xxxiv. 11.
o Job v 17; Ps. xciv. 12; Heb. xii. 5, 6; Rev. iii. 19.
p Deut. viii. 5.
6 Heb *the man* that *draweth out understanding*
q ch. viii. 34, 35
k 1 Chron. xxix. 1.
r ch. ii 4, viii 11, 19; xvi. 16, Job xxviii. 13, &c.; Ps xix. 10.
l ch. vii. 2; 1 Chron. xxviii. 9; Eph. vi. 4.
m ch. ii. 2, 3.
s Matt. xiii. 44.
n 2 Thess. ii. 10.
t ch. viii. 18; 1 Tim. iv. 8.
o Matt. xiii. 44; Luke x. 42.
u Matt. xi. 29, 30.
p 1 Sam. ii. 30.
v Gen. ii. 9; iii. 22.
12 Or, *she shall compass thee with a crown of glory.*
q ch. i. 9; iii. 22.
7 Or, *prepared.*
w ch. viii. 27; Ps. civ. 24; cxxxvi. 5; Jer. x. 12; li. 15.
r ch. iii. 2.

20 By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.[x]

21 ¶ My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion:

22 So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.[y]

23 Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.[z]

24 When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.[a]

25 Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.[b]

26 For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

27 ¶ Withhold not good from [8]them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do *it*.[c]

28 Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee.[d]

29 [9]Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.

30 ¶ Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm.[e]

31 ¶ Envy thou not [10]the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.[f]

32 For the froward *is* abomination to the LORD: but his secret *is* with the righteous.[g]

33 ¶ The curse of the LORD *is* in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just.[h]

34 Surely he scorneth the scorners: but he giveth grace unto the lowly.

35 The wise shall inherit glory: but shame [11]shall be the promotion of fools.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Solomon, to persuade obedience, 3 sheweth what instruction he had of his parents, 5 to study wisdom, 14 and to shun the path of the wicked. 20 He exhorteth to faith, 23 and sanctification.*

HEAR, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding.[i]

2 For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.

3 For I was my father's son, tender and only *beloved* in the sight of my mother.[k]

4 He taught me also, and said unto me, Let thine heart retain my words: keep my commandments, and live.[l]

5 Get wisdom, get understanding: forget *it* not; neither decline from the words of my mouth.[m]

6 Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee: love her, and she shall keep thee.[n]

7 Wisdom *is* the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.[o]

8 Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.[p]

9 She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: [12]a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.[q]

10 Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of thy life shall be many.[r]

11 I have taught thee in the way of wisdom; I have led thee in right paths.

12 When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened; and when thou runnest, thou shalt not stumble.[a]

13 Take fast hold of instruction; let *her* not go: keep her; for she *is* thy life.

14 ¶ Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil *men*.[b]

15 Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.

16 For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause *some* to fall.[c]

17 For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.

18 But the path of the just *is* as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.[d]

19 The way of the wicked *is* as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.[e]

20 ¶ My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

21 Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.[f]

22 For they *are* life unto those that find them, and [1]health to all their flesh.[g]

23 ¶ Keep thy heart [2]with all diligence; for out of it *are* the issues of life.

24 Put away from thee [3]a froward mouth, and perverse lips put far from thee.

25 Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.

26 Ponder the path of thy feet, and [4]let all thy ways be established.

27 Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil.[h]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Solomon exhorteth to the study of wisdom.* 3 *He sheweth the mischief of whoredom and riot.* 15 *He exhorteth to contentedness, liberality, and chastity.* 22 *The wicked are overtaken with their own sins.*

MY son, attend unto my wisdom, *and* bow thine ear to my understanding:

2 That thou mayest regard discretion, and *that* thy lips may keep knowledge.[i]

3 ¶ For the lips of a strange woman drop *as* an honeycomb, and her [5]mouth *is* smoother than oil:[j]

4 But her end is bitter as wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.[k]

5 Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.[l]

6 Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, *that* thou canst not know *them*.

7 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the words of my mouth.

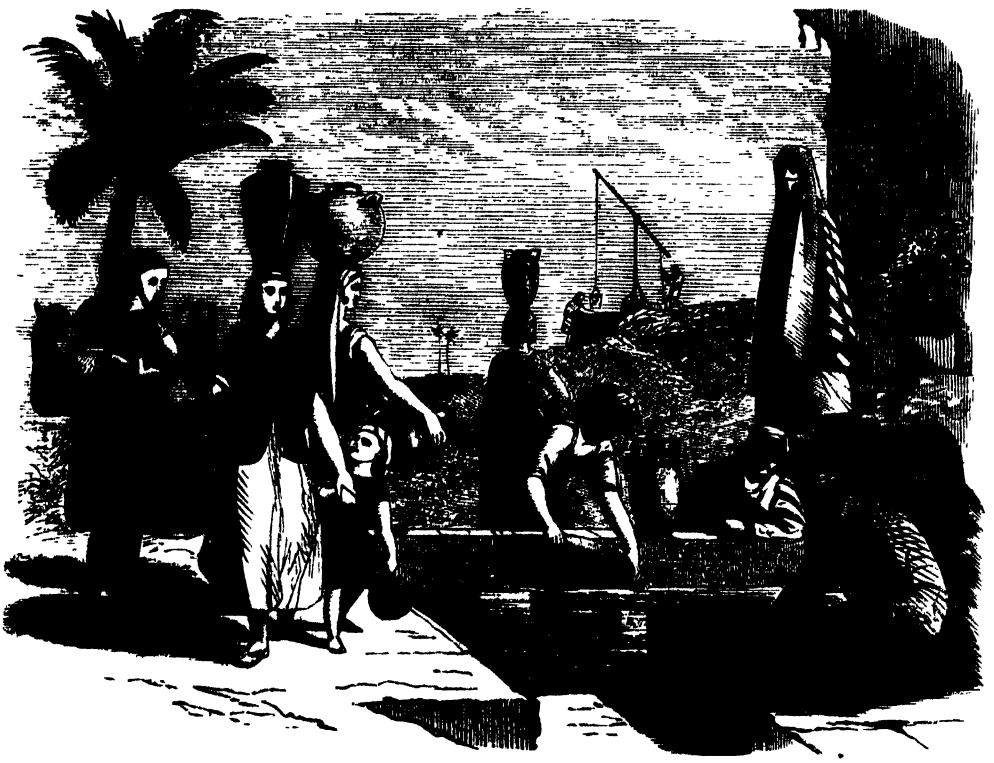
8 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:

9 Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto the cruel:

10 Lest strangers be filled with [6]thy wealth; and thy labours *be* in the house of a stranger;

11 And thou mourn at the last, when thy flesh and thy body are consumed,

12 And say, How have I hated instruction, and my heart despised reproof;[m]



EASTERN WELL.—PROV. V. 15.

13 And have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined mine ear to them that instructed me!

14 I was almost in all evil in the midst of the congregation and assembly.

15 ¶ Drink waters out of thine own cistern, and running waters out of thine own well.

16 Let thy fountains be dispersed abroad, *and* rivers of waters in the streets.

17 Let them be only thine own, and not strangers' with thee.

18 Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth.[n]

19 *Let her be as* the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and [7]be thou ravished always with her love.[o]

20 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger?[p]

21 For the ways of man *are* before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000

a Ps. xviii. 36, xci. 11, 12.

b ch. i. 10, 15; Ps. i. 1.

6 Heb. *thy strength.*

c Ps. xxxvi. 4; Isa. lvii. 20.

m ch. i. 25, 29, xii. 1.

d 2 Sam. xxiii. 4, Matt. v. 14, 45, Philipp. ii. 15.

e 1 Sam. ii. 9; Job xviii. 5, 6; Isa. lix. 9, 10; Jer. xxiii. 12; John xii. 35.

f ch. ii. 1; iii. 3, 21.

1 Heb. *medicine*

g ch. iii. 8, xii. 18

2 Heb. *above all keeping*

3 Heb. *frowardness of mouth and perverseness of lips*

4 Or, *all thy ways shall be ordered aright*

h Deut. v. 32, xxviii. 14; Josh. i. 7; Isa. l. 16; Rom. xii. 9

n Mal. ii. 14

i Mal. ii. 7.

7 Heb. *err thou always in her love.*

5 Heb. *palate.*

j ch. ii. 16; vi. 24; Ps. lv. 21.

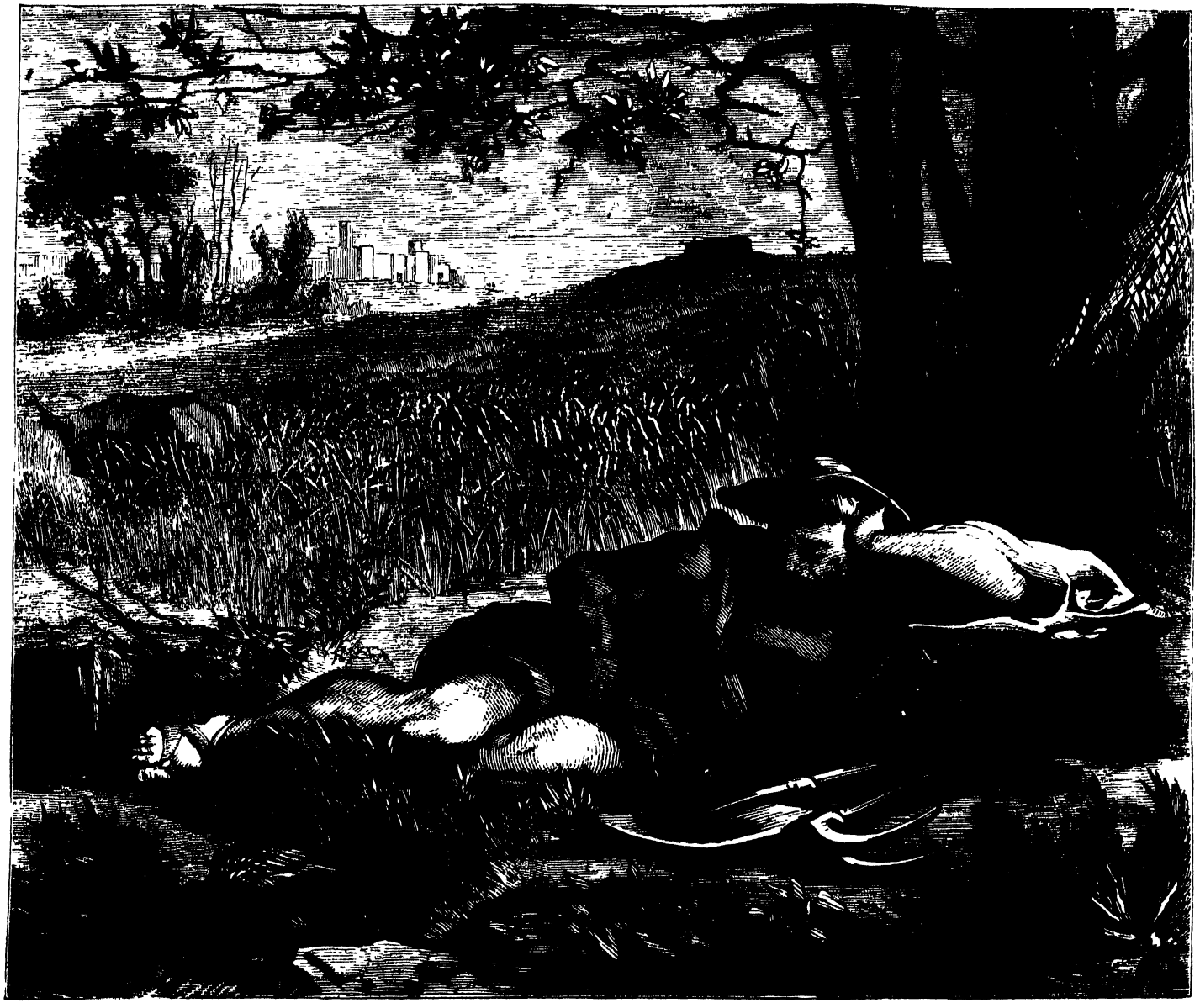
o Cant. ii. 9; iv. 5; vii. 3.

k Eccles. vii. 26; Heb. iv. 12.

p ch. ii. 16; vii. 5.

l ch. vii. 27.

q ch. xv. 3; 2 Chron. xvi. 9; Job xxxi. 4; xxxiv. 21; Jer. xvi. 17; xxxii. 19; Hos. vii. 2; Heb. iv. 13.



"GO TO THE ANT, THOU SLUGGARD; CONSIDER HER WAYS, AND BE WISE."—PROV. VI. 6

22 ¶ His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his [1]sins.[a]

23 He shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.[b]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Against suretyship,* 6 *idleness,* 12 *and mischievousness* 16 *Seven things hateful to God* 20 *The blessings of obedience* 25 *The mischiefs of whoredom.*

MY son, if thou be surety for thy friend, *if* thou hast stricken thy hand with a stranger,[1]

2 Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art taken with the words of thy mouth.

3 Do this now, my son, and deliver thyself, when thou art come into the hand of thy friend; go, humble thyself, [2]and make sure thy friend.

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

d Ps cxxxii 4

1 Heb *sin*

a Ps ix 15

b Job iv 21, xxxvi 12

e Job xli. 7.

c ch xi 15; xvii 18; xx 16, xxii 26; xxvii 13

f ch xxiv. 33, 34.

g ch x. 4, xiii. 4, xx 4.

2 Or, *so shalt thou prevail with thy friend*

h ch x 10, Job xv 12, Ps. xxxv. 19.

4 Give not sleep to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids.[d]

5 Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand *of the hunter*, and as a bird from the hand of the fowler.

6 ¶ Go to the ant, thou sluggard, consider her ways, and be wise:[e]

7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler,

8 Provideth her meat in the summer, *and* gathereth her food in the harvest.

9 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep?[f]

10 *Yet* a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:

11 So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man.[g]

12 ¶ A naughty person, a wicked man, walketh with a froward mouth.

13 He winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet, he teacheth with his fingers;[h]



'MY SON, KEEP MY WORDS."—PROV. VII. 1.

14 Frowardness *is* in his heart, he deviseth mischief continually; he [1]soweth discord.[a]

15 Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he be broken without remedy.[b]

16 ¶ These six *things* doth the LORD hate: yea, seven *are* an abomination [2]unto him:

17 [3]A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,[c]

18 An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,[d]

19 A false witness *that* speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren.[e]

20 ¶ My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother:[f]

21 Bind them continually upon thine heart, *and* tie them about thy neck.

22 When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and *when* thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.[g]

23 For the commandment *is* a [4]lamp; and the law *is* light; and reproofs of instruction *are* the way of life:[h]

24 To keep thee from the evil woman, from the flattery [5]of the tongue of a strange woman.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000

1 Heb *casteth forth.*
a ver. 19, Micah ii. 1.
f ch. i. 8, Eph. vi. 1.
b Jer. xix. 11, 2 Chron. xxxvi. 16
2 Heb. *of his soul.*
3 Heb. *Haughty eyes.*
g ch. ii. 11, iii. 23, 24.
c Ps. cxx. 2, 3; Isa. i. 15.
4 Or, *candle*
d Gen. vi. 5, Isa. lix. 7; Rom. iii. 15
h Ps. xix. 8; cxix. 105.
e ver. 14, ch. xix. 5, 9; Ps. xxvii. 12
5 Or, *of the strange tongue.*
i ch. ii. 16; v. 3; vii. 5.

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

25 Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids.[a]

26 For by means of a whorish woman *a man is brought* to a piece of bread: and [1]the adulteress will hunt for the precious life.[b]

27 Can a man take fire in his bosom, and his clothes not be burned?

28 Can one go upon hot coals, and his feet not be burned?

29 So he that goeth in to his neighbour's wife; whosoever toucheth her shall not be innocent.

30 *Men* do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry;

31 But *if* he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house.[c]

32 *But* whoso committeth adultery with a woman lacketh [2]understanding: he *that* doeth it destroyeth his own soul.[d]

33 A wound and dishonour shall he get; and his reproach shall not be wiped away.

34 For jealousy *is* the rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in the day of vengeance.

35 [3]He will not regard any ransom; neither will he rest content, though thou givest many gifts.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Solomon persuadeth to a sincere and kind familiarity with wisdom.* 6 *In an example of his own experience, he sheweth* 10 *the cunning of an whore,* 22 *and the desperate simplicity of a young wanton.* 24 *He dehorteth from such wickedness.*



lay up my commandments with thee.[e]

2 Keep my commandments, and live; and my law as the apple of thine eye.[f]

3 Bind them upon thy fingers, write them upon the table of thine heart.[g]

4 Say unto wisdom, Thou *art* my sister; and call understanding *thy* kinswoman:

5 That they may keep thee from the strange woman, from the stranger *which* flattereth with her words.[h]

6 ¶ For at the window of my house I looked through my casement,

7 And beheld among the simple ones, I discerned among [4]the youths, a young man void of understanding,[i]

8 Passing through the street near her corner; and he went the way to her house,

9 In the twilight, [5]in the evening, in the black and dark night:[j]

10 And, behold, there met him a woman *with* the attire of an harlot, and subtil of heart.

11 (She *is* loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house:[k]

12 Now *is she* without, now in the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)

13 So she caught him, and kissed him, *and* [6]with an impudent face said unto him,

14 [7]*I have* peace offerings with me; this day have I paid my vows.

15 Therefore came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and I have found thee.

16 I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved *works*, with fine linen of Egypt.[l]

17 I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

18 Come, let us take our fill of love until the morning: let us solace ourselves with loves.

19 For the goodman *is* not at home, he is gone a long journey:



AN EASTERN CASEMENT.—PROV. VII. 6.

20 He hath taken a bag of money [8]with him, *and* will come home at [9]the day appointed.

21 With her much fair speech she caused him to yield, with the flattering of her lips she forced him.[m]

22 He goeth after her [10]straightway, as an ox goeth to the slaughter, or as a fool to the correction of the stocks;

23 Till a dart strike through his liver; as a bird hasteth to the snare, and knoweth not that it *is* for his life.[n]

24 ¶ Hearken unto me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.

25 Let not thine heart decline to her ways, go not astray in her paths.

26 For she hath cast down many wounded: yea, many strong *men* have been slain by her.[o]

27 Her house *is* the way to hell, going down to the chambers of death.[p]

a Matt. v. 28.
7 Heb. *Peace offerings are upon me.*
1 Heb. *the woman of a man*, or, *a man's wife.*
b ch xxix. 3; Gen. xxxix. 14; Ezek. xiii. 18.
l Isa. xix. 9.
c Exod. xxii 1, 4.
2 Heb *heart.*
d ch. vii. 7
3 Heb *He will not accept the face of any ransom.*
e ch ii. 1.
f ch iv 4; Lev xviii. 5; Deut. xxxii 10, Isa. lv 3
g ch iii 3, vi 21, Deut. vi. 8; xi. 18
8 Heb *in his hand*
9 Or, *the new moon*
h ch ii 16; v 3, vi 24
m ch v 3, Ps xii 2.
10 Heb. *suddenly.*
4 Heb. *the sons*
i ch. vi. 32, ix. 4, 16
n Eccles. ix. 12
Heb *in the evening of the day*
j Job xxiv. 15.
k ch ix 13; 1 Tim. v. 13, Titus ii 5
o Neh xiii. 26
p ch. ii. 18; v. 5; ix. 18

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The fame,* 6 *and evidency of wisdom.* 10 *The excellency,* 12 *the nature,* 15 *the power,* 18 *the riches,* 22 *and the eternity of wisdom.* 32 *Wisdom is to be desired for the blessedness it bringeth.*

DOTH not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice?[a]

2 She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of the paths.

3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.

4 Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice *is* to the sons of man.

5 O ye simple, understand wisdom: and, ye fools, be ye of an understanding heart.

6 Hear; for I will speak of excellent things; and the opening of my lips *shall be* right things.[b]

7 For my mouth shall speak truth; and wickedness *is* [1]an abomination to my lips.

8 All the words of my mouth *are* in righteousness; *there is* nothing [2]froward or perverse in them.

9 They *are* all plain to him that understandeth, and right to them that find knowledge.

10 Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold.

11 For wisdom *is* better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.[c]

12 I wisdom dwell with [3]prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.

13 The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.[d]

14 Counsel *is* mine, and sound wisdom: I *am* understanding; I have strength.[e]

15 By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.[f]

16 By me princes rule, and nobles, *even* all the judges of the earth.

17 I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.[g]

18 Riches and honour *are* with me; *yea,* durable riches and righteousness.[h]

19 My fruit *is* better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver.[i]

20 I [4]lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment:

21 That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.

22 The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.[j]

23 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.[k]

24 When *there were* no depths, I was brought forth; when *there were* no fountains abounding with water.

25 Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:[l]

26 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the [5]fields, nor [6]the highest part of the dust of the world.

27 When he prepared the heavens, I *was* there: when he set [7]a compass upon the face of the depth:

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

m Gen. i 9, 10; Job xxxviii 4, 10, 11; Ps xxxiii 7, civ 9, Jer v. 22.

a ch i. 20

n Matt iii 17; John i. 1, 2, 18; Col. i 13.

o Ps xvi. 3.

p Ps cxix 1, 2, cxxviii 1, 2, Luke xi 28

q ch iii 13, 18.

8 Heb *bring forth*

r ch xii 2

b ch xxii 20

s ch xx 2

1 Heb *the abomination of my lips*

2 Heb. *wreathed*

t Matt xvi 18, Eph ii 20—22, 1 Peter ii 5

9 Heb. *her killing*

c ch iii 14, 15, iv. 5, 7, xvi 16, Job xxviii 15, &c., Ps. xix 10, cxix 27

3 Or, *subtilty*

u ver 5, ch. xxii 30, Matt xxii 3, &c

v ver 14, ch viii 1, 2

d ch. iv. 24, vi. 17, xvi. 6.

e Eccles viii. 19

w ver 16, ch vi. 32, Matt xi 25

f Dan. ii 21 Rom xiii 1

x ver 2, Cant v. 1, Isa lv. 1, John vi. 27

g 1 Sam ii 30, Ps xci 14, John xiv 21

h ch iii. 16, Matt vi 33.

i ver 10, ch iii. 14

y Ps cxii 5, Matt vii 6

4 Or, *walk*

z Matt. xiii 12.

j ch iii 19, John i. 1.

a ch i 7, Job xxviii. 28, Ps cxi 10

k Ps. ii 6

b ch iii 2, 16; x. 27.

c ch xvi 26. Job xxxv 6, 7.

l Job xv 7, 8

d ch vii 11.

5 Or, *open places.*

6 Or, *the chief part.*

e ver 3

7 Or, *a circle.*

28 When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep:

29 When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth:[m]

30 Then I was by him, *as* one brought up *with him:* and I was daily *his* delight, rejoicing always before him;[n]

31 Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights *were* with the sons of men.[o]

32 Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for blessed *are they that* keep my ways.[p]

33 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

34 Blessed *is* the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.[q]

35 For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall [8]obtain favour of the LORD.[r]

36 But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death.[s]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The discipline,* 4 *and doctrine of wisdom* 13 *The custom,* 16 *and error of folly*

WISDOM hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars:[t]

2 She hath killed [9]her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table.[u]

3 She hath sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest places of the city,[v]

4 Whoso *is* simple, let him turn in hither: *as for* him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him,[w]

5 Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine *which* I have mingled.[x]

6 Forsake the foolish, and live; and go in the way of understanding.

7 He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame: and he that rebuketh a wicked *man getteth* himself a blot.

8 Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee.[y]

9 Give *instruction* to a wise *man,* and he will be yet wiser: teach a just *man,* and he will increase in learning.[z]

10 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy *is* understanding.[a]

11 For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life shall be increased.[b]

12 If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thyself: but *if* thou scornest, thou alone shalt bear *it.*[c]

13 ¶ A foolish woman *is* clamorous: *she is* simple, and knoweth nothing.[d]

14 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city,[e]

15 To call passengers who go right on their ways:

16 Whoso *is* simple, let him turn in hither: and *as for* him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him,[a]

17 Stolen waters are sweet, and bread [1]*eaten* in secret is pleasant.[b]

18 But he knoweth not that the dead *are* there; *and that* her guests *are* in the depths of hell.[c]

CHAPTER X.

From this chapter to the five and twentieth are sundry observations of moral virtues, and their contrary vices.

THE proverbs of Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish son *is* the heaviness of his mother.[d]

2 Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death.[e]

3 The LORD will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but he casteth away [2]the substance of the wicked.[f]

4 He becometh poor that dealeth *with* a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich.[g]

5 He that gathereth in summer *is* a wise son: *but* he that sleepeth in harvest *is* a son that causeth shame.[h]

6 Blessings *are* upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.[i]

7 The memory of the just *is* blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot.[j]

8 The wise in heart will receive commandments: but [3]a prating fool [4]shall fall.[k]

9 He that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he that perverteth his ways shall be known.[l]

10 He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.[m]

11 The mouth of a righteous *man is* a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.[n]

12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.[o]

13 In the lips of him that hath [5]understanding wisdom is found: but a rod *is* for the back of him that is void of understanding.[p]

14 Wise *men* lay up knowledge: but the mouth of the foolish *is* near destruction.[q]

15 The rich man's wealth *is* his strong city: the destruction of the poor *is* their poverty.[r]

16 The labour of the righteous *tendeth* to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.

17 He *is in* the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth reproof [6]erreth.

18 He that hideth hatred *with* lying lips, and he that uttereth a slander, *is* a fool.[s]

19 In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips *is* wise.[t]

20 The tongue of the just *is as* choice silver: the heart of the wicked *is* little worth.

21 The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want [7]of wisdom.

22 The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.[u]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

v ch. xiv. 9; xv. 21.
a ver. 4.
1 Heb. *of secrecies.*
w Job xv 21; Ps. cxlv. 19; Matt. v. 6; 1 John v. 14, 15.
b ch. xx. 17.
x ver 30; Ps. xv. 5; xxxvii. 9, 10, Matt. vii 24, 25, xvi. 18.
c ch ii. 18, vii. 27.
8 Heb *addeth*
y ch ix 11, Job xv 32, 33; xxii 16; Ps. lv 23, Eccles vii 17
z ch xi 7, Job viii 13, xi 20, Ps cxii 10
d ch xv 20; xvii 21, 25, xix. 13, xxix 3, 15
a Ps. i. 6, xxxvii. 20
b ver 25, Ps. xxxvii 22, 29, cxxv 1
e ch xi 4, Ps xlix 6, &c, Dan iv 27, Luke xii 19, 20.
c Ps. xxxvii 30
2 Or, *the wicked for their wickedness*
f Ps x 14, xxxiv 9, 10; xxxvii 25
9 Heb *frowardnesses*
g ch xii 24, xiii 4, xix 15, xxi 5
10 Heb *Balances of deceit*
11 Heb *a perfect stone*
h ch xii 4, xvii 2, xix 26.
d ch xvi 11, xx 10, 23, Lev xix 35, 36, Deut xxv 13—16
i ver 11, Esth vii 8
e ch xv 33, xvi 18, xviii 12, Dan iv 30, 31
j Ps ix 5, 6, cxii 6, Eccles. viii 10
3 Heb. *a fool of lips*
4 Or, *shall be beaten*
k ver 10
f ch xiii 6
l ch xxviii 18, Ps xxiii 4, Isa xxxiii 15, 16
g ch x 2 Gen vii 1, Ezek xii 19, Zeph i 18
m ver 8, ch vi 13
12 Heb *rectify*
n ver 6, ch xiii 14, xviii 4, Ps xxxvii 30, cvii 42
h ch v 22, Eccles x. 8.
o ch. xvii 9, 1 Cor xiii 4, 1 Peter iv 8
5 Heb *heart*
i ch x 23.
p ch xxvi 3
j ch xxi 18
q ch xviii 7, xxi 23
k Job viii 13
r ch xviii 11, Job xxxi 24, Ps lii 7, 1 Tim vi. 17
l ch xxviii. 12, 28, Esth viii 15.
6 Or, *causeth to err*
m ch. xxix. 8.
s Ps. xv. 3.
13 Heb. *destitute of heart*
t Eccles. v 3; James iii 2.
14 Heb. *He that walketh, being a talebearer.*
n ch xx. 19; Lev. xix. 16
7 Heb *of heart*
o ch xv. 22; xxiv 6; 1 Kings xii 1, &c.
15 Heb *shall be sore broken*
u Gen xxiv 35, xxvi 12, Ps xxxvii 22
16 Heb *those that strike hands*
p ch. vi. 1.

23 *It is* as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.[v]

24 The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but the desire of the righteous shall be granted.[w]

25 As the whirlwind passeth, so *is* the wicked no *more:* but the righteous *is* an everlasting foundation.[x]

26 As vinegar to the teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so *is* the sluggard to them that send him.

27 The fear of the LORD [8]prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened.[y]

28 The hope of the righteous *shall be* gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish.[z]

29 The way of the LORD *is* strength to the upright: but destruction *shall be* to the workers of iniquity.[a]

30 The righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not inhabit the earth.[b]

31 The mouth of the just bringeth forth wisdom: but the froward tongue shall be cut out.[c]

32 The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable: but the mouth of the wicked *speaketh* [9]frowardness.

CHAPTER XI.

[10]FALSE balance *is* abomination to the LORD: but [11]a just weight *is* his delight.[d]

2 *When* pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly *is* wisdom.[e]

3 The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the perverseness of transgressors shall destroy them.[f]

4 Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but righteousness delivereth from death.[g]

5 The righteousness of the perfect shall [12]direct his way: but the wicked shall fall by his own wickedness.

6 The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them: but transgressors shall be taken in *their own* naughtiness.[h]

7 When a wicked man dieth, *his* expectation shall perish: and the hope of unjust *men* perisheth.[i]

8 The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked cometh in his stead.[j]

9 An hypocrite with *his* mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through knowledge shall the just be delivered.[k]

10 When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth: and when the wicked perish, *there is* shouting.[l]

11 By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.[m]

12 He that is [13]void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man of understanding holdeth his peace.

13 [14]A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.[n]

14 Where no counsel *is*, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors *there is* safety.[o]

15 He that is surety for a stranger [15]shall smart *for it:* and he that hateth [16]suretiship is sure.[p]



"HE THAT WITHHOLDETH CORN, THE PEOPLE SHALL CURSE HIM."—PROV. XI. 26.

16 A gracious woman retaineth honour: and strong *men* retain riches.[a]

17 The merciful man doeth good to his own soul: but *he that is* cruel troubleth his own flesh.[b]

18 The wicked worketh a deceitful work: but to him that soweth righteousness *shall be* a sure reward.[c]

19 As righteousness *tendeth* to life: so he that pursueth evil *pursueth it* to his own death.

20 They that are of a froward heart *are* abomination to the LORD: but *such as are* upright in *their* way *are* his delight.[d]

21 *Though* hand *join* in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered.

22 *As* a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, *so is* a fair woman which [1]is without discretion.

23 The desire of the righteous *is* only good: *but* the expectation of the wicked *is* wrath.[e]

24 There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and *there is* that withholdeth more than is meet, but *it tendeth* to poverty.[f]

25 [2]The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.[g]

26 He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but blessing *shall be* upon the head of him that selleth it.[h]

27 He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour: but he that seeketh mischief, it shall come unto him.[i]

28 He that trusteth in his riches shall fall: but the righteous shall flourish as a branch.[j]

29 He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool *shall be* servant to the wise of heart.[k]

30 The fruit of the righteous *is* a tree of life; and he that [3]winneth souls *is* wise.[l]

31 Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

a ch xxxi 30
f Ps. cxii 9.
2 Heb *The soul of blessing*
b Matt v 7, xxv 34, &c
g Matt v 7, 2 Cor ix 6—10
c Hos x 12, Gal vi 8, 9, James iii 18
h Job xxix. 13, Amos viii 5, 6.
i Esth vii. 10, Ps. vii. 15, 16; ix. 15, 16; x. 2, lvii. 6
d ch xvi 5; Ps cxii 2
j Job xxxi 24, Ps lii 7; Mark x. 24; Luke xii. 21; 1 Tim. vi. 17.
k Ps. lii. 8; Eccles. v. 16
1 Heb *departeth from.*
3 Heb. *taketh.*
l Dan xii 3; 1 Cor ix 19, &c; James v 20
e Rom. ii. 8, 9.
m Jer. xxv. 29; 1 Peter iv. 17, 18.

CHAPTER XII.

WHOSO loveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof *is* brutish.

2 A good *man* obtaineth favour of the LORD: but a man of wicked devices will he condemn.[a]

3 A man shall not be established by wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved.[b]

4 A virtuous woman *is* a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed *is* as rottenness in his bones.[c]

5 The thoughts of the righteous *are* right: *but* the counsels of the wicked *are* deceit.

6 The words of the wicked *are* to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them.[d]

7 The wicked are overthrown, and *are* not: but the house of the righteous shall stand.[e]

8 A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: but he that is [1]of a perverse heart shall be despised.[f]

9 *He that is* despised, and hath a servant, *is* better than he that honoureth himself, and lacketh bread.[g]

10 A righteous *man* regardeth the life of his beast: but the [2]tender mercies of the wicked *are* cruel.[h]

11 He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain *persons is* void of understanding.[i]

12 The wicked desireth [3]the net of evil *men:* but the root of the righteous yieldeth *fruit.*

13 [4]The wicked is snared by the transgression of *his* lips: but the just shall come out of trouble.[j]

14 A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of *his* mouth: and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him.[k]

15 The way of a fool *is* right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel *is* wise.[l]

16 A fool's wrath is [5]presently known: but a prudent *man* covereth shame.[m]

17 *He that* speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness: but a false witness deceit.[n]

18 There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise *is* health.[o]

19 The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue *is* but for a moment.[p]

20 Deceit *is* in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors of peace *is* joy.

21 There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be filled with mischief.

22 Lying lips *are* abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly *are* his delight.[q]

23 A prudent man concealeth knowledge: but the heart of fools proclaimeth foolishness.[r]

24 The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the [6]slothful shall be under tribute.[s]

25 Heaviness in the heart of man maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.[t]

26 The righteous *is* more [7]excellent than his neighbour: but the way of the wicked seduceth them.

27 The slothful *man* roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man *is* precious.

28 In the way of righteousness *is* life; and *in* the pathway *thereof there is* no death.

CHAPTER XIII.

A WISE son *heareth* his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.[u]

2 A man shall eat good by the fruit of *his* mouth: but the soul of the transgressors *shall eat* violence.[v]

3 He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: *but* he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.[w]

4 The soul of the sluggard desireth, and *hath* nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat.[x]

5 A righteous *man* hateth lying: but a wicked *man* is loathsome, and cometh to shame.

6 Righteousness keepeth *him that is* upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth [8]the sinner.[y]

7 There is that maketh himself rich, yet *hath* nothing: *there is* that maketh himself poor, yet *hath* great riches.[z]

8 The ransom of a man's life *are* his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.

9 The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the [9]lamp of the wicked shall be put out.[a]

10 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised *is* wisdom.

11 Wealth *gotten* by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth [10]by labour shall increase.[b]

12 Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but *when* the desire cometh, *it is* a tree of life.[c]

13 Whoso despiseth the word shall be destroyed: but he that feareth the commandment [11]shall be rewarded.[d]

14 The law of the wise *is* a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.[e]

15 Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors *is* hard.

16 Every prudent *man* dealeth with knowledge: but a fool [12]layeth open *his* folly.[f]

17 A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but [13]a faithful ambassador *is* health.[g]

18 Poverty and shame *shall be to* him that refuseth instruction: but he that regardeth reproof shall be honoured.[h]

19 The desire accomplished is sweet to the soul: but *it is* abomination to fools to depart from evil.[i]

20 He that walketh with wise *men* shall be wise: but a companion of fools [14]shall be destroyed.

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

[7] Or, *abundant.*

a ch. viii. 35.

b ch. x 25

u 1 Sam ii. 25

c ch xiv 30, xxxi. 23; 1 Cor xi 7

v ch xii. 14.

d ch. i 11, 18; xiv. 3.

e ch. xi 21; Ps xxxvii 36, 37, Matt. vii 24—27

w ch xxi 23; Ps xxxix. 1, James iii 2.

1 Heb *perverse of heart.*

f 1 Sam. xxv 17

x ch. x. 4

g ch xiii 7.

8 Heb *sin.*

2 Or, *bowels*

h Deut xxv 4.

y ch xi 3, 5, 6.

i ch. vi 32, xxviii. 19; Gen. iii 19

z ch xi 24

3 Or, *the fortress*

4 Heb *The snare of the wicked is in the transgression of lips*

j ch xviii 7, 2 Peter ii 9

9 Or, *candle*

a ch xxiv 20, Job xviii 5, 6, xxi 17

k ch xiii 2, xviii 20, Isa. iii. 10, 11

10 Heb *with the hand*

b ch. x 2, xx 21

l ch iii 7, Luke xviii 11.

5 Heb. *in that day*

* ver 19

m ch xxix 11.

11 Or, *shall be in peace.*

n ch xiv 5

d 2 Chron xxxvi. 16

o Ps. lvii 4, lix. 7, lxiv 3

c ch x 11, xiv 27; xvi. 22, 2 Sam. xxii 6

p ch. xix. 9; Ps lii. 5.

12 Heb *spreadeth.*

f ch. xii. 23; xv. 2.

13 Heb. *an ambassador of faithfulness*

g ch xxv 13

q ch vi. 17, xi 20, Rev. xxii 15

h ch. xv. 5, 31.

r ch. xiii 16; xv. 2.

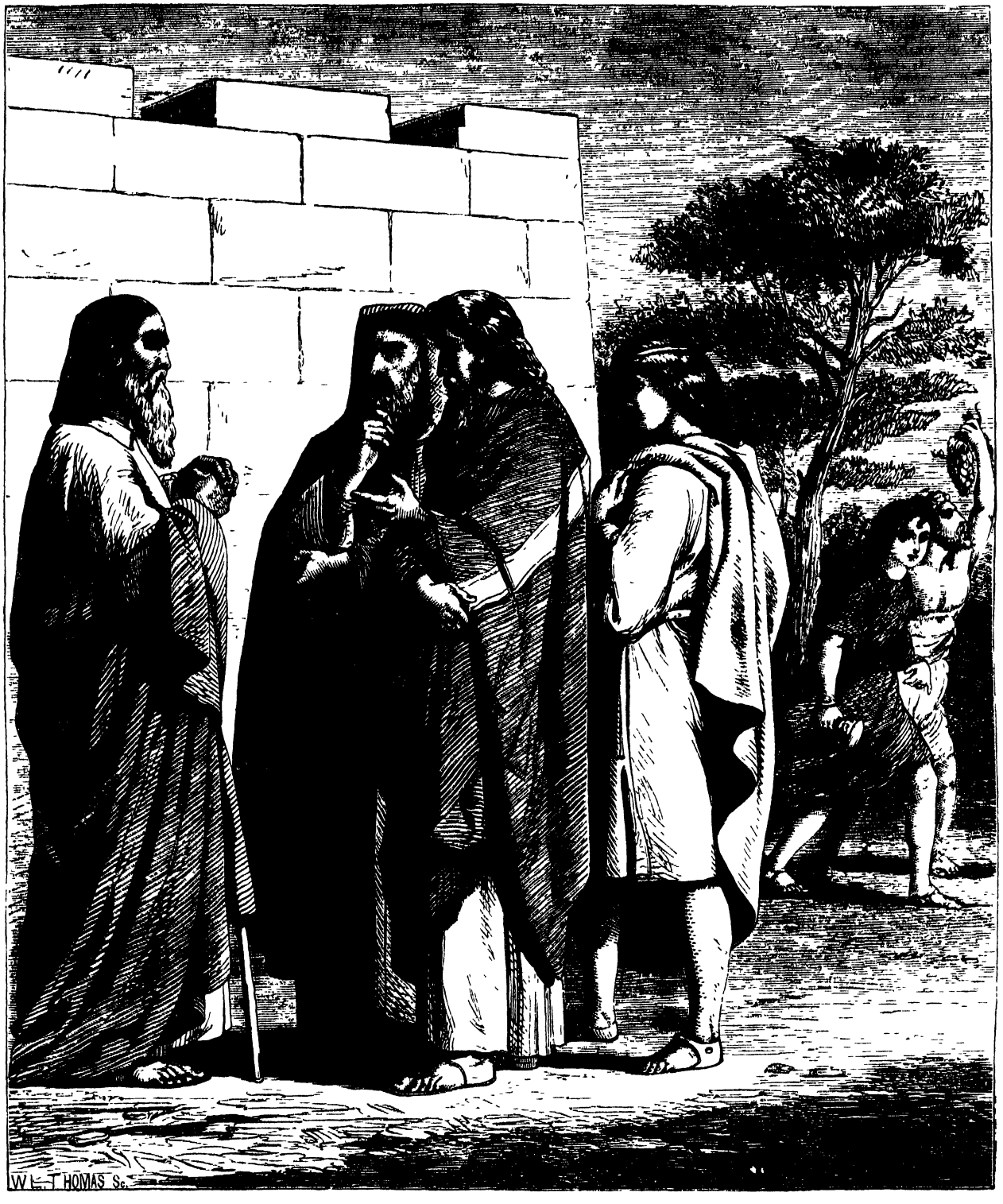
6 Or, *deceitful.*

s ch. x 4

i ver. 12.

t ch. xv. 13; Isa. l. 4.

14 Heb. *shall be broken.*



'HE THAT WALKETH WITH WISE MEN SHALL BE WISE."—PROV. XIII. 20.

21 Evil pursueth sinners: but to the righteous good shall be repayed.[a]

22 A good *man* leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner *is* laid up for the just.[b]

23 Much food *is in* the tillage of the poor: but there is *that is* destroyed for want of judgment.[c]

24 He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes.[d]

25 The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the wicked shall want.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

a Ps. xxxii. 10

f ch. xxiv. 3; Ruth iv. 11.

b ch xxviii 8, Job xxvii. 16, 17; Eccles. ii. 26.

c ch xii. 11.
g Job xii. 4.

d ch xix. 18; xxii. 15; xxiii. 13; xxix. 15, 17.
h ch. xii. 6.

e Ps. xxxiv. 10; xxxvii. 3.

CHAPTER XIV.

EVERY wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands.[f]

2 He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD: but *he that is* perverse in his ways despiseth him.[g]

3 In the mouth of the foolish *is* a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them.[h]

4 Where no oxen *are*, the crib *is* clean: but much increase *is* by the strength of the ox.

5 A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies.[a]

6 A scorner seeketh wisdom, and *findeth it* not: but knowledge *is* easy unto him that understandeth.[b]

7 Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not *in him* the lips of knowledge.

8 The wisdom of the prudent *is* to understand his way: but the folly of fools *is* deceit.

9 Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous *there is* favour.[c]

10 The heart knoweth [1]his own bitterness; and a stranger doth not intermeddle with his joy.

11 The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish.[d]

12 There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death.[e]

13 Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that mirth *is* heaviness.[f]

14 The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man *shall be satisfied* from himself.[g]

15 The simple believeth every word: but the prudent *man* looketh well to his going.

16 A wise *man* feareth, and departeth from evil: but the fool rageth, and is confident.[h]

17 *He that is* soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.

18 The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

19 The evil bow before the good; and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.

20 The poor is hated even of his own neighbour: but [2]the rich *hath* many friends.[i]

21 He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth: but he that hath mercy on the poor, happy *is* he.[j]

22 Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy and truth *shall be* to them that devise good.

23 In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips *tendeth* only to penury.

24 The crown of the wise *is* their riches: *but* the foolishness of fools *is* folly.

25 A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful *witness* speaketh lies.[k]

26 In the fear of the LORD *is* strong confidence: and his children shall have a place of refuge.

27 The fear of the LORD *is* a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.[l]

28 In the multitude of people *is* the king's honour: but in the want of people *is* the destruction of the prince.

29 *He that is* slow to wrath *is* of great understanding: but *he that is* [3]hasty of spirit exalteth folly.[m]

30 A sound heart *is* the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones.[n]

31 He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor.[o]

32 The wicked is driven away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death.[p]

33 Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understanding: but *that which is* in the midst of fools is made known.[q]

34 Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin *is a* reproach [4]to any people.

35 The king's favour *is* toward a wise servant: but his wrath is *against* him that causeth shame.[r]

CHAPTER XV.

A SOFT answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.[s]

2 The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools [5]poureth out foolishness.[t]

3 The eyes of the LORD *are* in every place, beholding the evil and the good.[u]

4 [6]A wholesome tongue *is* a tree of life: but perverseness therein *is a* breach in the spirit.

5 A fool despiseth his father's instruction: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent.[v]

6 In the house of the righteous *is* much treasure: but in the revenues of the wicked is trouble.

7 The lips of the wise disperse knowledge: but the heart of the foolish *doeth* not so.

8 The sacrifice of the wicked *is* an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright *is* his delight.[w]

9 The way of the wicked *is* an abomination unto the LORD: but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness.[x]

10 [7]Correction *is* grievous unto him that forsaketh the way: *and* he that hateth reproof shall die.[y]

11 Hell and destruction *are* before the LORD: how much more then the hearts of the children of men?[z]

12 A scorner loveth not one that reproveth him: neither will he go unto the wise.[a]

13 A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.[b]

14 The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness.

15 All the days of the afflicted *are* evil: but he that is of a merry heart *hath* a continual feast.[c]

16 Better *is* little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble therewith.[d]

17 Better *is* a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith.[e]

18 A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but *he that is* slow to anger appeaseth strife.[f]

19 The way of the slothful *man is* as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the righteous [8]*is* made plain.[g]

20 A wise son maketh a glad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother.[h]

21 Folly *is* joy to *him that is* [9]destitute of wisdom: but a man of understanding walketh uprightly.[i]

22 Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.[j]

23 A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word *spoken* [10]in due season how good *is it!*[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

a ver. 25; ch. vi. 19, xii. 17, Exod. xx 16; xxiii. 1.
4 Heb. *to nations*
b ch viii 9; xvii 24.
r Matt. xxiv. 45, 47
s ch xxv 15, Judg viii 1—3, 1 Sam xxv 10, &c., 1 Kings xii 13, 14, 16
c ch. x 23
1 Heb *the bitterness of his soul.*
5 Heb *bekheth*, or, *bubbleth.*
t ver 28, ch. xii. 23; xiii 16.
d Job viii 15.
u ch v 21; Job xxxiv 21, Jer. xvi 17, xxxii. 19, Heb. iv 13
e ch xvi. 25, Rom. vi 21
6 Heb *The healing of the tongue*
f ch v 4, Eccles. ii 2
v vs 31, 32, ch xxi 18
g ch. i 31, xii 14
h ch xxii. 3
w ch xxi 27, xxviii 9, Isa i 11, lxi 8, lxvi 3, Jer vi 20, vii. 22, Amos v 22
x ch xxi. 21, 1 Tim. vi 11
7 Or, *Instruction*
y ch v 12, x 17, 1 Kings xxii. 8.
2 Heb *many are the lovers of the rich*
i ch xix 7.
z Job xxvi 6, Ps vii 9, xliv 21, cxxxix 8, John ii 24, 25, xxi 17, Acts i 24
j Ps xli 1, cxii 9
a Amos v 10, 2 Tim iv 3
b ch. xii 25, xvii 22.
k ver 5
c ch xvii 22
d ch xvi 8, Ps xxxvii 16, 1 Tim vi 6
l ch. xiii 14
e ch xvii 1
f ch xxvi 21, xxix 22
3 Heb *short of spirit*
m ch xvi 32; James i 19
8 Heb *is raised up as a causey.*
g ch xxii. 5
n ch xii. 4, Ps. cxii 10
h ch. x. 1, xxix. 3.
9 Heb *void of heart*
o ch xvii 5; xxii 2, Job xxxi 15, 16; Matt. xxv. 40, 45.
i ch x. 23, Eph v 15.
p Job xiii. 15, xix 26; Ps. xxxvi 4; xxxvii. 37; 2 Cor i 9; v 8, 2 Tim. iv 18.
j ch xi. 14, xx. 18.
q ch xii 16, xxix. 11.
10 Heb. *in his season.*
k ch. xxv. 11.



"THE EVIL BOW BEFORE THE GOOD; AND THE WICKED AT THE GATES OF THE RIGHTEOUS."—PROV. XIV. 19.

and a man of understanding is of [1]an excellent spirit.[a]

28 Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: *and* he that shutteth his lips *is esteemed* a man of understanding.[b]

CHAPTER XVIII.

THROUGH[2] desire a man, having separated himself, seeketh *and* intermeddleth with all wisdom.[c]

2 A fool hath no delight in understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

3 When the wicked cometh, *then* cometh also contempt, and with ignominy reproach.

4 The words of a man's mouth *are as* deep waters, *and* the wellspring of wisdom *as* a flowing brook.[d]

5 *It is* not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in judgment.[e]

6 A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.

7 A fool's mouth *is* his destruction, and his lips *are* the snare of his soul.[f]

8 The words of a [3]talebearer *are* [4]as wounds, and they go down into the [5]innermost parts of the belly.[g]

9 He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.[h]

10 The name of the LORD *is* a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and [6]is safe.[i]

11 The rich man's wealth *is* his strong city, and as an high wall in his own conceit.[j]

12 Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour *is* humility.[k]

13 He that [7]answereth a matter before he heareth *it*, it *is* folly and shame unto him.[l]

14 The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?

15 The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and the ear of the wise seeketh knowledge.

16 A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.[m]

17 *He that is* first in his own cause *seemeth* just; but his neighbour cometh and searcheth him.

18 The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty.

19 A brother offended *is harder to be won* than a strong city: and *their* contentions *are* like the bars of a castle.

20 A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; *and* with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.[n]

21 Death and life *are* in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.[o]

22 *Whoso* findeth a wife findeth a good *thing*, and obtaineth favour of the LORD.[p]

23 The poor useth intreaties; but the rich answereth roughly.[q]

24 A man *that hath* friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend *that* sticketh closer than a brother.[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

1 Or, *a cool spirit.*

a James i. 19.

b Job xiii. 5.

c ch. xxviii. 6.

2 Or, *He that separateth himself seeketh according to his desire, and intermeddleth in every business.*

c Jude 19.

d Ps. xxxvii. 7

e ch. xiv. 20.

3 Heb. *held innocent.*

f ver. 9; ch. vi. 19; xxi. 28; Exod. xxiii. 1.

d ch. x. 11; xx. 5; Ps. lxxviii 2.

4 Heb. *a man of gifts.*

g ch. xvii. 8; xviii. 16; xxi. 14; xxix. 20.

e ch. xxiv. 23; xxviii. 21; Lev. xix 15; Deut. i. 17; xvi. 19

x ch xiv. 20; Ps. xxxviii 11

10 Heb. *an heart.*

y ch. xvi 20

f ch x. 14; xii 13; xiii. 3; Eccles. x 12.

3 Or, *whisperer.*

4 Or, *like as when men are wounded*

s ver. 5.

5 Heb *chambers.*

g ch. xii. 18, xxvi 22

a ch. xxx. 22, Eccles. x. 6, 7

h ch. xxviii. 24.

11 Or, *prudence*

b ch xiv 29; James i 19.

6 Heb *is set aloft.*

i 2 Sam xxii 3, 51, Ps xviii 2, xxvii 1, lxi 3, 4, xci 2, cxliv 2

c ch. xvi 14, 15, xx 2, xxviii. 15, Hos xiv. 5

j ch x 15.

d ch x 1; xv 20, xvii 21, 25, xxi. 9, 19, xxvii 15

k ch xi. 2; xv 33; xvi 18

7 Heb *returneth a word.*

e ch xviii. 22, 2 Cor xii. 14

l John vii 51

f ch x 4, xx 13

g Luke x 28; xi 28

m ch xvii 8, xxi 14

12 Or, *his deed*

h ch xxviii 27; Eccles xi 1, Matt x 42, xxv 40, 2 Cor ix 6—8, Heb vi 10

13 Or, *to his destruction*, or, *to cause him to die*

i ch xiii 24; xxiii. 13; xxix 17.

14 Heb. *add*

j Ps xxxvii. 37.

k ch. xvi. 1, 9; Job xxiii. 13; Ps. xxxiii 10, 11; Isa. xiv 26, 27; xlvi 10; Acts v. 39; Heb. vi. 17.

n ch. xii. 14; xiii. 2.

o Matt xii. 37.

p ch xix. 14; xxxi. 10.

l 1 Tim. iv. 8.

q James ii. 3.

m ch xv. 19; xxvi 13, 15.

15 Heb. *will be cunning.*

r ch. xvii. 17.

n ch. ix. 8; xxi. 11; Deut. xiii. 11.

CHAPTER XIX.

BETTER *is* the poor that walketh in his integrity, than *he that is* perverse in his lips, and is a fool.[s]

2 Also, *that* the soul *be* without knowledge, *it is* not good; and he that hasteth with *his* feet sinneth.

3 The foolishness of man perverteth his way: and his heart fretteth against the LORD.[t]

4 Wealth maketh many friends; but the poor is separated from his neighbour.[u]

5 A false witness shall not be [8]unpunished, and *he that* speaketh lies shall not escape.[v]

6 Many will intreat the favour of the prince: and every man *is* a friend to [9]him that giveth gifts.[w]

7 All the brethren of the poor do hate him: how much more do his friends go far from him? he pursueth *them with* words, *yet* they *are* wanting *to him.*[x]

8 He that getteth [10]wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find good.[y]

9 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and *he that* speaketh lies shall perish.[z]

10 Delight is not seemly for a fool; much less for a servant to have rule over princes.[a]

11 The [11]discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and *it is* his glory to pass over a transgression.[b]

12 The king's wrath *is* as the roaring of a lion; but his favour *is* as dew upon the grass.[c]

13 A foolish son *is* the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife *are* a continual dropping.[d]

14 House and riches *are* the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife *is* from the LORD.[e]

15 Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger.[f]

16 He that keepeth the commandment keepeth his own soul; *but* he that despiseth his ways shall die.[g]

17 He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and [12]that which he hath given will he pay him again.[h]

18 Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare [13]for his crying.[i]

19 A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if thou deliver *him*, yet thou must [14]do it again.

20 Hear counsel, and receive instruction, that thou mayest be wise in thy latter end.[j]

21 *There are* many devices in a man's heart; nevertheless the counsel of the LORD, that shall stand.[k]

22 The desire of a man *is* his kindness: and a poor man *is* better than a liar.

23 The fear of the LORD *tendeth* to life: and *he that hath it* shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.[l]

24 A slothful *man* hideth his hand in *his* bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.[m]

25 Smite a scorner, and the simple [15]will beware: and reprove one that hath understanding, *and* he will understand knowledge.[n]



"IT IS NAUGHT, IT IS NAUGHT, SAITH THE BUYER"—PROV XX 14

26 He that wasteth *his* father, *and* chaseth away *his* mother, *is* a son that causeth shame, and bringeth reproach.[a]

27 Cease, my son, to hear the instruction *that causeth* to err from the words of knowledge.

28 [1]An ungodly witness scorneth judgment: and the mouth of the wicked devoureth iniquity.[b]

29 Judgments are prepared for scorners, and stripes for the back of fools.[c]

CHAPTER XX.

WINE *is* a mocker, strong drink *is* raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.[d]

2 The fear of a king *is* as the roaring of a lion: *whoso* provoketh him to anger sinneth *against* his own soul.[e]

3 *It is* an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.[f]

4 The sluggard will not plow by reason of the [2]cold; *therefore* shall he beg in harvest, and *have* nothing.[g]

5 Counsel in the heart of man *is like* deep water; but a man of understanding will draw it out.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000

3 Or, *bounty*
s ch xxv 14, Ps xli 1, Matt vi 2, Luke xviii 8, 11
a ch xvii 2.
t Ps xxxvii 26, cxii 2
1 Heb *A witness of Belial*
k ver 26
b Job xv 16, xx 12, 13, xxxiv 7
l 1 Kings viii 46, 2 Chron vi 36, Job xiv 4, Ps li 5, Eccles vii 20; 1 Cor iv 4, 1 John i 8
c ch x 13, xxvi 3
4 Heb *A stone and a stone.*
5 Heb. *an ephah and an ephah*
m ver 23; ch. xi 1; xvi 11, Deut. xxv 13, &c., Micah vi 10, 11
n Matt. vii. 16.
o Exod iv. 11; Ps. xciv 9.
d ch xxiii 29, 30; Gen ix 21; Isa. xxviii. 7; Hos iv. 11.
p ch vi 9. xii. 11; xix. 15; Rom. xii. 11.
e ch viii 36; xvi. 14; xix. 12
q ch iii 15; viii. 11; Job xxviii. 12, 16—19
f ch xvii. 14
r ch xxii. 26, 27; xxvii 13
6 *Bread of lying*, or, *falsehood.*
2 Or, *winter*
s ch ix 17.
g ch x. 4, xix. 15, 24.
t ch. xv 22; xxiv 6, Luke xiv. 31.
h ch. xviii. 4.

6 Most men will proclaim every one his own [3]goodness: but a faithful man who can find?[i]

7 The just *man* walketh in his integrity: his children *are* blessed after him.[j]

8 A king that sitteth in the throne of judgment scattereth away all evil with his eyes.[k]

9 Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?[l]

10 [4]Divers weights, *and* [5]divers measures, both of them *are* alike abomination to the LORD.[m]

11 Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work *be* pure, and whether *it be* right.[n]

12 The hearing ear, and the seeing eye, the LORD hath made even both of them.[o]

13 Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, *and* thou shalt be satisfied with bread.[p]

14 *It is* naught, *it is* naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth.

15 There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge *are* a precious jewel.[q]

16 Take his garment that is surety *for* a stranger: and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.[r]

17 [6]Bread of deceit *is* sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel.[s]

18 *Every* purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war.[t]

19 He that goeth about *as* a talebearer revealeth

secrets: therefore meddle not with him that [1]flattereth with his lips.[a]

20 Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his [2]lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness.[b]

21 An inheritance *may be* gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed.[c]

22 Say not thou, I will recompense evil; *but* wait on the LORD, and he shall save thee.[d]

23 Divers weights *are* an abomination unto the LORD; and [3]a false balance *is* not good.[e]

24 Man's goings *are* of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way?[f]

25 *It is* a snare to the man *who* devoureth *that which is* holy, and after vows to make enquiry.[g]

26 A wise king scattereth the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them.[h]

27 The spirit of man *is* the [4]candle of the LORD, searching all the inward parts of the belly.[i]

28 Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy.[j]

29 The glory of young men *is* their strength: and the beauty of old men *is* the grey head.[k]

30 The blueness of a wound [5]cleanseth away evil: so *do* stripes the inward parts of the belly.

CHAPTER XXI.

THE king's heart *is* in the hand of the LORD, *as* the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will.

2 Every way of a man *is* right in his own eyes: but the LORD pondereth the hearts.[l]

3 To do justice and judgment *is* more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.[m]

4 [6]An high look, and a proud heart, *and* [7]the plowing of the wicked, *is* sin.[n]

5 The thoughts of the diligent *tend* only to plenteousness; but of every one *that is* hasty only to want.[o]

6 The getting of treasures by a lying tongue *is* a vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.[p]

7 The robbery of the wicked shall [8]destroy them; because they refuse to do judgment.

8 The way of man *is* froward and strange: but *as for* the pure, his work *is* right.

9 *It is* better to dwell in a corner of the housetop, than with [9]a brawling woman in [10]a wide house.[q]

10 The soul of the wicked desireth evil: his neighbour [11]findeth no favour in his eyes.[r]

11 When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when the wise is instructed, he receiveth knowledge.[s]

12 The righteous *man* wisely considereth the house of the wicked: *but God* overthroweth the wicked for *their* wickedness.

13 Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard.[t]

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

1 Or, *enticeth.*
a ch. xi. 13; Rom. xvi. 18.
u ch. xvii. 8, 23; xviii. 16.
2 Or, *candle.*
b ch. xxiv. 20; Exod. xxi. 17; Lev. xx. 9; Job xviii. 5, 6; Matt. xv. 4.
v ch. x. 29.
c ch xxviii. 20; Hab. ii. 6.
d ch. xvii. 13; xxiv 29 Deut. xxxii. 35; 2 Sam. xvi. 12; Rom. xii. 17, 19, 1 Thess v. 15; 1 Peter iii 9.
12 Or, *sport.*
3 Heb *balances of deceit.*
e ver. 10
w ch xi. 8; Isa. xliii. 3, 4.
f ch. xvi. 9; Ps. xxxvii. 23; Jer x. 33.
13 Heb. *in the land of the desert.*
x ver. 9.
g Eccles. v 4, 5.
h ver 8; Ps. ci. 5, &c.
y Ps. cxii. 3; Matt. xxv. 3, 4.
4 Or, *lamp.*
i 1 Cor. ii. 11.
z ch. xv. 9; Matt. v. 6.
j ch xxix. 14; Ps ci. 1.
a Eccles. ix. 14, &c.
k ch xvi. 31.
5 Heb *is a purging medicine against evil*
b ch xii 13; xiii 3, xviii.21, James iii 2
14 Heb. *in the wrath of pride.*
c ch. xiii. 4.
d Ps xxxvii 26; cxii. 9
15 Heb *in wickedness?*
e ch xv 8, Ps l 9, Isa lxvi 3, Jer vi 20, Amos v 22
16 Heb *A witness of lies*
l ch xvi 2, xxiv 2; Luke xvi. 15
17 Or, *considereth*
m ch xv 8, 1 Sam xv 22, Ps l 8, Isa i 11, &c., Hos vi 6, Micah vi 7, 8
6 Heb *Haughtiness of eyes*
f Isa viii 9, 10, Jer ix 23, Acts v 39
7 Or, *the light of the wicked*
n ch vi 17
18 Or, *victory*
g Ps iii. 8, xx. 7, xxxiii 17, Isa xxxi 1
o ch x. 4, xiii 4
p ch x 2, xiii 11, xx 21, 2 Peter ii 3
8 Heb *saw them*, or, *dwell with them*
19 Or, *favour is better than*, &c., Eccles vii 8
h ch xiv 31, xxix. 13, Job xxxi 15
9 Heb *a woman of contentions*
10 Heb *an house of society*
q ver 19; ch xix. 13; xxv. 24, xxvii 15
11 Heb *is not favoured*
r James iv 5
s ch xiv 16; xxviii. 12.
20 Or, *The reward of humility*, &c
s ch xix 25
j Ps cxii. 3, Matt. vi. 33
k ch xv. 19; 1 John v. 18
21 Or, *Catechise.*
22 Heb. *in his way.*
l Eph vi. 4; 2 Tim iii 15.
t Matt vii. 2; xviii. 30, &c., James ii 13.
23 Heb. *to the man that lendeth.*
m James ii. 6.

14 A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.[u]

15 *It is* joy to the just to do judgment: but destruction *shall be* to the workers of iniquity.[v]

16 The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.

17 He that loveth [12]pleasure *shall be* a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.

18 The wicked *shall be* a ransom for the righteous, and the transgressor for the upright.[w]

19 *It is* better to dwell [13]in the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.[x]

20 *There is* treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.[y]

21 He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour.[z]

22 A wise *man* scaleth the city of the mighty, and casteth down the strength of the confidence thereof.[a]

23 Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.[b]

24 Proud *and* haughty scorner *is* his name, who dealeth [14]in proud wrath.

25 The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.[c]

26 He coveteth greedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth and spareth not.[d]

27 The sacrifice of the wicked *is* abomination: how much more, *when* he bringeth it [15]with a wicked mind?[e]

28 [16]A false witness shall perish: but the man that heareth speaketh constantly.

29 A wicked man hardeneth his face: but *as for* the upright, he [17]directeth his way.

30 *There is* no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD.[f]

31 The horse *is* prepared against the day of battle: but [18]safety *is* of the LORD.[g]

CHAPTER XXII.



GOOD name *is* rather to be chosen than great riches, *and* [19]loving favour rather than silver and gold.

2 The rich and poor meet together: the LORD *is* the maker of them all.[h]

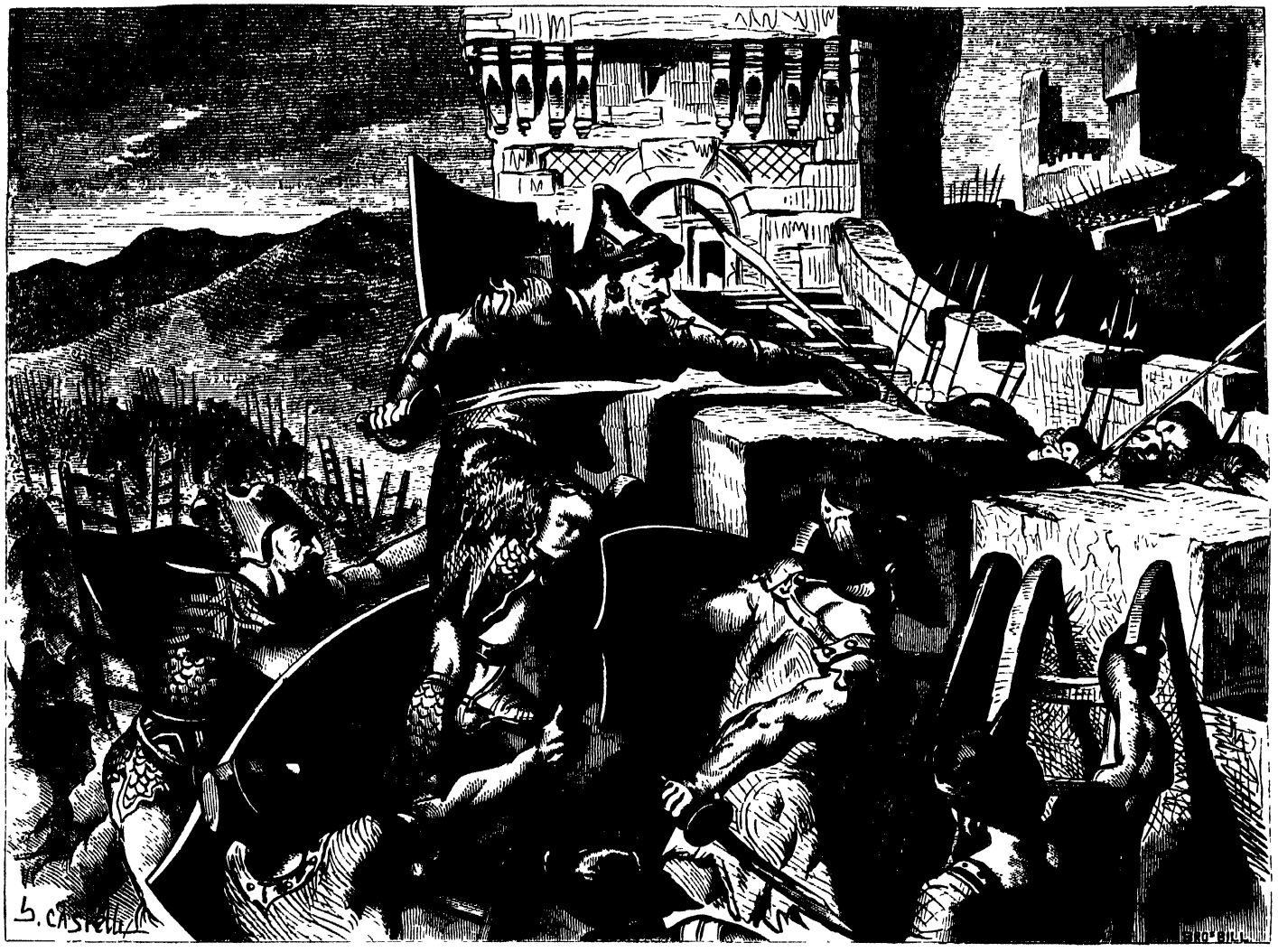
3 A prudent *man* foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.[i]

4 [20]By humility *and* the fear of the LORD *are* riches, and honour, and life.[j]

5 Thorns *and* snares *are* in the way of the froward: he that doth keep his soul shall be far from them.[k]

6 [21]Train up a child [22]in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.[l]

7 The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower *is* servant [23]to the lender.[m]



"A WISE MAN SCALETH THE CITY OF THE MIGHTY."—PROV. XXI. 22.

8 He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: [1]and the rod of his anger shall fail.[a]

9 [2]He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor.[b]

10 Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.[c]

11 He that loveth pureness of heart, [3]*for* the grace of his lips the king *shall be* his friend.[d]

12 The eyes of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth [4]the words of the transgressor.

13 The slothful *man* saith, *There is* a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.[e]

14 The mouth of strange women *is* a deep pit: he that is abhorred of the LORD shall fall therein.[f]

15 Foolishness *is* bound in the heart of a child; *but* the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.[g]

16 He that oppresseth the poor to increase his *riches, and* he that giveth to the rich, *shall* surely *come* to want.

17 Bow down thine ear, and hear the words of the wise, and apply thine heart unto my knowledge.

18 For *it is* a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee; they shall withal be fitted in thy lips.

BEFORE CHRIST 1000

1 Or, *and with the rod of his anger he shall be consumed*

a Job iv 8; Hos. x 13

5 Or, trust *thou also*

2 Heb. *Good of eye.*

b 2 Cor ix 6.
h ch viii 6

c Gen xxi 9, 10, Ps ci 5

3 Or, *and hath grace in his lips*

6 Or, *to those that send thee?*

i Luke i 3, 4, 1 Peter iii 15.

d ch xvi 13; Ps. ci 6.

e Exod. xxiii. 6, Job xxxi. 16, 21, Zech. vii 10, Mal. iii 5.

4 Or, *the matters.*

k ch xxiii 11; 1 Sam. xxiv 12, xxv 39, Ps xii 5; xxxv. 1, 10, lxviii 5; cxl. 12, Jer li 36.

e ch xxvi. 13.

f ch. ii 16; v 3; vii. 5; xxiii 27, Eccles. vii. 26

g ch xiii 24; xix. 18; xxiii 13, 14, xxix 15, 17.

l ch vi. 1, xi. 15.

m ch xx 16.

7 Or, *bound*

n ch xxiii 10; Deut. xix 14, xxvii. 17

8 Heb. *obscure men.*

19 That thy trust may be in the LORD, I have made known to thee this day, [5]even to thee.

20 Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge,[h]

21 That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth [6]to them that send unto thee?[i]

22 Rob not the poor, because he *is* poor: neither oppress the afflicted in the gate:[j]

23 For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them.[k]

24 Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go:

25 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.

26 Be not thou *one* of them that strike hands, *or* of them that are sureties for debts.[l]

27 If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from under thee?[m]

28 Remove not the ancient [7]landmark, which thy fathers have set.[n]

29 Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before [8]mean *men.*

CHAPTER XXIII.

WHEN thou sittest to eat with a ruler, consider diligently what *is* before thee:

2 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou *be* a man given to appetite.

3 Be not desirous of his dainties: for they *are* deceitful meat.

4 Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.[a]

5 [1]Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for *riches* certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven.

6 Eat thou not the bread of *him that hath* an evil eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats:[b]

7 For as he thinketh in his heart, so *is* he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart *is* not with thee.[c]

8 The morsel *which* thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words.

9 Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words.[d]

10 Remove not the old [2]landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless:[e]

11 For their redeemer *is* mighty; he shall plead their cause with thee.[f]

12 Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine ears to the words of knowledge.

13 Withhold not correction from the child: for *if* thou beatest him with the rod, he shall not die.[g]

14 Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell.[h]

15 My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice, [3]even mine.[i]

16 Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things.

17 Let not thine heart envy sinners: but *be thou* in the fear of the LORD all the day long.[j]

18 For surely there is an [4]end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.[k]

19 Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way.[l]

20 Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters [5]of flesh:[m]

21 For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe *a man* with rags.[n]

22 Hearken unto thy father that begat thee, and despise not thy mother when she is old.[o]

23 Buy the truth, and sell *it* not; *also* wisdom, and instruction, and understanding.[p]

24 The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that begetteth a wise *child* shall have joy of him.[q]

25 Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice.

26 My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.

BEFORE CHRIST 1000

r ch. xxii. 14.

6 Or, *as a robber.*

s ch. vii. 12; Eccles. vii. 26.

t Gen. xlix. 12; Isa. v. 11, 22.

u ch. ix. 2; xx. 1; Ps. lxxv. 8; Eph. v. 18.

a ch. iii. 5; xxviii. 20; Rom. xii. 16; 1 Tim. vi. 9, 10.

1 Heb. *Wilt thou cause thine eyes to fly upon?*

7 Or, *a cockatrice.*

8 Heb. *in the heart of the sea.*

b Deut. xv. 9; Ps. cxii. 4.

9 Heb. *I knew it not.*

c Ps. xii. 2.

v ch. xxvii. 22; Deut. xxix. 19; Isa. lvi. 12; Jer. v. 3.

d ch. ix. 8; Matt. vii. 6.

2 Or, *bound.*

e ch xxii. 28; Deut. xix. 14; xxvii. 17.

w ver. 19; ch. i. 15; iii. 31; xxiii. 17; xxxvii. 1, &c.

f ch. xxii. 23; Job xxxi. 21.

x Ps. x. 7.

g ch xiii. 24; xix. 18; xxii. 15; xxix. 15, 17.

h 1 Cor v. 5.

3 Or, *even I* will rejoice

i vs. 24, 25; ch xxix 3

10 Heb *is in strength*

11 Heb *strengtheneth might*

y ch. xxi 22, Eccles ix 16

z ch xi 14; xv 22, xx. 18, Luke xiv.31

j ch. iii 31, xxiv 1, xxviii. 14, Ps xxxvii 1, lxxiii 3

4 Or, *reward*

a ch xiv 6; Ps x. 5

k ch xxiv 14, Ps xxxvii 37, Luke xvi 25

b Rom i 30

l ch. iv 23

5 Heb *of their flesh.*

m Isa. v 22; Matt. xxiv. 49, Luke xxi 34, Rom xiii 13, Eph v 18.

12 Heb *narrow*

n ch xix. 15.

c Ps lxxxii 4; Isa. lviii 6, 7; 1 John iii 16

o ch i 8, xxx. 17; Eph. vi 1, 2.

p ch iv 5, 7; Matt. xiii. 44

d ch xxi. 2; Job xxxiv 11; Ps lxii. 12; Jer. xxxii. 19; Rom ii. 6; Rev. ii. 23, xxii. 12.

13 Heb. *upon thy palate*

e Cant. v 1

q ver. 15, ch. x 1; xv 20.

f ch xxiii 18, Ps. xix. 10; cxix. 103.

g Ps x. 9. 10.

27 For a whore *is* a deep ditch; and a strange woman *is* a narrow pit.[r]

28 She also lieth in wait [6]as *for* a prey, and increaseth the transgressors among men.[s]

29 Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?[t]

30 They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.[u]

31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, *when* it moveth itself aright.

32 At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like [7]an adder.

33 Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things.

34 Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down [8]in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast.

35 They have stricken me, *shalt thou say, and* I was not sick; they have beaten me, *and* [9]I felt *it* not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again.[v]

CHAPTER XXIV.

BE not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with them.[w]

2 For their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talk of mischief.[x]

3 Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established:

4 And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches.

5 A wise man [10]*is* strong; yea, a man of knowledge [11]increaseth strength.[y]

6 For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counsellors *there is* safety.[z]

7 Wisdom *is* too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.[a]

8 He that deviseth to do evil shall be called a mischievous person.[b]

9 The thought of foolishness *is* sin: and the scorner *is* an abomination to men.

10 *If* thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength *is* [12]small.

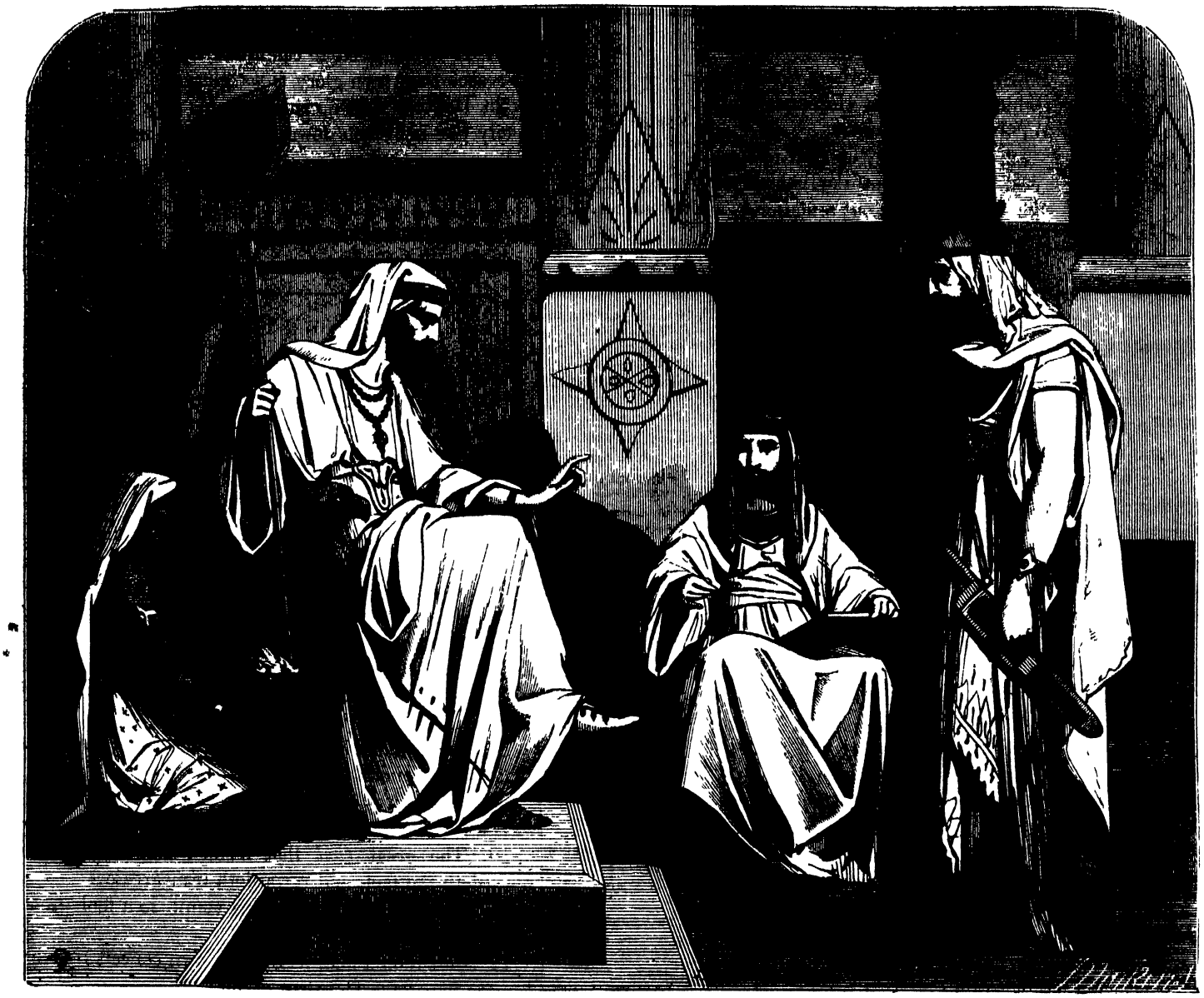
11 If thou forbear to deliver *them that are* drawn unto death, and *those that are* ready to be slain;[c]

12 If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider *it?* and he that keepeth thy soul, doth *not* he know *it?* and shall *not* he render to *every* man according to his works?[d]

13 My son, eat thou honey, because *it is* good; and the honeycomb, *which is* sweet [13]to thy taste:[e]

14 So *shall* the knowledge of wisdom *be* unto thy soul: when thou hast found *it*, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not be cut off.[f]

15 Lay not wait, O wicked *man*, against the dwelling of the righteous; spoil not his resting place:[g]



"THE HONOUR OF KINGS IS TO SEARCH OUT A MATTER."—PROV. XXV. 2.

16 For a just *man* falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.[a]

17 Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth:[b]

18 Lest the LORD see *it*, and [1]it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him.

19 [2]Fret not thyself because of evil *men*, neither be thou envious at the wicked;[c]

20 For there shall be no reward to the evil *man*; the [3]candle of the wicked shall be put out.[d]

21 My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: *and* meddle not with [4]them that are given to change:[e]

22 For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who knoweth the ruin of them both?

23 These *things* also *belong* to the wise. *It is* not good to have respect of persons in judgment.[f]

24 He that saith unto the wicked, Thou *art* righteous; him shall the people curse, nations shall abhor him:[g]

25 But to them that rebuke *him* shall be delight, and [5]a good blessing shall come upon them.

BEFORE CHRIST 1000.

6 Heb. *that answereth right words.*

a Esth vii 10; Job v 19; Ps. xxxiv. 19; xxxvii. 24, Amos v 2, viii. 14; Micah vii. 8; Rev. xviii. 21

b ch. xvii. 5; Job xxxi. 29; Ps. xxxv. 15, 19; Obad. 12.

1 Heb *it be evil in his eyes.*

h 1 Kings v. 17, 18; Luke xiv 28.

2 Or, *Keep not company with the wicked.*

i Eph. iv. 25.

c ver 1; ch. xxiii. 17; Ps. xxxvii. 1; lxxiii. 3.

3 Or, *lamp.*

d ch xiii. 9; xx. 20; Job xviii. 5, 6; xxi. 17; Ps. xi. 6

j ch. xx. 22; Matt. v. 39, 44; Rom. xii. 17, 19.

4 Heb. *changers.*

e Rom. xiii. 7; 1 Peter ii. 17.

k Gen. iii. 18.

f ch. xviii. 5; xxviii. 21; Lev. xix. 15; Deut. i. 17; xvi. 19; John vii. 24.

7 Heb. *set my heart.*

g ch. xvii. 15; Isa. v. 23.

l ch. vi. 9, &c.

5 Heb. *a blessing of good.*

8 Heb. *a man of shield.*

26 *Every man* shall *kiss* his lips [6]that giveth a right answer.

27 Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the field; and afterwards build thine house.[h]

28 Be not a witness against thy neighbour without cause; and deceive *not* with thy lips.[i]

29 Say not, I will do so to him as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.[j]

30 I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;

31 And, lo, it was all grown over with thorns, *and* nettles had covered the face thereof, and the stone wall thereof was broken down.[k]

32 Then I saw, *and* [7]considered *it* well: I looked upon *it*, *and* received instruction.

33 *Yet* a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep:[l]

34 So shall thy poverty come *as* one that travelleth; and thy want as [8]an armed man.

CHAPTER XXV.

1 Observations about kings, 8 and about avoiding causes of quarrels, and sundry causes thereof.

THESE *are* also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out.[a]

2 *It is* the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings *is* to search out a matter.[b]

3 The heaven for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of kings [1]*is* unsearchable.

4 Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer.[c]

5 Take away the wicked *from* before the king, and his throne shall be established in righteousness.[d]

6 [2]Put not forth thyself in the presence of the king, and stand not in the place of great *men:*

7 For better *it is* that it be said unto thee, Come up hither; than that thou shouldest be put lower in the presence of the prince whom thine eyes have seen.[e]

8 Go not forth hastily to strive, lest *thou know not* what to do in the end thereof, when thy neighbour hath put thee to shame.[f]

9 Debate thy cause with thy neighbour *himself;* and [3]discover not a secret to another:[g]

10 Lest he that heareth *it* put thee to shame, and thine infamy turn not away.

11 A word [4]fitly spoken *is like* apples of gold in pictures of silver.[h]

12 *As* an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, *so is* a wise reprover upon an obedient ear.

13 As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, *so is* a faithful messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soul of his masters.[i]

14 Whoso boasteth himself [5]of a false gift *is like* clouds and wind without rain.[j]

15 By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.[k]

16 Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.[l]

17 [6]Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be [7]weary of thee, and *so* hate thee.

18 A man that beareth false witness against his neighbour *is* a maul, and a sword, and a sharp arrow.[m]

19 Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble *is like* a broken tooth, and a foot out of joint.

20 *As* he that taketh away a garment in cold weather, *and as* vinegar upon nitre, so *is* he that singeth songs to an heavy heart.[n]

21 If thine enemy be hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:[o]

22 For thou shalt heap coals of fire upon his head, and the LORD shall reward thee.[p]

23 [8]The north wind driveth away rain: so *doth* an angry countenance a backbiting tongue.[q]

24 *It is* better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman and in a wide house.[r]

25 *As* cold waters to a thirsty soul, so *is* good news from a far country.

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

s ver. 16; ch. xxvii. 2.

a 1 Kings iv. 32.
t ch. xvi. 32.

b Deut. xxix. 29; Job xxix. 16; Rom. xi. 33.

1 Heb. *there is no searching.*
u 1 Sam. xii. 17.

c 2 Tim. ii. 21.

d ch. xvi. 12; xx. 8; xxix. 14

2 Heb *Set not out thy glory.*
v Numb. xxiii. 8; Deut. xxiii. 5.
w ch. x. 18; Ps. xxxii. 9.

e Luke xiv. 8—10.

f ch. xvii. 14; Matt. v. 25.

9 Heb, *his own eyes.*
x Matt. xvi. 1—4, &c.; xxi. 24—27.

3 Or, *discover not the secret of another.*

g Matt. v. 25; xviii. 15.

10 Or, *violence.*

11 Heb. *are lifted up.*

4 Heb. *spoken upon his wheels.*

19 Or, *As he that putteth a precious stone in an heap of stones.*

h ch. xv. 23; Isa. l. 4

18 Or, *A great man grieveth all, and he hireth the fool, he hireth also transgressors.*

14 Heb. *iterateth his folly.*

i ch. xiii. 17.
y Exod. viii. 15; 2 Peter ii. 22.

5 Heb *in a gift of falsehood.*

j ch. xx. 6; Jude 12.
z ch xxix. 20; Luke xviii. 11; Rom. xii. 16; Rev iii. 17.

k ch xv 1; xvi 14, Gen xxxii 4, &c., 1 Sam xxv 24, &c.
a ch. xxii 13.

l ver 27

15 Or, *he is weary*

6 Or, *Let thy foot be seldom in thy neighbour's house.*
b ch xix. 24.

7 Heb *full of thee*

m ch xii 18, Ps. lvii. 4; cxx. 3, 4

16 Or, *is enraged.*

17 Heb *flames*, or, *sparks*

n Dan. vi. 18; Rom. xii. 15
c Eph. v. 4

o Exod xxiii. 4, 5; Matt v. 44; Rom. xii. 20.

18 Heb. *Without wood.*

19 Or, *whisperer.*

20 Heb *is silent.*
d ch. xxii. 10.

p 2 Sam xvi. 12.

8 Or, *The north wind bringeth forth rain: so doth a backbiting tongue an angry countenance.*
e ch. xv. 18; xxix. 22.

q Job xxxvii. 22; Ps. cl. 5.

21 Heb. *chambers.*

r ch. xix. 13; xxi. 9, 19.
f ch. xviii. 8.

26 A righteous man falling down before the wicked *is as* a troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring.

27 *It is* not good to eat much honey: so *for men* to search their own glory *is not* glory.[s]

28 He that *hath* no rule over his own spirit *is like* a city *that is* broken down, *and* without walls.[t]

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 Observations about fools, 13 about sluggards, 17 and about contentious busybodies.

AS snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honour is not seemly for a fool.[u]

2 As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.[v]

3 A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.[w]

4 Answer not a fool according to his folly, lest thou also be like unto him.

5 Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in [9]his own conceit.[x]

6 He that sendeth a message by the hand of a fool cutteth off the feet, *and* drinketh [10]damage.

7 The legs of the lame [11]are not equal: so *is* a parable in the mouth of fools.

8 [12]As he that bindeth a stone in a sling, so *is* he that giveth honour to a fool.

9 *As* a thorn goeth up into the hand of a drunkard, so *is* a parable in the mouth of fools.

10 [13]The great *God* that formed all *things* both rewardeth the fool, and rewardeth transgressors.

11 As a dog returneth to his vomit, *so* a fool [14]returneth to his folly.[y]

12 Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? *there is* more hope of a fool than of him.[z]

13 The slothful *man* saith, *There is* a lion in the way; a lion *is* in the streets.[a]

14 *As* the door turneth upon his hinges, so *doth* the slothful upon his bed.

15 The slothful hideth his hand in *his* bosom; [15]it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth.[b]

16 The sluggard *is* wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can render a reason.

17 He that passeth by, *and* [16]meddleth with strife *belonging* not to him, *is like* one that taketh a dog by the ears.

18 As a mad *man* who casteth [17]firebrands, arrows, and death,

19 So *is* the man *that* deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport?[c]

20 [18]Where no wood is, *there* the fire goeth out: so where *there is* no [19]talebearer, the strife [20]ceaseth.[d]

21 *As* coals *are* to burning coals, and wood to fire; so *is* a contentious man to kindle strife.[e]

22 The words of a talebearer *are* as wounds, and they go down into the [21]innermost parts of the belly.[f]

23 Burning lips and a wicked heart *are like* a potsherd covered with silver dross.



"THE WORDS OF A TALEBEARER ARE AS WOUNDS."—PROV. XXVI.

24 He that hateth [1]dissembleth with his lips, and layeth up deceit within him;

25 When he [2]speaketh fair, believe him not: for *there are* seven abominations in his heart.[a]

26 *Whose* [3]hatred is covered by deceit, his wickedness shall be shewed before the *whole* congregation.

27 Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him.[b]

28 A lying tongue hateth *those that are* afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *Observations of selflove, 5 of true love, 11 of care to avoid offences, 23 and of the houshold care.*

BOAST not thyself of [4]to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth.[c]

2 Let another man praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger, and not thine own lips.

3 A stone *is* [5]heavy, and the sand weighty; but a fool's wrath *is* heavier than them both.

4 [6]Wrath *is* cruel, and anger *is* outrageous; but who *is* able to stand before [7]envy?[d]

5 Open rebuke *is* better than secret love.[e]

6 Faithful *are* the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy *are* [8]deceitful.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

1 Or, *is known.*

9 Heb. *treadeth under foot.*

g Job vi. 7.

2 Heb *maketh his voice gracious*

a Ps xxviii 3; Jer. ix 8.

3 Or, *hatred is covered in secret.*

10 Heb. *from the counsel of the soul.*

b ch xxviii. 10; Ps. vii 15, 16, ix 15, x. 2; lvii 6, Eccles. x. 8.

h ch xvii. 17; xviii. 24; xix 7

i ch x 1; xxiii. 15, 24, Ps. cxxvii. 5.

j ch xxii. 3.

4 Heb. *to morrow day.*

k ch xx 16; Exod. xxii. 16.

c Luke xii. 19, 20; James iv. 13, &c.

l ch. xix. 13.

5 Heb *heaviness.*

6 Heb. *Wrath is cruelty, and anger an overflowing.*

7 Or, *jealousy?*

d ch. vi. 34; 1 John iii. 12

e ch. xxviii. 23; Gal. ii 14.

8 Or, *earnest*, or, *frequent*

f Ps cxli. 5.

m 1 Cor ix 7, 13.

7 The full soul [9]loatheth an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.[g]

8 As a bird that wandereth from her nest, so *is* a man that wandereth from his place.

9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so *doth* the sweetness of a man's friend [10]by hearty counsel.

10 Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: *for* better *is* a neighbour *that is* near than a brother far off.[h]

11 My son, be wise, and make my heart glad, that I may answer him that reproacheth me.[i]

12 A prudent *man* foreseeth the evil, *and* hideth himself; *but* the simple pass on, *and* are punished.[j]

13 Take his garment that is surety for a stranger, and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.[k]

14 He that blesseth his friend with a loud voice, rising early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.

15 A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.[l]

16 Whosoever hideth her hideth the wind, and the ointment of his right hand, *which* bewrayeth *itself.*

17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

18 Whoso keepeth the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof: so he that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.



HOUSEHOLD CARES.—PROV. XXVII 23—27.

19 As in water face *answereth* to face, so the heart of man to man.

20 Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.[a]

21 *As* the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold; so *is* a man to his praise.[b]

22 Though thou shouldest bray a fool in a mortar among wheat with a pestle, *yet* will not his foolishness depart from him.[c]

23 Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, *and* [1]look well to thy herds.

24 For [2]riches *are* not for ever: and doth the crown *endure* [3]to every generation?

25 The hay appeareth, and the tender grass sheweth itself, and herbs of the mountains are gathered.[d]

26 The lambs *are* for thy clothing, and the goats *are* the price of the field.

27 And *thou shalt have* goats' milk enough for thy food, for the food of thy household, and *for* [4]the maintenance for thy maidens.

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a ch xxx. 16; Eccles i. 8, vi 7, Hab ii. 5

e Lev. xxvi. 17, 36; Ps. liii. 5.

b ch. xvii. 3.

5 Or, *by men of understanding* and *wisdom shall they likewise be prolonged.*

c ch. xxiii. 35, Isa. i. 5; Jer v. 3.

1 Heb *set thy heart.*

2 Heb. *strength.*

3 Heb *to generation and generation?*

6 Heb. *without food.*

f Matt. xviii. 28.

g 1 Kings xviii. 18, 21; Ps. x. 3; xlix. 18; Matt. iii. 7; xiv. 4; Rom i. 32; Eph. v 11.

d Ps. civ. 14.

h Ps. xcii. 6; John vii. 17; 1 Cor ii 15; 1 John ii. 20, 27

4 Heb. *life.*

i ver. 18; ch. xix. 1.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

General observations of impiety and religious integrity.

THE wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion.[e]

2 For the transgression of a land many *are* the princes thereof: but [5]by a man of understanding *and* knowledge the state *thereof* shall be prolonged.

3 A poor man that oppresseth the poor *is like* a sweeping rain [6]which leaveth no food.[f]

4 They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law contend with them.[g]

5 Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all *things.*[h]

6 Better *is* the poor that walketh in his uprightness, than *he that is* perverse *in his* ways, though he *be* rich.[i]

7 Whoso keepeth the law *is* a wise son: but he



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KING JUDGING THE POOR.—PROV. XXIX. 14.

that [1]is a companion of riotous *men* shameth his father.[a]

8 He that by usury and [2]unjust gain increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor.[b]

9 He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer *shall be* abomination.[c]

10 Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his own pit: but the upright shall have good *things* in possession.[d]

11 The rich man *is* wise [3]in his own conceit; but the poor that hath understanding searcheth him out.

12 When righteous *men* do rejoice, *there is* great glory: but when the wicked rise, a man is [4]hidden.[e]

13 He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh *them* shall have mercy.[f]

14 Happy *is* the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief.[g]

15 *As* a roaring lion, and a ranging bear; *so is* a wicked ruler over the poor people.[h]

16 The prince that wanteth understanding *is* also a great oppressor: *but* he that hateth covetousness shall prolong *his* days.

17 A man that doeth violence to the blood of *any* person shall flee to the pit; let no man stay him.[i]

18 Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but *he that is* perverse *in his* ways shall fall at once.[j]

19 He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread: but he that followeth after vain *persons* shall have poverty enough.[k]

20 A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be [5]innocent.[l]

21 To have respect of persons *is* not good: for for a piece of bread *that* man will transgress.[m]

22 [6]He that hasteth to be rich *hath* an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him.[n]

23 He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favour than he that flattereth with the tongue.[o]

24 Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, *It is* no transgression; the same *is* the companion of [7]a destroyer.[p]

25 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.[q]

26 He that trusteth in his own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered.

27 He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse.[r]

28 When the wicked rise, men hide themselves: but when they perish, the righteous increase.[s]

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *Observations of publick government,* 15 *and of private.* 22 *Of anger, pride, thievery, cowardice, and corruption.*

HE,[8] that being often reproved hardeneth *his* neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy.[t]

2 When the righteous are [9]in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn.[u]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

1 Or, *feedeth gluttons.*
a ch. xxix. 3.
2 Heb. *by increase.*
b ch. v. 9, 10; vi. 26; xv. 20; xxvii. 11; xxviii. 7; Luke xv. 13, 30.
c ch. xiii. 22; Job xxvii. 16, 17; Eccles. ii. 26.
10 Heb. *a man of oblations.*
d ch. xv. 8; Ps. lxvi. 18; cix. 7; Zech. vii. 11.
3 Heb. *in his eyes.*
e Job xxix. 16; xxxi. 13; Ps. xii. 1.
11 Or, *set a city on fire.*
f ch. xi. 11; Ezek. xxii. 30.
4 Or, *sought for.*
g ver. 28; ch. xi. 10; xxix. 2.
h Matt. xi. 17.
12 Heb. *Men of blood.*
i Ps. xxxii. 3, 5; 1 John i. 8—10.
k Gen. iv. 5, 8; 1 John iii. 12.
j ch. xxiii. 17; Ps. xvi. 8; Rom. ii. 5; xi. 20.
a ch. xii. 16; xiv. 33; Judg. xvi. 17.
k Exod. i. 14, 16, 22; Matt. ii. 16; 1 Peter v. 8.
13 Or, *the usurer.*
b ch. xxii. 2; Matt. v. 45.
c ch. xx. 28; xxv. 5; Ps. lxxii. 2, 4, 13, 14.
l Gen. ix. 6; Exod. xxi. 14.
d ver. 17; ch. x. 1; xvii. 21, 25.
m ver 6; ch. x. 9, 25.
e Ps. xxxvii. 36; lviii. 10; xci. 8; xcii. 11.
n ch. xii. 11.
f ver. 15; ch. xiii. 24; xix. 18; xxii. 15; xxiii. 13, 14.
14 Or, *is made naked.*
5 Or, *unpunished.*
l ver 22; ch. xiii 11, xx. 21; xxiii. 4; 1 Tim. vi. 9.
g 1 Sam iii. 1; Amos viii. 11, 12, John xiii. 17; James i. 25.
m ch xviii. 5; xxiv. 23; Ezek. xiii. 19.
6 Or, *He that hath an evil eye hasteth to be rich.*
15 Or, *as his matters?*
h ch. xxvi. 12.
n ver. 20.
o ch. xxvii. 5, 6.
i ch. xv. 18; xxvi. 21.
7 Heb. *a man destroying.*
p ch. xviii. 9.
j ch. xv. 33; xviii. 12, Job xxii. 29; Isa. lxvi. 2; Dan. iv. 30, 31, &c; Matt. xxiii. 12; Luke xiv. 11; xviii. 14; Acts xii. 23; James iv. 6, 10; 1 Peter v. 5.
k Lev. v. 1.
q ch. xiii. 10; 1 Tim. vi. 6.
16 Heb. *shall be set on high.*
l Gen. xii. 12; xx. 2, 11.
17 Heb. *the face of a ruler.*
m ch. xix. 6; Ps. xx. 9.
r ch. xix. 17; xxii. 9; Deut. xv. 7, &c.
s ver. 12; ch. xxix. 2; Job xxiv. 4.
8 Heb. *A man of reproofs.*
t ch. i. 24—27; 1 Sam. ii. 25; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 16.
9 Or, *increased.*
n ch. xxxi. 1.
u ch. xi. 10; xxviii. 12, 28; Esth viii 15.
o Ps. lxxiii. 22.

3 Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father: but he that keepeth company with harlots spendeth *his* substance.[v]

4 The king by judgment establisheth the land: but [10]he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it.

5 A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.

6 In the transgression of an evil man *there is* a snare: but the righteous doth sing and rejoice.

7 The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: *but* the wicked regardeth not to know *it.*[w]

8 Scornful men [11]bring a city into a snare: but wise *men* turn away wrath.[x]

9 *If* a wise man contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh, *there is* no rest.[y]

10 [12]The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.[z]

11 A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise *man* keepeth it in till afterwards.[a]

12 If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants *are* wicked.

13 The poor and [13]the deceitful man meet together: the LORD lighteneth both their eyes.[b]

14 The king that faithfully judgeth the poor, his throne shall be established for ever.[c]

15 The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left *to himself* bringeth his mother to shame.[d]

16 When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the righteous shall see their fall.[e]

17 Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest: yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul.[f]

18 Where *there is* no vision, the people [14]perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy *is* he.[g]

19 A servant will not be corrected by words: for though he understand he will not answer.

20 Seest thou a man *that is* hasty [15]in his words? *there is* more hope of a fool than of him.[h]

21 He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child shall have him become *his* son at the length.

22 An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression.[i]

23 A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.[j]

24 Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth cursing, and bewrayeth *it* not.[k]

25 The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD [16]shall be safe.[l]

26 Many seek [17]the ruler's favour; but *every* man's judgment *cometh* from the LORD.[m]

27 An unjust man *is* an abomination to the just: and *he that is* upright in the way *is* abomination to the wicked.

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *Agur's confession of his faith.* 7 *The two points of his prayer.* 10 *The meanest are not to be wronged.* 11 *Four wicked generations.* 15 *Four things insatiable.* 17 *Parents are not to be despised.* 18 *Four things hard to be known.* 21 *Four things intolerable.* 24 *Four things exceeding wise.* 29 *Four things stately.* 32 *Wrath is to be prevented.*

THE words of Agur the son of Jakeh, *even* the prophecy: the man spake unto Ithiel, even unto Ithiel and Ucal,[n]

2 Surely I *am* more brutish than *any* man, and have not the understanding of a man.[o]

v ch. v. 9, 10; vi. 26; xv. 20; xxvii. 11; xxviii. 7; Luke xv. 13, 30.
w ch. xxix. 16; xxxi. 13; Ps. xii. 1.
11 Or, *set a city on fire.*
x ch. xi. 11; Ezek. xxii. 30.
y Matt. xi. 17.
12 Heb. *Men of blood.*
z Gen. iv. 5, 8; 1 John iii. 12.
a ch. xii. 16; xiv. 33; Judg. xvi. 17.
13 Or, *the usurer.*
b ch. xxii. 2; Matt. v. 45.
c ch. xx. 28; xxv. 5; Ps. lxxii. 2, 4, 13, 14.
d ver. 17; ch. x. 1; xvii. 21, 25.
e ver 6; ch. x. 9, 25.
f Ps. xxxvii. 36; lviii. 10; xci. 8; xcii. 11.
14 Or, *is made naked.*
g ver. 15; ch. xiii. 24; xix. 18; xxii. 15; xxiii. 13, 14.
15 Or, *in his words?*
h ch. xxvi. 12.
i ver. 20.
k ch. xxvii. 5, 6.
l ch. xv. 18; xxvi. 21.
16 Heb. *shall be set on high.*
m Gen. xii. 12; xx. 2, 11.
17 Heb. *the face of a ruler.*
n ch. xix. 6; Ps. xx. 9.
o ch. xix. 17; xxii. 9; Deut. xv. 7, &c.
p ver. 12; ch. xxix. 2; Job xxiv. 4.
q Heb. *A man of reproofs.*
r ch. i. 24—27; 1 Sam. ii. 25; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 16.
s Or, *increased.*
t ch. xxxi. 1.
u ch. xi. 10; xxviii. 12, 28; Esth viii 15.
v Ps. lxxiii. 22.

3 I neither learned wisdom, nor [1]have the knowledge of the holy.

4 Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what *is* his name, and what *is* his son's name, if thou canst tell?[a]

5 Every word of God *is* [2]pure: he *is* a shield unto them that put their trust in him.[b]

6 Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.[c]

7 Two *things* have I required of thee; [3]deny me *them* not before I die:

8 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food [4]convenient for me:[d]

9 Lest I be full, and [5]deny *thee*, and say, Who *is* the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God *in vain*.[e]

10 [6]Accuse not a servant unto his master, lest he curse thee, and thou be found guilty.

11 *There is* a generation *that* curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother.

12 *There is* a generation *that are* pure in their own eyes, and *yet* is not washed from their filthiness.[f]

13 *There is* a generation, O how lofty are their eyes! and their eyelids are lifted up.[g]

14 *There is* a generation, whose teeth *are as* swords, and their jaw teeth *as* knives, to devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from *among* men.[h]

15 The horseleach hath two daughters, *crying*, Give, give. There are three *things that* are never satisfied, *yea*, four *things* say not, [7]*It is* enough:

16 The grave; and the barren womb; the earth *that* is not filled with water; and the fire *that* saith not, *It is* enough.[i]

17 The eye *that* mocketh at *his* father, and despiseth to obey *his* mother, the ravens of [8]the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.[j]

18 There be three *things which* are too wonderful for me, yea, four which I know not:

19 The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the [9]midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maid.

20 Such *is* the way of an adulterous woman; she eateth, and wipeth her mouth, and saith, I have done no wickedness.

21 For three *things* the earth is disquieted, and for four *which* it cannot bear:

22 For a servant when he reigneth; and a fool when he is filled with meat;[k]

23 For an odious *woman* when she is married; and an handmaid that is heir to her mistress.

24 There be four *things which are* little upon the earth, but they *are* [10]exceeding wise:

25 The ants *are* a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer;[l]

26 The conies *are but* a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks;[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

1 Heb. *know.*
11 Heb. *gathered together.*

a Job xxxviii. 4, &c.; Ps. civ. 3, &c.; Isa. xl. 12, &c.; John iii. 13.

2 Heb. *purified.*
12 Or, *horse.* Heb. *girt in the loins.*

b Ps. xii. 6; xviii. 30; xix. 8; lxxxiv. 11; cxv. 9—11.

c Deut. iv. 2; xii. 32; Rev. xxii. 18, 19.

3 Heb. *withhold not from me.*

d Job xxi. 8; xl. 4; Eccles. viii. 3; Micah vii. 16.

4 Heb. *of my allowance.*

5 Heb. *belie thee.*

e Deut. viii. 12, 14, 17; xxxi. 20; xxxii. 15; Neh. ix. 25, 26; Job xxxi. 24, 25, 28; Hos. xiii. 6.

6 Heb. *Hurt not with thy tongue.*

f Luke xviii. 11.

g ch. vi. 17; Ps. cxxxi. 1

h ch. xii. 18; Job xxix. 17; Ps. xiv. 4; liii. 2; lvii. 4; Amos viii. 4.

7 Heb. *Wealth.*
15 Heb. *bitter of soul.*

i ch. xxvii. 20; Hab. ii. 5.

8 Or, *the brook.*
16 Heb. *the sons of destruction.*

j ch. xx. 20; xxiii. 22, Gen. ix. 22, Lev. xx. 9.

9 Heb. *heart.*

k ch. xix. 10; Eccles. x. 7.

10 Heb. *wise, made wise.*
18 Heb. *She taseteth.*

l ch. vi. 6, &c.

m Ps. civ. 18.

27 The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them [11]by bands;

28 The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces.

29 There be three *things* which go well, yea, four are comely in going:

30 A lion *which is* strongest among beasts, and turneth not away for any;

31 A [12]greyhound; an he goat also; and a king, against whom *there is* no rising up.

32 If thou hast done foolishly in lifting up thyself, or if thou hast thought evil, *lay* thine hand upon thy mouth.[n]

33 Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter, and the wringing of the nose bringeth forth blood: so the forcing of wrath bringeth forth strife.

CHAPTER XXXI.

1 *Lemuel's lesson of chastity and temperance.* 6 *The afflicted are to be comforted and defended.* 10 *The praise and properties of a good wife.*

THE words of king Lemuel, the prophecy that his mother taught him.[o]

2 What, my son? and what, the son of my womb? and what, the son of my vows?[p]

3 Give not thy strength unto women, nor thy ways to that which destroyeth kings.[q]

4 *It is* not for kings, O Lemuel, *it is* not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink:[r]

5 Lest they drink, and forget the law, and [13]pervert the judgment [14]of any of the afflicted.[s]

6 Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be [15]of heavy hearts.[t]

7 Let him drink, and forget his poverty, and remember his misery no more.

8 Open thy mouth for the dumb in the cause of all [16]such as are appointed to destruction.[u]

9 Open thy mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy.[v]

10 ¶ Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price *is* far above rubies.[w]

11 The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil.

12 She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

13 She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands.

14 She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.

15 She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her houshold, and a portion to her maidens.[x]

16 She considereth a field, and [17]buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard.

17 She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms.

18 [18]She perceiveth that her merchandise *is* good: her candle goeth not out by night.

19 She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.

11 Heb. *gathered together.*

n Job xxi. 5; xl. 4; Eccles. viii. 3; Micah vii. 16.

o ch. xxx. 1.

p Isa. xlix 15.

q ch. v. 9; vii. 26; Deut. xvii 17; Neh. xiii. 26; Hos. iv 11.

r Eccles. x. 17.

13 Heb. *alter.*

14 Heb *of all the sons of affliction.*

s Hos iv. 11.

15 Heb. *bitter of soul.*

t 1 Sam. i. 10.

16 Heb. *the sons of destruction.*

u 1 Sam. xix. 4; Esth iv. 16; Job xxix. 15, 16.

v Lev. xix. 15; Deut. i. 16; Job xxix. 12; Isa. i. 17; Jer. xxii. 16.

w ch xii 4; xviii. 22, xix 14.

17 Heb. *taketh.*

18 Heb. *She taseteth.*

x Luke xii. 42; Rom. xii. 11



THE GOOD WIFE.—PROV. XXXI. 10—31.

20 [1]She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.[a]

21 She is not afraid of the snow for her houshold: for all her houshold *are* clothed with [2]scarlet.

22 She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing *is* silk and purple.

23 Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land.[b]

24 She maketh fine linen, and selleth *it;* and delivereth girdles unto the merchant.

25 Strength and honour *are* her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come.

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1 Heb. *She spreadeth.*

a Eph. iv. 28, Heb. xiii. 16.

2 Or, *double garments.*

3 Or, *have gotten riches.*

b ch. xii. 4.

26 She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue *is* the law of kindness.

27 She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness.

28 Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband *also*, and he praiseth her.

29 Many daughters [3]have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all.

30 Favour *is* deceitful, and beauty *is* vain: *but* a woman *that* feareth the LORD, she shall be praised.

31 Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

Ecclesiastes

OR,

THE PREACHER.

CHAPTER I.

1 *The preacher sheweth that all human courses are vain* · 4 *because the creatures are restless in their courses,* 9 *they bring forth nothing new, and all old things are forgotten,* 12 *and because he hath found it so in the studies of wisdom.*

THE words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem.[a]

2 Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all *is* vanity.[b]

3 What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?[c]

4 *One* generation passeth away, and *another* generation cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.[d]

5 The sun also ariseth, and the sun goeth down, and [1]hasteth to his place where he arose.[e]

6 The wind goeth toward the south, and turneth about unto the north; it whirleth about continually, and the wind returneth again according to his circuits.[f]

7 All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea *is* not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they [2]return again.[g]

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a ver 12, ch. vii. 27; xii. 8—10.

b ch. xii. 8; Ps. xxxix. 5, 6, lxii 9; cxliv 4, Rom viii. 20

c ch. ii. 22; iii. 9

d Ps. civ. 5, cxix. 90

1 Heb *panteth*

e Ps. xix. 5, 6.

f John iii. 8.

2 Heb. *return to go.*

g Job xxxviii. 10; Ps. civ. 8, 9.





8 All things *are* full of labour; man cannot utter *it:* the eye is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.[e]

9 The thing that hath been, it *is that* which shall be; and that which is done *is* that which shall be done: and *there is* no new *thing* under the sun.[b]

10 Is there *any* thing whereof it may be said, See, this *is* new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.

11 *There is* no remembrance of former *things;* neither shall there be *any* remembrance of *things* that are to come with *those* that shall come after.

12 ¶ I the Preacher was king over Israel in Jerusalem.[c]

13 And I gave my heart to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all *things* that are done under heaven: this sore travail hath God given to the sons of man [1]to be exercised therewith.[d]

14 I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

15 *That which is* crooked cannot be made straight: and [2]that which is wanting cannot be numbered.[e]

16 I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more wisdom than all *they* that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge.[f]

17 And I gave my heart to know wisdom, and to know madness and folly: I perceived that this also is vexation of spirit.[g]

18 For in much wisdom *is* much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 977.

e ch. ii. 9; 1 Kings iii. 12, 13; iv. 30; x. 7, 23.

a Prov. xxvii. 20.

g ch. ii. 3, 12; vii. 23, 25; 1 Thess. v. 21.

b ch. iii. 15.

h ch. xii. 12.



"I GAT ME MEN SINGERS AND WOMEN SINGERS," ETC.—ECCLES. II. 8.

c ver. 1.

f Isa. i. 11; Luke xii. 19.

j ch. vii. 6; Prov. xiv. 13.

1 Or, *to afflict them.*

d ch. iii. 10; Gen. iii. 19.

3 Heb. *to draw my flesh with wine.*

2 Heb. *defect.*

e ch. vii. 13.

4 Heb. *the number of the days of their life.*

k ch. i. 17.

CHAPTER II.

1 *The vanity of human courses in the works of pleasure.* 12 *Though the wise be better than the fool, yet both have one event.* 18 *The vanity of human labour, in leaving it they know not to whom.* 24 *Nothing better than joy in our labour; but that is God's gift.*

I SAID in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also *is* vanity.[i]

2 I said of laughter, *It is* mad: and of mirth, What doeth it?[j]

3 I sought in mine heart [3]to give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom; and to lay hold on folly, till I might see what *was* that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven [4]all the days of their life.[k]

4 I made me great works; I builded me houses; I planted me vineyards:

5 I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all *kind of* fruits:

6 I made me pools of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees:

7 I got *me* servants and maidens, and had [1]servants born in my house; also I had great possessions of great and small cattle above all that were in Jerusalem before me:

8 I gathered me also silver and gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings and of the provinces: I gat me men singers and women singers, and the delights of the sons of men, *as* [2]musical instruments, and that of all sorts.[a]

9 So I was great, and increased more than all that were before me in Jerusalem: also my wisdom remained with me.[b]

10 And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them, I withheld not my heart from any joy; for my heart rejoiced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.[c]

11 Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had laboured to do: and, behold, all *was* vanity and vexation of spirit, and *there was* no profit under the sun.[d]

12 ¶ And I turned myself to behold wisdom, and madness, and folly: for what *can* the man *do* that cometh after the king? [3]*even* that which hath been already done.[e]

13 Then I saw [4]that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.

14 The wise man's eyes *are* in his head; but the fool walketh in darkness: and I myself perceived also that one event happeneth to them all.[f]

15 Then said I in my heart, As it happeneth to the fool, so it [5]happeneth even to me; and why was I then more wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also *is* vanity.

16 For *there is* no remembrance of the wise more than of the fool for ever; seeing that which now *is* in the days to come shall all be forgotten. And how dieth the wise *man?* as the fool.

17 Therefore I hated life; because the work that is wrought under the sun *is* grievous unto me: for all *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

18 ¶ Yea, I hated all my labour which I had [6]taken under the sun: because I should leave it unto the man that shall be after me.[g]

19 And who knoweth whether he shall be a wise *man* or a fool? yet shall he have rule over all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself wise under the sun. This *is* also vanity.

20 Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labour which I took under the sun.

21 For there is a man whose labour *is* in wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity; yet to a man that hath not laboured therein shall he [7]leave it *for* his portion. This also *is* vanity and a great evil.

22 For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun?[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 977.

i Job v. 7; xiv. 1.

1 Heb. *sons of my house.*

8 Or, *delight his senses.*

j ch. iii. 12, 13, 22; v. 18; viii. 15.

9 Heb. *before him.*

2 Heb. *musical instruments and instruments.*

a 1 Kings ix. 28; x. 10, 14, 21, &c.

k Gen. vii. 1; Job xxvii. 16, 17; Prov. xxviii. 8; Luke i. 6.

b ch. i. 16.

c ch. iii. 22, v. 18, ix. 9.

l ver. 17, ch. viii. 6.

10 Heb. *to bear.*

d ch. i. 3, 14.

m Heb. ix. 27.

3 Or, *in those things which have been already done.*

e ch. i. 17, vii. 25.

4 Heb. *that there is an excellency in wisdom more than in folly, &c.*

11 Heb. *to be far from.*

f ch. viii. 1, ix. 2, 11; Ps. xlix. 10; Prov. xvii. 24.

n Joel ii. 16; 1 Cor. vii. 5.

12 Or, *seek.*

5 Heb. *happeneth to me, even to me.*

o Amos v. 13.

p Luke xiv. 26.

g ch. i. 3.

r ch. i. 13.

6 Heb. *laboured.*

g Ps. xlix. 10.

s ch. viii. 17, Rom. xi. 33.

t ver. 22.

u ch. ii. 24.

v James i. 17.

7 Heb. *give.*

13 Heb. *that which is driven away.*

w ch. i. 9.

h ch. i. 3; iii. 9.

x ch. v. 8.

23 For all his days *are* sorrows, and his travail grief; yea, his heart taketh not rest in the night. This is also vanity.[i]

24 ¶ *There is* nothing better for a man, *than* that he [8]should eat and drink, and *that* he should make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also I saw, that it *was* from the hand of God.[j]

25 For who can eat, or who else can hasten *hereunto*, more than I?

26 For *God* giveth to a man that *is* good [9]in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to *him that is* good before God. This also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.[k]

CHAPTER III.

1 *By the necessary change of times, vanity is added to human travail* 11 *There is an excellency in God's works.* 16 *But as for man, God shall judge his works there, and here he shall be like a beast.*

TO every *thing there is* a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:[l]

2 A time [10]to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up *that which is* planted;[m]

3 A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up;

4 A time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance;

5 A time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time [11]to refrain from embracing;[n]

6 A time to [12]get, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away;

7 A time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;[o]

8 A time to love, and a time to hate; a time of war, and a time of peace.[p]

9 What profit hath he that worketh in that wherein he laboureth?[q]

10 I have seen the travail, which God hath given to the sons of men to be exercised in it.[r]

11 He hath made every *thing* beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.[s]

12 I know that *there is* no good in them, but for *a man* to rejoice, and to do good in his life.[t]

13 And also that every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good of all his labour, it *is* the gift of God.[u]

14 I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth *it*, that *men* should fear before him.[v]

15 That which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth [13]that which is past.[w]

16 ¶ And moreover I saw under the sun the place of judgment, *that* wickedness *was* there; and the place of righteousness, *that* iniquity *was* there.[x]



"BEHOLD THE TEARS OF SUCH AS WERE OPPRESSED, AND THEY HAD NO COMFORTER."—ECCLES. IV. 1.

17 I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for *there is* a time there for every purpose and for every work.[a]

18 I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, [1]that God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts.

19 For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth beasts; even one thing befalleth them: as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath; so that a man hath no preeminence above a beast: for all *is* vanity.[b]

20 All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and all turn to dust again.[c]

21 Who knoweth the spirit [2]of man that [3]goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast that goeth downward to the earth?[d]

22 Wherefore I perceive that *there is* nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that *is* his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him?[e]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Vanity is increased unto men by oppression, 4 by envy, 5 by idleness, 7 by covetousness, 9 by solitariness, 13 by wilfulness.*

SO I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done under the sun: and behold the tears of *such as were* oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the [4]side of their oppressors *there was* power; but they had no comforter.[f]

2 Wherefore I praised the dead which are already dead more than the living which are yet alive.[g]

3 Yea, better *is he* than both they, which hath not yet been, who hath not seen the evil work that is done under the sun.[h]

4 ¶ Again, I considered all travail, and [5]every right work, that [6]for this a man is envied of his neighbour. This *is* also vanity and vexation of spirit.

5 The fool foldeth his hands together, and eateth his own flesh.[i]

6 Better *is* an handful *with* quietness, than both the hands full *with* travail and vexation of spirit.[j]

7 ¶ Then I returned, and I saw vanity under the sun.

8 There is one *alone*, and *there is* not a second; yea, he hath neither child nor brother: yet *is there* no end of all his labour; neither is his eye satisfied with riches; neither *saith he*, For whom do I labour, and bereave my soul of good? This *is* also vanity, yea, it *is* a sore travail.[k]

9 ¶ Two *are* better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.

10 For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him *that is* alone when he falleth; for *he hath* not another to help him up.

11 Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm *alone?*

12 And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

13 ¶ Better *is* a poor and a wise child than an old and foolish king, [7]who will no more be admonished.

14 For out of prison he cometh to reign; whereas also *he that is* born in his kingdom becometh poor.

15 I considered all the living which walk under the sun, with the second child that shall stand up in his stead.

16 *There is* no end of all the people, *even* of all that have been before them: they also that come after shall not rejoice in him. Surely this also *is* vanity and vexation of spirit.

CHAPTER V.

1 *Vanities in divine service, 8 in murmuring against oppression, 9 and in riches. 18 Joy in riches is the gift of God.*

KEEP thy foot when thou goest to the house of God, and be more ready to hear, than to give the sacrifice of fools: for they consider not that they do evil.[l]

2 Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter *any* [8]thing before God: for God *is* in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few.[m]

3 For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and a fool's voice *is known* by multitude of words.[n]

4 When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for *he hath* no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed.[o]

5 Better *is it* that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.[p]

6 Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin; neither say thou before the angel, that it *was* an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine hands?[q]

7 For in the multitude of dreams and many words *there are* also *divers* vanities: but fear thou God.[r]

8 ¶ If thou seest the oppression of the poor, and violent perverting of judgment and justice in a province, marvel not [9]at the matter: for *he that is* higher than the highest regardeth; and *there be* higher than they.[s]

9 ¶ Moreover the profit of the earth is for all: the king *himself* is served by the field.

10 He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase: this *is* also vanity.

11 When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what good *is there* to the owners thereof, saving the beholding *of them* with their eyes?

12 The sleep of a labouring man *is* sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.

13 There is a sore evil *which* I have seen under the sun, *namely*, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.[t]

BEFORE CHRIST 977.

a ver. 1; Rom. ii. 6—8; 2 Cor. v. 10; 2 Thess. i 6, 7.

7 Heb. *who knoweth not to be admonished.*

1 Or, *that they might clear God and see, &c.*

b ch. ii. 16; Ps. xlix. 12, 20, lxxiii. 22.

c Gen. iii. 19

2 Heb. *of the sons of man.*

3 Heb. *is ascending.*

d ch. xii. 7

e ver. 12; ch. ii. 10, 24, &c.; v 18, &c.; vi. 12, &c; x. 14; xi. 9.

f Exod iii. 5; 1 Sam. xv 22, Ps l. 8, Prov. xv 8, &c, xxi 27; Isa i. 12, &c., Hos. vi. 6.

8 Or, *word.*

m Matt. vi. 7.

4 Heb. *hand.*

n Prov. x. 19.

g ch. iii. 16; v. 8.

o Numb. xxx. 2, Deut. xxiii. 21—23; Ps. l. 14, &c.; lxvi. 13, 14; lxxvi. 11.

h Job iii. 17, &c.

p Prov. xx. 25; Acts v. 4.

i ch. vi. 3; Job iii. 11, 16, 21.

5 Heb. *all the rightness of work.*

q 1 Cor. xi. 10.

6 Heb. *this is the envy of a man from his neighbour.*

r ch. xii. 13.

j Prov. vi. 10; xxiv. 33.

9 Heb. *at the will*, or, *purpose.*

s ch. iii. 16.

k Ps. xxxix. 6; Prov. xxvii. 20; 1 John ii. 16.

t ch. vi. 1.

14 But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son, and *there is* nothing in his hand.

15 As he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and shall take nothing of his labour, which he may carry away in his hand.[a]

16 And this also *is* a sore evil, *that* in all points as he came, so shall he go: and what profit hath he that hath laboured for the wind?[b]

17 All his days also he eateth in darkness, and *he hath* much sorrow and wrath with his sickness.[c]

18 ¶ Behold *that* which I have seen: [1]*it is* good and comely *for one* to eat and to drink, and to enjoy

BEFORE CHRIST 977.

[a] Job i. 21; Ps. xlix. 17; 1 Tim. vi. 7.
[f] ch. v. 13.
[b] ch. i. 3; Prov. xi. 29
[c] Ps. cxxvii. 2
[1] Heb. *there is a good which is comely, &c.*
[g] Job xxi. 10, &c.; Ps. xvii. 14, &c.; lxxiii. 7; Luke xii. 20

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The vanity of riches without use.* 3 *Of children,* 6 *and old age without riches.* 9 *The vanity of sight and wandering desires.* 11 *The conclusion of vanities.*

THERE is an evil which I have seen under the sun, and it *is* common among men:[f]

2 A man to whom God hath given riches, wealth, and honour, so that he wanteth nothing for his soul of all that he desireth, yet God giveth him not power to eat thereof, but a stranger eateth it: this *is* vanity, and it *is* an evil disease.[g]



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the good of all his labour that he taketh under the sun [2]all the days of his life, which God giveth him: for it *is* his portion.[d]

19 Every man also to whom God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power to eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labour; this *is* the gift of God.[e]

20 [3]For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because God answereth *him* in the joy of his heart.

[2] Heb. *the number of the days.*
[d] ch. ii. 10, 24; iii. 12, 13, 22, &c.; ix. 7, &c.; xi. 9, 1 Tim. vi. 17.
[h] ch. iv. 8; 2 Kings ix. 35; Job iii. 16; Ps. lviii. 8; Isa. xiv. 19, 20; Jer. xxii. 19
[e] ch. ii. 24; iii. 13; vi. 2.
[3] Or, *Though* he give *not* much, *yet he remembereth, &c.*

3 ¶ If a man beget an hundred *children*, and live many years, so that the days of his years be many, and his soul be not filled with good, and also *that* he have no burial; I say, *that* an untimely birth *is* better than he.[h]

4 For he cometh in with vanity, and departeth in darkness, and his name shall be covered with darkness.

5 Moreover he hath not seen the sun, nor known *any thing:* this hath more rest than the other.

6 ¶ Yea, though he live a thousand years twice

told, yet hath he seen no good: do not all go to one place?

7 All the labour of man *is* for his mouth, and yet the [1]appetite is not filled.[a]

8 For what hath the wise more than the fool? what hath the poor, that knoweth to walk before the living?

9 ¶ Better *is* the sight of the eyes [2]than the wandering of the desire: this *is* also vanity and vexation of spirit.

10 That which hath been is named already, and it is known that it *is* man: neither may he contend with him that is mightier than he.[b]

11 ¶ Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what *is* man the better?

12 For who knoweth what *is* good for man in *this* life, [3]all the days of his vain life which he spendeth as a shadow? for who can tell a man what shall be after him under the sun?[g]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Remedies against vanity are, a good name,* 2 *mortification,* 7 *patience,* 11 *wisdom.* 23 *The difficulty of wisdom.*

A GOOD name *is* better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of one's birth.[d]

2 ¶ *It is* better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: for that *is* the end of all men; and the living will lay *it* to his heart.

3 [4]Sorrow *is* better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better.[e]

4 The heart of the wise *is* in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools *is* in the house of mirth.

5 *It is* better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man to hear the song of fools.[f]

6 For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so *is* the laughter of the fool: this also *is* vanity.[g]

7 ¶ Surely oppression maketh a wise man mad; and a gift destroyeth the heart.[h]

8 Better *is* the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: *and* the patient in spirit *is* better than the proud in spirit.[i]

9 Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.[j]

10 Say not thou, What is *the cause* that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not enquire [5]wisely concerning this.

11 ¶ Wisdom *is* [6]good with an inheritance: and *by it there is* profit to them that see the sun.[k]

12 For wisdom *is* a [7]defence, *and* money *is* a defence: but the excellency of knowledge *is*, *that* wisdom giveth life to them that have it.

13 Consider the work of God: for who can make *that* straight, which he hath made crooked?[l]

14 In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath [8]set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 977.

1 Heb. *soul.*

a Prov xvi. 26.

n ch. viii. 14.

9 Heb *be desolate?*

o Prov. xxv. 16; Rom. xii. 3

2 Heb *than the walking of the soul.*

10 Heb *not in thy time?*

p Job xv. 32; Ps. lv 23, Prov. x. 27.

b Job ix 32, Isa. xlv. 9; Jer. xlix. 19

q ch ix 16, 18; Prov. xxi. 22, &c., xxiv. 5

r 1 Kings viii. 46; 2 Chron vi. 36, Prov xx 9; Rom. iii. 23, 1 John i. 8.

3 Heb *the number of the days of the life of his vanity.*

11 Heb *give not thine heart.*

c ch. viii 7; Ps. xxxix. 6, ch 11; cix 23; cxliv. 4; James iv 14.

s Rom. i. 22.

t Job xxviii. 12, 20; Rom xi. 33; 1 Tim vi 16.

12 Heb. *I and my heart compassed.*

d Prov. xv. 30, xxii. 1.

u ch i. 17; ii. 12.

13 Heb. *he that is good before God*

v Prov v. 3, 4, &c.; xxii 14.

4 Or, *Anger.*

14 Or, *weighing one thing after another, to find out the reason.*

w ch. i. 1, 2.

e 2 Cor. vii. 10.

x Job xxxviii. 23, Ps. xii 1.

f Ps. cxli. 5; Prov. xiii. 18; xv. 31, 32.

y Gen. i. 27; iii. 6, 7.

g ch. ii. 2, Ps. cxviii. 12.

h Exod xxiii 8; Deut. xvi. 19

i Prov. xiv. 29.

j Prov xiv. 17, &c.; xvi. 32; James i. 19

15 Heb. *the strength.*

5 Heb *out of wisdom*

z Deut. xxviii 50; Prov. iv. 8, 9; xvii. 24; Acts vi. 15.

6 Or, *as good as an inheritance, yea, better too.*

k ch xi. 7.

7 Heb *shadow*

a 1 Chron. xxix. 24; Ezek xvii. 18 Rom. xiii. 5.

b ch x. 4.

l ch. i. 15; Job xii. 14; Isa. xiv. 27.

c Job xxxiv. 18.

8 Heb. *made.*

16 Heb. *shall know.*

m ch. iii. 4. Deut. xxviii 47.

15 All *things* have I seen in the days of my vanity: there is a just *man* that perisheth in his righteousness, and there is a wicked *man* that prolongeth *his life* in his wickedness.[n]

16 Be not righteous over much; neither make thyself over wise: why shouldest thou [9]destroy thyself?[o]

17 Be not over much wicked, neither be thou foolish: why shouldest thou die [10]before thy time?[p]

18 *It is* good that thou shouldest take hold of this; yea, also from this withdraw not thine hand: for he that feareth God shall come forth of them all.

19 Wisdom strengtheneth the wise more than ten mighty *men* which are in the city.[q]

20 For *there is* not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.[r]

21 Also [11]take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear thy servant curse thee:

22 For oftentimes also thine own heart knoweth that thou thyself likewise hast cursed others.

23 ¶ All this have I proved by wisdom: I said, I will be wise; but it *was* far from me.[s]

24 That which is far off, and exceeding deep, who can find it out?[t]

25 [12]I applied mine heart to know, and to search, and to seek out wisdom, and the reason *of things*, and to know the wickedness of folly, even of foolishness *and* madness:[u]

26 And I find more bitter than death the woman, whose heart *is* snares and nets, *and* her hands *as* bands: [13]whoso pleaseth God shall escape from her; but the sinner shall be taken by her.[v]

27 Behold, this have I found, saith the preacher, [14]*counting* one by one, to find out the account:[w]

28 Which yet my soul seeketh, but I find not: one man among a thousand have I found; but a woman among all those have I not found.[x]

29 Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions.[y]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Kings are greatly to be respected.* 6 *The divine providence is to be observed.* 12 *It is better with the godly in adversity, than with the wicked in prosperity.* 16 *The work of God is unsearchable*

WHO *is* as the wise *man?* and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing? a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine, and [15]the boldness of his face shall be changed.[z]

2 I *counsel thee* to keep the king's commandment, and *that* in regard of the oath of God.[a]

3 Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.[b]

4 Where the word of a king *is*, *there is* power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?[c]

5 Whoso keepeth the commandment [16]shall feel no evil thing: and a wise man's heart discerneth both time and judgment.



"THERE WAS A POOR WISE MAN, AND HE BY HIS WISDOM DELIVERED THE CITY."—ECCLES. IX. 15.

6 ¶ Because to every purpose there is time and judgment, therefore the misery of man *is* great upon him.[a]

7 For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him [1]when it shall be?[b]

8 *There is* no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither *hath he* power in the day of death: and *there is* no [2]discharge in *that* war; neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.[c]

9 All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: *there is* a time wherein one man ruleth over another to his own hurt.

10 And so I saw the wicked buried, who had come and gone from the place of the holy, and they were forgotten in the city where they had so done: this *is* also vanity.

11 Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.[d]

12 ¶ Though a sinner do evil an hundred times,

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a ch. iii. 1.

1 Or, *how it shall be?*
b ch. vi. 12; ix. 12; x. 14.

2 Or, *casting off* weapons.

c Job xiv. 5; Ps. xlix. 6, 7.
d Ps. x. 6; l. 21; Isa. xxvi. 10, &c.



"BLESSED ART THOU, O LAND, WHEN THY KING IS THE SON OF NOBLES, AND THY PRINCES EAT IN DUE SEASON!—ECCLES. X. 17

and his *days* be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him:[a]

13 But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong *his* days, *which are* as a shadow; because he feareth not before God.

14 There is a vanity which is done upon the earth; that there be just *men*, unto whom it happeneth according to the work of the wicked; again, there be wicked *men*, to whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also *is* vanity.[b]

15 Then I commended mirth, because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide with him of his labour the days of his life, which God giveth him under the sun.[c]

16 ¶ When I applied mine heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done upon the earth: (for also *there is that* neither day nor night seeth sleep with his eyes:)

17 Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because though a man labour to seek *it* out, yet he shall not find *it;* yea farther; though a wise *man* think to know *it*, yet shall he not be able to find *it*.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

a Ps. xxxvii. 11, 18, 19; Prov. i. 32, 33; Isa. iii. 10, 11, xxvi. 10, lxv. 20; Matt. xxv. 34, 41, Rom. ii. 5

d ch. iii. 11, Job x. 9, Ps. lxxiii. 16, Rom. xi. 33.

1 Heb. *I gave*, or, *set to my heart*

b ch. ii. 14; vii. 15, ix. 1—3, Ps. lxxiii. 14.

c ch. ii. 24, &c.; iii. 12, 22, &c., v. 18, &c.; ix. 7.

e ch. viii. 14.

CHAPTER IX.

1 Like things happen to good and bad. 4 There is a necessity of death unto men. 7 Comfort is all their portion in this life. 11 God's providence ruleth over all. 13 Wisdom is better than strength.

FOR all this [1]I considered in my heart even to declare all this, that the righteous, and the wise, and their works, *are* in the hand of God: no man knoweth either love or hatred *by* all *that is* before them.[e]

2 All *things come* alike to all: *there is* one event to the righteous, and to the wicked; to the good and to the clean, and to the unclean; to him that sacrificeth, and to

him that sacrificeth not: as *is* the good, so *is* the sinner; *and* he that sweareth, as *he* that feareth an oath.[a]

3 This *is* an evil among all *things* that are done under the sun, that *there is* one event unto all: yea, also the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness *is* in their heart while they live, and after that *they go* to the dead.

4 ¶ For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion.

5 For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten.[b]

6 Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any *thing* that is done under the sun.

7 ¶ Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart; for God now accepteth thy works.[c]

8 Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment.

9 [1]Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for that *is* thy portion in *this* life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun.[d]

10 Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do *it* with thy might; for *there is* no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.

11 ¶ I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race *is* not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.[e]

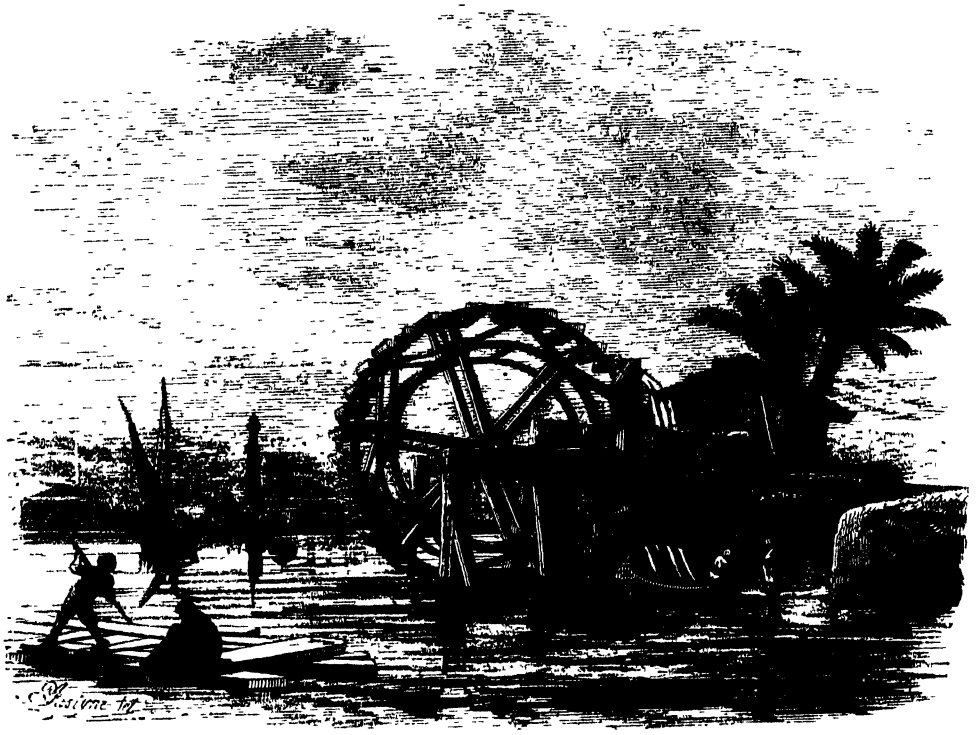
12 For man also knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net, and as the birds that are caught in the snare; so *are* the sons of men snared in an evil time, when it falleth suddenly upon them.[f]

13 ¶ This wisdom have I seen also under the sun, and it *seemed* great unto me:

14 *There was* a little city and few men within it; and there came a great king against it, and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it:[g]

15 Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city; yet no man remembered that same poor man.

16 Then said I, Wisdom *is* better than strength:



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nevertheless the poor man's wisdom *is* despised, and his words are not heard.[h]

17 The words of wise *men are* heard in quiet more than the cry of him that ruleth among fools.

18 Wisdom *is* better than weapons of war: but one sinner destroyeth much good.[i]

CHAPTER X.

1 *Observations of wisdom and folly.* 16 *of riot,* 18 *slothfulness,* 19 *and money.* 20 *Men's thoughts of kings ought to be reverent.*

DEAD[2] flies cause the ointment of the apothecary to send forth a stinking savour: *so doth* a little folly him that is in reputation for wisdom *and* honour.

2 A wise man's heart *is* at his right hand; but a fool's heart at his left.

3 Yea also, when he that is a fool walketh by the way, [3]his wisdom faileth *him,* and he saith to every one *that* he *is* a fool.[j]

Before Christ 700.

a Job xxi. 7, &c.; Ps. lxxiii. 3, 12, 13.

b ch. viii. 7; Prov. xxix. 6; Luke xii 20, 30, &c.; xvii. 26, &c.; 1 Thess. v. 3.

g 2 Sam xx 16—22.

b Job vii. 8—10; xiv 21; Isa. xxvi. 14; lxiii 16

h ver 18, ch vii. 19; Prov xxi 22, &c; xxiv 5, Mark vi. 2, 3

c ch. viii. 15

i ver 16; Josh vi 1, 11, 12.

1 Heb. *See,* or, *Enjoy life.*

2 Heb. *Flies of death.*

d ch ii 10, 24, &c; iii 13, 22, &c., v. 18

3 Heb *his heart.*

e Jer. ix. 23, Amos ii. 14, 15.

j Prov xiii 16, &c., xviii. 2.

4 If the spirit of the ruler rise up against thee, leave not thy place; for yielding pacifieth great offences.[a]

5 There is an evil *which* I have seen under the sun, as an error *which* proceedeth [1]from the ruler:

6 Folly is set [2]in great dignity, and the rich sit in low place.

7 I have seen servants upon horses, and princes walking as servants upon the earth.[b]

8 He that diggeth a pit shall fall into it; and whoso breaketh an hedge, a serpent shall bite him.[c]

9 Whoso removeth stones shall be hurt therewith; *and* he that cleaveth wood shall be endangered thereby.

10 If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength: but wisdom *is* profitable to direct.

11 Surely the serpent will bite without enchantment; and [3]a babbler is no better.[d]

12 The words of a wise man's mouth *are* [4]gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself.[e]

13 The beginning of the words of his mouth *is* foolishness: and the end of [5]his talk *is* mischievous madness.

14 A fool also [6]is full of words: a man cannot tell what shall be; and what shall be after him, who can tell him?[f]

15 The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city.

16 ¶ Woe to thee, O land, when thy king *is* a child, and thy princes eat in the morning![g]

17 Blessed *art* thou, O land, when thy king *is* the son of nobles, and thy princes eat in due season, for strength, and not for drunkenness![h]

18 ¶ By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.

19 ¶ A feast is made for laughter, and wine [7]maketh merry: but money answereth all *things*.[i]

20 ¶ Curse not the king, no not in thy [8]thought; and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber: for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and that which hath wings shall tell the matter.

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Directions for charity.* 7 *Death in life,* 9 *and the day of judgment in the days of youth, are to be thought on.*

CAST thy bread [9]upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.[k]

2 Give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for thou knowest not what evil shall be upon the earth.[l]

3 If the clouds be full of rain, they empty *themselves* upon the earth: and if the tree fall toward the south, or toward the north, in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.

4 He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.

BEFORE CHRIST 700

a ch. viii 3; 1 Sam. xxv 24, &c., Prov xxv 15

m Ps cxxxix. 14, 15, John iii. 8

1 Heb *from before*

2 Heb. *in great heights*

10 Heb. *shall be right*

b Prov. xix 10; xxx 22.

n ch vii 11

c Ps vii 15, Prov xxvi. 27

o ch xii 14, Numb xv 39, Rom ii 6—11

3 Heb *the master of the tongue*

d Ps lviii 4, 5, Jer viii 17

11 Or, *anger*

4 Heb *grace.*

e Ps lviii 4, 5; Prov x 14, 32, xii. 13; xviii 7, Jer viii 17

p Ps. xxxix 5; 2 Cor vii 1, 2 Tim. ii 22

5 Heb *his mouth*

6 Heb *multiplieth words*

f ch iii 22, &c., vi 12, &c., viii 7, Prov. xv 2

q 2 Sam xix 35, Prov xxii. 6, Lam iii 27

g Isa iii 4, 5, 12, &c., v 11

h Prov xxxi 4.

12 Or, *the grinders fail, because they* grind *little*

7 Heb *maketh glad the life*

i Ps civ 15

8 Or, *conscience,* figure-like

r 2 Sam. xix. 35.

j Exod xxii 28; Luke xix. 40, Acts xxiii 5.

s Job xvii 13; Jer. ix 17

9 Heb *upon the face of the waters*

k Deut xv. 10, Prov xix 17, Isa. xxxii 20; Matt. x 42, 2 Cor. ix. 6; Gal. vi 9, 10; Heb vi. 10.

t ch. xi. 21; Gen. iii. 19, Numb xvi. 22, &c., xxvii. 16; Job xxxiv. 14, 15; Ps. xc 3, Isa lvii. 16; Zech. xii. 1.

l Ps cxii 9, Luke vi 30, Eph v 16, 1 Tim. vi 18, 19

u ch i. 2; Ps. lxii 9.

13 Or, *the more wise the preacher was,* &c., 1 Kings iv 32

14 Heb. *words of delight.*

5 As thou knowest not what *is* the way of the spirit, *nor* how the bones *do grow* in the womb of her that is with child: even so thou knowest not the works of God who maketh all.[m]

6 In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether [10]shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both *shall be* alike good.

7 ¶ Truly the light *is* sweet, and a pleasant *thing it is* for the eyes to behold the sun:[n]

8 But if a man live many years, *and* rejoice in them all; yet let him remember the days of darkness; for they shall be many. All that cometh *is* vanity.

9 ¶ Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these *things* God will bring thee into judgment.[o]

10 Therefore remove [11]sorrow from thy heart, and put away evil from thy flesh: for childhood and youth *are* vanity.[p]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *The Creator is to be remembered in due time.* 8 *The preacher's care to edify.* 13 *The fear of God is the chief antidote of vanity*

REMEMBER now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;[q]

2 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

3 In the day when the keepers of the house shall tremble, and the strong men shall bow themselves, and [12]the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened,

4 And the doors shall be shut in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird, and all the daughters of musick shall be brought low;[r]

5 Also *when* they shall be afraid of *that which is* high, and fears *shall be* in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden, and desire shall fail: because man goeth to his long home, and the mourners go about the streets:[s]

6 Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern.

7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.[t]

8 ¶ Vanity of vanities, saith the preacher; all *is* vanity.[u]

9 And [13]moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, *and* set in order many proverbs.

10 The preacher sought to find out [14]acceptable words: and *that which was* written *was* upright, *even* words of truth.

11 The words of the wise *are* as goads, and as nails fastened *by* the masters of assemblies, *which* are given from one shepherd.

12 And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of making many books *there is* no end; and much [1]study *is* a weariness of the flesh.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 700.

2 Or, *The end of the matter, even all that hath been heard,* is
b Deut. vi. 2, &c.; x. 12.
1 Or, *reading.*
a ch. i. 18.
c ch. xi. 9; Matt. xii. 36; Acts xvii. 30, 31; Rom. ii. 16, &c.; xiv. 10, 12; 1 Cor. iv. 5, 2 Cor. v. 10

13 ¶ [2]Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this *is* the whole *duty* of man.[b]

14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* evil.[c]



'OR EVER THE SILVER CORD BE LOOSED.'—ECCLES XII. 5, 6



The SONG of SOLOMON

CHAPTER I.

BEFORE CHRIST 1014

1 *The church's love unto Christ.* 5 *She confesseth her deformity,* 7 *and prayeth to be directed to his flock.* 8 *Christ directeth her to the shepherds' tents:* 9 *and shewing his love to her,* 11 *giveth her gracious promises.* 12 *The church and Christ congratulate one another.*

THE song of songs, which *is* Solomon's.[a]

2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for [1]thy love *is* better than wine.[b]

3 Because of the savour of thy good ointments thy name *is as* ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee.

4 Draw me, we will run after thee: the king hath brought me into his chambers: we will be glad and rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more than wine: [2]the upright love thee.[c]

5 I *am* black, but comely, O ye daughters of Je-

a 1 Kings iv 32

1 Heb *thy loves*

b ch iv 10

2 Or, *they love thee uprightly*

c Ps xlv 14, 15, Hos xi 4, John vi 44, xii 32, xiv 2, Eph ii 6, Philipp iii 12–14.



rusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.

6 Look not upon me, because I *am* black, because the sun hath looked upon me: my mother's children were angry with me; they made me the keeper of the vineyards; *but* mine own vineyard have I not kept.

7 Tell me, O thou whom my soul loveth, where thou feedest, where thou makest *thy flock* to rest at noon: for why should I be [1]as one that turneth aside by the flocks of thy companions?

8 ¶ If thou know not, O thou fairest among women, go thy way forth by the footsteps of the flock, and feed thy kids beside the shepherds' tents.[a]

9 I have compared thee, O my love, to a company of horses in Pharaoh's chariots.[b]

10 Thy cheeks are comely with rows *of jewels*, thy neck with chains *of gold*.[c]

11 We will make thee borders of gold with studs of silver.

12 ¶ While the king *sitteth* at his table, my spikenard sendeth forth the smell thereof.

13 A bundle of myrrh *is* my wellbeloved unto me; he shall lie all night betwixt my breasts.

14 My beloved *is* unto me *as* a cluster of [2]camphire in the vineyards of En-gedi.[d]

15 Behold, thou *art* fair, [3]my love; behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* doves' eyes.[e]

16 Behold, thou *art* fair, my beloved, yea, pleasant: also our bed *is* green.

17 The beams of our house *are* cedar, *and* our [4]rafters of fir.

CHAPTER II.

1 *The mutual love of Christ and his church.* 8 *The hope,* 10 *and calling of the church.* 14 *Christ's care of the church.* 16 *The profession of the church, her faith and hope.*

I *AM* the rose of Sharon, *and* the lily of the valleys.

2 As the lily among thorns, so *is* my love among the daughters.

3 As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so *is* my beloved among the sons. [5]I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit *was* sweet to my [6]taste.[f]

4 He brought me to the [7]banqueting house, and his banner over me *was* love.

5 Stay me with flagons, [8]comfort me with apples: for I *am* sick of love.

6 His left hand *is* under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me.[g]

7 [9]I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, till he please.[h]

8 ¶ The voice of my beloved! behold, he cometh leaping upon the mountains, skipping upon the hills.

9 My beloved is like a roe or a young hart: behold, he standeth behind our wall, he looketh forth at the windows, [10]shewing himself through the lattice.[i]

10 My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 1014.

h ver. 10.

1 Or, *as one that is veiled*

i ch. viii. 13.

a ch. v. 9; vi. 1.
m Ps. lxxx 13; Ezek xiii 4; Luke xiii 32

b ch ii. 2, 10, 13, &c.; iv 1, 7, &c., v 2, &c.; vi 4, 2 Chron i 16, 17, John xv. 14, 15.
n ch. vi. 3, &c., vii 10

c Ezek. xvi 11—13

11 Or, *of delision*

o ver 9, ch iv 6, viii 14

2 Or, *cypress.*

d ch iv 13

3 Or, *my companion.*
p Isa xxvi 9

e ch iv 1, v 12.

4 Or, *galleries*

q ch v 7

5 Heb *I delighted and sat down, &c*

6 Heb *palate.*

f Rev xxii 1, 2

7 Heb *house of wine*

8 Heb. *straw me with apples*

g ch viii 3

9 Heb. *I adjure you.*

h ch ii 5, &c.; viii. 4.

10 Heb. *flourishing.*

i ver 17.
r ch ii 7, &c; viii 4

j ver 13

11 For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over *and* gone;

12 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing *of birds* is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;

13 The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines *with* the tender grape give a *good* smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.[k]

14 ¶ O my dove, *that art* in the clefts of the rock, in the secret *places* of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet *is* thy voice, and thy countenance *is* comely.[l]

15 Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines *have* tender grapes.[m]

16 ¶ My beloved *is* mine, and I *am* his: he feedeth among the lilies.[n]

17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains [11]of Bether.[o]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The church's fight and victory in temptation.* 6 *The church glorieth in Christ.*

BY night on my bed I sought him whom my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him not.[p]

2 I will rise now, and go about the city in the streets, and in the broad ways I will seek him whom my soul loveth: I sought him, but I found him not.

3 The watchmen that go about the city found me: *to whom I said,* Saw ye him whom my soul loveth?[q]

4 *It was* but a little that I passed from them, but I found him whom my soul loveth: I held him, and would not let him go, until I had brought him into my mother's house, and into the chamber of her that conceived me.



THE ROE.

5 I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, till he please.[r]

6 ¶ Who *is* this that cometh out of the wilderness

like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?[a]

7 Behold his bed, which *is* Solomon's; threescore valiant men *are* about it, of the valiant of Israel.

8 They all hold swords, *being* expert in war: every man *hath* his sword upon his thigh because of fear in the night.

9 King Solomon made himself [1]a chariot of the wood of Lebanon.

10 He made the pillars thereof *of* silver, the bottom thereof *of* gold, the covering of it *of* purple, the midst thereof being paved *with* love, for the daughters of Jerusalem.

11 Go forth, O ye daughters of Zion, and behold king Solomon with the crown wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his espousals, and in the day of the gladness of his heart.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Christ setteth forth the graces of the church.* 8 *He sheweth his love to her.* 16 *The church prayeth to be made fit for his presence.*

BEHOLD, thou *art* fair, my love; behold, thou *art* fair; thou *hast* doves' eyes within thy locks: thy hair *is* as a flock of goats, [2]that appear from mount Gilead.[b]

2 Thy teeth *are* like a flock *of sheep that are even* shorn, which came up from the washing; whereof every one bear twins, and none *is* barren among them.[c]

3 Thy lips *are* like a thread of scarlet, and thy speech *is* comely: thy temples *are* like a piece of a pomegranate within thy locks.[d]

4 Thy neck *is* like the tower of David builded for an armoury, whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men.[e]

5 Thy two breasts *are* like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.[f]

6 Until the day [3]break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.[g]

7 Thou *art* all fair, my love; *there is* no spot in thee.[h]

8 ¶ Come with me from Lebanon, *my* spouse, with me from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir and Hermon, from the lions' dens, from the mountains of the leopards.[i]

9 Thou hast [4]ravished my heart, my sister, *my* spouse; thou hast ravished my heart with one of thine eyes, with one chain of thy neck.

10 How fair is thy love, my sister, *my* spouse! how much better is thy love than wine! and the smell of thine ointments than all spices![j]

11 Thy lips, O *my* spouse, drop *as* the honeycomb: honey and milk *are* under thy tongue; and the smell of thy garments *is* like the smell of Lebanon.[k]

12 A garden [5]inclosed *is* my sister, *my* spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

BEFORE CHRIST 1014

a ch viii 5.
6 Or, *cypress*
l ch. i 14.

1 Or, *a bed*

2 Or, *that eat of*, &c
b ch i 15, &c. v 12; vi 5

m John iv 10, &c., vii 38
c ch vi 6

d ch vi 7
n ch. v 1

e ch vii 4, Neh iii 19.

f ch vii 3, Prov v 19
3 Heb *breathe*

g ch ii 17.

h Eph v 27
7 Or, *and be drunken with love.*
o ch iv 11, 16, John iii. 29, &c., xv. 14.

i Deut xi. 9
4 Or, *taken away my heart*

p Rev iii 20

j ch i 2
8 Or (as some read), *in me.*
9 Heb. *passing*, or, *running about.*

k ch v 1, Gen. xxvii 27, Prov. xxiv. 13, 14, Hos xiv 6, 7.
5 Heb. *barred.*

13 Thy plants *are* an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; [6]camphire, with spikenard,[l]

14 Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:



SAFFRON.

15 A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.[m]

16 ¶ Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, *that* the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.[n]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Christ awaketh the church with his calling.* 2 *The church having a taste of Christ's love is sick of love.* 9 *A description of Christ by his graces.*

I AM come into my garden, my sister, *my* spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my spice, I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my wine with my milk: eat, O friends; drink, [7]yea, drink abundantly, O beloved.[o]

2 ¶ I sleep, but my heart waketh: *it is* the voice of my beloved that knocketh, *saying*, Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my undefiled: for my head is filled with dew, *and* my locks with the drops of the night.[p]

3 I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on? I have washed my feet; how shall I defile them?

4 My beloved put in his hand by the hole *of the door*, and my bowels were moved [8]for him.

5 I rose up to open to my beloved; and my hands dropped *with* myrrh, and my fingers *with* [9]sweet smelling myrrh, upon the handles of the lock.

6 I opened to my beloved; but my beloved had withdrawn himself, *and* was gone: my soul failed

when he spake: I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer.[a]

7 The watchmen that went about the city found me, they smote me, they wounded me; the keepers of the walls took away my veil from me.[b]

8 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, [1]that ye tell him, that I *am* sick of love.

9 ¶ What *is* thy beloved more than *another* beloved, O thou fairest among women? what *is* thy beloved more than *another* beloved, that thou dost so charge us?[c]

10 My beloved *is* white and ruddy, [2]the chiefest among ten thousand.

11 His head *is as* the most fine gold, his locks *are* [3]bushy, *and* black as a raven.

12 His eyes *are* as *the eyes* of doves by the rivers of waters, washed with milk, *and* [4]fitly set.[d]

13 His cheeks *are* as a bed of spices, *as* sweet flowers: his lips *like* lilies, dropping [5]sweet smelling myrrh.

14 His hands *are as* gold rings set with the beryl: his belly *is as* bright ivory overlaid *with* sapphires.

15 His legs *are as* pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold: his countenance *is* as Lebanon, excellent as the cedars.

16 [6]His mouth *is* most sweet: yea, he *is* altogether lovely. This *is* my beloved, and this *is* my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The church professeth her faith in Christ.* 4 *Christ sheweth the graces of the church,* 10 *and his love towards her*

WHITHER is thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women? whither is thy beloved turned aside? that we may seek him with thee.[e]

2 My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices, to feed in the gardens, and to gather lilies.

3 I *am* my beloved's, and my beloved *is* mine: he feedeth among the lilies.[f]

4 ¶ Thou *art* beautiful, O my love, as Tirzah, comely as Jerusalem, terrible as *an army* with banners.[g]

5 Turn away thine eyes from me, for [7]they have overcome me: thy hair *is* as a flock of goats that appear from Gilead.

6 Thy teeth *are* as a flock of sheep which go up from the washing, whereof every one beareth twins, and *there is* not one barren among them.[h]

7 As a piece of a pomegranate *are* thy temples within thy locks.[i]

8 There are threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins without number.

9 My dove, my undefiled is *but* one; she *is* the *only* one of her mother, she *is* the choice *one* of her that bare her. The daughters saw her, and blessed her; *yea*, the queens and the concubines, and they praised her.

10 ¶ Who *is* she *that* looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, *and* terrible as *an army* with banners?[j]

11 I went down into the garden of nuts to see the fruits of the valley, *and* to see whether the vine flourished, *and* the pomegranates budded.[k]

12 [8]Or ever I was aware, my soul [9]made me *like* the chariots of Ammi-nadib.

13 Return, return, O Shulamite; return, return, that we may look upon thee. What will ye see in the Shulamite? As it were the company [10]of two armies.[l]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *A further description of the church's graces.* 10 *The church professeth her faith and desire.*

HOW beautiful are thy feet with shoes, O prince's daughter! the joints of thy thighs *are* like jewels, the work of the hands of a cunning workman.[m]

2 Thy navel *is like* a round goblet, *which* wanteth not [11]liquor: thy belly *is like* an heap of wheat set about with lilies.

3 Thy two breasts *are* like two young roes *that are* twins.[n]

4 Thy neck *is* as a tower of ivory; thine eyes *like* the fishpools in Heshbon, by the gate of Bath-rabbim: thy nose *is* as the tower of Lebanon which looketh toward Damascus.[o]

5 Thine head upon thee *is* like [12]Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple; the king *is* [13]held in the galleries

6 How fair and how pleasant art thou, O love, for delights!

7 This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters *of grapes*.

8 I said, I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof: now also thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and the smell of thy nose like apples;

9 And the roof of thy mouth like the best wine for my beloved, that goeth *down* [14]sweetly, causing the lips [15]of those that are asleep to speak.

10 ¶ I *am* my beloved's, and his desire *is* toward me.[p]

11 Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages.

12 Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish, *whether* the tender grape [16]appear, *and* the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves.[q]

13 The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates *are* all manner of pleasant *fruits*, new and old, *which* I have laid up for thee, O my beloved.[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 1014.

a ch. iii. 1.

b ch. iii. 3.
j ver. 4.

1 Heb. *what.*
k ch vii. 12.

8 Heb. *I knew not*
9 Or, *set me on the chariots of my willing people.*

c ch i 8.

2 Heb *a standard-bearer*
10 Or, *of Mahanaim.*
l Gen. xxxii. 2.

3 Or, *curled.*

4 Heb. *sitting in fulness.*
d ch i. 15; iv. 1.

5 Or, *towers of perfumes*

m Ps. xlv 13.

11 Heb. *mixture.*

6 Heb. *His palate*
n ch. iv. 5.

o ch iv 4

12 Or, *Crimson*
13 Heb. *bound*

e ch i 8

f ch ii 16, &c., vii 10.
14 Heb *straightly.*
15 Or, *of the ancient.*

g ver 10

7 Or, *they have puffed me up*
p ch ii 16; vi. 3, Ps. xiv 11.

16 Heb *open.*

h ch iv 2.
q ch vi. 11.

i ch iv 3.

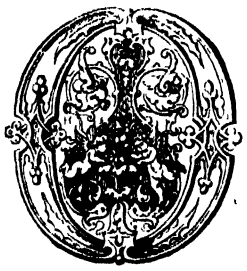
r Gen xxv 14, Matt. xiii 52



A HEBREW BRIDAL PROCESSION.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The love of the church to Christ.* 6 *The vehemency of love.* 8 *The calling of the Gentiles.* 14 *The church prayeth for Christ's coming.*



THAT thou *wert* as my brother, that sucked the breasts of my mother! *when* I should find thee without, I would kiss thee; yea, [1]I should not be despised.

2 I would lead thee, *and* bring thee into my mother's house, *who* would instruct me: I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine of the juice of my pomegranate.[a]

3 His left hand *should be* under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.[b]

4 I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, [2]that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, until he please.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 1014.

3 Heb. *hard.*

e Isa. xlix. 16; Jer. xxii. 24; Haggai ii. 23.

f Prov. vi. 35.

1 Heb. *they should not despise me*

g Ezek. xxiii. 33.

a Prov. ix. 2.

4 Heb. *peace.*

b ch. ii. 6.

2 Heb. *why should ye stir up*, or, *why*, &c.

h Matt. xxi. 33.

c ch. ii. 7, iii. 5.

5 Who *is* this that cometh up from the wilderness, leaning upon her beloved? I raised thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee forth *that* bare thee.[d]

6 ¶ Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love *is* strong as death; jealousy *is* [3]cruel as the grave: the coals thereof *are* coals of fire, *which hath* a most vehement flame.[e]

7 Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.[f]

8 ¶ We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be spoken for?[g]

9 If she *be* a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver: and if she *be* a door, we will inclose her with boards of cedar.

10 I *am* a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found [4]favour.

11 Solomon had a vineyard at Baal-hamon; he let out the vineyard unto keepers; every one for the fruit thereof was to bring a thousand *pieces* of silver.[h]

12 My vineyard, which *is* mine, *is* before me:



A GARDEN IN THE HOLY LAND.

thou, O Solomon, *must have* a thousand, and those that keep the fruit thereof two hundred.

13 Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy voice: cause me to hear *it*.[i]

14 ¶ [5]Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices.[j]

d ch. iii. 6

e ch. ii. 14

5 Heb. *Flee away.*

j ch. ii. 17; Rev. xxii. 17, 20





THE Book of the Prophet ISAIAH

CHAPTER I.

1 *Isaiah complaineth of Judah for her rebellion.* 5 *He lamenteth her judgments* 10 *He upbraideth their whole service* 16 *He exhorteth to repentance, with promises and threatenings* 21 *Bewailing their wickedness, he denounceth God's judgments.* 25 *He promiseth grace,* 28 *and the earth destruction to the wicked*

THE vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah.[a]

2 Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth: for the LORD hath spoken, I have nourished and brought up children, and they have rebelled against me.[b]

3 The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: *but* Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider.[c]

4 Ah sinful nation, a people [1]laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are [2]gone away backward.[d]

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Isaiah, who stands pre-eminent among the Hebrew prophets, is supposed to have begun to exercise his sacred office some 760 years before the Christian Era. He was nearly contemporary with Hosea, Joel, Amos and Micah. He lived during several reigns, up to the fifteenth or sixteenth year of Hezekiah; while his prophetic career ran through a period of at least fifty years

a Numb xii. 6

b ch v 1, 2; Deut. xxxii 1; Jer ii 12, &c; vi. 19, &c xxii 20; Ezek xxxvi 4; Micah i. 2, &c.; vi 1, 2

c ch v 12; Jer viii. 7; ix. 3, 6.

1 Heb. *of heaviness.*

2 Heb. *alienated,* or, *separated.*

d ch lvii. 3, 4 Matt iii 7.

5 ¶ Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will [1]revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.[a]

6 From the sole of the foot even unto the head *there is* no soundness in it; *but* wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with [2]ointment.[b]

7 Your country *is* desolate, your cities *are* burned with fire: your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and *it is* desolate, [3]as overthrown by strangers.[c]

8 And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city.[d]

9 Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as Sodom, *and* we should have been like unto Gomorrah.[e]

10 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, ye rulers of Sodom; give ear unto the law of our God, ye people of Gomorrah.[f]

11 To what purpose *is* the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of [4]he goats.[g]

12 When ye come [5]to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts?[h]

13 Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; *it is* [6]iniquity, even the solemn meeting.[i]

14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear *them*.[j]

15 And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye [7]make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of [8]blood.[k]

16 ¶ Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;[l]

17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, [9]relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.[m]

18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.[n]

19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:

20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.[o]

21 ¶ How is the faithful city become an harlot! it was full of judgment; righteousness lodged in it; but now murderers.[p]

22 Thy silver is become dross, thy wine mixed with water:[q]

23 Thy princes *are* rebellious, and companions of thieves: every one loveth gifts, and followeth after rewards: they judge not the fatherless, neither doth the cause of the widow come unto them.[r]

24 Therefore saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts, the mighty One of Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine adversaries, and avenge me of mine enemies:[s]

25 ¶ And I will turn my hand upon thee, and [10]purely purge away thy dross, and take away all thy tin:[t]

26 And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: afterward thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city.[u]

27 Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and [11]her converts with righteousness.

28 ¶ And the [12]destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners *shall be* together, and they that forsake the LORD shall be consumed.[v]

29 For they shall be ashamed of the oaks which ye have desired, and ye shall be confounded for the gardens that ye have chosen.[w]

30 For ye shall be as an oak whose leaf fadeth, and as a garden that hath no water.

31 And the strong shall be as tow, [13]and the maker of it as a spark, and they shall both burn together, and none shall quench *them*.[x]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Isaiah prophesieth the coming of Christ's kingdom.* 6 *Wickedness is the cause of God's forsaking.* 10 *He exhorteth to fear, because of the powerful effects of God's majesty.*



THE word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, *that* the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be [14]established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.[y]

3 And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.[z]

4 And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into [15]pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.[a]

5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us walk in the light of the LORD.[b]

6 ¶ Therefore thou hast forsaken thy people the house of Jacob, because they be replenished [16]from the east, and *are* soothsayers like the Philistines, and they [17]please themselves in the children of strangers.[c]

7 Their land also is full of silver and gold, neither *is there any* end of their treasures; their land is also full of horses, neither *is there any* end of their chariots:[d]

8 Their land also is full of idols; they worship the work of their own hands, that which their own fingers have made:[e]

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1 Heb. *increase of revolt.*

s Deut. xxviii. 63; Ezek. v. 13.

a ch. ix. 13; Ps. lviii. 3; Jer. ii. 30, &c; v. 3.

10 Heb. *according to pureness.*

t Jer. vi. 29; ix. 7; Mal. iii. 3.

2 Or, *oil.*

b Jer. viii. 22.

u Jer. xxxiii. 7; Zech. viii. 3.

3 Heb. *as the overthrow of strangers.*

11 Or, *they that return of her.*

c Deut. xxviii. 51, 52.

12 Heb. *breaking.*

d Job xxvii. 18; Jer. iv. 17; Lam. ii. 6.

v Job xxxi. 3; Ps. i. 6; v. 6; lxxiii. 27; xcii. 9; civ. 35.

e Gen. xix. 24; Lam. iii. 22, Rom. ix. 29.

w ch. lvii. 5; lxv. 3; lxvi 17.

f Deut. xxxii. 32; Ezek. xvi. 46.

13 Or, *and his work.*

x ch. xliii. 17, Ezek. xxxii 21.

4 Heb *great he goats.*

g ch lxvi 3; 1 Sam xv. 22, Ps l 8, 9, li 16, Prov xv 8, xxi. 27, Jer vi 20, vii 21; Amos v 21, 22, Micah vi. 7.

5 Heb. *to be seen.*

h Exod. xxiii. 17; xxxiv 23

6 Or, *grief*

i Joel i. 14, &c; ii. 15, Matt. xv. 9

j ch. xliii. 24; Lam. ii. 6

14 Heb *prepared.*

7 Heb. *multiply prayer*

8 Heb. *bloods.*

k ch lix 2, Job xxvii 9, Ps lxvi 18, cxxxiv 2, Prov i 28, Jer xiv 12, Micah iii 4, 1 Tim ii 8

y ch xxvii 13, Gen xlix 1, Ps lxviii 15, 16, lxxii 8, Jer xxiii 20

l Ps xxxiv 14, xxxvii 27, Jer iv 14, Amos v 15, Rom xii. 9, 1 Peter iii 11.

9 Or, *righten.*

m Jer xxii 3, 16, Micah vi 8, Zech vii 9, &c, viii 16.

z Jer xxxi 6 &c; l 5; Zech viii 21, 23

15 Or, *scythes*

n ch xliii 26, Ps. li 7; Micah vi 2, Rev vii 14.

a Ps xlvi 9; lxxii. 3, 7; Hos ii 18, Zech ix. 10.

b Eph v 8.

o Numb xxiii. 19; Titus i. 2

16 Or, *more than the east*

17 Or *abound with the children*, &c.

p Jer. ii. 20, 21.

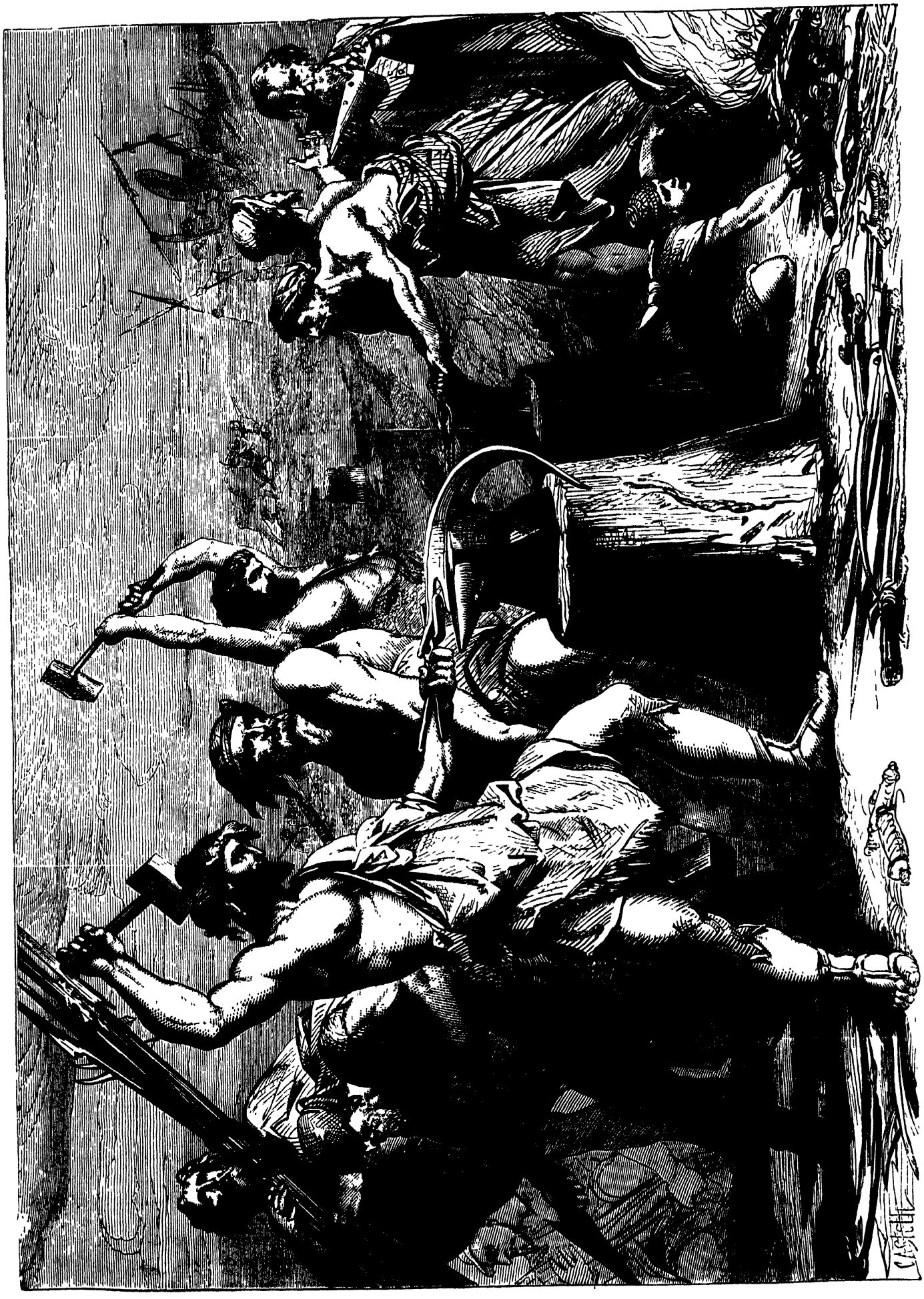
c Numb. xxiii. 7; Deut xviii 14; Ps. cvi 35, Jer. x. 2.

q Jer vi 28, 30; Ezek. xxii 18, 19.

d Deut. xvii 16, 17.

r Prov xxix. 24; Jer v. 28; xxii 17; Ezek. xxii. 12, Hos iv 18; ix. 15; Micah iii 11; vii. 3; Zech. vii. 10

e Jer. ii. 28.



"THEY SHALL BEAT THEIR SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES, AND THEIR SPEARS INTO PRUNINGHOOKS."— ISAIAH II. 4

9 And the mean man boweth down, and the great man humbleth himself: therefore forgive them not.

10 ¶ Enter into the rock, and hide thee in the dust, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty.[a]

11 The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.[b]

12 For the day of the LORD of hosts *shall be* upon every *one that is* proud and lofty, and upon every *one that is* lifted up; and he shall be brought low:

13 And upon all the cedars of Lebanon, *that are* high and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan,[c]

14 And upon all the high mountains, and upon all the hills *that are* lifted up,[d]

15 And upon every high tower, and upon every fenced wall,

16 And upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all [1]pleasant pictures.[e]

17 And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.[f]

18 And [2]the idols he shall utterly abolish.

19 And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of [3]the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.[g]

20 In that day a man shall cast his [4]idols of silver, and his idols of gold, [5]which they made *each one* for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats;[h]

21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.[i]

22 Cease ye from man, whose breath *is* in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of?[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 760.

i vs. 10, 19.

j Job xxvii. 3; Ps. cxlvi. 3; Jer. xvii. 5.

a vs. 19, 21; Rev. vi. 15.

b ver 17, ch. v. 15, xiii. 11, Jer. xxx. 7—9, Ezek. xxxviii 15—22; Hos ii. 16, 18; Joel iii 18—21, Amos ix. 11, 12, Obad 8, Micah iv 6, 7; v. 10

c ch. xiv. 8; xxxvii 24; Ezek xxxi. 3; Zech xi 1, 2

d ch xxx. 25.

k Lev. xxvi 26; Jer xxxvii. 21, &c, xxxviii 9.

1 Heb *pictures of desire.*

e 1 Kings x 22.

l 2 Kings xxiv. 14

6 Heb. *a man eminent in countenance.*

f ver 11.

7 Or, *skilful of speech.*

2 Or, *the idols shall utterly pass away.*

m Eccles. x. 16.

3 Heb. *the dust.*

g ver. 10, ch. xxx. 32; Hos. x. 8; Hagg. ii. 6, 21; Luke xxiii. 30; 2 Thess i. 9; Heb. xii. 26; Rev. vi. 16; ix. 6.

4 Heb. *the idols of his silver, &c.*

5 Or, *which they made for him.*

h ch. xxx 22; xxxi. 7.

8 Heb *lift up the hand.*

CHAPTER III.

1 *The great confusion which cometh by sin.* 9 *The impudency of the people.* 12 *The oppression and covetousness of the rulers.* 16 *The judgments which shall be for the pride of the women.*

FOR, behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, doth take away from Jerusalem and from Judah the stay and the staff, the whole stay of bread, and the whole stay of water,[k]

2 The mighty man, and the man of war, the judge, and the prophet, and the prudent, and the ancient,[l]

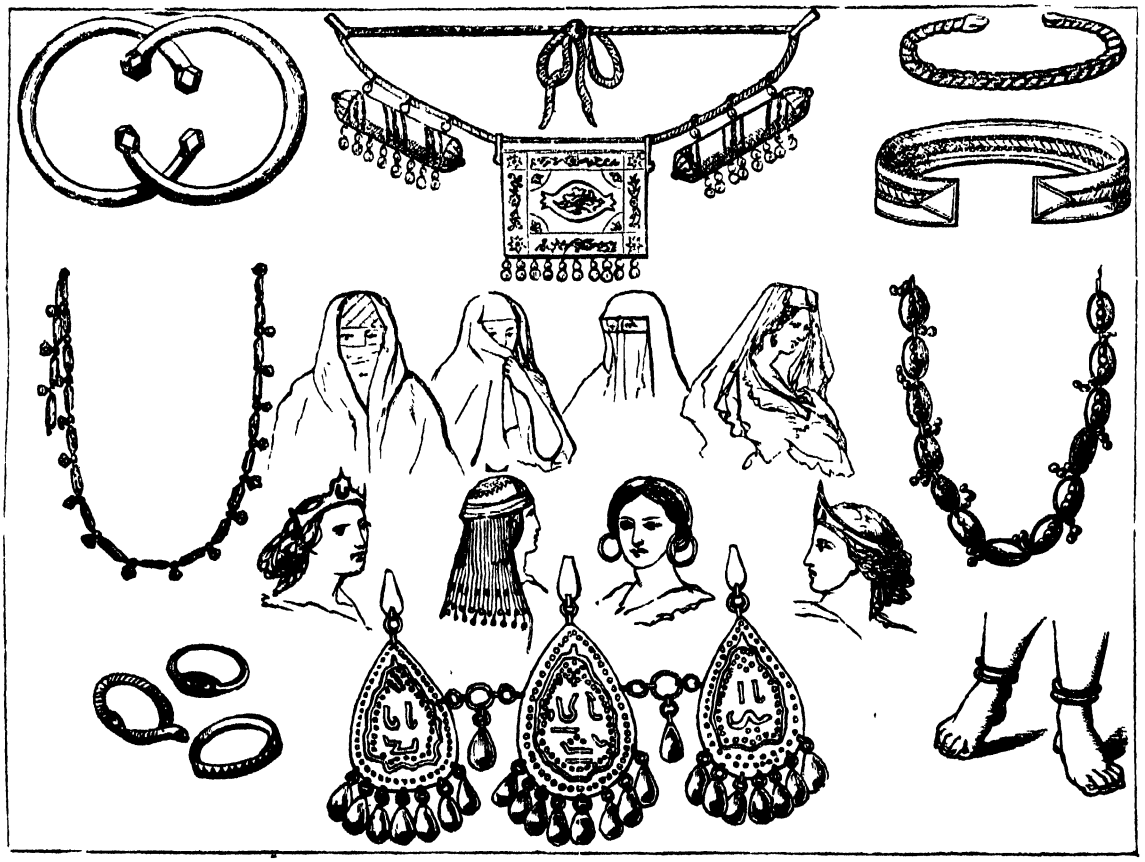
3 The captain of fifty, and [6]the honourable man, and the counsellor, and the cunning artificer, and the [7]eloquent orator.

4 And I will give children *to be* their princes, and babes shall rule over them.[m]

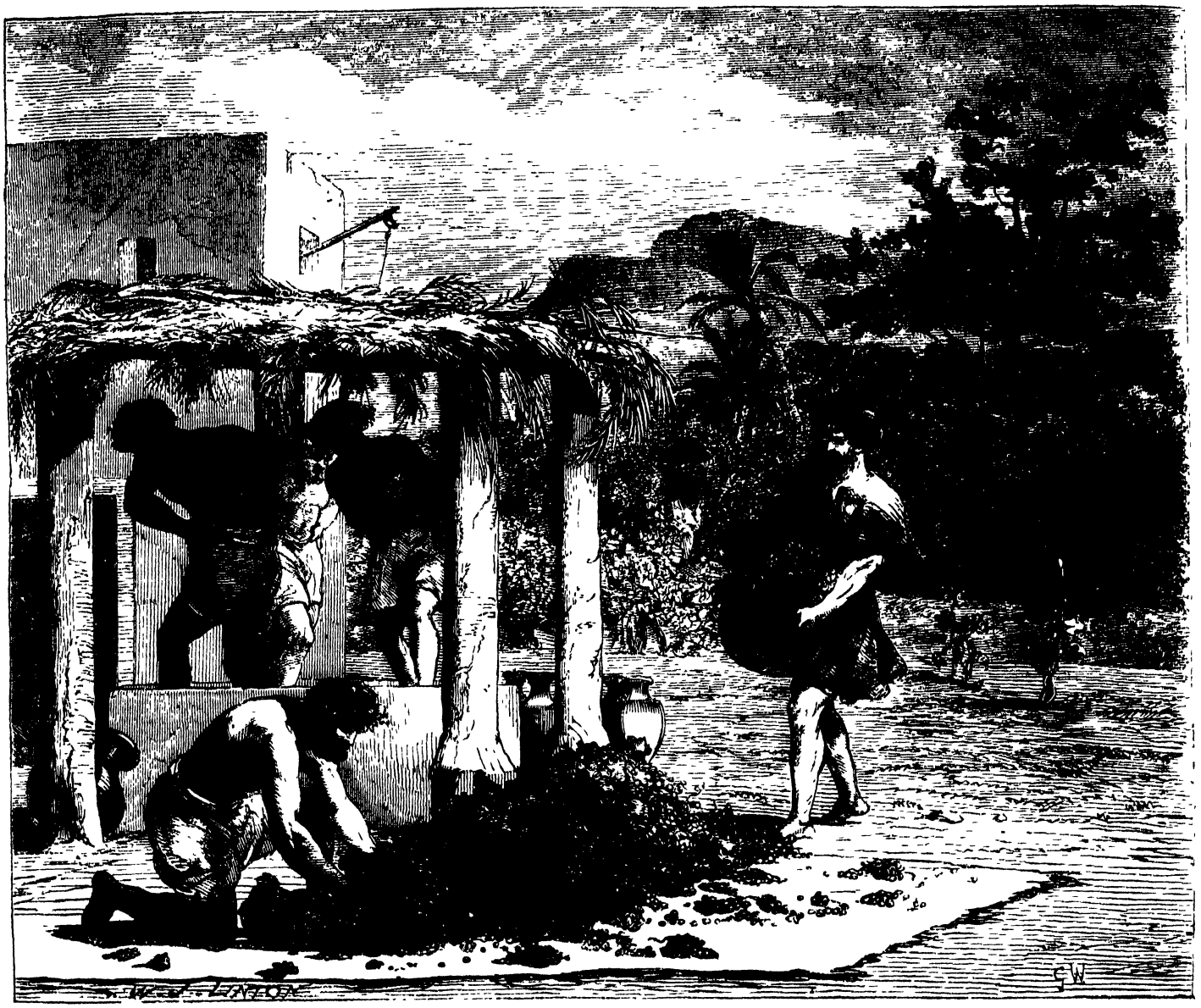
5 And the people shall be oppressed, every one by another, and every one by his neighbour: the child shall behave himself proudly against the ancient, and the base against the honourable.

6 When a man shall take hold of his brother of the house of his father, *saying*, Thou hast clothing, be thou our ruler, and *let* this ruin *be* under thy hand:

7 In that day shall he [8]swear, saying, I will not be



ORNAMENTS WORN BY LADIES IN ANCIENT TIMES.



ANCIENT ORIENTAL VINEYARD.

an [1]healer; for in my house *is* neither bread nor clothing: make me not a ruler of the people.[a]

8 For Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah is fallen: because their tongue and their doings *are* against the LORD, to provoke the eyes of his glory.[b]

9 ¶ The shew of their countenance doth witness against them; and they declare their sin as Sodom, they hide *it* not. Woe unto their soul! for they have rewarded evil unto themselves.[c]

10 Say ye to the righteous, that *it shall be* well *with him:* for they shall eat the fruit of their doings.[d]

11 Woe unto the wicked! *it shall be* ill *with him:* for the reward of his hands shall be [2]given him.[e]

12 ¶ *As for* my people, children *are* their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, [3]they which lead thee cause *thee* to err, and [4]destroy the way of thy paths.[f]

13 The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the people.[g]

14 The LORD will enter into judgment with the ancients of his people, and the princes thereof: for ye have [5]eaten up the vineyard; the spoil of the poor *is* in your houses.[h]

15 What mean ye *that* ye beat my people to pieces, and grind the faces of the poor? saith the Lord GOD of hosts.[i]

16 ¶ Moreover the LORD saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and [6]wanton eyes, walking and [7]mincing *as* they go, and making a tinkling with their feet:

17 Therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will [8]discover their secret parts.[j]

18 In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of *their* tinkling ornaments *about their feet*, and *their* [9]cauls, and *their* round tires like the moon,[k]

19 The [10]chains, and the bracelets, and the [11]mufflers,

20 The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the [12]tablets, and the earrings,

21 The rings, and nose jewels,

22 The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins,

BEFORE CHRIST 760

1 Heb *binder up*
5 Or, *burnt*
a Gen xiv 22
h ch v 7, Matt xxi 33
b Micah iii 12.
f ch. lviii 4; Micah iii 2, 3
6 Heb *deceiving with their eyes*
7 Or, *tripping nicely.*
c Gen. xiii. 13, &c.; xviii. 20, 21, &c.; xix. 5
d Ps cxxviii 2, Eccles. viii 12.
8 Heb. *make naked*
j ch xlvii 2, 3, Jer xiii 22, Nahum iii. 5.
2 Heb *done to him.*
e Ps xi 6, Eccles viii. 13.
3 Or, *they which call thee blessed.*
9 Or, *networks*
k Judg viii. 21
4 Heb. *swallow up.*
10 Or, *sweet balls*
11 Or, *spangled ornaments.*
f ver 4; ch. ix. 16
12 Heb *houses of the soul*
g Micah vi. 2.

23 The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the vails.

24 And it shall come to pass, *that* instead of sweet smell there shall be stink; and instead of a girdle a rent; and instead of well set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding of sackcloth; *and* burning instead of beauty.[a]

25 Thy men shall fall by the sword, and thy [1]mighty in the war.

26 And her gates shall lament and mourn; and she *being* [2]desolate shall sit upon the ground.[b]

CHAPTER IV.

In the extremity of evils, Christ's kingdom shall be a sanctuary.

AND in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only [3]let us be called by thy name, [4]to take away our reproach.[c]

2 In that day shall the branch of the LORD be [5]beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth *shall be* excellent and comely [6]for them that are escaped of Israel.[d]

3 And it shall come to pass, *that he that is* left in Zion, and *he that* remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, *even* every one that is written [7]among the living in Jerusalem:[e]

4 When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.[f]

5 And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for [8]upon all the glory *shall be* [9]a defence.[g]

6 And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain.[h]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Under the parable of a vineyard God excuseth his severe judgment* 8 *His judgments upon covetousness,* 11 *upon lasciviousness,* 13 *upon impiety,* 20 *and upon injustice* 26 *The executioners of God's judgments*

NOW will I sing to my well-beloved a song of my beloved touching his vineyard. My well-beloved hath a vineyard in [10]a very fruitful hill:[i]

2 And he [11]fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof, and planted it with the choicest vine, and built a tower in the midst of it, and also [12]made a winepress therein: and he looked that it should bring forth grapes, and it brought forth wild grapes.[j]

3 And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem, and men of Judah, judge, I pray you, betwixt me and my vineyard.[k]

4 What could have been done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it? wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes brought it forth wild grapes?

5 And now go to; I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard: I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten up; *and* break down the wall thereof, and it shall be [13]trodden down:[l]

6 And I will lay it waste: it shall not be pruned, nor digged; but there shall come up briers and thorns: I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

7 For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts *is* the house of Israel, and the men of Judah [14]his pleasant plant: and he looked for judgment, but behold [15]oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry.

8 ¶ Woe unto them that join house to house, *that* lay field to field, till *there be* no place, that [16]they may be placed alone in the midst of the earth![m]

9 [17]In mine ears *said* the LORD of hosts, [18]Of a truth many houses shall be desolate, *even* great and fair, without inhabitant.[n]

10 Yea, ten acres of vineyard shall yield one bath, and the seed of an homer shall yield an ephah.[o]

11 ¶ Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, *that* they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, *till* wine [19]inflame them![p]

12 And the harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the LORD, neither consider the operation of his hands.[q]

13 ¶ Therefore my people are gone into captivity, because *they have* no knowledge: and [20]their honourable men *are* famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst.[r]

14 Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

15 And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled:[s]

16 But the LORD of hosts shall be exalted in judgment, and [21]God that is holy shall be sanctified in righteousness.

17 Then shall the lambs feed after their manner, and the waste places of the fat ones shall strangers eat.[t]

18 Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope:

19 That say, Let him make speed, *and* hasten his work, that we may see *it:* and let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know *it!*[u]

20 ¶ Woe unto them [22]that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!

21 Woe unto *them that are* wise [23]in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight![v]

22 Woe unto *them that are* mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink:[w]

23 Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him![x]

BEFORE CHRIST 760.

a ch xxii. 12; Micah i. 16.

13 Heb. *for a treading.*

l Ps. lxxx. 12.

1 Heb *might.*

2 Or, *emptied.* Heb. *cleansed.*

b Jer. xiv. 2; Lam. i. 4; ii. 10.

14 Heb. *plant of his pleasures.*

15 Heb. *a scab.*

16 Heb *ye.*

m Micah ii. 2.

3 Heb. *let thy name be called upon us.*

17 Or, *This is in my ears,* saith *the LORD,* &c.

18 Heb. *If not,* &c.

4 Or, *take thou away*

c ch. ii. 11, 17, Luke i. 25.

n ch xxii 14.

5 Heb. *beauty and glory.*

o Ezek. xlv 11.

6 Heb *for the escaping of Israel*

d Jer xxiii 5, Zech. iii. 8; vi 12

19 Or, *pursue them.*

p ver 22, Prov. xxiii. 29, 30; Eccles. x. 16.

7 Or, *to life.*

e ch lx 21; Philipp. iv. 3, Rev iii. 5.

q Job xxxiv 27; Ps. xxviii. 5, Amos vi. 5, 6.

20 Heb *their glory* are *men of famine.*

f Mal iii. 2, 3.

r ch i 3; Hos. iv. 6; Luke xix 44

8 Or, *above.*

9 Heb *a covering,* ch viii 14

g Exod xiii. 21, Zech ii 5

h ch. xxv 4

s ch ii. 9, 11, 17.

21 Or, *the holy God* Heb *the God the holy.*

t ch. x 16.

10 Heb *the horn of the son of oil.*

i ch xxvii 2, Ps. lxxx 8, Cant. viii. 12; Jer ii 21; Matt. xxi 33; Mark xii. 1, Luke xx. 9.

11 Or, *made a wall about it.*

u ch lxvi 5; Jer xvii 15, Amos v 18; 2 Peter iii. 3, 4.

22 Heb. *that say concerning evil,* It is *good,* &c.

12 Heb *hewed.*

23 Heb *before their face.*

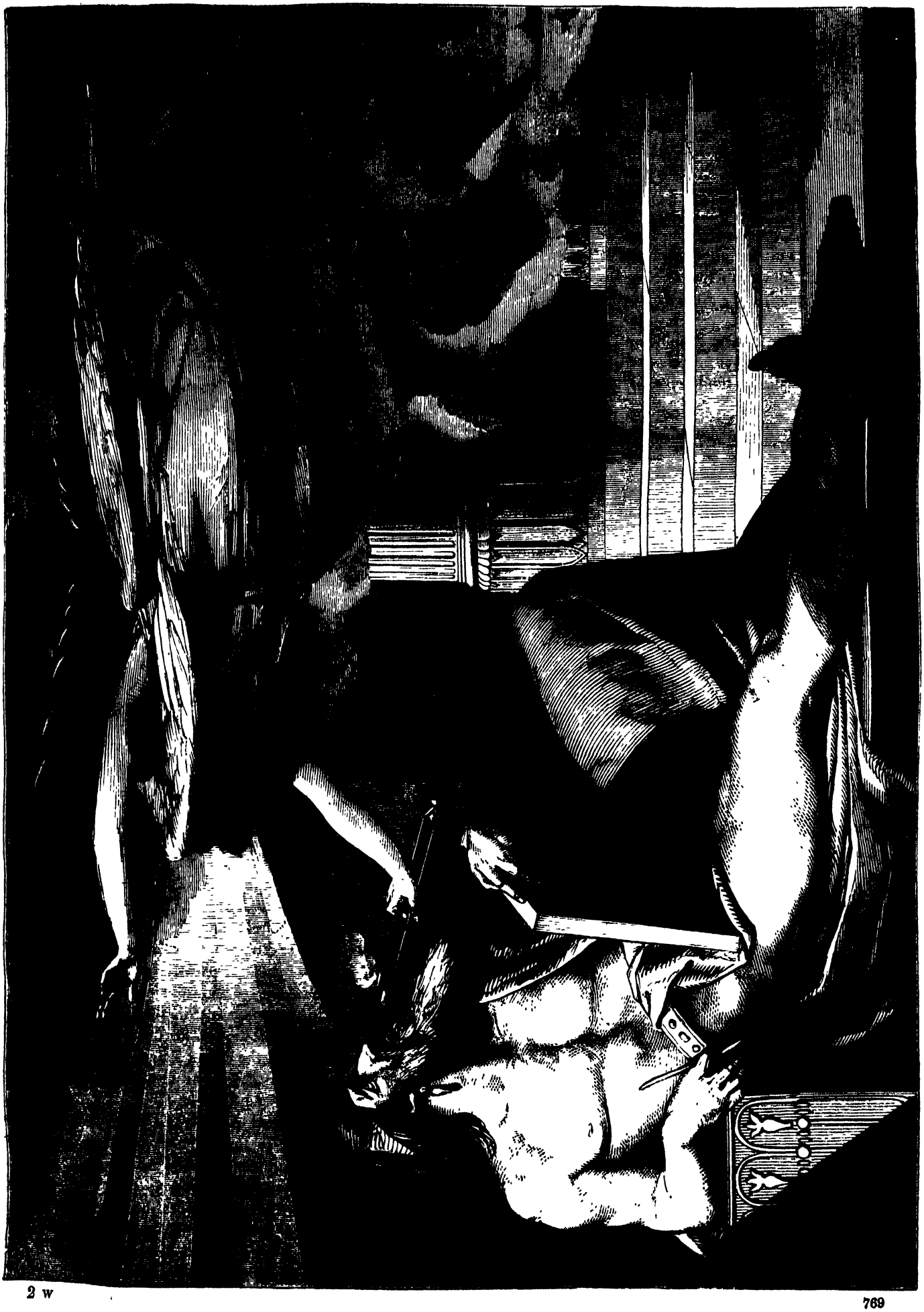
j ch i. 2, 3; Deut. xxxii. 6.

v Prov iii. 7; Rom. i. 22; xii. 16.

w ver. 11.

k Rom. iii. 4.

x Prov. xvii. 15; xxiv. 24.



"THEN FLEW ONE OF THE SERAPHIMS UNTO ME, HAVING A LIVE COAL IN HIS HAND."—ISAIAH VI. 6.

24 Therefore as [1]the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, *so* their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.[a]

25 Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled against his people, and he hath stretched forth his hand against them, and hath smitten them: and the hills did tremble, and their carcases *were* torn in the midst of the streets. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.[b]

26 ¶ And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly:[c]

27 None shall be weary nor stumble among them; none shall slumber nor sleep; neither shall the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the latchet of their shoes be broken:[d]

28 Whose arrows *are* sharp, and all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs shall be counted like flint, and their wheels like a whirlwind:[e]

29 Their roaring *shall be* like a lion, they shall roar like young lions: yea, they shall roar, and lay hold of the prey, and shall carry *it* away safe, and none shall deliver *it*.

30 And in that day they shall roar against them like the roaring of the sea: and if *one* look unto the land, behold darkness *and* [2]sorrow, [3]and the light is darkened in the heavens thereof.[f]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Isaiah, in a vision of the Lord in his glory, 5 being terrified, is comforted for his message. 9 He sheweth the obstinacy of the people unto their desolation. 13 A remnant shall be saved.*

IN the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and [4]his train filled the temple.[g]

2 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.[h]

3 And [5]one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, *is* the LORD of hosts: [6]the whole earth *is* full of his glory.[i]

4 And the posts of [7]the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.[j]

5 ¶ Then said I, Woe *is* me! for I am [8]undone; because I *am* a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.[k]

6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, [9]having a live coal in his hand, *which* he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

7 And he [10]laid *it* upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.[l]

8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, [11]Here *am* I; send me.

9 ¶ And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear ye [12]indeed, but understand not; and see ye [13]indeed, but perceive not.[m]

10 Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.[n]

11 Then said I, Lord, how long? And he answered, Until the cities be wasted without inhabitant, and the houses without man, and the land be [14]utterly desolate,[o]

12 And the LORD have removed men far away, and *there be* a great forsaking in the midst of the land.[p]

13 ¶ But yet in it *shall be* a tenth, [15]and *it* shall return, and shall be eaten: as a teil tree, and as an oak, whose [16]substance *is* in them, when they cast *their leaves:* *so* the holy seed *shall be* the substance thereof.[q]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Ahaz, being troubled with fear of Rezin and Pekah, is comforted by Isaiah. 10 Ahaz, having liberty to choose a sign, and refusing it, hath for a sign, Christ promised. 17 His judgment is prophesied to come by Assyria.*

AND it came to pass in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah, king of Judah, *that* Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah, king of Israel, went up toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could not prevail against it.[r]

2 And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria [17]is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people, as the trees of the wood are moved with the wind.

3 Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and [18]Shear-jashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the [19]highway of the fuller's field;[s]

4 And say unto him, Take heed, and be quiet; fear not, [20]neither be fainthearted for the two tails of these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin with Syria, and of the son of Remaliah.

5 Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah, have taken evil counsel against thee, saying,

6 Let us go up against Judah, and [21]vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set a king in the midst of it, *even* the son of Tabeal:

7 Thus saith the Lord GOD, It shall not stand, neither shall it come to pass.[t]

8 For the head of Syria *is* Damascus, and the head of Damascus *is* Rezin; and within threescore and five years [22]shall Ephraim be broken, [22]that it be not a people.[u]

9 And the head of Ephraim *is* Samaria, and the head of Samaria *is* Remaliah's son. [23]If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established.

10 ¶ [24]Moreover the LORD spake again unto Ahaz, saying,

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1 Heb *the tongue of fire.*
11 Heb *Behold me.*
12 Or, *without ceasing, &c.* Heb *hear ye in hearing, &c.*
13 Heb. *in seeing.*
m ch xliii 8; Matt. xiii. 14; Mark iv 12, Luke viii. 10, Acts xxviii. 26; Rom. xi. 8.
a Exod. xv 7; Job xviii 16, Hos. ix 16; Amos ii 9
n ch. lxiii 17; Ps. cxix. 70; Jer. v. 21; John xii. 40
b ch. ix 12, 17, 21; x. 4; Lev. xxvi. 14, &c.; 2 Kings xxii. 13, 17; Jer iv. 24.
14 Heb. *desolate with desolation.*
o Micah iii. 12.
c ch. vii. 18; xi. 12, Deut. xxviii. 49; Ps. lxxii. 8; Joel ii 7; Mal i. 11
p 2 Kings xxv. 21.
15 Or, *when it is returned and hath been browsed*
16 Or, *stock*, or, *stem*
d Dan. v 6.
q Ezra ix. 2; Mal ii 15, Rom xi 5.
e Jer v 16
2 Or, *distress*
3 Or, *when it is light, it shall be dark in the desolations thereof*
f ch viii 22; Jer iv 23, Lam iii 2; Ezek. xxxii. 7, 8.
r 2 Kings xvi 5; 2 Chron. xxviii. 5, 6.
17 Heb *resteth on Ephraim.*
4 Or, *the skirts thereof*
g 1 Kings xxii 19, 2 Kings xv 7, John xii 41; Rev iv 2
18 That is, *the remnant shall return*
19 Or, *causeway.*
s ch vi 13, x. 21, xxxvi 2.
20 Heb *let not thy heart be tender*
h Ezek. i. 11.
5 Heb. *this cried to this.*
6 Heb. *his glory is the fulness of the whole earth.*
i Ps lxxii. 19; Rev iv. 8.
7 Heb *thresholds.*
21 Or, *waken.*
j Exod. xl. 34; 1 Kings viii 10.
8 Heb *cut off.*
t ch viii. 10; Prov. xxi 30
k Exod. iv. 10; vi. 30; Judg. vi. 22; xiii. 22; Jer. i. 6.
9 Heb. *and in his hand a live coal.*
22 Heb. *from a people.*
u 2 Sam. viii. 6.
10 Heb. *caused it to touch.*
23 Or, *Do ye not believe? it is because ye are not stable.*
l Jer. i. 9; Dan. x 16.
24 Heb. *And the LORD added to speak.*

11 Ask thee a sign of the LORD thy God; [1]ask it either in the depth, or in the height above.[a]

12 But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the LORD.

13 And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; *Is it* a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also?

14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and [2]shall call his name Immanuel.[b]

15 Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.

16 For before the child shall know to refuse the evil, and choose the good, the land that thou abhorrest shall be forsaken of both her kings.[c]

17 ¶ The LORD shall bring upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon thy father's house, days that have not come, from the day that Ephraim departed from Judah; *even* the king of Assyria.[d]

18 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall hiss for the fly that *is* in the uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that *is* in the land of Assyria.[e]

19 And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleys, and in the holes of the rocks, and upon all thorns, and upon all [3]bushes.[f]

20 In the same day shall the Lord shave with a razor that is hired, *namely*, by them beyond the river, by the king of Assyria, the head, and the hair of the feet: and it shall also consume the beard.[g]

21 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* a man shall nourish a young cow, and two sheep;

22 And it shall come to pass, for the abundance of milk *that* they shall give he shall eat butter: for butter and honey shall every one eat that is left [4]in the land.

23 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* every place shall be, where there were a thousand vines at a thousand silverlings, it shall *even* be for briers and thorns.[h]

24 With arrows and with bows shall *men* come thither; because all the land shall become briers and thorns.

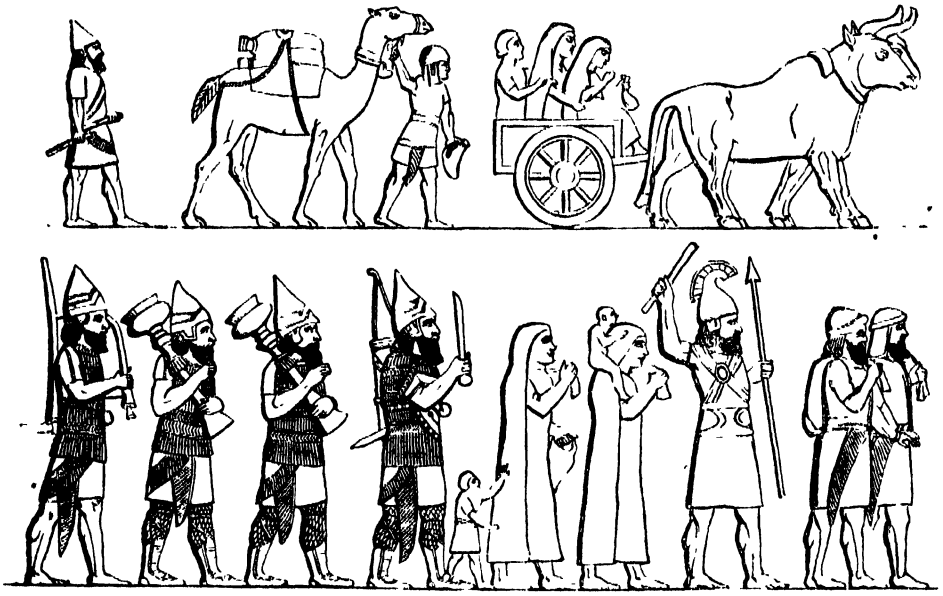
25 And *on* all hills that shall be digged with the mattock, there shall not come thither the fear of briers and thorns: but it shall be for the sending forth of oxen, and for the treading of lesser cattle.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *In Maher-shalal-hash-baz, he prophesieth that Syria and Israel shall be subdued by Assyria.* 5 *Judah likewise for their infidelity.* 9 *God's judgments shall be unresistible.* 11 *Comfort shall be to them that fear God.* 19 *Great afflictions to idolaters.*

MOREOVER the LORD said unto me, Take thee a great roll, and write in it with a man's pen concerning [5]Maher-shalal-hash-baz.[a]

2 And I took unto me faithful witnesses to record, Uriah the priest, and Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah.



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3 And I went unto the prophetess; and she conceived, and bare a son. Then said the LORD to me, Call his name Maher-shalal-hash-baz.

4 For before the child shall have knowledge to cry, My father, and my mother, [6]the riches of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria shall be taken away before the king of Assyria.[a]

5 ¶ The LORD spake also unto me again, saying,

6 Forasmuch as this people refuseth the waters of Shiloah that go softly, and rejoice in Rezin and Remaliah's son;[b]

7 Now therefore, behold, the Lord bringeth up upon them the waters of the river, strong and many, *even* the king of Assyria, and all his glory: and he shall come up over all his channels, and go over all his banks:

8 And he shall pass through Judah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach *even* to the neck; and [7]the stretching out of his wings shall fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 742.

1 Or, *make thy petition deep.*

a Judg. vi. 36, &c.; Matt. xii. 38

2 Or, *thou*, O virgin, *shalt call*

b ch. vii. 8, ix. 6, Matt. i. 23, Luke i. 31, 34

c ch. viii. 4, 8, 2 Kings xv. 30, xvi. 9

5 Heb. *In making speed to the spoil, he hasteneth the prey*, or, *Make speed, &c.*

e ch. xxx. 8, Hab. ii. 2

d 1 Kings xii. 16, 2 Chron. xxviii. 19

e ch. v. 26

6 Or, *he that is before the king of Assyria shall take away the riches, &c.*

3 Or, *commendable trees*

f ch. ii. 19; Jer. xvi. 16

g 2 Kings xvi. 7, 8, 2 Chron. xxviii. 20, 21; Ezek. v. 1.

h ch. vii. 1, 2, 6, Neh. iii. 15; John ix. 7.

4 Heb. *in the midst of the land.*

7 Heb. *the fulness of the breadth of thy land shall be the stretching out of his wings.*

h ch. v. 6.

i ch. vii. 14; xxx. 28

9 ¶ Associate yourselves, O ye people, [1]and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries: gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces.[a]

10 Take counsel together, and it shall come to nought; speak the word, and it shall not stand: for God *is* with us.[b]

11 ¶ For the LORD spake thus to me [2]with a strong hand, and instructed me that I should not walk in the way of this people, saying,

12 Say ye not, A confederacy, to all *them to* whom this people shall say, A confederacy; neither fear ye their fear, nor be afraid.[c]

13 Sanctify the LORD of hosts himself; and *let* him *be* your fear, and *let* him *be* your dread.[d]

14 And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.[e]

15 And many among them shall stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be snared, and be taken.[f]

16 Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples.

17 And I will wait upon the LORD, that hideth his face from the house of Jacob, and I will look for him.[g]

18 Behold, I and the children whom the LORD hath given me *are* for signs and for wonders in Israel from the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth in mount Zion.[h]

19 ¶ And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead?[i]

20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, *it is* because *there is* [3]no light in them.[j]

21 And they shall pass through it, hardly bestead and hungry: and it shall come to pass, that when they shall be hungry, they shall fret themselves, and curse their king and their God, and look upward.[k]

22 And they shall look unto the earth; and behold trouble and darkness, dimness of anguish; and *they shall be* driven to darkness.[l]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *What joy shall be in the midst of afflictions, by the kingdom and birth of Christ.* 8 *The judgments upon Israel for their pride,* 13 *for their hypocrisy,* 18 *and for their impenitency.*

NEVERTHELESS the dimness *shall* not *be* such as *was* in her vexation, when at the first he lightly afflicted the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, and afterward did more grievously afflict *her by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, in Galilee [4]of the nations.[m]

2 The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.[n]

3 Thou hast multiplied the nation, *and* [5]not increased the joy: they joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, *and* as *men* rejoice when they divide the spoil.[o]

4 [6]For thou hast broken the yoke of his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, as in the day of Midian.[p]

5 [7]For every battle of the warrior *is* with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood; [8]but *this* shall be with burning *and* [9]fuel of fire.[q]

6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.[r]

7 Of the increase of *his* government and peace *there shall be* no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.[s]

8 ¶ The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon Israel.

9 And all the people shall know, *even* Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in the pride and stoutness of heart,

10 The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycomores are cut down, but we will change *them into* cedars.

11 Therefore the LORD shall set up the adversaries of Rezin against him, and [10]join his enemies together;

12 The Syrians before, and the Philistines behind; and they shall devour Israel [11]with open mouth. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.[t]

13 ¶ For the people turneth not unto him that smiteth them, neither do they seek the LORD of hosts.[u]

14 Therefore the LORD will cut off from Israel head and tail, branch and rush, in one day.[v]

15 The ancient and honourable, he *is* the head; and the prophet that teacheth lies, he *is* the tail.

16 For [12]the leaders of this people cause *them* to err; and [13]*they that are* led of them *are* [14]destroyed.[w]

17 Therefore the Lord shall have no joy in their young men, neither shall have mercy on their fatherless and widows: for every one *is* an hypocrite and an evildoer, and every mouth speaketh [15]folly. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.[x]

18 ¶ For wickedness burneth as the fire: it shall devour the briers and thorns, and shall kindle in the thickets of the forest, and they shall mount up *like* the lifting up of smoke.[y]

19 Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land darkened, and the people shall be as the [16]fuel of the fire: no man shall spare his brother.[z]

20 And he shall [17]snatch on the right hand, and be hungry; and he shall eat on the left hand, and they shall not be satisfied: they shall eat every man the flesh of his own arm:[a]

21 Manasseh, Ephraim; and Ephraim, Manasseh: *and* they together *shall be* against Judah. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 740.

1 Or, *yet*

o Judg. v. 30.

6 Or, *When thou breakest.*

a Joel iii 9, 11.

p ch x 5, 26; xiv 5, Judg vii 22, Ps lxxxiii 9

7 Or, *When the whole battle of the warrior was, &c*

b ch vii 7, 14, Job v 12, Acts v 38, 39, Rom viii 31.

8 Or, *and it was, &c.*

2 Heb. *in strength of hand*

9 Heb *meat.*

q ch. lxvi. 15, 16

c ch vii 2, 1 Peter iii 14, 15.

r ch vii 14; Judg xiii 18, Matt. xxviii 18, Luke ii 11, John iii 16, 1 Cor xv. 25; Eph ii 14; Titus ii 13

d Numb xx 12, Ps lxxvi 7, Luke xii. 5

e ch xxviii 16, Ezek xi 16, Luke ii 34, Rom ix 33, 1 Peter ii 8

s ch xxxvii 32, 2 Kings xix 31, Dan ii 44, Luke i 32, 33.

f Matt xxi 44, Luke xx 18, Rom ix 32, xi 25

g ch liv 8, Hab ii 3, Luke ii 25, 38

h Ps lxxi 7, Zech iii 8, Heb ii 13

10 Heb *mingle.*

11 Heb *with whole mouth*

i ch xix 3, xxix 4, 1 Sam xxviii 8, Ps. cvi 28

t ch v 25, x 4, Jer iv 8

3 Heb *no morning*

u Jer v 3, Hos vii 10

j Micah iii 6, Luke xvi 29

v ch x 17; Rev. xviii 8

k Rev xvi 11

12 Or, *they that call them blessed*

13 Or, *they that are called blessed of them*

14 Heb *swallowed up*

w ch iii 12.

l ch v 30, ix 1

15 Or, *villany*

x ve 12, 21, ch v 25, x 4, Ps. cxlvii 10, 11, Micah vii 2.

y ch x 17, Mal iv 1

16 Heb. *meat.*

z ch viii 22, Micah vii 2, 6.

17 Heb. *cut.*

4 Or, *populous.*

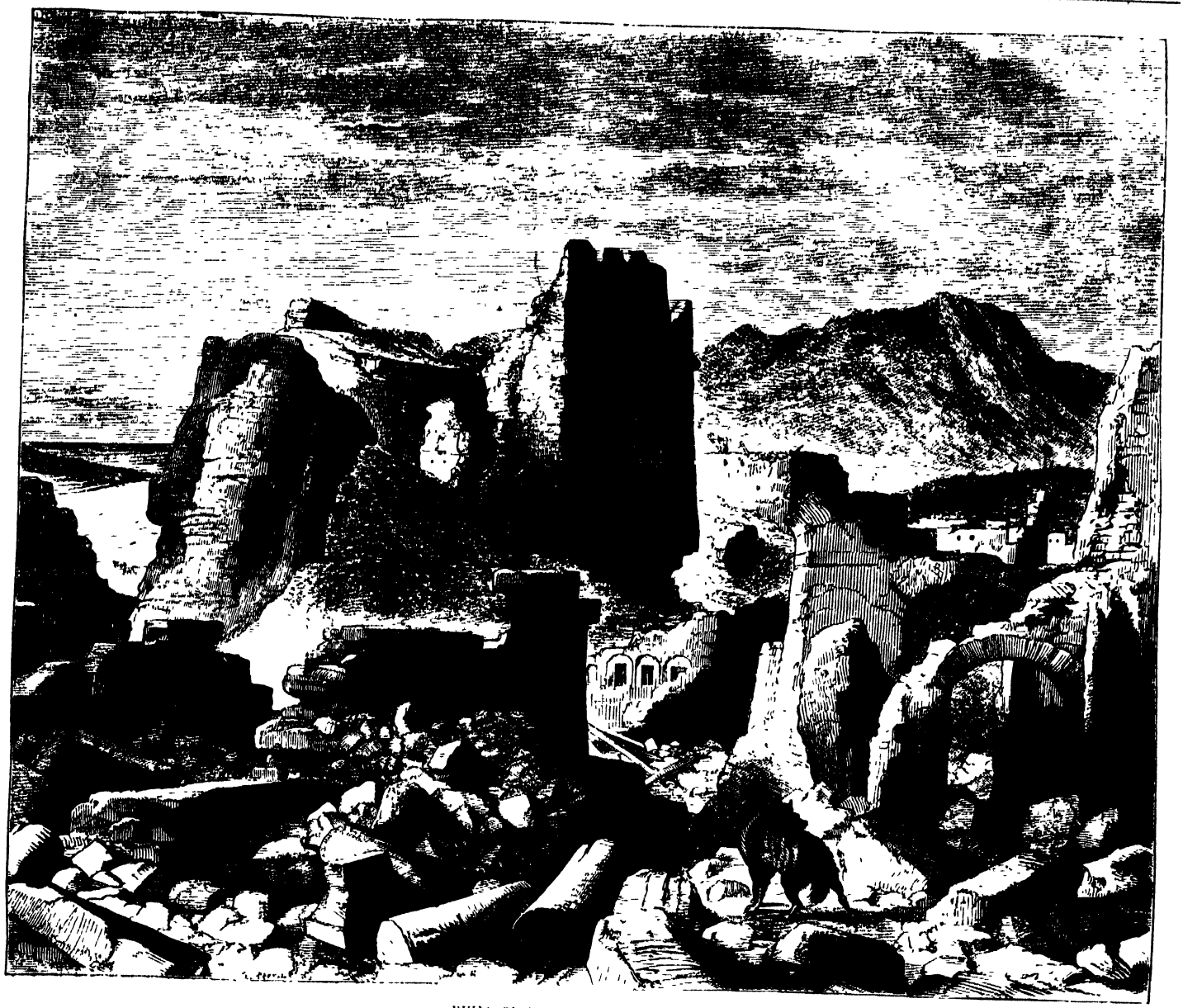
m ch viii 22; Lev xxvi. 24, 2 Kings xv 29; xvii 5, 6; 1 Chron. v. 26, 2 Chron. xvi. 4.

a ch. xlix. 26; Lev xxvi. 26; Jer. xix. 9.

n Matt iv 16; Eph. v 8, 14

5 Or, *to him*

b ve. 12, 17; ch. v. 25; x. 4.



RUINS OF SAMARIA.—ISAIAH IX. 8–10.

CHAPTER X.

1 *The woe of tyrants.* 5 *Assyria, the rod of hypocrites, for his pride shall be broken.* 20 *A remnant of Israel shall be saved.* 24 *Israel is comforted with promise of deliverance from Assyria.*

WOE unto them that decree unrighteous decrees, and [1]that write grievousness *which* they have prescribed;[a]

2 To turn aside the needy from judgment, and to take away the right from the poor of my people, that widows may be their prey, and *that* they may rob the fatherless!

3 And what will ye do in the day of visitation, and in the desolation *which* shall come from far? to whom will ye flee for help? and where will ye leave your glory?[b]

4 Without me they shall bow down under the prisoners, and they shall fall under the slain. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand *is* stretched out still.[c]

5 ¶ [2]O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, [3]and the staff in their hand is mine indignation.[d]

6 I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and [4]to tread them down like the mire of the streets.[e]

7 Howbeit he meaneth not so, neither doth his heart think so; but *it is* in his heart to destroy and cut off nations not a few.[f]

8 For he saith, *Are* not my princes altogether kings?[g]

9 *Is* not Calno as Carchemish? *is* not Hamath as Arpad? *is* not Samaria as Damascus?[h]

10 As my hand hath found the kingdoms of the idols, and whose graven images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria;

11 Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to Jerusalem and her idols?

BEFORE CHRIST 740

c ch v 25, ix 12, 17, 21

2 Or, *Woe to the Assyrian* Heb *Asshur*

3 Or, *through*

d ch ix 17; Jer li. 20

1 Or, *to the writers that write grievousness*

4 Heb *to lay them a treading*

e ch lx 17, Jer xxxiv. 22

a Ps. lviii 2, xciv 20

f Gen l. 20, Micah iv. 12.

g 2 Kings xviii. 24, 33, &c., xix. 10, &c.

h 2 Kings xvi. 9; 2 Chron. xxxv. 20; Amos vi. 2.

b Job xxxi. 14; Hos. ix. 7; Luke xix. 44.

12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, *that* when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will [1]punish the fruit [2]of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.[a]

13 For he saith, By the strength of my hand I have done *it*, and by my wisdom; for I am prudent: and I have removed the bounds of the people, and have robbed their treasures, and I have put down the inhabitants [3]like a valiant *man*.[b]

14 And my hand hath found as a nest the riches of the people: and as one gathereth eggs *that are* left, have I gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing, or opened the mouth, or peeped.[c]

15 Shall the ax boast itself against him that heweth therewith? *or* shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it? [4]as if the rod should shake *itself* against them that lift it up, *or* as if the staff should lift up [5]*itself, as if it were* no wood.[d]

16 Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among his fat ones leanness; and under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire.[e]

17 And the light of Israel shall be for a fire, and his Holy One for a flame: and it shall burn and devour his thorns and his briers in one day;[f]

18 And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, [6]both soul and body: and they shall be as when a standardbearer fainteth.[g]

19 And the rest of the trees of his forest shall be [7]few, that a child may write them.

20 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the remnant of Israel, and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth.[h]

21 The remnant shall return, *even* the remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God.[i]

22 For though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, *yet* a remnant [8]of them shall return: the consumption decreed shall overflow [9]with righteousness.[j]

23 For the Lord GOD of hosts shall make a consumption, even determined, in the midst of all the land.[k]

24 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, O my people that dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee with a rod, [10]and shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner of Egypt.[l]

25 For yet a very little while, and the indignation shall cease, and mine anger in their destruction.[m]

26 And the LORD of hosts shall stir up a scourge for him according to the slaughter of Midian at the rock of Oreb: and *as* his rod *was* upon the sea, so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt.[n]

27 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* his burden [11]shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.[o]

28 He is come to Aiath, he is passed to Migron; at Michmash he hath laid up his carriages:

29 They are gone over the passage: they have taken up their lodging at Geba; Ramah is afraid; Gibeah of Saul is fled.[p]

30 [12]Lift up thy voice, O daughter of Gallim: cause it to be heard unto Laish, O poor Anathoth.[q]

31 Madmenah is removed; the inhabitants of Gebim gather themselves to flee.[r]

32 As yet shall he remain at Nob that day: he shall shake his hand *against* the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.[s]

33 Behold, the Lord, the LORD of hosts, shall lop the bough with terror: and the high ones of stature *shall be* hewn down, and the haughty shall be humbled.[t]

34 And he shall cut down the thickets of the forest with iron, and Lebanon shall fall [13]by a mighty one.

CHAPTER XI.

1 *The peaceable kingdom of the Branch out of the root of Jesse.* 10 *The victorious restoration of Israel, and vocation of the Gentiles.*

AND there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:[u]

2 And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;[v]

3 And shall make him of quick [14]understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

4 But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.[w]

5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.[x]

6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.[y]

7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the [15]cockatrice' den.

9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.[z]

10 ¶ And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be [16]glorious.[a]

11 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left,

BEFORE CHRIST 713.

1 Heb. *visit upon.*
2 Heb. *of the greatness of the heart.*
p 1 Sam. xi. 4; xiii. 23
12 Heb *Cry shrill with thy voice.*
q Josh xxi. 18, Judg xviii. 7; 1 Sam xxv 44.
r Josh xv. 31
3 Or, *like many people*
s ch. xiii 2, xxxvii. 22; 1 Sam xxi. 1, xxii. 19; Neh xi 32
t Amos ii. 9.
a 2 Kings xix. 31; Jer l. 18
b ch. xxxvii. 24; Ezek xxviii. 4, &c.; Dan iv 30.
13 Or, *mightily*
c Job xxxi. 25.
4 Or, *as if a rod should shake them that lift it up.*
5 Or, that which *is not wood.*
d Jer. ii 20.
e ch x 17
u ver 10, ch iv. 2, liii 2, Jer xxiii 5, Zech vi 12, Acts xiii 23, Rev. v 5
f ch ix 18, xxvii 4
6 Heb *from the soul and even to the flesh*
g 2 Kings xix 23
v ch lxi 1, Matt iii 16; John i 32, 33, iii. 34
7 Heb *number.*
11 Heb *scent*, or, *smell*
h 2 Kings xvi 7, 2 Chron xxviii 20
i ch vii 3
w Job iv 9, Ps lxxii 2, 4, Mal iv 6, 2 Thess ii 8, Rev i 16, ii 16, xix 11, 15
8 Heb *in*, or, *among*
9 Or, *in*
j ch vi 13; xxviii. 22
x Ephes vi 14
k ch xxviii 22; Dan ix 27, Rom ix 28
y ch lxv 25, Ezek xxxiv 25, Hos ii 18
10 Or, *but he shall lift up his staff for thee*
l ch xxxvii 6, Exod xiv
m Dan xi 36
15 Or, *adder's*
z ch ii 4, xxxv 9, Job v 23, Hab ii 14
n ch ix 4; Exod xiv 26, 27, Judg vii 25, 2 Kings xix. 35.
11 Heb *shall remove.*
16 Heb. *glory*
a ver 1, ch ii 11, Rom xv. 12, Heb iv. 1, &c.
o ch xiv 25, Ps cv 15, Dan ix 24, 1 John ii 20

from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.[a]

12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four [1]corners of the earth.[b]

13 The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim.[c]

14 But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; they shall spoil [2]them of the east together: [3]they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab; [4]and the children of Ammon shall obey them.[d]

15 And the LORD shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river, and shall smite it in the seven streams, and make *men* go over [5]dryshod.[e]

16 And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.[f]

CHAPTER XII.

A joyful thanksgiving of the faithful for the mercies of God

AND in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.[g]

2 Behold, God *is* my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH *is* my strength and *my* song; he also is become my salvation.[h]

3 Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.[i]

4 And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, [6]call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.[j]

5 Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this *is* known in all the earth.[k]

6 Cry out and shout, thou [7]inhabitant of Zion: for great *is* the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.[l]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 God mustereth the armies of his wrath 6 He threateneth to destroy Babylon by the Medes. 19 The desolation of Babylon.

THE burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz did see.[m]

2 Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them, shake the hand, that they may go into the gates of the nobles.[n]

3 I have commanded my sanctified ones, I have also called my mighty ones for mine anger, *even* them that rejoice in my highness.[o]

4 The noise of a multitude in the mountains, [8]like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together: the LORD of hosts mustereth the host of the battle.

5 They come from a far country, from the end of heaven, *even* the LORD, and the weapons of his indignation, to destroy the whole land.

6 ¶ Howl ye; for the day of the LORD *is* at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.[p]

7 Therefore shall all hands [9]be faint, and every man's heart shall melt:

8 And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall [10]be amazed [11]one at another; their faces *shall be as* [12]flames.[q]

9 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.[r]

10 For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.[s]

11 And I will punish the world for *their* evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.[t]

12 I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir.

13 Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger.[u]

14 And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man taketh up: they shall every man turn to his own people, and flee every one into his own land.[v]

15 Every one that is found shall be thrust through; and every one that is joined *unto them* shall fall by the sword.

16 Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished.[w]

17 Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and *as for* gold, they shall not delight in it.[x]

18 *Their* bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children.

19 ¶ And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be [13]as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.[y]

20 It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.

21 But [14]wild beasts of the desert shall lie there; and their houses shall be full of [15]doleful creatures; and [16]owls shall dwell there, and satyrs shall dance there.[z]

22 And the [17]wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate [18]houses, and dragons in *their* pleasant palaces: and her time *is* near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

a ch. ii. 11, Zech. x. 10.

1 Heb. *wings*

b John vii 35, James i 1.

p Job xxxi 23, Joel i 15, Zeph i 7; Rev vi 17.

9 Or, *fall down.*

c Jer iii 18; Ezek. xvii. 16, 17, 22, Hos. i 11.

2 Heb *the children of the east*

10 Heb *wonder*

11 Heb *every man at his neighbour*

3 Heb *Edom and Moab shall be the laying on of their hand.*

12 Heb *faces of the flames*

q ch xxi 3, Ps xviii 6

4 Heb *the children of Ammon their obedience*

d ch lx. 14, Dan xi 41

r Ps civ 35, Prov ii 22, Mal iv 1

5 Heb *in shoes*

e Zech x. 11, Rev xvi 12

s ch xxiv 21, 23, Ezek xxxii 7, Joel ii 31, iii 15, Matt xxiv 29, Mark xiii 24, Luke xxi 25

f ch xix 22, li 10, lxii 12, 15, Exod xiv 29

t ch ii 17

u Ps cx 7, Lam i 12, Hagg ii 6

g ch li. 11

v Jer l 16, li 9

h Exod xv 2, Ps lxxxiii 18, cxviii 14

i John iv. 10, 14, vii 37, 38.

6 Or, *proclaim his name*

w Ps. cxxxvii 9, Neh iii 10, Zech. xiv. 2.

j 1 Chron xvi 8; Ps. xxxiv 3, cv. 1, cxlv. 4—6

x Exod xv 1, 21, Ps. lxviii 32, xcviii 1

k ch xxi 2, Jer li 11, 28, Dan v 28, 31

7 Heb *inhabitress*

l ch xii 11, 16, liv 1, Ps lxxi 22, lxxxix 18, Zeph iii 14

13 Heb *as the overthrowing*

y ch xiv 4, 22, Gen xix. 24, 25, Deut xxix 23, Jer xlix 18, l 3, 39, 40, li 29, 62

m ch xxi 1, xlvii 1, Jer l, li

14 Heb *Zum*

15 Heb *Ochim.*

n ch v 26, x 32, xviii 3, Jer l 2, li 25

16 Or, *ostriches* Heb *daughters of the owl*

z ch xxxiv 11—15, Rev xviii 2

17 Heb *Iim*

o Ps. cxlix 2, 5, 6, Joel iii 11

18 Or, *palaces.*

8 Heb *the likeness of*

a Jer. li 33

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *God's merciful restoration of Israel.* 4 *Their triumphant insultation over Babel.* 24 *God's purpose against Assyria.* 29 *Palestina is threatened.*

FOR the LORD will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and set them in their own land: and the strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob.[a]

2 And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of the LORD for servants and handmaids: and they shall take them captives, [1]whose captives they were; and they shall rule over their oppressors.[b]

3 And it shall come to pass in the day that the LORD shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve,

4 ¶ That thou shalt take up this [2]proverb against the king of Babylon, and say, How hath the oppressor ceased! the [3]golden city ceased![c]

5 The LORD hath broken the staff of the wicked, *and* the sceptre of the rulers.

6 He who smote the people in wrath with a [4]continual stroke, he that ruled the nations in anger, is persecuted, *and* none hindereth.

7 The whole earth is at rest, *and* is quiet: they break forth into singing.

8 Yea, the fir trees rejoice at thee, *and* the cedars of Lebanon, *saying*, Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.[d]

9 [5]Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet *thee* at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, *even* all the [6]chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.[e]

10 All they shall speak and say unto thee, Art thou also become weak as we? art thou become like unto us?

11 Thy pomp is brought down to the grave, *and* the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee.

12 How art thou fallen from heaven, [7]O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations![f]

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:[g]

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.[h]

15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.[i]



DESOLATION OF BABYLON

16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, *and* consider thee, *saying*, *Is* this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;

17 *That* made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; *that* [8]opened not the house of his prisoners?

18 All the kings of the nations, *even* all of them, lie in glory, every one in his own house.

19 But thou art cast out of thy grave like an abominable branch, *and as* the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcase trodden under feet.

20 Thou shalt not be joined with them in burial, because thou hast destroyed thy land, *and* slain thy people: the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.[j]

21 Prepare slaughter for his children for the iniquity of their fathers; that they do not rise, nor

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

6 Heb. *leaders*, or, *great goats.*

e Ezek. xxxii. 31.

7 Or, *O day-star.*

a ch. lx 4, 5, 10; Ps. cii. 13, Zech. i. 17; ii. 12; Eph. ii. 12, 13, &c.

f ch. xxxiv. 4.

g Ps. xlviii. 2; Dan. viii. 10· Matt. xi. 23.

1 Heb *that had taken them captives.*

b ch. xlix. 22; lx. 9, 14; lxvi. 20.

h ch xlvii. 8; 2 Thess. ii 4.

i Matt. xi 23.

2 Or, *taunting speech.*

3 Or, *exactress of gold.*

c ch xiii 19; Hab ii. 6, Rev xviii. 16.

8 Or, *did not let his prisoners loose homewards?*

4 Heb *a stroke without removing*

d ch lv 12, Ezek. xxxi. 16.

j Job xviii. 19; Ps. xxi 10; xxxvii. 28; cix. 13.

5 Or, *The grave.*



"ON THE TOPS OF THEIR HOUSES, AND IN THEIR STREETS, EVERY ONE SHALL HOWL, WEEPING ABUNDANTLY."—ISAIAH XV. 3

possess the land, nor fill the face of the world with cities.[a]

22 For I will rise up against them, saith the LORD of hosts, and cut off from Babylon the name, and remnant, and son, and nephew, saith the LORD.[b]

23 I will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction, saith the LORD of hosts.[c]

24 ¶ The LORD of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, *so* shall it stand:

25 That I will break the Assyrian in my land, and upon my mountains tread him under foot: then shall his yoke depart from off them, and his burden depart from off their shoulders.[d]

26 This *is* the purpose that is purposed upon the whole earth: and this *is* the hand that is stretched out upon all the nations.

27 For the LORD of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul *it?* and his hand *is* stretched out, and who shall turn *it* back?[e]

28 In the year that king Ahaz died was this burden.[f]

29 ¶ Rejoice not thou, whole Palestina, because the rod of him that smote thee is broken: for out of the serpent's root shall come forth a [1]cockatrice, and his fruit *shall be* a fiery flying serpent.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

a Exod. xx. 5; Matt. xxiii 35.

d ch x. 27.

b 1 Kings xiv. 10; Job xviii 19; Prov. x. 7; Jer. li. 62.

c ch xxi. 30; xliii. 13; 2 Chron. xx. 6; Job ix. 12; xxxi. 13, Ps. xxxiii. 11; Prov. xix. 21; xxi. 30; Dan iv. 31, 35.

e ch xxiv. 12; Zeph. ii 14

f 2 Kings xvi. 20.

1 Or, *adder.*

g 2 Kings xviii. 8; 2 Chron. xxvi. 6.

30 And the firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety: and I will kill thy root with famine, and he shall slay thy remnant.

31 Howl, O gate; cry, O city; thou, whole Palestina, *art* dissolved: for there shall come from the north a smoke, and [1]none *shall be* alone in his [2]appointed times.

32 What shall *one* then answer the messengers of the nation? That the LORD hath founded Zion, and the poor of his people shall [3]trust in it.[a]

CHAPTER XV.

The lamentable state of Moab.

THE burden of Moab. Because in the night Ar of Moab is laid waste, *and* brought to silence; because in the night Kir of Moab is laid waste, *and* [4]brought to silence;[b]

2 He is gone up to Bajith, and to Dibon, the high places, to weep: Moab shall howl over Nebo, and over Medeba: on all their heads *shall be* baldness, *and* every beard cut off.[c]

3 In their streets they shall gird themselves with sackcloth: on the tops of their houses, and in their streets, every one shall howl, [5]weeping abundantly.[d]

4 And Heshbon shall cry, and Elealeh: their voice shall be heard *even* unto Jahaz: therefore the armed soldiers of Moab shall cry out; his life shall be grievous unto him.[e]

5 My heart shall cry out for Moab; [6]his fugitives *shall flee* unto Zoar, an heifer of three years old: for by the mounting up of Luhith with weeping shall they go it up; for in the way of Horonaim they shall raise up a cry of [7]destruction.[f]

6 For the waters of Nimrim shall be [8]desolate: for the hay is withered away, the grass faileth, there is no green thing.[g]

7 Therefore the abundance they have gotten, and that which they have laid up, shall they carry away to the [9]brook of the willows.

8 For the cry is gone round about the borders of Moab; the howling thereof unto Eglaim, and the howling thereof unto Beer-elim.

9 For the waters of Dimon shall be full of blood: for I will bring [10]more upon Dimon, lions upon him that escapeth of Moab, and upon the remnant of the land.[h]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Moab is exhorted to yield obedience to Christ's kingdom.* 6 *Moab is threatened for her pride.* 9 *The prophet bewaileth her.* 12 *The judgment of Moab.*

SEND ye the lamb to the ruler of the land from [11]Sela to the wilderness, unto the mount of the daughter of Zion.[i]

2 For it shall be, *that*, as a wandering bird [12]cast out of the nest, *so* the daughters of Moab shall be at the fords of Arnon.[j]

3 [13]Take counsel, execute judgment; make thy shadow as the night in the midst of the noonday; hide the outcasts; bewray not him that wandereth.

4 Let mine outcasts dwell with thee, Moab; be thou a covert to them from the face of the spoiler: for the [14]extortioner is at an end, the spoiler ceaseth, [15]the oppressors are consumed out of the land.

5 And in mercy shall the throne be [16]established: and he shall sit upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking judgment, and hasting righteousness.[k]

6 ¶ We have heard of the pride of Moab; *he is* very proud: *even* of his haughtiness, and his pride, and his wrath: *but* his lies *shall* not *be* so.[l]

7 Therefore shall Moab howl for Moab, every one shall howl: for the foundations of Kir-hareseth shall ye [17]mourn; surely *they are* stricken.[m]

8 For the fields of Heshbon languish, *and* the vine of Sibmah: the lords of the heathen have broken down the principal plants thereof, they are come *even* unto Jazer, they wandered *through* the wilderness: her branches are [18]stretched out, they are gone over the sea.[n]

9 ¶ Therefore I will bewail with the weeping of Jazer the vine of Sibmah: I will water thee with my tears, O Heshbon, and Elealeh: for [19]the shouting for thy summer fruits and for thy harvest is fallen.[o]

10 And gladness is taken away, and joy out of the plentiful field; and in the vineyards there shall be no singing, neither shall there be shouting: the treaders shall tread out no wine in *their* presses; I have made *their vint ge* shouting to cease.[p]

11 Wherefore my bowels shall sound like an harp for Moab, and mine inward parts for Kir-haresh.[q]

12 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when it is seen that Moab is weary on the high place, that he shall come to his sanctuary to pray; but he shall not prevail.[r]

13 This *is* the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning Moab since that time.

14 But now the LORD hath spoken, saying, Within three years, as the years of an hireling, and the glory of Moab shall be contemned, with all that great multitude; and the remnant *shall be* very small *and* [20]feeble.[s]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Syria and Israel are threatened.* 6 *A remnant shall forsake idolatry.* 9 *The rest shall be plagued for their impiety.* 12 *The woe of Israel's enemies.*

THE burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from *being* a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap.[t]

2 The cities of Aroer *are* forsaken: they shall be for flocks, which shall lie down, and none shall make *them* afraid.[u]

3 The fortress also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from Damascus, and the remnant of Syria: they shall be as the glory of the children of Israel, saith the LORD of hosts.

4 And in that day it shall come to pass, *that* the

BEFORE CHRIST 726.

1 Or, he shall *not* be *alone.*

14 Heb. *wringer.*

2 Or, *assemblies.*

15 Heb. *the treaders down.*

16 Or, *prepared.*

3 Or, *betake themselves unto it.*

a Ps. cii 16; Zeph. iii. 12; Zech. xi 11.

k Ps. lxxii 2; xcvi. 13, xcviii. 9

l ch xxviii 15; Jer xlviii. 29, Zeph. ii. 10.

17 Or, *mutter.*

m 2 Kings iii 25; Jer. xlviii 20

4 Or, *cut off.*

b Numb xxi 28, Jer xlviii 1, &c., Ezek. xxv 8—11, Amos ii. 1.

18 Or, *plucked up.*

n ver 9, ch xxiv 7

c ch iii 24, xvi 12, xxii. 12; Lev xxi 5, Jer. xlvii 5, xlviii 1, 37, 38, Ezek vii 18

19 Or, *the alarm is fallen upon, &c*

5 Heb *descending into weeping*, or, *coming down with weeping.*

d Jer xlviii. 38.

o ch xv 4; Jer xlviii. 32

e ch xvi. 9

6 Or, *to the borders thereof, even to Zoar, as an heifer*

p ch xxiv 8, Jer xlviii 33

q ch xv 5, lxiii 15; Jer xlviii 36

7 Heb *breaking*

f ch. xvi 11, 14, Jer xlviii. 5, 31, 34

8 Heb *desolations*

r ch xv 2

g Numb xxxii 36

9 Or, *valley of the Arabians.*

20 Or, *not many*

s ch xxi 16

10 Heb *additions*

h 2 Kings xvii 25

t 2 Kings xvi 9, Jer xlix 23, Amos i 3; Zech ix 1, fulfilled, B.C 740

11 Or, *Petra* Heb *A rock*

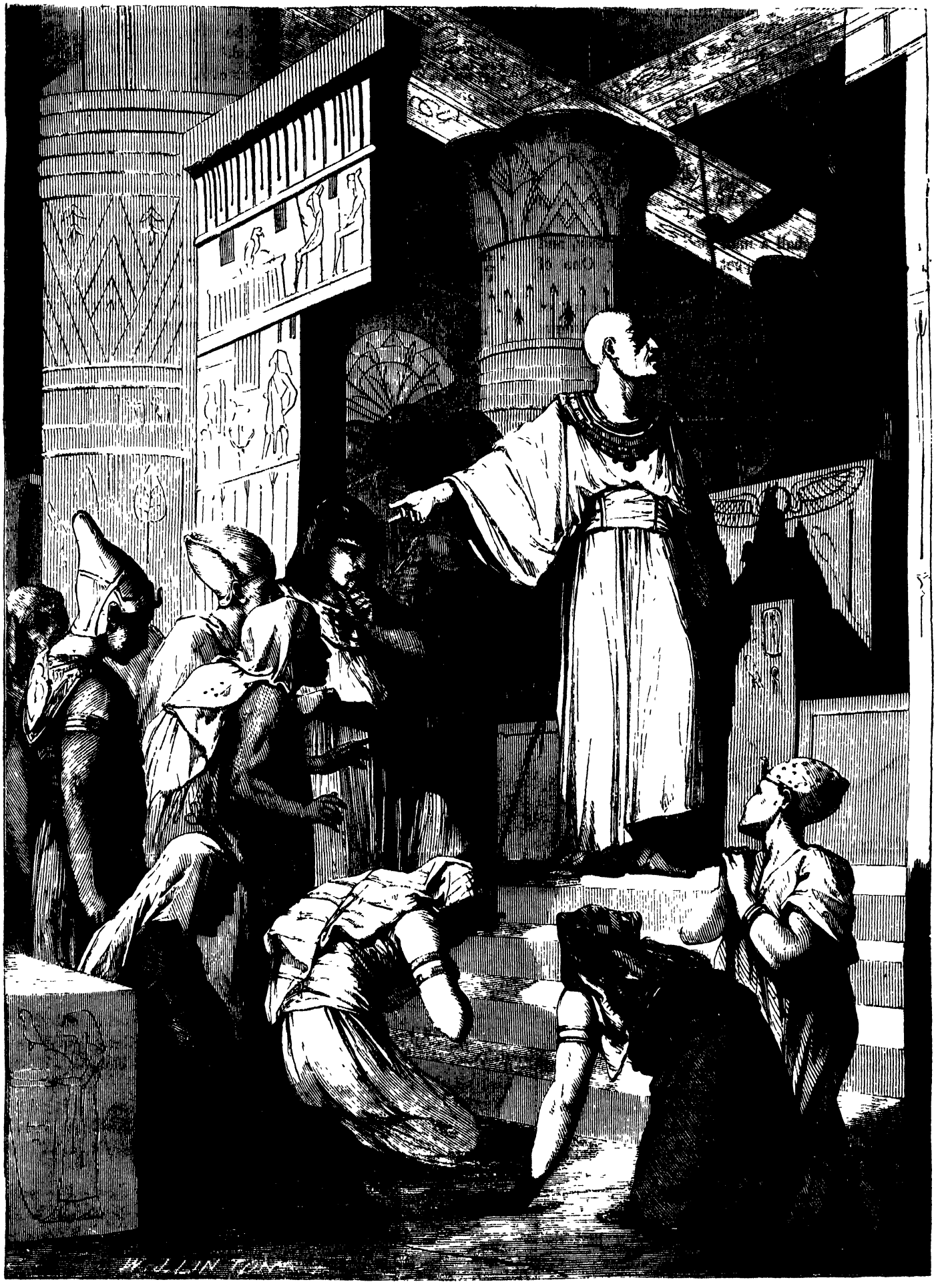
i 2 Kings iii 4, xiv 7

u ch vii 16; viii 4

12 Or, *a nest forsaken.*

j Numb xxi. 13

13 Heb *Bring.*



THE EGYPTIANS, IN DISMAY, SEEKING COUNSEL FROM THEIR IDOLATROUS PRIESTS.—ISAIAH XIX. 3.

glory of Jacob shall be made thin, and the fatness of his flesh shall wax lean.[a]

5 And it shall be as when the harvestman gathereth the corn, and reapeth the ears with his arm; and it shall be as he that gathereth ears in the valley of Rephaim.[b]

6 ¶ Yet gleaning grapes shall be left in it, as the shaking of an olive tree, two *or* three berries in the top of the uppermost bough, four *or* five in the outmost fruitful branches thereof, saith the LORD God of Israel.[c]

7 At that day shall a man look to his Maker, and his eyes shall have respect to the Holy One of Israel.[d]

8 And he shall not look to the altars, the work of his hands, neither shall respect *that* which his fingers have made, either the groves, or the [1]images.

9 ¶ In that day shall his strong cities be as a

BEFORE CHRIST 726.

a ch. x. 16.

5 Or, *thistledown.*

g Ps. ix. 5; lxxxiii. 13; Hos. xiii. 3.

b Jer. li. 33.

c ch. xxiv. 13.

h ch. xx. 4, 5; Ezek. xxx. 4, 5, 9; Zeph. ii. 12; iii. 10.

d Micah vii. 7.

1 Or, *sun images.*

6 Or, *outspread and polished.*

flee far off, and shall be chased as the chaff of the mountains before the wind, and like [5]a rolling thing before the whirlwind.[e]

14 And behold at eveningtide trouble; *and* before the morning he *is* not. This *is* the portion of them that spoil us, and the lot of them that rob us.

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *God in care of his people will destroy the Æthiopians.* 7 *An access thereby shall grow unto the church.*

WOE to the land shadowing with wings, which *is* beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:[h]

2 That sendeth ambassadors by the sea, even in vessels of bulrushes upon the waters, *saying*, Go, ye swift messengers, to a nation [6]scattered and peeled, to a people



"THE PAPER REEDS BY THE BROOKS"—ISAIAH XIX. 7

forsaken bough, and an uppermost branch, which they left because of the children of Israel: and there shall be desolation.

10 Because thou hast forgotten the God of thy salvation, and hast not been mindful of the rock of thy strength, therefore shalt thou plant pleasant plants, and shalt set it with strange slips:[e]

11 In the day shalt thou make thy plant to grow, and in the morning shalt thou make thy seed to flourish: *but* the harvest *shall be* [2]a heap in the day of grief and of desperate sorrow.

12 ¶ Woe to the [3]multitude of many people, *which* make a noise like the noise of the seas; and to the rushing of nations, *that* make a rushing like the rushing of [4]mighty waters![f]

13 The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters: but *God* shall rebuke them, and they shall

7 Or, *a nation that meteth out and treadeth down* Heb. *a nation of line, line, and treading under foot*

8 Or, *whose land the rivers despise.*

e ver. 7.

e Ps. lxviii. 19.

i ch. v. 26.

9 Or, *regard my set dwelling.*

2 Or, *removed in the day of inheritance,* and there shall be *deadly sorrow.*

10 Or, *after rain.*

3 Or, *noise.*

4 Or, *many.*

f Jer. vi. 23

terrible from their beginning hitherto; [7]a nation meted out and trodden down, [8]whose land the rivers have spoiled![i]

3 All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountains; and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.[j]

4 For so the LORD said unto me, I will take my rest, and I will [9]consider in my dwelling place like a clear heat [10]upon herbs, *and* like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest.

5 For afore the harvest, when the bud is perfect, and the sour grape is ripening in the flower, he shall both cut off the sprigs with pruning hooks, and take away *and* cut down the branches.

6 They shall be left together unto the fowls of the mountains, and to the beasts of the earth: and the

fowls shall summer upon them, and all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them.

7 ¶ In that time shall the present be brought unto the LORD of hosts of a people [1]scattered and peeled, and from a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled, to the place of the name of the LORD of hosts, the mount Zion.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 714.

[e] ch. xx. 4; Jer xlvi. 26; Ezek. xxix. 19.

[1] Or, *outspread and polished.*

[f] Jer. li. 36; Ezek. xxx. 12

[a] ver. 2, ch. xvi. 1; Ps. lxviii. 31; lxxii. 10, Zeph. iii. 10, Mal. i. 11

[g] 2 Kings xix. 24

4 And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them, saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts.[e]

5 And the waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall be wasted and dried up.[f]

6 And they shall turn the rivers far away; *and* the brooks of defence shall be emptied and dried up: the reeds and flags shall wither.[g]



PRESENT STATE OF AN ANCIENT TEMPLE OF IDOL WORSHIPPERS IN EGYPT.

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *The confusion of Egypt.* 11 *The foolishness of their princes.* 18 *The calling of Egypt to the church.* 23 *The covenant of Egypt, Assyria, and Israel.*

THE burden of Egypt. Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.[b]

2 And I will set the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they shall fight every one against his brother, and every one against his neighbour; city against city, *and* kingdom against kingdom.[c]

3 And the spirit of Egypt [2]shall fail in the midst thereof; and I will [3]destroy the counsel thereof: and they shall seek to the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to the wizards.[d]

4 Heb. *and shall not be.*

5 Or, *white works.*

[h] 1 Kings x. 28, Prov. vii. 16.

[b] Exod. xii. 12; Ps. xviii.

6 Heb. *foundations.*

7 Heb. *of living things.*

[c] Judg. vii. 22; 1 Sam. xiv. 16, 20; 2 Chron. xx. 23.

[d] Numb. xiii. 22.

2 Heb. *shall be emptied.*

3 Heb. *swallow up.*

[i] 1 Cor. i. 20.

7 The paper reeds by the brooks, by the mouth of the brooks, and every thing sown by the brooks, shall wither, be driven away, [4]and be no *more.*

8 The fishers also shall mourn, and all they that cast angle into the brooks shall lament, and they that spread nets upon the waters shall languish.

9 Moreover they that work in fine flax, and they that weave [5]networks, shall be confounded.[h]

10 And they shall be broken in the [6]purposes thereof, all that make sluices *and* ponds [7]for fish.

11 ¶ Surely the princes of Zoan *are* fools, the counsel of the wise counsellors of Pharaoh is become brutish: how say ye unto Pharaoh, I *am* the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings?[i]

12 Where *are* they? where *are* thy wise *men?* and let them tell thee now, and let them know what the LORD of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt.[j]

13 The princes of Zoan are become fools, the

princes of Noph are deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, *even* [1]*they that are* the stay of the tribes thereof.[m]

14 The LORD hath mingled [2]a perverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken *man* staggereth in his vomit.[k]

15 Neither shall there be *any* work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or rush, may do.[c]

16 In that day shall Egypt be like unto women: and it shall be afraid and fear because of the shaking of the hand of the LORD of hosts, which he shaketh over it.[d]

17 And the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of the LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it.

18 ¶ In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt speak [3]the language of Canaan, and swear to the LORD of hosts; one shall be called, The city [4]of destruction.[e]

19 In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.[f]

20 And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt: for they shall cry unto the LORD because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them.[g]

21 And the LORD shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the LORD in that day, and shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a vow unto the LORD, and perform *it*.[h]

22 And the LORD shall smite Egypt: he shall smite and heal *it*: and they shall return *even* to the LORD, and he shall be intreated of them, and shall heal them.

23 ¶ In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians.[i]

24 In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria, *even* a blessing in the midst of the land:

25 Whom the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed *be* Egypt my people, and Assyria the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance.[j]

CHAPTER XX.

A type prefiguring the shameful captivity of Egypt and Ethiopia.

IN the year that Tartan came unto Ashdod, (when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him,) and fought against Ashdod, and took it;[k]

2 At the same time spake the LORD [5]by Isaiah the son of Amoz, saying, Go and loose the sackcloth from off thy loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot. And he did so, walking naked and barefoot.[l]

3 And the LORD said, Like as my servant Isaiah hath walked naked and barefoot three years *for* a sign and wonder upon Egypt and upon Ethiopia;[m]

4 So shall the king of Assyria lead away [6]the Egyptians prisoners, and the Ethiopians captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, even with *their* buttocks uncovered, to the [7]shame of Egypt.[n]

5 And they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation, and of Egypt their glory.[o]

6 And the inhabitant of this [8]isle shall say in that day, Behold, such *is* our expectation, whither we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and how shall we escape?[p]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *The prophet, bewailing the captivity of his people, seeth in a vision the fall of Babylon by the Medes and Persians.* 11 *Edom, scorning the prophet, is moved to repentance.* 13 *The set time of Arabia's calamity.*

THE burden of the desert of the sea. As whirlwinds in the south pass through; *so* it cometh from the desert, from a terrible land.[q]

2 A [9]grievous vision is declared unto me; the treacherous dealer dealeth treacherously, and the spoiler spoileth. Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I made to cease.[r]

3 Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing *of it;* I was dismayed at the seeing *of it*.[s]

4 [10]My heart panted, fearfulness affrighted me: the night of my pleasure hath he [11]turned into fear unto me.[t]

5 Prepare the table, watch in the watchtower, eat, drink: arise, ye princes, *and* anoint the shield.[u]

6 For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Go, set a watchman, let him declare what he seeth.

7 And he saw a chariot *with* a couple of horsemen, a chariot of asses, *and* a chariot of camels; and he hearkened diligently with much heed:[v]

8 And he [12]cried, A lion: My lord, I stand continually upon the watchtower in the daytime, and I am set in my ward [13]whole nights:[w]

9 And, behold, here cometh a chariot of men, *with* a couple of horsemen. And he answered and said, Babylon is fallen, is fallen; and all the graven images of her gods he hath broken unto the ground.[x]

10 O my threshing, and the [14]corn of my floor: that which I have heard of the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, have I declared unto you.[y]

11 ¶ The burden of Dumah. He calleth to me out of Seir, Watchman, what of the night? Watchman, what of the night?

12 The watchman said, The morning cometh, and also the night: if ye will enquire, enquire ye: return, come.

13 ¶ The burden upon Arabia. In the forest in Arabia shall ye lodge, O ye travelling companies of Dedanim.[z]

14 The inhabitants of the land of Tema [15]brought

BEFORE CHRIST 712

1 Or, *governors.* Heb. *corners.*

a Jer 1l. 16.

6 Heb. *the captivity of Egypt.*

2 Heb. *a spirit of perverseness.*

7 Heb. *nakedness.*

n ch. lii. 17; 2 Sam x. 4; Jer xiii. 22, 26, Micah i 11

b ch xxix. 9; 1 Kings xxii 22.

o ch. xxx 3, 5, 7; xxxvi. 6; 2 Kings xviii. 21.

c ch lx. 14.

8 Or, *country*

p Jer. xlvii 4

d ch xl 15; Jer. li 30, Nahum iii 13.

3 Heb *the lip*

4 Or, *of Heres*, or, *of the sun.*

e Zeph iii 9

q Zech lx. 14.

9 Heb. *hard.*

f Gen xxviii 18; Exod xxiv 4; Josh xxii 10, 26, 27.

1 ch. xlii. 17; xxxiii 1; Jer. xlix 34.

g Josh lv. 20; xxii. 27.

h Mal. i 11

s ch. xlii 8; xv. 5, xvi. 11.

10 Or, *My mind wandered*

11 Heb *put*

t Deut. xxviii 67

u Dan v 5

i ch. xi 16.

v ver 9

12 Or, *cried as a lion*

13 Or, *every night.*

w Hab ii. 1.

j ch xxix 23, Ps. c. 3, Hos. ii 23

x ch xlvi. 1; Jer l 2, li 8, 44, Rev xiv. 8, xviii 2

14 Heb. *son.*

y 1 Chron. i 30; Jer xlix 7, 8; Ezek. xxxv. 2; Obad. 1.

k 2 Kings xviii. 17

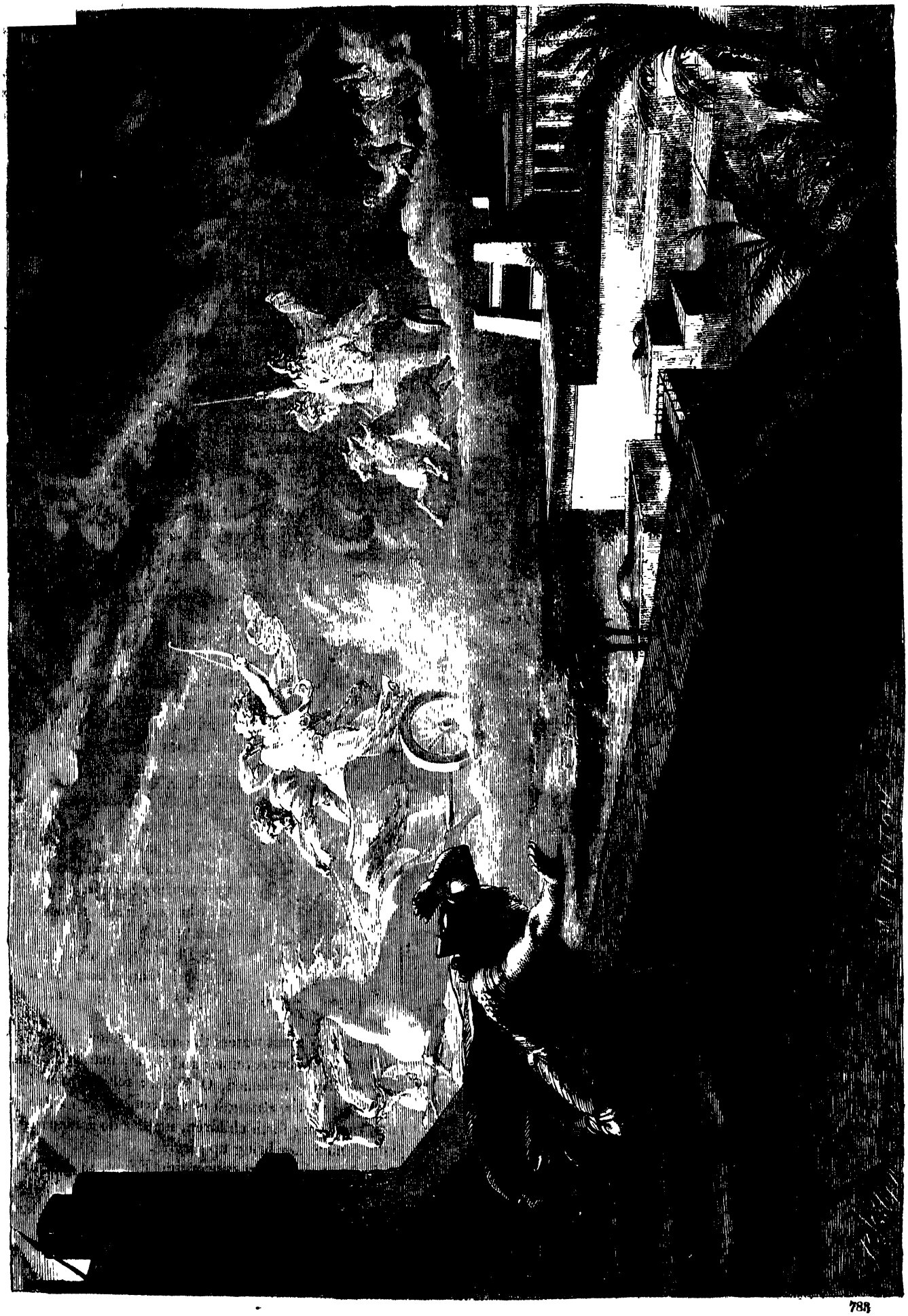
5 Heb *by the hand of Isaiah.*

l 1 Sam. xix. 24; Micah i 8, 11; Zech. xiii. 4.

z 1 Chron. i. 9, 32.

m ch. viii. 18.

15 Or, *bring ye.*



VISION OF CHARIOTS FORESHOWING THE DESTRUCTION OF BABYLON.—ISAIAH XXI. 7.

water to him that was thirsty, they prevented with their bread him that fled.

15 For they fled [1]from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, and from the grievousness of war.

16 For thus hath the Lord said unto me, Within a year, according to the years of an hireling, and all the glory of Kedar shall fail:[a]

17 And the residue of the number of [2]archers, the mighty men of the children of Kedar, shall be diminished: for the LORD God of Israel hath spoken *it*.[b]

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *The prophet lamenteth the invasion of Jewry by the Persians.* 8 *He reproveth their human wisdom and worldly joy.* 15 *He prophesieth Shebna's deprivation,* 20 *and Eliakim, prefiguring the kingdom of Christ, his substitution.*

THE burden of the valley of vision. What aileth thee now, that thou art wholly gone up to the housetops?

2 Thou that art full of stirs, a tumultuous city, a joyous city: thy slain *men* are not slain with the sword, nor dead in battle.[c]

3 All thy rulers are fled together, they are bound [3]by the archers: all that are found in thee are bound together, *which* have fled from far.

4 Therefore said I, Look away from me; [4]I will weep bitterly, labour not to comfort me, because of the spoiling of the daughter of my people.[d]

5 For *it is* a day of trouble, and of treading down, and of perplexity by the Lord GOD of hosts in the valley of vision, breaking down the walls, and of crying to the mountains.[e]

6 And Elam bare the quiver with chariots of men *and* horsemen, and Kir [5]uncovered the shield.[f]

7 And it shall come to pass, *that* [6]thy choicest valleys shall be full of chariots, and the horsemen shall set themselves in array [7]at the gate.

8 ¶ And he discovered the covering of Judah, and thou didst look in that day to the armour of the house of the forest.[g]

9 Ye have seen also the breaches of the city of David, that they are many: and ye gathered together the waters of the lower pool.[h]

10 And ye have numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses have ye broken down to fortify the wall.

11 Ye made also a ditch between the two walls for the water of the old pool: but ye have not looked unto the maker thereof, neither had respect unto him that fashioned it long ago.[i]

12 And in that day did the Lord GOD of hosts call to weeping, and to mourning, and to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth:[j]

13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall die.[k]

14 And it was revealed in mine ears by the LORD of hosts, Surely this iniquity shall not be purged from you till ye die, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

1 Or, *for fear.* Heb. *from the face.*

m ch. xxxvi. 3; 1 Kings iv. 6; 2 Kings xviii. 37.

8 Or, *O he.*

n 2 Sam. xviii. 18; Matt. xxvii. 60.

a ch. xvi. 14.

9 Or, *the LORD who covereth thee with an excellent covering, and clotheth thee gorgeously, shall surely, &c.*

2 Heb. *bows.*

10 Heb. *the captivity of a man.*

o ver. 18; Esther vii 8.

11 Heb. *large of spaces.*

b ch. lx. 7; Ps. cxx. 5

p 2 Kings xviii. 18.

q Job xii. 14; Rev iii. 7

c ch. xxxii. 13.

3 Heb *of the bow.*

r Ezra ix. 8.

4 Heb. *I will be bitter in weeping.*

d Jer iv 19; ix. 1

12 Or, *instruments of viols.*

e Lam. i. 5, ii. 2.

5 Heb *made naked.*

f ch xv 1, Jer. xlix. 35

6 Heb *the choice of thy valleys*

7 Or, *toward.*

g 1 Kings vii. 2; x. 17.

s ver. 12; Jer xxv 22; xlvii. 4; Ezek xxvi, xxvii., xxviii; Amos i. 9; Zech ix. 2, 4.

13 Heb *silent*

h 2 Kings xx 20, 2 Chron. xxxii. 4, 5, 30.

t Ezek. xxvii. 3.

i ch. xxxvii. 26; Neh. iii 16.

j ch. xv. 2; Ezra ix. 3; Joel i. 13; Micah i. 16.

u ch. xix. 10.

k ch lvi. 12; 1 Cor. xv. 32.

14 Heb. *from afar off.*

l ch. v. 9; 1 Sam. iii. 14; Ezek. xxiv. 13.

v ch. xxii. 2.

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, Go, get thee unto this treasurer, *even* unto Shebna, which *is* over the house, *and say*,[m]

16 What hast thou here? and whom hast thou here, that thou hast hewed thee out a sepulchre here, [8]*as* he that heweth him out a sepulchre on high, *and* that graveth an habitation for himself in a rock?[n]

17 Behold, [9]the LORD will carry thee away with [10]a mighty captivity, and will surely cover thee.[o]

18 He will surely violently turn and toss thee *like* a ball into a [11]large country: there shalt thou die, and there the chariots of thy glory *shall be* the shame of thy lord's house.

19 And I will drive thee from thy station, and from thy state shall he pull thee down.

20 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah:[p]

21 And I will clothe him with thy robe, and strengthen him with thy girdle, and I will commit thy government into his hand: and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of Judah.

22 And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; so he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.[q]

23 And I will fasten him *as* a nail in a sure place; and he shall be for a glorious throne to his father's house.[r]

24 And they shall hang upon him all the glory of his father's house, the offspring and the issue, all vessels of small quantity, from the vessels of cups, even to all the [12]vessels of flagons.

25 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall the nail that is fastened in the sure place be removed, and be cut down, and fall; and the burden that *was* upon it shall be cut off: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *The miserable overthrow of Tyre.* 17 *Their unhappy return.*

THE burden of Tyre. Howl, ye ships of Tarshish; for it is laid waste, so that there is no house, no entering in: from the land of Chittim it is revealed to them.[s]

2 Be [13]still, ye inhabitants of the isle; thou whom the merchants of Zidon, that pass over the sea, have replenished.

3 And by great waters the seed of Sihor, the harvest of the river, *is* her revenue; and she is a mart of nations.[t]

4 Be thou ashamed, O Zidon: for the sea hath spoken, *even* the strength of the sea, saying, I travail not, nor bring forth children, neither do I nourish up young men, *nor* bring up virgins.

5 As at the report concerning Egypt, *so* shall they be sorely pained at the report of Tyre.[u]

6 Pass ye over to Tarshish; howl, ye inhabitants of the isle.

7 *Is* this your joyous *city*, whose antiquity *is* of ancient days? her own feet shall carry her [14]afar off to sojourn.[v]

8 Who hath taken this counsel against Tyre, the crowning *city*, whose merchants *are* princes, whose traffickers *are* the honourable of the earth?[a]

9 The LORD of hosts hath purposed it, [1]to stain the pride of all glory, *and* to bring into contempt all the honourable of the earth.

10 Pass through thy land [2]as a river, O daughter of Tarshish: *there is* no more [2]strength.

11 He stretched out his hand over the sea, he shook the kingdoms: the LORD hath given a commandment [3]against [4]the merchant *city*, to destroy the [5]strong holds thereof.

12 And he said, Thou shalt no more rejoice, O thou oppressed virgin, daughter of Zidon: arise, pass over to Chittim; there also shalt thou have no rest.[b]

13 Behold the land of the Chaldeans; this people was not, *till* the Assyrian founded it for them that dwell in the wilderness: they set up the towers thereof, they raised up the palaces thereof; *and* he brought it to ruin.[c]

14 Howl, ye ships of Tarshish: for your strength is laid waste.[d]

15 And it shall come to pass in that day, that Tyre shall be forgotten seventy years, according to the days of one king: after the end of seventy years [6]shall Tyre sing as an harlot.

16 Take an harp, go about the city, thou harlot that hast been forgotten; make sweet melody, sing many songs, that thou mayest be remembered.

17 ¶ And it shall come to pass after the end of seventy years, that the LORD will visit Tyre, and she shall turn to her hire, and shall commit fornication with all the kingdoms of the world upon the face of the earth.[e]

18 And her merchandise and her hire shall be holiness to the LORD: it shall not be treasured nor laid up; for her merchandise shall be for them that dwell before the LORD, to eat sufficiently, and for [7]durable clothing.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

g Ezek. vii. 12, 13; Hos. iv. 9

a Ezek. xxviii. 2, 12.

1 Heb. *to pollute.*

10 Heb. *the height of the people.*

2 Heb *girdle*

3 Or, *concerning a merchant man.*

4 Heb. *Canaan.*

5 Or, *strengths*

b ver. 1; Rev xviii. 22

c Ps. lxxii 9

d ver 1; Ezek. xxvii 25, 30.

6 Heb *it shall be unto Tyre as the song of an harlot.*

h Gen iii 17, Numb xxxv 33

i Mal iv 6

e Rev xvii 2

j ch xvi 8, 9, Joel i 10, 12

k Jer. vii 34, xvi 9; xxv 10; Ezek.xxvi 13; Hos ii 11, Rev xviii. 22.

7 Heb *old.*

f Zech xiv 20, 21.



RUINS OF TYRE, NOW CALLED

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *The doleful judgments of God upon the land.* 13 *A remnant shall joyfully praise him.* 16 *God in his judgments shall advance his kingdom.*

BEHOLD, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and [8]turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.

2 And it shall be, as with the people, so with the [9]priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him.[g]

3 The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the LORD hath spoken this word.

4 The earth mourneth *and* fadeth away, the world languisheth *and* fadeth away, [10]the haughty people of the earth do languish.

5 The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant.[h]

6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.[i]

7 The new wine mourneth, the vine languisheth, all the merryhearted do sigh.[j]

8 The mirth of tabrets ceaseth, the noise of them that rejoice endeth, the joy of the harp ceaseth.[k]

9 They shall not drink wine with a song; strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it.

10 The city of confusion is broken down: every house is shut up, that no man may come in.

11 *There is* a crying for wine in the streets; all joy is darkened, the mirth of the land is gone.

12 In the city is left desolation, and the gate is smitten with destruction.

13 ¶ When thus it shall be in the midst of the land among the people, *there shall be* as the shaking of an olive tree, *and* as the gleaning grapes when the vintage is done.[l]

14 They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the LORD, they shall cry aloud from the sea.

15 Wherefore glorify ye the LORD in the [11]fires, *even* the name of the LORD God of Israel in the isles of the sea.[m]

8 Heb *perverteth the face thereof*

l ch. xvii. 5, 6

9 Or, *prince.*

11 Or, *valleys*

m Mal. i. 11.

16 ¶ From the [1]uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, *even* glory to the righteous. But I said, [2]My leanness, my leanness, woe unto me! the treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.[a]

17 Fear, and the pit, and the snare, *are* upon thee, O inhabitant of the earth.[b]

18 And it shall come to pass, *that* he who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake.[c]

19 The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly.[d]

20 The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again.[e]

21 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall [3]punish the host of the high ones *that are* on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth.[f]

22 And they shall be gathered together, [4]*as* prisoners are gathered in the [5]pit, and shall be shut up in the prison, and after many days shall they be [6]visited.

23 Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and [7]before his ancients gloriously.[g]

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *The prophet praiseth God, for his judgments, 6 for his saving benefits, 9 and for his victorious salvation*

O LORD, thou *art* my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful *things; thy* counsels of old *are* faithfulness *and* truth.[h]

2 For thou hast made of a city an heap; *of* a defenced city a ruin: a palace of strangers to be no city; it shall never be built.[i]

3 Therefore shall the strong people glorify thee, the city of the terrible nations shall fear thee.[j]

4 For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones *is* as a storm *against* the wall.[k]

5 Thou shalt bring down the noise of strangers, as the heat in a dry place; *even* the heat with the shadow of a cloud: the branch of the terrible ones shall be brought low.

6 ¶ And in this mountain shall the LORD of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.[l]

7 And he will [8]destroy in this mountain the face of the covering [9]cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations.[m]

8 He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.[n]

9 ¶ And it shall be said in that day, Lo, this *is* our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this *is* the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation.[o]

10 For in this mountain shall the hand of the LORD rest, and Moab shall be [10]trodden down under him, even as straw is [11]trodden down for the dunghill.

11 And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst of them, as he that swimmeth spreadeth forth *his hands* to swim: and he shall bring down their pride together with the spoils of their hands.

12 And the fortress of the high fort of thy walls shall he bring down, lay low, *and* bring to the ground, *even* to the dust.[p]

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *A song inciting to confidence in God, 5 for his judgments, 12 and for his favour to his people. 20 An exhortation to wait on God.*

IN that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; salvation will *God* appoint *for* walls and bulwarks.[q]

2 Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the [12]truth may enter in.[r]

3 Thou wilt keep *him* in [13]perfect peace, *whose* [14]mind *is* stayed *on thee:* because he trusteth in thee.[s]

4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH *is* [15]everlasting strength:[t]

5 ¶ For he bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, he layeth it low; he layeth it low, *even* to the ground; he bringeth it *even* to the dust.[u]

6 The foot shall tread it down, *even* the feet of the poor, *and* the steps of the needy.

7 The way of the just *is* uprightness: thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just.[v]

8 Yea, in the way of thy judgments, O LORD, have we waited for thee; the desire of *our* soul *is* to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee.[w]

9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments *are* in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.[x]

10 Let favour be shewed to the wicked, *yet* will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.[y]

11 LORD, *when* thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: *but* they shall see, and be ashamed for *their* envy [16]at the people; yea, the fire of thine enemies shall devour them.[z]

12 ¶ LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou also hast wrought all our works [17]in us.

13 O LORD our God, *other* lords beside thee have had dominion over us: *but* by thee only will we make mention of thy name.[a]

14 *They are* dead, they shall not live; *they are* deceased, they shall not rise: therefore hast thou

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

1 Heb. *wing.*

n Hos. xiii. 14; 1 Cor. xv. 54; Rev. vii. 17; xx. 14; xxi. 4

2 Heb. *Leanness to me,* or, *My secret to me.*

a Jer. v. 11.

o Gen. xlix. 18; Ps. xx. 5; Titus ii. 13.

b Jer. xlviii. 43, 44.

10 Or, *threshed.*

11 Or, *threshed in Madmenah.*

c Gen. vii. 11; 1 Kings xix. 17; Ps. xviii. 7; Amos v. 19.

d Jer. iv. 23.

p ch. ii. 11; xxvi. 5.

e ch. xix. 14.

3 Heb. *visit upon*

f Ps. lxxvi. 12

4 Heb. *with the gathering of prisoners*

5 Or, *dungeon.*

g ch. lx. 18.

6 Or, *found wanting.*

12 Heb. *truths.*

r Ps. cxviii. 19, 20.

13 Heb. *peace, peace.*

7 Or, *there shall be glory before his ancients.*

14 Or, *thought,* or, *imagination.*

g ch. xiii. 10, lx. 19; Ezek. xxxii. 7, Joel ii. 31, iii. 15, Heb. xii. 22, Rev. xix. 1, 6.

s ch. lvii. 19.

15 Heb. *the rock of ages*

t ch. xlv. 17, Deut. xxxii. 4

u ch. xxv. 12, xxxii. 19

h Exod. xv. 2; Numb. xxiii. 19, Ps. xcviii. 1, cxviii. 28

v Ps. xxxvii. 23.

i ch. xxv. 2, xxiii. 13, Jer. li. 37

w ch. lxiv. 5

j Rev. xi. 13

x Ps. lxiii. 6, Cant. iii. 1

k ch. iv. 6

y Ps. cxliii. 10, Eccles. viii. 12, Rom. ii. 4

16 Or, *toward* thy *people.*

z ch. v. 12; Job xxxiv. 27, Ps. xxviii. 5

l ch. ii. 2, 3, Prov. ix. 2; Dan. vii. 14, Matt. viii. 11, xxii. 4.

17 Or, *for us*

8 Heb. *swallow up.*

9 Heb. *covered.*

m 2 Cor. iii. 15; Eph. iv. 18.

a 2 Chron. xii. 8.



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visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.

15 Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, thou hast increased the nation: thou art glorified: thou hadst removed *it* far *unto* all the ends of the earth.

16 LORD, in trouble have they visited thee, they poured out a [1]prayer *when* thy chastening *was* upon

17 Like as a woman with child, *that* draweth near the time of her delivery, is in pain, *and* crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in thy sight, O LORD.[b]

18 We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind; we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen.

19 Thy dead *men* shall live, *together with* my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew *is as* the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.[c]

20 ¶ Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.[d]

21 For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her [2]blood, and shall no more cover her slain.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

d ch lv 7, 8, Ps xxx 5, 2 Cor iv 17

2 Heb *bloods.*

1 Heb *secret speech*

e Micah i 3, Jude 15

a Hos v 15

b ch. xlii 8, John xvi. 21.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *The care of God over his vineyard.* 7 *His chastisements differ from judgments.* 12 *The church of Jews and Gentiles.*

IN that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the [3]piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that *is* in the sea.[f]

2 In that day sing ye unto her, A vineyard of red wine.[g]

3 I the LORD do keep it; I will water it every moment: lest *any* hurt it, I will keep it night and day.[h]

3 Or, *crossing like a bar*

f ch li 9; Ps. lxxiv. 13, 14; Ezek. xxix. 3; xxxii 2.

g ch. v 1; Ps. lxxx. 8; Jer. ii. 21.

c Ps. xvii. 14; Ezek. xxxvii. 1, &c.; Dan. xii. 2.

h Ps. cxxi. 4, 5.

4 Fury *is* not in me: who would set the briers *and* thorns against me in battle? I would [1]go through them, I would burn them together.[a]

5 Or let him take hold of my strength, *that* he may make peace with me; *and* he shall make peace with me.[b]

6 He shall cause them that come of Jacob to take root: Israel shall blossom and bud, and fill the face of the world with fruit.[c]

7 ¶ Hath he smitten him, [2]as he smote those that smote him? *or* is he slain according to the slaughter of them that are slain by him?

8 In measure, [3]when it shooteth forth, thou wilt debate with it: [4]he stayeth his rough wind in the day of the east wind.[d]

9 By this therefore shall the iniquity of Jacob be purged; and this *is* all the fruit to take away his sin; when he maketh all the stones of the altar as chalkstones that are beaten in sunder, the groves and [5]images shall not stand up.

10 Yet the defenced city *shall be* desolate, *and* the habitation forsaken, and left like a wilderness: there shall the calf feed, and there shall he lie down, and consume the branches thereof.[e]

11 When the boughs thereof are withered, they shall be broken off: the women come, *and* set them on fire: for it *is* a people of no understanding: therefore he that made them will not have mercy on them, and he that formed them will shew them no favour.[f]

12 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall beat off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel.

13 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.[g]

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *The prophet threateneth Ephraim for their pride and drunkenness.* 5 *The residue shall be advanced in the kingdom of Christ* 7 *He rebuketh their error* 9 *Their untowardness to learn,* 14 *and their security* 16 *Christ the sure foundation is promised.* 18 *Their security shall be tried.* 23 *They are incited to the consideration of God's discreet providence*

WOE to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty *is* a fading flower, which *are* on the head of the fat valleys of them that are [6]overcome with wine![h]

2 Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, *which* as a tempest of hail *and* a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand.[i]

3 The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be trodden [7]under feet:[j]

4 And the glorious beauty, which *is* on the head of the fat valley, shall be a fading flower, *and* as the hasty fruit before the summer; which *when* he that looketh upon it seeth, while it is yet in his hand he [8]eateth it up.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 725.

1 Or, *march against.*

a ch. ix. 18; 2 Sam. xxiii. 6.

b ch. xxv. 4; Job xxii. 21.

c ch xxxvii. 31; Hos. xiv. 5, 6.

2 Heb *according to the stroke of those.*

d ch lvi 10, 12, Prov xx 1; Hos. iv 11.

3 Or, *when thou sendest it forth.*

4 Or *when he removeth it.*

d Job xxiii. 6; Ps. vi. 1; Jer x. 24; xxx. 11; xlvi 28; 1 Cor. x. 13.

9 Heb. *the hearing?*

m Jer. vi. 10.

10 Or, *hath been.*

5 Or, *sun images.*

11 Heb. *stammerings of lips.*

12 Or, *he hath spoken.*

n 1 Cor xiv 21

e ch xvii. 2, xxxii 14

f ch i 3, xliii 1, 7; xliv 2, 21, 24; Deut. xxxii. 28, Jer viii 7.

g ch ii 11; Matt xxiv 31, Rev xi 15

o Amos ii 4.

p Gen xlix 24, Ps cxviii. 22, Matt xxi 42, Acts iv 11, Rom ix 33, x 11; Eph ii 20, 1 Peter ii 6—8.

q ver 15

13 Heb. *a treading down to it*

6 Heb *broken.*

h vs 3, 4.

14 Or, *when he shall make you to understand doctrine.*

i ch xxx 30, Ezek. xiii. 11

7 Heb. *with feet.*

j ver. 1.

r Josh. x. 10, 12; 2 Sam v. 20, 25; 1 Chron. xiv. 11, 16; Lam. iii. 33.

8 Heb. *swalloweth.*

k ver. 1.

5 ¶ In that day shall the LORD of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people,

6 And for a spirit of judgment to him that sitteth in judgment, and for strength to them that turn the battle to the gate.

7 ¶ But they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble *in* judgment.[l]

8 For all tables are full of vomit *and* filthiness, *so that there is* no place *clean.*

9 ¶ Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand [9]doctrine? *them that are* weaned from the milk, *and* drawn from the breasts.[m]

10 For precept [10]*must be* upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, *and* there a little:

11 For with [11]stammering lips and another tongue [12]will he speak to this people.[n]

12 To whom he said, This *is* the rest *wherewith* ye may cause the weary to rest; and this *is* the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

13 But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, *and* there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.

14 ¶ Wherefore hear the word of the LORD, ye scornful men, that rule this people which *is* in Jerusalem.

15 Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves:[o]

16 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner *stone*, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.[p]

17 Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.[q]

18 ¶ And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be [13]trodden down by it.

19 From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night: and it shall be a vexation only [14]*to* understand the report.

20 For the bed is shorter than that *a man* can stretch himself *on it:* and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself *in it.*

21 For the LORD shall rise up as *in* mount Perazim, he shall be wroth as *in* the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his work, his strange work; and bring to pass his act, his strange act.[r]

22 Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your



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bands be made strong: for I have heard from the Lord GOD of hosts a consumption, even determined upon the whole earth.[a]

23 ¶ Give ye ear, and hear my voice; hearken, and hear my speech.

24 Doth the plowman plow all day to sow? doth he open and break the clods of his ground?

25 When he hath made plain the face thereof, doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter the cummin, and cast in [1]the principal wheat and the appointed barley and the [2]rie in their [3]place?

26 [4]For his God doth instruct him to discretion, *and* doth teach him.

27 For the fitches are not threshed with a threshing instrument, neither is a cart wheel turned about upon the cummin; but the fitches are beaten out with a staff, and the cummin with a rod.

28 Bread *corn* is bruised; because he will not ever be threshing it, nor break *it with* the wheel of his cart, nor bruise it *with* his horsemen.

29 This also cometh forth from the LORD of hosts, *which* is wonderful in counsel, *and* excellent in working.[b]

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b Ps xcii 5, Jer xxxii 19.

a ch x 22, 23, Dan ix. 27

5 Or, *O Ariel, that is, the lion of God.*

6 Or, *of the city*

1 Or, *the wheat in the principal* place, *and barley in the appointed* place

7 Heb *cut off the heads.*

c 2 Sam. v. 9.

2 Or, *spelt.*

3 Heb *border?*

4 Or, *And he bindeth it in such sort as his God doth teach him.*

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *God's heavy judgment upon Jerusalem.* 7 *The unsatiableness of her enemies.* 9 *The senselessness,* 13 *and deep hypocrisy of the Jews.* 18 *A promise of sanctification to the godly.*

WOE [5]to Ariel, to Ariel, [6]the city *where* David dwelt! add ye year to year; let them [7]kill sacrifices.[c]

2 Yet I will distress Ariel, and there shall be heaviness and sorrow: and it shall be unto me as Ariel.

3 And I will camp against thee round about, and will lay siege against thee with a mount, and I will raise forts against thee.

4 And thou shalt be brought down, *and* shalt speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the dust, and thy voice shall be, as of

one that hath a familiar spirit, out of the ground, and thy speech shall [1]whisper out of the dust.[a]

5 Moreover the multitude of thy strangers shall be like small dust, and the multitude of the terrible ones *shall be* as chaff that passeth away: yea, it shall be at an instant suddenly.[b]

6 Thou shalt be visited of the LORD of hosts with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest, and the flame of devouring fire.[c]

7 ¶ And the multitude of all the nations that fight against Ariel, even all that fight against her and her munition, and that distress her, shall be as a dream of a night vision.[d]

8 It shall even be as when an hungry *man* dreameth, and, behold, he eateth; but he awaketh, and his soul is empty: or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold, he drinketh; but he awaketh, and, behold, *he is* faint, and his soul hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion.

9 ¶ Stay yourselves, and wonder; [2]cry ye out, and cry: they are drunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.[e]

10 For the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep sleep, and hath closed your eyes: the prophets and your [3]rulers, the seers hath he covered.[f]

11 And the vision of all is become unto you as the words of a [4]book that is sealed, which *men* deliver to one that is learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for it *is* sealed:[g]

12 And the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I am not learned.

13 ¶ Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near *me* with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men:[h]

14 Therefore, behold, [5]I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, *even* a marvellous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise *men* shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent *men* shall be hid.[i]

15 Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the LORD, and their works are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? and who knoweth us?[j]

16 Surely your turning of things upside down shall be esteemed as the potter's clay: for shall the work say of him that made it, He made me not? or shall the thing framed say of him that framed it, He had no understanding?[k]

17 *Is* it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be esteemed as a forest?[l]

18 ¶ And in that day shall the deaf hear the words of the book, and the eyes of the blind shall see out of obscurity, and out of darkness.[m]

19 The meek also [6]shall increase *their* joy in the LORD, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

1 Heb. *peep*, or, *chirp.*

a ch. viii. 19.

o ch xxviii. 14, 22; Micah ii. 1.

b ch xvii 13, xxv 5; xxx 13, Job xxi 18.

p Prov xxviii 21; Amos v 10, 12

c ch xxviii 2; xxx. 30

q Josh. xxiv. 3.

d Job xx 8, Ps. lxxiii 20

r ch. xix 25; xlv 11, lx. 21, Eph ii. 10.

7 Heb *shall know understanding*

s ch xxviii. 7.

2 Or, *take your pleasure, and riot.*

e ch. xxviii. 7, 8; li. 21

3 Heb. *heads.*

f ch iii. 2, vi 10, 1 Sam. ix 9; Ps lxix 23

t ch xxix. 15; Deut. xxix 19.

4 Or, *letter.*

g ch. viii 16; Dan. xii 4, 9; Rev. v. 1—5, 9; vi 1.

u ch xxxi 1; Numb xxvii 21, Josh ix 14, 1 Kings xxii. 7; Jer xxi 2, xlii 2, 20.

v ch. xx. 5; Jer. xxxvii. 5, 7.

w ch xix 11

h Ezek xxxiii 31, Matt xv 8, 9, Mark vii 6, 7; Col ii 22

5 Heb *I will add.*

x Jer ii. 36

i Jer xlix. 7, Obad 8, Hab i 5, 1 Cor i. 19

y ch lvii 9, Deut viii 15, Hos. viii 9, xii 1

j ch xxx 1, Ps xciv. 7.

8 Or, *to her*

z ver 15, ch vii. 4, Jer. xxxvii 7

9 Heb. *the latter day.*

k ch xlv. 9; Rom. ix. 20

a Hab. ii. 2

b ver. 1; ch. i. 4; Deut xxxii. 20.

l ch xxxii. 15.

c 1 Kings xxii. 13; Jer xl 21; Amos iii 12; vii 13; Micah ii. 6, 11

m ch. xxxv. 5

6 Heb *shall add*

n ch. lxi. 1; James ii. 5.

20 For the terrible one is brought to nought, and the scorner is consumed, and all that watch for iniquity are cut off:[o]

21 That make a man an offender for a word, and lay a snare for him that reproveth in the gate, and turn aside the just for a thing of nought.[p]

22 Therefore thus saith the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob, Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face now wax pale.[q]

23 But when he seeth his children, the work of mine hands, in the midst of him, they shall sanctify my name, and sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and shall fear the God of Israel.[r]

24 They also that erred in spirit [7]shall come to understanding, and they that murmured shall learn doctrine.[s]

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *The prophet threateneth the people for their confidence in Egypt,* 8 *and contempt of God's word.* 18 *God's mercies towards his church.* 27 *God's wrath, and the people's joy, in the destruction of Assyria.*

WOE to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to sin:[t]

2 That walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt![u]

3 Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt *your* confusion.[v]

4 For his princes were at Zoan, and his ambassadors came to Hanes.[w]

5 They were all ashamed of a people *that* could not profit them, nor be an help nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach.[x]

6 The burden of the beasts of the south: into the land of trouble and anguish, from whence *come* the young and old lion, the viper and fiery flying serpent, they will carry their riches upon the shoulders of young asses, and their treasures upon the bunches of camels, to a people *that* shall not profit *them.*[y]

7 For the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I cried [8]concerning this, Their strength *is* to sit still.[z]

8 ¶ Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for [9]the time to come for ever and ever:[a]

9 That this *is* a rebellious people, lying children, children *that* will not hear the law of the LORD:[b]

10 Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophesy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits:[c]

11 Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.

12 Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel,

Because ye despise this word, and trust in [1]oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon:

13 Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant.[a]

14 And he shall break it as the breaking of [2]the potters' vessel that is broken in pieces; he shall not spare: so that there shall not be found in the bursting of it a sherd to take fire from the hearth, or to take water *withal* out of the pit.[b]

15 For thus saith the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ye would not.[c]

16 But ye said, No; for we will flee upon horses; therefore shall ye flee: and, We will ride upon the swift; therefore shall they that pursue you be swift.

17 One thousand *shall flee* at the rebuke of one; at the rebuke of five shall ye flee: till ye be left as [3]a beacon upon the top of a mountain, and as an ensign on an hill.[d]

18 ¶ And therefore will the LORD wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the LORD *is* a God of judgment: blessed *are* all they that wait for him.[e]

19 For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: he will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee.[f]

20 And *though* the Lord give you the bread of adversity, and the water of [4]affliction, yet shall not thy teachers be removed into a corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy teachers:[g]

21 And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This *is* the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.[h]

22 Ye shall defile also the covering of thy graven images of silver, and the ornament of thy molten images of gold: thou shalt cast them away as a menstruous cloth; thou shalt say unto it, Get thee hence.[i]

23 Then shall he give the rain of thy seed, that thou shalt sow the ground withal; and bread of the increase of the earth, and it shall be fat and plenteous: in that day shall thy cattle feed in large pastures.[j]

24 The oxen likewise and the young asses that ear the ground shall eat [5]clean provender, which hath been winnowed with the shovel and with the fan.

25 And there shall be upon every [6]high mountain, and upon every high hill, rivers *and* streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter, when the [7]'s fall.[k]

26 Moreover the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold, as the light of seven days, in the day that the LORD bindeth up the breach of his people, and healeth the stroke of their wound.[l]

27 ¶ Behold, the name of the LORD cometh from far, burning *with* his anger, [7]and the burden *thereof is* [8]heavy: his lips are full of indignation, and his tongue as a devouring fire:

28 And his breath, as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck, to sift the nations with the sieve of vanity: and *there shall be* a bridle in the jaws of the people, causing *them* to err.[m]

29 Ye shall have a song, as in the night *when* a holy solemnity is kept; and gladness of heart, as when one goeth with a pipe to come into the mountain of the LORD, to the [9]mighty One of Israel.[n]

30 And the LORD shall cause [10]his glorious voice to be heard, and shall shew the lighting down of his arm, with the indignation of *his* anger, and *with* the flame



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of a devouring fire, *with* scattering, and tempest, and hailstones.[o]

31 For through the voice of the LORD shall the Assyrian be beaten down, *which* smote with a rod.[p]

32 And [11]*in* every place where the grounded staff shall pass, which the LORD shall [12]lay upon him, *it* shall be with tabrets and harps: and in battles of shaking will he fight [13]with it.[q]

33 For Tophet *is* ordained [14]of old; yea, for the king it is prepared; he hath made *it* deep *and* large: the pile thereof *is* fire and much wood; the breath of the LORD, like a stream of brimstone, doth kindle it.

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

1 Or, *fraud.*
8 Heb *heaviness*
a ch xxix 5; Ps lxii 3
2 Heb. *the bottle of potters*
m ch viii 8, xi 4, xxxvii 29, 2 Thess. ii 8.
b Ps ii 9, Jer xix 11
9 Heb *Rock*; Deut. xxxii 4
n ch ii 3, Ps xlii 4
10 Heb *the glory of his voice.*
c ver. 7, ch vii 4; Matt xxiii 37
3 Or, *a tree bereft of branches*, or, *boughs*, or, *a mast*
d Lev xxvi 8, Deut. xxviii 25, xxxii 30, Josh xxiii 10
e Ps ii 12, xxxiv. 8, Prov xvi. 20; Jer xvii 7

- Or, *g*
- s viii 11.
- h Josh i 7
- i ch ii 20, xxxi 7, 2 Chron xxxi 1, Hos xiv 8
- j Matt. vi 33, 1 Tim. iv 8
- 5 Or, *savoury* Heb. *leavened.*
- o ch. xxviii. 2, xxxii. 19, xxxvii. 36
- p ch x 5, 24
- 11 Heb *every passing of the rod founded*
- 12 Heb *cause to rest upon him*
- k ch ii 14, 15, xliv 3
- 13 Or, *against them*
- q ch xi 15, xix 16
- 14 Heb. *from yesterday*
- l ch lx. 19, 20.
- 7 Or, *and the grievousness*

CHAPTER XXXI.

The prophet sheweth the cursed folly in trusting to Egypt, and forsaking of God. 6 *He exhorteth to conversion.* 8 *He sheweth the fall of Assyria.*

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WOE to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the LORD![a]

2 Yet he also *is* wise, and will bring evil, and will not [1]call back his words: but will arise against the house of the evildoers, and against the help of them that work iniquity.[b]

3 Now the Egyptians *are* men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit. When the LORD shall stretch out his hand, both he that helpeth shall fall, and he that is holpen shall fall down, and they all shall fail together.[c]

4 For thus hath the LORD spoken unto me, Like as the lion and the young lion roaring on his prey, when a multitude of shepherds is called forth against him, *he* will not be afraid of their voice, nor abase himself for the noise of them: so shall the LORD of hosts come down to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof.[d]

5 As birds flying, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver *it; and* passing over he will preserve *it*.[e]

6 ¶ Turn ye unto *him from* whom the children of Israel have deeply revolted.[f]

7 For in that day every man shall cast away his idols of silver, and [2]his idols of gold, which your own hands have made unto you *for* a sin.[g]

8 ¶ Then shall the Assyrian fall with the sword, not of a mighty man; and the sword, not of a mean man, shall devour him: but he shall flee [3]from the sword, and his young men shall be [4]discomfited.[h]

9 And [5]he shall pass over to [6]his strong hold for fear, and his princes shall be afraid of the ensign, saith the LORD, whose fire *is* in Zion, and his furnace in Jerusalem.[i]

1 Heb. *remove*

a ch. xxx 2; xxxvi. 6, 9; Ps. xx 7; Ezek. xvii 15, Dan. ix. 12; Hos. vii. 7

b Amos vi. 1.

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 *The blessings of Christ's kingdom* 9 *Desolation is foreshewn* 15 *Restoration is promised to succeed.*

BEHOLD, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.[j] 2 And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a [7]great rock in a weary land.[k] 3 And the eyes of them that see shall not be dim, and the ears of them that hear shall hearken.[l] 4 The heart also of the [8]rash shall understand knowledge, and the tongue of the stammerers shall be ready to speak [9]plainly.

12 Heb *Days above a year*

c Ps. cxlvi. 3, 5

13 Heb *the fields of desire*

14 Or, *burning upon, &c*

d ch xxii 2, xxxiv. 13, Hos. ix 6

15 Or, *clifts and watch-towers.*

e ch xli 13; Hos. xi 10, Amos iii. 8.

f Hos ix. 9.

2 Heb. *the idols of his gold*

g ch ii. 20; xxx 22, 1 Kings xii 30.

3 Or, *for fear of the sword.*

4 Or, *tributary* Heb *for melting*, or, *tribute*

h ch. xxxvii 36, 2 Kings xix 35, 36

5 Heb. *his rock shall pass away for fear.*

6 Or, *his strength*

i ch xxxi 9

j Jer. xxiii 5; Heb. xi 8.

7 Heb. *heavy.*

k ch iv 6, xxv. 4.

l ch xxi 2, Hab ii 8; Rev xiii. 10

8 Heb *hasty*

u ch xxv 9

9 Or, *elegantly.*

10 Or, *when he speaketh against the poor in judgment.*

11 Or, *be established.*

m Amos vi. 1.

12 Heb *Days above a year*

13 Heb *the fields of desire*

14 Or, *burning upon, &c*

n ch xxii 2, xxxiv. 13, Hos. ix 6

15 Or, *clifts and watch-towers.*

o ch. xxvii. 10

p ch. xxix. 17; xxxv 2; Ps. civ. 30, Joel ii 28.

q James iii 18.

r ch xxx 30, Zech xi 2

s ch. xxx 24

5 The vile person shall be no more called liberal, nor the churl said *to be* bountiful.

6 For the vile person will speak villany, and his heart will work iniquity, to practise hypocrisy, and to utter error against the LORD, to make empty the soul of the hungry, and he will cause the drink of the thirsty to fail.

7 The instruments also of the churl *are* evil: he deviseth wicked devices to destroy the poor with lying words, even [10]when the needy speaketh right.

8 But the liberal deviseth liberal things; and by liberal things shall he [11]stand.

9 ¶ Rise up, ye women that are at ease; hear my voice, ye careless daughters; give ear unto my speech.[m]

10 [12]Many days and years shall ye be troubled, ye careless women: for the vintage shall fail, the gathering shall not come.

11 Tremble, ye women that are at ease; be troubled, ye careless ones: strip you, and make you bare, and gird *sackcloth* upon *your* loins.

12 They shall lament for the teats, for [13]the pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine.

13 Upon the land of my people shall come up thorns *and* briers; [14]yea, upon all the houses of joy *in* the joyous city:[n]

14 Because the palaces shall be forsaken; the multitude of the city shall be left; the [15]forts and towers shall be for dens for ever, a joy of wild asses, a pasture of flocks;[o]

15 Until the spirit be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest.[p]

16 Then judgment shall dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness remain in the fruitful field.

17 And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.[q]

18 And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places;

19 When it shall hail, coming down on the forest; [16]and the city shall be low in a low place.[r]

20 Blessed *are* ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth *thither* the feet of the ox and the ass.[s]

16 Or, *and the city shall be utterly abased.*

CHAPTER XXXIII.

God's judgments against the enemies of the church. 13 *The privileges of the godly.*

WOE to thee that spoilest, and thou *wast* not spoiled; and dealest treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with thee! when thou shalt cease to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled; *and* when thou shalt make an end to deal treacherously, they shall deal treacherously with thee.[t]

2 O LORD, be gracious unto us; we have waited for thee: be thou their arm every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble.[u]

At the noise of the tumult the people fled; at the lifting up of thyself the nations were scattered.

t ch xxi 2, Hab ii 8; Rev xiii. 10

u ch xxv 9



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4 And your spoil shall be gathered *like* the gathering of the caterpiller: as the running to and fro of locusts shall he run upon them.

5 The LORD is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion with judgment and righteousness.[a]

6 And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, *and* strength of [1]salvation: the fear of the LORD *is* his treasure.

7 Behold, their [2]valiant ones shall cry without: the ambassadors of peace shall weep bitterly.[b]

8 The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth: he hath broken the covenant, he hath despised the cities, he regardeth no man.[c]

9 The earth mourneth *and* languisheth: Lebanon is ashamed *and* [3]hewn down: Sharon is like a wilderness; and Bashan and Carmel shake off *their fruits*.[d]

10 Now will I rise, saith the LORD; now will I be exalted; now will I lift up myself.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 713

f ch lix 4, Ps. vii. 14

g ch ix. 18.

a Ps xcvii 9
¶ ch xlix 1

1 Heb *salvations*
2 Or, *messengers*

b 2 Kings xviii 18, 37
4 Heb *in righteousnesses*
5 Heb *uprightnesses*
6 Or, *deceits*

c Judg v 6, 2 Kings xviii 14—17
7 Heb. *bloods*

t Ps. xv 2, xxiv. 4, cxix 37.

3 Or, *withered away.*
8 Heb *heights*, or, *high places*

d ch xxiv 4

e Ps xii 5
9 Heb *the land of far distances.*

11 Ye shall conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble: your breath, *as* fire, shall devour you.[f]

12 And the people shall be *as* the burnings of lime: *as* thorns cut up shall they be burned in the fire.[g]

13 ¶ Hear, ye *that are* far off, what I have done; and, ye *that are* near, acknowledge my might.[h]

14 The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire? who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

15 He that walketh [4]righteously, and speaketh [5]uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of [6]oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of [7]blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;[t]

16 He shall dwell on [8]high: his place of defence *shall be* the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters *shall be* sure.

17 Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold [9]the land that is very far off.

18 Thine heart shall meditate terror. Where *is* the scribe? where *is* the [1]receiver? where *is* he that counted the towers?[a]

19 Thou shalt not see a fierce people, a people of a deeper speech than thou canst perceive; of a [2]stammering tongue, *that thou canst* not understand.[b]

20 Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle *that* shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.[c]

21 But there the glorious LORD *will be* unto us a place [3]of broad rivers *and* streams; wherein shall go no galley with oars, neither shall gallant ship pass thereby.

22 For the LORD *is* our judge, the LORD *is* our [4]lawgiver, the LORD *is* our king; he will save us.[d]

23 [5]Thy tacklings are loosed; they could not well strengthen their mast, they could not spread the sail: then is the prey of a great spoil divided; the lame take the prey.

24 And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein *shall be* forgiven *their* iniquity.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 713.

1 Heb. *weigher?*
a 1 Cor. i. 20.
g Joel ii. 20.
2 Or, *ridiculous.*
b Deut xxviii. 49, 50; Jer. v. 15.
h ch xiv 12; Ps. cii. 26, Ezek xxxii. 7, 8; Joel ii. 31; iii. 15; Matt xxiv 29; 2 Peter iii 10, Rev. vi 13, 14.
i Jer. xlvi. 10; xlix. 7, &c.; Mal. i. 4.
c ch. xxxvii. 33; liv. 2; Ps. xlvi. 5; cxxv 1, 2
3 Heb. *broad of spaces,* or, *hands.*
j ch lxiii 1; Jer. xlix. 13; Zeph. i. 7.
4 Heb. *statutemaker.*
d Ps. lxxxix. 18; James iv. 12
7 Or, *rhinoceroses.*
5 Or, *They have forsaken thy tacklings*

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *The judgments wherewith God revengeth his church.* 11 *The desolation of her enemies* 16 *The certainty of the prophecy.*

COME near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people: let the earth hear, and [6]all that is therein; the world, and all things that come forth of it.[f]

2 For the indignation of the LORD *is* upon all nations, and *his* fury upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath delivered them to the slaughter.

3 Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up out of their carcases, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood.[g]

4 And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling *fig* from the fig tree.[h]

5 For my sword shall be bathed in heaven: behold, it shall come down upon Idumea, and upon the people of my curse, to judgment.[i]

6 The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, it is made fat with fatness, *and* with the blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the kidneys of rams: for the LORD hath a sacrifice in Bozrah, and a great slaughter in the land of Idumea.[j]

7 And the [7]unicorns shall come down with them, and the bullocks with the bulls; and their land shall be [8]soaked with blood, and their dust made fat with fatness.

8 For *it is* the day of the LORD's vengeance, *and* the year of recompences for the controversy of Zion.[k]

9 And the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning pitch.[l]

10 It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke thereof shall go up for ever: from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.[m]

11 ¶ But the [9]cormorant and the bittern shall possess it; the owl also and the raven shall dwell in it: and he shall stretch out upon it the line of confusion, and the stones of emptiness.[n]

12 They shall call the nobles thereof to the kingdom, but none *shall be* there, and all her princes shall be nothing.



RUINS OF BOZRAH, EDOM.

8 Or, *drunken*
k ch lxiii 4
c Jer l 20
l Deut. xxix 23.
6 Heb the *fulness thereof*
m Mal i 4, Rev xiv 11, xviii. 18, xix 3
9 Or, *pelican*
f Deut xxxii 1, Ps xlix 1
n ch xiv 23, 2 Kings xxi 13, Lam ii 8; Zeph ii. 14, Rev. xviii. 2.

13 And thorns shall come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof: and it shall be an habitation of dragons, *and* a court for [1]owls.[a]

14 [2]The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with [3]the wild beasts of the island, and the satyr shall cry to his fellow; the [4]screech owl also shall rest there, and find for herself a place of rest.

15 There shall the great owl make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and gather under her shadow: there shall the vultures also be gathered, every one with her mate.

16 ¶ Seek ye out of the book of the LORD, and read: no one of these shall fail, none shall want her mate: for my mouth it hath commanded, and his spirit it hath gathered them.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 713.

f ch. xxix. 18; xxxii. 3, 4, xlii. 7, Matt ix. 27, &c.; xi. 5; xii 22, xx. 30, &c; xxi 14; Mark vii 32, &c., John ix 6, 7.

1 Or, *ostriches* Heb *daughters of the owl*

a ch. xiii 21, 22; xxxii. 13, Hos. ix 6.

2 Heb. *Ziim.*

3 Heb. *Ijim*

g ch. xxxii 4; xli. 18; xliii. 19, Matt. ix 32, 33; xi 5; xii 22, xv 30; xxi 14, Mark vii 32, &c., John v 8, 9, vii 38, 39, Acts iii 2, &c, viii 7, xiv 8, &c.

4 Or, *night monster.*

6 Or, *a court for reeds,* &c

5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.[g]

6 Then shall the lame *man* leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.[g]

7 And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, *shall be* [6]grass with reeds and rushes.[h]

8 And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; [7]but it *shall be* for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err *therein.*[i]

9 No lion shall be there, nor *any* ravenous beast



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17 And he hath cast the lot for them, and his hand hath divided it unto them by line: they shall possess it for ever, from generation to generation shall they dwell therein.

CHAPTER XXXV.

1 *The joyful flourishing of Christ's kingdom.* 3 *The weak are encouraged by the virtues and privileges of the gospel.*

THE wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.[c]

2 It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, *and* the excellency of our God.[d]

3 ¶ Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.[e]

4 Say to them *that are* of a [5]fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come *with* vengeance, *even* God *with* a recompence; he will come and save you.

h ch xxxiv 13

7 Or, *for* it shall be *with them*

i ch li 1, Joel iii 17, Rev xxi 27

b Mal iii 16

j ch xi 9, Lev xxvi 6, Ezek xxxiv 25

k ch xxv 8, lxv 19, Rev. vii 17, xxi 4

c ch lv 12

d ch xxxii 15

l 2 Kings xviii 13, 17, 2 Chron xxxii 1.

e Job iv 3, 4, Heb xii 12

5 Heb. *hasty.*

shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk *there:*[j]

10 And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.[k]

CHAPTER XXXVI.

1 *Sennacherib invadeth Judah.* 4 *Rabshakeh, sent by Sennacherib, by blasphemous persuasions solicteth the people to revolt.* 22 *His words are told to Hezekiah.*

NOW it came to pass in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah, *that* Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the defenced cities of Judah, and took them.[l]

2 And the king of Assyria sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem unto king Hezekiah with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field.

3 Then came forth unto him Eliakim, Hilkiah's son, which was over the house, and Shebna the [1]scribe, and Joah, Asaph's son, the recorder.

4 ¶ And Rabshakeh said unto them, Say ye now to Hezekiah, Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence *is* this wherein thou trustest?[a]

5 I say, *sayest thou,* (but *they are but* [2]vain words) [3]*I have* counsel and strength for war: now on whom dost thou trust, that thou rebellest against me?

6 Lo, thou trustest in the staff of this broken reed, on Egypt; whereon if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so *is* Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that trust in him.[b]

7 But if thou say to me, We trust in the LORD our God: *is it* not he, whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and said to Judah and to Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar?

8 Now therefore give [4]pledges, I pray thee, to my master the king of Assyria, and I will give thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them.

9 How then wilt thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put thy trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?

10 And am I now come up without the LORD against this land to destroy it? the LORD said unto me, Go up against this land, and destroy it.

11 ¶ Then said Eliakim and Shebna and Joah unto Rabshakeh, Speak, I pray thee, unto thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand *it:* and speak not to us in the Jews' language, in the ears of the people that *are* on the wall.

12 ¶ But Rabshakeh said, Hath my master sent me to thy master and to thee to speak these words? *hath he* not *sent me* to the men that sit upon the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?

13 Then Rabshakeh stood, and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and said, Hear ye the words of the great king, the king of Assyria.

14 Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive you: for he shall not be able to deliver you.

15 Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver us: this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

16 Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria, [5]Make *an agreement* with me *by* a present, and come out to me: and eat ye every one of his vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his own cistern;[c]

17 Until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of corn and wine, a land of bread and vineyards.

18 *Beware* lest Hezekiah persuade you, saying, The LORD will deliver us. Hath any of the gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

19 Where *are* the gods of Hamath and Arphad? where *are* the gods of Sepharvaim? and have they delivered Samaria out of my hand?

20 Who *are they* among all the gods of these lands, that have delivered their land out of my hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?

21 But they held their peace, and answered him not a word: for the king's commandment was, saying, Answer him not.

22 ¶ Then came Eliakim, the son of Hilkiah, that *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, the son of Asaph, the recorder, to Hezekiah with *their* clothes rent, and told him the words of Rabshakeh.

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

1 Or, *secretary.*

a 2 Kings xviii. 19, &c.

2 Heb. *a word of lips.*

3 Or, but *counsel and strength* are *for the war.*

b Ezek. xxix. 6, 7.

4 Or, *hostages*

d 2 Kings xix. 1, &c.

6 Or, *provocation.*

7 Heb *found.*

8 Or, *put a spirit into him*

5 Or, *Seek my favour by a present* Heb *Make with me a blessing*

c Zech. iii 10.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

1 *Hezekiah mourning sendeth to Isaiah to pray for them.* 6 *Isaiah comforteth them.* 8 *Sennacherib, going to encounter Tirhakah, sendeth a blasphemous letter to Hezekiah.* 14 *Hezekiah's prayer.* 21 *Isaiah's prophecy of the pride and destruction of Sennacherib, and the good of Zion.* 36 *An angel slayeth the Assyrians.* 37 *Sennacherib is slain at Nineveh by his own sons.*

AND it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard *it,* that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of the LORD.[d]

2 And he sent Eliakim, who *was* over the houshold, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests covered with sackcloth, unto Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day *is* a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and of [6]blasphemy: for the children are come to the birth, and *there is* not strength to bring forth.

4 It may be the LORD thy God will hear the words of Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God, and will reprove the words which the LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up *thy* prayer for the remnant that is [7]left.

5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

6 ¶ And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye say unto your master, Thus saith the LORD, Be not afraid of the words that thou hast heard, wherewith the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.

7 Behold, I will [8]send a blast upon him, and he shall hear a rumour, and return to his own land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.

8 ¶ So Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah: for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish.

9 And he heard say concerning Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, He is come forth to make war with thee. And when he heard *it,* he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying,

10 Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Let not thy God, in whom thou trustest, deceive thee, saying, Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria.

11 Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands by destroying them utterly; and shalt thou be delivered?



HEZEKIAH LAYING THE LETTER OF SENNACHERIB BEFORE THE LORD.—ISAIAH XXXVII 14

12 Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed, *as* Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which *were* in Telassar?

13 Where *is* the king of Hamath, and the king of Arphad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah?[a]

14 ¶ And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up unto the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD.

15 And Hezekiah prayed unto the LORD, saying,

16 O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest *between* the cherubims, thou *art* the God, *even* thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth.

17 Incline thine ear, O LORD, and hear; open thine eyes, O LORD, and see: and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which hath sent to reproach the living God.[b]

18 Of a truth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the [1]nations, and their countries,

BEFORE CHRIST 710

[2] Heb *given*

[a] Jer. xlix. 23.

[3] Heb. *By the hand of thy servants.*

[b] Dan. ix. 18.

[1] Heb. *lands.*

[4] Heb. *the tallness of the cedars thereof, and the choice of the fir trees thereof.*

19 And have [2]cast their gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

20 Now therefore, O LORD our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou *art* the LORD, *even* thou only.

21 ¶ Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent unto Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Whereas thou hast prayed to me against Sennacherib king of Assyria:

22 This *is* the word which the LORD hath spoken concerning him; The virgin, the daughter of Zion, hath despised thee, *and* laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

23 Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted *thy* voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? *even* against the Holy One of Israel.

24 [3]By thy servants hast thou reproached the Lord, and hast said, By the multitude of my chariots am I come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I will cut down [4]the tall cedars



SENNACHERIB SLAIN BY HIS SONS.—ISAIAH XXXVII. 38.

thereof, *and* the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into the height of his border, *and* the [1]forest of his Carmel.

25 I have digged, and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the rivers of the [2]besieged places.

26 [3]Hast thou not heard long ago, *how* I have done it; *and* of ancient times, that I have formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou shouldest be to lay waste defenced cities *into* ruinous heaps.

27 Therefore their inhabitants *were* [4]of small power, they were dismayed and confounded: they were *as* the grass of the field, and *as* the green herb, *as* the grass on the housetops, and *as corn* blasted before it be grown up.

28 But I know thy [5]abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and thy rage against me.

29 Because thy rage against me, and thy tumult, is come up into mine ears, therefore will I put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I will turn thee back by the way by which thou camest.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 710

1 Or, *the forest and his fruitful field.*

2 Or, *fenced and closed*

6 Heb *the escaping of the house of Judah that remaineth.*

3 Or, *Hast thou not heard* how *I have made it long ago,* and *formed it of ancient times? should I now bring it to be laid waste,* and *defenced cities* to be *ruinous heaps?* as 2 Kings xix. 25

7 Heb. *the escaping.*

4 Heb *short of hand.*

b ch lx 7; 2 Kings xix. 31.

8 Heb *shield.*

5 Or, *sitting.*

c ch. xxxviii. 6; 2 Kings xx. 6.

a ch. xxx. 28; Ezek. xxxviii. 4.

30 And this *shall be* a sign unto thee, Ye shall eat *this* year such as groweth of itself; and the second year that which springeth of the same: and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit thereof.

31 And [6]the remnant that is escaped of the house of Judah shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward:

32 For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and [7]they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this.[b]

33 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with [8]shields, nor cast a bank against it.

34 By the way that he came, by the same shall he return, and shall not come into this city, saith the LORD.

35 For I will defend this city to save it for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.[c]

36 Then the angel of the LORD went forth, and

smote in the camp of the Assyrians a hundred and fourscore and five thousand: and when they arose early in the morning, behold, they *were* all dead corpses.[a]

37 ¶ So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh.

38 And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword; and they escaped into the land of [1]Armenia: and Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

1 *Hezekiah, having received a message of death, by prayer hath his life lengthened.* 8 *The sun goeth ten degrees backward, for a sign of that promise.* 9 *His song of thanksgiving.*

IN those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came unto him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, [2]Set thine house in order: for thou shalt die, and not live.[b]

2 Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed unto the LORD,

3 And said, Remember now, O LORD, I beseech thee, how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done *that which is* good in thy sight. And Hezekiah wept [3]sore.[c]

4 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD to Isaiah, saying,

5 Go, and say to Hezekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto thy days fifteen years.

6 And I will deliver thee and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria: and I will defend this city.[d]

7 And this *shall be* a sign unto thee from the LORD, that the LORD will do this thing that he hath spoken;[e]

8 Behold, I will bring again the shadow of the degrees, which is gone down in the [4]sun dial of Ahaz, ten degrees backward. So the sun returned ten degrees, by which degrees it was gone down.

9 ¶ The writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick, and was recovered of his sickness:

10 I said in the cutting off of my days, I shall go to the gates of the grave: I am deprived of the residue of my years.

11 I said, I shall not see the LORD, *even* the LORD, in the land of the living: I shall behold man no more with the inhabitants of the world.[f]

12 Mine age is departed, and is removed from me as a shepherd's tent: I have cut off like a weaver my life: he will cut me off [5]with pining sickness: from day *even* to night wilt thou make an end of me.[g]

13 I reckoned till morning, *that*, as a lion, so will he break all my bones: from day *even* to night wilt thou make an end of me.

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

6 Or, *ease me*

h ch lix 11

a 2 Kings xix. 35

i Job vii 11, x 1.

1 Heb. *Ararat*

2 Heb *Give charge concerning thy house*

b 2 Sam xvii 23, 2 Kings xx 1, &c, 2 Chron xxxii 24

3 Heb *with great weeping*

c Neh x.h 14

d ch xxxvii 35.

e ch vii 11, 2 Kings xx 8, &c

4 Heb *degrees by*, or, *with the sun*

7 Or, *on my peace came great bitterness.*

8 Heb *thou hast loved my soul from the pit.*

f Ps vi 5; xxx 9; lxxxviii 11; cxv 17, Eccles ix 10

f Ps xxvii 13; cxvi 9

k Deut iv 9, vi 7, Ps lxxviii. 3, 4

5 Or, *from the* thrum.

g Job vii 6

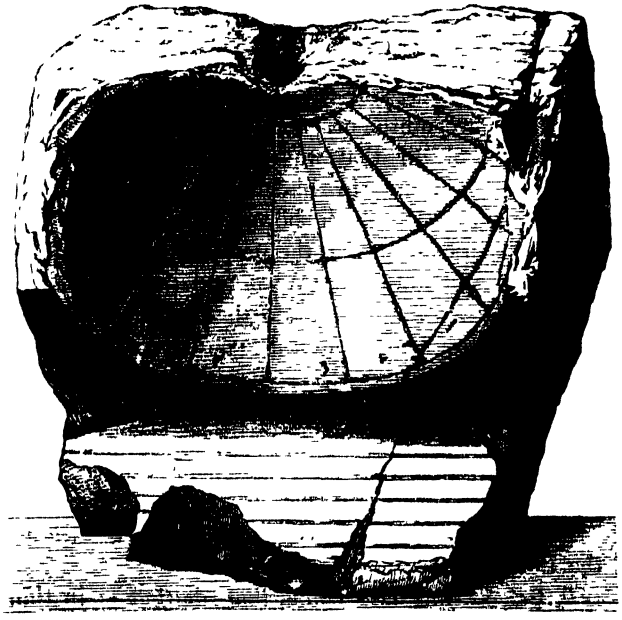
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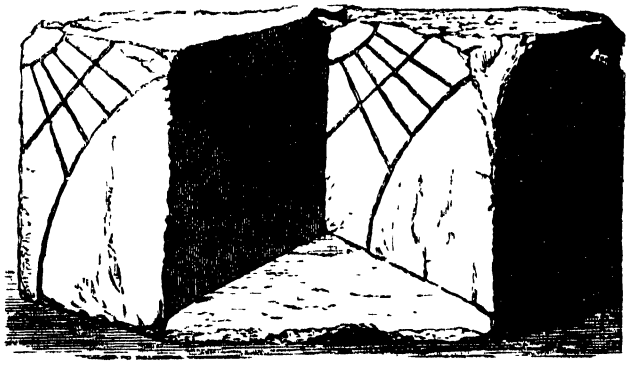
m 2 Kings xx. 8.

14 Like a crane *or* a swallow, so did I chatter: I did mourn as a dove: mine eyes fail *with looking* upward: O LORD, I am oppressed; [6]undertake for me.[h]

15 What shall I say? he hath both spoken unto me, and himself hath done *it*: I shall go softly all my years in the bitterness of my soul.[i]

16 O Lord, by these *things men* live, and in all these *things is* the life of my spirit: so wilt thou recover me, and make me to live.





ANCIENT SUN-DIALS.

17 Behold, [7]for peace I had great bitterness: but [8]thou hast in love to my soul *delivered it* from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back.

18 For the grave cannot praise thee, death can *not* celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.[j]

19 The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I *do* this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth.[k]

20 The LORD *was ready* to save me: therefore we will sing my songs to the stringed instruments all the days of our life in the house of the LORD.

21 For Isaiah had said, Let them take a lump of figs, and lay *it* for a plaister upon the boil, and he shall recover.[l]

22 Hezekiah also had said, What *is* the sign that I shall go up to the house of the LORD?[m]

CHAPTER XXXIX.

1 *Merodach-baladan, sending to visit Hezekiah because of the wonder, hath notice of his treasures.* 3 *Isaiah, understanding thereof, foretelleth the Babylonian captivity.*

AT that time Merodach-baladan, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah: for he had heard that he had been sick, and was recovered.[a]

2 And Hezekiah was glad of them, and shewed them the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the [1]precious ointment, and all the house of his [2]armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.[b]

3 ¶ Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these men? and from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country unto me, *even* from Babylon.

4 Then said he, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All that *is* in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them.

5 Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD of hosts:

6 Behold, the days come, that all that *is* in thine house, and *that* which thy fathers have laid up in store until this day, shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD.[c]

7 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and [3]they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.

8 Then said Hezekiah to Isaiah, Good *is* the word of the LORD which thou hast spoken. He said moreover, For there shall be peace and truth in my days.[d]

CHAPTER XL.

1 *The promulgation of the gospel.* 3 *The preaching of John Baptist.* 9 *The preaching of the apostles.* 12 *The prophet by the omnipotency of God,* 18 *and his incomparableness,* 26 *comforteth the people.*

COMFORT ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.

2 Speak ye [4]comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her [5]warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD'S hand double for all her sins.[e]

3 ¶ The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.[f]

4 Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made [6]straight, and the rough places [7]plain:[g]

5 And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see *it* together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.

6 The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh *is* grass, and all the goodliness thereof *is* as the flower of the field:[h]

7 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people *is* grass.[i]

8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.[j]

9 ¶ [8]O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; [9]O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift *it* up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God![k]

10 Behold, the Lord GOD will come [10]with strong *hand*, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward *is* with him, and [11]his work before him.[l]

11 He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry *them* in his bosom, *and* shall gently lead those [12]that are with young.[m]

12 ¶ Who hath measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in [13]a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?[n]

13 Who hath directed the Spirit of the LORD, or *being* [14]his counsellor hath taught him?[o]

14 With whom took he counsel, and *who* [15]instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of [16]understanding?

15 Behold, the nations *are* as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing.

16 And Lebanon *is* not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt offering.

17 All nations before him *are* as nothing; and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity.[p]

18 ¶ To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him?[q]

19 The workman melteth a graven image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it over with gold, and casteth silver chains.[r]

20 He that [17]*is* so impoverished that he hath no oblation chooseth a tree *that* will not rot; he seeketh unto him a cunning workman to prepare a graven image, *that* shall not be moved.[s]

21 Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?[t]

22 [18]*It is* he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof *are* as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:[u]

23 That bringeth the princes to nothing; he maketh the judges of the earth as vanity.[v]

24 Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and he shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind shall take them away as stubble.

25 To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One.[w]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

a Job xiv 2, Ps. xc. 5; cii. 11; ciii. 15; James i. 10; 1 Peter i. 24.

i Ps. ciii. 16.

j John xii. 34; 1 Peter i. 25.

8 Or, *O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion.*

9 Or, *O thou that tellest good tidings to Jerusalem.*

k 2 Kings xx. 12, &c.

k ch xii. 27; liii. 7.

10 Or, *against the strong.*

1 Or, *spicery*

2 Or, *jewels.* Heb *vessels*, or, *instruments.*

11 Or, *recompence for his work*, ch xlix 4.

l ch. lix. 16; lxii. 11; Rev. xxii. 12

b 2 Chron xxxii 31

12 Or, *that give suck*

m ch xlix 10, Ezek xxxiv 23, xxxvii 24; John x 11, Heb xiii 20; 1 Peter ii 25; v 4, Rev vii 17

13 Heb *a tierce*

n Prov xxx. 4.

14 Heb *the man of his counsel*

o Job xxi 22, xxxvi 22, 23, Rom xi 34, 1 Cor ii 16

15 Heb *made him understand*

16 Heb *understandings.*

c Jer xx. 5.

3 Fulfilled, Dan. i. 2, 3, 7.

p Ps. lxii. 9, Dan iv 35

d 1 Sam. iii 18.

q ver 25, ch xlvi 5, Acts xvii 29

r ch. xli 6, 7, xlv 12, &c., Jer x 3, &c.

17 Heb *is poor of oblation.*

4 Heb *to the heart.*

s ch. xli. 7, Jer. x. 4.

5 Or, *appointed time.*

t Ps. xix. 1; Acts xiv. 17; Rom i. 19, 20

18 Or, *Him that sitteth*, &c.

e ch. lxi. 7.

u ch. xli 5; xliv. 24; li 13; Job ix. 8; Ps. civ. 2, Jer. x. 12.

f ch. xlix. 11; Mal. iii. 1; Matt. iii 3; Mark i 3; Luke iii. 4; John i 23.

v Job xii. 21; Ps. cvii. 40.

6 Or, *a straight place.*

7 Or, *a plain place.*

g ch. xlv. 2.

w ver. 18; Deut. iv. 15, &c.



THE WORKSHOP OF THE IDOL MAKERS.

26 Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these *things*, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that *he is* strong in power; not one faileth.[a]

27 Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD, and my judgment is passed over from my God?

28 ¶ Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no searching of his understanding.[b]

29 He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength.

30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31 But they that wait upon the LORD shall [1]renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they shall walk, and not faint.[c]

CHAPTER XLI.

1 *God expostulateth with his people, about his mercies to the church,* 10 *about his promises,* 21 *and about the vanity of idols.*

KEEP silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew *their* strength: let them come near; then let them speak: let us come near together to judgment.[d]

2 Who raised up [2]the righteous *man* from the east, called him to his foot, gave the nations before him, and made *him* rule over kings? he gave *them* as the dust to his sword, *and* as driven stubble to his bow.[e]

3 He pursued them, *and* passed [3]safely; *even* by the way *that* he had not gone with his feet.

4 Who hath wrought and done *it*, calling the generations from the beginning? I the LORD, the first, and with the last; I *am* he.[f]

5 The isles saw *it*, and feared; the ends of the earth were afraid, drew near, and came.

6 They helped every one his neighbour; and *every one* said to his brother, [4]Be of good courage.[g]

7 So the carpenter encouraged the [5]goldsmith, *and* he that smootheth *with* the hammer [6]him that smote the anvil, [7]saying, It *is* ready for the sodering: and he fastened it with nails, *that* it should not be moved.[h]

8 But thou, Israel, *art* my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend.[i]

9 *Thou* whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou *art* my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away.

10 ¶ Fear thou not; for I *am* with thee: be not dismayed; for I *am* thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.[j]

11 Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and [8]they that strive with thee shall perish.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

9 Heb. *the men of thy contention.*

10 Heb. *the men of thy war.*

a Ps. cxlvii. 4.

i ver. 10.

11 Or, *few men.*

12 Heb. *mouths.*

b Ps. cxlvii 5; Rom. xi. 33.

m Micah iv. 13; 2 Cor. x. 4, 5.

1 Heb. *change.*

n ch. xlv. 25; Jer. li. 2.

c Ps. ciii. 5.

o ch. xxxv. 6, 7; xliii. 19; xliv. 3; Ps. cvii. 35.

d Zech. ii. 13.

2 Heb. *righteousness.*

p Job xii. 9.

13 Heb. *Cause to come near.*

e ver 25, ch. xlv. 1; xlvi. 11, Gen. xiv 14, &c.

3 Heb. *in peace.*

14 Heb *set our heart upon them*

f ver. 26; ch. xliii 10; xliv 6, 7; xlviii 12, Rev. i 17; xxii. 13

q ch xlii 9, xliv. 7, 8, xlv 3, Jer x. 5, John xiii 19

g 15 Or, *worse than nothing.*

16 Or, *worse than of a viper*

r ch. xliv 9, Ps cxv. 8, 1 Cor viii. 4.

4 Heb *Be strong*

g ch. xl 19; xlv 12.

5 Or, *founder.*

6 Or, *the smiting.*

7 Or, *saying of the sodering, It is good.*

s ver. 2; Ezra i. 2.

h ch. xl. 19, 20.

i ch. xliii. 1; xliv. 1; Deut. vii. 6, x. 15, xiv. 2; 2 Chron. xx. 7; Ps. cxxxv 4, James ii. 23.

t ch xliii. 9.

u ch xl. 9

j vs 13, 14; ch. xliii. 5; Deut. xxxi. 6, 8.

17 Heb. *return.*

v ch. lxiii. 5.

8 Heb *the men of thy strife*

k ch. xlv. 24; lx. 12; Exod. xxiii 22; Zech. xii. 3.

w ver. 24.

12 Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, *even* [9]them that contended with thee: [10]they that warred against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.

13 For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.[l]

14 Fear not, thou worm Jacob, *and* ye [11]men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the LORD, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.

15 Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having [12]teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat *them* small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.[m]

16 Thou shalt fan them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall scatter them: and thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, *and* shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.[n]

17 *When* the poor and needy seek water, and *there is* none, *and* their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, *I* the God of Israel will not forsake them.

18 I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.[o]

19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, *and* the pine, and the box tree together:

20 That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together, that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it.[p]

21 [13]Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong *reasons*, saith the King of Jacob.

22 Let them bring *them* forth, and shew us what shall happen: let them shew the former things, what they *be*, that we may [14]consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare us things for to come.

23 Shew the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that ye *are* gods: yea, do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold *it* together.[q]

24 Behold, ye *are* [15]of nothing, and your work [16]of nought: an abomination *is he that* chooseth you.[r]

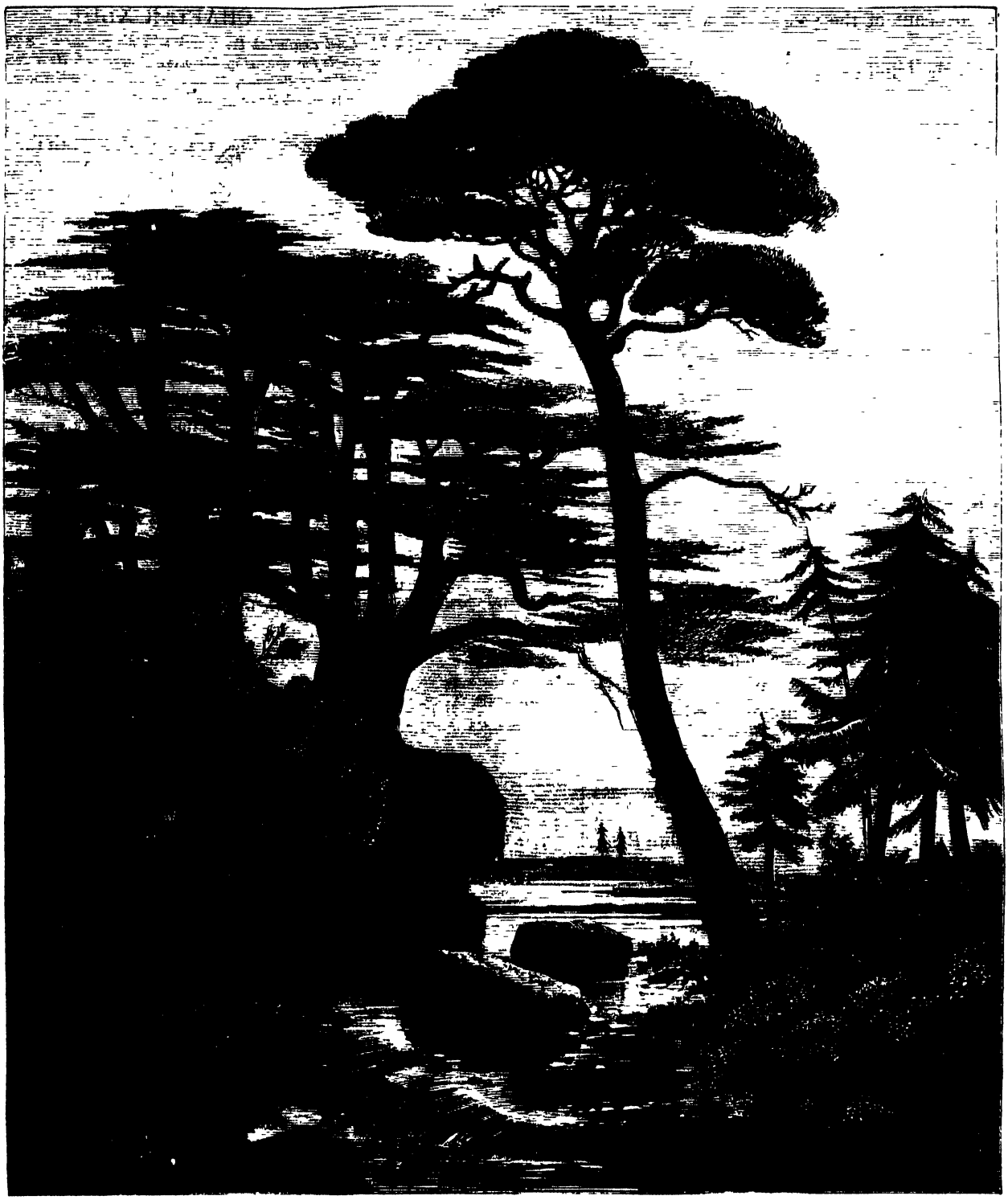
25 I have raised up *one* from the north, and he shall come: from the rising of the sun shall he call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as *upon* morter, and as the potter treadeth clay.[s]

26 Who hath declared from the beginning, that we may know? and beforetime, that we may say, *He is* righteous? yea, *there is* none that sheweth, yea, *there is* none that declareth, yea, *there is* none that heareth your words.[t]

27 The first *shall say* to Zion, Behold, behold them: and I will give to Jerusalem one that bringeth good tidings.[u]

28 For I beheld, and *there was* no man; even among them, and *there was* no counsellor, that, when I asked of them, could [17]answer a word.[v]

29 Behold, they *are* all vanity; their works *are* nothing: their molten images *are* wind and confusion.[w]



"I WILL OPEN RIVERS IN HIGH PLACES . . . I WILL PLANT IN THE WILDERNESS THE CEDAR"—ISAIAH XLI 18, 19

CHAPTER XLII.

1 *The office of Christ, graced with meekness and constancy.* 5 *God's promise unto him.* 10 *An exhortation to praise God for his gospel.* 17 *He reproveth the people of incredulity.*

BEHOLD my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, *in whom* my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.[a]

2 He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street.

3 A bruised reed shall he not break, and the [1]smoking flax shall he not [2]quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth.

4 He shall not fail nor be [3]discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law.[b]

5 ¶ Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:[c]

6 I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

1 Or,
2 Heb *quench it.*
3 Heb *broken*

b Gen. xlix. 10.

a ch xl. 2; xliii 10, xlix. 3, 6; lii. 13; liii. 11, Matt. iii. 17; xii 18—20, xvii. 5; John iii 34, Eph. i. 6; Philipp. ii. 7.

c ch xliv. 24; Ps. cxxxvi. 6; Zech. xii. 1; Acts xvii. 25.

thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles;[a]

7 To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, *and* them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.[b]

8 I *am* the LORD: that *is* my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.[c]

9 Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them.

10 Sing unto the LORD a new song, *and* his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and [1]all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.[d]

11 Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up *their voice*, the villages *that* Kedar doth inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains.

12 Let them give glory unto the LORD, and declare his praise in the islands.

13 The LORD shall go forth as a mighty man, he shall stir up jealousy like a man of war: he shall cry, yea, roar; he shall [2]prevail against his enemies.[e]

14 I have long time holden my peace; I have been still, *and* refrained myself: *now* will I cry like a travailing woman; I will destroy and [3]devour at once.

15 I will make waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their herbs; and I will make the rivers islands, and I will dry up the pools.

16 And I will bring the blind by a way *that* they knew not; I will lead them in paths *that* they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things [4]straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.

17 ¶ They shall be turned back, they shall be greatly ashamed, that trust in graven images, that say to the molten images, Ye *are* our gods.[f]

18 Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see.

19 Who *is* blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger *that* I sent? who *is* blind as *he that is* perfect, and blind as the LORD's servant?[g]

20 Seeing many things, but thou observest not; opening the ears, but he heareth not.[h]

21 The LORD is well pleased for his righteousness' sake; he will magnify the law, and make [5]*it* honourable.

22 But this *is* a people robbed and spoiled; *they are* all of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey, and none delivereth; for a spoil, and none saith, Restore.

23 Who among you will give ear to this? *who* will hearken and hear [6]for the time to come?

24 Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? did not the LORD, he against whom we have sinned? for they would not walk in his ways, neither were they obedient unto his law.

25 Therefore he hath poured upon him the fury of his anger, and the strength of battle: and it hath set him on fire round about, yet he knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid *it* not to heart.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

[a] ch. xlii. 1; xlix. 6, 8; Luke ii. 32; Acts xiii. 47.

[b] ch. ix. 2; xxxv. 5; lxi. 1; Luke iv. 18; 2 Tim. ii. 26; Heb ii. 14, 15.

[c] ch. xlviii. 11.

[d] vs. 7, 21; ch. xlii 6; xliv. 2, 6, 21, 24, xiv. 4.

1 Heb *the fulness thereof*

[e] Ps xxxiii 3, xl. 3; xcviii. 1; cvii 23.

[f] Deut. xxxi. 6, 8; Ps. lxvi. 12; xci. 3, &c.; Dan. iii. 25, 27.

[g] Prov. xxi. 18.

2 Or, *behave himself mightily*

[h] ch xxxi. 4.

7 Or, *person.*

3 Heb *swallow*, or, *sup up.*

[i] ch. xli 10, 14, xliv. 2, Jer xxx. 10, 11, xlvi 27, 28.

[k] ver 1; ch. xxix. 23; lxiii. 19; Ps c. 3; John iii. 3, 5; 2 Cor. v. 17; Eph. ii. 10

4 Heb *into straightness.*

[l] ch vi. 9; xlii. 19; Ezek. xii. 2.

[m] ch i 29, xliv. 11; xlv. 16, Ps. xcvii 7.

[n] ch. xli. 21, 22, 26.

[o] ch xliii. 8, Ezek xii. 2, John ix. 39, 41

8 Or, *nothing formed of God.*

[p] Rom ii 21.

[q] ch xli 4; xlii. 1; xliv 6, 8; lv. 4.

5 Or, *him.*

[r] ch xlv. 21, Hos. xiii 4.

[s] ver. 10, ch xliv. 8; Deut xxxii 16; Ps lxxxi. 9

6 Heb *for the after time?*

9 Heb. *turn it back?*

[t] Ps xc. 2; John viii 58

10 Heb. *bars.*

[u] Ps. xix. 25; lxxviii. 35

[v] 2 Kings xxv 9; Hos vii 9

[w] ch ii 10; Exod xiv. 16, 22; Josh iii 13, 16; Ps lxxvii 19

CHAPTER XLIII.

1 The Lord comforteth the church with his promises. 8 He appealeth to the people for witness of his omnipotency. 14 He foretelleth them the destruction of Babylon, 18 and his wonderful deliverance of his people. 22 He reproveth the people as inexcusable.

BUT now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called *thee* by thy name; thou *art* mine.[j]

2 When thou passest through the waters, I *will be* with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.[k]

3 For I *am* the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt *for* thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.[l]

4 Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy [7]life.

5 Fear not: for I *am* with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;[m]

6 I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth;

7 *Even* every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.[n]

8 ¶ Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.[o]

9 Let all the nations be gathered together, and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, *It is* truth.[p]

10 Ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I *am* he: before me there was [8]no God formed, neither shall there be after me.[q]

11 I, *even* I, *am* the LORD; and beside me *there is* no saviour.[r]

12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when *there was* no strange *god* among you: therefore ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I *am* God.[s]

13 Yea, before the day *was* I *am* he; and *there is* none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall [9]let it?[t]

14 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; For your sake I have sent to Babylon, and have brought down all their [10]nobles, and the Chaldeans, whose cry *is* in the ships.[u]

15 I *am* the LORD, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.

16 Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters;[v]

17 Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.[o]

18 ¶ Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.[p]

19 Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert.[q]

20 The beast of the field shall honour me, the dragons and the [1]owls: because I give waters in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen.[r]

21 This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.[s]

22 ¶ But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but thou hast been weary of me, O Israel.[t]

23 Thou hast not brought me the [2]small cattle of thy burnt offerings; neither hast thou honoured me with thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with incense.[u]

24 Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou [3]filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices: but thou hast made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast wearied me with thine iniquities.[x]

25 I, *even* I, *am* he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.[y]

26 Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified.

27 Thy first father hath sinned, and thy [4]teachers have transgressed against me.[z]

28 Therefore I have profaned the [5]princes of the sanctuary, and have given Jacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches.[a]

CHAPTER XLIV.

1 *God comforteth the church with his promises.* 7 *The vanity of idols,* 9 *and folly of idol makers.* 21 *He exhorteth to praise God for his redemption and omnipotency.*

YET now hear, O Jacob my servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen:[b]

2 Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, *which* will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen.[c]

3 For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring:[d]

4 And they shall spring up *as* [6]among the grass, as willows by the water courses.

5 One shall say, I *am* the LORD'S; and another shall call *himself* by the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe *with* his hand unto the LORD, and surname *himself* by the name of Israel.

6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I *am* the first, and I *am* the last; and beside me *there is* no God.[e]

7 And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them.[f]

8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared *it?* ye *are* even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, *there is* no [7]God; I know not *any.*[g]

9 ¶ They that make a graven image *are* all of them vanity; and their [8]delectable things shall not profit; and they *are* their own witnesses; they see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed.[h]

10 Who hath formed a god, or molten a graven image *that* is profitable for nothing?[i]

11 Behold, all his fellows shall be ashamed: and the workmen, they *are* of men: let them all be gathered together, let them stand up; *yet* they shall fear, *and* they shall be ashamed together.[k]

12 The smith [9]with the tongs both worketh in the coals, and fashioneth it with hammers, and worketh it with the strength of his arms: yea, he is hungry, and his strength faileth: he drinketh no water, and is faint.[l]

13 The carpenter stretcheth out *his* rule; he marketh it out with a line; he fitteth it with planes, and he marketh it out with the compass, and maketh it after the figure of a man, according to the beauty of a man; that it may remain in the house.

14 He heweth him down cedars, and taketh the cypress and the oak, which he [10]strengtheneth for himself among the trees of the forest: he planteth an ash, and the rain doth nourish *it.*

15 Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will take thereof, and warm himself; yea, he kindleth *it,* and baketh bread; yea, he maketh a god, and worshippeth *it;* he maketh it a graven image, and falleth down thereto.

16 He burneth part thereof in the fire; with part thereof he eateth flesh; he roasteth roast, and is satisfied: yea, he warmeth *himself,* and saith, Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire:

17 And the residue thereof he maketh a god, *even* his graven image: he falleth down unto it, and worshippeth *it,* and prayeth unto it, and saith, Deliver me; for thou *art* my god.

18 They have not known nor understood: for he hath [11]shut their eyes, that they cannot see; *and* their hearts, that they cannot understand.[m]

19 And none [12]considereth in his heart, neither *is there* knowledge nor understanding to say, I have burned part of it in the fire; yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh, and eaten *it:* and shall I make the residue thereof an abomination? shall I fall down to [13]the stock of a tree?[n]

20 He feedeth on ashes: a deceived heart hath turned him aside, that he cannot deliver his soul, nor say, *Is there* not a lie in my right hand?[o]

21 ¶ Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou *art* my servant: I have formed thee; thou *art*

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

o ver. 24; ch. xli. 4; xliii. 1, 14; xlviii. 12; Rev. i. 8, 17; xxii 13.

a Exod. xiv 4—9, 25.

b Jer. xvi. 14; xxiii. 7.

p ch. xli. 4, 22; xlv. 21.

c ch xxxv. 6; xli. 18; Exod. xvii. 6; Numb. xx. 11; Deut. viii. 15; Ps. lxxviii. 16.

7 Heb. *rock,* Deut. xxxii 4.

q ch. xli. 22; xliii. 10, 12; xlv. 5; Deut. iv. 35, 39; 1 Sam. ii. 2; 2 Sam. xxii. 32.

1 Or, *ostriches.* Heb. *daughters of the owl.*

8 Heb. *desirable*

d ch xlviii. 21.

r ch. xli. 24, 29, Ps cxv. 4

e vs 1, 7, Ps cii 18, Luke i. 74, 75, Eph i 5, 6.

s Jer. x. 5; Hab. ii. 18.

f Mal i. 13.

2 Heb *lambs,* or, *kids.*

t ch i. 29; xlii 17; xlv. 16, Ps. xcvii. 7

9 Or, *with an axe.*

g Amos v. 25.

3 Heb *made me drunk,* or, *abundantly moistened*

u ch. xl. 19, xli. 6, Jer x 3, &c

h ch i 14, Mal. ii. 17

i ch i 18, xliv. 22, xlviii 9, Jer. xxxi. 34, l 20, Ezek xxxvi 22, &c, Acts iii 19

10 Or, *taketh courage*

4 Heb *interpreters*

j Mal. ii 7, 8

5 Or, *holy princes*

k ch xlvii 6, Ps lxxix. 4, Jer xxiv 9, Lam ii 2, 6, 7, Dan. ix 11, Zech. viii 13.

l ver 21, ch xli. 8, xliii 1, Jer xxx. 10, xlvi. 27, 28

11 Heb. *daubed.*

v ch xlv 20; 2 Thess. ii. 11

m ch xliii 1, 7, Deut. xxxii. 15.

12 Heb *setteth to his heart.*

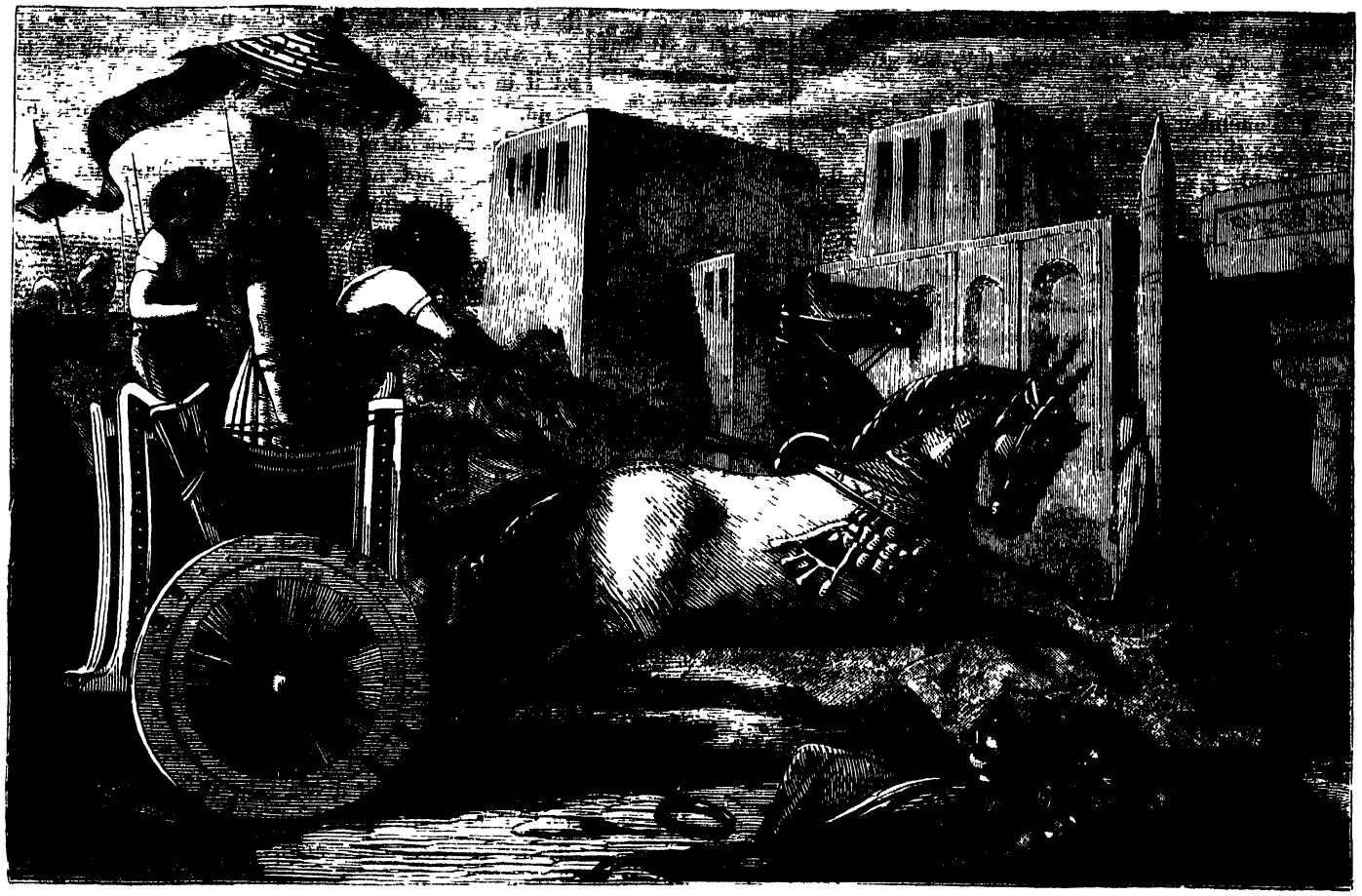
n ch. xxxv 7, Joel ii 28, John vii 38, Acts ii. 18.

6 Or, *grass among the waters* In every place in the East wherever there is water, there is grass.

13 Heb *which comes of a tree?*

w ch xlvi. 8.

x Hos. iv 12, Rom i. 21; 2 Thess. ii. 11.



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my servant: O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of me.[a]

22 I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee.[b]

23 Sing, O ye heavens; for the LORD hath done *it:* shout, ye lower parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel.[c]

24 Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I *am* the LORD that maketh all *things;* that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself;[d]

25 That frustrateth the tokens of the liars, and maketh diviners mad; that turneth wise *men* backward, and maketh their knowledge foolish;[e]

26 That confirmeth the word of his servant, and performeth the counsel of his messengers; that saith to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be inhabited; and to the cities of Judah, Ye shall be built, and I will raise up the [1]decayed places thereof:[f]

27 That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy rivers:[g]

28 That saith of Cyrus, *He is* my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

[a] ch xliii 1, 25, xlviii 20, 1 Cor vi 20, 1 Peter i 18, 19

[b] ch xliv 22, xlviii 20, 1 Cor vi 20, 1 Peter i 18, 19

[2] Or, *strengthened*

[c] ch xlii 10, xlix 13, Ps lxix 34, xcvi 11, 12, Jer li 48, Rev xviii 20

[d] ch xlii 5, Jer x 12, li 15, Zech xii 1

[e] ch xliv 25, Jer l 36, 1 Cor i 20

[f] ch lviii 12, lxi 4, Jer xxx 18, Ezek xxxvi 10, Amos ix 14

[g] Jer l 38, li 32, 36

[h] ch xliv 13; 2 Chron xxxvi 22, 23, Ezra i 1, &c

[1] Heb *wastes*

[i] ch xxxvii 20; Ps cii 16, Mal i 11

CHAPTER XLV.

1 *God calleth Cyrus for his church's sake.* 5 *By his omnipotency he challengeth obedience.* 20 *He convinceth the idols of vanity by his saving power.*

THUS saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have [2]holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;[i]

2 I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron:[j]

3 And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call *thee* by thy name, *am* the God of Israel.[k]

4 For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me.[l]

5 ¶ I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else, *there is* no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:[m]

6 That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that *there is* none beside me. I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else.[n]

7 I form the light, and create darkness: I make

[j] ch xli 2, 13; Dan v 30.

[k] ch xlii 1, xlix 1, Exod xxxiii 12, 17

[l] ch. xliv 1, 1 Thess. iv 5

[m] vs. 14, 18, 21, 22, ch xliv 8; xlvi. 9; Deut. iv 35, 39, xxxii 39, Ps. xviii 32, 39

[n] ch xlv 13; 2 Chron xxxvi 22, 23, Ezra i. 1, &c

peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these *things.*[a]

8 Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together; I the LORD have created it.[b]

9 Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! *Let* the potsherd *strive* with the potsherds of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands?[c]

10 Woe unto him that saith unto *his* father, What begettest thou? or to the woman, What hast thou brought forth?

11 Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.[d]

12 I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, *even* my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.[e]

13 I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will [1]direct all his ways: he shall build my city, and he shall let go my captives, not for price nor reward, saith the LORD of hosts.[f]

14 Thus saith the LORD, The labour of Egypt, and merchandise of Ethiopia and of the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; in chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, *saying*, Surely God *is* in thee; and *there is* none else, *there is* no God.[g]

15 Verily thou *art* a God that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour.[h]

16 They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion together *that are* makers of idols.[i]

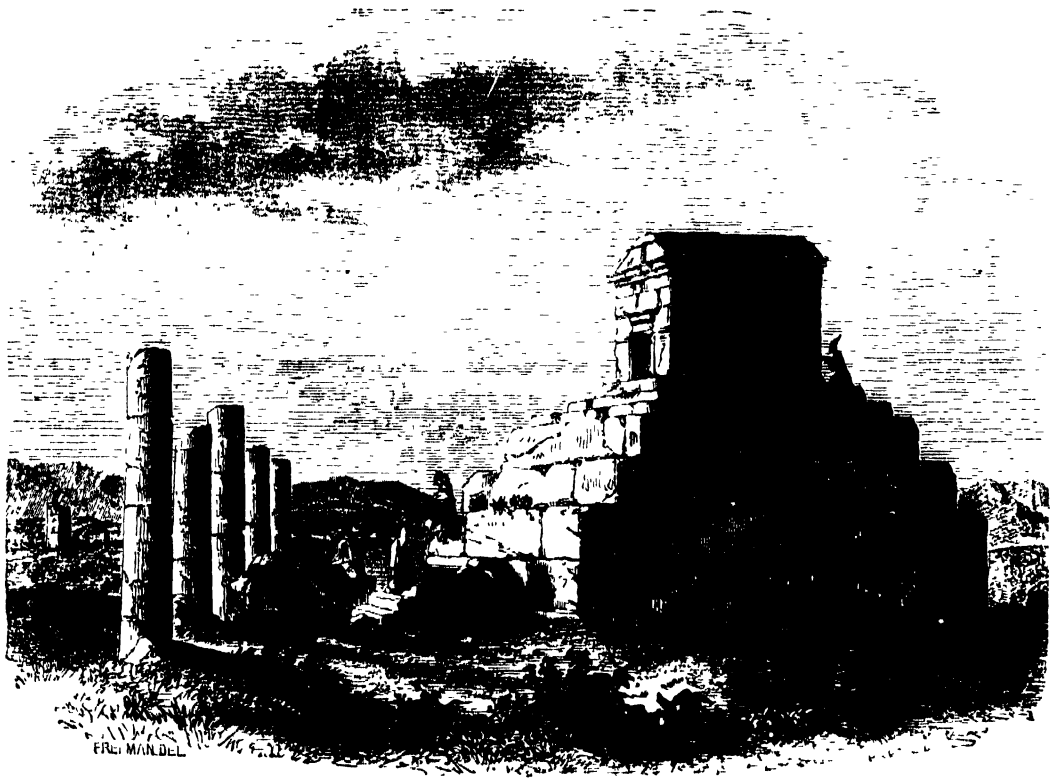
17 *But* Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.[j]

18 For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I *am* the LORD; and *there is* none else.[k]

19 I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

a Amos iii. 6.
i ch. xliv. 11.
b Ps. lxxii. 3, lxxxv. 11.
j ver 25, ch xxvi. 4; Rom. xi. 26.
c ch xxix 16, lxiv. 8; Jer. xviii. 6; Rom. ix. 21
k ver 5, ch. xlii 5
l ch xlviii 16; Ps. xix. 8, cxix 137, 138.



TOMB OF CYRUS.

d Isa xxxi 23; Jer xxxi 9.
m ch xliv 17—19; xlvi 7; xlviii 7, Rom i 22, 23
e ch xlii 5, Gen i 26, 27, ii 1, Jer xxvii 5
1 Or, *make straight*
f ch xli. 2, xliv 28, lii 3, Ezra i. 1, &c.; Rom iii 24
n vs. 5, 14, 18, ch xli 22, xliii 9, xliv 7, xlvi 9, 10, xlviii 3, 14
o Ps xxii 27, lxv 5
g ver 5, ch xlix 23; lx 9, 10, 14, 16, Ps. lxviii 31, lxxii 10, 11, cxlix. 8, Zech viii 22 23
p ch lxv 16, Gen xxii 16, xxxi 53, Deut. vi 13, Ps lxiii 11, Rom xiv 11, Philipp ii 10, Heb vi 13
2 Or, *Surely he shall say of me, In the LORD is all righteousness and strength.*
h ch viii 17, lvii. 17, Ps xliv 24.
3 Heb *righteousnesses*

20 ¶ Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye *that are* escaped of the nations: they have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god *that* cannot save.[m]

21 Tell ye, and bring *them* near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? *who* hath told it from that time? *have* not I the LORD? and *there is* no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; *there is* none beside me.[n]

22 Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else.[o]

23 I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth *in* righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.[p]

24 [2]Surely, shall *one* say, in the LORD have I [3]righteousness and strength: *even* to him shall men

come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed.[a]

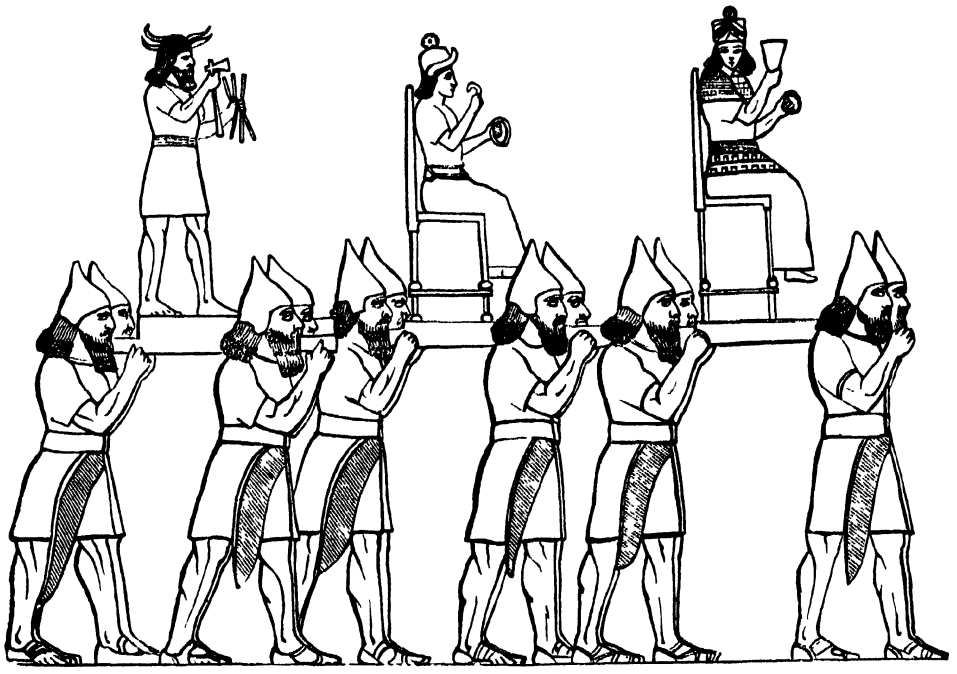
25 In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

a ch xli. 11; Jer. xxiii. 5, 1 Cor. i. 30.
b ch. xlv. 5, 21; Deut. xxxii. 7.
b ver 17; 1 Cor. i. 31

9 Remember the former things of old: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else; *I am* God, and *there is* none like me,[k]

10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from



CARRYING IDOLS. FROM THE NINEVEH MARBLES.

CHAPTER XLVI.

1 *The idols of Babylon could not save themselves* 3 *God saveth his people to the end.* 5 *Idols are not comparable to God for power,* 12 *or present salvation*

BEL boweth down, Nebo stoopeth, their idols were upon the beasts, and upon the cattle: your carriages *were* heavy loaden; *they are* a burden to the weary *beast.*[c]

2 They stoop, they bow down together, they could not deliver the burden, but [1]themselves are gone into captivity.[d]

3 ¶ Hearken unto me, O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, which are borne *by me* from the belly, which are carried from the womb:[e]

4 And *even* to *your* old age I *am* he; and *even* to hoar hairs will I carry *you:* I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver *you.*[f]

5 ¶ To whom will ye liken me, and make *me* equal, and compare me, that we may be like?[g]

6 They lavish gold out of the bag, and weigh silver in the balance, *and* hire a goldsmith; and he maketh it a god: they fall down, yea, they worship.[h]

7 They bear him upon the shoulder, they carry him, and set him in his place, and he standeth; from his place shall he not remove: yea, *one* shall cry unto him, yet can he not answer, nor save him out of his trouble.[i]

8 Remember this, and shew yourselves men: bring *it* again to mind, O ye transgressors.[j]

i ch xlv 21, Ps xxxiii 11; Prov xix. 21, xxi. 30; Acts v 39, Heb vi 17

2 Heb *the man of my counsel.*

m ch xli. 2, 25, xliv 28, xlv 13, Numb xxiii. 19

n Ps lxxvi. 5, Rom x. 3.

c ch xxi 9, Jer x. 5, l 2, li 44.

o ch. li. 5, lxii 11, Hab. ii 3, Rom i 17; iii. 21.

1 Heb *their soul*

d Jer xlviii. 7

e ch lxiii 9, Exod xix 4, Deut i 31, xxxii. 11; Ps lxxi. 6.

p ch iii. 26; Jer xlviii. 18.

f Ps xlviii 14, lxxi 18; cii 27, Mal. iii. 6

g ch. xl. 18, 25

q Exod xi. 5; Judg xvi 21, Matt. xxiv. 41.

h ch xl 19, xli. 7, xliv 12, 19, Jer x. 3.

r ch iii. 17; xx. 4; Jer xiii. 22, 26; Nahum iii. 5; Rom. xii 19.

s ch xliii 3, 14; Jer. l 34.

i ch xlv. 20; Jer x 5.

t ver 7; ch. xiii 19, 1 Sam ii 9; Dan ii 37.

j ch. xliv. 19; xlvii. 7.

ancient times *the things* that are not *yet* done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:[l]

11 Calling a ravenous bird from the east, [2]the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken *it,* I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed *it,* I will also do it.[m]

12 ¶ Hearken unto me, ye stouthearted, that *are* far from righteousness:[n]

13 I bring near my righteousness; it shall not be far off, and my salvation shall not tarry: and I will place salvation in Zion for Israel my glory.[o]

CHAPTER XLVII.

1 *God's judgment upon Babylon and Chaldea,* 6 *for their unmercifulness,* 7 *pride,* 10 *and overboldness,* 11 *shall be unresistible.*

COME down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon, sit on the ground: *there is* no throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called tender and delicate.[p]

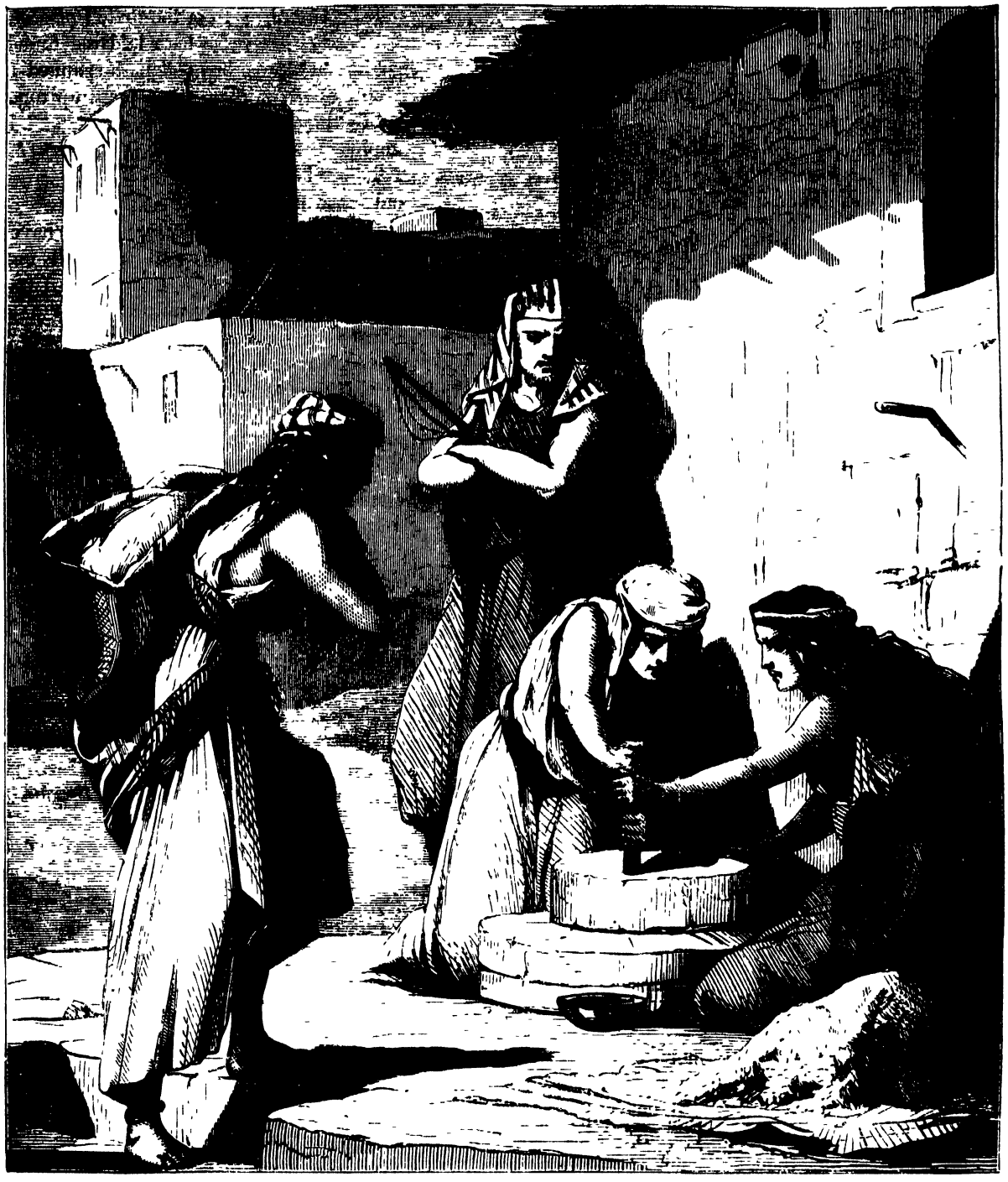
2 Take the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh, pass over the rivers.[q]

3 Thy nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, thy shame shall be seen: I will take vengeance, and I will not meet *thee as* a man.[r]

4 *As for* our redeemer, the LORD of hosts *is* his name, the Holy One of Israel.[s]

5 Sit thou silent, and get thee into darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called, The lady of kingdoms.[t]

6 ¶ I was wroth with my people, I have polluted



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mine inheritance, and given them into thine hand: thou didst shew them no mercy; upon the ancient hast thou very heavily laid thy yoke.[a]

7 ¶ And thou saidst, I shall be a lady for ever: *so* that thou didst not lay these *things* to thy heart, neither didst remember the latter end of it.[b]

8 Therefore hear now this, *thou that art* given to pleasures, that dwellest carelessly, that sayest in thine heart, I *am*, and none else beside me; I shall not sit *as* a widow, neither shall I know the loss of children:[c]

9 But these two *things* shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their perfection

BEFORE CHRIST 712

d ch li 19, Nahum iii 4, 1 Thess v 3

a ch. xliii. 28, Deut. xxviii 50; 2 Sam xxiv. 14, 2 Chron. xxviii. 9, Zech i 15

1 Or, *caused thee to turn away*

b ver 5, ch xlvi 8; Deut. xxxii. 29, Rev. xviii 7

c ver 8; ch xxix 15; Ps lii. 7, Ezek. viii 12; ix 9

2 Heb *the morning thereof*

3 Heb. *expiate.*

e ver 10; Zeph ii 15, Rev. xviii 7

f 1 Thess v 3.

for the multitude of thy sorceries, *and* for the great abundance of thine enchantments.[d]

10 ¶ For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness: thou hast said, None seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath [1]perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I *am*, and none else beside me.[e]

11 ¶ Therefore shall evil come upon thee, thou shalt not know [2]from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to [3]put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, *which* thou shalt not know.[f]

12 Stand now with thine enchantments, and with the multitude of thy sorceries, wherein thou hast

laboured from thy youth; if so be thou shalt be able to profit, if so be thou mayest prevail.

13 Thou art wearied in the multitude of thy counsels. Let now the [1]astrologers, the stargazers, [2]the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save thee from *these things* that shall come upon thee.[e]

14 Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver [3]themselves from the power of the flame: *there shall* not *be* a coal to warm at, *nor* fire to sit before it.[b]

15 Thus shall they be unto thee with whom thou hast laboured, *even* thy merchants, from thy youth: they shall wander every one to his quarter; none shall save thee.[c]

CHAPTER XLVIII.

1 *God, to convince the people of their foreknown obstinacy, revealed his prophecies.* 9 *He saveth them for his own sake* 12 *He exhorteth them to obedience, because of his power and providence.* 16 *He lamenteth their backwardness.* 20 *He powerfully delivereth his out of Babylon.*

HEAR ye this, O house of Jacob, which are called by the name of Israel, and are come forth out of the waters of Judah, which swear by the name of the LORD, and make mention of the God of Israel, *but* not in truth, nor in righteousness.[d]

2 For they call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves upon the God of Israel; The LORD of hosts *is* his name.[e]

3 I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them; I did *them* suddenly, and they came to pass.[f]

4 Because I knew that thou *art* [4]obstinate, and thy neck *is* an iron sinew, and thy brow brass;[g]

5 I have even from the beginning declared *it* to thee; before it came to pass I shewed *it* thee: lest thou shouldest say, Mine idol hath done them, and my graven image, and my molten image, hath commanded them.

6 Thou hast heard, see all this; and will not ye declare *it?* I have shewed thee new things from this time, even hidden things, and thou didst not know them.

7 They are created now, and not from the beginning; even before the day when thou heardest them not; lest thou shouldest say, Behold, I knew them.

8 Yea, thou heardest not; yea, thou knewest not; yea, from that time *that* thine ear was not opened: for I knew that thou wouldest deal very treacherously, and wast called a transgressor from the womb.[h]

9 ¶ For my name's sake will I defer mine anger, and for my praise will I refrain for thee, that I cut thee not off.[i]

10 Behold, I have refined thee, but not [5]with silver; I have chosen thee in the furnace of affliction.[j]

11 For mine own sake, *even* for mine own sake, will I do *it:* for how should *my name* be polluted? and I will not give my glory unto another.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

l ch. xli. 4; xliv. 6; Deut. xxxii. 39, Rev. i. 17; xxii. 13.

1 Heb. *viewers of the heavens.*

2 Heb. *that give knowledge concerning the months.*

6 Or, *the palm of my right hand hath spread out.*

m ch. xl. 26; Ps. cii 25.

a ch. xliv. 25, lvii. 10; Dan. ii. 2.

3 Heb *their souls.*

n ch xl 26; xli. 22; xliii. 9; xliv. 7, 28; xlv. 1, 20, 21.

b Nahum i. 10; Mal. iv. 1.

o ch xlv 1, 2, &c.

c Rev. xviii 11.

p ch xlv. 19; lxi. 1; Zech. ii 8, 9, 11.

q ver. 20; ch. xliii. 14; xliv. 6, 24; Ps xxxii. 8.

r Deut xxxii. 29, Ps lxxxi 13, cxix. 165

d ch. lxv 16; Deut. vi 13; Ps. lxviii 26, Jer iv. 2, v. 2, Zeph i 5

s Gen. xxii. 17; Hos. i. 10

e ch. lii. 1, Micah iii. 11; Rom ii. 17

t ch xliv 22, 23; lii 11, Exod. xix. 4—6, Jer i 8, li 6, 45, Zech ii 6, 7, Rev xviii 4

f ch xli 22, xlii 9, xliii. 9, xliv 7, 8, xlv 21; xlvi 9, 10, Josh xxi 45

u ch xli 17, 18, Exod. xvii 6, Numb xx 11, Ps cv 41.

4 Heb *hard*

g Exod. xxxii 9, Deut xxxi 27

v ch. lvii. 21

w ver 5, ch xli 1, Jer. i 5, Matt i 20, 21, Luke i 15, 31, John x 36, Gal i. 15

x ch. xl. 4; li 16; Ps. xiv 5, Hos. vi 5, Heb. iv 12, Rev i 16

h Ps. lviii 3

y ch xli 1; xliv. 23, Zech. iii. 8; John xiii. 31, xv 8, Eph i 6

i ver 11, ch xliii 25, Ps lxxviii 38; lxxix 9, cvi 8, Ezek. xx. 9, 14, 22, 44

5 Or, *for silver*

l Or, *my reward*, ch. xl 10; lxii 11

j Ezek xxii 20—22

z Ezek iii 19.

k ch. xlii 8, Deut xxxii. 26, 27, Ezek xx 9.

8 Or, *That Israel may be gathered unto him, and I may, &c*

12 ¶ Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I *am* he; I *am* the first, I also *am* the last.[l]

13 Mine hand also hath laid the foundation of the earth, and [6]my right hand hath spanned the heavens: *when* I call unto them, they stand up together.[m]

14 All ye, assemble yourselves, and hear; which among them hath declared these *things?* The LORD hath loved him: he will do his pleasure on Babylon, and his arm *shall be on* the Chaldeans.[n]

15 I, *even* I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and he shall make his way prosperous.[o]

16 ¶ Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there *am* I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.[p]

17 Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I *am* the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way *that* thou shouldest go.[q]

18 O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea:[r]

19 Thy seed also had been as the sand, and the offspring of thy bowels like the gravel thereof; his name should not have been cut off nor destroyed from before me.[s]

20 ¶ Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it *even* to the end of the earth; say ye, The LORD hath redeemed his servant Jacob.[t]

21 And they thirsted not *when* he led them through the deserts: he caused the waters to flow out of the rock for them: he clave the rock also, and the waters gushed out.[u]

22 *There is* no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked.[v]

CHAPTER XLIX.

1 *Christ, being sent to the Jews, complaineth of them.* 5 *He is sent to the Gentiles with gracious promises.* 13 *God's love is perpetual to his church.* 18 *The ample restoration of the church.* 24 *The powerful deliverance out of captivity.*

LISTEN, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far; The LORD hath called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name.[w]

2 And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, and made me a polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me;[x]

3 And said unto me, Thou *art* my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified.[y]

4 Then I said, I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nought, and in vain: *yet* surely my judgment *is* with the LORD, and [7]my work with my God.[z]

5 ¶ And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb *to be* his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, [8]Though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I be

glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be my strength.[a]

6 And he said, [1]It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the [2]preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.[b]

7 Thus saith the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, *and* his Holy One, [3]to him whom man despiseth, to him whom the nation abhorreth, to a servant of rulers, Kings shall see and arise, princes also shall worship, because of the LORD that is faithful, *and* the Holy One of Israel, and he shall choose thee.[c]

8 Thus saith the LORD, In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, to [4]establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages;[d]

9 That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that *are* in darkness, Shew yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures *shall be* in all high places.[e]

10 They shall not hunger nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them: for he that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall he guide them.[f]

11 And I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be exalted.[g]

12 Behold, these shall come from far: and, lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim.[h]

13 ¶ Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.[i]

14 But Zion said, The LORD hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me.[j]

15 Can a woman forget her sucking child, [5]that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.[k]

16 Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of *my* hands; thy walls *are* continually before me.[l]

17 Thy children shall make haste; thy destroyers and they that made thee waste shall go forth of thee.[m]

18 ¶ Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together, *and* come to thee. *As* I live, saith the LORD, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind them *on thee*, as a bride *doeth*.[n]

19 For thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, shall even now be too narrow by reason of the inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be far away.[o]

20 The children which thou shalt have, after thou hast lost the other, shall say again in thine ears, The place *is* too strait for me: give place to me that I may dwell.[p]

21 Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; these, where *had* they *been?*

22 Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my standard to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in *their* [6]arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon *their* shoulders.[q]

23 And kings shall be thy [7]nursing fathers, and their [8]queens thy nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with *their* face toward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.[r]

24 ¶ Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or [9]the lawful captive delivered?[s]

25 But thus saith the LORD, Even [10]the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children.

26 And I will feed them that oppress thee with their own flesh; and they shall be drunken with their own blood, as with [11]sweet wine: and all flesh shall know that I the LORD *am* thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.[t]

CHAPTER L.

1 *Christ sheweth that the dereliction of the Jews is not to be imputed to him, by his ability to save, 5 by his obedience in that work, 7 and by his confidence in that assistance. 10 An exhortation to trust in God, and not in ourselves.*

THUS saith the LORD, Where *is* the bill of your mother's divorcement, whom I have put away? or which of my creditors *is it* to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities have ye sold yourselves, and for your transgressions is your mother put away.[u]

2 Wherefore, when I came, *was there* no man? when I called, *was there* none to answer? Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? or have I no power to deliver? behold, at my rebuke I dry up the sea, I make the rivers a wilderness: their fish stinketh, because *there is* no water, and dieth for thirst.[v]

3 I clothe the heavens with blackness, and I make sackcloth their covering.[w]

4 The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to *him that is* weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned.[x]

5 ¶ The Lord GOD hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back.[y]

6 I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.[z]

7 ¶ For the Lord GOD will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.[a]

8 *He is* near that justifieth me; who will contend

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

a ver. 1; Matt. xxiii. 37.

1 Or, *Art thou lighter than that thou shouldest, &c.*

2 Or, *desolations.*

6 Heb. *bosom.*

b ch. xlii. 6; lx. 3; Luke ii. 32; Acts xiii. 47; xxvi. 18.

q ch. lx. 4; lxvi. 20.

7 Heb *nourishers.*

3 Or, *to him that is despised in soul.*

8 Heb. *princesses.*

c ver. 23; Ps. lxxii. 10, 11.

r ver. 7; ch liii. 15, lx. 16; Ps. xxxiv 22; lxxii 9, 11; Micah vii. 17; Rom v. 5; ix. 33, x. 11.

9 Heb. *the captivity of the just.*

s Matt. xii. 29, Luke xi 21, 22.

10 Heb *captivity.*

4 Or, *raise up.*

d ch xlii. 6; Ps. lxix. 13; 2 Cor vi. 2

e ch xlii. 7; Zech. ix. 12.

11 Or, *new wine.*

t ch. ix 20, lx 16; Ps. ix 16, Rev xiv. 20, xvi 6.

f Ps. xxiii. 2, cxxi. 6, Rev. vii 16.

g ch. xl. 4.

h ch xliii. 5, 6.

i ch. xliv. 23.

j ch xl. 27

5 Heb. *from having compassion.*

u ch liii 3, Deut. xxiv. 1, 2 Kings iv. 1, Jer. iii 8, Hos. ii 2, Matt. xviii 25

k Ps cili. 13; Mal. iii 17, Matt. vii. 11, Rom xi 29

l Exod. xiii. 9; Cant viii. 6

v ch lix 1, lxv 12; lxvi. 4, Exod vii 16, 21, xiv 21; Numb. xi. 23, Josh. iii. 16, Ps. cvi. 9; Jer. vii. 13, xxxv. 15; Nahum i. 4.

m ver 19.

w Exod. x. 21; Rev vi. 12.

n ch. lx. 4; Prov. xvii. 6.

x Exod. iv. 11; Matt. xi. 28.

y Ps. xl. 6—8; Matt. xxvi. 39; John xiv 31; Philipp. ii. 8; Heb. x. 5, &c.

o ch liv. 1, 2; Zech. ii. 4; x. 10.

z Lam. iii 30; Matt xxvi. 67; xxvii 26, John xviii 22

p ch lx. 4; Matt. iii 9, Rom xi. 11, 12, &c.

a Ezek. iii. 8, 9.

with me? let us stand together: who *is* [1]mine adversary? let him come near to me.[a]

9 Behold, the Lord GOD will help me; who *is* he *that* shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.[b]

10 ¶ Who *is* among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh *in* darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God.[c]

11 Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass *yourselves* about with sparks: walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks *that* ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand; ye shall lie down in sorrow.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

1 Heb. *the master of my causes?*

a Rom. viii. 32—34.

j ch. xl. 26; l. 9; Ps. cii. 26; Matt. xxiv. 35; 2 Peter iii. 10, 12.

b ch. li. 6, 8; Job xiii. 28; Ps. cii. 26.

k ver. 1; Ps. xxxvii. 31; Matt. x. 28; Acts v. 41

c 2 Chron. xx. 20; Ps. xx. 7; xxiii. 4.

l ch. l. 9.

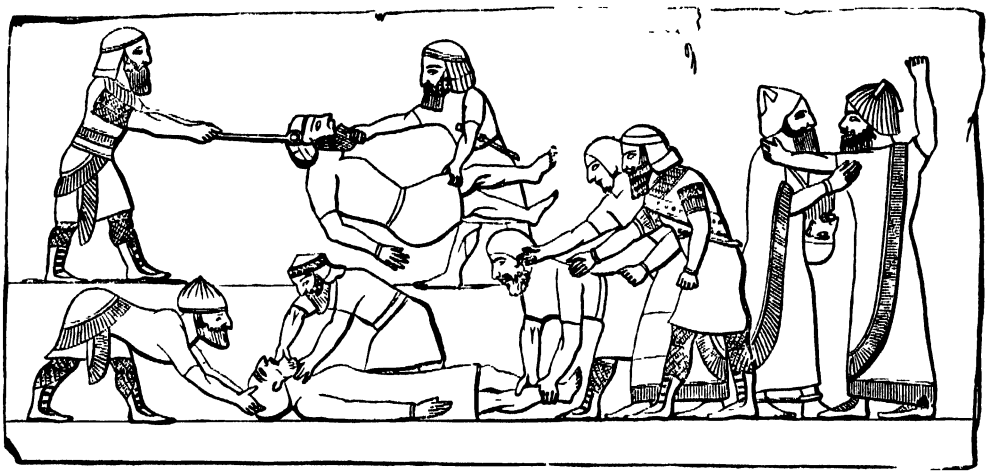
d Ps. xvi 4, John ix. 39.

like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished.[j]

7 ¶ Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart *is* my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings.[k]

8 For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool: but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my salvation from generation to generation.[l]

9 ¶ Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in the genera-



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CHAPTER LI.

1 *An exhortation, after the pattern of Abraham, to trust in Christ,* 3 *by reason of his comfortable promises,* 4 *of his righteous salvation,* 7 *and man's mortality.* 9 *Christ by his sanctified arm defendeth his from the fear of man* 17 *He bewaileth the afflictions of Jerusalem,* 21 *and promiseth deliverance.*

HEARKEN to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock *whence* ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit *whence* ye are digged.[e]

2 Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah *that* bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him.[f]

3 For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.[g]

4 ¶ Hearken unto me, my people; and give ear unto me, O my nation: for a law shall proceed from me, and I will make my judgment to rest for a light of the people.[h]

5 My righteousness *is* near; my salvation is gone forth, and mine arms shall judge the people; the isles shall wait upon me, and on mine arm shall they trust.[i]

6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away

m ch xxvii 1, li 1, Job xxvi 12, Ps. xliv. 1, 23, lxxiv 13, 14, lxxxix. 10, xciii 1, Ezek xxix. 3, Rev xi 17

n ch xliii 16, Exod xiv 21

o ch xxxv 10

e ver 7, Rom ix 30—32

p ver 3; ch xl. 6, Ps. cxviii. 6, 2 Cor i. 3, 1 Peter i. 24.

Gen xii 1, 2, xxiv 1, 35, Rom. iv 1, 16, Heb xi 11, 12

2 Or, *made* himself *ready*

q ch xl 22, xlii 5, xliv 24, Job ix 8, xx 7, Ps civ 2

g ver 12, ch xl. 1; lii 9, Gen xiii 10; Ps cii 13, Joel ii 3

r Zech ix 11.

h ch li. 3, xlii. 4, 6.

s Job xxvi 12; Ps. lxxiv 13; Jer. xxxi. 35

i ch. xlvi 13; lvi. 1; Ps. lxvii. 4; xcviii. 9; Rom. i 16, 17.

t ch. xlix. 2; lix. 21; lxv. 17; lxvi. 22; Deut. xviii. 18, John iii. 34.

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9 ¶ Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. *Art* thou not it that hath cut Rahab, *and* wounded the dragon?[m]

10 *Art* thou not it which hath dried the sea, the waters of the great deep; that hath made the depths of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over?[n]

11 Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy *shall be* upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; *and* sorrow and mourning shall flee away.[o]

12 I, *even* I, *am* he that comforteth you: who *art* thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man *that* shall die, and of the son of man *which* shall be made *as* grass;[p]

13 And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he [2]were ready to destroy? and where *is* the fury of the oppressor?[q]

14 The captive exile hasteneth that he may be loosed, and that he should not die in the pit, nor that his bread should fail.[r]

15 But I *am* the LORD thy God, that divided the sea, whose waves roared: The LORD of hosts *is* his name.[s]

16 And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion, Thou *art* my people.[t]



THE MESSENGER OF GOOD TIDINGS —ISAIAH LII 7.

17 ¶ Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, which hast drunk at the hand of the LORD the cup of his fury; thou hast drunken the dregs of the cup of trembling, *and* wrung *them* out.[a]

18 *There is* none to guide her among all the sons *whom* she hath brought forth; neither *is there any* that taketh her by the hand of all the sons *that* she hath brought up.

19 These two *things* [1]are come unto thee; who shall be sorry for thee? desolation, and [2]destruction, and the famine, and the sword: by whom shall I comfort thee?[b]

20 Thy sons have fainted, they lie at the head of all the streets, as a wild bull in a net: they are full of the fury of the LORD, the rebuke of thy God.

21 ¶ Therefore hear now this, thou afflicted, and drunken, but not with wine:[c]

22 Thus saith thy Lord the LORD, and thy God *that* pleadeth the cause of his people, Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling, *even* the dregs of the cup of my fury; thou shalt no more drink it again:[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

a Deut. xxviii 28, 34, Ps lx 3; lxxv 8; Ezek. xxiii 32—34; Zech xii 2; Rev. xiv. 10.

e Ps. lxvi 11, 12, Jer xxv 17, 26, 28; Zech xii 2.

1 Heb *happened*

2 Heb *breaking*

b ch xlvii 9, Amos vii 2; Lam ii 11, 12

c ver 17; Lam iii. 15

f ch xxxv 8; xlviii 2; lx. 21; Neh xi 1, Matt. iv 5, Rev xxi 2, 27.

g ch lii 26, li 23, Zech ii. 7

d Jer l 34

23 But I will put it into the hand of them that afflict thee; which have said to thy soul, Bow down, that we may go over: and thou hast laid thy body as the ground, and as the street, to them that went over.[e]

CHAPTER LII.

1 *Christ persuadeth the church to believe his free redemption,* 7 *to receive the ministers thereof,* 9 *to joy in the power thereof,* 11 *and to free themselves from bondage* 13 *Christ's kingdom shall be exalted.*

AWAKE, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.[f]

2 Shake thyself from the dust; arise, *and* sit down, O Jerusalem: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of Zion.[g]

3 For thus saith the LORD, Ye have sold your-

selves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money.[a]

4 For thus saith the Lord GOD, My people went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause.[b]

5 Now therefore, what have I here, saith the LORD, that my people is taken away for nought? they that rule over them make them to howl, saith the LORD; and my name continually every day *is* blasphemed.[c]

6 Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore *they shall know* in that day that I *am* he that doth speak: behold, *it is* I.

7 ¶ How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth![d]

8 Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the LORD shall bring again Zion.

9 ¶ Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the LORD hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.[e]

10 The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.[f]

11 ¶ Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean *thing;* go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the LORD.[g]

12 For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight: for the LORD will go before you; and the God of Israel *will be* your rereward.[h]

13 ¶ Behold, my servant shall [2]deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high.[i]

14 As many were astonied at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men:[j]

15 So shall he sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at him: for *that* which had not been told them shall they see; and *that* which they had not heard shall they consider.[k]

CHAPTER LIII.

1 *The prophet, complaining of incredulity, excuseth the scandal of the cross,* 4 *by the benefit of his passion,* 10 *and the good success thereof.*

WHO hath believed our [3]report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?[l]

2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, *there is* no beauty that we should desire him.[m]

3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and [4]we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.[n]

4 ¶ Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.[o]

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5 Or, *tormented.*

a ch. xlv. 13; Ps. xliv. 12; Jer xv. 13.

6 Heb. *bruise.*

p Rom. iv. 25; 1 Cor. xv. 3; 1 Peter ii. 24; iii. 18.

b Gen. xlvi. 6, Acts vii. 14

7 Heb. *hath made the iniquity of us all to meet on him.*

q Ps. cxix. 176; 1 Peter ii. 25.

c Ezek. xxxvi. 20. 23; Rom. ii. 24.

r Matt. xxvi. 63; xxvii. 12, 14; Mark xiv. 61; xv. 5; Acts viii. 32; 1 Peter ii. 23.

8 Or, *He was taken away by distress and judgment; but, &c.*

9 Heb. *was the stroke upon him.*

s Dan. ix. 26

d Ps. xciii. 1, xcvi. 10; xcvii. 1; Nahum i. 15; Rom. x. 15.

10 Heb. *deaths.*

t Matt. xxvii. 57, 58, 60; 1 Peter ii. 22; 1 John iii. 5.

11 Or, *when his soul shall make an offering.*

e ch. xlviii. 20; li. 3.

u Rom vi. 9; 2 Cor. v 21, Eph i. 5, 9; 2 Thess. i 11, 1 Peter ii. 24

f Ps. xcviii. 2, 3, Luke iii. 6.

v ver. 4, 5; ch xlii. 1, xlix. 3; John xvii. 3; Rom v. 18, 19; 2 Peter i. 3; 1 John ii. 1.

g ch. xlviii. 20; Lev. xxii. 2, &c.; Jer. l. 8; li. 6, 45; Zech ii. 6, 7; 2 Cor. vi. 17; Rev. xviii. 4.

1 Heb. *gather you up.*

h ch. lviii. 8; Exod. xiv. 19; Numb x 25

w Ps ii. 8; Mark xv. 28, Luke xxii 37, xxiii. 34, Rom viii. 34; Philipp ii 9, Col. ii. 15; Heb. vii 25, ix. 24, 1 John ii. 1

2 Or, *prosper*

i ch xlii 1; lii 10, Philipp ii. 9.

j ch. lii. 2, 3; Ps. xxii. 6, 7

k ch xlix. 7, 23, lv 5; Ezek xxxvi 25, Acts ii. 33, Rom xv 21, xvi. 25, 26, Eph iii. 5, 9, Heb ix. 13, 14.

x 1 Sam ii. 5; Zeph. iii. 14, Gal. iv. 27

3 Or, *doctrine? Heb hearing?*

y ch xliv 19, 20

l John xii 38; Rom i. 16, x 16; 1 Cor i. 18.

z ch. lv. 5; lxi. 9.

m ch xi. 1; lii. 14; Mark ix. 12

4 Or, *he hid as it were his face from us* Heb *as an hiding of faces from him,* or, *from us.*

n ch. xlix. 7; Ps. xxii. 6; John i. 10, 11.

a Jer. "lii. 14; Zech. xiv. 9; Luke i. 32; Rom. iii. 29.

o Matt. viii. 17; Heb. ix. 28; 1 Peter ii. 24.

b ch. lxii. 4.

5 But he *was* [5]wounded for our transgressions, *he was* bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace *was* upon him; and with his [6]stripes we are healed.[p]

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD [7]hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.[q]

7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.[r]

8 [8]He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people [9]was he stricken.[s]

9 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his [10]death; because he had done no violence, neither *was any* deceit in his mouth.[t]

10 ¶ Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put *him* to grief: [11]when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see *his* seed, he shall prolong *his* days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.[u]

11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, *and* shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.[v]

12 Therefore will I divide him *a portion* with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.[w]

CHAPTER LIV.

1 *The prophet, for the comfort of the Gentiles, prophesieth the amplitude of their church,* 4 *their safety,* 6 *their certain deliverance out of affliction,* 11 *their fair edification,* 15 *and their sure preservation.*

SING, O barren, thou *that* didst not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud, thou *that* didst not travail with child: for more *are* the children of the desolate than the children of the married wife, saith the LORD.[x]

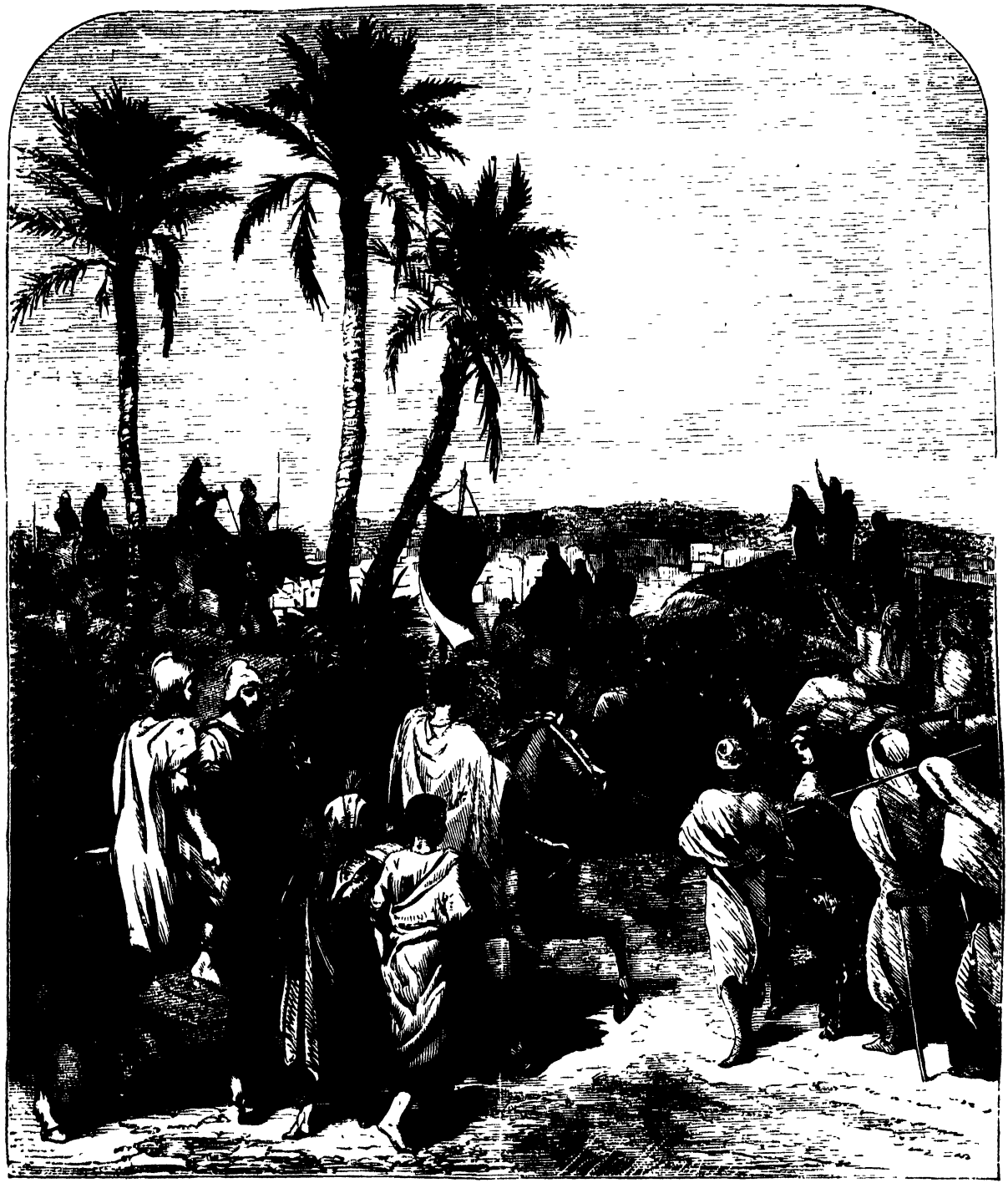
2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;[y]

3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.[z]

4 Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more.

5 For thy Maker *is* thine husband; the LORD of hosts *is* his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall he be called.[a]

6 For the LORD hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.[b]



"ALSO THE SONS OF THE STRANGER . . . . WILL I BRING TO MY HOLY MOUNTAIN"—ISAIAH LVI. 6, 7

7 For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee.[a]

8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer.[b]

9 For this *is as* the waters of Noah unto me: for *as* I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee.[c]

10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

[a] ch. xxvi. 20, lx. 10, Ps. xxx. 5, 2 Cor. iv. 17.

[e] 1 Chron. xxix. 2, Rev. xxi. 18, &c.

[b] ch. liv. 3, Jer. xxxi. 3.

[f] ch. xi. 9; Ps. cxix. 165; Jer. xxxi. 34, John vi. 45, 1 Cor. ii. 10, 1 Thess. iv. 9; 1 John ii. 20.

[c] ch. liv. 11, Gen. viii. 21; ix. 11; Jer. xxxi. 35, 36.

[g] Ps. xci. 5, 10.

[d] ch. li. 6; Ps. xlvi. 2; lxxxix. 33, 34.

11 ¶ O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, *and* not comforted, behold, I will lay thy stones with fair colours, and lay thy foundations with sapphires.[e]

12 And I will make thy windows of agates, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones.

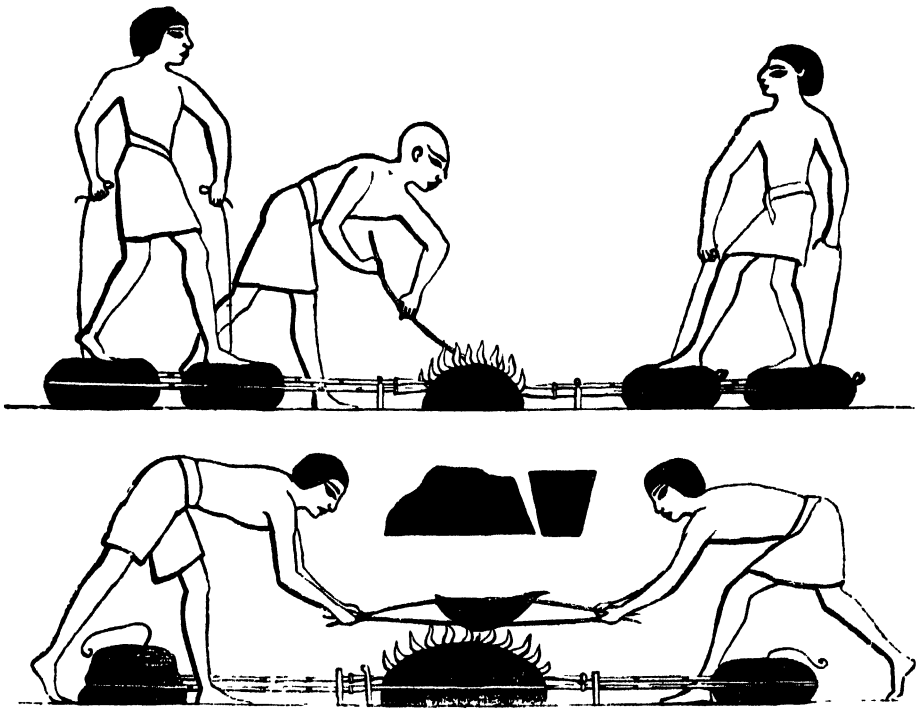
13 And all thy children *shall be* taught of the LORD; and great *shall be* the peace of thy children.[f]

14 In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.[g]

15 Behold, they shall surely gather together, *but* not by me: whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.

16 Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy.

17 ¶ No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that* shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness *is* of me, saith the LORD.[a]



ANCIENT BELLOWS.

CHAPTER LV.

1 The prophet, with the promises of Christ, calleth to faith, 6 and to repentance. 8 The happy success of them that believe.

HO, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.[b]

2 Wherefore do ye [1]spend money for *that which is* not bread? and your labour for *that which* satisfieth not? hearken diligently unto me, and eat ye *that which is* good, and let your soul delight itself in fatness.

3 Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, *even* the sure mercies of David.[c]

4 Behold, I have given him *for* a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people.[d]

5 Behold, thou shalt call a nation *that* thou knowest not, and nations *that* knew not thee shall run unto thee because of the LORD thy God, and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath glorified thee.[e]

6 ¶ Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near:[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 712.

2 Heb. *the man of iniquity.*
3 Heb *he will multiply to pardon*
g ch i 16, Ps. cxxx. 7, Jer iii. 12, Zech viii. 17.

7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and [2]the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for [3]he will abundantly pardon.[g]

8 ¶ For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the LORD.[h]

9 For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.[i]

10 For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:[j]

11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it.[k]

12 For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap *their* hands.[l]

13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign *that* shall not be cut off.[m]

h 2 Sam vii 19.
i Ps ciii. 11
j Deut xxxii 2
k ch. lv. 9
l ch xiv 8, xxxv 1, 2, 10, xli 11, lxv 13, 14, 1 Chron. xvi 33, Ps xcvi 12, xcviii. 8
a ch xlv 24, 25.
m ch xii 19; Jer xlii. 11; Micah vii. 4.

CHAPTER LVI.

1 The prophet exhorteth to sanctification. 3 He promiseth it shall be general without respect of persons. 9 He inveigheth against blind watchmen

THUS saith the LORD, Keep ye [4]judgment, and do justice: for my salvation *is* near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed.[n]

2 Blessed *is* the man *that* doeth this, and the son of man *that* layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil.[o]

3 ¶ Neither let the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to the LORD speak, saying, The LORD hath utterly separated me from his people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I *am* a dry tree.[p]

4 For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths, and choose *the things* that please me, and take hold of my covenant;

5 Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.[q]

6 Also the sons of the stranger, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that

4 Or, *equity*
n ch xlvi 13, Matt. iii 2, iv 17, Rom xiii 11, 12
b Matt xiii 44, 46, John iv 14, vii 37, Rev iii 18, xxi 6, xxii 17
1 Heb *weigh*
o ch lviii 13.
p Deut xxiii. 1—3, Acts viii 27; x 1, 2, 34, xvii 4; xviii 7, 1 Peter i. 1
c ch liv. 8; lxi 8; 2 Sam vii 8, &c, Ps. lxxxix 28, Jer xxxii. 40, Acts xiii. 34
d Jer xxx. 9; Ezek xxxiv 23, Dan ix. 25, Hos iii 5; John xviii 37
q John i. 12, 1 Tim iii 15, 1 John iii 1
e ch lii. 15, lx. 5, 9; Acts iii 13, Eph ii 11, 12
f Ps xxxii 6, Matt v 25, xxv 11; John vii 34, viii. 21; 2 Cor. vi 1, 2; Heb iii. 13



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keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant;

7 Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices *shall be* accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people.[e]

8 The Lord GOD which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, Yet will I gather *others* to him, [1]beside those that are gathered unto him.[b]

9 ¶ All ye beasts of the field, come to devour, *yea*, all ye beasts in the forest.[c]

10 His watchmen *are* blind: they are all ignorant, they *are* all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; [2]sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber.[d]

11 Yea, *they are* [3]greedy dogs *which* [4]can never

BEFORE CHRIST 712

e Ezek xxxiv 2, 3, Micah iii. 11
f ch. xxii 13, Ps. x 6, Prov xxiii 35, Luke xii 19
a ch ii 2; Mal. i. 11; Matt xxi. 13, Mark xi 17, Luke xix 46
1 Heb. *to his gathered*
b ch xi 12, Ps cxlvii 2, John x 16, Eph i 10
c Jer xii 9
5 Heb *men of kindness*, or, *godliness*
2 Or, *dreaming*, or, *talking in their sleep*
6 Or, *from that which is evil*
g 2 Kings xxii 20, Ps xii 1, Micah vii 2
d Matt xv. 14; xxiii 16
7 Or, *go in peace*, Luke ii 29
3 Heb *strong of appetite*
4 Heb *know not to be*
8 Or, *before him.*
h 2 Chron xvi. 14.

have enough, and they *are* shepherds *that* cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter.[e]

12 Come ye, *say they*, I will fetch wine, and we will fill ourselves with strong drink; and to morrow shall be as this day, *and* much more abundant.[f]

CHAPTER LVII.

1 *The blessed death of the righteous.* 3 *God reproveth the Jews for their whorish idolatry* 13 *He giveth evangelical promises to the penitent*

THE righteous perisheth, and no man layeth *it* to heart: and [5]merciful men *are* taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away [6]from the evil *to come*.[g]

2 He shall [7]enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, *each one* walking [8]*in* his uprightness.[h]

3 ¶ But draw near hither, ye sons of the sorceress, the seed of the adulterer and the whore.[a]

4 Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, *and* draw out the tongue? *are* ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood,

5 Enflaming yourselves [1]with idols under every green tree, slaying the children in the valleys under the clifts of the rocks?[b]

6 Among the smooth *stones* of the stream *is* thy portion; they, they *are* thy lot: even to them hast thou poured a drink offering, thou hast offered a meat offering. Should I receive comfort in these?

7 Upon a lofty and high mountain hast thou set thy bed: even thither wentest thou up to offer sacrifice.[c]

8 Behind the doors also and the posts hast thou set up thy remembrance: for thou hast discovered *thyself to another* than me, and art gone up; thou hast enlarged thy bed, and [2]made thee *a covenant* with them; thou lovedst their bed [3]where thou sawest *it*.[d]

9 And [4]thou wentest to the king with ointment, and didst increase thy perfumes, and didst send thy messengers far off, and didst debase *thyself even* unto hell.[e]

10 Thou art wearied in the greatness of thy way; *yet* saidst thou not, There is no hope: thou hast found the [5]life of thine hand; therefore thou wast not grieved.[f]

11 And of whom hast thou been afraid or feared, that thou hast lied, and hast not remembered me, nor laid *it* to thy heart? have not I held my peace even of old, and thou fearest me not?[g]

12 I will declare thy righteousness, and thy works; for they shall not profit thee.

13 ¶ When thou criest, let thy companies deliver thee; but the wind shall carry them all away; vanity shall take *them:* but he that putteth his trust in me shall possess the land, and shall inherit my holy mountain;

14 And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ye up, prepare the way, take up the stumblingblock out of the way of my people.[h]

15 For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name *is* Holy; I dwell in the high and holy *place*, with him also *that is* of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.[i]

16 For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always wroth: for the spirit should fail before me, and the souls *which* I have made.[j]

17 For the iniquity of his covetousness was I wroth, and smote him: I hid me, and was wroth, and he went on [6]frowardly in the way of his heart.[k]

18 I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also, and restore comforts unto him and to his mourners.

19 I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to *him that is* far off, and to *him that is* near, saith the LORD; and I will heal him.[m]

20 But the wicked *are* like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.[n]

21 *There is* no peace, saith my God, to the wicked.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

a Matt. xvi. 4.

7 Heb *with the throat.*

Or, *among the oaks*, ch

b Lev. xviii 21, xx 2, [illegible] xvi 3, 4, xvii 10, xxiii 10, Jer ii 20, vii 31, Ezek xvi 20, xx 26

Ezek xvi 16, 25, xxiii 41.

2 Or, *hewed it for thyself larger than theirs*

3 Or, *thou provudedst room.*

d Ezek. xvi. 26, 28, xxiii 2—20.

4 Or, *thou respectedst the king*

8 Or, *things wherewith ye grieve others* Heb *griefs*

p Lev xvi 29, 31, xxiii 27

9 Or, *ye fast not as this day*

Ezek. xxiii. 16; Hos. vii 11, xii. 1

q 1 Kings xxi. 9, 12, 13

Or, *living*

Jer ii 25

r Lev xvi. 29; Esther iv. 3, Job ii. 8, Dan. ix. 3, Jonah iii. 6, Zech vii. 5

g ch. ii. 12, 13, Ps. l. 21.

10 Heb *the bundles of the yoke*

11 Heb *broken*

s Neh v 10—12, Jer xxxiv. 9.

t Gen xxix. 14; Neh v 5, Job xxxi 19, Jer xxxiv 9, Ezek xviii 7, 16, Matt xxv. 35

ch xl 3, lxii. 10

12 Heb *shall gather thee up*

u ch lii 12; Exod xiv 19, Job xi 17

v Ps. xii 2

ch lxi 1, lxvi 2, Job vi 10, Ps xxxiv 18, li. 17, cxxxviii 6, cxlvii 3, Zech ii 13.

Numb xvi 22; Jol. xxxiv 14, Ps. lxxxv 5; civ 9, Micah vii 18.

13 Heb *droughts*

6 Heb *turning away.*

k ch viii 17, ix 13, xiv 15, Jer vi 13

14 Heb *lie*, or, *deceive*

l ch lxi 2, Jer iii 22.

w ch lxi 4

m Acts ii 39, Eph ii 17.

n Job xv. 20, &c., Prov. iv 16.

o ch xlviii 22.

CHAPTER LVIII.

1 *The prophet, being sent to reprove hypocrisy, 3 expresseth a counterfeit fast and a true. 8 He declareth what promises are due unto godliness, 13 and to the keeping of the sabbath.*

CRY [7]aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

2 Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in approaching to God.

3 ¶ Wherefore have we fasted, *say they*, and thou seest not? *wherefore* have we afflicted our soul, and thou takest no knowledge? Behold, in the day of your fast ye find pleasure, and exact all your [8]labours.[p]

4 Behold, ye fast for strife and debate, and to smite with the fist of wickedness: [9]ye shall not fast as *ye do this* day, to make your voice to be heard on high.[q]

5 Is it such a fast that I have chosen? a day for a man to afflict his soul? *is it* to bow down his head as a bulrush, and to spread sackcloth and ashes *under him?* wilt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable day to the LORD?[r]

6 *Is* not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo [10]the heavy burdens, and to let the [11]oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke?[s]

7 *Is it* not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?[t]

8 ¶ Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD [12]shall be thy rereward.[u]

9 Then shalt thou call, and the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say, Here I *am*. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity;[v]

10 And *if* thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness *be* as the noon day:

11 And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in [13]drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters [14]fail not.

12 And *they that shall be* of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.[w]

13 ¶ If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, *from* doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor

finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking *thine own* words:[a]

14 Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken *it*.[b]

CHAPTER LIX.

1 *The damnable nature of sin.* 3 *The sins of the Jews.* 9 *Calamity is for sin.* 16 *Salvation ... only of God.* 20 *The covenant of the Redeemer.*

BEHOLD, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear:[c]

2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins [1]have hid *his* face from you, that he will not hear.

3 For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness.[d]

4 None calleth for justice, nor *any* pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.[e]

5 They hatch [2]cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and [3]that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper.

6 Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works: their works *are* works of iniquity, and the act of violence *is* in their hands.[f]

7 Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood: their thoughts *are* thoughts of iniquity; wasting and [4]destruction *are* in their paths.[g]

8 The way of peace they know not; and *there is* no [5]judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.[h]

9 ¶ Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, *but* we walk in darkness.[i]

10 We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if *we had* no eyes: we stumble at noon day as in the night; *we are* in desolate places as dead *men*.[j]

11 We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for judgment, but *there is* none; for salvation, *but* it is far off from us.[k]

12 For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testify against us: for our transgressions *are* with us; and *as for* our iniquities, we know them;

13 In transgressing and lying against the LORD, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood.[l]

14 And [6]judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.

15 Yea, truth faileth; and he *that* departeth from evil [7]maketh himself a prey: and the LORD saw *it*, and [7]it displeased him that *there was* no judgment.

BEFORE CHRIST 712

a ch. lvi. 2.

m ch lxiii 5; Ps. xcviii 1, Ezek. xxii. 30, Mark vi 6

b ch i 20; xl. 5, Deut. xxxii 13, xxxiii. 29, Job xxii 26, Micah iv. 4.

n Eph vi 14, 17; 1 Thess v 8.

8 Heb *recompences.*

o ch lxiii. 6.

c ch l 2, Numb xi. 23.

9 Or, *put him to flight*

p Ps cxiii 3, Mal i. 11, Rev xii 15

1 Or, *have made* him *hide*

q Rom xi 26

d ch i 15

r Heb. viii. 10, x 16

e Jo xv 35, Ps. vii. 14.

2 Or, *adder's.*

3 Or, *that which is sprinkled is as if there break out a viper*

10 Or, *Become enlightened, for thy light cometh*

s Mal iv 2, Eph v 14

f Job viii 14, 15

4 Heb *breaking*

g Prov i 16, Rom iii 15

5 Or, *right*

h Ps cxxv 5, v. ii 15

t ch xlix 6, 23, Rev xxi. 24.

i Jer viii 15

u ch xlix 18—22, lxvi 12

11 Or, *noise of the sea shall be turned toward thee*

j Deut xxviii 29, Job v 14, Amos viii. 9

12 Or, *wealth.*

v ver 11, ch. lxi. 6, Rom xi 25

k ch xxxviii 14, Ezek vii 16

w ch lxi 6, Gen xxv 4, Ps lxxii 10, Matt ii 11

x Gen xxv 13, Hagg ii 7, 9

l Matt xii 34

6 Or, *is accounted mad.*

7 Heb *it was evil in his eyes*

y ch. xlii 4; li 5, Ps lxviii. 30, lxxii 10, Jer iii 17, Zech. xiv 14

16 ¶ And he saw that *there was* no man, and wondered that *there was* no intercessor: therefore his arm brought salvation unto him; and his righteousness, it sustained him.[m]

17 For he put on righteousness as a breastplate, and an helmet of salvation upon his head; and he put on the garments of vengeance *for* clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloke.[n]

18 According to *their* [8]deeds, accordingly he will repay, fury to his adversaries, recompence to his enemies; to the islands he will repay recompence.[o]

19 So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall [9]lift up a standard against him.[p]

20 ¶ And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD.[q]

21 As for me, this *is* my covenant with them, saith the LORD; My spirit that *is* upon thee, and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the LORD, from henceforth and for ever.[r]

CHAPTER LX.

1 *The glory of the church in the abundant access of the Gentiles,* 15 *and the great blessings after a short affliction*

ARISE, [10]shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.[s]

2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.

3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.[t]

4 Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at *thy* side.[u]

5 Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the [11]abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the [12]forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee.[v]

6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the LORD.[w]

7 All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory.[x]

8 Who *are* these *that* fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?

9 Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.[y]

10 And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favour have I had mercy on thee.[a]

11 Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that *men* may bring unto thee the [1]forces of the Gentiles, and *that* their kings *may be* brought.[b]

12 For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, *those* nations shall be utterly wasted.[c]

13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious.[d]

14 The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee, The city of the LORD, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.[e]

15 Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through *thee*, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations.

16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I the LORD *am* thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.[f]

17 For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness.

18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise.[g]

19 The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory.[h]

20 Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.[i]

21 Thy people also *shall be* all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.[j]

22 A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the LORD will hasten it in his time.[k]

CHAPTER LXI.

1 *The office of Christ.* 4 *The forwardness,* 7 *and blessings of the faithful.*

THE Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to *them that are* bound;[l]

2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD,

BEFORE CHRIST 712

m ch. xxxiv 8; lvii. 18; lxii 4, lxvi 14, Mal. iv 1, 3, Matt. v. 4, 2 Thess. i. 7—9.

a ch. xlix. 23; liv 7, 8, lvii 17; Zech. vi. 15; Rev xxi. 24.

1 Or, *wealth*, ver 5.

b Rev xxi. 25.

n ch lx. 21; Ps xxx. 11, John xv 8

c Zech xiv. 17, 19; Matt xxi. 44

o ch xlix 8, lviii 12, Ezek xxxvi 33—36

p Eph ii 12.

d ch. xxxv 2, xli 19, 1 Chron xxviii. 2, Ps cxxxii. 7.

q ch. lx 5, 11, 16, 17; lxvi 21, Exod. xix 6, 1 Peter ii 5, 9, Rev i 6, v 10

e ch xlix 23, Heb xii. 22, Rev iii 9, xiv 1

r ch. xl. 2, Zech. ix 12.

s ch i 11, 13; lv. 3, Ps xi 7

f ch xlii 3, xlix. 23, lxi 6, lxvi 11, 12.

t ch. lxv. 23.

g ch xxvi. 1.

2 Heb *decketh as a priest*

u ch xlix 18, Ps. cxxxii 9, 16, Hab iii 18, Rev xxi 2

h Zech ii 5, Rev. xxi 23, xxii 5

v ch lx 18, lxii 7, Ps lxxii 3, lxxxv 11

i Amos viii 9

j ch xxix. 23, xiv. 11, lii 1, lxi 3, Ps xxxvii 11, 22, Matt v 5, xv 13; John xv 2, Eph ii 10, Rev xxi 27.

k Matt. xiii. 31, 32

w vs 4, 12; ch. lx. 3; lxv 15

x Zech. ix. 16

l ch. xi. 2, xlii 7; lvii. 15, Ps xiv 7, cxlvii. 3, Jer. xxxiv 8, Luke iv 18; John i 32, iii 34

3 That is, *My delight is in her.*

and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;[m]

3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.[n]

4 ¶ And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.[o]

5 And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien *shall be* your plowmen and your vinedressers.[p]

6 But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: *men* shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.[q]

7 ¶ For your shame *ye shall have* double; and *for* confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.[r]

8 For I the LORD love judgment, I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.[s]

9 And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they *are* the seed *which* the LORD hath blessed.[t]

10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom [2]decketh *himself* with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth *herself* with her jewels.[u]

11 For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.[v]

CHAPTER LXII.

1 *The fervent desire of the prophet to confirm the church in God's promises.* 5 *The office of the ministers (unto which they are incited) in preaching the gospel,* 10 *and preparing the people thereto.*

FOR Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp *that* burneth.

2 And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name.[w]

3 Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God.[x]

4 Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate: but thou shalt be called [3]Hephzi-bah, and thy land



A HEBREW BRIDE BEING ATTIRED IN HER WEDDING GARMENTS.

[1]Beulah: for the LORD delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married.[a]

5 ¶ For *as* a young man marrieth a virgin, *so* shall thy sons marry thee: and [2]*as* the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, *so* shall thy God rejoice over thee.

6 I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, *which* shall never hold their peace day nor night: [3]ye that make mention of the LORD, keep not silence,[b]

7 And give him no [4]rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.[c]

8 The LORD hath sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his strength, [5]Surely I will no more give thy corn *to be* meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured:[d]

9 But they that have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the LORD; and they that have brought it together shall drink it in the courts of my holiness.[e]

10 ¶ Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people.[f]

11 Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his reward *is* with him, and his [6]work before him.[g]

12 And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken.

CHAPTER LXIII.

1 *Christ sheweth who he is,* 2 *what his victory over his enemies,* 7 *and what his mercy toward his church.* 10 *In his just wrath he remembereth his free mercy.* 15 *The church in their prayer,* 17 *and complaint, profess their faith.*

WHO *is* this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this *that is* [7]glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

2 Wherefore *art thou* red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat?[h]

3 I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people *there was* none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment.[i]

4 For the day of vengeance *is* in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come.[j]

5 And I looked, and *there was* none to help; and I wondered that *there was* none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me; and my fury, it upheld me.[k]

6 And I will tread down the people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth.[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

1 That is, *Married.*

a ch. xlix 14; liv 1, 6, 7; lxv. 15, Hos. i 10, 1 Peter ii. 10.

2 Heb. *with the joy of the bridegroom.*

3 Or, *ye that are the LORD'S remembrancers.*

b Ezek. iii. 17; xxxiii. 7.

4 Heb. *silence.*

c ch. lxi. 11; Zeph. iii. 20.

m ch. xlvi 3, 4, Exod. xiv 19; xix. 4; xxiii. 20, 21, xxxiii 14; Deut i 31, vii 7, 8, xxxii 11, 12, Judg x 16, Zech ii 8, Acts ix 4.

5 Heb. *If I give,* &c.

n Exod. xv 24, Numb xiv 11; Ps. lxxviii. 40, 56; xcv. 9; Acts vii. 51; Eph iv 30

d Deut xxviii. 31, &c; Jer. v 17

8 Or, *shepherds,* as Ps. lxxvii. 20.

o Exod xiv 30; xxxii 11, 12; Numb xi. 25; xiv 13, 14, &c., Neh ix 20, Jer ii 6; Dan iv 8, Hagg ii 5

e Deut xii 12, xiv. 23, 26, xvi 11, 14.

p Exod xiv 21; xv 6, Josh iii. 16.

f ch xl. 12 xl 3, lvii. 14

q Ps cvi 9.

6 Or, *recompence*

g ver 4, ch xl 10; Zech ix 9, Matt xxi 5; John xii. 13, Rev xxii 12

9 Or, *the multitude.*

r Deut xxvi 15, 2 Sam vii 23, Ps xxxiii 14; lxxx 14, Jer xxxi 20, Hos xi. 8.

10 Or, *our redeemer from everlasting is thy name*

s ch lxiv 8; Deut xxxii 6, 1 Chron xxix 10, Job xiv 21, Eccles ix. 5.

7 Heb *decked.*

t ch vi 10, with John xii 40; Rom. ix 18, Numb x. 36, Ps xc. 13.

u ch lxii 12, Deut. vii 6, xxvi 19, Ps. lxxiv. 7; Dan. viii 24

11 Or, *thy name was not called upon them,* ch lxv. 1.

h Rev. xix. 13.

i Lam i. 15; Rev xiv. 19, 20, xix. 15.

j ch. xxxiv 8; lxi. 2.

v Judg. v. 5; Ps. cxliv. 5; Micah i. 4.

12 Heb. *the fire of meltings.*

k ch. xli. 28; lix. 16; Ps. xcviii. 1.

l Rev. xvi. 6.

7 ¶ I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD, *and* the praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness toward the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his lovingkindnesses.

8 For he said, Surely they *are* my people, children *that* will not lie: so he was their Saviour.

9 In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old.[m]

10 ¶ But they rebelled, and vexed his holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their enemy, *and* he fought against them.[n]

11 Then he remembered the days of old, Moses, *and* his people, *saying,* Where *is* he that brought them up out of the sea with the [8]shepherd of his flock? where *is* he that put his holy Spirit within him?[o]

12 That led *them* by the right hand of Moses with his glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting name?[p]

13 That led them through the deep, as an horse in the wilderness, *that* they should not stumble?[q]

14 As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD caused him to rest: so didst thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious name.

15 ¶ Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory: where *is* thy zeal and thy strength, [9]the sounding of thy bowels and of thy mercies toward me? are they restrained?[r]

16 Doubtless thou *art* our father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: thou, O LORD, *art* our father, [10]our redeemer; thy name *is* from everlasting.[s]

17 ¶ O LORD, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, *and* hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance.[t]

18 The people of thy holiness have possessed *it* but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary.[u]

19 We are *thine:* thou never barest rule over them; [11]they were not called by thy name.

CHAPTER LXIV.

1 *The church prayeth for the illustration of God's power.* 5 *Celebrating God's mercy, it maketh confession of their natural corruptions.* 9 *It complaineth of their affliction.*

OH that thou wouldest rend the heavens, that thou wouldest come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence,[v]

2 As *when* [12]the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make thy name known to thine adversaries, *that* the nations may tremble at thy presence!

3 When thou didst terrible things *which* we looked not for, thou camest down, the mountains flowed down at thy presence.[a]

4 For since the beginning of the world *men* have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye [1]seen, O God, beside thee, *what* he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him.[b]

5 Thou meetest him that rejoiceth and worketh righteousness, *those that* remember thee in thy ways: behold, thou art wroth; for we have sinned: in those is continuance, and we shall be saved.[c]

6 But we are all as an unclean *thing*, and all our righteousnesses *are* as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.[d]

7 And *there is* none that calleth upon thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of thee: for thou hast hid thy face from us, and hast [2]consumed us, [3]because of our iniquities.[e]

8 But now, O LORD, thou *art* our father; we *are* the clay, and thou our potter; and we all *are* the work of thy hand.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

b Or, *pieces*

n ch lxvi 17, Lev. xi 7, Deut. xviii. 12

a Exod xxxiv 10, Judg v. 4, 5; Ps. lxviii. 8; Hab iii 3, 6.

6 Or, *anger*

o Matt. ix 11; Luke v. 30, xviii. 11; Jude 19.

1 Or, *seen a God beside thee, which doeth so for him, &c*

b Ps xxxi. 19, 1 Cor. ii. 9

p Deut. xxxii 34; Ps l. 3, lxxix 12, Jer. xvi. 18; Ezek. xi. 21, Mal. iii. 16

c ch xxvi. 8; Mal. iii. 6, Acts x 35.

q Exod. xx 5; Ezek xviii 6; xx. 27, 28

d Ps xc. 5, 6, Phil iii. 9.

r Joel ii 14

2 Heb. *melted*

3 Heb. *by the hand*, as Job viii. 4.

e Hos vii 7

s ver 15, 22, Matt xxiv 22, Rom xi. 5, 7

f ch xxix 16, xlv 9, lxiii 16, Jer xviii 6, Rom ix. 20, 21, Eph ii 10

9 ¶ Be not wroth very sore, O LORD, neither remember iniquity for ever: behold, see, we beseech thee, we *are* all thy people.[g]

10 Thy holy cities are a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation.[h]

11 Our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee, is burned up with fire: and all our pleasant things are laid waste.[i]

12 Wilt thou refrain thyself for these *things*, O LORD? wilt thou hold thy peace, and afflict us very sore?[j]

CHAPTER LXV.

1 *The calling of the Gentiles.* 2 *The Jews, for their incredulity, idolatry, and hypocrisy, are rejected.* 8 *A remnant shall be saved.* 11 *Judgments on the wicked, and blessings on the godly.* 17 *The blessed state of the new Jerusalem.*

I AM sought of *them that* asked not *for me*, I am found of *them that* sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation *that* was not called by my name.[k]

2 I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way *that was* not good, after their own thoughts;[l]

3 A people that provoketh me to anger continually to my face; that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense [4]upon altars of brick;[m]

4 Which remain among the graves, and lodge in the monuments, which eat swine's flesh, and [5]broth of abominable *things is in* their vessels;[n]

5 Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me; for I am holier than thou. These *are* a smoke in my [6]nose, a fire that burneth all the day.[o]

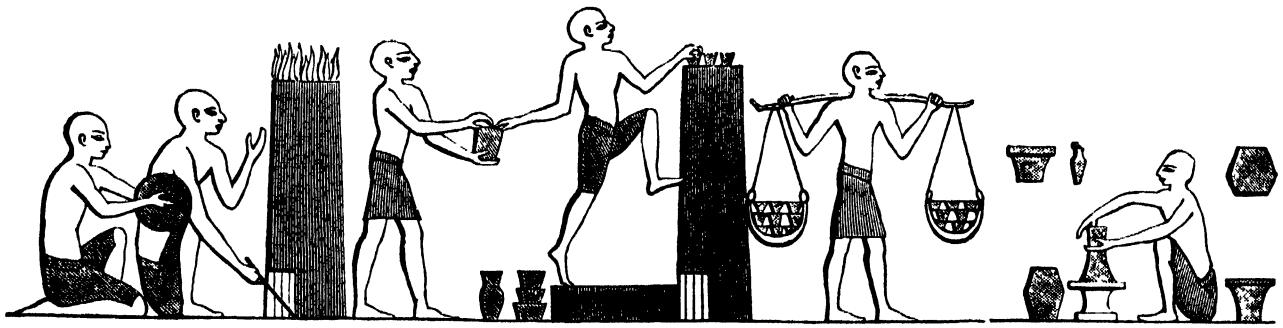
6 Behold, *it is* written before me: I will not keep silence, but will recompense, even recompense into their bosom,[p]

7 Your iniquities, and the iniquities of your fathers together, saith the LORD, which have burned incense upon the mountains, and blasphemed me upon the hills: therefore will I measure their former work into their bosom.[q]

8 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and *one* saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing *is* in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all.[r]

9 And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.[s]

10 And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie down in, for my people that have sought me.[t]



POTTERS AT WORK FROM ANCIENT PAINTINGS.

11 ¶ But ye *are* they that forsake the LORD, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for that [7]troop, and that furnish the drink offering unto that [8]number.[u]

12 Therefore will I number you to the sword, and ye shall all bow down to the slaughter: because when I called, ye did not answer; when I spake, ye did not hear; but did evil before mine eyes, and did choose *that* wherein I delighted not.[v]

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, my servants shall eat, but ye shall be hungry: behold, my servants shall drink, but ye shall be thirsty: behold, my servants shall rejoice, but ye shall be ashamed:

14 Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall howl for [9]vexation of spirit.[w]

15 And ye shall leave your name for a curse unto my chosen: for the Lord GOD shall slay thee, and call his servants by another name:[x]

16 That he who blesseth himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God of truth, because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.[y]

17 ¶ For, behold, I create new heavens and a new

t ch xxxii 9, xxxv 2; Hos ii 15

g Ps lxxix 1, 2, lxxix 8, 13

h Ps lxxix 1

7 Or, *Gad*

8 Or, *Meni*

u ver 25 ch lvi 7, lvii 13, Ezek xxiii 41, 1 Cor x 21

i 2 Kings xxv 9, 2 Chron xxxvi 19, Ps. lxxiv 7, Ezek xxiv 21, 25

j ch xlii 14, Ps. lxxxiii 1

v ch lxvi 4, 2 Chron xxxvi 15, 16, Prov i 24, Jer vii 13, Zech vii 7, Matt xxi. 34—43

9 Heb *breaking*

w Matt viii 12, Luke xiii 28

k ch lxiii 19, Rom ix 24—26, 30, x. 20, Eph ii. 12, 13

x vs 9, 22, ch lxii 2, Jer xxix 22, Zech viii 13; Acts xi 26

l Rom x 21

4 Heb *upon bricks*

m ch i 29, lxvi. 17; Lev xvii 5

y ch xix 18; xlv 23; Deut. vi 13, Ps lxiii. 11; lxxii 17, Jer. iv. 2; Zeph. i 5.



'THE WOLF AND THE LAMB SHALL FEED TOGETHER, AND THE LION SHALL EAT STRAW LIKE THE BULLOCK"—ISAIAH LXV. 25

earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor [1]come into mind.[a]

18 But be ye glad and rejoice for ever *in that* which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.

19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.[b]

20 There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner *being* an hundred years old shall be accursed.[c]

21 And they shall build houses, and inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.[d]

22 They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree *are* the days of my people, and mine elect [2]shall long enjoy the work of their hands.[e]

23 They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they *are* the seed of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

1 Heb *come upon the heart*

a ch li 16, lxv 22, 2 Peter iii 13, Rev xxi 1

g Ps xxxii 5, Dan ix 21.

h ch xi 6, 7, 9, Gen iii 14

b ch xxxv 10; li 11, Rev vii 17, xxi 4

c Eccles viii. 12

d ch lxii 8, Lev xxvi 16, Deut xxviii 30, Amos ix 14

i 1 Kings viii 27; 2 Chron vi 18; Matt v 34, 35; Acts vii 48, 49, xvii 24

2 Heb *shall make them continue long, or, shall wear out*

e ver 9, 15, Ps xcii. 12.

f ch lxi 9, Deut xxviii 41; Hos ix. 12

j ver 5, ch. lvii 15, lxi 1, Ezra ix 4; x. 3; Ps xxxiv. 18, li 17; Prov. xxviii 14.

24 And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.[g]

25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust *shall be* the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.[h]

CHAPTER LXVI.

1 *The glorious God will be served in humble sincerity.* 5 *He comforteth the humble with the marvellous generation,* 10 *and with the gracious benefits of the church* 15 *God's severe judgments against the wicked.* 19 *The Gentiles shall have an holy church,* 24 *and see the damnation of the wicked.*

THUS saith the LORD, The heaven *is* my throne, and the earth *is* my footstool: where *is* the house that ye build unto me? and where *is* the place of my rest?[i]

2 For all those *things* hath mine hand made, and all those *things* have been, saith the LORD: but to this *man* will I look, *even* to *him that is* poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.[j]

3 He that killeth an ox *is as if* he slew a man; he that sacrificeth a [1]lamb, *as if* he cut off a dog's neck; he that offereth an oblation, *as if he offered* swine's blood; he that [2]burneth incense, *as if* he blessed an idol. Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delighteth in their abominations.[a]

4 I also will choose their [3]delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; because when I called, none did answer; when I spake, they did not hear: but they did evil before mine eyes, and chose *that* in which I delighted not.[b]

5 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you, that

BEFORE CHRIST 712

1 Or, *kid*

2 Heb *maketh a memorial of*

a ch i 11; Lev ii 2, Deut xxiii 18

b Or, *brightness*

3 Or, *devices*

b ch lxv 12; Prov i 24, Jer vii 13.

d ch xlviii 18, xlix. 22, lx. 4, 5, 16

10 Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her:

11 That ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations; that ye may milk out, and be delighted with the [5]abundance of her glory.

12 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream: then shall ye suck, ye shall be borne upon *her* sides, and be dandled upon *her* knees.[d]

13 As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem.



EATING OF THE FRUIT OF THE VINE.—ISAIAH LXV. 21

cast you out for my name's sake, said, Let the LORD be glorified: but he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed.[e]

6 A voice of noise from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of the LORD that rendereth recompence to his enemies.

7 Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child.

8 Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? *or* shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.

9 Shall I bring to the birth, and not [4]cause to bring forth? saith the LORD: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut *the womb?* saith thy God.

c ver 2, 2 Thess. i 10; Titus ii 13

e Ezek xxxvii 1, &c

f ch lx. 5; 2 Thess i 8

g ch. xxvii. 1.

6 Or, *one after another.*

4 Or, *beget?*

h ch. lxv. 3, 4.

14 And when ye see *this*, your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like an herb: and the hand of the LORD shall be known toward his servants, and *his* indignation toward his enemies.[e]

15 For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire.[f]

16 For by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slain of the LORD shall be many.[g]

17 They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the gardens [6]behind one *tree* in the midst, eating swine's flesh, and the abomination, and the mouse, shall be consumed together, saith the LORD.[h]

18 For I *know* their works and their thoughts: it

shall come, that I will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come, and see my glory.

19 And I will set a sign among them, and I will send those that escape of them unto the nations, *to* Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, that draw the bow, *to* Tubal, and Javan, *to* the isles afar off, that have not heard my fame, neither have seen my glory; and they shall declare my glory among the Gentiles.[c]

20 And they shall bring all your brethren *for* an offering unto the LORD out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, saith the LORD, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of the LORD.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 712

c ch lxi 6; Exod. xix 6, 1 Peter ii. 9, Rev i. 6

d ch lxv 17; 2 Peter iii. 13, Rev. xxi 1

1 Heb *from new moon to his new moon, and from sabbath to his sabbath.*

Luke ii 34; Mal i 11

e Ps lxv 2 Zech xiv 16.

b Rom xv. 16.

f ver 16, Mark ix 44, 46, 48.

21 And I will also take of them for priests *and* for Levites, saith the LORD.[c]

22 For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain.[d]

23 And it shall come to pass, *that* [1]from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.[e]

24 And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh.[f]



"WITH HIS CHARIOTS LIKE A WHIRLWIND" *Typical Illustration of* ISAIAH LXVI 15.

THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET Jeremiah



CHAPTER I.

1 *The time,* 3 *and the calling of Jeremiah.* 11 *His prophetical visions of an almond rod and a seething pot* 15 *His heavy message against Judah.* 17 *God encourageth him with his promise of assistance*

THE words of Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that *were* in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin :[a]

2 To whom the word of the LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign.[b]

3 It came also in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth month.[c]

4 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

5 Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee ; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, *and* I [1]ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.[d]

6 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD ! behold, I cannot speak : for I *am* a child.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 629

a ch xxxii 7—9, Josh xxi. 18, 1 Chron vi 60

b ch. xxv 3.

c ch xxxix 2, lii 12, 15, 2 Kings xxv 8.

1 Heb *gave.*

d Exod xxxiii 12, 17, Isa. xlix 1, 5, Luke i 15, 41, Gal i 15, 16

e Exod iv 10, vi 12, 30, Isa. vi. 5



7 ¶ But the LORD said unto me, Say not, I *am* a child: for thou shalt go to all that I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee thou shalt speak.[a]

8 Be not afraid of their faces: for I *am* with thee to deliver thee, saith the LORD.[b]

9 Then the LORD put forth his hand, and touched my mouth. And the LORD said unto me, Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.[c]

10 See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build, and to plant.[d]

11 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Jeremiah, what seest thou? And I said, I see a rod of an almond tree.

12 Then said the LORD unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.

13 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying, What seest thou? And I said, I see a seething pot; and the face thereof *is* [1]toward the north.[e]

14 Then the LORD said unto me, Out of the north an evil [2]shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.[f]

15 For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah.[g]

16 And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.[h]

17 ¶ Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I [3]confound thee before them.[i]

18 For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land.[j]

19 And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I *am* with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.[k]

CHAPTER II.

1 *God, having shewed his former kindness, expostulateth with the Jews their causeless revolt,* 9 *beyond any example.* 14 *They are the causes of their own calamities.* 20 *The sins of Judah.* 31 *Her confidence is rejected.*

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

2 Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; I remember [4]thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou wentest after me in the wilderness, in a land *that was* not sown[l]

Before Christ 629.

[a] Numb. xxii. 20, 38, Matt xxviii 20

[m] ch xii 14, l. 7; Exod. xix 5, 6, James i. 18; Rev. xiv. 4.

[b] ver. 17; ch. xv. 20; Exod iii 12; Deut. xxxi. 6, 8; Josh i. 5, Acts xxvi. 17; Heb. xiii. 6.

[c] ch. v. 14; Isa. vi 7; li. 16.

[n] 2 Kings xvii. 15; Isa. v. 4, Micah vi. 3, Jonah ii. 8.

[d] ch. xviii. 7, 2 Cor. x. 4, 5.

[o] Deut viii 15, xxxii 10, Isa. lxiii 9, 11, 13, Hos xiii 4

5 Or, *the land of Carmel.*

[p] ch. iii. 1; xvi 18, Lev. xviii 25, 27, 28, Numb xiii. 27, xiv 7, 8, xxxv 33, 34, Deut. viii 7—9, Ps lxxviii 58, 59, cvi 38

1 Heb *from the face of the north*

[e] Ezek xi 3, 7, xxiv 3

2 Heb *shall be opened.*

[f] ch iv 6, vi 1

[q] ver 11, ch xxiii. 13, Hab ii 18, Mal ii 6, 7, Rom ii 20

[r] Exod xx 5, Lev xx 5, Ezek. xx 35, 36, Micah vi 2

6 Or, *over to*

[g] ch v 15, vi 22, x 22, xxv 9, xxxix. 3, xliii 10.

[s] ver 8, ch xvi 20, Ps cvi 20, cxv 4, Isa. xxxvii 19; Micah iv 5, Rom i. 23

[h] ch. xvii 13; Deut xxviii. 20.

[t] ch. vi. 19, Isa. i. 2

3 Or, *break to pieces.*

[i] ver 8, Exod iii 12, 1 Kings xviii. 46, 2 Kings iv 29, ix 1, Job xxxviii. 3; Ezek. ii 6, Luke xii. 35, 1 Peter i 13

[u] ch xvii 13, xviii. 14, Ps xxxvi. 9, John iv 14

7 Heb become *a spoil?*

[v] Exod. iv. 22.

[j] ch. vi. 27; xv. 20, Isa. l. 7.

8 Heb. *gave out their voice.*

[w] ch. iv. 7; Isa. i. 7.

[k] ver. 8.

[x] ch. xliii. 7—9.

[y] ch. iv. 18; Deut. xxxii. 10; xxxiii. 20; Isa. viii. 8.

[l] Josh. xiii. 3; Isa. xxx. 1, 2.

4 Or, *for thy sake.*

[z] Isa. iii 9; Hos. v. 5.

[l] Deut. ii. 7; Ezek. xvi. 8, 22, 60; xxiii. 3, 8, 19; Hos. ii. 15.

3 Israel *was* holiness unto the LORD, *and* the firstfruits of his increase: all that devour him shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith the LORD.[m]

4 Hear ye the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel:

5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, What iniquity have your fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain?[n]

6 Neither said they, Where *is* the LORD that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt?[o]

7 And I brought you into [5]a plentiful country, to eat the fruit thereof and the goodness thereof, but when ye entered, ye defiled my land, and made mine heritage an abomination.[p]

8 The priests said not, Where *is* the LORD? and they that handle the law knew me not: the pastors also transgressed against me, and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and walked after *things that* do not profit.[q]

9 ¶ Wherefore I will yet plead with you, saith the LORD, and with your children's children will I plead.[r]

10 For pass [6]over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing.

11 Hath a nation changed *their* gods, which *are* yet no gods? but my people have changed their glory for *that which* doth not profit.[s]

12 Be astonished, O ye heavens, at this, and be horribly afraid, be ye very desolate, saith the LORD.[t]

13 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, *and* hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.[u]

14 ¶ *Is* Israel a servant? *is* he a homeborn *slave?* why is he [7]spoiled?[v]

15 The young lions roared upon him, *and* [8]yelled, and they made his land waste: his cities are burned without inhabitant.[w]

16 Also the children of Noph and Tahapanes have broken the crown of thy head.[x]

17 Hast thou not procured this unto thyself, in that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God, when he led thee by the way?[y]

18 And now what hast thou to do in the way of Egypt, to drink the waters of Sihor? or what hast thou to do in the way of Assyria, to drink the waters of the river?[z]

19 Thine own wickedness shall correct thee, and thy backslidings shall reprove thee: know therefore and see that *it is* an evil *thing* and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God, and that my fear *is* not in thee, saith the LORD God of hosts.[a]

20 ¶ For of old time I have broken thy yoke, *and* burst thy bands; and thou saidst, I will not trans-

gress; when upon every high hill and under every green tree thou wanderest, playing the harlot.[a]

21 Yet I had planted thee a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then art thou turned into the degenerate plant of a strange vine unto me?[b]

22 For though thou wash thee with nitre, and take thee much sope, *yet* thine iniquity is marked before me, saith the Lord GOD.[c]

23 How canst thou say, I am not polluted, I have not gone after Baalim? see thy way in the valley, know what thou hast done: [1]*thou art* a swift dromedary traversing her ways;[d]

24 [2]A wild ass [3]used to the wilderness, *that* snuffeth up the wind at [4]her pleasure; in her occasion who can [5]turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her.[e]

25 Withhold thy foot from being unshod, and thy throat from thirst: but thou saidst, [6]There is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go.[f]

26 As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of Israel ashamed; they, their kings, their princes, and their priests, and their prophets,

27 Saying to a stock, Thou *art* my father; and to a stone, Thou hast [7]brought me forth: for they have turned [8]*their* back unto me, and not *their* face: but in the time of their trouble they will say, Arise, and save us.[h]

28 But where *are* thy gods that thou hast made thee? let them arise, if they can save thee in the time of thy [9]trouble: for *according to* the number of thy cities are thy gods, O Judah.[h]

29 Wherefore will ye plead with me? ye all have transgressed against me, saith the LORD.[i]

30 In vain have I smitten your children; they received no correction: your own sword hath devoured your prophets, like a destroying lion.[j]

31 ¶ O generation, see ye the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel? a land of darkness? wherefore say my people, [10]We are lords; we will come no more unto thee?[k]

32 Can a maid forget her ornaments, *or* a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me days without number.[l]

33 Why trimmest thou thy way to seek love? therefore hast thou also taught the wicked ones thy ways.

34 Also in thy skirts is found the blood of the souls of the poor innocents: I have not found it by [11]secret search, but upon all these.[m]

35 Yet thou sayest, Because I am innocent, surely his anger shall turn from me. Behold, I will plead with thee, because thou sayest, I have not sinned.[n]

36 Why gaddest thou about so much to change thy way? thou also shalt be ashamed of Egypt, as thou wast ashamed of Assyria.[o]

37 Yea, thou shalt go forth from him, and thine hands upon thine head: for the LORD hath rejected thy confidences, and thou shalt not prosper in them.[p]

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a ch. iii. 6, Exod xix. 8; xxxiv 15, 16, Josh. xxiv. 18, Judg x. 16; 1 Sam xii. 10; Isa. lvii. 5, 7.

b Exod xv 17; Deut. xxxii. 32, Ps. xliv. 2; lxxx 8, Isa. v. 1, 21, &c.; lx 21, Matt. xxi. 33, Mark xii. 1, Luke xx. 9

12 Heb *Saying*

c Deut. xxxii 34; Job xiv 17, Hos. xiii. 12.

Or, *O swift dromedary.*

d ch vii. 31; Prov xxx. 12

q ch ii. 7, 20, Deut. xxiv 4, Ezek. xvi. 26, 28, 29, Zech. i. 3

2 Or, *O wild ass, &c.*

3 Heb *taught*

4 Heb *the desire of her heart*

5 Or, *reverse it?*

e ch. xiv 6, Job xxxix 5.

r ver. 9; ch ii 7, 20; Gen xxxviii 14; Deut. xii 2, Prov xxiii 28; Ezek. xvi 24, 25

6 Or, *Is the case desperate?*

f ch iii 13; xviii 12, Deut xxxii 16

s ch v 3; vi. 15, viii 12, Lev xxvi 19; Deut xxviii 23, Ezek iii. 7, Zeph iii 5

t ch ii 2, Prov ii 17, Hos ii. 15

7 Or, *begotten me*

u ver 12, Ps lxxvii. 7, &c., cii. 9, Isa lvii. 16

8 Heb *the hinder part of the neck*

g Judg x. 10, Ps lxxviii 34, Isa xxvi 16

v vs. 11, 14, ch. ii 20, vii 24.

9 Heb. *evil*

h ch xi. 13, Deut xxiii 37, Judg x. 14, Isa. xlv 20

w 2 Kings xvii. 13, Ezek xvi. 46, xxiii 2, 4

i vs 22, 35

j ch v 3, 2 Chron xxxvi 16, Neh ix 26, Matt xxiii 29, &c., Acts vii 52, 1 Thess ii 15.

x 2 Kings xvii 6, 18, Ezek xxiii 9, 11, &c.

13 Or, *fame*

10 Heb *We have dominion*

k ver. 5, Deut xxxii 15, Ps xii. 4

y ver 2, ch ii 7, 27

l ch xiii 25, Ps cvi 21, Hos viii 14.

14 Heb *in falsehood*

z 2 Chron xxxiv 33, Hos vii. 14

a Ezek xvi. 51, xxiii 11

11 Heb *digging*

m vs 23, 29, ch xix. 4; Ps cvi 38

b ver 5; 2 Kings xvii. 6, Ps. lxxxvi. 15; ciii. 8, 9.

n ver 9, Prov xxviii. 13; 1 John i. 8, 10

o ver. 18; ch xxxi 22; xxxvii 7; 2 Chron. xxviii 16, 20, 21; Isa. xxx 3; Hos. v 13; xii. 1.

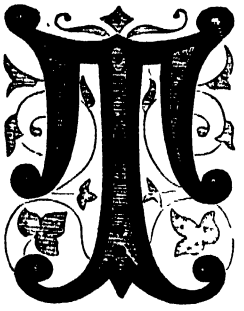
c ver. 2; ch. ii. 25; Lev. xxvi. 40, &c., Deut. xii. 2, xxx 1, 2, &c.; Prov. xxviii 13; Ezek. xvi. 15, 24, 25.

p 2 Sam. xiii. 19.

d ch. xxxi. 32; Hos. ii. 19, 20; Rom. xi. 5.

CHAPTER III.

1 *God's great mercy in Judah's vile whoredom.* 6 *Judah is worse than Israel.* 12 *The promises of the gospel to the penitent.* 20 *Israel reproved, and called by God, maketh a solemn confession of their sins.*



[12]say, If a man put away ife, and she go from him, and become another man's, shall not that land be greatly polluted? but thou hast played the harlot many lovers; yet return again to me, saith the LORD.[q]

high places, and see where thou hast not been lien with. In the ways hast thou sat for them, as the Arabian in the wilderness; and thou hast polluted the land with thy whoredoms and with thy wickedness.[r]

3 Therefore the showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hadst a whore's forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed.[s]

4 Wilt thou not from this time cry unto me, My father, thou *art* the guide of my youth?[t]

5 Will he reserve *his anger* for ever? will he keep *it* to the end? Behold, thou hast spoken and done evil things as thou couldest.[u]

6 ¶ The LORD said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen *that* which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot.[v]

7 And I said after she had done all these *things*, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw *it*.[w]

8 And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.[x]

9 And it came to pass through the [13]lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks.[y]

10 And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her whole heart, but [14]feignedly, saith the LORD.[z]

11 And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah.[a]

12 ¶ Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD; *and* I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I *am* merciful, saith the LORD, *and* I will not keep *anger* for ever.[b]

13 Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the LORD.[c]

14 Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:[d]

15 And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.[a]

16 And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the LORD, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the LORD: neither shall it [1]come to mind: neither shall they remember it; neither shall they visit *it;* neither shall [2]*that* be done any more.[b]

17 At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the [3]imagination of their evil heart.[c]

18 In those days the house of Judah shall walk [4]with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the north to the land that I have [5]given for an inheritance unto your fathers.[d]

19 But I said, How shall I put thee among the children, and give thee a [6]pleasant land, a [7]goodly heritage of the hosts of nations? and I said, Thou shalt call me, My father; and shalt not turn away [8]from me.[e]

20 ¶ Surely *as* a wife treacherously departeth from her [9]husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the LORD.[f]

21 A voice was heard upon the high places, weeping *and* supplications of the children of Israel: for they have perverted their way, *and* they have forgotten the LORD their God.[g]

22 Return, ye backsliding children, *and* I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we come unto thee; for thou *art* the LORD our God.[h]

23 Truly in vain *is* salvation *hoped for* from the hills, *and from* the multitude of mountains: truly in the LORD our God *is* the salvation of Israel.[i]

24 For shame hath devoured the labour of our fathers from our youth; their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters.[j]

25 We lie down in our shame, and our confusion covereth us: for we have sinned against the LORD our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even unto this day, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.[k]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *God calleth Israel by his promise* 3 *He exhorteth Judah to repentance by fearful judgments* 19 *A grievous lamentation for the miseries of Judah*

IF thou wilt return, O Israel, saith the LORD, return unto me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remove.[l]

2 And thou shalt swear, The LORD liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory.[m]

3 ¶ For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 612

[a] ch. xxiii. 4; Ezek. xxxiv. 23; Acts xx. 28, Eph. iv 11

[o] ch ix. 26; Deut. x. 16; xxx. 6; Rom. ii. 28, 29; Col. ii 11

1 Heb *come upon the heart*

2 Or, *it be magnified.*

[b] Isa. lxv 17

[p] ch. viii 14

10 Or, *strengthen*

11 Heb *breaking*

[q] ch i 13—15, vi 1, 22

3 Or, *stubbornness*

[c] ch xi 8, Isa. ix. 9

4 Or, *to.*

[r] ch. ii. 15; v. 6; xxv 9, 2 Kings xxiv 1; Isa. i. 7; Dan vii 4

5 Or, *caused your fathers to possess.*

[d] ver 12; ch xxxi 8; Isa. xi 13, Ezek xxxvii 16—22; Amos ix 15, Hos i 11.

[s] ch vi. 26; Isa. xxii. 12

6 Heb *land of desire*

7 Heb *an heritage of glory,* or *beauty*

8 Heb *from after me.*

[e] Ps. cvi 24, Isa lxiii. 16, Ezek. xx 6, Dan. viii 9, xi 16, 41, 45

9 Heb *friend*

[f] ch v 11, Isa xlviii 8.

[t] ch v 12, xiv 13, Ezek. xiv 9, 2 Thess ii. 11.

[g] Isa xv 2

[u] ch ii 1, Ezek xvii 10, Hos. xiii 15

12 Or, *a fuller wind than those*

[h] ver 14, Hos. vi. 1, xiv 1, 4

13 Heb *utter judgments*

[v] ch i 16

[i] Ps. iii 8, cxxi 1, 2

[w] Deut xxviii 49, Isa v 28, Lam iv 19, Hos viii 1, Hab i 8

[j] ch xi 13, Hos ix 10

[x] Isa. i 16, James iv. 8

[y] ch viii. 16

[k] ch xxii 21, Ezra ix. 7.

[z] ch v 15.

[a] 2 Kings xxv 1, 4

[b] ch ii 17, 19, Ps. cvii 17, Isa. i 1

[l] ch iii 1, 22; Joel ii 12.

14 Heb *the walls of my heart*

[c] ch ix 1, 10; Isa xv 5, xvi 11; xxi 3, xxii 4, Luke xix. 41

[m] ch v 2; Gen. xxii. 18; Deut. x 20; Ps lxxii. 17; Isa. xiv 23, 25; xlviii 1; lxv. 16, Zech viii 8; 1 Cor i. 31; Gal iii 8

[d] ch. x 20, Ps. xiii. 7, Ezek. vii. 26.

[n] Hos x. 12; Matt. xiii. 7, 22.

4 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can quench *it,* because of the evil of your doings.[o]

5 Declare ye in Judah, and publish in Jerusalem; and say, Blow ye the trumpet in the land: cry, gather together, and say, Assemble yourselves, and let us go into the defenced cities.[p]

6 Set up the standard toward Zion: [10]retire, stay not: for I will bring evil from the north, and a great [11]destruction.[q]

7 The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; *and* thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant.[r]

8 For this gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce anger of the LORD is not turned back from us.[s]

9 And it shall come to pass at that day, saith the LORD, *that* the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the princes; and the priests shall be astonished, and the prophets shall wonder.

10 Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! surely thou hast greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul.[t]

11 At that time shall it be said to this people and to Jerusalem, A dry wind of the high places in the wilderness toward the daughter of my people, not to fan, nor to cleanse,[u]

12 *Even* [12]a full wind from those *places* shall come unto me: now also will I [13]give sentence against them.[v]

13 Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and his chariots *shall be* as a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. Woe unto us! for we are spoiled.[w]

14 O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?[x]

15 For a voice declareth from Dan, and publisheth affliction from mount Ephraim.[y]

16 Make ye mention to the nations; behold, publish against Jerusalem, *that* watchers come from a far country, and give out their voice against the cities of Judah.[z]

17 As keepers of a field, are they against her round about; because she hath been rebellious against me, saith the LORD.[a]

18 Thy way and thy doings have procured these *things* unto thee; this *is* thy wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reacheth unto thine heart.[b]

19 ¶ My bowels, my bowels! I am pained at [14]my very heart; my heart maketh a noise in me; I cannot hold my peace, because thou hast heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war.[c]

20 Destruction upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is spoiled: suddenly are my tents spoiled, *and* my curtains in a moment.[d]

21 How long shall I see the standard, *and* hear the sound of the trumpet?



TAKING A DEFENCED CITY BY ASSAULT.—JEREMIAH IV. 5.

22 For my people *is* foolish, they have not known me; they *are* sottish children, and they have none understanding: they *are* wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.[a]

23 I beheld the earth, and, lo, *it was* without form, and void; and the heavens, and they *had* no light.[b]

24 I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly.[c]

25 I beheld, and, lo, *there was* no man, and all the birds of the heavens were fled.[d]

26 I beheld, and, lo, the fruitful place *was* a wilderness, and all the cities thereof were broken down at the presence of the LORD, *and* by his fierce anger.

27 For thus hath the LORD said, The whole land shall be desolate; yet will I not make a full end.[e]

28 For this shall the earth mourn, and the heavens above be black: because I have spoken *it*, I have purposed *it*, and will not repent, neither will I turn back from it.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 612.

[h] Isa. i. 15; Lam. i. 17.

[a] Rom. xvi. 19.

[b] Gen. i. 2; Isa. xxiv. 19.

[c] Isa. v. 25; Ezek. xxxviii. 20.

[d] Zeph. i. 3.

[i] Gen. xviii. 23, &c.

[e] ch. v. 10, 18; xxx. 11; xlvi. 28.

[j] ch. iv. 2; vii 9, Titus i. 16.

[f] ch. vii. 16; Numb xxiii. 19; Isa. v 30, l 3, Hos. iv. 3.

29 The whole city shall flee for the noise of the horsemen and bowmen; they shall go into thickets, and climb up upon the rocks: every city *shall be* forsaken, and not a man dwell therein.

30 And *when* thou *art* spoiled, what wilt thou do? Though thou clothest thyself with crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of gold, though thou rentest thy face with painting, in vain shalt thou make thyself fair; *thy* lovers will despise thee, they will seek thy life.[g]

31 For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, *and* the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, *that* bewaileth herself, *that* spreadeth her hands, *saying*, Woe *is* me now! for my soul is wearied because of murderers.[h]

[k] ch. ii. 30, vii 28; 2 Chron. xvi. 9, Isa. i. 5, ix. 13; Zeph. iii. 2

[l] ch. viii. 7

[g] ch. xxii. 20, 22; 2 Kings ix. 30; Lam. i. 2, 19.

[m] Ps. ii. 3; Micah iii. 1.

[1] Or, *deserts.*

CHAPTER V.

1 *The judgments of God upon the Jews, for their perverseness, 7 for their adultery, 10 for their impiety, 19 for their contempt of God, 25 and for their great corruption in the civil state, 30 and ecclesiastical.*

RUN ye to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem, and see now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof, if ye can find a man, if there be *any* that executeth judgment, that seeketh the truth; and I will pardon it.[i]

2 And though they say, The LORD liveth; surely they swear falsely.[j]

3 O LORD, *are* not thine eyes upon the truth? thou hast stricken them, but they have not grieved; thou hast consumed them, *but* they have refused to receive correction: they have made their faces harder than a rock; they have refused to return.[k]

4 Therefore I said, Surely these *are* poor; they are foolish: for they know not the way of the LORD *nor* the judgment of their

5 I will get me unto the great men, and will speak unto them; for they have known the way of the LORD, *and* the judgment of their God: but these have altogether broken the yoke, *and* burst the bonds.[m]

6 Wherefore a lion out of the forest shall slay them, *and* a wolf of the [1]evenings shall spoil them, a leopard shall watch over their cities: every one that goeth out thence shall be torn in pieces:



OPEN SEPULCHRES.—TOMBS IN THE VALLEY OF PETRA.



SETTING UP OF THE FIRE SIGNAL IN BETH-HACCEREM.—JEREMIAH VI. 1.

because their transgressions are many, *and* their backslidings [1]are increased.[a]

7 ¶ How shall I pardon thee for this? thy children have forsaken me, and sworn by *them that are* no gods: when I had fed them to the full, they then committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses.[b]

8 They were *as* fed horses in the morning: every one neighed after his neighbour's wife.[c]

9 Shall I not visit for these *things?* saith the LORD: and shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?[d]

10 ¶ Go ye up upon her walls, and destroy; but make not a full end: take away her battlements; for they *are* not the LORD'S.[e]

11 For the house of Israel and the house of Judah have dealt very treacherously against me, saith the LORD.[f]

12 They have belied the LORD, and said, *It is*

BEFORE CHRIST 612

1 Heb *are strong.*

a ch. iv. 7; Ps. civ. 20; Hab. i. 9; Hos. xiii. 7; Zeph. iii. 3

g ch. iv. 10, xiv. 13; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 16; Isa. xxviii. 15.

b Deut. xxxii. 15, 21; Josh. xxiii. 7; Zeph. i. 5; Gal. iv. 8

c ch. xiii. 27; Ezek. xxii. 11.

h ch. i. 9.

d ver. 29; ch. ix. 9, xliv. 22.

i ch. i. 15, iv. 16, vi. 22; Deut. xxviii. 49; Isa. v. 26, xxxix. 3.

e ver. 18; ch. iv. 27; xxxix. 8

f ch. iii. 20

not he; neither shall evil come upon us; neither shall we see sword nor famine:[g]

13 And the prophets shall become wind, and the word *is* not in them: thus shall it be done unto them.

14 Wherefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, Because ye speak this word, behold, I will make my words in thy mouth fire, and this people wood, and it shall devour them.[h]

15 Lo, I will bring a nation upon you from far, O house of Israel, saith the LORD: it *is* a mighty nation, it *is* an ancient nation, a nation whose language thou knowest not, neither understandest what they say.[i]

16 Their quiver *is* as an open sepulchre, they *are* all mighty men.

17 And they shall eat up thine harvest, and thy bread, *which* thy sons and thy daughters should eat: they shall eat up thy flocks and thine herds:

they shall eat up thy vines and thy fig trees: they shall impoverish thy fenced cities, wherein thou trustedst, with the sword.[a]

18 Nevertheless in those days, saith the LORD, I will not make a full end with you.[b]

19 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when ye shall say, Wherefore doeth the LORD our God all these *things* unto us? then shalt thou answer them, Like as ye have forsaken me, and served strange gods in your land, so shall ye serve strangers in a land *that is* not your's.[c]

20 Declare this in the house of Jacob, and publish it in Judah, saying,

21 Hear now this, O foolish people, and without [1]understanding; which have eyes, and see not; which have ears, and hear not:[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 612.

a Lev. xxvi. 16; Deut. xxviii. 31, 33

b ch. iv. 27

c ch. xii 1; Deut. xxxii. 15; Job xii. 6; Ps lxxiii. 12; Isa. i 23, Zech. vii. 10

f ver. 9; Mal. iii. 5.

c ch. ii. 13; xiii. 22; xvi. 10; Deut. xxviii. 48; xxix. 24, &c.; 1 Kings ix. 8, 9.

4 Or, *Astonishment and filthiness.*

h ch. xxiii. 14; Hos. vi. 10.

5 Or, *take into their hands.*

1 Heb. *heart.*

d Isa. vi. 9; Ezek. xii. 2; Hos. vii. 11; Matt. xiii. 14; John xii. 40; Acts xxviii. 26; Rom. xi. 8.

i ch. xiv. 14; xxiii. 26, 26; Ezek. xiii. 6, Micah iii. 11.

full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.

28 They are waxen fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked: they judge not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge.[i]

29 Shall I not visit for these *things?* saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?[j]

30 ¶ [4]A wonderful and horrible thing is committed in the land;[k]

31 The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests [5]bear rule by their means; and my people love *to have it* so: and what will ye do in the end thereof?[l]



RUINS OF TEKOA AND TUMULUS OF BETH-HACCEREM.—JEREMIAH VI. 1.

22 Fear ye not me? saith the LORD: will ye not tremble at my presence, which have placed the sand *for* the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it: and though the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it?[e]

23 But this people hath a revolting and a rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone.

24 Neither say they in their heart, Let us now fear the LORD our God, that giveth rain, both the former and the latter, in his season: he reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest.[f]

25 ¶ Your iniquities have turned away these *things*, and your sins have withholden good *things* from you.[g]

26 For among my people are found wicked *men:* [2]they lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men.[h]

27 As a [3]cage is full of birds, so *are* their houses

Job xxvi 10, xxxvii 10, 11, Ps civ 9, Prov viii 29, Rev xv. 4.

f ch xiv 22, Gen viii 22, Deut xi. 14, Ps cxlvii. 8, Joel ii 23; Matt. v 45, Acts xiv 17.

m ch. i. 14; iv. 6; Neh. iii. 14

g ch iii. 3

6 Or, *dwelling at home.*

2 Or, *they pry as fowlers lie in wait*

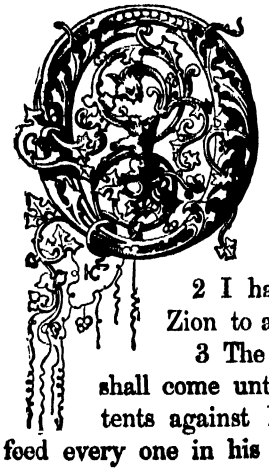
h Prov i. 11, 17, 18; Hab. i. 15.

3 Or, *coop.*

n ch. iv. 17; xxv. 1, 4.

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The enemies sent against Judah* 4 *encourage themselves.* 6 *God setteth them on work because of their sins.* 9 *The prophet lamenteth the judgments of God because of their sins* 18 *He proclaimeth God's wrath.* 26 *He calleth the people to mourn for the judgment on their sins.*



YE children of Benjamin, gather yourselves to flee out of the midst of Jerusalem, and blow the trumpet in Tekoa, and set up a sign of fire in Beth-haccerem: for evil appeareth out of the north, and great destruction.[m]

2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a [6]comely and delicate *woman.*

3 The shepherds with their flocks shall come unto her; they shall pitch *their* tents against her round about; they shall feed every one in his place.[n]

4 Prepare ye war against her; arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe unto us! for the day goeth away, for the shadows of the evening are stretched out.[a]

5 Arise, and let us go by night, and let us destroy her palaces.

6 ¶ For thus hath the LORD of hosts said, Hew ye down trees, and [1]cast a mount against Jerusalem: this *is* the city to be visited; she *is* wholly oppression in the midst of her.

7 As a fountain casteth out her waters, so she casteth out her wickedness: violence and spoil is heard in her; before me continually *is* grief and wounds.[b]

8 Be thou instructed, O Jerusalem, lest my soul [2]depart from thee; lest I make thee desolate, a land not inhabited.[c]

9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall throughly glean the remnant of Israel as a vine: turn back thine hand as a grapegatherer into the baskets.

10 To whom shall I speak, and give warning, that they may hear? behold, their ear *is* uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: behold, the word of the LORD is unto them a reproach; they have no delight in it.[d]

11 Therefore I am full of the fury of the LORD; I am weary with holding in: I will pour it out upon the children abroad, and upon the assembly of young men together: for even the husband with the wife shall be taken, the aged with *him that is* full of days.[e]

12 And their houses shall be turned unto others, *with their* fields and wives together: for I will stretch out my hand upon the inhabitants of the land, saith the LORD.[f]

13 For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them every one *is* given to covetousness; and from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.[g]

14 They have healed also the hurt *of the daughter* of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when *there is* no peace.[h]

15 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore they shall fall among them that fall: at the time *that* I visit them they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.[i]

16 Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where *is* the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk *therein*.[j]

17 Also I set watchmen over you, *saying*, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken.[k]

18 ¶ Therefore hear, ye nations, and know, O congregation, what *is* among them.

19 Hear, O earth: behold, I will bring evil upon this people, *even* the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto my words, nor to my law, but rejected it.[l]

20 To what purpose cometh there to me incense from Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country? your burnt offerings *are* not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet unto me.[m]

21 Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will lay stumblingblocks before this people, and the fathers and the sons together shall fall upon them; the neighbour and his friend shall perish.

22 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, a people cometh from the north country, and a great nation shall be raised from the sides of the earth.[n]

23 They shall lay hold on bow and spear; they *are* cruel, and have no mercy; their voice roareth like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as men for war against thee, O daughter of Zion.[o]

24 We have heard the fame thereof: our hands wax feeble: anguish hath taken hold of us, *and* pain, as of a woman in travail.[p]

25 Go not forth into the field, nor walk by the way; for the sword of the enemy *and* fear *is* on every side.

26 ¶ O daughter of my people, gird *thee* with sackcloth, and wallow thyself in ashes: make thee mourning, *as for* an only son, most bitter lamentation: for the spoiler shall suddenly come upon us.[q]

27 I have set thee *for* a tower *and* a fortress among my people, that thou mayest know and try their way.[r]

28 They *are* all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: *they are* brass and iron; they *are* all corrupters.[s]

29 The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the founder melteth in vain: for the wicked are not plucked away.

30 [3]Reprobate silver shall *men* call them, because the LORD hath rejected them.[t]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Jeremiah is sent to call for true repentance, to prevent the Jews' captivity* 8 *He rejecteth their vain confidence,* 12 *by the example of Shiloh* 17 *He threateneth them for their idolatry.* 21 *He rejecteth the sacrifices of the disobedient* 29 *He exhorteth to mourn for their abominations in Tophet* 32 *and the judgments for the same.*

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Stand in the gate of the LORD'S house, and proclaim there this word, and say, Hear the word of the LORD, all *ye of* Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the LORD.[u]

3 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Amend your ways and your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place.[v]

4 Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, *are* these.[w]

5 For if ye throughly amend your ways and your doings; if ye throughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour;[x]

6 *If* ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to your hurt:[y]

7 Then will I cause you to dwell in this place, in

BEFORE CHRIST 612

m ch vii. 21, Ps xl. 6; l. 7—9; Isa. i. 11, lx. 6; lxvi 3; Amos v 21; Micah vi. 6 &c

a ch. xv 8; li. 27; Joel iii. 9

1 Or, *pour out the engine of shot.*

n ch i 15, v. 15; x. 22; l. 41—43.

b ch xx 8, Ps lv 9—11; Isa lvii 20, Ezek. vii. 11, 23

o Isa. v 30

2 Heb *be loosed*, or, *disjointed*

c Hos ix 12

p ch iv 31; xiii. 21, xlix. 24, l. 43

q ch lv 8, xxv 34; Micah i 10, Zech. xii 10

d ch vii 26; xx. 8; Exod. vi. 12, Acts vii. 51.

r ch i 18, xv 20.

s ch v 28, ix. 4; Ezek. xxii 18

e ch. ix. 21; xx. 9

3 Or, *Refuse silver.*

t Isa. i. 22.

f ch. viii. 10; Deut. xxviii. 30.

g ch. viii. 10; xiv 18, xxiii. 11; Isa. lvi 11, Micah iii. 5, 11.

h ch. iv. 10; xiv. 13, xxiii 17.

i ch. iii 3, viii. 12

u ch. xxvi 2

j ch xviii 15; Isa. viii 20, Mal. iv 4; Matt. xi 29, Luke xvi. 29

v ch. xviii 11; xxvi 13.

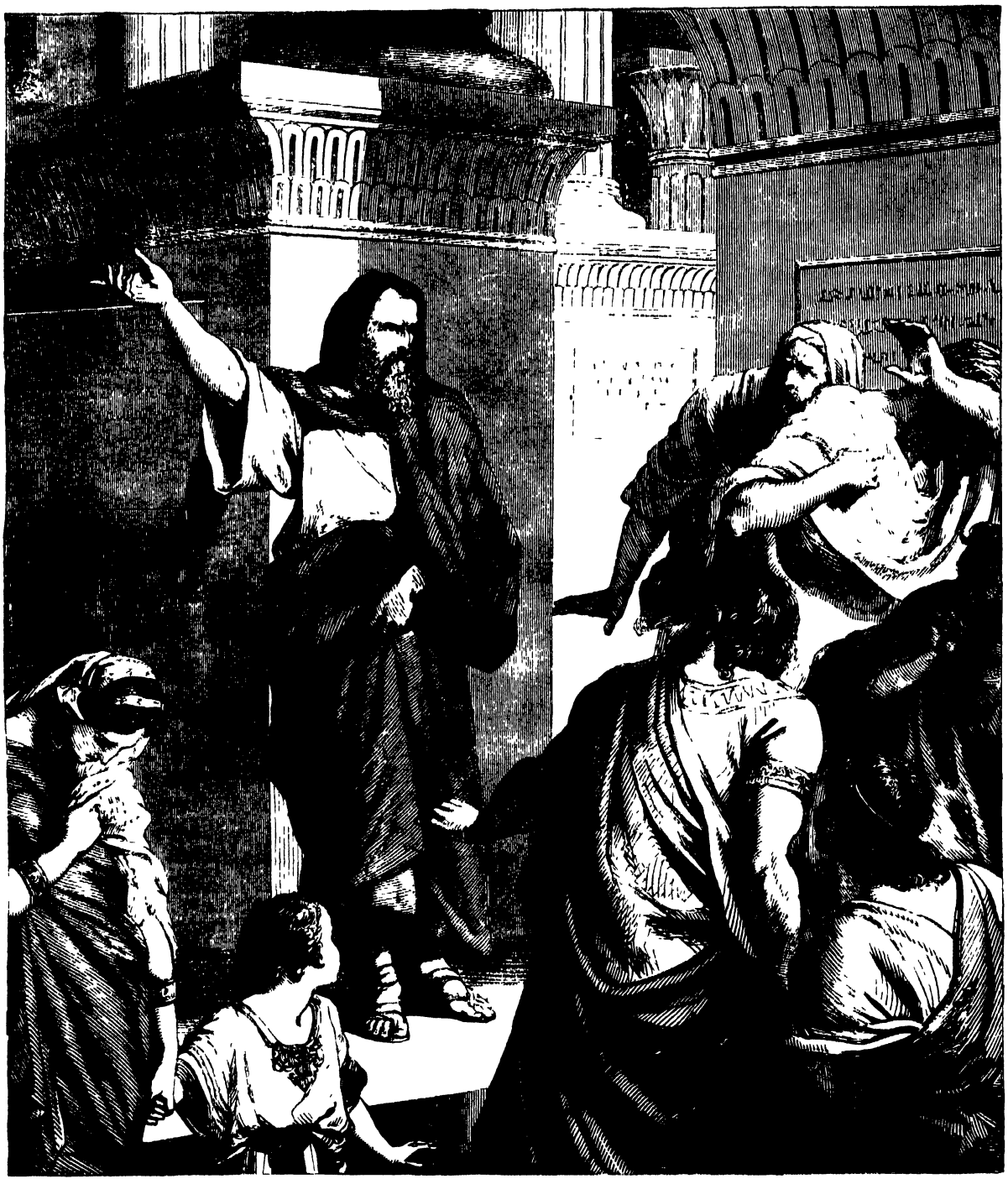
k ch xxv. 4; Isa. xxi. 11, lviii. 1; Ezek. iii. 17; Hab ii 1.

w Micah iii. 11.

x ch. xxii. 3.

l Isa. i. 2; Prov. i. 31.

y ch. xiii. 10; Deut. vi. 14, 15; viii. 19, xi. 28.



JEREMIAH AT THE GATE, DENOUNCING JUDGMENT UPON JERUSALEM.—JEREMIAH VII. 2

the land that I gave to your fathers, for ever and ever. [a]

8 ¶ Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. [b]

9 Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not; [c]

10 And come and stand before me in this house, [1]which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations? [d]

11 Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen *it*, saith the LORD. [e]

12 But go ye now unto my place which *was* in Shiloh, where I set my name at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel. [f]

13 And now, because ye have done all these works, saith the LORD, and I spake unto you, rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye answered not; [g]

14 Therefore will I do unto *this* house, which is called by my name, wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh. [h]

15 And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, *even* the whole seed of Ephraim.

BEFORE CHRIST 610

a ch. iii. 18, Deut. iv 40
f ch xxvi 6, Deut xii. 11, Josh xviii 1; Judg xviii. 31; Ps. lxxviii. 60
b ver 4, ch. v. 31, xiv 13, 14.
c ver 6; Exod. xx. 3; 1 Kings xvii. 21; Hos. iv. 1, 2, Zeph. i. 5
g ver 25; ch. xi. 7; 2 Chron. xxxvi 15, Prov i. 24; Isa. lxv 12, lxvi 4.
1 Heb. *whereupon my name is called.*
d vs. 11, 14, 30; ch. xxxii. 34; xxxiv. 15; Ezek. xxiii. 39
h ch. xxvi. 6; Ps. lxxviii. 60, 67, 68.
e Isa. lvi. 7; Matt. xxi. 13; Mark xi. 17; Luke xix. 46.

16 Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to me: for I will not hear thee.[a]

17 ¶ Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem?

18 The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead *their* dough, to make cakes to the [1]queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger.[b]

19 Do they provoke me to anger? saith the LORD: *do they* not *provoke* themselves to the confusion of their own faces?[c]

20 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, mine anger and my fury shall be poured out upon this place, upon man, and upon beast, and upon the trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground; and it shall burn, and shall not be quenched.

21 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Put your burnt offerings unto your sacrifices, and eat flesh.[d]

22 For I spake not unto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, [2]concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices:[e]

23 But this thing commanded I them, saying, Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.[f]

24 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels *and* in the [3]imagination of their evil heart, and [4]went backward, and not forward.

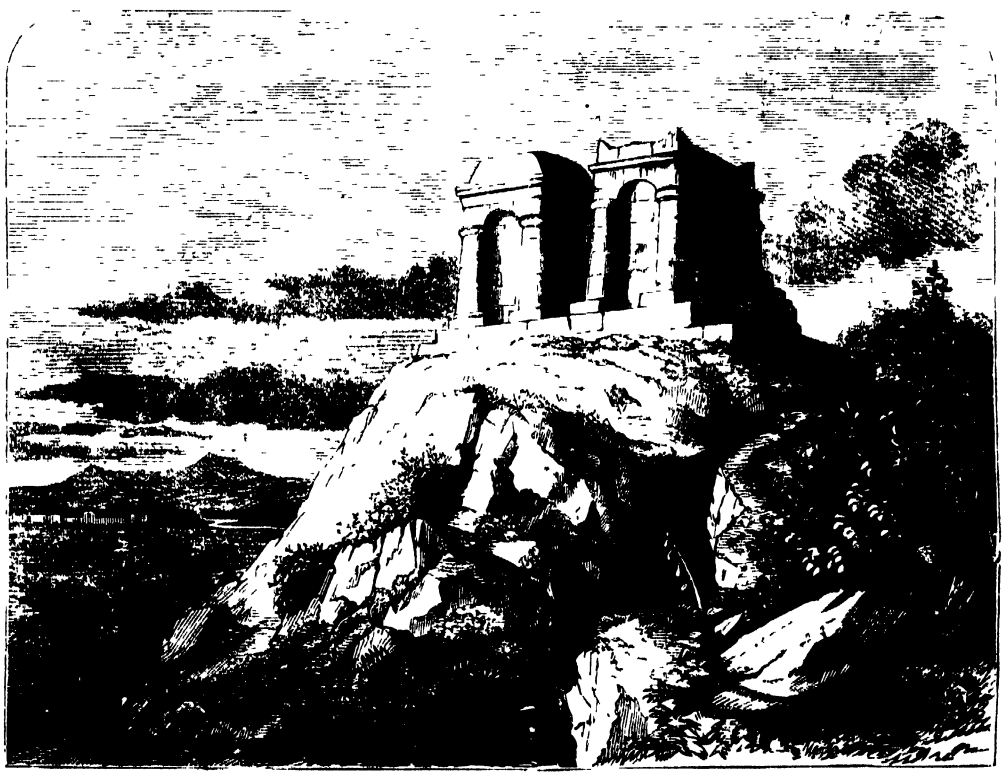
25 Since the day that your fathers came forth out of the land of Egypt unto this day I have even sent unto you all my servants the prophets, daily rising up early and sending *them*:[h]

26 Yet they hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear, but hardened their neck: they did worse than their fathers.[i]

27 Therefore thou shalt speak all these words unto them; but they will not hearken to thee: thou shalt also call unto them; but they will not answer thee.[j]

28 But thou shalt say unto them, This *is* a nation that obeyeth not the voice of the LORD their God, nor receiveth [5]correction: truth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth.[k]

29 ¶ Cut off thine hair, *O Jerusalem*, and cast *it* away, and take up a lamentation on high places; for the LORD hath rejected and forsaken the generation of his wrath.[l]



ANCIENT ALTARS BUILT ON "HIGH PLACES."

30 For the children of Judah have done evil in my sight, saith the LORD: they have set their abominations in the house which is called by my name, to pollute it.[m]

31 And they have built the high places of Tophet, which *is* in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire; which I commanded *them* not, neither [6]came it into my heart.[n]

32 ¶ Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but the valley of slaughter: for they shall bury in Tophet, till there be no place.[o]

33 And the carcases of this people shall be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth; and none shall fray *them* away.[p]

34 Then will I cause to cease from the cities of Judah, and from the streets of Jerusalem, the voice

BEFORE CHRIST 610.

h ver 13, ch xxv. 4; xxix 19, 2 Chron xxxvi 15.

a ch xi 14, xiv 11, xv 1, Exod. xxxii. 10

i ver 24, ch xi. 8; xvi 12, xvii 23, xix 15; xxv 3, 4; Neh ix 17, 29

1 Or, *frame*, or, *workmanship of heaven*

f Ezek ii 7

b ch xix 13, xliv 17, 19

5 Or, *instruction*

k ch v 3, ix. 3, xxxii 33

c Deut. xxxii 16, 21.

l ch xvi 6, xlviii. 37, Job i 20, Isa. xv 2, Micah i. 16

m ch xxiii 11, xxxii 34, 2 Kings xxi. 4, 7, 2 Chron xxxiii 4, 5, 7, Ezek vii 20, viii 5, 6, &c., Dan ix 27

d ch vi 20, Isa. i 11, Amos v 21, Hos viii. 13

2 Heb. *concerning the matter of*

6 Heb *came it upon my heart*

1 Sam xv 22, Ps li. 16, 17, Hos vi 6

n ch xix 5, xxxii 35, Deut xii 3, Ps cvi 38

e ch xi 4, 7, Exod xv 26, xix 5, Lev. xxvi 12, Deut. vi 3

o ch xix 11, 2 Kings xxiii. 10, Ezek. vi 5

3 Or, *stubbornness*.

4 Heb *were*.

g ch ii 27, xi 8, xxxii 33, Deut. xxix 19; Ps lxxxi 11, 12; Hos iv 16

p ch. xii. 9; xvi. 4, xxxiv 20, Deut. xxviii 26, Ps. lxxix. 2

of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride: for the land shall be desolate.[a]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *The calamity of the Jews, both dead and alive.* 4 *He upbraideth their foolish and shameless impenitency.* 13 *He sheweth their grievous judgment,* 18 *and bewaileth their desperate estate.*

AT that time, saith the LORD, they shall bring out the bones of the kings of Judah, and the bones of his princes, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves: 2 And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked, and whom they have sought, and whom they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth.[b]

3 And death shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue of them that remain of this evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of hosts.[c]

4 ¶ Moreover thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return?

5 Why *then* is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.[d]

6 I hearkened and heard, *but* they spake not aright: no man repented him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle.

7 Yea, the stork in the heaven knoweth her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming; but my people know not the judgment of the LORD.[e]

8 How do ye say, We *are* wise, and the law of the LORD *is* with us? Lo, certainly [1]in vain made he *it*; the pen of the scribes *is* in vain.[f]

9 [2]The wise *men* are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and [3]what wisdom *is* in them?[g]

10 Therefore will I give their wives unto others, *and* their fields to them that shall inherit *them*: for every one from the least even unto the greatest is given to covetousness, from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.[h]

11 For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when *there is* no peace.[i]

12 Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush: therefore shall they fall among them that fall: in the time of their visitation they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.

13 ¶ I will surely consume them, saith the LORD: *there shall be* no grapes on the vine, nor figs on the fig tree, and the leaf shall fade; and *the things that* I have given them shall pass away from them.[j]

14 Why do we sit still? assemble yourselves, and let us enter into the defenced cities, and let us be silent there: for the LORD our God hath put us to silence, and given us water of [4]gall to drink, because we have sinned against the LORD.[k]

15 We looked for peace, but no good *came; and* for a time of health, and behold trouble![l]

16 The snorting of his horses was heard from Dan: the whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of his strong ones; for they are come, and have devoured the land, and [5]all that is in it; the city, and those that dwell therein.[m]

17 For, behold, I will send serpents, cockatrices, among you, which *will* not *be* charmed, and they shall bite you, saith the LORD.[n]

18 ¶ *When* I would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart *is* faint [6]in me.

19 Behold the voice of the cry of the daughter of my people [7]because of them that dwell in a far country: *Is* not the LORD in Zion? *is* not her king in her? Why have they provoked me to anger with their graven images, *and* with strange vanities?[o]

20 The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.

21 For the hurt of the daughter of my people am I hurt; I am black; astonishment hath taken hold on me.[p]

22 *Is there* no balm in Gilead; *is there* no physician there? why then is not the health of the daughter of my people [8]recovered?[q]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Jeremiah lamenteth the Jews for their manifold sins,* 9 *and for their judgment.* 12 *Disobedience is the cause of their bitter calamity.* 17 *He exhorteth to mourn for their destruction,* 23 *and to trust not in themselves, but in God.* 25 *He threateneth both Jews and Gentiles.*

OH [9]that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people![r]

2 Oh that I had in the wilderness a lodging place of wayfaring men; that I might leave my people, and go from them! for they *be* all adulterers, an assembly of treacherous men.[s]

3 And they bend their tongues *like* their bow *for* lies: but they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they know not me, saith the LORD.[t]

4 Take ye heed every one of his [10]neighbour, and trust ye not in any brother: for every brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbour will walk with slanders.[u]

5 And they will [11]deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth: they have taught their tongue to speak lies, *and* weary themselves to commit iniquity.

6 Thine habitation *is* in the midst of deceit; through deceit they refuse to know me, saith the LORD.

7 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold,

BEFORE CHRIST 610

j Isa. v. 1, &c.; Joel i. 7; Matt. xxi. 19; Luke xiii. 6, &c.

a ch. xvi. 9; xxv. 10; xxxiii. 11; Lev. xxvi. 33; Isa. i. 7; iii. 26; xxiv. 7, 8; Ezek. xxvi. 13; Hos. ii. 11; Rev. xviii. 23

4 Or, *poison.*

k ch. iv. 5; ix. 15; xxiii. 15.

l ch. xiv. 19.

5 Heb. *the fulness thereof.*

m ch. iv. 15; Judg. v. 22.

n Ps. lviii. 4, 5, Eccles. x. 11.

6 Heb. *upon me.*

7 Heb. *because of the country of them that are far off*

b ch. ix. 22; xvi. 4, xxii. 19; 2 Kings xxiii. 5, Ps. lxxxiii. 10, Ezek. viii. 16

o Deut. xxxii. 21, Isa. i. 4; xxxix. 3

c Job iii. 21, 22, vii. 15, 16, Rev. ix. 6

p ch. iv. 19, ix. 1, xiv. 17, Joel ii. 6, Nahum ii. 10.

8 Heb. *gone up?*

q ch. xlvi. 11; li. 8, Gen. xxxvii. 25, xliii. 11

d ch. v. 3, vii. 24, ix. 6.

9 Heb. *who will give my head, &c.*

e ch. v. 4, 5; Cant. ii. 12; Isa. i. 3

r ch. iv. 19; xiii. 17; xiv. 17, Lam. ii. 11, iii. 48.

1 Or, *the false pen of the scribes worketh for falsehood.*

f Rom. ii. 17

2 Or, *Have they been ashamed, &c.*

3 Heb. *the wisdom of what thing*

g ch. vi. 15

s ch. v. 7, 8

t 1 Sam. ii. 12; Ps. lxiv. 3; Isa. lix. 4, 13, 15; Hos. iv. 1

h ch. vi. 12, 13; Deut. xxviii. 30, Isa. lvi. 11; Amos v. 11; Zeph. i. 13.

10 Or, *friend.*

i ch. vi. 14; Ezek. xiii. 10

u ch. vi. 28; xii. 6; Micah vii. 5, 6

11 Or *mock*



MOURNING WOMEN OF THE EAST.—JEREMIAH IX. 17

I will melt them, and try them; for how shall I do for the daughter of my people?[a]

8 Their tongue *is as* an arrow shot out; it speaketh deceit: *one* speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth, but [1]in heart he layeth [2]his wait.[b]

9 ¶ Shall I not visit them for these *things?* saith the LORD: shall not my soul be avenged on such a nation as this?

10 For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the [3]habitations of the wilderness a lamentation, because they are [4]burned up, so that none can pass through *them;* neither can *men* hear the voice of the cattle; [5]both the fowl of the heavens and the beast are fled; they are gone.[c]

11 And I will make Jerusalem heaps, *and* a den of dragons; and I will make the cities of Judah [6]desolate, without an inhabitant.[d]

12 ¶ Who *is* the wise man, that may understand this? and *who is he* to whom the mouth of the LORD hath spoken, that he may declare it, for what the land perisheth *and* is burned up like a wilderness, that none passeth through?[e]

13 And the LORD saith, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein;

14 But have walked after the [7]imagination of their own heart, and after Baalim, which their fathers taught them:[f]

15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will feed them, *even* this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink.[g]

16 I will scatter them also among the heathen, whom neither they nor their fathers have known: and I will send a sword after them, till I have consumed them.[h]

17 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Consider ye, and call for the mourning women, that they may come; and send for cunning *women*, that they may come:[i]

18 And let them make haste, and take up a wailing for us, that our eyes may run down with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters.[j]

19 For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion, How are we spoiled! we are greatly confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because our dwellings have cast *us* out.[k]

20 Yet hear the word of the LORD, O ye women, and let your ear receive the word of his mouth, and teach your daughters wailing, and every one her neighbour lamentation.

21 For death is come up into our windows, *and* is entered into our palaces, to cut off the children from without, *and* the young men from the streets.[l]

22 Speak, Thus saith the LORD, Even the carcases of men shall fall as dung upon the open field, and as the handful after the harvestman, and none shall gather *them.*[m]

23 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise *man*

BEFORE CHRIST 610

a Isa i 25, Hos xi 8, Mal iii 3

g ch viii 14, xxiii 15, Ps lxxx 5, Lam iii 15, 19

1 Heb *in the midst of him*

2 Or, *wait for him*

b ver 3, Ps xii 2, xxviii 3, lv 21, cxx 3

h ch xliv 27, Lev xxvi 33, Deut xxviii 64, Ezek v 2, 12

3 Or, *pastures*

i 2 Chron xxxv 25, Job iii 8, Eccles xii 5, Amos v 16, Matt ix 23

4 Or, *desolate*

5 Heb *from the fowl* even to, &c

j ch xiv 17

c ch iv 25, xii 4; xxiii 10, Hos iv 3

6 Heb. *desolation.*

d ch. x 22; Isa xiii 22, xxv 2, xxxiv 13

k Lev xviii 28, xx 22

e Ps cvii 43, Hos xiv 9.

l ch vi 11

7 Or, *stubbornness*

f ch iii. 17; vii 24, Gal i 14

m ch viii. 2; xvi. 4.

glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty *man* glory in his might, let not the rich *man* glory in his riches:[a]

24 But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I *am* the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these *things* I delight, saith the LORD.[b]

25 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will [1]punish all *them which are* circumcised with the uncircumcised;[c]

26 Egypt, and Judah, and Edom, and the children of Ammon, and Moab, and all *that are* [2]in the utmost corners, that dwell in the wilderness: for all *these* nations *are* uncircumcised, and all the house of Israel *are* uncircumcised in the heart.[d]

CHAPTER X.

1 *The unequal comparison of God and idols.* 17 *The prophet exhorteth to flee from the calamity to come.* 19 *He lamenteth the spoil of the tabernacle by foolish pastors.* 23 *He maketh an humble supplication.*

HEAR ye the word which the LORD speaketh unto you, O house of Israel:

2 Thus saith the LORD, Learn not the way of the heathen, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven; for the heathen are dismayed at them.[e]

3 For the customs of the people *are* vain: for *one* cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the ax.[f]

4 They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not.

5 They *are* upright as the palm tree, but speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither also *is it* in them to do good.[g]

6 Forasmuch as *there is* none like unto thee, O LORD; thou *art* great, and thy name *is* great in might.[h]

7 Who would not fear thee, O King of nations? for [3]to thee doth it appertain: forasmuch as among all the wise *men* of the nations, and in all their kingdoms, *there is* none like unto thee.[i]

8 But they are altogether brutish and foolish: the stock *is* a doctrine of vanities.[j]

9 Silver spread into plates is brought from Tarshish, and gold from Uphaz, the work of the workman, and of the hands of the founder: blue and purple *is* their clothing: they *are* all the work of cunning *men*.[k]

10 But the LORD *is* the [4]true God, he *is* the living God, and an [5]everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation.[l]

11 [6]Thus shall ye say unto them, The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, *even* they shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens.[m]

12 He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heavens by his discretion.[n]

13 When he uttereth his voice, *there is* a [7]multitude of waters in the heavens, and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings [8]with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.[o]

14 Every man is brutish in *his* knowledge: every founder is confounded by the graven image: for his molten image *is* falsehood, and *there is* no breath in them.[p]

15 They *are* vanity, *and* the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.[q]

16 The portion of Jacob *is* not like them: for he *is* the former of all *things;* and Israel *is* the rod of his inheritance: The LORD of hosts *is* his name.[r]

17 ¶ Gather up thy wares out of the land, O inhabitant of the fortress.[s]

18 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will sling out the inhabitants of the land at this once, and will distress them, that they may find *it so.*[t]

19 ¶ Woe is me for my hurt! my wound is grievous: but I said, Truly this *is* a grief, and I must bear it.[u]

20 My tabernacle is spoiled, and all my cords are broken: my children are gone forth of me, and they *are* not: *there is* none to stretch forth my tent any more, and to set up my curtains.[v]

21 For the pastors are become brutish, and have not sought the LORD: therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flocks shall be scattered.

22 Behold, the noise of the bruit is come, and a great commotion out of the north country, to make the cities of Judah desolate, *and* a den of dragons.[w]

23 ¶ O LORD, I know that the way of man *is* not in himself: *it is* not in man that walketh to direct his steps.[x]

24 O LORD, correct me, but with judgment; not in thine anger, lest thou [9]bring me to nothing.[y]

25 Pour out thy fury upon the heathen that know thee not, and upon the families that call not on thy name: for they have eaten up Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate.[z]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Jeremiah proclaimeth God's covenant,* 8 *rebuketh the Jews' disobeying thereof,* 11 *prophesieth evils to come upon them,* 18 *and upon the men of Anathoth, for conspiring to kill Jeremiah.*

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Hear ye the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem;

3 And say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Cursed *be* the man that obeyeth not the words of this covenant,[a]

4 Which I commanded your fathers in the day *that* I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, Obey my voice, and

BEFORE CHRIST 610.

a Eccles. ix. 11.

n ch. li. 15, &c.; Gen. i. 1, 6, 9; Job ix. 8; Ps. xciii. 1; civ. 2; cxxxvi. 5, 6; Isa. xl. 22.

7 Or, *noise.*

8 Or, *for rain.*

b Micah vi. 8; vii. 18; 1 Cor. i. 31; 2 Cor. x. 17.

o Job xxxviii. 34; Ps. cxxxv 7.

1 Heb *visit upon*

c Rom. ii 8, 9.

p ch li 17, 18, Prov. xxx. 2, Isa. xlii. 17; xliv 11, xlv. 16, Hab ii. 18

2 Heb. *cut off into corners, or, having the corners of* their hair *polled.*

q ver. 11.

d ch. xxv 23; xlix. 32; Lev. xxvi 41, Ezek. xliv 7; Rom ii 28, 29.

r ch. xxxi. 35; xxxii. 18; 1 34, li. 19, Deut. xxxii 9; Ps xvi. 5, lxxiii 26; cxix. 57; Isa xlvii 4, li 15, liv. 5, Lam. iii 24

s ch vi 1, Ezek xii. 3, &c.

t ch xvi 13; 1 Sam. xxv 29; Ezek. vi 10

u ch iv 19; viii 21, ix 1, Ps. lxxvii. 10, Micah vii. 9

v ch iv 20

e Lev. xviii. 3, xx 23

f Isa. xl 19, 20, xli 7, xliv 9, 10, xlv 20, xlvi 7

w ch i 15, iv 6, v 15, vi 22, ix 11

x Prov xvi. 1, xx 24

9 Heb *diminish me*

y ch xxx 11, Ps vi 1, xxxviii 1

g Ps cxv 5, 7, cxxxv 16; Isa xli 23, xlvi 1, 7, Hab ii 19, 1 Cor xii 2

h Exod xv 11, Ps lxxxvi. 8, 10

z ch viii 16, Job xviii. 21, Ps lxxix 6, 1 Thess. iv 5, 2 Thess i. 8

3 Or, *it liketh thee.*

i Ps lxxxix. 6, Rev xv 4

j Ps cxv 8, Isa. xli. 29; Hab ii 18; Zech. x. 2; Rom i. 21, 22.

k Ps. cxv 4, Dan. x 5.

4 Heb *God of truth*

5 Heb *King of eternity.*

l Ps. x 16, xxxi 5; 1 Tim vi. 17

a Deut xxvii. 26; Gal. iii 10

6 In the Chaldean language.

m ver 15; Ps. xcvi. 5, Isa. ii 18; Zech. xiii. 2.

do them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God:[a]

5 That I may perform the oath which I have sworn unto your fathers, to give them a land flowing with milk and honey, as *it is* this day. Then answered I, and said, [1]So be it, O LORD.[b]

6 Then the LORD said unto me, Proclaim all these words in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, saying, Hear ye the words of this covenant, and do them.[c]

7 For I earnestly protested unto your fathers in the day *that* I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, *even* unto this day, rising early and protesting, saying, Obey my voice.[d]

8 Yet they obeyed not, nor inclined their ear, but walked every one in the [2]imagination of their evil heart: therefore I will bring upon them all the words of this covenant, which I commanded *them* to do; but they did *them* not.[e]

9 And the LORD said unto me, A conspiracy is found among the men of Judah, and among the inhabitants of Jerusalem.[f]

10 They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear my words; and they went after other gods to serve them: the house of Israel and the house of Judah have broken my covenant which I made with their fathers.[g]

11 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon them, which they shall not be able to escape; and though they shall cry unto me, I will not hearken unto them.[h]

12 Then shall the cities of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem go, and cry unto the gods unto whom they offer incense: but they shall not save them at all in the time of their [3]trouble.[i]

13 For *according to* the number of thy cities were thy gods, O Judah; and *according to* the number of the streets of Jerusalem have ye set up altars to *that* [4]shameful thing, *even* altars to burn incense unto Baal.[j]

14 Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them: for I will not hear *them* in the time that they cry unto me for their [5]trouble.[k]

15 [6]What hath my beloved to do in mine house, *seeing* she hath wrought lewdness with many, and the holy flesh is passed from thee? [7]when thou doest evil, then thou rejoicest.[l]

16 The LORD called thy name, A green olive tree, fair, *and* of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great tumult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.[m]

17 For the LORD of hosts, that planted thee, hath pronounced evil against thee, for the evil of the house of Israel and of the house of Judah, which they have done against themselves to provoke me to anger in offering incense unto Baal.[n]

18 ¶ And the LORD hath given me knowledge *of it*, and I know *it*: then thou shewedst me their doings.

19 But I *was* like a lamb *or* an ox *that* is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had devised devices against me, *saying*, Let us destroy the tree with the fruit thereof, and let us cut him off from the land of the living, that his name may be no more remembered.[o]

20 But, O LORD of hosts, that judgest righteously, that triest the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I revealed my cause.[p]

21 Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth, that seek thy life, saying, Prophesy not in the name of the LORD, that thou die not by our hand:[q]

22 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, I will [8]punish them: the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine:

23 And there shall be no remnant of them: for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, *even* the year of their visitation.[r]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Jeremiah, complaining of the wicked's prosperity, by faith seeth their ruin. 5 God admonisheth him of his brethren's treachery against him, 7 and lamenteth his heritage. 14 He promiseth to the penitent return from captivity.*

RIGHTEOUS *art* thou, O LORD, when I plead with thee: yet [9]let me talk with thee of *thy* judgments: Wherefore doth the way of the wicked prosper? *wherefore* are all they happy that deal very treacherously?[s]

2 Thou hast planted them, yea, they have taken root: [10]they grow, yea, they bring forth fruit: thou *art* near in their mouth, and far from their reins.[t]

3 But thou, O LORD, knowest me: thou hast seen me, and tried mine heart [11]toward thee: pull them out like sheep for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter.[u]

4 How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field wither, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein? the beasts are consumed, and the birds; because they said, He shall not see our last end.[v]

5 ¶ If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? and *if* in the land of peace, *wherein* thou trustedst, *they wearied thee*, then how wilt thou do in the swelling of Jordan?[w]

6 For even thy brethren, and the house of thy father, even they have dealt treacherously with thee; yea, [12]they have called a multitude after thee: believe them not, though they speak [13]fair words unto thee.[x]

7 ¶ I have forsaken mine house, I have left mine heritage; I have given [14]the dearly beloved of my soul into the hand of her enemies.

8 Mine heritage is unto me as a lion in the forest; it [15]crieth out against me: therefore have I hated it.

9 Mine heritage *is* unto me *as* a [16]speckled bird, the birds round about *are* against her; come ye, assemble all the beasts of the field, [17]come to devour.

10 Many pastors have destroyed my vineyard, they have trodden my portion under foot, they have made my [18]pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.[y]

BEFORE CHRIST 600.

a ch. vii. 23; Lev. xxvi 3, 12; Deut. iv 20; 1 Kings viii. 21, 51.

o ch xviii 18; Ps xxvii. 13; lxxxiii. 4; cxvi. 9; cxlii. 5.

1 Heb. *Amen.*

b Deut. vii 12, 13; xxvii. 15—26, Ps. cv 9, 10.

p ch xvii. 10; xx. 12; 1 Sam xvi. 7; 1 Chron xxviii 9; Ps. vii. 9, Rev. ii. 23.

c Rom ii. 13, James i 22

q ch xii 5, 6, Isa xxx. 10; Amos ii 12, vii 13, 16, Micah ii 6.

8 Heb *visit upon*

d ch vii 13, 25, xxxv 15.

2 Or, *stubbornness.*

r ch. xxiii 12, xlvi. 21, xlviii. 44, l. 27, Luke xix 44

e ch iii. 17; vii 24, 26, ix. 14.

f Ezek. xxii. 25, Hos. vi. 9.

9 Or, *let me reason the case with thee*

g Ezek xx. 18.

s ch v 28; Job xii. 6, xxi 7; Ps xxxvii 1, 35, lii 4; lxxiii 3, &c., Hab i 4, Mal iii 15

h ch xiv. 12, Ps xviii. 41, Prov i 28, Isa. i. 15, Ezek viii 18, Micah iii. 4, Zech. vii 13

10 Heb. *they go on.*

t Isa. xxix 13, Matt xv 8, Mark vii 6

3 Heb *evil*

i Deut xxxii 37, 38

11 Heb. *with thee*

u ch xi 20, Ps cxxxix 1, James v 5

4 Heb *shame*

j ch ii 28, iii 24, Hos ix 10

v ch iv 25, vii 20, ix 10, xxiii 10, Ps cvii. 34, Hos iv 3

5 Heb *evil*

k ch vii 16, xiv 11, Exod xxxii 10, 1 John v 16

6 Heb *What is to my beloved in my house*

7 Or, *when thy evil is*

w ch xlix 19, l 44, Josh iii 15 1 Chron xii 15, Hos. iv 3

l Ps l. 16, Prov ii 14, Isa. i. 11, &c., Ezek xvi 25, &c., Hagg ii 12—14, Titus i 15

12 Or, *they cried after thee fully*

13 Heb *good things*

x ch ix 4, Prov xxvi 25

m Ps lii 8, Rom xi 17

14 Heb *the love*

15 Or, *yelleth* Heb *giveth out his voice*

n ch. ii 21, Isa v 2

16 Or, *taloned.*

17 Or, *cause them to come*

18 Heb *portion of desire*

y ch vi 3; Isa v 1, 5; lxi 9; lxiii 18.

11 They have made it desolate, *and being* desolate it mourneth unto me; the whole land is made desolate, because no man layeth *it* to heart.[a]

12 The spoilers are come upon all high places through the wilderness: for the sword of the LORD shall devour from the *one* end of the land even to the *other* end of the land: no flesh shall have peace.

13 They have sown wheat, but shall reap thorns: they have put themselves to pain, *but* shall not profit: and [1]they shall be ashamed of your revenues because of the fierce anger of the LORD.[b]

14 ¶ Thus saith the LORD against all mine evil neighbours, that touch the inheritance which I have caused my people Israel to inherit; Behold, I will pluck them out of their land, and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.[c]

15 And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have compassion on them, and will bring them again, every man to his heritage, and every man to his land.[d]

16 And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of my people, to swear by my name, The LORD liveth; as they taught my people to swear by Baal; then shall they be built in the midst of my people.[e]

17 But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the LORD.[f]

CHAPTER XIII.

] *In the type of a linen girdle, hidden at Euphrates, God prefigureth the destruction of his people* 12 *Under the parable of the bottles filled with wine he foretelleth their drunkenness in misery.* 15 *He exhorteth to prevent them future judgments.* 22 *He sheweth their abominations are the cause thereof*

THUS saith the LORD unto me, Go and get thee a linen girdle, and put it upon thy loins, and put it not in water.

2 So I got a girdle according to the word of the LORD, and put *it* on my loins.

3 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying,

4 Take the girdle that thou hast got, which *is* upon thy loins, and arise, go to Euphrates, and hide it there in a hole of the rock.

5 So I went, and hid it by Euphrates, as the LORD commanded me.

6 And it came to pass after many days, that the LORD said unto me, Arise, go to Euphrates, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there.

7 Then I went to Euphrates, and digged, and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it: and, behold, the girdle was marred, it was profitable for nothing.

8 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

9 Thus saith the LORD, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem.[g]

10 This evil people, which refuse to hear my words, which walk in the [2]imagination of their heart, and walk after other gods, to serve them, and to worship them, shall even be as this girdle, which is good for nothing.[h]

11 For as the girdle cleaveth to the loins of a man, so have I caused to cleave unto me the whole house of Israel and the whole house of Judah, saith the LORD; that they might be unto me for a people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory: but they would not hear.[i]

12 ¶ Therefore thou shalt speak unto them this word; Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say unto thee, Do we not certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine?

13 Then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of this land, even the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests, and the prophets, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, with drunkenness.[j]

14 And I will dash them [3]one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, saith the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, [4]but destroy them.[k]

15 ¶ Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the LORD hath spoken.

16 Give glory to the LORD your God, before he cause darkness, and before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while ye look for light, he turn it into the shadow of death, *and* make *it* gross darkness.[l]

17 But if ye will not hear it, my soul shall weep in secret places for *your* pride; and mine eye shall weep sore, and run down with tears, because the LORD'S flock is carried away captive.[m]

18 Say unto the king and to the queen, Humble yourselves, sit down: for your [5]principalities shall come down, *even* the crown of your glory.[n]

19 The cities of the south shall be shut up, and none shall open *them:* Judah shall be carried away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried away captive.

20 Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north: where *is* the flock *that* was given thee, thy beautiful flock?[o]

21 What wilt thou say when he shall [6]punish thee? for thou hast taught them *to be* captains, *and* as chief over thee: shall not sorrows take thee, as a woman in travail?[p]

22 ¶ And if thou say in thine heart, Wherefore come these things upon me? For the greatness of thine iniquity are thy skirts discovered, *and* thy heels [7]made bare.[q]

23 Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? *then* may ye also do good, that are [8]accustomed to do evil.

24 Therefore will I scatter them as the stubble that passeth away by the wind of the wilderness.[r]

25 This *is* thy lot, the portion of thy measures from me, saith the LORD; because thou hast forgotten me, and trusted in falsehood.[s]

26 Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.[t]

BEFORE CHRIST 600.

2 Or, *stubbornness.*

a ver. 4; Isa. xlii. 25.

h ch. ix. 14. xi. 8; xvi. 12.

1 Or, *ye.*

i ch. xxxiii. 9; Exod. xix. 5.

b Lev xxvi. 16; Deut. xxviii 38, Micah vi. 15, Hagg i. 6.

c ch. xxxii 37, Deut. xxx. 3, Zech ii. 8.

d Ezek xxviii 25; Amos ix. 14.

j ch xxv. 27; li 7, Isa. lxiii 6

3 Heb *a man against his brother*

4 Heb *from destroying them.*

k Ps. ii 9

e ch iv 2, Eph ii 20, 21, 1 Peter ii 5

f Isa. lx. 12

l Josh vii 19; Ps xliv 19, Isa. v 30, viii. 22; lix. 9, Amos viii. 9.

m ch ix 1, xiv 17, Lam i 2, 16, ii 18

5 Or, *head tires*

n ch xxii 26, 2 Kings xxiv 12

o ch vi 22

6 Heb *visit upon*

p ch vi. 24

7 Or, *shall be violently taken away*

q ver 26; ch. v 19; xvi. 10; Isa. iii 17; xlvii. 2, 3; Ezek. xvi. 37—39; Nahum iii 5.

8 Heb *taught*

r Ps i. 4, Hos. xiii. 3

s ch x. 14; Job xx 29, Ps xi. 6

g Lev xxvi 19

t ver. 22; Lam. i. 8; Ezek. xvi. 37; xxiii. 29; Hos. ii. 10.



JEREMIAH HIDING HIS GIRDLE.—JEREMIAH XIII. 1—7.

27 I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings, the lewdness of thy whoredom, *and* thine abominations on the hills in the fields. Woe unto thee, O Jerusalem! wilt thou not be made clean? [1]when *shall* *it* once *be?*[a]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *The grievous famine* 7 *causeth Jeremiah to pray.* 10 *The Lord will not be intreated for the people.* 13 *Lying prophets are no excuse for them.* 17 *Jeremiah is moved to complain for them.*

THE word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah concerning [2]the dearth.

2 Judah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish; they are black unto the ground; and the cry of Jerusalem is gone up.[b]

3 And their nobles have sent their little ones to the waters: they came to the pits, *and* found no water; they returned with their vessels empty; they were ashamed and confounded, and covered their heads.[c]

4 Because the ground is chapt, for there was no rain in the earth, the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.

5 Yea, the hind also calved in the field, and forsook *it*, because there was no grass.

6 And the wild asses did stand in the high places, they snuffed up the wind like dragons; their eyes did fail, because *there was* no grass.[d]

7 ¶ O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou *it* for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee.[e]

8 O the hope of Israel, the saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man *that* turneth aside to tarry for a night?[f]

9 Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a mighty man *that* cannot save? yet thou, O LORD, *art*

BEFORE CHRIST 600.

c Ps xl 14, 2 Sam. xv 30.

1 Heb *after when yet?*

a ch ii. 20; iii 2, 6, v 8, Isa. lxv 7; Ezek. vi. 13

d ch ii. 24.

2 Heb *the words of the dearths*, or, *restraints*

e Ps xxv 11.

b ch viii 21; 1 Sam v 12; Isa lii 26.

f ch. xvii 13.

in the midst of us, and [1]we are called by thy name; leave us not.[a]

10 ¶ Thus saith the LORD unto this people, Thus have they loved to wander, they have not refrained their feet, therefore the LORD doth not accept them; he will now remember their iniquity, and visit their sins.[b]

11 Then said the LORD unto me, Pray not for this people for *their* good.[c]

12 When they fast, I will not hear their cry; and when they offer burnt offering and an oblation, I will not accept them: but I will consume them by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence.[d]

13 ¶ Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! behold, the prophets say unto them, Ye shall not see the sword, neither shall ye have famine; but I will give you [2]assured peace in this place.[e]

14 Then the LORD said unto me, The prophets prophesy lies in my name: I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them: they prophesy unto you a false vision and divination, and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.[f]

15 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, and I sent them not, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land; By sword and famine shall those prophets be consumed.[g]

16 And the people to whom they prophesy shall be cast out in the streets of Jerusalem because of the famine and the sword; and they shall have none to bury them, them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters: for I will pour their wickedness upon them.[h]

17 ¶ Therefore thou shalt say this word unto them; Let mine eyes run down with tears night and day, and let them not cease: for the virgin daughter of my people is broken with a great breach, with a very grievous blow.[i]

18 If I go forth into the field, then behold the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the city, then behold them that are sick with famine! yea, both the prophet and the priest [3]go about into a land that they know not.[j]

19 Hast thou utterly rejected Judah? hath thy soul lothed Zion? why hast thou smitten us, and *there is* no healing for us? we looked for peace, and *there is* no good; and for the time of healing, and behold trouble![k]

20 We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness, *and* the iniquity of our fathers: for we have sinned against thee.[l]

21 Do not abhor *us*, for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory: remember, break not thy covenant with us.[m]

22 Are there *any* among the vanities of the Gentiles that can cause rain? or can the heavens [4]give showers? *art* not thou he, O LORD our God? therefore we will wait upon thee: for thou hast made all these *things*.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 600.

1 Heb. *thy name is called upon us.* Dan. ix. 18, 19.

a Exod. xxiv. 15, 16; Lev. xxvi. 11, 12; Isa. liv. 1.

b ch. ii. 23—25; Hos. viii. 13; ix. 9.

c ch. vii. 16; xi. 14; Exod. xxxii. 10.

o Exod xxxii 11—14; 1 Sam. vii. 9; Ps. xcix. 6, Ezek. xiv. 14, &c.

d ch. vi. 20, vii 21, 22; ix 16, xi 11; Prov. i. 28, Isa. i 15, lviii 3, Ezek viii 18, Micah iii. 4, Zech. vii 13

2 Heb *peace of truth.*

e ch. iv. 10

p ch. xliii. 11, Ezek. v. 2, 12, Zech. xi. 9.

4 Heb. *families.*

q ch. vii 33; Lev xxvi. 16, &c.; Deut. xxviii. 26

5 Heb. *I will give them for a removing*

f ch. xxiii. 21; xxvii 10. 15; xxix. 8, 9

r ch. xxiv 9, Deut. xxviii. 25; 2 Kings xxi. 11, &c., xxiii. 26; xxiv 3, 4; Ezek. xxiii. 46.

6 Heb. *to ask of thy peace?*

g ch. v 12, 13.

s Isa. li. 19

t ch ii. 13; vii. 24; Hos. xiii. 14.

h Ps lxxix. 3

7 Or, *whatsoever is dear.*

u ch v. 3, Isa ix 13; Amos iv 10, 11

8 Or, *against the mother city a young man spoiling, &c. or, against the mother and the young men*

i ch. viii 21, ix. 1, xiii 17, Lam i. 16, ii 18.

3 Or, *make merchandise against a land, and men acknowledge it not*

j ch. v 31, Ezek. vii. 15.

v 1 Sam ii 5, Amos viii 9

k ch. viii 15, xv. 16; Lam v 22

w ch xx 14; Job iii. 1, &c.

l Ps cvi 6, Dan. ix 8.

9 Or, *I will entreat the enemy for thee*

m Ps. lxxiv 2, 20, cvi. 45

x ch xxxix 11, 12, xl 4, 5

n ch. v 24; x 13; Ps. cxxxv. 7, cxlvii. 8, Isa. xxx. 23.

y ch. xvii 3; Ps. xliv. 12.

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The utter rejection and manifold judgments of the Jews.* 10 *Jeremiah, complaining of their spite, receiveth a promise for himself,* 12 *and a threatening for them.* 15 *He prayeth,* 19 *and receiveth a gracious promise.*



THEN said the LORD unto me, Though Moses and Samuel stood before me, *yet* my mind *could* not *be* toward this people: cast *them* out of my sight, and let them go forth.[o]

2 And it shall come to pass, if they say unto thee, Whither shall we go forth? then thou shalt tell them, Thus saith the LORD; Such as *are* for death, to death; and such as *are* for the sword, to the sword; and such as *are* for the famine, to the famine; and such as *are* for the captivity, to the captivity.[p]

3 And I will appoint over them four [4]kinds, saith the LORD: the sword to slay, and the dogs to tear, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the earth, to devour and destroy.[q]

4 And [5]I will cause them to be removed into all kingdoms of the earth, because of Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, for *that* which he did in Jerusalem.[r]

5 For who shall have pity upon thee, O Jerusalem? or who shall bemoan thee? or who shall go aside [6]to ask how thou doest?[s]

6 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting.[t]

7 And I will fan them with a fan in the gates of the land; I will bereave *them* of [7]children, I will destroy my people, *since* they return not from their ways.[u]

8 Their widows are increased to me above the sand of the seas: I have brought upon them [8]against the mother of the young men a spoiler at noonday: I have caused *him* to fall upon it suddenly, and terrors upon the city.

9 She that hath borne seven languisheth: she hath given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while *it was* yet day: she hath been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies, saith the LORD.[v]

10 ¶ Woe is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on usury; *yet* every one of them doth curse me.[w]

11 The LORD said, Verily it shall be well with thy remnant; verily [9]I will cause the enemy to entreat thee *well* in the time of evil and in the time of affliction.[x]

12 Shall iron break the northern iron and the steel?

13 Thy substance and thy treasures will I give to the spoil without price, and *that* for all thy sins, even in all thy borders.[y]

14 And I will make *thee* to pass with thine enemies



THE DEARTH OF WATER.—JEREMIAH XIV. 3.

into a land *which* thou knowest not: for a fire is kindled in mine anger, *which* shall burn upon you.[a]

15 ¶ O LORD, thou knowest: remember me, and visit me, and revenge me of my persecutors; take me not away in thy longsuffering: know that for thy sake I have suffered rebuke.[b]

16 Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for [1]I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.[c]

17 I sat not in the assembly of the mockers, nor rejoiced; I sat alone because of thy hand: for thou hast filled me with indignation.[d]

18 Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, *which* refuseth to be healed? wilt thou be altogether unto me as a liar, *and as* waters *that* [2]fail?[e]

19 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD, If thou return, then will I bring thee again, *and* thou shalt stand before me: and if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my mouth: let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.[f]

20 And I will make thee unto this people a fenced brasen wall: and they shall fight against thee, but they shall not prevail against thee: for I *am* with thee to save thee and to deliver thee, saith the LORD.[g]

21 And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *The prophet, under the types of abstaining from marriage, from houses of mourning and feasting, foresheweth the utter ruin of the Jews,* 10 *because they were worse than their fathers.* 14 *Their return from captivity shall be stranger than their deliverance out of Egypt.* 16 *God will doubly recompense their idolatry.*

THE word of the LORD came also unto me, saying,

2 Thou shalt not take thee a wife, neither shalt thou have sons or daughters in this place.

3 For thus saith the LORD concerning the sons and concerning the daughters that are born in this place, and concerning their mothers that bare them, and concerning their fathers that begat them in this land;

4 They shall die of grievous deaths; they shall not be lamented; neither shall they be buried; *but* they shall be as dung upon the face of the earth: and they shall be consumed by the sword, and by famine; and their carcases shall be meat for the fowls of heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.[h]

5 For thus saith the LORD, Enter not into the house of [3]mourning, neither go to lament nor bemoan them: for I have taken away my peace from this people, saith the LORD, *even* lovingkindness and mercies.[i]

6 Both the great and the small shall die in this land: they shall not be buried, neither shall *men* lament for them, nor cut themselves, nor make themselves bald for them:[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 600.

4 Or, *break bread for them*, as Deut. xxvi. 14; Job xlii. 11; Ezek. xxiv. 17; Hos. ix. 4.

a ch. xvi. 13; xvii. 4; Deut. xxxii. 22.

k Prov. xxxi. 6, 7.

b ch. xi. 20; xii. 3; xx. 12; Ps. lxix. 7.

1 Heb. *thy name is called upon me.*

c Job xxiii. 12; Ps. cxix. 72, 111; Ezek. iii. 1, 3; Rev. x. 9, 10.

l ch. vii. 34; xxv. 10; Isa. xxiv. 7, 8; Ezek. xxvi. 13; Hos. ii 11; Rev. xviii. 23.

d Ps vii. 12, xxvi. 4, 5.

2 Heb. *be not sure?*

e ch. i. 18, 19; Job vi. 15, &c.

m ch v. 19; xiii. 22; xxii. 8; Deut. xxix. 24.

f Ezek. xxii. 26; xliv. 23; Zech. iii. 7.

n ch. xxii. 9; Deut. xxix. 25.

5 Or, *stubbornness.*

o ch. vii. 26; xiii 10

g ch i. 18; vi. 27; xx. 11, 12.

p ch. xv. 14; Deut. iv. 26—28; xxviii. 36, 63—65.

q ch. xxiii. 7, 8; Isa. xliii. 18.

r ch xxiv. 6; xxx. 3, xxxii. 37.

s Amos iv. 2; Hab. i. 15.

t ch. xxxii. 19, Job xxxiv 21, Prov. v. 21; xv. 3.

u ch xvii. 18; Isa. xl. 2, Ezek. xliii. 7, 9.

h ch vii. 33, viii. 2; ix. 22; xv 2; xxii. 18, 19; xxv. 33; xxxiv. 20; Ps. lxxix. 2; lxxxiii. 10.

3 Or, *mourning feast.*

v ch ii. 11; x 5; xvii. 17; Ps. xvii. 2; Isa. xliv. 10.

w ch. ii. 11; Isa. xxxvii. 19, Gal. iv. 8.

i Ezek. xxiv. 17, 22, 23.

j ch. vii. 29; xxii. 18; xli. 5; xlvii. 5; Lev. xix. 28; Deut. xiv. 1; Isa. xxii. 12.

6 Or, JEHOVAH, Ps. lxxxiii. 18.

x ch. xxxiii. 2; Exod. xv. 3; Amos v. 8.

7 Neither shall *men* [4]tear *themselves* for them in mourning, to comfort them for the dead; neither shall *men* give them the cup of consolation to drink for their father or for their mother.[k]

8 Thou shalt not also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to drink.

9 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will cause to cease out of this place in your eyes, and in your days, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.[l]

10 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when thou shalt shew this people all these words, and they shall say unto thee, Wherefore hath the LORD pronounced all this great evil against us? or what *is* our iniquity? or what *is* our sin that we have committed against the LORD our God?[m]

11 Then shalt thou say unto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, saith the LORD, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken me, and have not kept my law;[n]

12 And ye have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, ye walk every one after the [5]imagination of his evil heart, that they may not hearken unto me:[o]

13 Therefore will I cast you out of this land into a land that ye know not, *neither* ye nor your fathers; and there shall ye serve other gods day and night; where I will not shew you favour.[p]

14 ¶ Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;[q]

15 But, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.[r]

16 ¶ Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the LORD, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.[s]

17 For mine eyes *are* upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes.[t]

18 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double; because they have defiled my land, they have filled mine inheritance with the carcases of their detestable and abominable things.[u]

19 O LORD, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and *things* wherein *there is* no profit.[v]

20 Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they *are* no gods?[w]

21 Therefore, behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know mine hand and my might; and they shall know that my name *is* [6]The LORD.



THE CUP OF CONSOLATION GIVEN TO MOURNERS AT AN ANCIENT JEWISH FUNERAL.—JEREMIAH XVI. 7, 8.

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *The captivity of Judah for her sin.* 5 *Trust in man is cursed, 7 in God is blessed* 9 *The deceitful heart cannot deceive God.* 12 *The salvation of God.* 15 *The prophet complaineth of the mockers of his prophecy.* 19 *He is sent to renew the covenant in hallowing the sabbath.*

THE sin of Judah *is* written with a pen of iron, *and* with the [1]point of a diamond: *it is* graven upon the table of their heart, and upon the horns of your altars;[a]

2 Whilst their children remember their altars and their groves by the green trees upon the high hills.[b]

3 O my mountain in the field, I will give thy substance *and* all thy treasures to the spoil, *and* thy high places for sin, throughout all thy borders.[c]

4 And thou, even [2]thyself, shalt discontinue from thine heritage that I gave thee; and I will cause thee to serve thine enemies in the land which thou knowest not: for ye have kindled a fire in mine anger, *which* shall burn for ever.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 600

c Isa xxx 1, 2, xxxi. 1, 3.

1 Heb *nail.*

f ch xlviii 6; Deut xxix 23, Job xx 17

g Ps. ii. 12; xxxiv 8; cxxv 1; cxlvi. 5, Prov. xvi. 20, Isa xxx 18.

a Job xix 24; Prov. iii. 3; 2 Cor iii. 3.

b ch ii 20, Judg iii 7; 2 Chron xxiv 18; xxxiii 3, 19; Isa. i 29; xvii 8

3 Or, *restraint.*

h Job viii. 16; Ps. i. 3.

c ch xv 13.

2 Heb. *in thyself.*

c ch xi. 20; xx. 12; xxxii 19; 1 Sam xvi 7; 1 Chron xxviii 9; Ps. vii 9, cxxxix. 23, 24; Prov. xvii. 3; Rom. ii. 6; viii. 27; Rev ii. 23.

4 Or, *gathereth young which she hath not brought forth*

d ch. xv. 14; xvi. 13.

5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; Cursed *be* the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.[e]

6 For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, *in* a salt land and not inhabited.[f]

7 Blessed *is* the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is.[g]

8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and *that* spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of [3]drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit.[h]

9 ¶ The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked: who can know it?[i]

10 I the LORD search the heart, *I* try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, *and* according to the fruit of his doings.[k]

11 *As* the partridge [4]sitteth *on eggs*, and hatcheth *them* not; *so* he that getteth riches, and not by right,

shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool.[a]

12 ¶ A glorious high throne from the beginning *is* the place of our sanctuary.

13 O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, *and* they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters.[b]

14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou *art* my praise.[c]

15 ¶ Behold, they say unto me, Where *is* the word of the LORD? let it come now.[d]

16 As for me, I have not hastened from *being* a pastor [1]to follow thee: neither have I desired the woeful day; thou knowest: that which came out of my lips was *right* before thee.[e]

17 Be not a terror unto me: thou *art* my hope in the day of evil.[f]

18 Let them be confounded that persecute me, but let not me be confounded: let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed: bring upon them the day of evil, and [2]destroy them with double destruction.[g]

19 ¶ Thus said the LORD unto me; Go and stand in the gate of the children of the people, whereby the kings of Judah come in, and by the which they go out, and in all the gates of Jerusalem;

20 And say unto them, Hear ye the word of the LORD, ye kings of Judah, and all Judah, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, that enter in by these gates:[h]

21 Thus saith the LORD; Take heed to yourselves, and bear no burden on the sabbath day, nor bring *it* in by the gates of Jerusalem;[i]

22 Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the sabbath day, neither do ye any work, but hallow ye the sabbath day, as I commanded your fathers.[j]

23 But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they might not hear, nor receive instruction.[k]

24 And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto me, saith the LORD, to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the sabbath day, but hallow the sabbath day, to do no work therein;

25 Then shall there enter into the gates of this city kings and princes sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and this city shall remain for ever.[l]

26 And they shall come from the cities of Judah, and from the places about Jerusalem, and from the land of Benjamin, and from the plain, and from the mountains, and from the south, bringing burnt offerings, and sacrifices, and meat offerings, and incense, and bringing sacrifices of praise, unto the house of the LORD.[m]

27 But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the sabbath day, and not to bear a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem on the sabbath day; then will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 610.

[a] Ps. lv. 23; Luke xii. 20.

[b] ch. ii. 13; xiv. 8; Ps. lxxiii. 27; Isa. i. 28; Luke x. 20.

[c] Deut. x. 21; Ps. cix. 1; cxlviii. 14.

[d] Isa. v. 19; Amos v. 18, 2 Peter iii. 4.

3 Or, *frames*, or, *seats*

4 Or, *that he made was marred, as clay in the hand of the potter.*

1 Heb. *after thee.*

5 Heb. *returned and made.*

[e] ch. i. 4, &c.

[f] ch. xvi. 19.

[g] Isa. xiv. 9; lxiv. 8; Rom. ix. 20, 21

2 Heb. *break them with a double breach.*

[h] Pa. xxv. 2; xxxv. 4; xl. 14, lxx 2.

[i] ch. i. 10.

[j] ch xxvi. 3; Jonah iii. 10; Ezek. xviii. 21, xxxiii. 11.

[k] ch. xix. 3; xxii. 2.

[l] Numb. xv. 32, &c; Neh xiii. 19.

[m] Exod xx 8, xxiii 12, xxxi 13, Ezek. xx. 12

[n] ch vii 3, xxv. 5, xxvi 13; xxxv 15, 2 Kings xvii 13

[o] ch vii 24, 26, xi 10.

[p] ch li 25

[q] ch ii 10, v 30; 1 Cor. v 1.

6 Or, *my fields for a rock*, or, *for the snow of Lebanon? shall the running waters be forsaken for the strange cold waters?*

[r] ch xxii. 4.

[s] ch. ii. 13, 32; iii. 21; vi. 16; x. 15; xiii. 25; xvi. 19; xvii. 13

[t] ch xxxii. 44; xxxiii. 13; Ps. cvii. 22; cxvi. 17; Zech. vii. 7.

[u] ch. xix. 8; xlix. 13; l. 13; 1 Kings ix. 8; Lam. ii. 16; Micah vi. 16.

[v] ch. ii. 27; xiii. 24; Ps. xlviii. 7.

[w] ch. xxi. 14; xlix. 27; lii. 13; 2 Kings xxv. 9; Lam. iv. 11; Amos i. 4, 7, 10, 12; ii. 2, 5.

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Under the type of a potter is shewed God's absolute power in disposing of nations.* 11 *Judgments threatened to Judah for her strange revolt.* 18 *Jeremiah prayeth against his conspirators.*

THE word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.

3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the [3]wheels.

4 And the vessel [4]that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he [5]made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make *it*.

5 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

6 O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay *is* in the potter's hand, so *are* ye in mine hand, O house of Israel.[o]

7 *At what* instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy *it*;[p]

8 If that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do unto them.[q]

9 And *at what* instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant *it*;

10 If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them.

11 ¶ Now therefore go to, speak to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I frame evil against you, and devise a device against you: return ye now every one from his evil way, and make your ways and your doings good.[r]

12 And they said, There is no hope: but we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do the imagination of his evil heart.[s]

13 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ask ye now among the heathen, who hath heard such things: the virgin of Israel hath done a very horrible thing.[t]

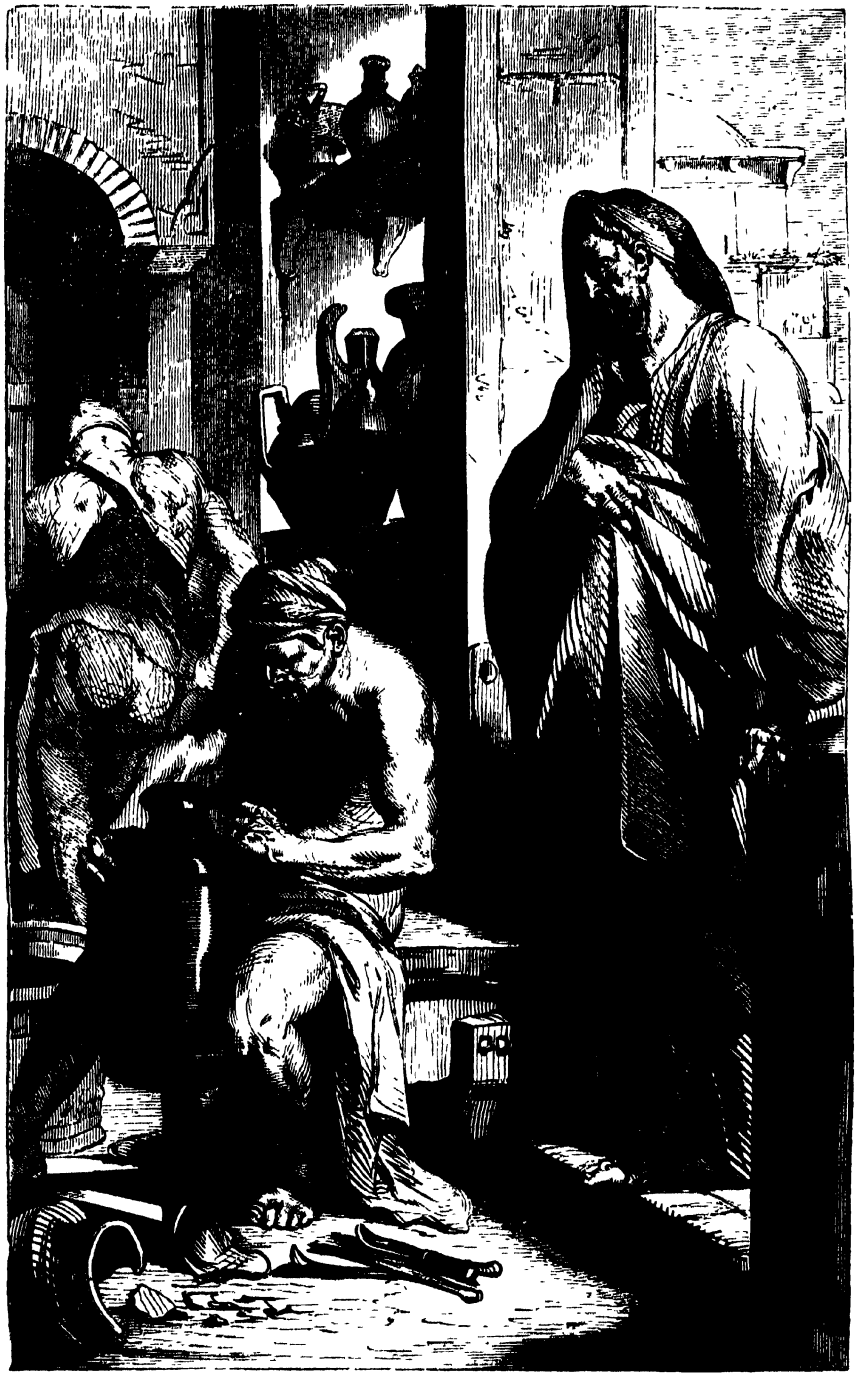
14 Will *a man* leave [6]the snow of Lebanon *which cometh* from the rock of the field? *or* shall the cold flowing waters that come from another place be forsaken?

15 Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways *from* the ancient paths, to walk in paths, *in* a way not cast up;[u]

16 To make their land desolate, *and* a perpetual hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head.[v]

17 I will scatter them as with an east wind before the enemy; I will shew them the back, and not the face, in the day of their calamity.[w]

18 ¶ Then said they, Come, and let us devise devices against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the



JEREMIAH AT THE POTTER'S HOUSE.—JEREMIAH XVIII. 3

word from the prophet. Come, and let us smite him [1]with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words.[a]

19 Give heed to me, O LORD, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me.

20 Shall evil be recompensed for good? for they have digged a pit for my soul. Remember that I stood before thee to speak good for them, *and* to turn away thy wrath from them.[b]

21 Therefore deliver up their children to the famine, and [2]pour out their *blood* by the force of the sword; and let their wives be bereaved of their children, and *be* widows; and let their men be put to death; *let* their young men *be* slain by the sword in battle.[c]

22 Let a cry be heard from their houses, when thou shalt bring a troop suddenly upon them: for they have digged a pit to take me, and hid snares for my feet.[d]

23 Yet, LORD, thou knowest all their counsel against me [3]to slay *me:* forgive not their iniquity, neither blot out their sin from thy sight, but let them be overthrown before thee; deal *thus* with them in the time of thine anger.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 608

1 Or, *for the tongue*

a Lev. x. 11; Mal. ii. 7; John vii. 48, 49.

c Ps. cix. 9, 10.

d ver. 20

b ver. 22; Ps. xxxv. 7; lvii. 6; cix. 4, 5.

3 Heb. *for death.*

2 Heb. *pour them out.*

e ch. xi. 20; xv. 15; Ps. xxxv. 4; cix. 14.

CHAPTER XIX.

Under the type of breaking a potter's vessel is foreshewed the desolation of the Jews for their sins.

THUS saith the LORD, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle, and *take* of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the priests;

2 And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which *is* by the entry of [1]the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee,[a]

3 And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD, O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall tingle.[b]

4 Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have burned incense in it unto other gods, whom neither they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah, and have filled this place with the blood of innocents;[c]

5 They have built also the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire *for* burnt offerings unto Baal, which I commanded not, nor spake *it*, neither came *it* into my mind:[d]

6 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that this place shall no more be called Tophet, nor The valley of the son of Hinnom, but The valley of slaughter.[e]

7 And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and I will cause them to fall by the sword before their enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their lives: and their carcases will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.[f]

8 And I will make this city desolate, and an hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished and hiss because of all the plagues thereof.[g]

9 And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons and the flesh of their daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.[h]

10 Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee,[i]

11 And shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Even so will I break this people and this city, as *one* breaketh a potter's vessel, that cannot [2]be made whole again: and they shall bury *them* in Tophet, till *there be* no place to bury.[j]

12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and *even* make this city as Tophet:

13 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 608.

l 2 Chron. xx. 5.

m ch. vii. 26; xvii. 23.

1 Heb. *the sun gate.*

a ch. vii. 31; Josh. xv. 8; 2 Kings xxiii. 10.

b ch. xvii. 20; 1 Sam. iii. 11, 2 Kings xxi. 12.
* 1 Chron. xxiv. 14.

c ch. ii. 13, 17, 19, 34, xv. 6, xvii. 1, 3, Deut. xxviii. 20; 2 Kings xxi. 16; Isa. lxv. 11

d ch. vii. 31, 32, xxxii. 35; Lev. xviii. 21

3 That is, *Fear round about*

o ver. 10, ch. vi. 25, xlvi. 5; xlix. 29

e Josh. xv. 8.

f ch. vii. 33; xvi. 4; xxxiv. 20; Lev. xxvi. 17, Deut. xxviii. 25, Ps. lxxix. 2.

g ch. xviii. 16; xlix. 13; 1. 13

p ch. iii. 24, 2 Kings xx. 17; xxiv. 12—16; xxv. 13, &c.

h Lev. xxvi. 29, Deut. xxviii. 53, Isa. ix. 20, Lam. iv. 10

q ch. xiv. 13, 14, xxviii. 15, xxix. 21.

4 Or, *enticed*

i ch. li. 63, 64

r ch. i. 6, 7, Lam. iii. 14

2 Heb. *be healed*

j ch. vii. 32, Ps. ii. 9, Isa. xxx. 14, Lam. iv. 2.

s ch. vi. 7.

t Job xxxii. 18; Ps. xxxix. 3; Acts xviii. 5.

5 Heb. *Every man of my peace*

k ch. vii. 18, xxxii. 29; 2 Kings xxiii. 10, 12; Zeph. i. 5.

14 Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whither the LORD had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in the court of the LORD'S house; and said to all the people,[l]

15 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it, because they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words.[m]

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Pashur, smiting Jeremiah, receiveth a new name, and a fearful doom.* 7 *Jeremiah complaineth of contempt,* 10 *of treachery,* 14 *and of his birth.*

NOW Pashur the son of Immer the priest, who *was* also chief governor in the house of the LORD, heard that Jeremiah prophesied these things.[n]

2 Then Pashur smote Jeremiah the prophet, and put him in the stocks that *were* in the high gate of Benjamin, which *was* by the house of the LORD.

3 And it came to pass on the morrow, that Pashur brought forth Jeremiah out of the stocks. Then said Jeremiah unto him, The LORD hath not called thy name Pashur, but [3]Magor-missabib.[o]

4 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will make thee a terror to thyself, and to all thy friends: and they shall fall by the sword of their enemies, and thine eyes shall behold *it:* and I will give all Judah into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall carry them captive into Babylon, and shall slay them with the sword.

5 Moreover I will deliver all the strength of this city, and all the labours thereof, and all the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the kings of Judah will I give into the hand of their enemies, which shall spoil them, and take them, and carry them to Babylon.[p]

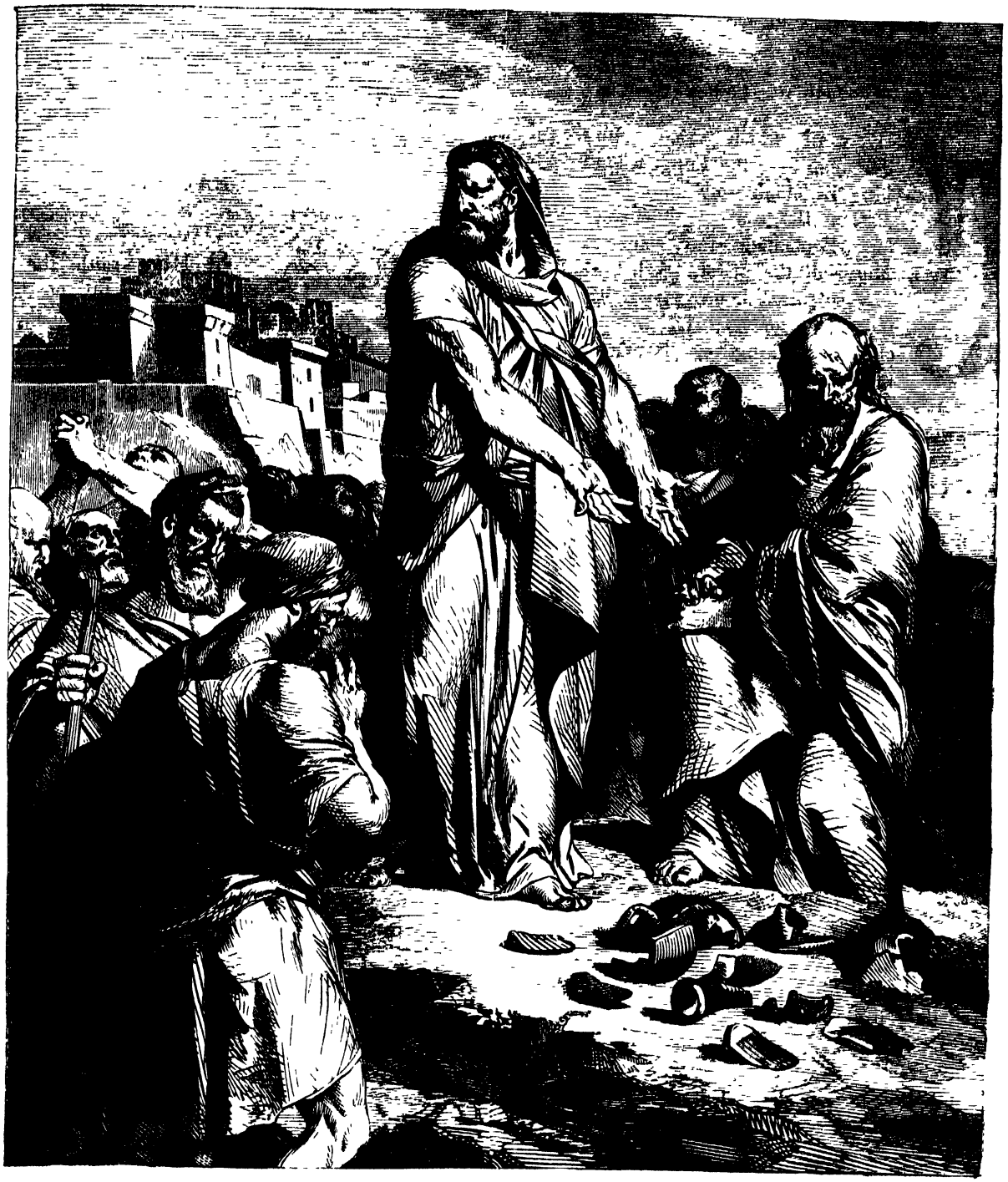
6 And thou, Pashur, and all that dwell in thine house shall go into captivity: and thou shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die, and shalt be buried there, thou, and all thy friends, to whom thou hast prophesied lies.[q]

7 ¶ O LORD, thou hast [4]deceived me, and I was deceived: thou art stronger than I, and hast prevailed: I am in derision daily, every one mocketh me.[r]

8 For since I spake, I cried out, I cried violence and spoil; because the word of the LORD was made a reproach unto me, and a derision, daily.[s]

9 Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name. But *his word* was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not *stay.*[t]

10 ¶ For I heard the defaming of many, fear on every side. Report, *say they,* and we will report it. [5]All my familiars watched for my halting, *saying,* Peradventure he will be enticed, and we shall pre-



JEREMIAH PROPHESYING IN THE VALLEY OF TOPHET.—JEREMIAH XIX. 1—7.

vail against him, and we shall take our revenge on him.[a]

11 But the LORD *is* with me as a mighty terrible one: therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: *their* everlasting confusion shall never be forgotten.[b]

12 But, O LORD of hosts, that triest the righteous, *and* seest the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause.[c]

13 Sing unto the LORD, praise ye the LORD: for he hath delivered the soul of the poor from the hand of evildoers.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 608.

a Job xix. 19; Ps xli. 9, lv. 13, 14, Luke xi. 53, 54.

c ch. xv. 10; Job iii 3.

b ch. i 8, 19; xv 20, xvii 18; xxiii 40.

f ch. xviii 22, Gen xix. 25.

c ch. xi 20; xvii. 10, Ps liv 7, lix 10.

g Job iii. 10, 11.

d Ps. xxxv. 9, 10; cix 30, 31.

h Job iii. 20; Lam. iii 1.

14 ¶ Cursed *be* the day wherein I was born: let not the day wherein my mother bare me be blessed.[e]

15 Cursed *be* the man who brought tidings to my father, saying, A man child is born unto thee; making him very glad.

16 And let that man be as the cities which the LORD overthrew, and repented not: and let him hear the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noontide;[f]

17 Because he slew me not from the womb; or that my mother might have been my grave, and her womb *to be* always great *with me.*[g]

18 Wherefore came I forth out of the womb to see labour and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with shame?[h]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 Zedekiah sendeth to Jeremiah to enquire the event of Nebuchadrezzar's war. 3 Jeremiah foretelleth a hard siege and miserable captivity. 8 He counselleth the people to fall to the Chaldeans, 11 and upbraideth the king's house.

THE word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when king Zedekiah sent unto him Pashur the son of Melchiah, and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,[a]

2 Enquire, I pray thee, of the LORD for us; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon maketh war against us; if so be that the LORD will deal with us according to all his wondrous works, that he may go up from us.[b]

3 ¶ Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah:

4 Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Behold, I will turn back the weapons of war that *are* in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the king of Babylon, and *against* the Chaldeans, which besiege you without the walls, and I will assemble them into the midst of this city.[c]

5 And I myself will fight against you with an outstretched hand and with a strong arm, even in anger, and in fury, and in great wrath.[d]

6 And I will smite the inhabitants of this city, both man and beast: they shall die of a great pestilence.

7 And afterward, saith the LORD, I will deliver Zedekiah king of Judah, and his servants, and the people, and such as are left in this city from the pestilence, from the sword, and from the famine, into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of those that seek their life: and he shall smite them with the edge of the sword; he shall not spare them, neither have pity, nor have mercy.[e]

8 ¶ And unto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death.[f]

9 He that abideth in this city shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth out, and falleth to the Chaldeans that besiege you, he shall live, and his life shall be unto him for a prey.[g]

10 For I have set my face against this city for evil, and not for good, saith the LORD: it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire.[h]

11 ¶ And touching the house of the king of Judah, *say*, Hear ye the word of the LORD;

12 O house of David, thus saith the LORD; [1]Execute judgment in the morning, and deliver *him that is* spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor, lest my fury go out like fire, and burn that none can quench *it*, because of the evil of your doings.[i]

13 Behold, I *am* against thee, O [2]inhabitant of the valley, *and* rock of the plain, saith the LORD; which say, Who shall come down against us? or who shall enter into our habitations?[j]

14 But I will [3]punish you according to the fruit of your doings, saith the LORD: and I will kindle a fire in the forest thereof, and it shall devour all things round about it.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 598.

j ch xlix. 4; Ezek. xiii. 8.

3 Heb. *visit upon.*

k ch liii 13; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 19; Prov. i. 31, Isa. iii. 10, 11

CHAPTER XXII.

1 He exhorteth to repentance, with promises and threats. 10 The judgment of Shallum, 13 of Jehoiakim, 20 and of Coniah.

THUS saith the LORD; Go down to the house of the king of Judah, and speak there this word,

2 And say, Hear the word of the LORD, O king of Judah, that sittest upon the throne of David, thou, and thy servants, and thy people that enter in by these gates:[l]

3 Thus saith the LORD; Execute ye judgment and righteousness, and deliver the spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor: and do no wrong, do no violence to the stranger, the fatherless, nor the widow, neither shed innocent blood in this place.[m]

4 For if ye do this thing indeed, then shall there enter in by the gates of this house kings sitting [4]upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, he, and his servants, and his people.[n]

5 But if ye will not hear these words, I swear by myself, saith the LORD, that this house shall become a desolation.[o]

6 For thus saith the LORD unto the king's house of Judah; Thou *art* Gilead unto me, *and* the head of Lebanon: *yet* surely I will make thee a wilderness, *and* cities *which* are not inhabited.

7 And I will prepare destroyers against thee, every one with his weapons: and they shall cut down thy choice cedars, and cast *them* into the fire.[p]

8 And many nations shall pass by this city, and they shall say every man to his neighbour, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this great city?[q]

9 Then they shall answer, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.[r]

10 ¶ Weep ye not for the dead, neither bemoan him: *but* weep sore for him that goeth away: for he shall return no more, nor see his native country.[s]

11 For thus saith the LORD touching Shallum the son of Josiah king of Judah, which reigned instead of Josiah his father, which went forth out of this place; He shall not return thither any more:[t]

12 But he shall die in the place whither they have led him captive, and shall see this land no more.

13 ¶ Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong; *that* useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work;[u]

14 That saith, I will build me a wide house and [5]large chambers, and cutteth him out [6]windows; and *it is* cieled with cedar, and painted with vermilion.

15 Shalt thou reign, because thou closest *thyself*

l ch. xvii. 20

m ver 17; ch xxi 12

c Isa. xiii 4

4 Heb *for David upon his throne*

d Exod vi 6

n ch xvii 25.

o Heb vi 13, 17

p ch xxi 14, Isa. xxxvii 24

e ch xxxvii 17; xxxix 5; lii 9, Deut xxviii 50, 2 Chron xxxvi 17

q Deut xxix 24, 25, 1 Kings ix 8, 9

f Deut xxx 19

r 2 Kings xxii 17; 2 Chron xxxiv 25

s ver 11, 2 Kings xxii 20

g ch xxxviii. 2, 17, 18, xxxix. 18, xlv *b*

t 1 Chron iii 15; 2 Kings xxiii. 30, 34.

h ch. xxxiv 2, 22, xxxvii. 10, xxxviii. 3, 18, 23, lii 13, Lev xvii. 10; Amos ix 4.

1 Heb. *Judge.*

u ver 18, Lev xix. 13, Deut. xxiv. 14, 15, 2 Kings xxiii. 35, Micah iii 10; Hab. ii. 9; James v. 4

i ch. xxii 3; Ps. ci. 8; Zech. vii. 9.

5 Heb *through-aired.*

6 Or, *my windows.*

2 Heb. *inhabitress.*



JEREMIAH PROPHESYING THE DOOM OF PASHUR.—JEREMIAH XX. 6.

in cedar? did not thy father eat and drink, and do judgment and justice, *and* then *it was* well with him?[a]

16 He judged the cause of the poor and needy; then *it was* well *with him:* was not this to know me? saith the LORD.

17 But thine eyes and thine heart *are* not but for thy covetousness, and for to shed innocent blood, and for oppression, and for [1]violence, to do *it*.[b]

18 Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah; They shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah my brother! or, Ah sister! they shall not lament for him, *saying*, Ah lord! or, Ah his glory![c]

19 He shall be buried with the burial of an ass, drawn and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem.[d]

20 ¶ Go up to Lebanon, and cry; and lift up thy voice in Bashan, and cry from the passages: for all thy lovers are destroyed.

21 I spake unto thee in thy [2]prosperity; *but* thou saidst, I will not hear. This *hath been* thy manner from thy youth, that thou obeyedst not my voice.[e]

22 The wind shall eat up all thy pastors, and thy lovers shall go into captivity: surely then shalt thou be ashamed and confounded for all thy wickedness.[f]

23 O [3]inhabitant of Lebanon, that makest thy nest in the cedars, how gracious shalt thou be when pangs come upon thee, the pain as of a woman in travail![g]

24 *As* I live, saith the LORD, though Coniah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah were the signet upon my right hand, yet would I pluck thee thence;[h]

25 And I will give thee into the hand of them that seek thy life, and into the hand *of them* whose face thou fearest, even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans.[i]

26 And I will cast thee out, and thy mother that bare thee, into another country, where ye were not born; and there shall ye die.[j]

27 But to the land whereunto they [4]desire to return, thither shall they not return.

BEFORE CHRIST 598

e ch iii 25, vii 23, &c

a 2 Kings xxiii 25, Ps. cxxviii 2, Isa. iii 10

f ver 20, ch xxxi 1

3 Heb *inhabitress.*

g ch vi 24

1 Or, *incursion*

b Ezek xix 6

h ch xxxvii 1, 2 Kings xxiv 6, 8, 1 Chron iii 16, Cant. viii 6, Hagg ii 23

c ch xvi 4, 6, 1 Kings xiii 30 Fulfilled, B.C. 599

i ch. xxxiv 20

d ch xxxvi 30, 2 Chron xxxvi. 6

j 2 Kings xxiv 15; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 10

4 Heb *lift up their mind*, ch. xliv 14.

2 Heb *prosperities.*

28 *Is* this man Coniah a despised broken idol? *is he* a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?[a]

29 O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.[b]

30 Thus saith the LORD, Write ye this man childless, a man *that* shall not prosper in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, sitting upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.[c]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *He prophesieth a restoration of the scattered flock* 5 *Christ shall rule and save them.* 9 *Against false prophets,* 33 *and mockers of the true prophets.*

WOE be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the LORD.[d]

2 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the LORD.[e]

3 And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase.[f]

4 And I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the LORD.[g]

5 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.[h]

6 In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this *is* his name whereby he shall be called, [1]THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.[i]

7 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that they shall no more say, The LORD liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;[j]

8 But, The LORD liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.[k]

9 ¶ Mine heart within me is broken because of the prophets; all my bones shake; I am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine hath overcome, because of the LORD, and because of the words of his holiness.[l]

10 For the land is full of adulterers; for because of [2]swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their [3]course is evil, and their force *is* not right.[m]

11 For both prophet and priest are profane; yea, in my house have I found their wickedness, saith the LORD.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 605.

a Ps. xxxi. 12; Hos. viii. 8.

o ch. xi. 23; xiii. 16; Ps. xxxv. 6; Prov. iv. 19.

4 Or, *an absurd thing.* Heb. *unsavoury.*

b Deut. xxxii. 1, Isa. i. 2; xxxiv. 1; Micah i. 2.

p ch. ii. 8; Isa. ix. 16.

5 Or, *filthiness.*

c ch xxxvi. 30; 1 Chron. iii. 16, 17, Matt. i. 12

q ver. 26; ch. xxix 23, Deut xxxii 32; Isa i. 9, 10; Ezek xiii 22.

6 Or, *hypocrisy.*

d ch. x. 21, xxii. 22; Ezek. xxxiv. 2.

r ch. viii. 14; ix. 15.

e ver 21; ch. xiv 14.

e Exod. xxxii. 34

7 Or, *stubbornness.*

t ch. vi 14, viii 11; xiv. 10, Ezek xiii. 10, Micah iii. 11; Zech x 2.

8 Or, *secret.*

f ch xxxii. 37; Ezek. xxxiv 13, &c.

u Job xv 8; 1 Cor ii 16

g ch iii 15; Ezek. xxxiv. 23, &c.

v ch. xxv. 32; xxx. 23.

h ch. xxxiii. 14—16; Ps lxxii 2, Isa iv 2; ix 7; xi 1, xxxii 1, 18; xl 10, 11, Dan ix 24; Zech. iii 8, vi. 12, John i 45.

w ch xxx. 24, Gen xlix 1

x ch xiv 14, xxvii 15, xxix 9

1 Heb *Jehovah tsidkenu*

i ch xxxii 37, xxxiii 16, Deut xxxiii 28, Zech. xiv. 11, 1 Cor i 30

y ver 18, ch xxv 5

j ch xvi 14, 15

z 1 Kings viii 27, Ps cxxxix 7, &c, Amos ix 2, 3

k ver 3, Isa. xliii. 5, 6

l Hab iii 16

2 Or, *cursing*

3 Or, *violence*

a Judg iii 7, viii 33, 34

m ch v 7, 8, ix 2, 10, xii 4; Hos iv. 2, 3

9 Heb *with whom is*

n ch vi. 13; vii. 30; viii 10; xi. 15, xxxii 34, Ezek. viii. 11, xxiii 29; Zeph. iii. 4.

12 Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery *ways* in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein: for I will bring evil upon them, *even* the year of their visitation, saith the LORD.[o]

13 And I have seen [4]folly in the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal, and caused my people Israel to err.[p]

14 I have seen also in the prophets of Jerusalem [5]an horrible thing: they commit adultery, and walk in lies: they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness: they are all of them unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as Gomorrah.[q]

15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets; Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall: for from the prophets of Jerusalem is [6]profaneness gone forth into all the land.[r]

16 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of their own heart, *and* not out of the mouth of the LORD.[s]

17 They say still unto them that despise me, The LORD hath said, Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that walketh after the [7]imagination of his own heart, No evil shall come upon you.[t]

18 For who hath stood in the [8]counsel of the LORD, and hath perceived and heard his word? who hath marked his word, and heard *it?*[u]

19 Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD is gone forth in fury, even a grievous whirlwind: it shall fall grievously upon the head of the wicked.[v]

20 The anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly.[w]

21 I have not sent these prophets, yet they ran: I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied.[x]

22 But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, then they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.[y]

23 *Am* I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off?

24 Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.[z]

25 I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies in my name, saying, I have dreamed, I have dreamed.

26 How long shall *this* be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea, *they are* prophets of the deceit of their own heart;

27 Which think to cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour, as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal.[a]

28 The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he [9]that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. What *is* the chaff to the wheat? saith the LORD.

4 Or, *an absurd thing.* Heb. *unsavoury.*

o ch. xi. 23; xiii. 16; Ps. xxxv. 6; Prov. iv. 19.

p ch. ii. 8; Isa. ix. 16.

5 Or, *filthiness.*

q ver. 26; ch. xxix 23, Deut xxxii 32; Isa i. 9, 10; Ezek xiii 22.

6 Or, *hypocrisy.*

r ch. viii. 14; ix. 15.

s ver 21; ch. xiv 14.

7 Or, *stubbornness.*

t ch. vi 14, viii 11; xiv. 10, Ezek xiii. 10, Micah iii. 11; Zech x 2.

8 Or, *secret.*

u Job xv 8; 1 Cor ii 16

v ch. xxv. 32; xxx. 23.

w ch xxx. 24, Gen xlix 1

x ch xiv 14, xxvii 15, xxix 9

y ver 18, ch xxv 5

z 1 Kings viii 27, Ps cxxxix 7, &c, Amos ix 2, 3

a Judg iii 7, viii 33, 34

9 Heb *with whom is*



"BEHOLD, A WHIRLWIND OF THE LORD IS GONE FORTH IN FURY."—JEREMIAH XXIII. 19.

29 *Is* not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer *that* breaketh the rock in pieces?

30 Therefore, behold, I *am* against the prophets, saith the LORD, that steal my words every one from his neighbour.[a]

31 Behold, I *am* against the prophets, saith the LORD, [1]that use their tongues, and say, He saith.

32 Behold, I *am* against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their lightness; yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD.[b]

33 ¶ And when this people, or the prophet, or a priest, shall ask thee, saying, What *is* the burden of the LORD? thou shalt then say unto them, What burden? I will even forsake you, saith the LORD.[c]

34 And *as for* the prophet, and the priest, and the people, that shall say, The burden of the LORD, I will even [2]punish that man and his house.

35 Thus shall ye say every one to his neighbour, and every one to his brother, What hath the LORD answered? and, What hath the LORD spoken?

36 And the burden of the LORD shall ye mention no more: for every man's word shall be his burden; for ye have perverted the words of the living God, of the LORD of hosts our God.

37 Thus shalt thou say to the prophet, What hath the LORD answered thee? and, What hath the LORD spoken?

38 But since ye say, The burden of the LORD; therefore thus saith the LORD; Because ye say this word, The burden of the LORD, and I have sent unto you, saying, Ye shall not say, The burden of the LORD;

39 Therefore, behold, I, even I, will utterly forget you, and I will forsake you, and the city that I gave you and your fathers, *and cast you* out of my presence:[d]

40 And I will bring an everlasting reproach upon you, and a perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 605

a ch. xiv. 14, 15. Deut. xviii. 20

1 Or, *that smooth their tongues*

b Zeph. iii. 4

c ver. 39. Mal. i. 1.

d ver. 33. Hos. iv. 6.

2 Heb. *visit upon.*

e ch. xx. 11.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Under the type of good and bad figs, 4 he foreshoweth the restoration of them that were in captivity, 8 and the desolation of Zedekiah and the rest.*

THE LORD shewed me, and, behold, two baskets of figs *were* set before the temple of the LORD, after that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon had carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, and the princes of Judah, with the carpenters and smiths, from Jerusalem, and had brought them to Babylon.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 606.

d ch xxix. 17; xliii., xliv.

3 Heb. *for removing, or, vexation.*

e ch xv. 4; xxix. 18; xxxiv. 17; Deut. xxviii 25, 37; 1 Kings ix. 7; 2 Chron. vii. 20; Ps. xliv. 13, 14.

a ch xxii 24; xxix. 2; 2 Kings xxiv. 12, &c; 2 Chron xxxvi. 10, Amos vii 1, 4, viii 1.

r ch xxix. 18, 22.

8 ¶ And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus saith the LORD, So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah, and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:[d]

9 And I will deliver them [3]to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth for *their* hurt, *to be* a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse, in all places whither I shall drive them.[e]

10 And I will send the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, among them, till they be consumed from off the land that I gave unto them and to their fathers.[r]



BASKETS OF FIGS.

2 One basket *had* very good figs, *even* like the figs *that are* first ripe: and the other basket *had* very naughty figs, which could not be eaten, [1]they were so bad.

3 Then said the LORD unto me, What seest thou, Jeremiah? And I said, Figs; the good figs, very good; and the evil, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.

4 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

5 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Like these good figs, so will I acknowledge [2]them that are carried away captive of Judah, whom I have sent out of this place into the land of the Chaldeans for *their* good.

6 For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and I will bring them again to this land: and I will build them, and not pull *them* down; and I will plant them, and not pluck *them* up.[b]

7 And I will give them an heart to know me, that I *am* the LORD: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.[c]

1 Heb *for badness*

2 Heb *the captivity*

g ch xxxvi 1.

b ch xii 15, xxix. 10; xxxii 41, xxxiii. 7, xlii 10

h ch vii 13, xi. 7, 8, 10, xiii 10, 11, xvi 12, xvii. 23, xviii 12, xix. 15; xxii 21

c ch xxix 13; xxx. 22; xxxi. 33; xxxii 39, 39, Deut. xxx. 6, Ezek. xi. 19; xxxvi. 26, 27.

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *Jeremiah reproving the Jews' disobedience to the prophets, 8 foretelleth the seventy years' captivity, 12 and after that, the destruction of Babylon. 15 Under the type of a cup of wine he foreshoweth the destruction of all nations 34 The howling of the shepherds.*

THE word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, that *was* the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon;[g]

2 The which Jeremiah the prophet spake unto all the people of Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, saying,

3 From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, even unto this day, that *is* the three and twentieth year, the word of the LORD hath come unto me, and I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye have not hearkened.[h]

4 And the LORD hath sent unto you all his servants the prophets, rising early and sending *them;*



"THIS MAN IS NOT WORTHY TO DIE: FOR HE HATH SPOKEN TO US IN THE NAME OF THE LORD OUR GOD."—JEREMIAH XXVI. 16.

but ye have not hearkened, nor inclined your ear to hear.[c]

5 They said, Turn ye again now every one from his evil way, and from the evil of your doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD hath given unto you and to your fathers for ever and ever:[b]

6 And go not after other gods to serve them, and to worship them, and provoke me not to anger with the works of your hands; and I will do you no hurt.

7 Yet ye have not hearkened unto me, saith the LORD; that ye might provoke me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt.[c]

8 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Because ye have not heard my words,

9 Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them

BEFORE CHRIST 606.

a ch. vii. 13, 25; xxvi. 5; xxix. 19.

b ch. xxvii. 7; l. 9, 29, 41; li. 6, 24, 27, 28.

b ch. xviii. 11; xxxv. 15; 2 Kings xvii. 13; Jonah iii. 8.

c Job xxi. 20; Ps. lxxv. 8; Isa. li. 17; Rev. xiv. 10.

c ch. vii. 19; xxxii 30, Deut. xxxii. 21.

d ch. xlvi. 2, 26

d ch. l 15, xviii 16, xxvii. 6, xl. 2, xliii 10, Isa. xliv 28, xlv 1.

1 Heb *I will cause to perish from them.*

m ver. 24; ch. xlvii 1, 5, 7; Job i 1; Isa. xx. 1.

n ch. xlviii. 1, xlix. 1, 7, &c.

e ch vii. 34; xvi. 9, Eccles. xii. 4, Ezek xxvi 13; Hos ii. 11; Rev xviii 23

3 Or, *region by the sea-side.*

o ch. xlix. 23.

4 Heb. *cut off into corners*, or, *having the corners of the hair polled*, ch ix. 26; xlix 32

p ch xlix 8

2 Heb *visit upon.*

q ver 20; ch. xlix. 31, 1 37; 2 Chron. ix. 14, Ezek. xxx. 5.

f ch. xxix. 10; l. 3, 13, 23, 39, 40, 45; li. 25, 26; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 21, 22; Isa. xiii. 19; xiv. 23; xxi. 1, &c.; xlvii. 1; Ezra i. 1; Dan. ix. 2.

f ch. xlix. 34.

g Ruth ii 12.

e ch. l. 9; li. 41.

h ch. xxvii. 6; xliii. 10.

i Job xxi. 20; Ps. lxxv. 8; Isa. li. 17; Rev. xiv. 10.

j ch. li. 7; Ezek. xxiii. 34.

k vs. 9, 11, ch. xxiv. 9.

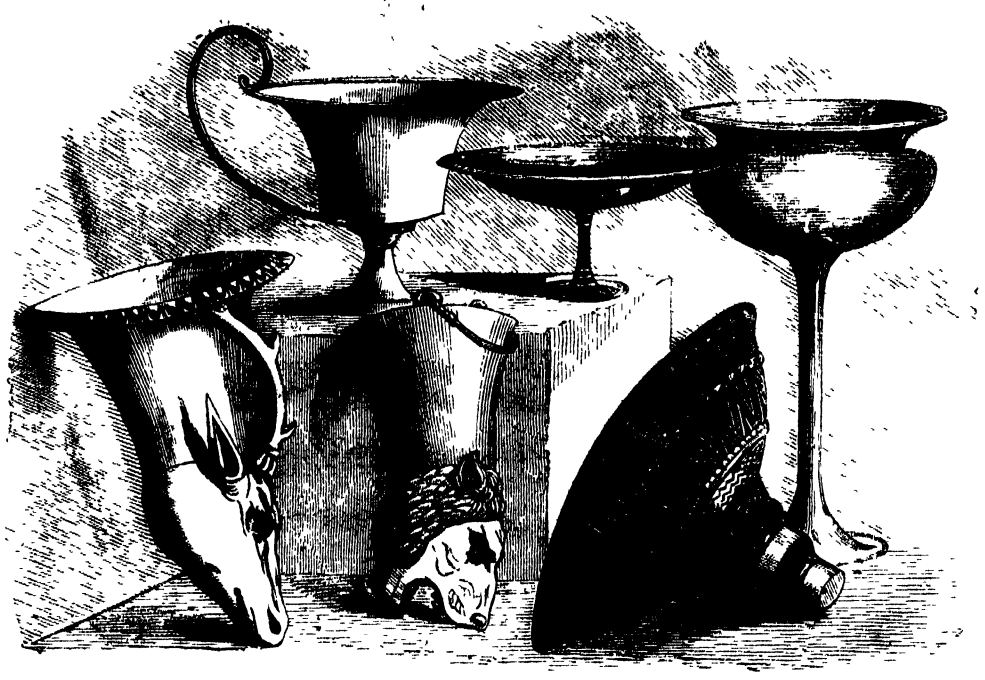
14 For many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of them also: and I will recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the works of their own hands.[h]

15 ¶ For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.[i]

16 And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.[j]

17 Then took I the cup at the LORD's hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me:

18 *To wit*, Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as *it is* this day;[k]



ANCIENT DRINKING CUPS.

against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations.[d]

10 Moreover [1]I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the candle.[e]

11 And this whole land shall be a desolation, *and* an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

12 ¶ And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, *that* I will [2]punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations.[f]

13 And I will bring upon that land all my words which I have pronounced against it, *even* all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied against all the nations.[g]

19 Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people;[l]

20 And all the mingled people, and all the kings of the land of Uz, and all the kings of the land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod,[m]

21 Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon,[n]

22 And all the kings of Tyrus, and all the kings of Zidon, and the kings of the [3]isles which *are* beyond the sea,[o]

23 Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all [4]*that are* in the utmost corners,[p]

24 And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the desert,[q]

25 And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes,[r]

26 And all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another, and all the kingdoms of the world, which *are* upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them.[s]

27 Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.[a]

28 And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup at thine hand to drink, then shalt thou say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ye shall certainly drink.

29 For, lo, I begin to bring evil on the city [1]which is called by my name, and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts.[b]

30 Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation; he shall mightily roar upon his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread *the grapes*, against all the inhabitants of the earth.[c]

31 A noise shall come *even* to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them *that are* wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.[d]

32 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.[e]

33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from *one* end of the earth even unto the *other* end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.[f]

34 ¶ Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves *in the ashes*, ye principal of the flock: for the [2]days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished; and ye shall fall like [3]a pleasant vessel.[g]

35 And [4]the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.

36 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and an howling of the principal of the flock, *shall be heard:* for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.

37 And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

38 He hath forsaken his covert, as the lion: for their land is [5]desolate because of the fierceness of the oppressor, and because of his fierce anger.[h]

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *Jeremiah by promises and threatenings exhorteth to repentance.* 8 *He is therefore apprehended,* 10 *and arraigned.* 12 *His apology.* 16 *He is quit in judgment, by the example of Micah,* 20 *and of Uriah,* 24 *and by the care of Ahikam.*

IN the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word from the LORD, saying,

2 Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the court of the LORD's house, and speak unto all the cities of Judah, which come to worship in the LORD's house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them; diminish not a word:[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 606.

[a] Isa. li. 21, lxiii. 6, Hab. ii. 16.

[b] ch. xlix. 12, Prov. xi. 31, Ezek. ix. 6, xxxviii. 21, Dan. ix. 18, 19, Obad. 16, 1 Peter iv. 17.

[c] ch. xlviii. 33; 1 Kings ix. 8, Ps. xl. 4, cxxxii. 13, Isa. xvi. 9, xlii. 13, Joel iii. 16; Amos i. 2.

[d] Isa. lxvi. 16; Hos. iv. 1, Micah vi. 2, Joel iii. 2

[e] ch. xxiii. 19, xxx. 23

[f] ch. viii. 2, xvi. 4, 6; Ps. lxxix. 3, Isa. lxvi. 16, Rev. xi. 9

[g] ch. iv. 8; vi. 26

[h] Ps. lxxvi. 2

[i] ch. xix. 14; Ezek. iii. 10, Matt. xxviii. 20, Acts xx. 27.

1 Heb. *upon which my name is called.*

[j] ch. xviii. 8; xxxvi. 3, Jonah iii. 8, 9.

[k] Lev. xxvi. 14, &c.; Deut. xxviii. 15.

[l] ch. vii. 13, 25, xi. 7, xxv. 3, 4

[m] ch. vii. 12, 14; xxiv. 9, 1 Sam. iv. 10, 11, Ps. lxxviii. 60, Isa. lxv. 15

2 Heb. *your days for slaughter*

3 Heb. *a vessel of desire*

4 Heb. *flight shall perish from the shepherds, and escaping from, &c.*, Amos ii. 14.

5 Heb. *a desolation.*

6 Or, *at the door*

7 Heb. *The judgment of death is for this man.*

[n] ch. xxxviii. 4

[o] vs. 3, 19, ch. vii. 3.

8 Heb. *as it is good and right in your eyes*

[p] ch. xxxviii. 5

[q] Acts v. 34, &c.

[r] Micah i. 1, iii. 12

3 If so be they will hearken, and turn every man from his evil way, that I may repent me of the evil, which I purpose to do unto them because of the evil of their doings.[j]

4 And thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; If ye will not hearken to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you,[k]

5 To hearken to the words of my servants the prophets, whom I sent unto you, both rising up early, and sending *them*, but ye have not hearkened;[l]

6 Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse to all the nations of the earth.[m]

7 So the priests and the prophets and all the people heard Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD.

8 ¶ Now it came to pass, when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that the LORD had commanded *him* to speak unto all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all the people took him, saying, Thou shalt surely die.

9 Why hast thou prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate without an inhabitant? And all the people were gathered against Jeremiah in the house of the LORD.

10 ¶ When the princes of Judah heard these things, then they came up from the king's house unto the house of the LORD, and sat down [6]in the entry of the new gate of the LORD's *house*.

11 Then spake the priests and the prophets unto the princes and to all the people, saying, [7]This man *is* worthy to die; for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with your ears.[n]

12 ¶ Then spake Jeremiah unto all the princes and to all the people, saying, The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the words that ye have heard.

13 Therefore now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God; and the LORD will repent him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you.[o]

14 As for me, behold, I *am* in your hand: do with me [8]as seemeth good and meet unto you.[p]

15 But know ye for certain, that if ye put me to death, ye shall surely bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon this city, and upon the inhabitants thereof: for of a truth the LORD hath sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears.

16 ¶ Then said the princes and all the people unto the priests and to the prophets; This man *is* not worthy to die: for he hath spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God.

17 Then rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spake to all the assembly of the people, saying,[q]

18 Micah the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to all the people of Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Zion shall be plowed *like* a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest.[r]

19 Did Hezekiah king of Judah and all Judah put

him at all to death? did he not fear [1]the LORD, and besought the LORD, and the LORD repented him of the evil which he had pronounced against them? Thus might we procure great evil against our souls.[a]

20 And there was also a man that prophesied in the name of the LORD, Urijah the son of Shemaiah of Kirjath-jearim, who prophesied against this city and against this land according to all the words of Jeremiah:

21 And when Jehoiakim the king, with all his mighty men, and all the princes, heard his words, the king sought to put him to death: but when Urijah heard it, he was afraid, and fled, and went into Egypt;

22 And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, *namely*, Elnathan the son of Achbor, and *certain* men with him into Egypt.

23 And they fetched forth Urijah out of Egypt, and brought him unto Jehoiakim the king; who slew him with the sword, and cast his dead body into the graves of the [2]common people.

24 Nevertheless the hand of Ahikam the son of Shaphan was with Jeremiah, that they should not give him into the hand of the people to put him to death.[b]

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *Under the type of bonds and yokes he propheseth the subduing of the neighbour kings unto Nebuchadnezzar.* 8 *He exhorteth them to yield, and not to believe the false prophets* 12 *The like he doeth to Zedekiah* 19 *He foretelleth, the remnant of the vessels shall be carried to Babylon, and there continue until the day of visitation.*

IN the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah came this word unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,[c]

2 Thus [3]saith the LORD to me; Make thee bonds and yokes, and put them upon thy neck,[d]

3 And send them to the king of Edom, and to the king of Moab, and to the king of the Ammonites, and to the king of Tyrus, and to the king of Zidon, by the hand of the messengers which come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah;

4 And command them [4]to say unto their masters, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say unto your masters;

5 I have made the earth, the man and the beast that *are* upon the ground, by my great power and by my outstretched arm, and have given it unto whom it seemed meet unto me.[e]

6 And now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, my servant; and the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him.[f]

7 And all nations shall serve him, and his son, and his son's son, until the very time of his land come: and then many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of him.[g]

8 And it shall come to pass, *that* the nation and kingdom which will not serve the same Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation will I punish, saith the LORD, with the sword, and with the famine, and with the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.

9 Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your [5]dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon:

10 For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.[h]

11 But the nations that bring their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him, those will I let remain still in their own land, saith the LORD; and they shall till it, and dwell therein.

12 ¶ I spake also to Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words, saying, Bring your necks under the yoke of the king of Babylon, and serve him and his people, and live.[i]

13 Why will ye die, thou and thy people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, as the LORD hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?[j]

14 Therefore hearken not unto the words of the prophets that speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.[k]

15 For I have not sent them, saith the LORD, yet they prophesy [6]a lie in my name; that I might drive you out, and that ye might perish, ye, and the prophets that prophesy unto you.

16 Also I spake to the priests and to all this people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Hearken not to the words of your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold, the vessels of the LORD'S house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.[l]

17 Hearken not unto them; serve the king of Babylon, and live: wherefore should this city be laid waste?

18 But if they *be* prophets, and if the word of the LORD be with them, let them now make intercession to the LORD of hosts, that the vessels which are left in the house of the LORD, and *in* the house of the king of Judah, and at Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.

19 ¶ For thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea, and concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of the vessels that remain in this city,[m]

20 Which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem;[n]

21 Yea, thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, concerning the vessels that remain *in* the house of the LORD, and *in* the house of the king of Judah and of Jerusalem;

22 They shall be carried to Babylon, and there shall they be until the day that I visit them, saith the LORD; then will I bring them up, and restore them to this place.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 606.

1 Heb. *the face of the LORD.*

a Exod. xxxii. 14; 2 Sam. xxiv. 16; 2 Chron. xxxii. 26.

5 Heb. *dreams.*

h ver. 14.

i ch. xxviii. 1; xxxviii. 17

2 Heb. *sons of the people*

j Ezek. xviii. 31

b ch. xxvix. 14, 2 Kings xxii. 12, 14

k ch. xiv. 14, xxiii. 21, xxix. 8, 9

6 Heb. *in a lie*, or, *lyingly*

c vs. 3, 12, 20; ch. xxviii. 1

3 Or, *hath the Lord said.*

l ch. xxviii. 3, 2 Chron. xxxvi. 7, 10, Dan. i. 2

d ch. xxviii. 10, 12, Ezek. iv. 1, xii. 3; xxiv. 3, &c.

4 Or, *concerning their masters, saying*

m 2 Kings xxv. 13, &c.

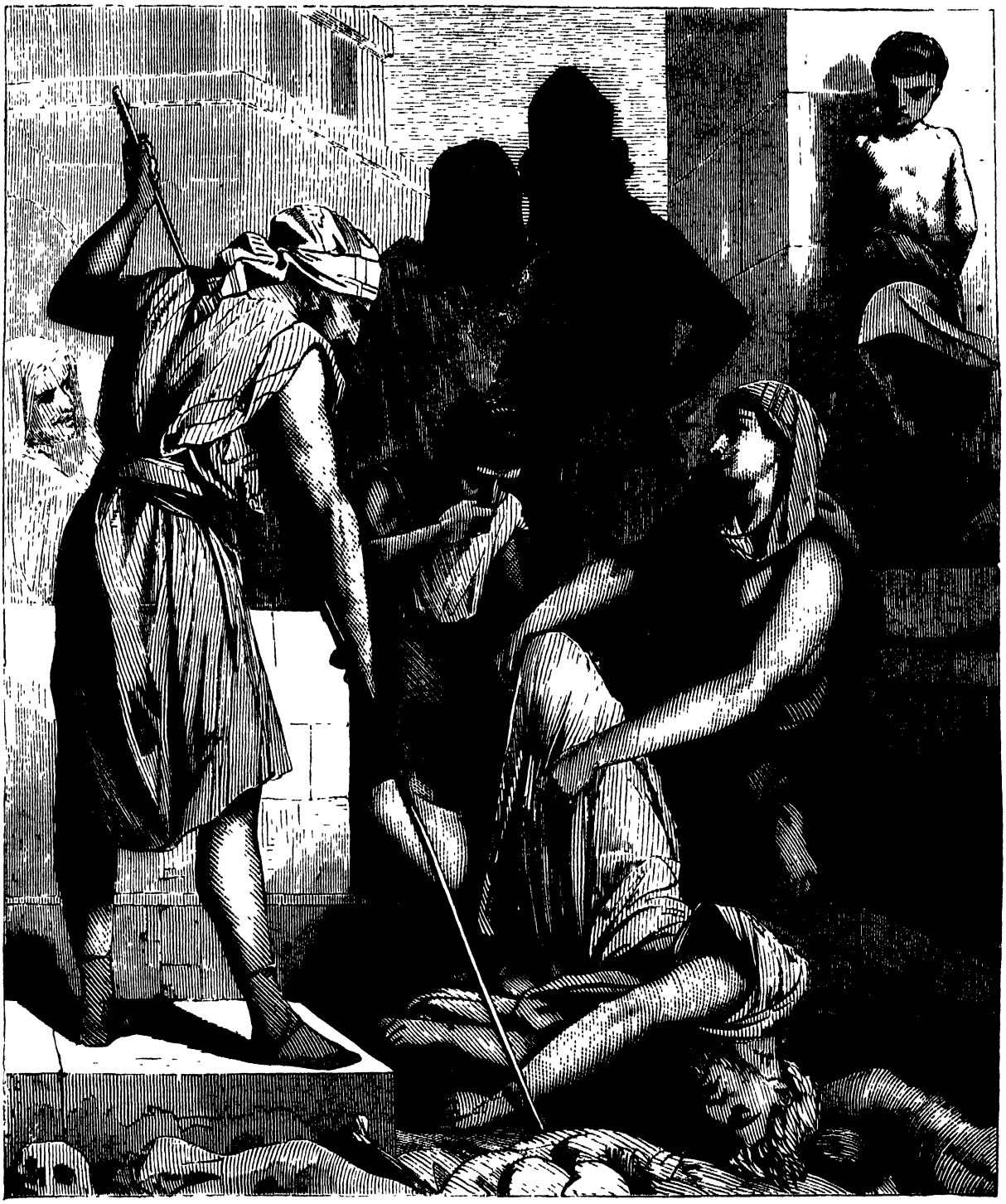
e Ps. cxv. 15, 16, cxlvi. 6, Isa. xiv. 12, Dan. iv. 17, 25, 32

n ch. xxiv. 1; 2 Kings xxiv. 14, 15

f ch. xxv. 9, xxviii. 14; xliii. 10; Ezek. xxix. 18, 20, Dan. ii. 38.

g ch. xxv. 12, 14; l. 27; Dan. v. 26.

o ch. xxix. 10; xxxii. 5; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 21; Ezra i. 7; vii. 19.



THE PROPHET URIJAH HAVING BEEN SLAIN, HIS BODY IS CAST INTO THE COMMON GRAVE – JEREMIAH XXVI. 23.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

Hananiah prophesieth falsely the return of the vessels, and of Jeconiah 5 Jeremiah, wishing it to be true, sheweth that the event will declare who are true prophets. 10 *Hananiah breaketh Jeremiah's yoke.* 12 *Jeremiah telleth of an iron yoke,* 15 *and foretelleth Hananiah's death.*

AND it came to pass the same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, *and* in the fifth month, *that* Hananiah the son of Azur the prophet, which *was* of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the LORD, in the presence of the priests and of all the people, saying,[a]

BEFORE CHRIST

[b] ch. xxvii. 12

1 Heb. *two years of days*

[c] ch. xxvii. 16.

2 Heb. *captivity*

[a] ch. xxvii. 1.

2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, I have broken the yoke of the king of Babylon.[b]

3 Within [1]two full years will I bring again into this place all the vessels of the LORD's house, that Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took away from this place, and carried them to Babylon:[c]

4 And I will bring again to this place Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, with all the [2]captives of Judah, that went into Babylon, saith the LORD: for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon.

5 ¶ Then the prophet Jeremiah said unto the

prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests, and in the presence of all the people that stood in the house of the LORD,

6 Even the prophet Jeremiah said, Amen: the LORD do so: the LORD perform thy words which thou hast prophesied, to bring again the vessels of the LORD'S house, and all that is carried away captive, from Babylon into this place.[a]

7 Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the people;

8 The prophets that have been before me and before thee of old prophesied both against many countries, and against great kingdoms, of war, and of evil, and of pestilence.

9 The prophet which prophesieth of peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, *then* shall the prophet be known, that the LORD hath truly sent him.[b]

10 ¶ Then Hananiah the prophet took the yoke from off the prophet Jeremiah's neck, and brake it.[c]

11 And Hananiah spake in the presence of all the people, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Even so will I break the yoke of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon from the neck of all nations within the space of two full years. And the prophet Jeremiah went his way.[d]

12 ¶ Then the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah *the prophet*, after that Hananiah the prophet had broken the yoke from off the neck of the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

13 Go and tell Hananiah, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Thou hast broken the yokes of wood; but thou shalt make for them yokes of iron.

14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; I have put a yoke of iron upon the neck of all these nations, that they may serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon; and they shall serve him: and I have given him the beasts of the field also.[e]

15 ¶ Then said the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet, Hear now, Hananiah; The LORD hath not sent thee; but thou makest this people to trust in a lie.[f]

16 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will cast thee from off the face of the earth: this year thou shalt die, because thou hast taught [1]rebellion against the LORD.[g]

17 So Hananiah the prophet died the same year in the seventh month.

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *Jeremiah sendeth a letter to the captives in Babylon, to be quiet there,* 8 *and not to believe the dreams of their prophets,* 10 *and that they shall return with grace after seventy years* 15 *He foretelleth the destruction of the rest for their disobedience.* 20 *He sheweth the fearful end of Ahab and Zedekiah, two lying prophets.* 24 *Shemaiah writeth a letter against Jeremiah.* 30 *Jeremiah readeth his doom.*

NOW these *are* the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet sent from Jerusalem unto the residue of the elders which were carried away captives, and to the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon;

BEFORE CHRIST 595.

2 Or, *chamberlains.*

h ch. xxii. 26; xxviii. 4; 2 Kings xxiv. 12, &c.

a 1 Kings i. 36.

i ver 28

b Deut. xviii. 22.

c ch. xxvii. 2.

j Ezra vi. 10, 1 Tim. ii. 2.

d ch. xxvii. 7.

k ch. xiv. 14; xxiii. 21; xxvii. 14, 15; Eph. v. 6.

3 Heb. *in a lie.*

l ver. 31.

m ch xxv. 12; xxvii 22, 2 Chron xxxvi. 21, 22; Ezra i 1; Dan. ix. 2.

4 Heb. *end and expectation.*

n Dan. ix. 3, &c.

e ch. xxvii 6, 7, Deut. xxviii 48.

o ch xxiv 7; Lev. xxvi. 39, 40, &c; Deut xxx 1, &c.

f ch xxix. 31; Ezek. xiii. 22.

1 Heb. *revolt*

p ch xxiii 3, 8; xxx. 3, xxxii 37; Ps. xlvi 1, Isa. lv. 6.

g ch. xxix 32, Deut xiii. 5.

q ch xxiv. 8, 10.

5 Heb *for a curse.*

r ch. xv 4; xxiv. 9; xxvi 6; xxxiv. 17; xlii. 18; Deut. xxviii. 25; 2 Chron. xxix. 8.

2 (After that Jeconiah the king, and the queen, and the [2]eunuchs, the princes of Judah and Jerusalem, and the carpenters, and the smiths, were departed from Jerusalem;)[h]

3 By the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan, and Gemariah the son of Hilkiah, (whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent unto Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon) saying,

4 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, unto all that are carried away captives, whom I have caused to be carried away from Jerusalem unto Babylon;

5 Build ye houses, and dwell *in them;* and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them;[i]

6 Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished.

7 And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.[j]

8 ¶ For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Let not your prophets and your diviners, that *be* in the midst of you, deceive you, neither hearken to your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed.[k]

9 For they prophesy [3]falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent them, saith the LORD.[l]

10 ¶ For thus saith the LORD, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.[m]

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an [4]expected end.

12 Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you.[n]

13 And ye shall seek me, and find *me*, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.[o]

14 And I will be found of you, saith the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.[p]

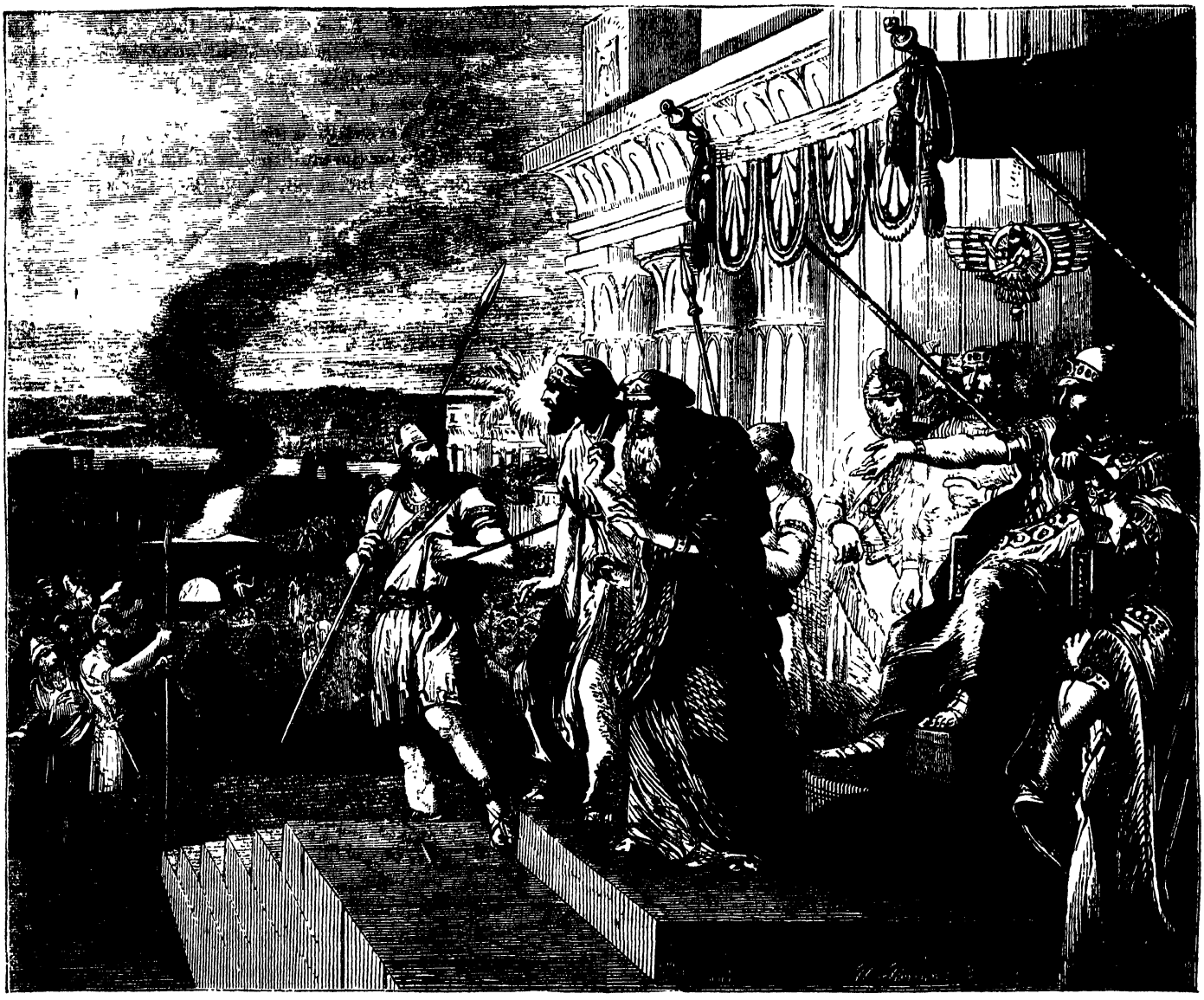
15 ¶ Because ye have said, The LORD hath raised us up prophets in Babylon;

16 *Know* that thus saith the LORD of the king that sitteth upon the throne of David, and of all the people that dwelleth in this city, *and* of your brethren that are not gone forth with you into captivity;

17 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will send upon them the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, and will make them like vile figs, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.[q]

18 And I will persecute them with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence, and will deliver them to be removed to all the kingdoms of the earth, [5]to be a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven them:[r]

19 Because they have not hearkened to my words,



THE LYING PROPHETS, AHAB AND ZEDEKIAH, ORDERED FOR EXECUTION.—JEREMIAH XXIX 21, 22

saith the LORD, which I sent unto them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending *them;* but ye would not hear, saith the LORD.[a]

20 ¶ Hear ye therefore the word of the LORD, all ye of the captivity, whom I have sent from Jerusalem to Babylon:

21 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, of Ahab the son of Kolaiah, and of Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesy a lie unto you in my name; Behold, I will deliver them into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall slay them before your eyes;

22 And of them shall be taken up a curse by all the captivity of Judah which *are* in Babylon, saying, The LORD make thee like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whom the king of Babylon roasted in the fire;[b]

23 Because they have committed villany in Israel, and have committed adultery with their neighbours' wives, and have spoken lying words in my name, which I have not commanded them; even I know, *am* a witness, saith the LORD.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 605

1 Or, *dreamer*

a ch xxv 4, xxxii 33

d ch xxi 1, 2 Kings xxv 18.

e ch xx 1, 2, [illegible] ix 11, Acts xxvi 24

Gen. xlviii 20; Isa lxv. 15; Dan. iii. 6

f ver. 5.

g ch. xxiii. 14.

24 ¶ *Thus* shalt thou also speak to Shemaiah the [1]Nehelamite, saying,

25 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying, Because thou hast sent letters in thy name unto all the people that *are* at Jerusalem, and to Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest, and to all the priests, saying,[d]

26 The LORD hath made thee priest in the stead of Jehoiada the priest, that ye should be officers in the house of the LORD, for every man *that is* mad, and maketh himself a prophet, that thou shouldest put him in prison, and in the stocks.[e]

27 Now therefore why hast thou not reproved Jeremiah of Anathoth, which maketh himself a prophet to you?

28 For therefore he sent unto us *in* Babylon, saying, This *captivity is* long: build ye houses, and dwell *in them;* and plant gardens, and eat the fruit [illegible].[f]

29 And Zephaniah the priest read this letter in the ears of Jeremiah the prophet.

30 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

31 Send to all them of the captivity, saying, Thus saith the LORD concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite; Because that Shemaiah hath prophesied unto you, and I sent him not, and he caused you to trust in a lie:[e]

32 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will punish Shemaiah the Nehelamite, and his seed: he shall not have a man to dwell among this people; neither shall he behold the good that I will do for my people, saith the LORD; because he hath taught [1]rebellion against the LORD.[b]

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *God sheweth Jeremiah the return of the Jews.* 4 *After their trouble they shall have deliverance.* 10 *He comforteth Jacob.* 18 *Their return shall be gracious.* 20 *Wrath shall fall on the wicked.*

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book.

3 For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.[c]

4 ¶ And these *are* the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.

5 For thus saith the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, [2]of fear, and not of peace.

6 Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?[d]

7 Alas! for that day *is* great, so that none *is* like it: it *is* even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.[e]

8 For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him:

9 But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them.[f]

10 ¶ Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make *him* afraid.[g]

11 For I *am* with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.[h]

12 For thus saith the LORD, Thy bruise *is* incurable, *and* thy wound *is* grievous.[i]

13 *There is* none to plead thy cause, [3]that thou mayest be bound up: thou hast no healing medicines.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 605

k ch. v 6; Joh xiii 24; xvi. 9, xix. 11, xxx 21; Lam. i. 2.

a ch xxviii 15

l ch xv 18

1 Heb. *revolt.*

b ch xxviii 16.

m ch x 25, Exod xxiii 22, Isa xxxiii 1, xli 11

n ch. xxxiii 6

4 Or, *little hill*

o ver 3, ch xxxiii 7, 11, Ps cii 13

p ch. xxxi 4, 12, 13, xxxiii 10, 11, Isa xxxv 10, li 11; Zech. x 8

c ver 18, ch xvi 15; xxxii. 44, Ezek xxxix 25, Amos ix 14, 15

q Isa i 26.

2 Or, *there is fear, and not peace*

r Gen xlix 10, Numb xvi 5

s ch. xxiv. 7; xxxi 1, 33, xxxii 38, Ezek. xi 20; xxxvi 28, xxxvii 27

d ch iv 31, vi. 24

5 Heb *cutting*

6 Or, *remain*

t ch xxiii 19, 20, xxv 32

e Joel ii 11, 31, Amos v 18, Zeph i 14, &c, Dan xii 1

u Gen xlix 1.

f Isa. lv 3, 4, Ezek xxxiv 23, xxxvii 24, Hos iii 5, Luke i 69, Acts ii 30, xiii 23.

g ch iii 18, xlvi 27, 28, Isa xli 13, xliii 5, xliv 2, Luke i 69, Acts ii 30, xiii 23

v ch xxx 22

h ch iv 27; x. 24, xlvi 28, Ps. vi 1; Isa. xxvii 8, Amos ix. 8

w Numb x 33; Deut i 33; Ps. xcv. 11, Isa. lxiii. 14.

i ch xv. 18, 2 Chron. xxxvi 16.

7 Heb *from afar.*

3 Heb *for binding up*, or *pressing*

j ch. viii 22.

8 Or, *have I extended lovingkindness unto thee.*

x Mal. i. 2; Rom. xi. 28, 29.

14 All thy lovers have forgotten thee; they seek thee not; for I have wounded thee with the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one, for the multitude of thine iniquity; *because* thy sins were increased.[k]

15 Why criest thou for thine affliction? thy sorrow *is* incurable for the multitude of thine iniquity: *because* thy sins were increased, I have done these things unto thee.[l]

16 Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.[m]

17 For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD; because they called thee an Outcast, *saying*, This *is* Zion, whom no man seeketh after.[n]

18 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have mercy on his dwellingplaces; and the city shall be builded upon her own [4]heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof.[o]

19 And out of them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry: and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small.[p]

20 Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.[q]

21 And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who *is* this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the LORD.[r]

22 And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.[s]

23 Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a [5]continuing whirlwind: it shall [6]fall with pain upon the head of the wicked.[t]

24 The fierce anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have done *it*, and until he have performed the intents of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it.[u]

CHAPTER XXXI.

1 *The restoration of Israel.* 10 *The publication thereof* 15 *Rahel mourning is comforted* 18 *Ephraim repenting is brought home again* 22 *Christ is promised* 27 *His care over the church* 31 *His new covenant.* 35 *The stability,* 38 *and amplitude of the church.*

AT the same time, saith the LORD, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.[v]

2 Thus saith the LORD, The people *which were* left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; *even* Israel, when I went to cause him to rest.[w]

3 The LORD hath appeared [7]of old unto me, *saying*, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore [8]with lovingkindness have I drawn thee.[x]



JEREMIAH IN THE COURT OF THE PRISON BUYING HIS KINSMAN'S FIELD.—JEREMIAH XXXII. 6—12.

4 Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy [1]tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.[a]

5 Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall [2]eat *them* as common things.[b]

6 For there shall be a day, *that* the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God.[c]

7 For thus saith the LORD; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.[d]

8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, *and* with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither.[e]

9 They shall come with weeping, and with [3]supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim *is* my firstborn.[f]

10 ¶ Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare *it* in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd *doth* his flock.[g]

11 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of *him that was* stronger than he.[h]

12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.[i]

13 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow.

14 And I will satiate the soul of the priests

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1 Or, *tambrels*

f ch. 1. 4; Exod. iv. 22, Ps. cxxvi. 5, 6, Isa. xxxv. 8, xliii. 19; xlix. 10, 11; Zech. xii. 10

a ch. xxxiii. 7, Exod. xv. 20, Judg. xi. 34, Ps. cxlix. 3

2 Heb. *profane them*

b Deut. xx. 6, xxviii. 30; Isa. lxv. 21, Amos ix. 14.

g Isa. xl. 11, Ezek. xxxiv. 12—14

c Isa. ii. 5; Micah iv. 2

h Isa. xliv. 23, xlviii. 20, xlix. 24, 25

d Isa. xii. 5, 6.

i Isa. xxxv. 10; lviii. 11; lxv. 19; Ezek. xvii. 23; xx. 40; Hos. iii. 5; Rev. xxi. 4.

e ch. iii. 12, 18; xxiii. 8, Ezek. xx. 12, 34, 41

3 Or, *favours*

with fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, saith the LORD.

15 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, *and* bitter weeping; Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they *were* not.[a]

16 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy.[b]

17 And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that thy children shall come again to their own border.

18 ¶ I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself *thus;* Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed *to the yoke:* turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou *art* the LORD my God.[c]

19 Surely after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I smote upon *my* thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth.

20 *Is* Ephraim my dear son? *is he* a pleasant child? for since I spake against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore my bowels [1]are troubled for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, saith the LORD.[d]

21 Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, *even* the way *which* thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities.[e]

22 ¶ How long wilt thou go about, O thou backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man.[f]

23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As yet they shall use this speech in the land of Judah and in the cities thereof, when I shall bring again their captivity; The LORD bless thee, O habitation of justice, *and* mountain of holiness.[g]

24 And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and they *that* go forth with flocks.[h]

25 For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul.

26 Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me.

27 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast.[i]

28 And it shall come to pass, *that* like as I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so will I watch over them, to build, and to plant, saith the LORD.[j]

29 In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge.[k]

30 But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.[l]

31 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that

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m ch. xxxii. 40; xxxiii. 14; Ezek. xxxvii. 26; Heb. viii. 8—12; x. 16, 17.

a Josh. xviii. 25; Matt. ii. 17, 18.

2 Or, *should I have continued an husband unto them?*

n Deut. i. 31.

b vs. 4, 5; Ezra i. 5; Hos. i. 11.

o ch. xxiv. 7, xxx. 22, xxxii. 38—40, Ezek. xi. 19, 20; xxxvi. 26, 27; 2 Cor. iii. 3.

c Lam. v. 21.

p ch. xxxiii. 7, 8, l. 20, Isa. liv. 13; Micah vii. 18, John vi. 45, Acts x. 43; xiii. 39, Rom. xi. 27, 1 Cor. ii. 12, 1 John ii. 20.

q ch. x. 16; Gen. i. 26; Ps. lxxii. 5, 17, lxxxix. 2, 36, 37; cxix. 91; Isa. li. 15

1 Heb. *sound.*

r ch. xxxiii. 20, 21; Ps. cxlviii. 6, Isa. liv. 9, 10.

d Deut. xxxii. 36, Isa. lvii. 18; lxiii. 15, Hos. xi. 8; xiv. 4.

e ch. l. 5.

s ch. xxxiii. 22

t Neh. iii. 1; Zech. xiv. 10.

f ch. ii. 18, 23, 36, iii. 6, 8, 11, 12, 14, 22

u Ezek. xl. 8; Zech. ii. 1.

g Ps. cxxii. 5—8, Isa. i. 26, Zech. viii. 3.

v 2 Chron. xxvii. 15, Neh. iii. 28, Joel iii. 17

h ch. xxxiii. 12, 13.

i Ezek. xxxvi. 9—11, Hos. ii. 23, Zech. x. 9

w ch. xxxix. 1; 2 Kings xxv. 1, 2.

j ch. i. 10, xviii. 7; xxiv. 6, xlii. 27

k Ezek. xviii. 2, 3.

x ch. xxxiii. 1; xxxvii. 21, xxxviii. 6; xxxix. 14; Neh. iii. 25.

l Gal. vi. 5, 7.

y ch. xxxiv. 2.

I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:[m]

32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day *that* I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, [2]although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:[n]

33 But this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.[o]

34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.[p]

35 ¶ Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, *and* the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts *is* his name:[q]

36 If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, *then* the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.[r]

37 Thus saith the LORD; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the LORD.[s]

38 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the city shall be built to the LORD from the tower of Hananeel unto the gate of the corner.[t]

39 And the measuring line shall yet go forth over against it upon the hill Gareb, and shall compass about to Goath.[u]

40 And the whole valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes, and all the fields unto the brook of Kidron, unto the corner of the horse gate toward the east, *shall be* holy unto the LORD; it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more for ever.[v]

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 *Jeremiah, being imprisoned by Zedekiah for his prophecy, 6 buyeth Hanameel's field. 13 Baruch must preserve the evidences, as tokens of the people's return. 16 Jeremiah in his prayer complaineth to God. 26 God confirmeth the captivity for their sins, 36 and promiseth a gracious return.*

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which *was* the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar.[w]

2 For then the king of Babylon's army besieged Jerusalem: and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in the court of the prison, which *was* in the king of Judah's house.[x]

3 For Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying, Wherefore dost thou prophesy, and say, Thus saith he LORD, Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it;[y]

4 And Zedekiah king of Judah shall not escape out of the hand of the Chaldeans, but shall surely be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon, and shall speak with him mouth to mouth, and his eyes shall behold his eyes;[a]

5 And he shall lead Zedekiah to Babylon, and there shall he be until I visit him, saith the LORD: though ye fight with the Chaldeans, ye shall not prosper.[b]

6 ¶ And Jeremiah said, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

7 Behold, Hanameel the son of Shallum thine uncle shall come unto thee, saying, Buy thee my field that *is* in Anathoth: for the right of redemption *is* thine to buy *it*.[c]

8 So Hanameel mine uncle's son came to me in the court of the prison according to the word of the LORD, and said unto me, Buy my field, I pray thee, that *is* in Anathoth, which *is* in the country of Benjamin: for the right of inheritance *is* thine, and the redemption *is* thine; buy *it* for thyself. Then I knew that this *was* the word of the LORD.

9 And I bought the field of Hanameel my uncle's son, that *was* in Anathoth, and weighed him the money, *even* [1]seventeen shekels of silver.[d]

10 And I [2]subscribed the evidence, and sealed *it*, and took witnesses, and weighed *him* the money in the balances.

11 So I took the evidence of the purchase, *both* that which was sealed *according* to the law and custom, and that which was open:

12 And I gave the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, in the sight of Hanameel mine uncle's *son*, and in the presence of the witnesses that subscribed the book of the purchase, before all the Jews that sat in the court of the prison.[e]

13 ¶ And I charged Baruch before them, saying,

14 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Take these evidences, this evidence of the purchase, both which is sealed, and this evidence which is open; and put them in an earthen vessel, that they may continue many days.

15 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land.[f]

16 ¶ Now when I had delivered the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed unto the LORD, saying,

17 Ah, Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, *and* there is nothing [3]too hard for thee:[g]



ANATHOTH.

18 Thou shewest lovingkindness unto thousands, and recompensest the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them: the Great, the Mighty God, the LORD of hosts, *is* his name

19 Great in counsel, and mighty in [4]work: for thine eyes *are* open upon all the ways of the sons of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:[i]

20 Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, *even* unto this day, and in Israel, and among *other* men; and hast made thee a name, as at this day;[j]

21 And hast brought forth thy people Israel out of the land of Egypt with signs, and with wonders, and with a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with great terror;[k]

22 And hast given them this land, which thou

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c ch. xxxvi 4, Isa viii 2

a ch xxxiv 3, xxxviii. 18, 23, xxxix. 5, lii 9.

b ch xxi 4, xxvii. 22; xxxiii 5

f vs 37, 43.

c Lev xxv 24, 25, 32, Ruth iv 4

3 Or, *hid from thee*

g ver 27, Gen xviii 14, Luke i 37

h ch x 16; Exod xx 6, xxxiv 7; Deut v 9, 10, Isa ix 6

4 Heb *doing*

1 Or, *seven shekels and ten pieces of silver*

d Gen xxiii. 16, Zech xi 12

2 Heb *wrote in the book*

i ch xvi 17, xvii 10, Job xxxiv 21, Ps xxxiii. 13; Prov v 21, Isa. xxviii. 29

j Exod. ix. 16; 1 Chron xvii 21; Isa. lxiii. 12; Dan. ix. 15.

k Exod. vi. 6; 2 Sam. vii. 23; 1 Chron. xvii. 21; Ps. cxxxvi. 11, 12.

didst swear to their fathers to give them, a land flowing with milk and honey;[a]

23 And they came in, and possessed it; but they obeyed not thy voice, neither walked in thy law; they have done nothing of all that thou commandedst them to do: therefore thou hast caused all this evil to come upon them:[b]

24 Behold the [1]mounts, they are come unto the city to take it; and the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans, that fight against it, because of the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence: and what thou hast spoken is come to pass; and, behold, thou seest *it*.[c]

25 And thou hast said unto me, O Lord GOD, Buy thee the field for money, and take witnesses; [2]for the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.[d]

26 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

27 Behold, I *am* the LORD, the God of all flesh: is there any thing too hard for me?[e]

28 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the Chaldeans, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and he shall take it:[f]

29 And the Chaldeans, that fight against this city, shall come and set fire on this city, and burn it with the houses, upon whose roofs they have offered incense unto Baal, and poured out drink offerings unto other gods, to provoke me to anger.[g]

30 For the children of Israel and the children of Judah have only done evil before me from their youth: for the children of Israel have only provoked me to anger with the work of their hands, saith the LORD.[h]

31 For this city hath been to me *as* [3]a provocation of mine anger and of my fury from the day that they built it even unto this day; that I should remove it from before my face,[i]

32 Because of all the evil of the children of Israel and of the children of Judah, which they have done to provoke me to anger, they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their prophets, and the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.[j]

33 And they have turned unto me the [4]back, and not the face: though I taught them, rising up early and teaching *them*, yet they have not hearkened to receive instruction.[k]

34 But they set their abominations in the house, which is called by my name, to defile it.[l]

35 And they built the high places of Baal, which *are* in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through *the fire* unto Molech; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin.[m]

36 ¶ And now therefore thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning this city, whereof ye say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence;[n]

37 Behold, I will gather them out of all countries, whither I have driven them in mine anger, and in my fury, and in great wrath; and I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely:[o]

38 And they shall be my people, and I will be their God:[p]

39 And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me [5]for ever, for the good of them, and of their children after them:[q]

40 And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away [6]from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.[r]

41 Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land [7]assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.[s]

42 For thus saith the LORD; Like as I have brought all this great evil upon this people, so will I bring upon them all the good that I have promised them.

43 And fields shall be bought in this land, whereof ye say, *It is* desolate without man or beast; it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.[t]

44 Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal *them*, and take witnesses in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, and in the cities of the mountains, and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities of the south: for I will cause their captivity to return, saith the LORD.[u]

CHAPTER XXXIII.

1 *God promiseth to the captivity a gracious return,* 9 *a joyful state,* 12 *a settled government,* 15 *Christ the Branch of righteousness,* 17 *a continuance of kingdom and priesthood,* 20 *and a stability of a blessed seed.*

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah the second time, while he was yet shut up in the court of the prison, saying,[v]

2 Thus saith the LORD the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to establish it; [8]the LORD *is* his name;[w]

3 Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and [9]mighty things, which thou knowest not.[x]

4 For thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the houses of this city, and concerning the houses of the kings of Judah, which are thrown down by the mounts, and by the sword;[y]

5 They come to fight with the Chaldeans, but *it is* to fill them with the dead bodies of men, whom I have slain in mine anger and in my fury, and for all whose wickedness I have hid my face from this city.[z]

6 Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.[a]

7 And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the

BEFORE CHRIST 605.

a ch. xi. 5; Exod. iii. 8, 17.

o ch xxiii. 3, 6, xxix 14, xxxi 10, xxxiii 16, Deut. xxx. 3, Ezek xxxvii. 21

p ch xxiv. 7; xxx 22, xxxi. 33.

b ch. xi 8; Neh. ix. 26, Dan. ix. 10—14

1 Or, *engines of shot*, ch. xxxiii 4

5 Heb *all days*

q ch xxiv 7, Ezek xi 19, 20

6 Heb *after them*

c vs 25, 36; ch xiv 12

r ch. xxxi. 31, 33, Isa lv. 3

2 Or, *though*

7 Heb *in truth*, or, *stability*

d ver 24

s ch. xxiv 6, xxxi 28; Deut xxx 9, Amos ix 15, Zeph iii 17

e ver 17, Numb. xvi 22

t ver 15, ch xxxii 10

f ver. 3

g ch xix 13, xxi 10, xxxvii 8, 10, lii 13

u ch xvii 26, xxxiii 7, 11, 26

h ch ii 7, iii 25, vii 22—26, xxii 21, Ezek xx 28

3 Heb *for my anger*

i 2 Kings xxiii 27, xxiv 3

v ch xxxii 2, 3

j Isa i 4, 6, Dan ix 8

4 Heb *neck*

8 Or, *Jehovah*

w Exod xv 3, Isa xxvii 26, Amos v 8, ix. 6

k ch ii 27, vii 13, 24

9 Or, *hidden*, Isa xlviii. 6

x ch xxix. 12.

l ch vii 30, 31; xxiii. 11, Ezek viii 5, 6

y ch xxxii. 24

m ch vii 31, xix 5; Lev. xviii 21, 1 Kings xi 33.

z ch xxxii. 5.

n ver. 24

a ch. xxx 17

captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first.[a]

8 And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me.[b]

9 ¶ And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it.[c]

10 Thus saith the LORD; Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say *shall be* desolate without man and without beast, *even* in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast,[d]

11 The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, Praise the LORD of hosts: for the LORD *is* good; for his mercy *endureth* for ever: *and* of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith the LORD.[e]

12 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Again in this place, which is desolate without man and without beast, and in all the cities thereof, shall be an habitation of shepherds causing *their* flocks to lie down.[f]

13 In the cities of the mountains, in the cities of the vale, and in the cities of the south, and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall the flocks pass again under the hands of him that telleth *them*, saith the LORD.[g]

14 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah.[h]

15 ¶ In those days, and at that time, will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and he shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land.[i]

16 In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and this *is the name* wherewith she shall be called, [1]The LORD our righteousness.[j]

17 ¶ For thus saith the LORD; [2]David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel;[k]

18 Neither shall the priests the Levites want a man before me to offer burnt offerings, and to kindle meat offerings, and to do sacrifice continually.

19 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, saying,

20 Thus saith the LORD; If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season;[l]

21 *Then* may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne; and with the Levites the priests, my ministers.[m]

22 As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, neither the sand of the sea measured: so will I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites that minister unto me.[n]

23 Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying,

24 Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which the LORD hath chosen, he hath even cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them.[o]

25 Thus saith the LORD; If my covenant *be* not with day and night, *and if* I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth;[p]

26 Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, *so* that I will not take *any* of his seed *to be* rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them.[q]

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *Jeremiah prophesieth the captivity of Zedekiah and the city* 8 *The princes and the people having dismissed their bondservants, contrary to the covenant of God, reassume them.* 12 *Jeremiah, for their disobedience, giveth them and Zedekiah into the hands of their enemies.*

THE word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and all his army, and all the kingdoms of the earth [3]of his dominion, and all the people, fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities thereof, saying,[r]

2 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Go and speak to Zedekiah king of Judah, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire:[s]

3 And thou shalt not escape out of his hand, but shalt surely be taken, and delivered into his hand; and thine eyes shall behold the eyes of the king of Babylon, and [4]he shall speak with thee mouth to mouth, and thou shalt go to Babylon.[t]

4 Yet hear the word of the LORD, O Zedekiah king of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of thee, Thou shalt not die by the sword:

5 *But* thou shalt die in peace: and with the burnings of thy fathers, the former kings which were before thee, so shall they burn *odours* for thee; and they will lament thee, *saying*, Ah lord! for I have pronounced the word, saith the LORD.[u]

6 Then Jeremiah the prophet spake all these words unto Zedekiah king of Judah in Jerusalem,

7 When the king of Babylon's army fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities of Judah that were left, against Lachish, and against Azekah: for these defenced cities remained of the cities of Judah.[v]

8 ¶ *This is* the word that came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, after that the king Zedekiah had

BEFORE CHRIST 605.

a ver. 11, ch. xxiv. 6, xxx. 3, 20; xxxi. 4, 28, xxxii. 44; xlii. 10.

m Ps. lxxxix. 34

n ch xxxi. 37; Gen. xlii 16; xv. 5, xxii. 17

b ch xxxi 34, Ezek xxxvi 25, Zech xiii 1, Micah vii. 18, Heb ix 13, 14.

c ch xiii 11, Isa lx 5, lxii 7

o vs 21, 22

p ver 20, ch xxxi 35, 36, Ps lxxiv 16, 17, civ 19

d ch xxxii. 43.

q vs 7, 11, ch xxxi 37, Lzra ii 1

e ver 7, ch vii 34, xvi 9, xxv 10, Lev vii. 12, 1 Chron xvi 8, 34, 2 Chron v 13, vii 3, Ezra iii 11, Ps cvii 22, cxvi 17, cxxxvi 1, Rev xviii 23

f ch xxxi 24, l 19, Isa lxv 10

3 Heb *the dominion of his hand.*

r ch i 15, xxxix 1, lii 4, 2 Kings xxv 1, &c

g ch xvii 26, xxxii. 44, Lev xxvii 32

h ch xxiii 5, xxix 10, xxxi 27, 31

s ver 22, ch xxi 10, xxxii. 3, 28, 29

i ch xxiii 5, Isa iv 2, xi 1

4 Heb *his mouth shall speak to thy mouth*

t ch xxxii. 4

1 Heb *Jehovah-tsidkenu*

j ch xxiii 6

2 Heb *There shall not be cut off from David*

k 2 Sam vii 16, 1 Kings ii 4, Ps lxxxix 29, 36, Luke i 32, 33

u ch xxii 18, 2 Chron xvi 14; xxi. 19, Dan ii. 46.

l ver 25; ch. xxxi. 36. Ps lxxxix. 37, Isa. liv 9

v 2 Kings xviii 13; xix 8; 2 Chron xi 5, 9.

made a covenant with all the people which *were* at Jerusalem, to proclaim liberty unto them;[a]

9 That every man should let his manservant, and every man his maidservant, *being* an Hebrew or an Hebrewess, go free; that none should serve himself of them, *to wit*, of a Jew his brother.[b]

10 Now when all the princes, and all the people, which had entered into the covenant, heard that every one should let his manservant, and every one his maidservant, go free, that none should serve themselves of them any more, then they obeyed, and let *them* go.

11 But afterward they turned, and caused the servants and the handmaids, whom they had let go free, to return, and brought them into subjection for servants and for handmaids.[c]

12 ¶ Therefore the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

13 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; I made a covenant with your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondmen, saying,

14 At the end of seven years let ye go every man his brother an Hebrew, which [1]hath been sold unto thee; and when he hath served thee six years, thou shalt let him go free from thee: but your fathers hearkened not unto me, neither inclined their ear.[d]

15 And ye were [2]now turned, and had done right in my sight, in proclaiming liberty every man to his neighbour; and ye had made a covenant before me in the house [3]which is called by my name:[e]

16 But ye turned and polluted my name, and caused every man his servant, and every man his handmaid, whom he had set at liberty at their pleasure, to return, and brought them into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids.[f]

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Ye have not hearkened unto me, in proclaiming liberty, every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbour: behold, I proclaim a liberty for you, saith the LORD, to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will make you [4]to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.[g]

18 And I will give the men that have transgressed my covenant, which have not performed the words of the covenant which they had made before me, when they cut the calf in twain, and passed between the parts thereof,[h]

19 The princes of Judah, and the princes of Jerusalem, the eunuchs, and the priests, and all the people of the land, which passed between the parts of the calf;

20 I will even give them into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life: and their dead bodies shall be for meat unto the fowls of the heaven, and to the beasts of the earth.[i]

21 And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life, and into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which are gone up from you.[j]

22 Behold, I will command, saith the LORD, and cause them to return to this city; and they shall fight against it, and take it, and burn it with fire: and I will make the cities of Judah a desolation without an inhabitant.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 607.

a ver 14, Exod. xxi. 2, Lev. xxv. 10; Neh. v 11.

k ch ix. 11, xxxvii 8, 10, xxxviii 3, xxxix 1, 2, 8, xliv 2, 6, lii 7, 13

b Lev xxv. 39—46.

c ver 21, ch xxxvii 5

f 1 Kings vi 5, 2 Kings x 15, 1 Chron ii 55

1 Or, *hath sold himself*

5 Heb *threshold*, or, *vessel*

m 2 Kings xii 9, xxv 18, 1 Chron ix 18, 19

d Exod xxi 2, xxiii 10, Deut xv 12

2 Heb *to-day*

3 Heb *is or upon my name is called*

e ch vii 10, 2 Kings xxiii 3, Neh x 29

n 2 Kings x 15

o Exod xx 12, Eph vi 2, 3

f Exod xx 7, Lev xix 12

4 Heb *for a removing*

g ch xxix 18, xxxii 24, 36, Deut xxviii 25, 64, Matt xxii 2, Gal vi 7, James ii 7

h Gen xv 10, 17

p ch xxxii 33

i ch vii 33, xvi 4; xix 7

j ch xxxvii. 5, 11.

q ch vii 13, xxv 3; 2 Chron. xxxvi 15.

CHAPTER XXXV.

1 *By the obedience of the Rechabites,* 12 *Jeremiah condemneth the disobedience of the Jews.* 18 *God blesseth the Rechabites for their obedience.*

THE word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,

2 Go unto the house of the Rechabites, and speak unto them, and bring them into the house of the LORD, into one of the chambers, and give them wine to drink.[l]

3 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habaziniah, and his brethren, and all his sons, and the whole house of the Rechabites;

4 And I brought them into the house of the LORD, into the chamber of the sons of Hanan, the son of Igdaliah, a man of God, which *was* by the chamber of the princes, which *was* above the chamber of Maaseiah the son of Shallum, the keeper of the [5]door:[m]

5 And I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites pots full of wine, and cups, and I said unto them, Drink ye wine.

6 But they said, We will drink no wine: for Jonadab the son of Rechab our father commanded us, saying, Ye shall drink no wine, *neither* ye, nor your sons for ever:[n]

7 Neither shall ye build house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor have *any*: but all your days ye shall dwell in tents; that ye may live many days in the land where ye *be* strangers.[o]

8 Thus have we obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab our father in all that he hath charged us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, nor our daughters;

9 Nor to build houses for us to dwell in: neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed:

10 But we have dwelt in tents, and have obeyed, and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us.

11 But it came to pass, when Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came up into the land, that we said, Come, and let us go to Jerusalem for fear of the army of the Chaldeans, and for fear of the army of the Syrians: so we dwell at Jerusalem.

12 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,

13 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Go and tell the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, Will ye not receive instruction to hearken to my words? saith the LORD.[p]

14 The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed; for unto this day they drink none, but obey their father's commandment: notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye hearkened not unto me.[q]

15 I have sent also unto you all my servants the

l ch xxxv 5

5 Heb *threshold*

m 2 Kings xii 9, xxv 18, 1 Chron ix 18, 19

n 2 Kings x 15

o Exod xx 12, Eph vi 2, 3



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prophets, rising up early and sending *them*, saying, Return ye now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers: but ye have not inclined your ear, nor hearkened unto me.[a]

16 Because the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have performed the commandment of their father, which he commanded them; but this people hath not hearkened unto me:

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon Judah and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the evil that I have pronounced against them: because I have spoken unto them, but they have not heard; and I have called unto them, but they have not answered.[b]

18 ¶ And Jeremiah said unto the house of the Rechabites, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Because ye have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according unto all that he hath commanded you:

19 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; [1]Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand before me for ever.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 607

a ch vii 25, xviii 11; xxv 4—6

d ch xxv 3, xxx 2, Isa. viii 1, Ezek ii 9, Zech v 1

b ch vii 13, Prov i 24, Isa. lxv 12, lxvi 4.

e ch v 7, xviii 8, xxvi 3, Jonah iii. 8

f ch xxxii 12; xlv. 1

1 Heb *There shall not a man be cut off from Jonadab the son of Rechab to stand, &c.*

c ch. xv. 19

CHAPTER XXXVI.

1 *Jeremiah causeth Baruch to write his prophecy, 5 and publickly to read it* 11 *The princes, having intelligence thereof by Michaiah, send Jehudi to fetch the roll, and read it* 19 *They will Baruch to hide himself and Jeremiah.* 20 *The king Jehoiakim, being certified thereof, burneth part of it, and burneth the roll.* 27 *Jeremiah denounceth his judgment.* 32 *Baruch writeth a new copy.*

AND it came to pass in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, *that* this word came unto Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,

2 Take thee a roll of a book, and write therein all the words that I have spoken unto thee against Israel, and against Judah, and against all the nations, from the day I spake unto thee, from the days of Josiah, even unto this day.[d]

3 It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them; that they may return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin.

4 Then Jeremiah called Baruch the son of Neriah: and Baruch wrote from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the LORD, which he had spoken unto him, upon a roll of a book.[f]

5 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saying, I *am* shut up; I cannot go into the house of the LORD:

6 Therefore go thou, and read in the roll, which thou hast written from my mouth, the words of the LORD in the ears of the people in the LORD'S house upon the fasting day: and also thou shalt read them in the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities.[a]

7 It may be [1]they will present their supplication before the LORD, and will return every one from his evil way: for great *is* the anger and the fury that the LORD hath pronounced against this people.[b]

8 And Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him, reading in the book the words of the LORD in the LORD'S house.

9 And it came to pass in the fifth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, in the ninth month, *that* they proclaimed a fast before the LORD to all the people in Jerusalem, and to all the people that came from the cities of Judah unto Jerusalem.

10 Then read Baruch in the book the words of Jeremiah in the house of the LORD, in the chamber of Gemariah the son of Shaphan the scribe, in the higher court, at the [2]entry of the new gate of the LORD'S house, in the ears of all the people.[c]

11 ¶ When Michaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard out of the book all the words of the LORD,

12 Then he went down into the king's house, into the scribe's chamber: and, lo, all the princes sat there, *even* Elishama the scribe, and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and Elnathan the son of Achbor, and Gemariah the son of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah, and all the princes.

13 Then Michaiah declared unto them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the book in the ears of the people.

14 Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Cushi, unto Baruch, saying, Take in thine hand the roll wherein thou hast read in the ears of the people, and come. So Baruch the son of Neriah took the roll in his hand, and came unto them.

15 And they said unto him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears. So Baruch read *it* in their ears.

16 Now it came to pass, when they had heard all the words, they were afraid both one and other, and said unto Baruch, We will surely tell the king of all these words.

17 And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How didst thou write all these words at his mouth?

18 Then Baruch answered them, He pronounced all these words unto me with his mouth, and I wrote *them* with ink in the book.

19 Then said the princes unto Baruch, Go, hide thee, thou and Jeremiah; and let no man know where ye be.

20 ¶ And they went in to the king into the court, but they laid up the roll in the chamber of Elishama the scribe, and told all the words in the ears of the king.

21 So the king sent Jehudi to fetch the roll: and he took it out of Elishama the scribe's chamber. And Jehudi read it in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes which stood beside the king.

22 Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the ninth month: and *there was a fire* on the hearth burning before him.[d]

23 And it came to pass, *that* when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, he cut it with the penknife, and cast *it* into the fire that *was* on the hearth, until all the roll was consumed in the fire that *was* on the hearth.[e]

24 Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, *neither* the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.[e]

25 Nevertheless Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the roll: but he would not hear them.

26 But the king commanded Jerahmeel the son [3]of Hammelech, and Seraiah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet: but the LORD hid them.

27 ¶ Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the roll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,

28 Take thee again another roll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah hath burned.

29 And thou shalt say to Jehoiakim king of Judah, Thus saith the LORD; Thou hast burned this roll, saying, Why hast thou written therein, saying, The king of Babylon shall certainly come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from thence man and beast?

30 Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim king of Judah; He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David: and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost.[f]

31 And I will [4]punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity; and I will bring upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah, all the evil that I have pronounced against them; but they hearkened not.[g]

32 ¶ Then took Jeremiah another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah; who wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire: and there were added besides unto them many [5]like words.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

1 *The Egyptians having raised the siege of the Chaldeans, king Zedekiah sendeth to Jeremiah to pray for the people.* 6 *Jeremiah propheseth the Chaldeans' certain return and victory.* 11 *He is taken for a fugitive, beaten, and put in prison.* 16 *He assureth Zedekiah of the captivity.* 18 *Intreating for his liberty, he obtaineth some favour.*

AND king Zedekiah the son of Josiah reigned instead of Coniah the son of Jehoiakim, whom Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon made king in the land of Judah.[h]

2 But neither he, nor his servants, nor the people of the land, did hearken unto the words of the LORD, which he spake [6]by the prophet Jeremiah.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 607.

d Amos iii. 15.

a Lev. xvi. 29; xxiii. 27—32; Acts xxvii. 9.

1 Heb. *their supplication shall fall.*

b ver. 3.

e 2 Kings xxii. 11; Isa. xxxvi. 22; xxxvii. 1.

3 Or, *of the king.*

2 Or, *door*

c ch. xxvi. 10.

f ch. xxii. 19, 30

4 Heb. *visit upon*

g ch. xxiii. 34

5 Heb. *as they*

h ch. xxii. 24; 2 Kings xxiv. 17; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 10

6 Heb. *by the hand of the prophet.*

i 2 Chron. xxxvi. 12, 14.



JEHOIAKIM MUTILATING THE ROLL OF THE LAW.—JEREMIAH XXXVI. 23.

3 And Zedekiah the king sent Jehucal the son of Shelemiah and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah the priest to the prophet Jeremiah, saying, Pray now unto the LORD our God for us.[a]

4 Now Jeremiah came in and went out among the people: for they had not put him into prison.

5 Then Pharaoh's army was come forth out of Egypt: and when the Chaldeans that besieged Jerusalem heard tidings of them, they departed from Jerusalem.[b]

6 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto the prophet Jeremiah, saying,

7 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say to the king of Judah, that sent you unto me to enquire of me: Behold, Pharaoh's army, which is come forth to help you, shall return to Egypt into their own land.[c]

8 And the Chaldeans shall come again, and fight against this city, and take it, and burn it with fire.[d]

9 Thus saith the LORD; Deceive not [1]yourselves, saying, The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us: for they shall not depart.

10 For though ye had smitten the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you, and there remained *but* [2]wounded men among them, *yet* should they rise up every man in his tent, and burn this city with fire.[e]

11 ¶ And it came to pass, that when the army of the Chaldeans was [3]broken up from Jerusalem for fear of Pharaoh's army,[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 590

c ch xxi. 2.

a ch xxi 1, 2, xxix. 25; li 24

d ch xxxiv 22

1 Heb *souls.*

b ver 11, ch xxxiv 21; 2 Kings xxiv 7, Ezek. xvii. 15

2 Heb. *thrust through*

e ch xxi. 4, 5.

3 Heb. *made to ascend.*

f ver. 5.

12 Then Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem to go into the land of Benjamin, [1]to separate himself thence in the midst of the people.

13 And when he was in the gate of Benjamin, a captain of the ward *was* there, whose name *was* Irijah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Hananiah; and he took Jeremiah the prophet, saying, Thou fallest away to the Chaldeans.

14 Then said Jeremiah, *It is* [2]false; I fall not away to the Chaldeans. But he hearkened not to him: so Irijah took Jeremiah, and brought him to the princes.

15 Wherefore the princes were wroth with Jeremiah, and smote him, and put him in prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that the prison.[a]

16 ¶ When Jeremiah was entered into the dungeon, and into the [3]cabins, and Jeremiah had remained there many days;[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 590.

1 Or, *to slip away from thence in the midst of the people.*

c ch. xxxii 2; xxxviii. 9, 13, 28; lii. 6.

2 Heb. *falsehood*, or, *a lie.*

a ch xxxviii. 26.
d ch. xxi. 1; xxxvii. 3.

3 Or, *cells.*

b ch. xxxviii. 6.

and that they should give him daily a piece of bread out of the bakers' street, until all the bread in the city were spent. Thus Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.[c]

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

1 *Jeremiah, by a false suggestion, is put into the dungeon of Malchiah 7 Ebed-melech, by suit, getteth him some enlargement.* 14 *Upon secret conference he counselleth the king by yielding to save his life.* 24 *By the king's instructions he concealeth the conference from the princes.*

THEN Shephatiah the son of Mattan, and Gedaliah the son of Pashur, and Jucal the son of Shelemiah, and Pashur the son of Malchiah, heard the words that Jeremiah had spoken unto all the people, saying,[d]

2 Thus saith the LORD, He that remaineth in this city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth forth



ANCIENT SUBTERRANEAN VAULTS DISCOVERED UNDER THE SITE OF THE TEMPLE AT JERUSALEM

17 Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took him out: and the king asked him secretly in his house, and said, Is there *any* word from the LORD? And Jeremiah said, There is: for, said he, thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.

18 Moreover Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah, What have I offended against thee, or against thy servants, or against this people, that ye have put me in prison?

19 Where *are* now your prophets which prophesied unto you, saying, The king of Babylon shall not come against you, nor against this land?

20 Therefore hear now, I pray thee, O my lord the king: [4]let my supplication, I pray thee, be accepted before thee; that thou cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe, lest I die there.

21 Then Zedekiah the king commanded that they should commit Jeremiah into the court of the prison,

e ch xxi 9

f ch xxi 10, xxxii 3.

h Heb *peace*
g ch xxvi 11.

4 Heb. *let my supplication fall*

6 Or, *of the king.*

to the Chaldeans shall live; for he shall have his life for a prey, and shall live.[e]

3 Thus saith the LORD, This city shall surely be given into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which shall take it.[f]

4 Therefore the princes said unto the king, We beseech thee, let this man be put to death: for thus he weakeneth the hands of the men of war that remain in this city, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such words unto them: for this man seeketh not the [5]welfare of this people, but the hurt.[g]

5 Then Zedekiah the king said, Behold, he *is* in your hand: for the king *is* not *he that* can do *any* thing against you.

6 Then took they Jeremiah, and cast him into the dungeon of Malchiah the son [6]of Hammelech, that *was* in the court of the prison: and they let down Jeremiah with cords. And in the dungeon



JEREMIAH LET DOWN INTO THE PIT.—JEREMIAH XXXVIII. 6.

there was no water, but mire: so Jeremiah sunk in the mire.[a]

7 ¶ Now when Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, one of the eunuchs which was in the king's house, heard that they had put Jeremiah in the dungeon; the king then sitting in the gate of Benjamin;[b]

8 Ebed-melech went forth out of the king's house, and spake to the king, saying,

9 My lord the king, these men have done evil in all that they have done to Jeremiah the prophet, whom they have cast into the dungeon; and [1]he is like to die for hunger in the place where he is: for *there is* no more bread in the city.

10 Then the king commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Take from hence thirty men [2]with thee, and take up Jeremiah the prophet out of the dungeon, before he die.

11 So Ebed-melech took the men with him, and went into the house of the king under the treasury, and took thence old cast clouts and old rotten rags, and let them down by cords into the dungeon to Jeremiah.

12 And Ebed-melech the Ethiopian said unto Jeremiah, Put now *these* old cast clouts and rotten rags under thine armholes under the cords. And Jeremiah did so.

13 So they drew up Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the dungeon: and Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.[c]

14 ¶ Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took Jeremiah the prophet unto him into the [3]third entry that *is* in the house of the LORD: and the king said unto Jeremiah, I will ask thee a thing; hide nothing from me.

15 Then Jeremiah said unto Zedekiah, If I declare *it* unto thee, wilt thou not surely put me to death? and if I give thee counsel, wilt thou not hearken unto me?

16 So Zedekiah the king sware secretly unto Jeremiah, saying, *As* the LORD liveth, that made us

a. Christ 590

a ch xxxvii 21

b ch xxxix 16

ver 6, ch xxxvii 21

1 Heb *he will die*

3 Or, *principal.*

2 Heb *in thine hand*

this soul, I will not put thee to death, neither will I give thee into the hand of these men that seek thy life.[a]

17 Then said Jeremiah unto Zedekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel; If thou wilt assuredly go forth unto the king of Babylon's princes, then thy soul shall live, and this city shall not be burned with fire; and thou shalt live, and thine house:[b]

18 But if thou wilt not go forth to the king of Babylon's princes, then shall this city be given into the hand of the Chaldeans, and they shall burn it with fire, and thou shalt not escape out of their hand.[c]

19 And Zedekiah the king said unto Jeremiah, I am afraid of the Jews that are fallen to the Chaldeans, lest they deliver me into their hand, and they mock me.[d]

20 But Jeremiah said, They shall not deliver *thee.*[4] Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of the LORD, which I speak unto thee: so it shall be well unto thee, and thy soul shall live.

21 But if thou refuse to go forth, this *is* the word that the LORD hath shewed me:

22 And, behold, all the women that are left in the king of Judah's house *shall be* brought forth to the king of Babylon's princes, and those *women* shall say, [1]Thy friends have set thee on, and have prevailed against thee: thy feet are sunk in the mire, *and* they are turned away back.

23 So they shall bring out all thy wives and thy children to the Chaldeans: and thou shalt not escape out of their hand, but shalt be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon: and [2]thou shalt cause this city to be burned with fire.[e]

24 ¶ Then said Zedekiah unto Jeremiah, Let no man know of these words, and thou shalt not die.

25 But if the princes hear that I have talked with thee, and they come unto thee, and say unto thee, Declare unto us now what thou hast said unto the king, hide it not from us, and we will not put thee to death; also what the king said unto thee:

26 Then thou shalt say unto them, I presented my supplication before the king, that he would not cause me to return to Jonathan's house, to die there.[f]

27 Then came all the princes unto Jeremiah, and asked him: and he told them according to all these words that the king had commanded. So [3]they left off speaking with him; for the matter was not perceived.

28 So Jeremiah abode in the court of the prison until the day that Jerusalem was taken: and he was *there* when Jerusalem was taken.[g]

CHAPTER XXXIX.

1 *Jerusalem is taken.* 4 *Zedekiah is made blind, and sent to Babylon.* 8 *The city ransacked,* 9 *the people captivated.* 11 *Nebuchadrezzar's charge for the good usage of Jeremiah.* 15 *God's promise to Ebed-melech.*

IN the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it.[h]

2 *And* in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth *day* of the month, the city was broken up.

3 And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate, *even* Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechim, Rab-saris, Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, with all the residue of the princes of the king of Babylon.[i]

4 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* when Zedekiah the king of Judah saw them, and all the men of war, then they fled, and went forth out of the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, by the gate betwixt the two walls: and he went out the way of the plain.[j]

5 But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho: and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath, where he [4]gave judgment upon him.[k]

6 Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Riblah before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah.

7 Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him [5]with chains, to carry him to Babylon.[l]

8 ¶ And the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the people, with fire, and brake down the walls of Jerusalem.[m]

9 Then Nebuzar-adan the [6]captain of the guard carried away captive into Babylon the remnant of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to him, with the rest of the people that remained.[n]

10 But Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard left of the poor of the people, which had nothing, in the land of Judah, and gave them vineyards and fields [7]at the same time.

11 ¶ Now Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon gave charge concerning Jeremiah [8]to Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard, saying,

12 Take him, and [9]look well to him, and do him no harm; but do unto him even as he shall say unto thee.

13 So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard sent, and Nebushasban, Rab-saris, and Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag, and all the king of Babylon's princes;

14 Even they sent, and took Jeremiah out of the court of the prison, and committed him unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, that he should carry him home: so he dwelt among the people.[o]

15 ¶ Now the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, while he was shut up in the court of the prison, saying,

16 Go and speak to Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring my words upon this city for evil, and not for good; and they shall be *accomplished* in that day before thee.[p]

17 But I will deliver thee in that day, saith the LORD: and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the men of whom thou *art* afraid.

18 For I will surely deliver thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy life shall be for a prey unto thee: because thou hast put thy trust in me, saith the LORD.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 590.

[a] Isa. lvii. 16.

[b] ch. xxxviii. 17.

[c] ch. xxxix. 8; 2 Kings xxiv. 12.

[d] ver. 23; ch. xxxii. 4, xxxiv 3

[e] ch lii. 7, &c; 2 Kings xxv. 4, &c.

[d] 1 Sam. xxxi. 4.

4 Heb. *spake with him judgments,* ch. iv. 12.

[k] ch xxxii. 4; xxxviii. 18, 23; 2 Kings xxiii. 33.

5 Heb *with two brazen chains,* or, *fetters*

[l] Ezek. xii. 13, compared with ch xxxii. 4.

[m] ch. xxxviii. 18; lii. 13; 2 Kings xxv. 9.

1 Heb. *Men of thy peace.*

6 Or, *chief marshal* Heb. *chief of the executioners,* or, *slaughtermen,* vs. 10, 11, &c.; Gen. xxxvii. 36.

[n] ch. lii. 15, &c., 2 Kings xxv. 11, &c.

2 Heb. *thou shalt burn,* &c.

[e] ver 18; xxxix. 6, xli. 10.

7 Heb *in that day.*

8 Heb *by the hand of*

9 Heb *set thine eyes upon him.*

[f] ch xxxvii 15, 20.

3 Heb *they were silent from him*

[o] ch xxvi. 24, xxxviii. 28, xl 5

[g] ch xxxvii. 21, xxxix. 14

[p] ch xxxviii 7, 12, Dan. ix 12.

[h] ch. lii. 4, 7, 2 Kings xxv. 1—4.

[q] ch. xxi. 9; xlv 5; 1 Chron. v. 20; Ps. xxxvii. 40.



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CHAPTER XL.

1 *Jeremiah, being set free by Nebuzar-adan, goeth to Gedaliah.* 7 *The dispersed Jews repair unto him.* 13 *Johanan revealing Ishmael's conspiracy is not believed.*

THE word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, after that Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had let him go from Ramah, when he had taken him being bound in [1]chains among all that were carried away captive of Jerusalem and Judah, which were carried away captive unto Babylon.[a]

2 And the captain of the guard took Jeremiah,

BEFORE CHRIST 589

[b] ch. l. 7

[c] Deut. xxix. 24, 25; Dan. ix. 11.

2 Or, are *upon thine hand.*

3 Heb. *I will set mine eye upon thee.*

1 Or, *manacles.*

[d] ch. xxxix. 12; Gen. xx. 15.

[a] ch. xxxix. 14.

and said unto him, The LORD thy God hath pronounced this evil upon this place.[b]

3 Now the LORD hath brought *it*, and done according as he hath said: because ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed his voice, therefore this thing is come upon you.[c]

4 And now, behold, I loose thee this day from the chains which [2]*were* upon thine hand. If it seem good unto thee to come with me into Babylon, come; and [3]I will look well unto thee: but if it seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon, forbear: behold, all the land *is* before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go.[d]

5 Now while he was not yet gone back, *he said*, Go back also to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son

of Shaphan, whom the king of Babylon hath made governor over the cities of Judah, and dwell with him among the people: or go wheresoever it seemeth convenient unto thee to go. So the captain of the guard gave him victuals and a reward, and let him go.[a]

6 Then went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and dwelt with him among the people that were left in the land.[b]

7 ¶ Now when all the captains of the forces which *were* in the fields, *even* they and their men, heard that the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah the son of Ahikam governor in the land, and had committed unto him men, and women, and children, and of the poor of the land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon;[c]

8 Then they came to Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan and Jonathan the sons of Kareah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai the Netophathite, and Jezaniah the son of a Maachathite, they and their men.[d]

9 And Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan sware unto them and to their men, saying, Fear not [1]to serve the Chaldeans: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon, and it shall be well with you.

10 As for me, behold, I will dwell at Mizpah, to serve the Chaldeans, which will come unto us: but ye, gather ye wine, and summer fruits, and oil, and put *them* in your vessels, and dwell in your cities that ye have taken.

11 Likewise when all the Jews that *were* in Moab, and among the Ammonites, and in Edom, and that *were* in all the countries, heard that the king of Babylon had left a remnant of Judah, and that he had set over them Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan;

12 Even all the Jews returned out of all places whither they were driven, and came to the land of Judah, to Gedaliah, unto Mizpah, and gathered wine and summer fruits very much.

13 ¶ Moreover Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that *were* in the fields, came to Gedaliah to Mizpah,

14 And said unto him, Dost thou certainly know that Baalis the king of the Ammonites hath sent Ishmael the son of Nethaniah [2]to slay thee? But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam believed them not.[e]

15 Then Johanan the son of Kareah spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly, saying, Let me go, I pray thee, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know *it:* wherefore should he slay thee, that all the Jews which are gathered unto thee should be scattered, and the remnant in Judah perish?

16 But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam said unto Johanan the son of Kareah, Thou shalt not do this thing: for thou speakest falsely of Ishmael.

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

a 2 Kings xxv. 22, &c.

b ch xxxix. 14; Judg xx. 1.

c ch xl 6, 8; 2 Kings xxv 25.

d 2 Kings xxv. 23, &c.

e 2 Kings xxv. 25.

1 Heb *to stand before*, ver. 10; Deut. i 38.

f ch xli. 1.

g Lev. xix 27, 28; Deut xiv 1; 1 Sam. i 7, 2 Kings xxv. 9, Isa. xv 2.

3 Heb *in going and weeping.*

4 Or, *near Gedaliah* Heb *by the hand*, or, *by the side of Gedaliah*

h 1 Kings xv 22, 2 Chron xvi 6

2 Heb *to strike thee in soul?*

i ch xli 10.

j ch xl 7; xlii. 6.

k ch xl. 7, 8, 13.

l 2 Sam. ii. 13.

CHAPTER XLI.

1 *Ishmael, treacherously killing Gedaliah and others, purposeth with the residue to flee unto the Ammonites.* 11 *Johanan recovereth the captives, and mindeth to flee into Egypt.*

NOW it came to pass in the seventh month, *that* Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of Elishama, of the seed royal, and the princes of the king, even ten men with him, came unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah; and there they did eat bread together in Mizpah.[f]

2 Then arose Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and the ten men that were with him, and smote Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him, whom the king of Babylon had made governor over the land.[g]

3 Ishmael also slew all the Jews that were with him, *even* with Gedaliah, at Mizpah, and the Chaldeans that were found there, *and* the men of war.

4 And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah, and no man knew *it,*

5 That there came certain from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, *even* fourscore men, having their beards shaven, and their clothes rent, and having cut themselves, with offerings and incense in their hand, to bring *them* to the house of the LORD.[h]

6 And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah went forth from Mizpah to meet them, [3]weeping all along as he went: and it came to pass, as he met them, he said unto them, Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam.

7 And it was *so,* when they came into the midst of the city, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah slew them, *and cast them* into the midst of the pit, he, and the men that *were* with him.

8 But ten men were found among them that said unto Ishmael, Slay us not: for we have treasures in the field, of wheat, and of barley, and of oil, and of honey. So he forbare, and slew them not among their brethren.

9 Now the pit wherein Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the men, whom he had slain [4]because of Gedaliah, *was* it which Asa the king had made for fear of Baasha king of Israel: *and* Ishmael the son of Nethaniah filled it with *them that were* slain.[i]

10 Then Ishmael carried away captive all the residue of the people that *were* in Mizpah, *even* the king's daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had committed to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam: and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah carried them away captive, and departed to go over to the Ammonites.[j]

11 ¶ But when Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that *were* with him, heard of all the evil that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had done,[k]

12 Then they took all the men, and went to fight with Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and found him by the great waters that *are* in Gibeon.[l]

13 Now it came to pass, *that* when all the people

which *were* with Ishmael saw Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that *were* with him, then they were glad.

14 So all the people that Ishmael had carried away captive from Mizpah cast about and returned, and went unto Johanan the son of Kareah.

15 But Ishmael the son of Nethaniah escaped from Johanan with eight men, and went to the Ammonites.

16 Then took Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that *were* with him, all the remnant of the people whom he had recovered from Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, from Mizpah, after *that* he had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, *even* mighty men of war, and the women, and the children, and the eunuchs, whom he had brought again from Gibeon:

17 And they departed, and dwelt in the habitation of Chimham, which is by Beth-lehem, to go to enter into Egypt,[a]

18 Because of the Chaldeans: for they were afraid of them, because Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, whom the king of Babylon made governor in the land.[b]

CHAPTER XLII.

1 Johanan desireth Jeremiah to enquire of God, promising obedience to his will 7 Jeremiah answereth him of safety in Judea, 13 and destruction in Egypt 19 He reproveth their hypocrisy, in requiring of the Lord that which they meant not.

THEN all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and all the people from the least even unto the greatest, came near,[c]

2 And said unto Jeremiah the prophet, [1]Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for us unto the LORD thy God, *even* for all this remnant; (for we are left *but* a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:)[d]

3 That the LORD thy God may shew us the way wherein we may walk, and the thing that we may do.[e]

4 Then Jeremiah the prophet said unto them, I have heard *you;* behold, I will pray unto the LORD your God according to your words; and it shall come to pass, *that* whatsoever thing the LORD shall answer you, I will declare *it* unto you; I will keep nothing back from you.[f]

5 Then they said to Jeremiah, The LORD be a true and faithful witness between us, if we do not even according to all things for the which the LORD thy God shall send thee to us.[g]

6 Whether *it be* good, or whether *it be* evil, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send thee; that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our God.[h]

7 ¶ And it came to pass after ten days, that the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah.

8 Then called he Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces which *were* with him, and all the people from the least even to the greatest,

9 And said unto them, Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplication before him;

10 If ye will still abide in this land, then will I build you, and not pull *you* down, and I will plant you, and not pluck *you* up: for I repent me of the evil that I have done unto you.[i]

11 Be not afraid of the king of Babylon, of whom ye are afraid: be not afraid of him, saith the LORD: for I *am* with you to save you, and to deliver you from his hand.[j]

12 And I will shew mercies unto you, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to your own land.[k]

13 ¶ But if ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither obey the voice of the LORD your God,[l]

14 Saying, No; but we will go into the land of Egypt, where we shall see no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet, nor have hunger of bread; and there will we dwell:

15 And now therefore hear the word of the LORD, ye remnant of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; If ye wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there;[m]

16 Then it shall come to pass, *that* the sword, which ye feared, shall overtake you there in the land of Egypt, and the famine, whereof ye were afraid, [2]shall follow close after you there in Egypt; and there ye shall die.[n]

17 [3]So shall it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there; they shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence: and none of them shall remain or escape from the evil that I will bring upon them.[o]

18 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As mine anger and my fury hath been poured forth upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem; so shall my fury be poured forth upon you, when ye shall enter into Egypt: and ye shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach; and ye shall see this place no more.[p]

19 ¶ The LORD hath said concerning you, O ye remnant of Judah; Go ye not into Egypt: know certainly that I have [4]admonished you this day.[q]

20 For [5]ye dissembled in your hearts, when ye sent me unto the LORD your God, saying, Pray for us unto the LORD our God; and according unto all that the LORD our God shall say, so declare unto us, and we will do *it*.[r]

21 And *now* I have this day declared *it* to you; but ye have not obeyed the voice of the LORD your God, nor any *thing* for the which he hath sent me unto you.

22 Now therefore know certainly that ye shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place whither ye desire [6]to go *and* to sojourn.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 588

a 2 Sam xix 37, 38

b ch xl 5

c ch xl 8, 13, xli 11

d Lev xxvi 22, 1 Sam vii 8, xii 19, Isa xxxvii 4, James v 16

e Ezra viii 21

f 1 Sam iii 18, 1 Kings xxii 14, Acts xx 20

g Gen xxxi 50.

h ch. vii. 23; Deut. vi. 3.

i ch xviii 8, xxiv 6, xxxi 28, xxxiii 7, Deut xxxii 36

j Isa xliii 5, Rom. viii 31

k Ps cvi 45, 46.

l ch xliv 16

m ch xliv 12—14, Deut xvii 16, Luke ix 51

n Ezek xi 8

o ver 22, ch xxiv 10, xliv 14, 28

p ch vii 20, xviii 16, xxiv 9, xxvi 6, xxix 18, 22, xliv. 12, Zech viii 13

q Deut xvii 16.

r ver 2.

s ver. 17; Ezek. vi. 11.

1 Or, *Let our supplication fall before thee.*

2 Heb *shall cleave after you*

3 Heb *So shall all the men be*

4 Heb *testified against you*

5 Or, *ye have used deceit against your souls*

6 Or, *to go to sojourn.*

CHAPTER XLIII.

1 Johanan, discrediting Jeremiah's prophecy, carrieth Jeremiah and others into Egypt 8 Jeremiah prophesieth by a type the conquest of Egypt by the Babylonians.

NOW it came to pass, *that* when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking unto all the people all the words of the LORD their God, for which the LORD their God had sent him to them, *even* all these words,

2 Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the proud men, saying unto Jeremiah, Thou speakest falsely: the LORD our God hath not sent thee to say, Go not into Egypt to sojourn there:[a]

3 But Baruch the son of Neriah setteth thee on against us, for to deliver us into the hand of the Chaldeans, that they might put us to death, and carry us away captives into Babylon.

4 So Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, and all the people, obeyed not the voice of the LORD, to dwell in the land of Judah.

5 But Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, took all the remnant of Judah, that were returned from all nations, whither they had been driven, to dwell in the land of Judah;[b]

6 *Even* men, and women, and children, and the king's daughters, and every person that Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Jeremiah the prophet, and Baruch the son of Neriah.[c]

7 So they came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: thus came they *even* to Tahpanhes.[d]

8 ¶ Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah in Tahpanhes, saying,

9 Take great stones in thine hand, and hide them in the clay in the brickkiln, which *is* at the entry of Pharaoh's house in Tahpanhes, in the sight of the men of Judah;

10 And say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will send and take Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will set his throne upon these stones that I have hid; and he shall spread his royal pavilion over them.[e]

11 And when he cometh, he shall smite the land of Egypt, *and deliver* such *as are* for death to death; and such *as are* for captivity to captivity; and such *as are* for the sword to the sword.[f]

12 And I will kindle a fire in the houses of the gods of Egypt; and he shall burn them, and carry them away captives: and he shall array himself with the land of Egypt, as a shepherd putteth on his garment; and he shall go forth from thence in peace.[g]

13 He shall break also the [1]images of [2]Beth-shemesh, that *is* in the land of Egypt; and the houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burn with fire.

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

h ch xlii 7, xlvi. 14; Exod xiv 2, Isa. xix 13

a ch xlii 1.

i ch ix 11; xxxiv 22

k ch xix 4, Deut xiii 6, xxxii. 17

l ch vii 25, xxv 4, xxvi 5, xxix 19; 2 Chron xxxvi 15

b ch xl. 11, 12

l ch xlii. 18

c ch. xxxix 10; xl. 7; xli 10

3 Heb *out of the midst of Judah*

m ch vii 19; Numb. xvi 38.

d ch ii 16, xlv. 1, called *Hanes*, Isa. xxx. 4.

n ver 12, ch xxiv 9, xxv 6, 7

4 Heb *wickednesses*, or, *punishments*, &c

e ch xxv. 9, xxvii. 6; Ezek. xxix 18, 20

5 Heb. *contrite*, Ps. li 17.

o Prov. xxviii. 14.

f ch xv. 2; xliii. 13; xlvi. 13; Zech. xi. 9.

p ch. xxi. 10; Lev. xvii. 10; xx. 5, 6; Amos ix. 4.

g ch xlvi. 25.

1 Heb *statues*, or, *standing images*

2 Or, *the house of the sun.*

CHAPTER XLIV.

1 Jeremiah expresseth the desolation of Judah for their idolatry. 11 He prophesieth their destruction, who commit idolatry in Egypt. 15 The obstinacy of the Jews. 20 Jeremiah threateneth them for the same, 29 and for a sign prophesieth the destruction of Egypt.

THE word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the Jews which dwell in the land of Egypt, which dwell at Migdol, and at Tahpanhes, and at Noph, and in the country of Pathros, saying,[h]

2 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Ye have seen all the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, and upon all the cities of Judah; and, behold, this day they *are* a desolation, and no man dwelleth therein,[i]

3 Because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke me to anger, in that they went to burn incense, *and* to serve other gods, whom they knew not, *neither* they, ye, nor your fathers.[k]

4 Howbeit I sent unto you all my servants the prophets, rising early and sending *them*, saying, Oh, do not this abominable thing that I hate.[l]

5 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.

6 Wherefore my fury and mine anger was poured forth, and was kindled in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem; and they are wasted *and* desolate, as at this day.[l]

7 Therefore now thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel; Wherefore commit ye *this* great evil against your souls, to cut off from you man and woman, child and suckling, [3]out of Judah, to leave you none to remain;[m]

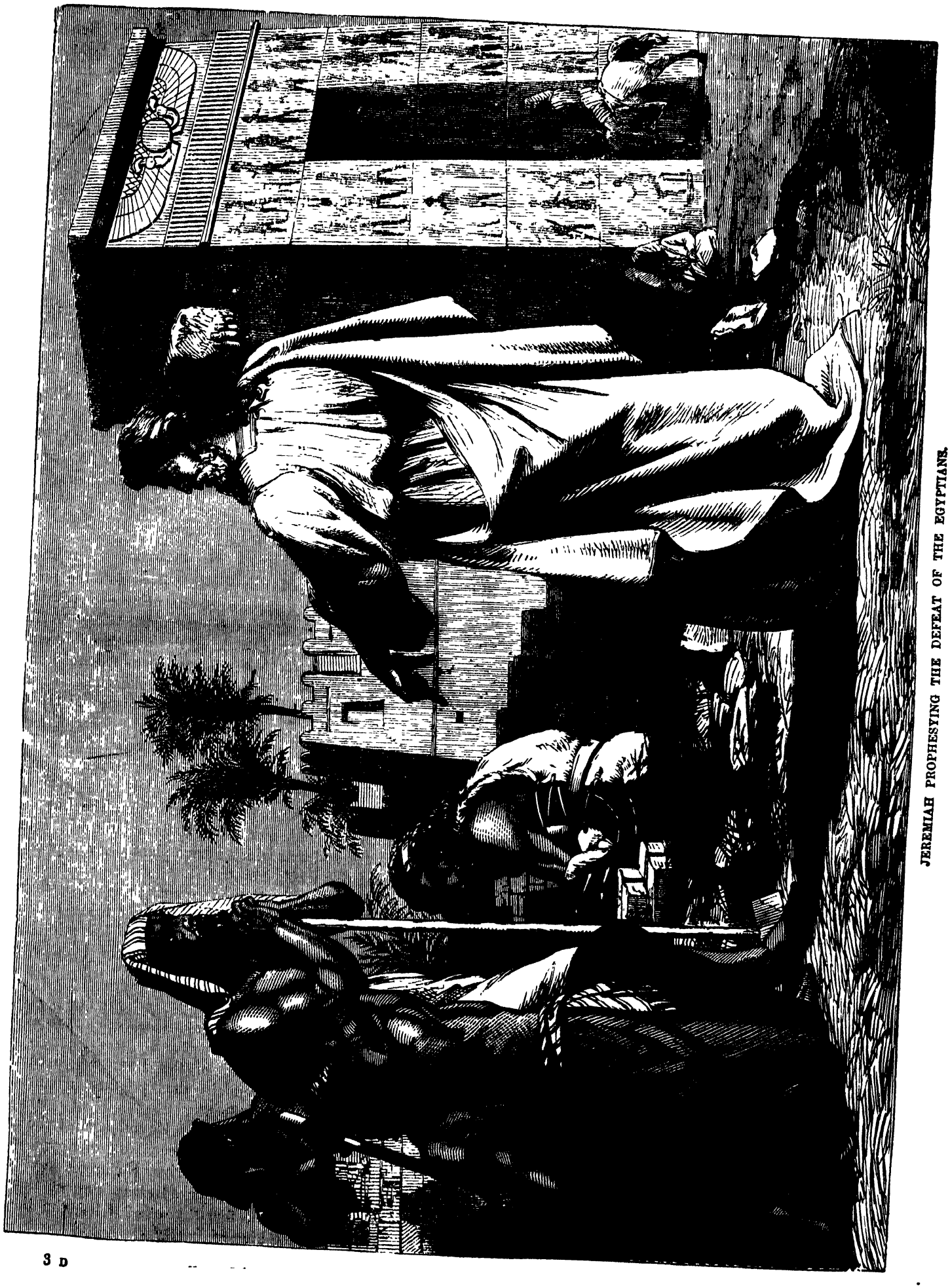
8 In that ye provoke me unto wrath with the works of your hands, burning incense unto other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be gone to dwell, that ye might cut yourselves off, and that ye might be a curse and a reproach among all the nations of the earth?[n]

9 Have ye forgotten the [4]wickedness of your fathers, and the wickedness of the kings of Judah, and the wickedness of their wives, and your own wickedness, and the wickedness of your wives, which they have committed in the land of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem?

10 They are not [5]humbled *even* unto this day, neither have they feared, nor walked in my law, nor in my statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers.[o]

11 ¶ Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will set my face against you for evil, and to cut off all Judah.[p]

12 And I will take the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to go into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, and they shall all be consumed, *and* fall in the land of Egypt; they shall *even* be consumed by the sword *and* by the famine: they shall die, from the least even unto the greatest,



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by the sword and by the famine: and they shall be an execration, *and* an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.[a]

13 For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I have punished Jerusalem, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:[b]

14 So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall escape or remain, that they should return into the land of Judah, to the which they [1]have a desire to return to dwell there: for none shall return but such as shall escape.[c]

15 ¶ Then all the men which knew that their wives had burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, even all the people that dwelt in the land of Egypt, in Pathros, answered Jeremiah, saying,

16 *As for* the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of the LORD, we will not hearken unto thee.[d]

17 But we will certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn incense unto the [2]queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, as we have done, we, and our fathers, our kings, and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem: for *then* had we plenty of [3]victuals, and were well, and saw no evil.[e]

18 But since we left off to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her, we have wanted all *things*, and have been consumed by the sword and by the famine.

19 And when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink offerings unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her, without our [4]men?[f]

20 ¶ Then Jeremiah said unto all the people, to the men, and to the women, and to all the people which had given him *that* answer, saying,

21 The incense that ye burned in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, ye, and your fathers, your kings, and your princes, and the people of the land, did not the LORD remember them, and came it *not* into his mind?

22 So that the LORD could no longer bear, because of the evil of your doings, *and* because of the abominations which ye have committed; therefore is your land a desolation, and an astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.[g]

23 Because ye have burned incense, and because ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD, nor walked in his law, nor in his statutes, nor in his testimonies; therefore this evil is happened unto you, as at this day.[h]

24 Moreover Jeremiah said unto all the people, and to all the women, Hear the word of the LORD, all Judah that *are* in the land of Egypt:[i]

25 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying; Ye and your wives have both spoken with your mouths, and fulfilled with your hand, saying, We will surely perform our vows that we have vowed, to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her: ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 607.

a ch. xlii. 15—18, 22.

b ch. xliii. 11.
c Gen. xxii. 16.

l ver. 12; ch. i. 10; xxxi. 28; Ezek. vii. 6

1 Heb. *lift up their soul*

c ver. 28.

5 Heb. *from me, or them.*

m vs. 14, 17, 25, 26; Isa. xxvii. 13.

d ch. vi. 16.
n Ps. xxxiii. 11.

2 Or, *frame of heaven.*

o ch xxxix. 5; xlvi. 25, 26; Ezek. xxix. 3, &c., xxx. 21, &c.

3 Heb. *bread.*

e ver. 25; ch. vii. 18; Numb. xxx. 12; Deut. xxiii. 23; Judg. xi. 36.

4 Or, *husbands?*

f ch. vii 18
p ch. xxxvi. 1, 4, 32

q Isa. v. 5.

g ver. 6; ch. xxv. 11, 18, 38
r ch xxi 9; xxxviii. 2, xxxix. 18.

h Dan. ix. 11, 12.

s ch. xxv. 15, &c.

i ver. 15; ch. xliii. 7.

t 2 Kings xxiii. 29; 2 Chron. xxxv. 20.

j ver. 15, &c.
u ch. ii. 11, 12; Nahum iii. 1; iii. 14.

26 Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt; Behold, I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD, that my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah in all the land of Egypt, saying, The Lord GOD liveth.[k]

27 Behold, I will watch over them for evil, and not for good: and all the men of Judah that *are* in the land of Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them.[l]

28 Yet a small number that escape the sword shall return out of the land of Egypt into the land of Judah, and all the remnant of Judah, that are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there, shall know whose words shall stand, [5]mine, or their's.[m]

29 ¶ And this *shall be* a sign unto you, saith the LORD, that I will punish you in this place, that ye may know that my words shall surely stand against you for evil:[n]

30 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give Pharaoh-hophra king of Egypt into the hand of his enemies, and into the hand of them that seek his life; as I gave Zedekiah king of Judah into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, his enemy, and that sought his life.[o]

CHAPTER XLV.

1 *Baruch being dismayed,* 4 *Jeremiah instructeth and comforteth him.*

THE word that Jeremiah the prophet spake unto Baruch the son of Neriah, when he had written these words in a book at the mouth of Jeremiah, in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saying,[p]

2 Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto thee, O Baruch;

3 Thou didst say, Woe is me now! for the LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted in my sighing, and I find no rest.

4 ¶ Thus shalt thou say unto him, The LORD saith thus; Behold, *that* which I have built will I break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up, even this whole land.[q]

5 And seekest thou great things for thyself? seek *them* not: for, behold, I will bring evil upon all flesh, saith the LORD: but thy life will I give unto thee for a prey in all places whither thou goest.[r]

CHAPTER XLVI.

1 *Jeremiah prophesieth the overthrow of Pharaoh's army at Euphrates,* 13 *and the conquest of Egypt by Nebuchadrezzar.* 27 *He comforteth Jacob in their chastisement.*

THE word of the LORD which came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Gentiles;[s]

2 Against Egypt, against the army of Pharaoh-necho king of Egypt, which was by the river Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon smote in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah.[t]

3 Order ye the buckler and shield, and draw near to battle.[u]



PHARAOH-HOPHRA TAKEN PRISONER IN THE WAR WITH AMASIS.—JEREMIAH XLIV. 30.

4 Harness the horses; and get up, ye horsemen, and stand forth with *your* helmets; furbish the spears, *and* put on the brigandines.

5 Wherefore have I seen them dismayed *and* turned away back? and their mighty ones are [1]beaten down, and are [2]fled apace, and look not back: *for* fear *was* round about, saith the LORD.[a]

6 Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man escape; they shall stumble, and fall toward the north by the river Euphrates.[b]

7 Who *is* this *that* cometh up as a flood, whose waters are moved as the rivers?[c]

8 Egypt riseth up like a flood, and *his* waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, I will go up, *and* will cover the earth; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof.

9 Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the mighty men come forth; [3]the Ethiopians and [4]the Libyans, that handle the shield; and the Lydians, that handle *and* bend the bow.[d]

10 For this *is* the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood: for the Lord GOD of hosts hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.[e]

11 Go up into Gilead, and take balm, O virgin, the daughter of Egypt: in vain shalt thou use many medicines; *for* [5]thou shalt not be cured.[f]

12 The nations have heard of thy shame, and thy cry hath filled the land: for the mighty man hath stumbled against the mighty, *and* they are fallen both together.

13 ¶ The word that the LORD spake to Jeremiah the prophet, how Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon should come *and* smite the land of Egypt.[g]

14 Declare ye in Egypt, and publish in Migdol, and publish in Noph and in Tahpanhes: say ye, Stand fast, and prepare thee; for the sword shall devour round about thee.[h]

15 Why are thy valiant *men* swept away? they stood not, because the LORD did drive them.

BEFORE CHRIST 607

1 Heb *broken in pieces*

e Deut. xxxii 42, Isa. xxxiv 6, Ezek xxxix. 17, Zeph i 7

2 Heb *fled a flight.*

a ch vi. 25; xlv 29

5 Heb. *no cure shall be unto thee.*

f ch. viii. 22; li. 8, Isa. xlvii 1

b Dan. xi. 19.

c ch xlvii. 2, Isa. viii. 7, 8, Dan. xi. 22.

g ch. xliii. 10, 11; Isa. xix. 1; Ezek. xxix, xxx, xxxii. Fulfilled cir. 571.

3 Heb. *Cush.*

4 Heb *Put.*

h vs. 3, 4, 10.

d Isa. lxvi. 19.

16 He [1]made many to fall, yea, one fell upon another: and they said, Arise, and let us go again to our own people, and to the land of our nativity, from the oppressing sword.[a]

17 They did cry there, Pharaoh king of Egypt *is but* a noise; he hath passed the time appointed.

18 *As* I live, saith the King, whose name *is* the LORD of hosts, Surely as Tabor *is* among the mountains, and as Carmel by the sea, *so* shall he come.[b]

19 O thou daughter dwelling in Egypt, [2]furnish thyself to go into captivity: for Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant.[c]

20 Egypt *is like* a very fair heifer, *but* destruction cometh; it cometh out of the north.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 600.

1 Heb. *multiplied the faller.*

a Lev. xxvi. 37.
j Ezek. xxix. 11–14

k ch xxx. 10, 11; Isa. xli 13, 14; xliii 5; xliv. 2.

b ch. xlviii 15; Isa. xlvii. 4; xlviii. 2.

2 Heb *make thee instruments of captivity*

c ch. xlviii 18; Isa. xx. 4

4 Or, *not utterly cut thee off*

d vs. 6, 10, ch i 14, xlvii. 2, Hos. x 11.
l ch x. 24, xxx 11

21 Also her hired men *are* in the midst of her like [3]fatted bullocks; for they also are turned back, *and* are fled away together: they did not stand, because the day of their calamity was come upon them, *and* the time of their visitation.[e]

22 The voice thereof shall go like a serpent; for they shall march with an army, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood.[f]

23 They shall cut down her forest, saith the LORD, though it cannot be searched; because they are more than the grasshoppers, and *are* innumerable.[g]

24 The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north.[h]

25 The LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saith; Behold, I will punish the multitude of No, and Pharaoh, and Egypt, with their gods, and their kings; even Pharaoh, and *all* them that trust in him:[i]

26 And I will deliver them into the hand of those that seek their lives, and into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD.[j]

27 ¶ But fear not thou, O my servant Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel: for, behold, I will save thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make *him* afraid.[k]

28 Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the LORD: for I *am* with thee; for I will make a full end of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I [4]not leave thee wholly unpunished.[l]



GAZA.

3 Heb *bullocks of the stall*

e ch. l 27; Ps xxxvii 13

5 Heb *Azzah.*

m ch xxv 20, Ezek xxv 15, 16, Amos i 6–8, Zeph ii. 4, *b*

f Isa xxix 4.

g Judg vi 5, Isa. x. 34.

6 Heb. *the fulness thereof.*

h ch l. 15

n ch. i. 14; xlvi 7, 8, 20.

o ch viii. 16; Nahum iii. 2

i ch. xliii. 12, 13; Ezek. xxx. 13–16; Nahum iii. 8.

CHAPTER XLVII.

The destruction of the Philistines.

THE word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Philistines, before that Pharaoh smote [5]Gaza.[m]

2 Thus saith the LORD; Behold, waters rise up out of the north, and shall be an overflowing flood, and shall overflow the land, and [6]all that is therein; the city, and them that dwell therein: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.[n]

3 At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his strong *horses*, at the rushing of his chariots, *and at* the rumbling of his wheels, the fathers shall not look back to *their* children for feebleness of hands;[o]

4 Because of the day that cometh to spoil all the Philistines, *and* to cut off from Tyrus and Zidon every

hélper that remaineth: for the LORD will spoil the Philistines, the remnant of [1]the country of Caphtor.[a]

5 Baldness is come upon Gaza; Ashkelon is cut off *with* the remnant of their valley: how long wilt thou cut thyself?[b]

6 O thou sword of the LORD, how long *will it be* ere thou be quiet? [2]put up thyself into thy scabbard, rest, and be still.[c]

7 [3]How can it be quiet, seeing the LORD hath given it a charge against Ashkelon, and against the sea shore? there hath he appointed it.[d]

CHAPTER XLVIII.

1 *The judgment of Moab, 7 for their pride, 11 for their security, 14 for their carnal confidence, 26 and for their contempt of God and his people. 47 The restoration of Moab.*

AGAINST Moab thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Woe unto Nebo! for it is spoiled: Kiriathaim is confounded *and* taken: [4]Misgab is confounded and dismayed.[e]

2 *There shall be* no more praise of Moab: in Heshbon they have devised evil against it; come, and let us cut it off from *being* a nation. Also thou shalt [5]be cut down, O Madmen; the sword shall [6]pursue thee.[f]

3 A voice of crying *shall be* from Horonaim, spoiling and great destruction.[g]

4 Moab is destroyed; her little ones have caused a cry to be heard.

5 For in the going up of Luhith [7]continual weeping shall go up; for in the going down of Horonaim the enemies have heard a cry of destruction.[h]

6 Flee, save your lives, and be like [8]the heath in the wilderness.[i]

7 ¶ For because thou hast trusted in thy works and in thy treasures, thou shalt also be taken: and Chemosh shall go forth into captivity *with* his priests and his princes together.[j]

8 And the spoiler shall come upon every city, and no city shall escape: the valley also shall perish, and the plain shall be destroyed, as the LORD hath spoken.[k]

9 Give wings unto Moab, that it may flee and get away: for the cities thereof shall be desolate, without any to dwell therein.[l]

10 Cursed *be* he that doeth the work of the LORD [9]deceitfully, and cursed *be* he that keepeth back his sword from blood.[m]

11 ¶ Moab hath been at ease from his youth, and he hath settled on his lees, and hath not been emptied from vessel to vessel, neither hath he gone into captivity: therefore his taste [10]remained in him, and his scent is not changed.[n]

12 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will send unto him wanderers, that shall cause him to wander, and shall empty his vessels, and break their bottles.

13 And Moab shall be ashamed of Chemosh, as the house of Israel was ashamed of Beth-el their confidence.[o]

14 ¶ How say ye, We *are* mighty and strong men for the war?[p]

15 Moab is spoiled, and gone up *out of* her cities, and [11]his chosen young men are gone down to the slaughter, saith the King, whose name *is* the LORD of hosts.[q]

16 The calamity of Moab *is* near to come, and his affliction hasteth fast.

17 All ye that are about him, bemoan him; and all ye that know his name, say, How is the strong staff broken, *and* the beautiful rod![r]

18 Thou daughter that dost inhabit Dibon, come down from *thy* glory, and sit in thirst; for the spoiler of Moab shall come upon thee, *and* he shall destroy thy strong holds.[s]

19 O [12]inhabitant of Aroer, stand by the way, and espy; ask him that fleeth, and her that escapeth, *and* say, What is done?[t]

20 Moab is confounded; for it is broken down: howl and cry; tell ye it in Arnon, that Moab is spoiled,[u]

21 And judgment is come upon the plain country, upon Holon, and upon Jahazah, and upon Mephaath,[v]

22 And upon Dibon, and upon Nebo, and upon Beth-diblathaim,

23 And upon Kiriathaim, and upon Beth-gamul, and upon Beth-meon,

24 And upon Kerioth, and upon Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of Moab, far or near.[w]

25 The horn of Moab is cut off, and his arm is broken, saith the LORD.[x]

26 ¶ Make ye him drunken: for he magnified *himself* against the LORD: Moab also shall wallow in his vomit, and he also shall be in derision.[y]

27 For was not Israel a derision unto thee? was he found among thieves? for since thou spakest of him, thou [13]skippedst for joy.[z]

28 O ye that dwell in Moab, leave the cities, and dwell in the rock, and be like the dove *that* maketh her nest in the sides of the hole's mouth.[a]

29 We have heard the pride of Moab, (he is exceeding proud) his loftiness, and his arrogancy, and his pride, and the haughtiness of his heart.[b]

30 I know his wrath, saith the LORD; but *it shall* not *be* so; [14]his lies shall not so effect *it*.[c]

31 Therefore will I howl for Moab, and I will cry out for all Moab: *mine heart* shall mourn for the men of Kir-heres.[d]

32 O vine of Sibmah, I will weep for thee with the weeping of Jazer: thy plants are gone over the sea, they reach *even* to the sea of Jazer: the spoiler is fallen upon thy summer fruits and upon thy vintage.[e]

33 And joy and gladness is taken from the plentiful field, and from the land of Moab; and I have caused wine to fail from the winepresses: none shall tread with shouting; *their* shouting *shall be* no shouting.[f]

34 From the cry of Heshbon *even* unto Elealeh, *and even* unto Jahaz, have they uttered their voice,

BEFORE CHRIST 600.

1 Heb. *the isle.*

a ch. xxv. 22; Gen. x. 14, Ezek. xxv. 16; Amos i. 8; ix. 7.

o Judg xi 24, 1 Kings xi. 7; xii. 29, Hos. x. 6.

p Isa xvi. 6.

b ch. xvi. 6, xxv 20; xii 5, xlviii 37; Amos i 7, Micah i. 16, Zeph ii. 4, 7, Zech. ix. 5.

11 Heb. *the choice of*

2 Heb *gather thyself*

c Deut xxxii. 41, Ezek xxi. 3—5

q vs 8, 9, 18, ch xlvi 18, l 27, li. 57.

3 Heb *How canst thou*

d Ezek xiv 17, Micah vi 9

r Isa ix 4, xiv 4, 5

s ver 8, ch. xlvi 19, Numb xxi 30, Isa. xv 2, xlvii. 1

12 Heb *inhabitress.*

t Deut ii 36, 1 Sam. iv. 13, 16.

4 Or, *the high place.*

e ch xxv 21; xxvii 3, Numb xxxii 37, 38, xxxiii. 47, Isa xv., xvi, Amos ii 1, 2.

u Numb xxi. 13, Isa. xvi 7.

v ver. 8.

5 Or, *be brought to silence,* Isa xv 1

6 Heb. *go after thee*

f Isa. xv 4, xvi. 14.

g ver 5

w ver 41, Amos ii. 2

x Ps. lxxv 10, Ezek. xxx. 21.

7 Heb. *weeping with weeping*

h Isa xv 5.

y ch xxv 15, 27.

8 Or, *a naked tree*

i ch xvii 6, li. 6

13 Or, *movedst thyself*

z ch li 26.

j ch xlix 12, xlix 3, Numb xxi 29, Judg xi 24, Isa. xlvi 2

a ver 9, Ps. lv 6, 7, Cant ii. 14

b Isa. xvi 6, &c

k ver 18, ch. vi. 26.

14 Or, *those on whom he stayeth* (Heb *his bars*) *do not right*

c Isa xvi 6

l ver 28, Ps lv. 6

d Isa. xv 5, xvi 7, 11

9 Or, *negligently.*

m Judg v 23; 1 Sam xv. 3, 9, 1 Kings xx 42

e Isa. xvi. 8, 9.

10 Heb *stood*

n Zeph i. 12.

f Isa. xvi. 10; Joel i. 12.

from Zoar *even* unto Horonaim, *as* an heifer of three years old: for the waters also of Nimrim shall be [1]desolate.[a]

35 Moreover I will cause to cease in Moab, saith the LORD, him that offereth in the high places, and him that burneth incense to his gods.[b]

36 Therefore mine heart shall sound for Moab like pipes, and mine heart shall sound like pipes for the men of Kir-heres: because the riches *that* he hath gotten are perished.[c]

37 For every head *shall be* bald, and every beard [2]clipped: upon all the hands *shall be* cuttings, and upon the loins sackcloth.[d]

38 *There shall be* lamentation generally upon all the housetops of Moab, and in the streets thereof: for I have broken Moab like a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure, saith the LORD.[e]

39 They shall howl, *saying*, How is it broken down! how hath Moab turned the [3]back with shame! so shall Moab be a derision and a dismaying to all them about him.

40 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, he shall fly as an eagle, and shall spread his wings over Moab.[f]

41 [4]Kerioth is taken, and the strong holds are surprised, and the mighty men's hearts in Moab at that day shall be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.[g]

42 And Moab shall be destroyed from *being* a people, because he hath magnified *himself* against the LORD.[h]

43 Fear, and the pit, and the snare, *shall be* upon thee, O inhabitant of Moab, saith the LORD.[i]

44 He that fleeth from the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that getteth up out of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for I will bring upon it, *even* upon Moab, the year of their visitation, saith the LORD.[j]

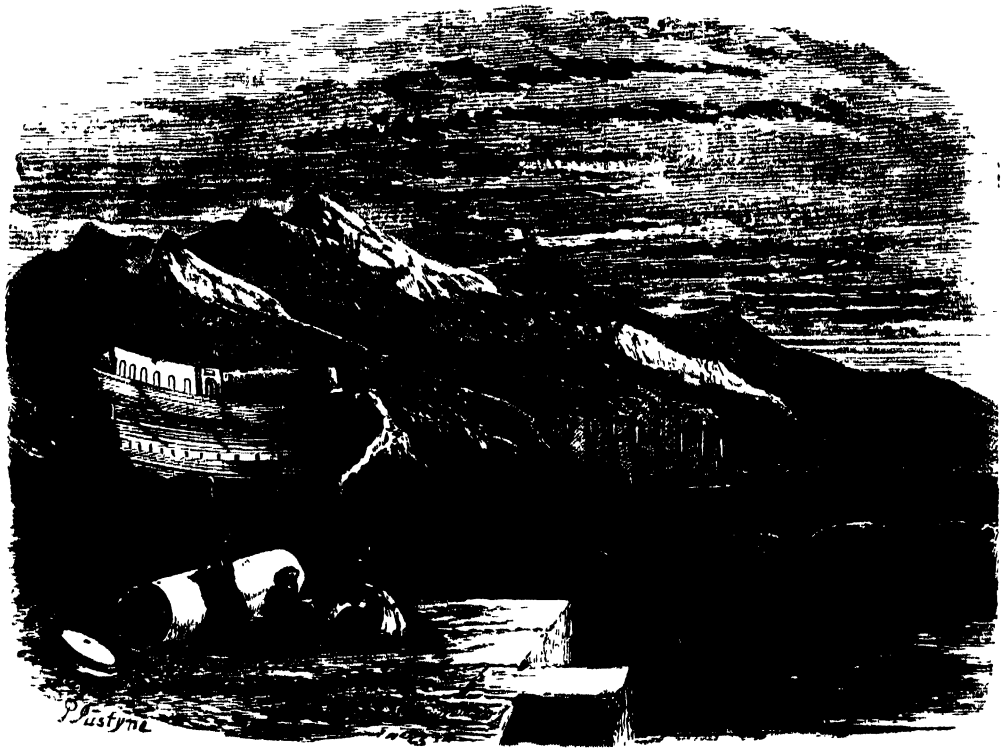
45 They that fled stood under the shadow of Heshbon because of the force: but a fire shall come forth out of Heshbon, and a flame from the midst of Sihon, and shall devour the corner of Moab, and the crown of the head of the [5]tumultuous ones.[k]

46 Woe be unto thee, O Moab! the people of Chemosh perisheth: for thy sons are taken [6]captives, and thy daughters captives.[l]

47 ¶ Yet will I bring again the captivity of Moab in the latter days, saith the LORD. Thus far *is* the judgment of Moab.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 600.

1 Heb *desolations.*
a ver. 5; Isa. xv 4—6.
j ch. xl. 23.
b Isa. xv. 2; xvi. 12.
5 Heb. *children of noise.*
k Numb xxi. 28; xxiv. 17
c Isa. xv 5, 7, xvi 11
6 Heb *in captivity.*
2 Heb. *diminished*
l Numb. xxi 29
d ch xlvii. 5, Gen xxxvii. 34, Isa. xv 2, 3
m ch. xlix. 6, 39.



RABBAH, OR RABBATH-AMMON.

e ch. xxii. 28.
3 Heb *neck*
7 Or, *Against*
8 Or, *Melcom.*
f ch xlix 22, Deut xxviii 49, Isa. viii 8; Dan. vii. 4, Hos viii 1, Hab i 8
n Ezek. xxi. 28; xxv. 2; Amos i. 13; Zeph ii. 8, 9
4 Or, *The cities*
g ch xxx. 6, xlviii. 22, 24; l 43; li 30; Isa. xiii 8; xxi 3, Micah iv. 9
h Ps lxxxiii 4; Isa. vii 8.
o Ezek. xxv. 5; Amos i. 14
i Isa. xxiv. 17, 18.

CHAPTER XLIX.

1 *The judgment of the Ammonites.* 6 *Their restoration.* 7 *The judgment of Edom,* 23 *of Damascus,* 28 *of Kedar,* 30 *of Hazor,* 34 *and of Elam.* 39 *The restoration of Elam.*

CONCERNING[7] the Ammonites, thus saith the LORD; Hath Israel no sons? hath he no heir? why *then* doth [8]their king inherit Gad, and his people dwell in his cities?[n]

2 Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will cause an alarm of war to be heard in Rabbah of the Ammonites; and it shall be a desolate heap, and her daughters shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel be heir unto them that were his heirs, saith the LORD.[o]

3 Howl, O Heshbon, for Ai is spoiled: cry, ye daughters of Rabbah, gird you with sackcloth; lament, and run to and fro by the hedges; for



THE MOABITES TAKEN INTO CAPTIVITY.—JEREMIAH XLVIII. 46

[1]their king shall go into captivity, *and* his priests and his princes together.[a]

4 Wherefore gloriest thou in the valleys, thy flowing valley, O backsliding daughter? that trusted in her treasures, *saying*, Who shall come unto me?[b]

5 Behold, I will bring a fear upon thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts, from all those that be about thee; and ye shall be driven out every man right forth; and none shall gather up him that wandereth.

6 And afterward I will bring again the captivity of the children of Ammon, saith the LORD.[c]

7 ¶ Concerning Edom, thus saith the LORD of hosts; *Is* wisdom no more in Teman? is counsel perished from the prudent? is their wisdom vanished?[d]

8 Flee ye, [2]turn back, dwell deep, O inhabitants of Dedan; for I will bring the calamity of Esau upon him, the time *that* I will visit him.[e]

9 If grapegatherers come to thee, would they not leave *some* gleaning grapes? if thieves by night, they will destroy [3]till they have enough.[f]

BEFORE CHRIST 598.

1 Or, *Melcom*, 1 Kings xi. 5, 33

a ch. iv. 8, vi. 26, xlviii. 7, Isa. xxxii. 11, Amos i. 15.

g Isa. xvii. 14, Mal. i. 3.

b ch. iii. 14, vii. 24, xxi. 13.

c ver. 39; ch. xlviii. 47.

h ch. xxv. 29; Obad. 16.

d Isa. xix. 11; Ezek. xxv. 13, Amos i. 11; Obad. 8

e Isa. xxxiv. 6, xlv. 23; lxiii. 1; Amos vi. 8

2 Or, *they are turned back.*

e ver. 30.

j Obad. 1—3.

3 Heb. *their sufficiency.*

f Obad. 5.

10 But I have made Esau bare, I have uncovered his secret places, and he shall not be able to hide himself: his seed is spoiled, and his brethren, and his neighbours, and he *is* not.[g]

11 Leave thy fatherless children, I will preserve *them* alive; and let thy widows trust in me.

12 For thus saith the LORD; Behold, they whose judgment *was* not to drink of the cup have assuredly drunken; and *art* thou he *that* shall altogether go unpunished? thou shalt not go unpunished, but thou shalt surely drink *of it*.[h]

13 For I have sworn by myself, saith the LORD, that Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste, and a curse; and all the cities thereof shall be perpetual wastes.[i]

14 I have heard a rumour from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent unto the heathen, *saying*, Gather ye together, and come against her, and rise up to the battle.[j]

15 For, lo, I will make thee small among the heathen, *and* despised among men.

16 Thy terribleness hath deceived thee, *and* the pride of thine heart, O thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldest make thy nest as high as the eagle, I will bring thee down from thence, saith the LORD.[e]

17 Also Edom shall be a desolation: every one that goeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss at all the plagues thereof.[a]

18 As in the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour *cities* thereof, saith the LORD, no man shall abide there, neither shall a son of man dwell in it.[c]

19 Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan against the habitation of the strong: but I will suddenly make him run away from her: and who *is* a chosen *man, that* I may appoint over her? for who *is* like me? and who will [1]appoint me the time? and who *is* that shepherd that will stand before me?[d]

20 Therefore hear the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken against Edom; and his purposes, that he hath purposed against the inhabitants of Teman: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make their habitations desolate with them.[e]

21 The earth is moved at the noise of their fall, at the cry the noise thereof was heard in the [2]Red sea.

22 Behold, he shall come up and fly as the eagle, and spread his wings over Bozrah: and at that day shall the heart of the mighty men of Edom be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.[f]

23 ¶ Concerning Damascus. Hamath is confounded, and Arpad: for they have heard evil tidings: they are [3]fainthearted; *there is* sorrow [4]on the sea; it cannot be quiet.[g]

24 Damascus is waxed feeble, *and* turneth herself to flee, and fear hath seized on *her:* anguish and sorrows have taken her, as a woman in travail.[h]

25 How is the city of praise not left, the city of my joy![i]

26 Therefore her young men shall fall in her streets, and all the men of war shall be cut off in that day, saith the LORD of hosts.[j]

27 And I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall consume the palaces of Ben-hadad.[k]

28 ¶ Concerning Kedar, and concerning the kingdoms of Hazor, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon shall smite, thus saith the LORD; Arise ye, go up to Kedar, and spoil the men of the east.[l]

29 Their tents and their flocks shall they take away: they shall take to themselves their curtains, and all their vessels, and their camels; and they shall cry unto them, Fear *is* on every side.[m]

30 ¶ Flee, [5]get you far off, dwell deep, O ye inhabitants of Hazor, saith the LORD; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath taken counsel against you, and hath conceived a purpose against you.

31 Arise, get you up unto the wealthy nation, [6]that dwelleth without care, saith the LORD, which have neither gates nor bars, *which* dwell alone.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 598.

7 Heb. *cut off into corners,* or, *that have the corners* of their hair *polled.*

e ver. 36; ch. ix. 26; xxv. 23; Ezek. v. 10.

a Job xxxix. 27; Obad. 4; Amos ix. 2.

p ver 18; ch. ix. 11; x. 22; Mal. i. 3.

b ch. xviii. 16; l. 13.

q ch. xxv. 25.

c ch l 40, Gen. xix. 25; Deut xxix. 23; Amos iv 11.

r Isa. xxii. 6.

s ver. 32.

1 Or, *convent me in judgment.*

d ch xii. 5; l. 44, &c.; Exod. xv. 11.

t ch. ix. 16, xlviii. 2.

u ch. xliii. 10.

e ch. l. 45, 46.

2 Heb *Weedy sea.*

v ver. 6; ch. xlviii. 47.

f ch. iv. 13; xlviii 40, 41.

8 Heb *by the hand of Jeremiah.*

w Isa. xiii. 1; xlvii. 1.

3 Heb *melted.*

4 Or, *as on the sea*

g Isa. xvii. 1; xxxvi 13, Amos i. 3; Zech. ix. 1, 2.

h ver 22, ch iv 31; vi 24, xxx 6, Isa. xiii 8

i ch xxxiii 9, li 41

x ch xliii 12, 13; li. 44, Isa. xlvi. 1

j ch l 30, li 4

y vs. 30, 40, ch li 48, Isa. xiii. 17, 18, 20

k Amos i 4

z ch xxxi. 9, Ezra iii 12, 13, Ps. cxxvi 5, 6, Hos i. 11, iii. 5, Zech. xii. 10

l Judg vi 3; Job i. 3, Ps. cxx. 5; Isa. xxi. 13.

a ch xxxi 31, &c., xxxii. 40

m ver 8, ch vi. 25, xlvi. 5

5 Heb *flit greatly.*

9 Heb *place to lie down in.*

b ch li 20; lii. 6, 23.

6 Or, *that is at ease.*

n Numb xxiii. 9; Deut. xxxiii. 28; Ezek xxxviii 11, Micah vii. 14.

c ch. ii. 3, xl 2, 3; Ps. xxii. 4; lxxix. 7; xc. 1, xci. 1, Dan. ix. 16; Zech. xi. 5.

32 And their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their cattle a spoil: and I will scatter into all winds them *that are* [7]in the utmost corners; and I will bring their calamity from all sides thereof, saith the LORD.[o]

33 And Hazor shall be a dwelling for dragons, *and* a desolation for ever: there shall no man abide there, nor *any* son of man dwell in it.[p]

34 ¶ The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against Elam in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,[q]

35 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their might.[r]

36 And upon Elam will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of heaven, and will scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of Elam shall not come.[s]

37 For I will cause Elam to be dismayed before their enemies, and before them that seek their life: and I will bring evil upon them, *even* my fierce anger, saith the LORD; and I will send the sword after them, till I have consumed them:[t]

38 And I will set my throne in Elam, and will destroy from thence the king and the princes, saith the LORD.[u]

39 ¶ But it shall come to pass in the latter days, *that* I will bring again the captivity of Elam, saith the LORD.[v]

CHAPTER L.

1, 9, 21, 35 *The judgment of Babylon.* 4, 17, 33 *The redemption of Israel.*

THE word that the LORD spake against Babylon *and* against the land of the Chaldeans [8]by Jeremiah the prophet.[w]

2 Declare ye among the nations, and publish, and set up a standard; publish, *and* conceal not: say, Babylon is taken, Bel is confounded, Merodach is broken in pieces; her idols are confounded, her images are broken in pieces.[x]

3 For out of the north there cometh up a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and beast.[y]

4 ¶ In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together, going and weeping: they shall go, and seek the LORD their God.[z]

5 They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, *saying,* Come, and let us join ourselves to the LORD in a perpetual covenant *that* shall not be forgotten.[a]

6 My people hath been lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away *on* the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their [9]restingplace.[b]

7 All that found them have devoured them: and their adversaries said, We offend not, because they have sinned against the LORD, the habitation of justice, even the LORD, the hope of their fathers.[c]



MIGHTY MEN OF EDOM IN GREAT TRIBULATION —JEREMIAH XLIX. 22

8 Remove out of the midst of Babylon, and go forth out of the land of the Chaldeans, and be as the he goats before the flocks.[a]

9 ¶ For, lo, I will raise and cause to come up against Babylon an assembly of great nations from the north country: and they shall set themselves in array against her; from thence she shall be taken: their arrows *shall be* as of a mighty [1]expert man; none shall return in vain.[b]

10 And Chaldea shall be a spoil: all that spoil her shall be satisfied, saith the LORD.[c]

11 Because ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage, because ye are grown [2]fat as the heifer at grass, and [3]bellow as bulls;[d]

12 Your mother shall be sore confounded; she that bare you shall be ashamed: behold, the hindermost of the nations *shall be* a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.

13 Because of the wrath of the LORD it shall not be inhabited, but it shall be wholly desolate: every one that goeth by Babylon shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues.[e]

14 Put yourselves in array against Babylon round about: all ye that bend the bow, shoot at her, spare no arrows: for she hath sinned against the LORD.[f]

15 Shout against her round about: she hath given her hand: her foundations are fallen, her walls are thrown down: for it *is* the vengeance of the LORD: take vengeance upon her; as she hath done, do unto her.[g]

16 Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handleth the [4]sickle in the time of harvest: for fear of the oppressing sword they shall turn every one to his people, and they shall flee every one to his own land.[a]

17 ¶ Israel *is* a scattered sheep; the lions have driven *him* away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones.[h]

18 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria.

19 And I will bring Israel again to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied upon mount Ephraim and Gilead.[j]

20 In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and *there shall be* none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve.[k]

21 ¶ Go up against the land [5]of Merathaim, *even* against it, and against the inhabitants of [6]Pekod: waste and utterly destroy after them, saith the LORD, and do according to all that I have commanded thee.[l]

22 A sound of battle *is* in the land, and of great destruction.[m]

23 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!

BEFORE CHRIST 598

g ver 29, ch li. 6, 11, 58; Ps cxxxvii 8, Ezek xvii 18, Rev xviii 6

a ch li 6, 45, Isa. xlviii 20, Zech ii 6, 7, Rev xviii 4.

4 Or, *scythe*

h ch li 9, Isa. xiii 14

1 Or, *destroyer*

b vs 3, 14, 29, 41, ch xv. 14, li 27, 2 Sam i. 22

i ver 6, ch li. 15, 2 Kings xvii. 6, xxiv 10, 14

c Rev xviii. 16.

2 Heb. *buy*, or, *corpulent.*

3 Or, *neigh as steeds.*

d Isa xlvii. 6; Hos. x. 11.

j Isa. lxv 10, Ezek. xxxiv. 13, 14.

k ch xxxi. 34, Isa. l. 9

5 Or, *of the rebels*

e ch xxv 12, xlix 17

6 Or, *visitation.*

l 2 Sam. xvi 11, 2 Kings xviii 25, Isa x. 6, xiv. 6, xlviii 14

f vs. 9, 29; ch. xlix 35, li. 2

m ch li. 54; Isa. xiv 6.

24 I have laid a snare for thee, and thou art also taken, O Babylon, and thou wast not aware: thou art found, and also caught, because thou hast striven against the LORD.[a]

25 The LORD hath opened his armoury, and hath brought forth the weapons of his indignation: for this *is* the work of the Lord GOD of hosts in the land of the Chaldeans.[b]

26 Come against her [1]from the utmost border, open her storehouses: [2]cast her up as heaps, and destroy her utterly: let nothing of her be left.

27 Slay all her bullocks; let them go down to the slaughter: woe unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation.[c]

28 The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of his temple.[d]

29 Call together the archers against Babylon: all ye that bend the bow, camp against it round about; let none thereof escape: recompense her according to her work; according to all that she hath done, do unto her: for she hath been proud against the LORD, against the Holy One of Israel.[e]

30 Therefore shall her young men fall in the streets, and all her men of war shall be cut off in that day, saith the LORD.[f]

31 Behold, I *am* against thee, *O thou* [3]most proud, saith the Lord GOD of hosts: for thy day is come, the time *that* I will visit thee.[g]

32 And the most proud shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up: and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all round about him.[h]

33 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The children of Israel and the children of Judah *were* oppressed together: and all that took them captives held them fast; they refused to let them go.

34 Their Redeemer *is* strong; the LORD of hosts *is* his name: he shall throughly plead their cause, that he may give rest to the land, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.[i]

35 ¶ A sword *is* upon the Chaldeans, saith the LORD, and upon the inhabitants of Babylon, and upon her princes, and upon her wise *men*.[j]

36 A sword *is* upon the [4]liars; and they shall dote: a sword *is* upon her mighty men; and they shall be dismayed.[k]

37 A sword *is* upon their horses, and upon their chariots, and upon all the mingled people that *are* in the midst of her; and they shall become as women: a sword *is* upon her treasures; and they shall be robbed.[l]

38 A drought *is* upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for it *is* the land of graven images, and they are mad upon *their* idols.[m]

39 Therefore the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell *there*, and the owls shall dwell therein: and it shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.[n]

40 As God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour *cities* thereof, saith the LORD; *so* shall no man abide there, neither shall any son of man dwell therein.[o]

41 Behold, a people shall come from the north, and a great nation, and many kings shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.[p]

42 They shall hold the bow and the lance: they *are* cruel, and will not shew mercy: their voice shall roar like the sea, and they shall ride upon horses, *every one* put in array, like a man to the battle, against thee, O daughter of Babylon.[q]

43 The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble: anguish took hold of him, *and* pangs as of a woman in travail.[r]

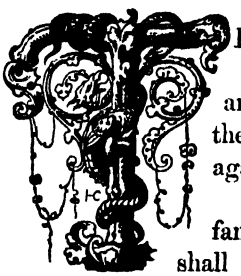
44 Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of the strong: but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who *is* a chosen *man*, *that* I may appoint over her? for who *is* like me? and who will [5]appoint me the time? and who *is* that shepherd that will stand before me?[s]

45 Therefore hear ye the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken against Babylon; and his purposes, that he hath purposed against the land of the Chaldeans: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make *their* habitation desolate with them.[t]

46 At the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth is moved, and the cry is heard among the nations.[u]

CHAPTER LI.

1 *The severe judgment of God against Babylon in revenge of Israel.* 59 *Jeremiah delivereth the book of this prophecy to Seraiah, to be cast into Euphrates, in token of the perpetual sinking of Babylon.*



THUS saith the LORD; Behold, I will raise up against Babylon, and against them that dwell in the [6]midst of them that rise up against me, a destroying wind;[v]

2 And will send unto Babylon fanners, that shall fan her, and shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble they shall be against her round about.[w]

3 Against *him that* bendeth let the archer bend his bow, and against *him that* lifteth himself up in his brigandine: and spare ye not her young men; destroy ye utterly all her host.[x]

4 Thus the slain shall fall in the land of the Chaldeans, and *they that are* thrust through in her streets.

5 For Israel *hath* not *been* forsaken, nor Judah of his God, of the LORD of hosts; though their land was filled with sin against the Holy One of Israel.[y]

6 Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this *is* the time of the LORD'S vengeance; he will render unto her a recompence.[z]

7 Babylon *hath been* a golden cup in the LORD'S hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine; therefore the nations are mad.[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 595.

o ch. xlix. 18; l. 26; Gen. xix. 25; Isa. xiii. 19.

a ch. l. 8, 31, 32, 37; Dan. v. 30, 31.

p ver. 9; ch. vi. 22; xxv. 14; l. 27; Rev. xvii. 16.

b Isa. xiii. 5.

1 Heb. *from the end.*

2 Or, *tread her.*

q ch. vi. 23; Isa. v. 30; xiii. 18.

c ver. 31; ch. xlvi. 21; xlviii. 44; Ps. xxii. 12; Isa. xxxiv. 7.

r ch. xlix. 24.

d ch. l. 10, 11.

5 Or, *convent me to plead.*

s ch. xlix. 19, &c.; Job xli. 10.

e vs. 14, 15, ch. l. 56, Isa. xlvii. 10, Rev. xviii. 6.

t ch. l. 11; Isa. xiv. 24, &c.

f ch. xlix. 26, l. 4.

3 Heb. *pride*

u Rev. xviii. 9.

g ver. 27.

h ch. xxi. 14.

6 Heb. *heart.*

v ch. iv. 11; 2 Kings xix. 7.

i Isa. xlvii. 4, Rev. xviii. 8

w ch. xv. 7, l. 14.

j Isa. xlvii. 13; Dan. v. 30

4 Or, *chief stays*, Heb. *bars*

x ch. l. 14, 21.

k ch. xlviii. 30; Isa. xliv. 25.

l ch. xxv. 20, 24, l. 30; Ezek. xxx. 5, Nahum iii. 13

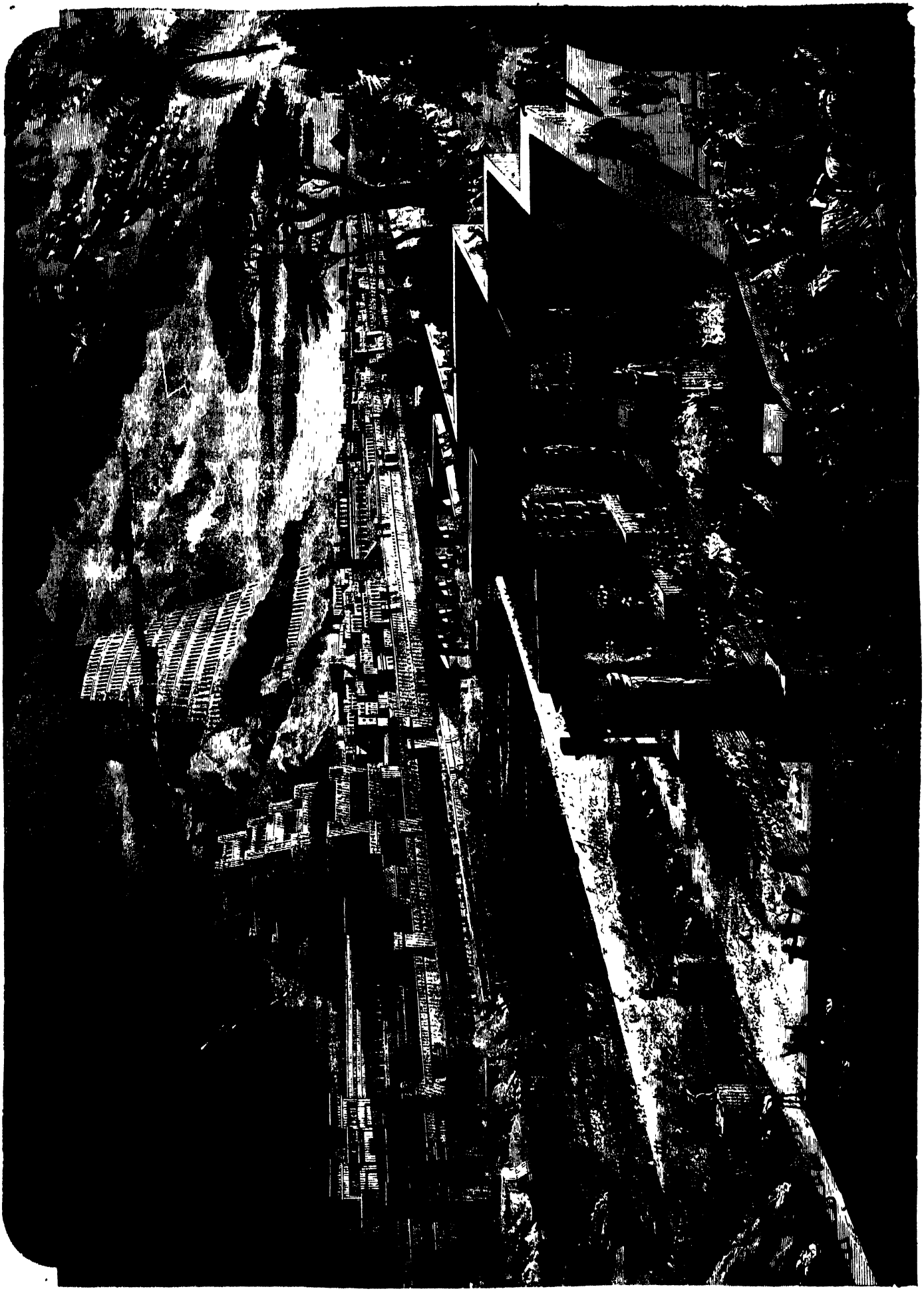
y ch. xlix. 26

m ver. 2, ch. l. 32, 36, 44, 47, 52; Isa. xliv. 27; Rev. xvi. 12.

z ch. xxv. 14, l. 8, 15, 28; Rev. xviii. 4

n ch. xxv. 12, l. 37; Isa. xiii. 20, 22; xxxiv. 14, Rev. xviii. 2.

a ch. xxv. 16; Rev. xiv. 8; xvii. 4.



BABYLON TAKEN BY THE ARMY OF CYRUS THE GREAT.

8 Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so she may be healed.[a]

9 We would have healed Babylon, but she is not healed: forsake her, and let us go every one into his own country: for her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and is lifted up *even* to the skies.[b]

10 The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and let us declare in Zion the work of the LORD our God.[c]

11 Make [1]bright the arrows; gather the shields: the LORD hath raised up the spirit of the kings of the Medes: for his device *is* against Babylon, to destroy it; because it *is* the vengeance of the LORD, the vengeance of his temple.[d]

12 Set up the standard upon the walls of Babylon, make the watch strong, set up the watchmen, prepare the [2]ambushes: for the LORD hath both devised and done that which he spake against the inhabitants of Babylon.[e]

13 O thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, *and* the measure of thy covetousness.[f]

14 The LORD of hosts hath sworn [3]by himself, *saying*, Surely I will fill thee with men, as with caterpillers; and they shall [4]lift up a shout against thee.[g]

15 He hath made the earth by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom, and hath stretched out the heaven by his understanding.[h]

16 When he uttereth *his* voice, *there is* a [5]multitude of waters in the heavens; and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth: he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.[i]

17 Every man [6]is brutish by *his* knowledge; every founder is confounded by the graven image: for his molten image *is* falsehood, and *there is* no breath in them.[j]

18 They *are* vanity, the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.[k]

19 The portion of Jacob *is* not like them; for he *is* the former of all things: and *Israel is* the rod of his inheritance: the LORD of hosts *is* his name.[l]

20 Thou *art* my battle ax *and* weapons of war: for [7]with thee will I break in pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy kingdoms;[m]

21 And with thee will I break in pieces the horse and his rider; and with thee will I break in pieces the chariot and his rider;

22 With thee also will I break in pieces man and woman; and with thee will I break in pieces old and young; and with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid;[n]

23 I will also break in pieces with thee the shepherd and his flock; and with thee will I break in pieces the husbandman and his yoke of oxen; and with thee will I break in pieces captains and rulers.

24 And I will render unto Babylon and to all the inhabitants of Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in your sight, saith the LORD.[o]

25 Behold, I *am* against thee, O destroying mountain, saith the LORD, which destroyest all the earth: and I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and roll thee down from the rocks, and will make thee a burnt mountain.[p]

26 And they shall not take of thee a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations; but thou shalt be [8]desolate for ever, saith the LORD.[q]

27 Set ye up a standard in the land, blow the trumpet among the nations, prepare the nations against her, call together against her the kingdoms of Ararat, Minni, and Ashchenaz; appoint a captain against her; cause the horses to come up as the rough caterpillers.[r]

28 Prepare against her the nations with the kings of the Medes, the captains thereof, and all the rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.[s]

29 And the land shall tremble and sorrow: for every purpose of the LORD shall be performed against Babylon, to make the land of Babylon a desolation without an inhabitant.[t]

30 The mighty men of Babylon have forborn to fight, they have remained in *their* holds: their might hath failed; they became as women: they have burned her dwellingplaces; her bars are broken.[u]

31 One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another, to shew the king of Babylon that his city is taken at *one* end,[v]

32 And that the passages are stopped, and the reeds they have burned with fire, and the men of war are affrighted.[w]

33 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; The daughter of Babylon *is* like a threshingfloor, [9]*it is* time to thresh her: yet a little while, and the time of her harvest shall come.[x]

34 Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon hath devoured me, he hath crushed me, he hath made me an empty vessel, he hath swallowed me up like a dragon, he hath filled his belly with my delicates, he hath cast me out.[y]

35 [10]The violence done to me and to my [11]flesh *be* upon Babylon, shall the [12]inhabitant of Zion say; and my blood upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem say.

36 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will plead thy cause, and take vengeance for thee; and I will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry.[z]

37 And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for dragons, an astonishment, and an hissing, without an inhabitant.[a]

38 They shall roar together like lions: they shall [13]yell as lions' whelps.

39 In their heat I will make their feasts, and I will make them drunken, that they may rejoice, and sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the LORD.[b]

40 I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with he goats.

41 How is Sheshach taken! and how is the praise of the whole earth surprised! how is Babylon become an astonishment among the nations![c]

42 The sea is come up upon Babylon: she is covered with the multitude of the waves thereof.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 595.

a ch. xlvi. 11; xlviii. 20; Isa. xxi. 9; Rev. xiv. 8; xviii. 2, 9, 11, 19.

p Isa. xiii. 2; Zech. iv. 7; Rev. viii. 8.

b ch. l. 16; Isa. xiii. 14; Rev. xviii. 5.

8 Heb. *everlasting desolations.*

q ch. l. 40.

c ch. l. 28, Ps. xxxvii. 6.

1 Heb. *pure.*

r ch. xxv. 14; l. 41; Isa. xiii. 2.

d ver. 28; ch. xlvi. 4; l. 28, 45, Isa. xiii. 17.

s ver. 11.

2 Heb. *liers in wait.*

e Nahum ii. 1; iii. 14

t ver. 43; ch. l. 13, 39, 40.

f Rev. xvii. 1, 15.

3 Heb. *by his soul*

u ch. xlviii 41; l. 37, Isa. xix 16; Lam ii. 9; Amos i. 5, Nahum iii. 13.

4 Heb. *utter.*

g ch. xlix. 13, l. 15; Amos vi. 8; Nahum iii. 15.

v ch l 24.

h ch. x 12, &c., Gen. i. 1, 6, Job ix. 8, Ps. civ 2, Isa. xl 22

5 Or, *noise*

w ch. l. 38.

9 Or, *in the time that he thresheth her.*

i ch x. 13, Ps cxxxv 7

x Isa. xvii 5, &c., xxi 10, xli 15, Hos. vi 11, Joel iii. 13, Amos i 3, Micah iv 13; Hab iii 12

6 Or, *is more brutish than to know*

j ch. x 14, l 2, 30, 37.

y ch l. 17.

k ch. x. 15

10 Heb *My violence.*

11 Or, *remainder.*

12 Heb. *inhabitress.*

l ch. x. 16.

7 Or, *in thee*, or, *by thee.*

m ch. l 23, Isa x. 5, 15.

z ch. l. 34, 36.

a ch xxv. 9, 18, l. 39; Isa xiii. 22; Rev. xviii. 2.

13 Or, *shake themselves.*

n 2 Chron. xxxvi. 17.

b ver. 57.

c ch. xxv. 26, xlix. 25; Isa. xiii. 19; Dan iv. 30.

o ch l. 15, 29.

d Isa. viii. 7, 8

43 Her cities are a desolation, a dry land, and a wilderness, a land wherein no man dwelleth, neither doth *any* son of man pass thereby.[a]

44 And I will punish Bel in Babylon, and I will bring forth out of his mouth that which he hath swallowed up: and the nations shall not flow together any more unto him: yea, the wall of Babylon shall fall.[b]

45 My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and deliver ye every man his soul from the fierce anger of the LORD.[c]

46 And [1]lest your heart faint, and ye fear for the rumour that shall be heard in the land; a rumour shall both come *one* year, and after that in *another* year *shall come* a rumour, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler.[d]

47 Therefore, behold, the days come, that I will [2]do judgment upon the graven images of Babylon: and her whole land shall be confounded, and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her.[e]

48 Then the heaven and the earth, and all that *is* therein, shall sing for Babylon: for the spoilers shall come unto her from the north, saith the LORD.[f]

49 [3]As Babylon *hath caused* the slain of Israel to fall, so at Babylon shall fall the slain of all [4]the earth.

50 Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, stand not still: remember the LORD afar off, and let Jerusalem come into your mind.[g]

51 We are confounded, because we have heard reproach: shame hath covered our faces: for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of the LORD'S house.[h]

52 Wherefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will do judgment upon her graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan.[i]

53 Though Babylon should mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height of her strength, *yet* from me shall spoilers come unto her, saith the LORD.[j]

54 A sound of a cry *cometh* from Babylon, and great destruction from the land of the Chaldeans:[k]

55 Because the LORD hath spoiled Babylon, and destroyed out of her the great voice; when her waves do roar like great waters, a noise of their voice is uttered:

56 Because the spoiler is come upon her, *even* upon Babylon, and her mighty men are taken, every one of their bows is broken: for the LORD God of recompences shall surely requite.[l]

57 And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise *men*, her captains, and her rulers, and her mighty men: and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the King, whose name *is* the LORD of hosts.[m]

58 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [5]The broad walls of Babylon shall be utterly [6]broken, and her high gates shall be burned with fire; and the people shall labour in vain, and the folk in the fire, and they shall be weary.[n]

59 ¶ The word which Jeremiah[7] the prophet commanded Seraiah the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, when he went [7]with Zedekiah the king

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

8 Or, *prince of Menucha*, or, *chief chamberlain.*

a ver. 29; ch. l. 39, 40.

b ver. 58; ch. l. 2; Isa. xlvi. 1.

c ver. 6; ch. l. 8, Rev. xviii. 4

1 Or, *let not.*

9 Heb. *desolations.*

o ver. 29; ch. l. 3, 39.

p Rev. xviii. 21.

d 2 Kings xix. 7.

2 Heb *visit upon.*

q ver. 58

e ver. 52; ch l. 2.

f ch. l. 3, 41; Isa. xliv. 23; xlix. 13; Rev xviii. 20.

3 Or, *Both Babyl...s is to fall, O ye slain of Israel, and with Babylon, &c.*

4 Or, *the country.*

10 Heb *reigned*

g ch. xliv. 28.

h Ps. xliv 15, 16; lxxix. 4.

r 2 Kings xxiv. 18

i ver 47.

j ch xlix 16, Amos ix. 2, Obad. 4.

k ch. l. 22

s ch xxxix. 1; 2 Kings xxv 1—26; Zech. viii 19.

l ver 24; ch. l. 29, Ps. xciv. 1

m ver 39; ch. xlvi. 18, xlviii. 15.

5 Or, *The walls of broad Babylon.*

6 Or, *made naked.*

n ver. 44; Hab ii. 13.

t ch xxxii. 4.

7 Or, *on the behalf of.*

of Judah into Babylon in the fourth year of his reign. And *this* Seraiah *was* a [8]quiet prince.

60 So Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that should come upon Babylon, *even* all these words that are written against Babylon.

61 And Jeremiah said to Seraiah, When thou comest to Babylon, and shalt see, and shalt read all these words;

62 Then shalt thou say, O LORD, thou hast spoken against this place, to cut it off, that none shall remain in it, neither man nor beast, but that it shall be [9]desolate for ever.[o]

63 And it shall be, when thou hast made an end of reading this book, *that* thou shalt bind a stone to it, and cast it into the midst of Euphrates:[p]

64 And thou shalt say, Thus shall Babylon sink, and shall not rise from the evil that I will bring upon her: and they shall be weary. Thus far *are* the words of Jeremiah.[q]

CHAPTER LII.

1 *Zedekiah rebelleth.* 4 *Jerusalem is besieged and taken.* 8 *Zedekiah's sons killed, and his own eyes put out.* 12 *Nebuzar-adan burneth and spoileth the city.* 24 *He carrieth away the captives.* 31 *Evil-merodach advanceth Jehoiachin.*

ZEDEKIAH *was* one and twenty years old when he [10]began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Hamutal the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.[r]

2 And he did *that which was* evil in the eyes of the LORD, according to all that Jehoiakim had done.

3 For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, till he had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

4 ¶ And it came to pass in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, *that* Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came, he and all his army, against Jerusalem, and pitched against it, and built forts against it round about.[s]

5 So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year of king Zedekiah.

6 And in the fourth month, in the ninth *day* of the month, the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no bread for the people of the land.

7 Then the city was broken up, and all the men of war fled, and went forth out of the city by night by the way of the gate between the two walls, which *was* by the king's garden; (now the Chaldeans *were* by the city round about:) and they went by the way of the plain.

8 ¶ But the army of the Chaldeans pursued after the king, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho; and all his army was scattered from him.

9 Then they took the king, and carried him up unto the king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath; where he gave judgment upon him.[t]

10 And the king of Babylon slew the sons of



ZEDEKIAH CARRIED AWAY CAPTIVE IN CHAINS.—JEREMIAH LII. 11.

Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew also all the princes of Judah in Riblah.[a]

11 Then he [1]put out the eyes of Zedekiah; and the king of Babylon bound him in [2]chains, and carried him to Babylon, and put him in [3]prison till the day of his death.

12 ¶ Now in the fifth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, which *was* the nineteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, came Nebuzar-adan, [4]captain of the guard, *which* [5]served the king of Babylon, into Jerusalem,[b]

13 And burned the house of the LORD, and the king's house; and all the houses of Jerusalem, and all the houses of the great *men*, burned he with fire:

14 And all the army of the Chaldeans, that *were* with the captain of the guard, brake down all the walls of Jerusalem round about.

15 Then Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carried away captive *certain* of the poor of the people, and the residue of the people that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and the rest of the multitude.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

a Ezek. xii. 13

1 Heb. *blinded*

2 Or, *fetters.*

3 Heb. *house of the wards.*

d ch. xxvii. 19; 1 Kings vii. 15, 23, 27, 50

6 Or, *instruments to remove the ashes*

7 Or, *basons*

4 Or, *chief marshal* Heb. *chief of the executioners*, or, *slaughtermen.* And so ver. 14, &c.

5 Heb. *stood before.*

b ver. 29; ch. xxxix. 9; Zech. vii. 5; viii. 19

e Exod. xxvii. 3; 2 Kings xxv. 14—16.

8 Or, *censers.*

9 Heb. *their brass.*

f 1 Kings vii. 47.

c ch. xxxix. 9.

10 Heb. *thread.*

16 But Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard left *certain* of the poor of the land for vinedressers and for husbandmen.

17 Also the pillars of brass that *were* in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the brasen sea that *was* in the house of the LORD, the Chaldeans brake, and carried all the brass of them to Babylon.[d]

18 The caldrons also, and the [6]shovels, and the snuffers, and the [7]bowls, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they away.[e]

19 And the basons, and the [8]firepans, and the bowls, and the caldrons, and the candlesticks, and the spoons, and the cups; *that* which *was* of gold *in* gold, and *that* which *was* of silver *in* silver, took the captain of the guard away.

20 The two pillars, one sea, and twelve brasen bulls that *were* under the bases, which king Solomon had made in the house of the LORD: [9]the brass of all these vessels was without weight.[f]

21 And *concerning* the pillars, the height of one pillar *was* eighteen cubits; and a [10]fillet of twelve



THE KING OF BABYLON RECEIVING JEHOIACHIN AFTER HIS RELEASE FROM PRISON.—JEREMIAH LII 31—34

cubits did compass it; and the thickness thereof *was* four fingers: *it was* hollow.[a]

22 And a chapiter of brass *was* upon it; and the height of one chapiter *was* five cubits, with network and pomegranates upon the chapiters round about, all *of* brass. The second pillar also and the pomegranates *were* like unto these.

23 And there were ninety and six pomegranates on a side; *and* all the pomegranates upon the network *were* an hundred round about.[b]

24 ¶ And the captain of the guard took Seraiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the second priest, and the three keepers of the [1]door:[c]

25 He took also out of the city an eunuch, which had the charge of the men of war; and seven men of them that [2]were near the king's person, which were found in the city; and the [3]principal scribe of the host, who mustered the people of the land; and threescore men of the people of the land, that were found in the midst of the city.

26 So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard took them, and brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah.

27 And the king of Babylon smote them, and put them to death in Riblah in the land of Hamath. Thus Judah was carried away captive out of his own land.

28 This *is* the people whom Nebuchadrezzar carried

BEFORE CHRIST 588

a 1 Kings vii 15, 2 Kings xxv 17; 2 Chron iii 15

2 Heb *saw the face of the king*

3 Or, *scribe of the captain of the host*

b 1 Kings vii. 20.

1 Heb. *threshold.*

c ch. xxi. 1; xxix. 25; 2 Kings xxv. 18.

away captive: in the seventh year three thousand Jews and three and twenty:[a]

29 In the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two [1]persons:[b]

30 In the three and twentieth year of Nebuchadrezzar Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty and five persons: all the persons *were* four thousand and six hundred.

31 ¶ And it came to pass in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, in the five and twentieth *day* of the month, *that* Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the *first* year of his reign lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah, and brought him forth out of prison,[c]

32 And spake [2]kindly unto him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that *were* with him in Babylon,

33 And changed his prison garments: and he did continually eat bread before him all the days of his life.[d]

34 And *for* his diet, there was a continual diet given him of the king of Babylon, [3]every day a portion until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

a 2 Kings xxiv. 2, 12, 14.

c Gen. xl. 13, 20; 2 Kings xxv. 27—30.

1 Heb. *souls.*

b ver. 12; ch. xxxix. 9.

2 Heb. *good things with him.*

d 2 Sam. ix. 13.

3 Heb. *the matter of the day in his day.*



CAPTIVES IN BABYLON. FROM A PAINTING BY BENDEMANN.



LAMENTATIONS OF JEREMIAH



CHAPTER I.

1 *The miserable estate of Jerusalem by reason of her sin.* 12 *She complaineth of her grief,* 18 *and confesseth God's judgment to be righteous.*

HOW doth the city sit solitary, *that was* full of people! *how* is she become as a widow! she *that was* great among the nations, *and* princess among the provinces, how is she become tributary![a]

2 She weepeth sore in the night, and her tears *are* on her cheeks: among all her lovers she hath none to comfort *her:* all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they are become her enemies.[b]

3 Judah is gone into captivity because of affliction, and [1]because of great servitude: she dwelleth among the heathen, she findeth no rest: all her persecutors overtook her between the straits.[c]

4 The ways of Zion do mourn, because none come to the solemn feasts: all her gates are desolate: her priests sigh, her virgins are afflicted, and she *is* in bitterness.

5 Her adversaries are the chief, her enemies prosper; for the Lord hath afflicted her for the multitude of her transgressions: her children are gone into captivity before the enemy.[d]

6 And from the daughter of Zion all her beauty is departed: her princes are become like harts *that* find no pasture, and they are gone without strength before the pursuer.

7 Jerusalem remembered in the days of her affliction and of her miseries all her [2]pleasant things that she had in the days of old, when her people fell into the hand of the enemy, and none did help her: the adversaries saw her, *and* did mock at her sabbaths.

8 Jerusalem hath grievously sinned; therefore she [3]is removed: all that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness: yea, she sigheth, and turneth backward.[e]

9 Her filthiness *is* in her skirts; she remembereth not her last end; therefore she came down wonderfully: she had no comforter. O LORD, behold my affliction: for the enemy hath magnified *himself.*[f]

10 The adversary hath spread out his hand upon all her [4]pleasant things: for she hath seen *that* the heathen entered into her sanctuary, whom thou didst command *that* they should not enter into thy congregation.[g]

11 All her people sigh, they seek bread; they have given their pleasant things for meat [5]to relieve the soul: see, O LORD, and consider; for I am become vile.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

d Deut. xxviii 43, 44, Jer xxx 14, 15; lii 28, Dan. ix. 6, 7, 16

2 Or, *desirable*, ver.10

3 Heb. *is become a removing*, or *wandering*

a Ezra iv 20; Isa. xlvii. 7, 8.

e 1 Kings viii. 46; Jer xlii. 22, 26, Ezek xvi. 37; xxiii 29; Hos. ii. 10

b vs 9, 16, 17, 19, 21; Job vii 3, Ps vi. 6; Jer iv 30; xiii. 17; xxx 14

f vs. 2, 17, 21, Deut xxxii. 29; Isa. xlvii. 7

1 Heb *for the greatness of servitude*

4 Or, *desirable*

c ch. ii. 9, Deut. xxviii. 64, 65, Jer. lii. 27.

g ver 7; Deut. xxiii. 3; Neh. xiii. 1, Jer li. 51.

5 Or, *to make the soul to come*

h ch ii 12; iv. 4, Jer. xxxviii. 9; lii. 6.

12 ¶ [1]*Is it* nothing to you, all ye that [2]pass by? behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me, wherewith the LORD hath afflicted *me* in the day of his fierce anger.[a]

13 From above hath he sent fire into my bones, and it prevaileth against them: he hath spread a net for my feet, he hath turned me back: he hath made me desolate *and* faint all the day.[b]

14 The yoke of my transgressions is bound by his hand: they are wreathed, *and* come up upon my neck: he hath made my strength to fall, the Lord hath delivered me into *their* hands, *from whom* I am not able to rise up.[c]

15 The Lord hath trodden under foot all my mighty *men* in the midst of me: he hath called an assembly against me to crush my young men: the Lord hath trodden [3]the virgin, the daughter of Judah, *as* in a winepress.[d]

16 For these *things* I weep; mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water, because the comforter that should [4]relieve my soul is far from me: my children are desolate, because the enemy prevailed.[e]

17 Zion spreadeth forth her hands, *and there is* none to comfort her: the LORD hath commanded concerning Jacob, *that* his adversaries *should be* round about him: Jerusalem is as a menstruous woman among them.[f]

18 ¶ The LORD is righteous; for I have rebelled against his [5]commandment: hear, I pray you, all people, and behold my sorrow: my virgins and my young men are gone into captivity.[g]

19 I called for my lovers, *but* they deceived me: my priests and mine elders gave up the ghost in the city, while they sought their meat to relieve their souls.[h]

20 Behold, O LORD; for I *am* in distress: my bowels are troubled; mine heart is turned within me; for I have grievously rebelled: abroad the sword bereaveth, at home *there is* as death.[i]

21 They have heard that I sigh: *there is* none to comfort me: all mine enemies have heard of my trouble; they are glad that thou hast done *it:* thou wilt bring the day *that* thou hast [6]called, and they shall be like unto me.[j]

22 Let all their wickedness come before thee; and do unto them, as thou hast done unto me for all my transgressions: for my sighs *are* many, and my heart *is* faint.[k]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Jeremiah lamenteth the misery of Jerusalem.* 20 *He complaineth thereof to God.*

HOW hath the Lord covered the daughter of Zion with a cloud in his anger, *and* cast down from heaven unto the earth the beauty of Israel, and remembered not his footstool in the day of his anger![l]

2 The Lord hath swallowed up all the habitations of Jacob, and hath not pitied: he hath thrown down in his wrath the strong holds of the daughter of Judah; he hath [7]brought *them* down to the ground: he hath polluted the kingdom and the princes thereof.[m]

3 He hath cut off in *his* fierce anger all the horn of Israel: he hath drawn back his right hand from before the enemy, and he burned against Jacob like a flaming fire, *which* devoureth round about.[n]

4 He hath bent his bow like an enemy: he stood with his right hand as an adversary, and slew [8]all *that were* pleasant to the eye in the tabernacle of the daughter of Zion: he poured out his fury like fire.[o]

5 The Lord was as an enemy: he hath swallowed up Israel, he hath swallowed up all her palaces: he hath destroyed his strong holds, and hath increased in the daughter of Judah mourning and lamentation.[p]

6 And he hath violently taken away his [9]tabernacle, as *if it were of* a garden: he hath destroyed his places of the assembly: the LORD hath caused the solemn feasts and sabbaths to be forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the priest.[q]

7 The Lord hath cast off his altar, he hath abhorred his sanctuary, he hath [10]given up into the hand of the enemy the walls of her palaces; they have made a noise in the house of the LORD, as in the day of a solemn feast.[r]

8 The LORD hath purposed to destroy the wall of the daughter of Zion: he hath stretched out a line, he hath not withdrawn his hand from [11]destroying: therefore he made the rampart and the wall to lament; they languished together.[s]

9 Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars: her king and her princes *are* among the Gentiles: the law *is* no *more;* her prophets also find no vision from the LORD.[t]

10 The elders of the daughter of Zion sit upon the ground, *and* keep silence: they have cast up dust upon their heads; they have girded themselves with sackcloth: the virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground.[u]

11 Mine eyes do fail with tears, my bowels are troubled, my liver is poured upon the earth, for the destruction of the daughter of my people; because the children and the sucklings [12]swoon in the streets of the city.[v]

12 They say to their mothers, Where *is* corn and wine? when they swooned as the wounded in the streets of the city, when their soul was poured out into their mothers' bosom.

13 What thing shall I take to witness for thee? what thing shall I liken to thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? what shall I equal to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion? for thy breach *is* great like the sea: who can heal thee?[w]

14 Thy prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee: and they have not discovered thine iniquity, to turn away thy captivity; but have seen for thee false burdens and causes of banishment.[x]

15 All that pass [13]by clap *their* hands at thee; they hiss and wag their head at the daughter of Jerusalem, *saying, Is* this the city that *men* call

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

1 Or, *It is nothing.*
2 Heb. *pass by the way?*
7 Heb. *made to touch.*
m vs. 17, 21; ch. iii. 43; Ps. lxxxix. 39.
a Dan. ix. 12.
n Ps. lxxiv. 11; lxxxix. 46.
b Esek. xii. 13; xvii. 20.
8 Heb. *all the desirable of the eye.*
o ver. 5; Isa. lxiii. 10; Ezek. xxiv. 25.
c Deut. xxviii. 48.
p ver. 4; 2 Kings xxv. 9; Jer. xxx. 14; lii. 13.
9 Or, *hedge.*
3 Or, *the winepress of the virgin, &c.*
d Isa. lxiii. 3; Rev. xiv. 19, 20; xix. 15.
4 Heb. *bring back.*
q ch. i. 4; Ps. lxxx. 12; lxxxix. 40; Isa. l. 8; v. 5; Zeph. iii. 18.
e vs 2, 9, ch. ii 18; Jer xlii. 17, xlv 17.
10 Heb. *shut up.*
r Ps. lxxiv. 4.
f vs. 2, 9; Jer. iv. 31.
5 Heb *mouth.*
11 Heb. *swallowing up.*
g 1 Sam. xii. 14, 15; Neh. ix 33, Dan. ix. 7, 14.
s 2 Kings xxi. 13, Isa. xxxiv 11.
h vs. 2, 11; Jer. xxx. 14.
t ch i 3, iv 20, Deut. xxviii 36; 2 Kings xxiv 15, xxv 7, 2 Chron xv. 3; Ps. lxxiv. 9; Jer. ii. 30, Ezek. vii. 26.
i ch ii 11; Deut xxxii. 25; Job xxx. 27, Isa xvi 11, Jer iv 19, xlviii. 36, Hos. xi. 8, Ezek vii. 15
u ch iii. 28, Job ii 12, 13, Isa. iii 26, xv 3, Ezek vii. 18, xxvii. 31
6 Or, *proclaimed.*
12 Or, *faint.*
j ver 2
v ver 19, ch i. 20, iii 48, &c, iv 4, Job xvi 13, Ps vi 7, xxii 14
k ch v. 17, Ps. cix 15.
w ch i 12, Dan. ix. 12
l 2 Sam. i 19; 1 Chron. xxviii. 2, Ps. xcix. 5; cxxxii 7.
x Isa lviii 1; Jer ii. 8; v 31; xiv 14, xxiii. 16, xxvii 14; xxix 8, 9, Ezek. xiii. 2.
13 Heb. *by the way.*



THE ELDERS AND THE VIRGINS OF JERUSALEM LAMENTING THE DESOLATION OF THE CITY.—LAMENTATIONS II. 10.

The perfection of beauty, The joy of the whole earth?[a]

16 All thine enemies have opened their mouth against thee: they hiss and gnash the teeth: they say, We have swallowed *her* up: certainly this *is* the day that we looked for; we have found, we have seen *it*.[b]

17 The LORD hath done *that* which he had devised; he hath fulfilled his word that he had commanded in the days of old: he hath thrown down, and hath not pitied: and he hath caused *thine* enemy to rejoice over thee, he hath set up the horn of thine adversaries.[c]

18 Their heart cried unto the Lord, O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let not the apple of thine eye cease.[d]

19 Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart like water before the face of the Lord: lift up thy hands toward him for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street.[e]

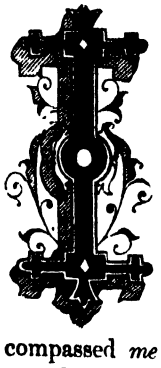
20 ¶ Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this. Shall the women eat their fruit, *and* children [1]of a span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord?[f]

21 The young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the sword; thou hast slain *them* in the day of thine anger; thou hast killed, *and* not pitied.[g]

22 Thou hast called as in a solemn day my terrors round about, so that in the day of the LORD'S anger none escaped nor remained: those that I have swaddled and brought up hath mine enemy consumed.[h]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The faithful bewail their calamities.* 22 *By the mercies of God they nourish their hope.* 37 *They acknowledge God's justice.* 55 *They pray for deliverance,* 64 *and vengeance on their enemies.*



AM the man *that* hath seen affliction by the rod of his wrath.

2 He hath led me, and brought *me into* darkness, but not *into* light.

3 Surely against me is he turned; he turneth his hand *against me* all the day.

4 My flesh and my skin hath he made old; he hath broken my bones.[i]

5 He hath builded against me, and compassed *me* with gall and travel.

6 He hath set me in dark places, as *they that be* dead of old.[j]

7 He hath hedged me about, that I cannot get out: he hath made my chain heavy.[k]

8 Also when I cry and shout, he shutteth out my prayer.[l]

9 He hath inclosed my ways with hewn stone, he hath made my paths crooked.

10 He *was* unto me *as* a bear lying in wait, *and as* a lion in secret places.[m]

11 He hath turned aside my ways, and pulled me in pieces: he hath made me desolate.[n]

12 He hath bent his bow, and set me as a mark for the arrow.[o]

13 He hath caused the [2]arrows of his quiver to enter into my reins.[p]

14 I was a derision to all my people; *and* their song all the day.[q]

15 He hath filled me with [3]bitterness, he hath made me drunken with wormwood.[r]

16 He hath also broken my teeth with gravel stones, he hath [4]covered me with ashes.[s]

17 And thou hast removed my soul far off from peace: I forgat [5]prosperity.

18 And I said, My strength and my hope is perished from the LORD:[t]

19 [6]Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall.[u]

20 My soul hath *them* still in remembrance, and is [7]humbled in me.

21 This I [8]recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.

22 ¶ *It is of* the LORD'S mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.[v]

23 *They are* new every morning: great *is* thy faithfulness.[w]

24 The LORD *is* my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.[x]

25 The LORD *is* good unto them that wait for him, to the soul *that* seeketh him.[y]

26 *It is* good that *a man* should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.[z]

27 *It is* good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.[a]

28 He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne *it* upon him.[b]

29 He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope.[c]

30 He giveth *his* cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach.

31 For the Lord will not cast off for ever:[d]

32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.

33 For he doth not afflict [9]willingly nor grieve the children of men.[e]

34 To crush under his feet all the prisoners of the earth,

35 To turn aside the right of a man before the face of [10]the most High,

36 To subvert a man in his cause, the Lord [11]approveth not.[f]

37 ¶ Who *is* he *that* saith, and it cometh to pass, *when* the Lord commandeth *it* not?[g]

38 Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil and good?[h]

39 Wherefore doth a living man [12]complain, a man for the punishment of his sins?[i]

40 Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.

41 Let us lift up our heart with *our* hands unto God in the heavens.[j]

42 We have transgressed and have rebelled: thou hast not pardoned.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

a 1 Kings ix. 8; 2 Kings xix. 21; Ps. xliv. 14; xlviii. 2; l. 2; Jer. xviii. 16; Nahum iii. 19.

b Job vii. 20; xvi. 12; Ps. xxxviii. 2.

2 Heb. *sons.*

p Job vi. 4.

q ver. 63; Job xxx. 9; Ps. lxix. 12; Jer. xx. 7.

b ch. iii. 46; Job xvi. 9, 10; Ps. xxii. 13; xxxv. 21; lvi 2.

3 Heb. *bitternesses.*

r Jer ix. 15.

4 Or, *rolled me in the ashes.*

s Prov. xx. 17.

5 Heb. *good.*

c ver. 2; Lev. xxvi. 16, &c.; Deut. xxviii. 15, &c., Ps. xxxviii. 16, lxxxix. 42

t Ps. xxxi. 22.

6 Or, *Remember.*

u Jer. ix. 15.

d ver. 8, ch. i. 16; Jer xiv 17.

7 Heb. *bowed.*

8 Heb. *make to return to my heart*

e ver. 11; ch iv 1, Ps. lxii. 8; cxix. 147, Isa. li. 20; Nahum iii 10.

v Mal. iii. 6.

w Isa. xxxiii. 2.

1 Or, *swaddled with their hands?*

f ch iv. 10, 13, 16; Lev. xxvi. 29, Deut. xxviii. 53; Jer. xix. 9, Ezek. v. 10.

x Ps. xvi 5; lxxiii 26, cxix 57; Jer. x. 16

y Ps. cxxx 6, Isa xxx. 18; Micah vii 7

g ch. iii 43; 2 Chron xxxvi. 17

z Ps. xxxvii 7

a Ps. xcv 12, cxix 71.

b ch iii. 10; Jer xv 17.

h Jer xlvi 5; Hos. ix. 12, 13

c Job xlii. 6, Isa. l. 6, Matt. v 39.

d Ps. xciv. 14.

9 Heb *from his heart*

e Ezek xxxiii 11; Heb. xii. 10.

i Job xvi. 8; Ps. li. 8; Isa. xxxviii. 13; Jer. l. 17.

10 Or, *a superior.*

11 Or, *seeth not*

f Hab. i 13

j Ps. lxxxviii. 5, 6, cxliii 3.

g Ps. xxxiii. 9.

k Job iii. 23; xix. 8; Hos. ii. 6

h Job ii. 10; Isa. xlv. 7; Amos iii. 6.

12 Or, *murmur.*

l Job xxx. 20; Ps. xxii. 2.

i Prov. xix. 3; Micah vii. 9

m Job x. 16; Isa. xxxviii. 13; Hos. v. 14; xiii. 7, 8.

j Ps. lxxxvi. 4.

n Hos. vi. 1.

k Dan. ix. 5.

43 Thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us: thou hast slain, thou hast not pitied.[a]

44 Thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that *our* prayer should not pass through.[b]

45 Thou hast made us *as* the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people.[c]

46 All our enemies have opened their mouths against us.[d]

47 Fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction.[e]

48 Mine eye runneth down with rivers of water for the destruction of the daughter of my people.[f]

49 Mine eye trickleth down, and ceaseth not, without any intermission,[g]

50 Till the LORD look down, and behold from heaven.[h]

51 Mine eye affecteth [1]mine heart [2]because of all the daughters of my city.

52 Mine enemies chased me sore, like a bird, without cause.[i]

53 They have cut off my life in the dungeon, and cast a stone upon me.[j]

54 Waters flowed over mine head; *then* I said, I am cut off.[k]

55 ¶ I called upon thy name, O LORD, out of the low dungeon.[l]

56 Thou hast heard my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry.[m]

57 Thou drewest near in the day *that* I called upon thee: thou saidst, Fear not.[n]

58 O Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul; thou hast redeemed my life.[o]

59 O LORD, thou hast seen my wrong: judge thou my cause.[p]

60 Thou hast seen all their vengeance *and* all their imaginations against me.[q]

61 Thou hast heard their reproach, O LORD, *and* all their imaginations against me;

62 The lips of those that rose up against me, and their device against me all the day.

63 Behold their sitting down, and their rising up; I *am* their musick.[r]

64 ¶ Render unto them a recompence, O LORD, according to the work of their hands.[s]

65 Give them [3]sorrow of heart, thy curse unto them.

66 Persecute and destroy them in anger from under the heavens of the LORD.[t]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Zion bewaileth her pitiful estate* 13 *She confesseth her sins* 21 *Edom is threatened.* 22 *Zion is comforted.*

HOW is the gold become dim! *how* is the most fine gold changed! the stones of the sanctuary are poured out in the top of every street.[u]

2 The precious sons of Zion, comparable to fine gold, how are they esteemed as earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter![v]

3 Even the [4]sea monsters draw out the breast, they give suck to their young ones: the daughter of my people *is become* cruel, like the ostriches in the wilderness.[w]

4 The tongue of the sucking child cleaveth to the roof of his mouth for thirst: the young children ask bread, *and* no man breaketh *it* unto them.[x]

5 They that did feed delicately are desolate in the streets: they that were brought up in scarlet embrace dunghills.[y]

6 For the [5]punishment of the iniquity of the daughter of my people is greater than the punishment of the sin of Sodom, that was overthrown as in a moment, and no hands stayed on her.[z]

7 Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk, they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing *was* of sapphire:



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8 Their visage is [6]blacker than a coal; they are not known in the streets: their skin cleaveth to their bones; it is withered, it is become like a stick.[a]

9 *They that be* slain with the sword are better than *they that be* slain with hunger: for these [7]pine away, stricken through for *want of* the fruits of the field.

10 The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children: they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.[b]

11 The LORD hath accomplished his fury; he hath poured out his fierce anger, and hath kindled a fire in Zion, and it hath devoured the foundations thereof.[c]

12 The kings of the earth, and all the inhabitants of the world, would not have believed that the adversary and the enemy should have entered into the gates of Jerusalem.

13 ¶ For the sins of her prophets, *and* the iniquities of her priests, that have shed the blood of the just in the midst of her,[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

a ch. ii. 2, 17, 21.
w Job xxxix. 14, 16.
b ver. 8.
c 1 Cor. iv. 13.
x ch. ii. 11, 12; Ps. xxii. 15
d ch. ii. 16.
y Job xxiv. 8.
e Isa. xxiv 17; li. 19; Jer. xlviii. 43
5 Or, *iniquity.*
f ch. ii. 11; Jer. iv. 19, ix. 1; xiv. 17.
z Gen. xix. 25
g ch. i. 16, Ps. lxxvii. 2
h Isa. lxiii. 15
1 Heb. *my soul.*
2 Or, *more than all.*
i Ps. xxxv. 7, 19, lxix. 4, cix. 3, cxix. 161.
j Jer. xxxvii. 16; xxxviii. 6, 9, 10, Dan. vi. 17
k ver. 18, Ps. xxxi. 22, lxix. 2; cxxiv. 4, 5, Isa. xxxviii. 10, 11
l Ps. cxxx. 1; Jonah ii. 2
m Ps. iii. 4, vi. 8, xvii. 6; lxvi. 19, cxvi. 1
n James iv. 8
o Ps. xxxv. 1; lxxi. 23; Jer. li. 36.
p Ps. ix. 4; xxxv. 23.
q Jer. xi. 19
r ver. 14, Ps. cxxxix. 2.
6 Heb. *darker than blackness.*
s Ps. xxviii. 4, 2 Tim. iv. 14.
a ch. v. 10, Ps. cii. 5; Joel ii. 6, Nahum ii. 10
3 Or, *obstinacy of heart.*
7 Heb. *flow out*
t Deut. xxv. 19, Ps. viii. 3, Jer. x. 11.
b ch. ii. 20, Deut. xxviii. 57; 2 Kings vi. 29, Isa. xlix. 15.
c Deut. xxxii. 22; Jer. vii. 20; xxi. 14.
u ch. ii. 19.
v Isa. xxx. 14; Jer. xix. 11; 2 Cor. iv. 7.
4 Or, *sea calves.*
d Jer. v. 31; vi. 13; xiv. 14; xxiii. 11, 21, Ezek. xxii. 26, 28; Zeph. iii. 4, Matt. xxiii. 31, 37.
w Job xxxix. 14, 16.
x Lam. ii. 11, 12.
y 2 Sam. i. 24.
z Gen. xix. 24, 25.
5 Heb. *iniquity.*
a Job xxx. 30.
b Deut. xxviii. 53, 56, 57, Ezek. v. 10.
c Jer. vii. 20, Ezek. xx. 47, 48.
d Jer. v. 31; vi. 13; xiv. 14; xxiii. 11, 21, Ezek. xxii. 26, 28; Zeph. iii. 4, Matt. xxiii. 31, 37.



WATER IN A TIME OF FAMINE AND OPPRESSION.—LAMENTATIONS V. 4.

14 They have wandered *as* blind *men* in the streets, they have polluted themselves with blood, [1]so that men could not touch their garments.[a]

15 They cried unto them, Depart ye; [2]*it is* unclean; depart, depart, touch not: when they fled away and wandered, they said among the heathen, They shall no more sojourn *there*.[b]

16 The [3]anger of the LORD hath divided them; he will no more regard them: they respected not the persons of the priests, they favoured not the elders.[c]

17 As for us, our eyes as yet failed for our vain help: in our watching we have watched for a nation *that* could not save *us*.[d]

18 They hunt our steps, that we cannot go in our streets: our end is near, our days are fulfilled; for our end is come.[e]

19 Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven: they pursued us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness.[f]

20 The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the LORD, was taken in their pits, of whom we said, Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen.[g]

21 ¶ Rejoice and be glad, O daughter of Edom, that dwellest in the land of Uz; the cup also shall pass through unto thee: thou shalt be drunken, and shalt make thyself naked.[h]

22 ¶ [4]The punishment of thine iniquity is accomplished, O daughter of Zion; he will no more carry thee away into captivity: he will visit thine iniquity, O daughter of Edom; he will [5]discover thy sins.[i]

CHAPTER V.

A pitiful complaint of Zion in prayer unto God.

REMEMBER, O LORD, what is come upon us: consider, and behold our reproach.[j]

2 Our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens.[k]

3 We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers *are* as widows.

4 We have drunken our water for money; our wood [6]is sold unto us.

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1 Or, *in that they could not* but *touch*

g ch ii 9; Gen ii 7; Jer li 9, Ezek xii. 13; xix. 4, 8

a Numb xix 16, Jer ii 34

2 Or, *ye polluted*

h Eccles. xi. 9, Jer xxv 15, 16, 21.

b Lev xiii 45

4 Or, *Thine iniquity*

3 Or, *face.*

5 Or, *carry thee captive for thy sins.*

i Ps. cxxxvii. 7, Isa. xl 2

c ch v 12.

d 2 Kings xxiv. 7; Isa. xx. 5 & xxx. 6, 7; Jer. xxxvii. 7; Ezek. xxix. 16.

j ch. ii. 15; Ps. lxxix. 4; lxxxix. 50, 51

e 2 Kings xxv 4, 5; Ezek. vii. 2, 3, 6; Amos viii. 2

k Ps lxxix. 1

f Deut. xxviii. 49; Jer. iv. 13.

6 Heb. *cometh for price.*

5 [1]Our necks *are* under persecution: we labour, *and* have no rest.[a]

6 We have given the hand *to* the Egyptians, *and to* the Assyrians, to be satisfied with bread.[b]

7 Our fathers have sinned, *and are* not; and we have borne their iniquities.[c]

8 Servants have ruled over us: *there is* none that doth deliver *us* out of their hand.[d]

9 We gat our bread with *the peril of* our lives because of the sword of the wilderness.

10 Our skin was black like an oven because of the [2]terrible famine.[e]

11 They ravished the women in Zion, *and* the maids in the cities of Judah.[f]

12 Princes are hanged up by their hand: the faces of elders were not honoured.[g]

13 They took the young men to grind, and the children fell under the wood.[h]

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1 Heb. *On our necks* are *we persecuted.*
a Deut. xxviii. 48, Jer xxviii. 14.
b Gen. xxiv. 2; Jer l. 15; Hos xii 1.
3 Heb. *The crown of our head is fallen.*
c Gen. xlii. 13; Jer. xxxi. 29; Ezek. xviii. 2; Zech. i. 6.
e Job xix. 9, Ps. lxxxix. 39.
d Neh. v. 15.
f ch. i 22; ii. 11; Ps. vi. 7
2 Or, *terrors, or, storms.*
e ch. iv. 8; Job xxx. 30; Ps. cxix 83.
h Ps. ix. 7; x. 16, xxix. 10; xiv. 6; xc. 2
f Isa. xiii 16, Zech xiv 2
4 Heb *for length of days?*
. Ps xiii 1
g ch iv 16, Isa. xlvii 6
m Ps lxxx 3, 7, 19; Jer xxxi 18
h Judg xvi. 21.

14 The elders have ceased from the gate, [4]the young men from their musick.

15 The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning.

16 [3]The crown is fallen *from* our head: woe unto us, that we have sinned![i]

17 For this our heart is faint; for these *things* our eyes are dim.[j]

18 Because of the mountain of Zion, which is desolate, the foxes walk upon it.

19 Thou, O LORD, remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to generation.[k]

20 Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, *and* forsake us [4]so long time?[l]

21 Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old.[m]

22 But thou hast utterly rejected us; thou art very wroth against us.



"BECAUSE OF THE MOUNTAIN OF ZION, WHICH IS DESOLATE, THE FOXES WALK UPON IT"—LAMENTATIONS V.

THE BOOK of the PROPHET EZEKIEL

CHAPTER I.

1 *The time of Ezekiel's prophecy at Chebar.* 4 *His vision of four cherubims,* 15 *of the four wheels,* 26 *and of the glory of God.*

Before Christ 595.

NOW it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, as I *was* among the captives by the river of Chebar, *that* the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God.[a]

2 In the fifth *day* of the month, which *was* the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity,[b]

3 The word of the LORD came expressly unto [1]Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.[c]

4 ¶ And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness *was* about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.[d]

5 Also out of the midst thereof *came* the likeness of

a ver 3; ch iii. 15, 23; viii. 3, x. 15, 20, 22; xliii 3; Matt. iii 16; Acts vii. 56; x. 11, Rev. xix. 11.

b 2 Kings xxiv. 12, 15

1 Heb. *Jehezkel.*

c ch iii. 14, 22; viii 1; xl. 1, 1 Kings xviii 46; 2 Kings iii. 15.

d Jer i. 14; iv. 6; vi. 1; xxiii 19, xxv. 32.



four living creatures. And this *was* their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.[a]

6 And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.

7 And their feet *were* [1]straight feet; and the sole of their feet *was* like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass.[b]

8 And *they had* the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings.[c]

9 Their wings *were* joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.[d]

10 As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.[e]

11 Thus *were* their faces: and their wings *were* [2]stretched upward; two *wings* of every one *were* joined one to another, and two covered their bodies.[f]

12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; *and* they turned not when they went.[g]

13 As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance *was* like burning coals of fire, *and* like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning.[h]

14 And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.[i]

15 ¶ Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.[j]

16 The appearance of the wheels and their work *was* like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work *was* as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel.[k]

17 When they went, they went upon their four sides: *and* they turned not when they went.[l]

18 As for their [3]rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; and their rings *were* full of eyes round about them four.[m]

19 And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up.

20 Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither *was their* spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit [4]of the living creature *was* in the wheels.[n]

21 When those went, *these* went; and when those stood, *these* stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit [5]of the living creature *was* in the wheels.[o]

22 And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature *was* as the colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.

23 And under the firmament *were* their wings straight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies.

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a ver. 10; ch. x. 8, &c.; Rev. iv. 6, &c.

p ch. x. 8; xliii. 2; Job xxxvii. 4, 5; Ps. xxix. 3, 4; lxviii. 33; Dan. x. 6; Rev. i. 15.

1 Heb *a straight foot.*

b Dan. x. 6; Rev. i. 15.

c ch. x. 8, 21.

q ch. x. 1, Exod xxiv. 10.

d vs. 11, 12; ch. x. 11.

e Numb ii 3, 10, 18, 25; Rev iv. 7.

r ch. viii. 2.

2 Or, *divided above.*

f Isa. vi. 2.

g vs. 9, 17, 20; ch. x. 22.

s ch. iii. 23, viii 4, Dan. viii 17; Acts ix 4; Rev. i 17, iv 3; x. 1.

h Rev. iv. 5.

i Zech iv. 10, Matt. xxiv 27.

t Dan. x. 11.

j ch. x 9

u ch iii. 24.

k ch. x. 9, 10, Dan. x 6.

l ver. 12.

6 Heb *nations.*

3 Or, *strakes*

v ch. xx 18, 21, 30, Jer iii. 25.

m ch. x. 12, 16; Zech. iv. 10

7 Heb *hard of face*

w ch. iii. 7.

4 Or, *of life.*

x ch iii. 11, 26, 27; xxxiii. 33

n ver. 12; ch. x. 17.

5 Or, *of life.*

o vs. 19, 20; ch x. 17.

y ch. iii. 9, 26, 27; Isa. ix. 16; Jer. i. 8, 17; vi. 28; Micah vii 4; Luke xii. 4; 1 Peter iii. 14.

8 Heb. *rebellion.*

z ver. 5; Jer. i. 7, 17.

a Rev. x. 9.

b ch. iii. 1; viii. 3; Jer. i. 9.

24 And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.[p]

25 And there was a voice from the firmament that *was* over their heads, when they stood, *and* had let down their wings.

26 ¶ And above the firmament that *was* over their heads *was* the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne *was* the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it.[q]

27 And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.[r]

28 As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so *was* the appearance of the brightness round about. This *was* the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw *it*, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.[s]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Ezekiel's commission.* 6 *His instruction.* 9 *The roll of his heavy prophecy.*

AND he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee.[t]

2 And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake unto me.[u]

3 And he said unto me, Son of man, I send thee to the children of Israel, to a rebellious [6]nation that hath rebelled against me: they and their fathers have transgressed against me, *even* unto this very day.[v]

4 For *they are* [7]impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD.[w]

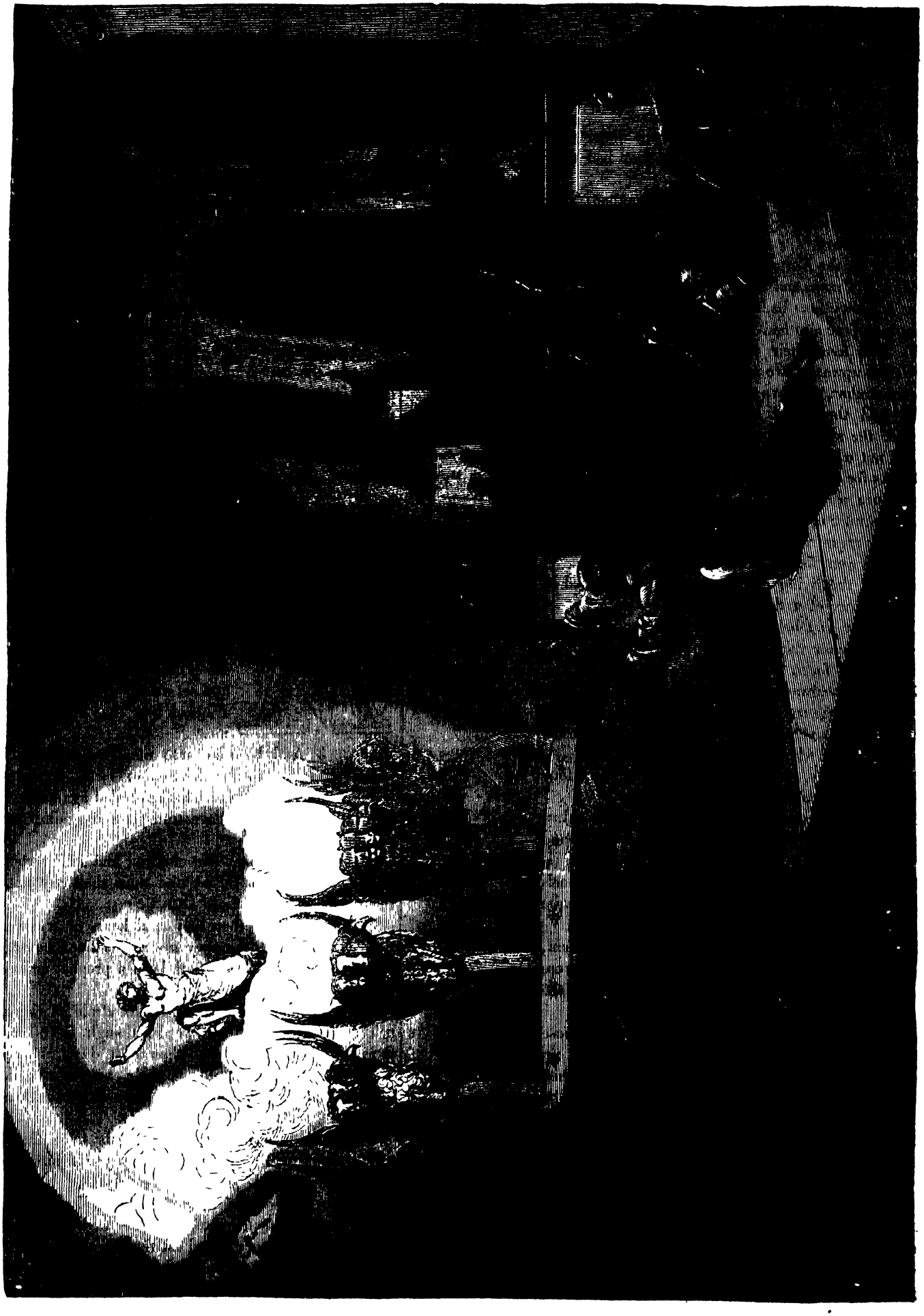
5 And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they *are* a rebellious house,) yet shall know that there hath been a prophet among them.[x]

6 ¶ And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though briers and thorns *be* with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they *be* a rebellious house.[y]

7 And thou shalt speak my words unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear: for they *are* [8]most rebellious.[z]

8 But thou, son of man, hear what I say unto thee; Be not thou rebellious like that rebellious house: open thy mouth, and eat that I give thee.[a]

9 ¶ And when I looked, behold, an hand *was* sent unto me; and, lo, a roll of a book *was* therein;[b]



EZEKIEL'S VISION.—I. 4—28; X. 8—22.

10 And he spread it before me; and it *was* written within and without: and *there was* written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.

CHAPTER III.

1 Ezekiel eateth the roll. 4 God encourageth him. 15 God sheweth him the rule of prophecy. 22 God shutteth and openeth the prophet's mouth.

MOREOVER he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel.[a]

2 So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll.

3 And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this roll that I give thee. Then did I eat *it;* and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness.[b]

4 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, go, get thee unto the house of Israel, and speak with my words unto them.

5 For thou *art* not sent to a people [1]of a strange speech and of an hard language, *but* to the house of Israel;

6 Not to many people [2]of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou canst not understand. [3]Surely, had I sent thee to them, they would have hearkened unto thee.[c]

7 But the house of Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto me: for all the house of Israel *are* [4]impudent and hardhearted.[d]

8 Behold, I have made thy face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against their foreheads.

9 As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead: fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they *be* a rebellious house.[e]

10 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, all my words that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart, and hear with thine ears.

11 And go, get thee to them of the captivity, unto the children of thy people, and speak unto them, and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear.[f]

12 Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, *saying*, Blessed *be* the glory of the LORD from his place.[g]

13 *I heard* also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that [5]touched one another, and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing.

14 So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went [6]in bitterness, in the [7]heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.[h]

15 ¶ Then I came to them of the captivity at Tel-abib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar, and I sat where they sat, and remained there astonished among them seven days.[i]

16 And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

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j ch. xxxiii. 7—9, Isa. lii. 8, lvi. 10, lxii. 6; Jer. vi. 17

k ch xxxiii 6; John viii. 21, 24.

a ch ii 8, 9

l Isa. xlix 4, 5; Acts xx 26

8 Heb. *righteousnesses.*

m ch xviii 24, xxxiii 12, 13

b Ps. xix 10, cxix 103, Jer xv 16, Rev x 9

1 Heb *deep of lip and heavy of tongue*, and so ver 6

n ver 14, ch i 3, viii 4

2 Heb *deep of lip and heavy of language*

3 Or, *If I had sent thee, &c., would they not have hearkened unto thee?*

c Matt. xi 21, 23.

o ch i 1, 28, ii. 2

4 Heb *stiff of forehead and hard of heart*

d ch ii 4, Matt xi 21, 23; John xv 20

p ch. iv 8.

e ch ii 6, Isa l 7, Jer i 8, 17, 18, xv 20, Micah iii 8.

9 Heb. *a man reproving*

q ch ii. 5—7; xxiv 27, Luke i. 20, 22

r vs 9, 11, 26, ch xii 2, 3, xxiv 27, xxxiii 22

f ver 27, ch ii 5, 7

g ver 14, ch viii 3, 1 Kings xviii 12, 2 Kings ii 16, Acts viii 39.

5 Heb. *kissed.*

6 Heb. *bitter*

7 Heb. *hot anger*

h ver 12; ch i. 3; viii 1, 3, xxxvii. 1, 2 Kings iii 15

10 Or, *chief leaders.*

s ch xxi. 22.

11 Or, *a flat plate*, or, *slice.*

i Job ii. 13; Ps. cxxxvii. 1.

t ch xii. 6, 11; xxiv 24, 27.

17 Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.[j]

18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.[k]

19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.[l]

20 Again, When a righteous *man* doth turn from his [8]righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.[m]

21 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous *man*, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

22 ¶ And the hand of the LORD was there upon me; and he said unto me, Arise, go forth into the plain, and I will there talk with thee.[n]

23 Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face.[o]

24 Then the spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me, Go, shut thyself within thine house.

25 But thou, O son of man, behold, they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee with them, and thou shalt not go out among them:[p]

26 And I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb, and shalt not be to them [9]a reprover: for they *are* a rebellious house.[q]

27 But when I speak with thee, I will open thy mouth, and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; He that heareth, let him hear; and he that forbeareth, let him forbear: for they *are* a rebellious house.[r]

CHAPTER IV.

1 Under the type of a siege is shewed the time from the defection of Jeroboam to the captivity 9 By the provision of the siege, is shewed the hardness of the famine.

THOU also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and pourtray upon it the city, *even* Jerusalem:

2 And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set [10]*battering* rams against it round about.[s]

3 Moreover take thou unto thee [11]an iron pan, and set it *for* a wall of iron between thee and the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. This *shall be* a sign to the house of Israel.[t]

4 Lie thou also upon thy left side, and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: *according* to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity.

5 For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.[a]

6 And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee [1]each day for a year.

7 Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm *shall be* uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.

8 And, behold, I will lay bands upon thee, and thou shalt not turn thee [2]from one side to another, till thou hast ended the days of thy siege.[b]

9 ¶ Take thou also unto thee wheat, and barley, and beans, and lentiles, and millet, and [3]fitches, and put them in one vessel, and make thee bread thereof, *according* to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon thy side, three hundred and ninety days shalt thou eat thereof.

10 And thy meat which thou shalt eat *shall be* by weight, twenty shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it.

11 Thou shalt drink also water by measure, the sixth part of an hin: from time to time shalt thou drink.

12 And thou shalt eat it *as* barley cakes, and thou shalt bake it with dung that cometh out of man, in their sight.

13 And the LORD said, Even thus shall the children of Israel eat their defiled bread among the Gentiles, whither I will drive them.[c]

14 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! behold, my soul hath not been polluted: for from my youth up even till now have I not eaten of that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces; neither came there abominable flesh into my mouth.[d]

15 Then he said unto me, Lo, I have given thee cow's dung for man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread therewith.

16 Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, behold, I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and they shall eat bread by weight, and with care; and they shall drink water by measure, and with astonishment:[e]

17 That they may want bread and water, and be astonied one with another, and consume away for their iniquity.[f]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Under the type of hair, 5 is shewed the judgment of Jerusalem for their rebellion,* 12 *by famine, sword, and dispersion.*

AND thou, son of man, take thee a sharp knife, take thee a barber's razor, and cause *it* to pass upon thine head and upon thy beard: then take thee balances to weigh, and divide the *hair.*[g]

2 Thou shalt burn with fire a third part in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege are fulfilled: and thou shalt take a third part, *and* smite about it with a knife: and a third part thou shalt scatter in the wind; and I will draw out a sword after them.[h]

3 Thou shalt also take thereof a few in number, and bind them in thy [4]skirts.[i]

4 Then take of them again, and cast them into the midst of the fire, and burn them in the fire; *for* thereof shall a fire come forth into all the house of Israel.[j]

5 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; This *is* Jerusalem: I have set it in the midst of the nations and countries *that are* round about her.

6 And she hath changed my judgments into wickedness more than the nations, and my statutes more than the countries that *are* round about her: for they have refused my judgments and my statutes, they have not walked in them.

7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye multiplied more than the nations that *are* round about you, *and* have not walked in my statutes, neither have kept my judgments, neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that *are* round about you;[k]

8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, *am* against thee, and will execute judgments in the midst of thee in the sight of the nations.

9 And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more the like, because of all thine abominations.[l]

10 Therefore the fathers shall eat the sons in the midst of thee, and the sons shall eat their fathers; and I will execute judgments in thee, and the whole remnant of thee will I scatter into all the winds.[m]

11 Wherefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD; Surely, because thou hast defiled my sanctuary with all thy detestable things, and with all thine abominations, therefore will I also diminish *thee;* neither shall mine eye spare, neither will I have any pity.[n]

12 ¶ A third part of thee shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed in the midst of thee: and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee; and I will scatter a third part into all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them.[o]

13 Thus shall mine anger be accomplished, and I will cause my fury to rest upon them, and I will be comforted: and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken *it* in my zeal, when I have accomplished my fury in them.[p]

14 Moreover I will make thee waste, and a reproach among the nations that *are* round about thee, in the sight of all that pass by.[q]

15 So it shall be a reproach and a taunt, an instruction and an astonishment unto the nations that *are* round about thee, when I shall execute judgments in thee in anger and in fury and in furious rebukes. I the LORD have spoken *it.*[r]

16 When I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, which shall be for *their* destruction, *and* which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine upon you, and will break your staff of bread:[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

h ver. 12; ch. iv. 1, 8, 9.

4 Heb. *wings.*

i Jer. xl. 6; lii. 16.

a Numb. xiv. 34.

j Jer. xli. 1, 2, &c.; xliv. 14.

1 Heb *a day for a year, a day for a year.*

2 Heb *from thy side to thy side.*

b ch. iii. 25.

3 Or, *spelt.*

k ch. xvi. 47, Jer. li. 10, 11.

l Lam. iv. 6, Dan. ix. 12, Amos iii. 2

m ver 12, ch xii. 14; Lev xxvi. 29, 33, Deut. xxviii 53, 64, 2 Kings vi 29, Jer xix 9, Lam ii 20, iv 10, Zech. ii 6.

c Hos. ix 3.

n ch. vii. 4, 9, 20, viii. 5, 18, ix. 10, xi. 21, xxiii 38, 2 Chron xxxvi 14

d Exod xxii 31, Lev xi 40, xvii 15, Deut. xiv. 3, Isa. lxv 4, Acts x 14

o vs 2, 10, ch. vi 12, xii. 14; Jer ix 16, xv. 2, xxi. 9

e ver 10, ch v 16; xii. 19; xiv 13, Lev xxvi. 26, Ps cv 16, Isa iii. 1.

f ch xxiv 23, Lev xxvi 39

p ch vi 12; vii 8; xxi 17, xxxvi. 6; xxxviii 19, Isa. i. 24, Lam. iv. 11.

q Lev xxvi. 31, 32; Neh ii. 17.

r ch xxv. 17; Deut. xxviii. 37; 1 Kings ix. 7; Ps lxxix. 4; Jer xxiv. 9; Lam. ii. 15.

g ch. xliv. 20; Lev. xxi. 5; Isa. vii. 20.

s ch. iv. 16; xiv. 13; Lev. xxvi. 26; Deut. xxxii. 23, 24.



EZEKIEL POURTRAYING THE SIEGE OF JERUSALEM.—EZEKIEL IV. 1, 2

17 So will I send upon you famine and evil beasts, and they shall bereave thee; and pestilence and blood shall pass through thee; and I will bring the sword upon thee. I the LORD have spoken *it*.[a]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The judgment of Israel for their idolatry.* 8 *A remnant shall be blessed.* 11 *The faithful are exhorted to lament their calamities.*

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them,[b]

3 And say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys; Behold, I, *even* I, will bring a sword upon you, and I will destroy your high places.[c]

4 And your altars shall be desolate, and your [1]images shall be broken: and I will cast down your slain *men* before your idols.[d]

5 And I will [2]lay the dead carcases of the children of Israel before their idols; and I will scatter your bones round about your altars.

6 In all your dwellingplaces the cities shall be laid waste, and the high places shall be desolate; that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your idols may be broken and cease, and your images may be cut down, and your works may be abolished.

7 And the slain shall fall in the midst of you, and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[e]

8 ¶ Yet will I leave a remnant, that ye may have *some* that shall escape the sword among the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries.

9 And they that escape of you shall remember me among the nations whither they shall be carried captives, because I am broken with their whorish heart, which hath departed from me, and with their eyes, which go a whoring after their idols:

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

1 Or, *sun images;* and so ver 6

d Lev. xxvi. 30.

2 Heb. *give*

a ch xiv. 21, xxxiii 27; xxxiv. 25, xxxviii. 22, Lev xxvi 22.

e ver 13; ch vii. 4, 9, xi 10, 12; xii. 15, 16.

b ch xx. 46, xxi. 1, 2; xxv 2; xxxvi 1

c Lev. xxvi. 30.

and they shall lothe themselves for the evils which they have committed in all their abominations.[a]

10 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, *and that* I have not said in vain that I would do this evil unto them.

11 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Smite with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot, and say, Alas for all the evil abominations of the house of Israel! for they shall fall by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence.[b]

12 He that is far off shall die of the pestilence; and he that is near shall fall by the sword; and he that remaineth and is besieged shall die by the famine: thus will I accomplish my fury upon them.[c]

13 Then shall ye know that I *am* the LORD, when their slain *men* shall be among their idols round about their altars, upon every high hill, in all the tops of the mountains, and under every green tree, and under every thick oak, the place where they did offer sweet savour to all their idols.[d]

14 So will I stretch out my hand upon them, and make the land desolate, yea, [1]more desolate than the wilderness toward Diblath, in all their habitations: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[e]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *The final desolation of Israel.* 16 *The mournful repentance of them that escape* 20 *The enemies defile the sanctuary because of the Israelites' abominations.* 23 *Under the type of a chain is shewed their miserable captivity.*

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Also, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD unto the land of Israel; An end, the end is come upon the four corners of the land.[f]

3 Now *is* the end *come* upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways, and will [2]recompense upon thee all thine abominations.[g]

4 And mine eye shall not spare thee, neither will I have pity: but I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[h]

5 Thus saith the Lord GOD; An evil, an only evil, behold, is come.

6 An end is come, the end is come: it [3]watcheth for thee; behold, it is come.

7 The morning is come unto thee, O thou that dwellest in the land: the time is come, the day of trouble *is* near, and not the [4]sounding again of the mountains.[i]

8 Now will I shortly pour out my fury upon thee, and accomplish mine anger upon thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations.[j]

9 And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense [5]thee according to thy ways and thine abominations *that* are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD that smiteth.[k]

10 Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth; the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded.[l]

11 Violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness: none of them *shall remain*, nor of their [6]multitude, nor of any of [7]their's: neither *shall there be* wailing for them.[m]

12 The time is come, the day draweth near: let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn: for wrath *is* upon all the multitude thereof.

13 For the seller shall not return to that which is sold, [8]although they were yet alive: for the vision *is* touching the whole multitude thereof, *which* shall not return; neither shall any strengthen himself [9]in the iniquity of his life.

14 They have blown the trumpet, even to make all ready; but none goeth to the battle: for my wrath *is* upon all the multitude thereof.

15 The sword *is* without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that *is* in the field shall die with the sword; and he that *is* in the city, famine and pestilence shall devour him.[n]

16 ¶ But they that escape of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them mourning, every one for his iniquity.

17 All hands shall be feeble, and all knees shall [10]be weak *as* water.[o]

18 They shall also gird *themselves* with sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and shame *shall be* upon all faces, and baldness upon all their heads.[p]

19 They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be [11]removed: their silver and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD: they shall not satisfy their souls, neither fill their bowels: [12]because it is the stumblingblock of their iniquity.[q]

20 ¶ As for the beauty of his ornament, he set it in majesty: but they made the images of their abominations *and* of their detestable things therein: therefore have I [13]set it far from them.[r]

21 And I will give it into the hands of the strangers for a prey, and to the wicked of the earth for a spoil; and they shall pollute it.

22 My face will I turn also from them, and they shall pollute my secret *place:* for the [14]robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.

23 ¶ Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence.[s]

24 Wherefore I will bring the worst of the heathen, and they shall possess their houses: I will also make the pomp of the strong to cease; and [15]their holy places shall be defiled.

25 [16]Destruction cometh; and they shall seek peace, and *there shall be* none.

26 Mischief shall come upon mischief, and rumour shall be upon rumour; then shall they seek a vision of the prophet; but the law shall perish from the priest, and counsel from the ancients.[t]

27 The king shall mourn, and the prince shall

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

a ch. xx. 7, 24, 43, xxxvi. 31; Numb. xv. 39; Job xlii. 6; Ps. lxxviii. 40; Isa. vii. 13; xliii. 24; lxiii. 10.

b ver. 4.

c ver. 9.

6 Or, *tumult.*

7 Or, *their tumultuous persons.*

m ch. xxiv. 16, 22; Jer. vi. 5—7.

b ch. v. 12; xxi. 14.

8 Heb. *though their life were yet among the living.*

c ch. v. 13.

9 Or, *whose life is in his iniquity.* Heb. *his iniquity.*

d ver 7; Isa. lvii. 5; Jer. ii. 20; Hos. iv. 13.

1 Or, *desolate from the wilderness.*

n ch v. 12, Deut. xxxii. 25, Lam. i. 20

e Numb. xxxiii 46, Isa. v. 25, Jer. xlviii. 22.

10 Heb *go unto water.*

o ch. xxi. 7; Isa. xiii. 7, Jer. vi. 24.

p Ps. lv. 5, Isa iii. 24; xv 2, 3, Jer. xlviii. 37; Amos viii. 10.

11 Heb. *for a separation,* or, *uncleanness.*

12 Or, *because their iniquity is their stumblingblock.*

f vs. 3, 6, Amos viii 2, Matt xxiv 6, 13, 14

q Prov xi. 4, Zeph i 18

2 Heb. *give.*

g vs 8 9

13 Or, *made it unto them an unclean thing*

r ch. xiv. 3 4, xliv 12, Jer vii. 30.

h vs 9, 27, ch v 11; vi 7 viii 18, ix 10, xii 20

14 Or, *burglars*

3 Heb *awaketh against thee*

s ch ix 9, xi 6; 2 Kings xxi 16

4 Or, *echo*

15 Or *they shall inherit their holy places*

i vs 10 12; Zeph. i 14, 15

16 Heb *Cutting off.*

j ver 3, ch xx 8, 21.

5 Heb. *upon thee*

t ch. xx. 1, 3; Deut. xxxii. 23; Ps. lxxiv. 9, Jer iv. 20; Lam. ii. 9.



THE DESTRUCTION OF THE IDOLATROUS ISRAELITES BEFORE THEIR IDOLS.—EZEKIEL VI. 4. 5

be clothed with desolation, and the hands of the people of the land shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and [1]according to their deserts will I judge them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[a]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Ezekiel, in a vision of God at Jerusalem,* 5 *is shewed the image of jealousy,* 7 *the chambers of imagery,* 13 *the mourners for Tammuz,* 15 *the worshippers towards the sun.* 18 *God's wrath for their idolatry.*

AND it came to pass in the sixth year, in the sixth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, *as* I sat in mine house, and the elders of Judah sat before me, that the hand of the Lord GOD fell there upon me.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 584.

1 Heb. *with their judgments.*

a ver. 4.
c ch. i. 4, 26, 27.

d ch. iii. 14; xi. 1, 24; xl. 2; Deut. xxxii. 16, 21; Dan. v. 5.

b ch. i. 3; iii. 22; xiv. 1; xx. 1; xxxiii. 31.
e ch. i. 28, iii. 22, 23

2 Then I beheld, and lo a likeness as the appearance of fire: from the appearance of his loins even downward, fire; and from his loins even upward, as the appearance of brightness, as the colour of amber.[c]

3 And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; where *was* the seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy.[d]

4 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel *was* there, according to the vision that I saw in the plain.[e]



VISION OF THE CHAMBERS OF IMAGERY.—EZEKIEL VIII. 7—12.



VISION OF JUDGMENT UPON JERUSALEM.—EZEKIEL IX. 1—7.

5 ¶ Then said he unto me, Son of man, lift up thine eyes now the way toward the north. So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north, and behold northward at the gate of the altar this image of jealousy in the entry.[a]

6 He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? *even* the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary? but turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations.

7 ¶ And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall.

8 Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door.

9 And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here.[b]

10 So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, pourtrayed upon the wall round about.

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

a ver 14
c Exod. xxiv. 9.
d ch. ix 9
e vs 3, 5.
b vs. 6, 13, 15.

11 And there stood before them seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, with every man his censer in his hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up.[c]

12 Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, The LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.[d]

13 ¶ He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations that they do.

14 Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD's house which *was* toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.[e]

15 ¶ Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? turn thee yet again, *and* thou shalt see greater abominations than these.

16 And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple

of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, *were* about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east.[a]

17 ¶ Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man? [1]Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the branch to their nose.[b]

18 Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, *yet* will I not hear them.[c]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *A vision, whereby is shewed the preservation of some,* 5 *and the destruction of the rest.* 8 *God cannot be intreated for them.*

HE cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man *with* his destroying weapon in his hand.

2 And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, [2]which lieth toward the north, and every man [3]a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them *was* clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn [4]by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar.[d]

3 And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which *had* the writer's inkhorn by his side;[e]

4 And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and [5]set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.[f]

5 ¶ And to the others he said in [6]mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:[g]

6 Slay [7]utterly old *and* young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom *is* the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which *were* before the house.[h]

7 And he said unto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go ye forth. And they went forth, and slew in the city.

8 ¶ And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that I fell upon my face, and cried, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?[i]

9 Then said he unto me, The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah *is* exceeding great, and the land is full of blood, and the city [8]full of [9]perverseness: for they say, The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not.[j]

10 And as for me also, mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity, *but* I will recompense their way upon their head.[k]

11 And, behold, the man clothed with linen, which *had* the inkhorn by his side, [10]reported the matter, saying, I have done as thou hast commanded me.

CHAPTER X.

1 *The vision of the coals of fire, to be scattered over the city.* 8 *The vision of the cherubims.*

THEN I looked, and, behold, in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne.[l]

2 And he spake unto the man clothed with linen, and said, Go in between the wheels, *even* under the cherub, and fill [11]thine hand with coals of fire from between the cherubims, and scatter *them* over the city. And he went in in my sight.[m]

3 Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court.

4 Then the glory of the LORD [12]went up from the cherub, *and stood* over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD's glory.[n]

5 And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard *even* to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh.[o]

6 And it came to pass, *that* when he had commanded the man clothed with linen, saying, Take fire from between the wheels, from between the cherubims; then he went in, and stood beside the wheels.

7 And *one* cherub [13]stretched forth his hand from between the cherubims unto the fire that *was* between the cherubims, and took *thereof*, and put *it* into the hands of *him that was* clothed with linen: who took *it*, and went out.

8 ¶ And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand under their wings.[p]

9 And when I looked, behold the four wheels by the cherubims, one wheel by one cherub, and another wheel by another cherub: and the appearance of the wheels *was* as the colour of a beryl stone.[q]

10 And *as for* their appearances, they four had one likeness, as if a wheel had been in the midst of a wheel.

11 When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went.[r]

12 And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, *were* full of eyes round about, *even* the wheels that they four had.[s]

BEFORE CHRIST 594

j ch. viii. 12, 17, 2 Kings xxi. 16, Psa x. 11, Isa. xxix 15.

a ch. xi. 1; Deut. iv. 19; 2 Kings xxiii. 5, 11; Job xxxi 26; Jer. ii. 27, xxxii 33; xliv. 17

k ch v. 11; vii. 4, viii 18; xi. 21.

1 Or, *Is there any thing lighter than to commit?*

10 Heb *returned the word.*

b ch ix. 9.

c ch. v. 11, 13; vii. 4, 9, ix. 5, 10; xvi. 42, xxiv. 13; Prov. i. 28; Isa. i. 15; Jer xi. 11; xiv. 12; Micah iii. 4; Zech. vii. 13.

l ch. i. 22, 26

11 Heb *the hollow of thine hand.*

m ch i 13, ix 2, 3; Rev viii. 5.

2 Heb. *which is turned*

3 Heb *a weapon of his breaking in pieces*

12 Heb *was lifted up*

4 Heb *upon his loins*

d ch x 2, 6, 7, Lev. xvi 4, Rev xv 6

n ver 18, ch. i 28, ix. 3, xlii 5, 1 Kings viii 10, 11

o ch i 24, Ps. xxix 3, &c.

e ch iii 23, viii. 4; x 4, 18; xi 22, 23

5 Heb *mark a mark.*

13 Heb *sent forth.*

f Exod xii 7, Ps cxix. 53, 136 Jer xiii 17, 2 Cor xii 21, 2 Peter ii 8, Rev vii 3, ix 4, xiii 16, 17, xx 4

6 Heb *mine ears*

g ver 10, ch v 11.

7 Heb *to destruction.*

p ver 21; ch. i. 8.

h ch viii 11, 12, 16; 2 Chron xxxvi 17; Jer xxv 29, 1 Peter iv. 17; Rev ix 4

q ch i 15, 16.

r ch i 17.

i ch xi 13, Numb. xiv. 5, xvi 4, 22, 45.

8 Heb. *filled with*

9 Or, *wresting* of judgment.

s ch. i. 18.

13 As for the wheels, [1]it was cried unto them in my hearing, O wheel.

14 And every one had four faces: the first face *was* the face of a cherub, and the second face *was* the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.[a]

15 And the cherubims were lifted up. This *is* the living creature that I saw by the river of Chebar.[b]

16 And when the cherubims went, the wheels went by them: and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also turned not from beside them.[c]

17 When they stood, *these* stood; and when they were lifted up, *these* lifted up themselves *also:* for the spirit [2]of the living creature *was* in them.[d]

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1 Or, *they were called in my hearing, wheel or galgal.*

a ch. i. 6, 10

b ch. i. 5

c ch. i. 19.
j ver 24; ch. iii. 12, 14, viii. 3, 16, x. 19

2 Or, *of life*

d ch. i. 12, 20, 21

CHAPTER XI.

The presumption of the princes. 4 *Their sin and judgment.* 13 *Ezekiel complaining, God sheweth him his purpose in saving a remnant,* 21 *and punishing the wicked.* 22 *The glory of God leaveth the city* 24 *Ezekiel is returned to the captivity.*

MOREOVER the spirit lifted me up, and brought me unto the east gate of the LORD'S house, which looketh eastward: and behold at the door of the gate five and twenty men; among whom I saw Jaazaniah the son of Azur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the people.[j]

2 Then said he unto me, Son of man, these *are* the men that devise mischief, and give wicked counsel in this city:



THE RIVER CHEBAR, THE SCENE OF EZEKIEL'S VISION.

18 Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubims.[e]

19 And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight: when they went out, the wheels also *were* beside them, and *every one* stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD'S house; and the glory of the God of Israel *was* over them above.[f]

20 This *is* the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel by the river of Chebar; and I knew that they *were* the cherubims.[g]

21 Every one had four faces apiece, and every one four wings; and the likeness of the hands of a man *was* under their wings.[h]

22 And the likeness of their faces *was* the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar, their appearances and themselves: they went every one straight forward.[i]

e ver 4; Hos. ix. 12.

3 Or, It is *not* for us *to build houses near.*

k ch. xii. 22, 27; xxiv 3, &c., Jer. i. 13, 2 Peter iii. 4.

f ch. xi. 22.

l ch. ii. 2; iii. 24.

g ver 15, ch. i. 1, 22

m ch. vii. 23; xxii. 3,

h vs. 8, 14; ch. i. 6, 8.

n ver 9; ch. xxiv 3, 6, 10, 11; Micah iii. 3.

i ch. i. 10, 12.

3 Which say, [3]*It is* not near; let us build houses: this *city is* the caldron, and we *be* the flesh.[k]

4 ¶ Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, O son of man.

5 And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said unto me, Speak; Thus saith the LORD; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, *every one of* them.[l]

6 Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and ye have filled the streets thereof with the slain.[m]

7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they *are* the flesh, and this *city is* the caldron: but I will bring you forth out of the midst of it.[n]

8 Ye have feared the sword; and I will bring a sword upon you, saith the Lord GOD.

9 And I will bring you out of the midst thereof,

and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you.[a]

10 Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[b]

11 This *city* shall not be your caldron, neither shall ye be the flesh in the midst thereof; *but* I will judge you in the border of Israel:[c]

12 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD: [1]for ye have not walked in my statutes, neither executed my judgments, but have done after the manners of the heathen that *are* round about you.[d]

13 ¶ And it came to pass, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then fell I down upon my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou make a full end of the remnant of Israel?[e]

14 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

15 Son of man, thy brethren, *even* thy brethren, the men of thy kindred, and all the house of Israel wholly, *are* they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Get you far from the LORD: unto us is this land given in possession.

16 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Although I have cast them far off among the heathen, and although I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.[f]

17 Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.[g]

18 And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence.[h]

19 And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh:[i]

20 That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.[j]

21 But *as for them* whose heart walketh after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, I will recompense their way upon their own heads, saith the Lord GOD.[k]

22 ¶ Then did the cherubims lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the glory of the God of Israel *was* over them above.[l]

23 And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city, and stood upon the mountain which *is* on the east side of the city.[m]

24 ¶ Afterwards the spirit took me up, and brought me in a vision by the Spirit of God into Chaldea, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me.[n]

25 Then I spake unto them of the captivity all the things that the LORD had shewed me.

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

[a] ch. v. 8.

[b] ch. vi. 7; xiii. 9, 14, 21, 23.

[c] ver. 3.

[1] Or, *which have not walked.*

[d] ver. 10; ch. viii. 10, 14, 16, Lev. xviii. 3, 24, &c.; Deut. xii. 30, 31.

[e] ch. ii. 3, 6—8; iii 26, 27; Isa vi 9, xliii. 20; Jer v 21, Matt. xiii. 13, 14.

[2] Or, *instruments.*

[e] ver 1; ch. ix. 8; Acts v. 5.

[3] Heb. *as the goings forth of captivity.*

[4] Heb. *Dig for thee.*

[f] Ps. xc 1; xci. 9; Isa. viii. 14.

[p] ver. 11; ch iv 3, Isa. viii. 18.

[g] ch. xxviii 25; xxxiv. 13; xxxvi. 24.

[5] Heb. *digged for me.*

[h] ch. xxxvii. 23.

[q] ch. ii. 5; xvii 12; xxiv. 19.

[i] ch xviii 31; xxxvi 26, 27; Ps. li. 10; Jer. xxxi 33, xxxii 39, Zeph. iii. 9, Zech vii 12.

[r] Mal. i. 1.

[j] ch xiv 11, xxxvi. 28; xxxvii. 27; Jer xxiv. 7

[6] Heb *by removing go into captivity*

[s] ver 6, 2 Kings xxv 4, 5, 7.

[k] ch. xxii. 31.

[l] ch. i. 19, x. 19.

[t] Jer. xxxix. 4.

[m] ch. viii 4; ix. 3; x. 4, 18; xliii. 2, 4; Zech. xiv. 4.

[u] ch. xvii. 16, 20; 2 Kings xxv. 7; Job xix. 6; Jer. lii. 9, 11; Lam. i. 13.

[n] ch. viii. 3.

[v] ch. v. 2, 10, 12.

[w] vs. 16, 20; ch. vi. 7, 14; xi. 10; Ps. ix. 16.

[7] Heb. *men of number.*

CHAPTER XII.

1 *The type of Ezekiel's removing.* 8 *It shewed the captivity of Zedekiah.* 17 *Ezekiel's trembling sheweth the Jews' desolation.* 21 *The Jews' presumptuous proverb is reproved.* 26 *The speediness of the vision.*

THE word of the LORD also came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not: for they *are* a rebellious house.[a]

3 Therefore, thou son of man, prepare thee [2]stuff for removing, and remove by day in their sight; and thou shalt remove from thy place to another place in their sight: it may be they will consider, though they *be* a rebellious house.

4 Then shalt thou bring forth thy stuff by day in their sight, as stuff for removing: and thou shalt go forth at even in their sight, [3]as they that go forth into captivity.

5 [4]Dig thou through the wall in their sight, and carry out thereby.

6 In their sight shalt thou bear *it* upon *thy* shoulders, *and* carry *it* forth in the twilight: thou shalt cover thy face, that thou see not the ground: for I have set thee *for* a sign unto the house of Israel.[p]

7 And I did so as I was commanded: I brought forth my stuff by day, as stuff for captivity, and in the even I [5]digged through the wall with mine hand; I brought *it* forth in the twilight, *and* I bare *it* upon *my* shoulder in their sight.

8 ¶ And in the morning came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

9 Son of man, hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said unto thee, What doest thou?[q]

10 Say thou unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; This burden *concerneth* the prince in Jerusalem, and all the house of Israel that *are* among them.[r]

11 Say, I *am* your sign: like as I have done, so shall it be done unto them: they shall [6]remove *and* go into captivity.[s]

12 And the prince that *is* among them shall bear upon *his* shoulder in the twilight, and shall go forth: they shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby: he shall cover his face, that he see not the ground with *his* eyes.[t]

13 My net also will I spread upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare: and I will bring him to Babylon *to* the land of the Chaldeans; yet shall he not see it, though he shall die there.[u]

14 And I will scatter toward every wind all that *are* about him to help him, and all his bands: and I will draw out the sword after them.[v]

15 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall scatter them among the nations, and disperse them in the countries.[w]

16 But I will leave [7]a few men of them from the sword, from the famine, and from the pestilence; that

they may declare all their abominations among the heathen whither they come; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[e]

17 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

18 Son of man, eat thy bread with quaking, and drink thy water with trembling and with carefulness;[f]

19 And say unto the people of the land, Thus saith the Lord GOD of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, *and* of the land of Israel; They shall eat their bread with carefulness, and drink their water with astonishment, that her land may be desolate from [1]all that is therein, because of the violence of all them that dwell therein.[g]

20 And the cities that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.

21 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

22 Son of man, what *is* that proverb *that* ye have in the land of Israel, saying, The days are prolonged, and every vision faileth?[h]

23 Tell them therefore, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will make this proverb to cease, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel; but say unto them, The days are at hand, and the effect of every vision.[i]

24 For there shall be no more any vain vision nor flattering divination within the house of Israel.[j]

25 For I *am* the LORD: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass; it shall be no more prolonged: for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the word, and will perform it, saith the Lord GOD.[k]

26 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

27 Son of man, behold, *they of* the house of Israel say, The vision that he seeth *is* for many days *to come*, and he prophesieth of the times *that are* far off.[l]

28 Therefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; There shall none of my words be prolonged any more, but the word which I have spoken shall be done, saith the Lord GOD.[m]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *The reproof of lying prophets,* 10 *and their untempered morter.* 17 *Of prophetesses and their pillows.*



AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto [2]them that prophesy out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the LORD;[a]

3 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe unto the foolish prophets, that [3]follow their own spirit, [4]and have seen nothing!

4 O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

5 Or, *breaches.*

6 Heb. *hedged the hedge*

e ch. vi. 8—10.

f ch xxii. 30; Ps. cvi. 23, 30.

m ver 23; ch. xii. 24; xxii. 28.

g ch iv. 16.

1 Heb. *the fulness thereof.*

h Ps. cvii. 34; Zech. vii. 14.

n ch xi 10, 12; xx 38, Ezra ii 59, 62, Neh vii. 5, Ps lxix. 28.

7 Or, *a slight wall*

i ver 27, ch xii. 3, Amos vi. 3, 2 Peter iii 4

o ch xxii 28; Jer. vi. 14, viii. 11.

p ch xxxviii. 22

k Joel ii. 1, Zeph. i. 14.

l ch xii 23, Lam. ii. 14.

q ver. 28; Isa. lv 11, Dan. ix. 12; Luke xxi. 33.

q vs. 9, 21, 23; ch. xiv. 8.

m ver. 22, 2 Peter iii. 4.

s vs 23, 25.

r Jer. vi. 14, xxviii 9.

s ver. 2; ch. xx. 46; xxi. 2.

2 Heb. *them that are prophets out of their own hearts*

8 Or, *elbows.*

t ver 17, Jer. xiv 14, xxiii. 16, 26.

t 2 Peter ii. 14.

3 Heb. *walk after.*

4 Or, *and things which they have not seen.*

u Prov. xxviii. 21; Micah iii. 5.

b Cant. ii. 15.

5 Ye have not gone up into the [5]gaps, neither [6]made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD.[c]

6 They have seen vanity and lying divination, saying, The LORD saith: and the LORD hath not sent them: and they have made *others* to hope that they would confirm the word.[m]

7 Have ye not seen a vain vision, and have ye not spoken a lying divination, whereas ye say, The LORD saith *it;* albeit I have not spoken?

8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I *am* against you, saith the Lord GOD.

9 And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies: they shall not be in the assembly of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel; and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.[n]

10 ¶ Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and *there was* no peace; and one built up [7]a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered *morter:*[o]

11 Say unto them which daub *it* with untempered *morter*, that it shall fall: there shall be an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend *it.*[p]

12 Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where *is* the daubing wherewith ye have daubed *it?*

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even rend *it* with a stormy wind in my fury; and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in *my* fury to consume *it.*

14 So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered *morter*, and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[q]

15 Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it with untempered *morter*, and will say unto you, The wall *is* no *more*, neither they that daubed it;

16 *To wit*, the prophets of Israel which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see visions of peace for her, and *there is* no peace, saith the Lord GOD.[r]

17 ¶ Likewise, thou son of man, set thy face against the daughters of thy people, which prophesy out of their own heart; and prophesy thou against them,[s]

18 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the *women* that sew pillows to all [8]armholes, and make kerchiefs upon the head of every stature to hunt souls! Will ye hunt the souls of my people, and will ye save the souls alive *that come* unto you?[t]

19 And will ye pollute me among my people for handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread, to slay the souls that should not die, and to save the souls alive that should not live, by your lying to my people that hear *your* lies?[u]

20 Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold,

I *am* against your pillows, wherewith ye there hunt the souls [1]to make *them* fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, *even* the souls that ye hunt to make *them* fly.

21 Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and deliver my people out of your hand, and they shall be no more in your hand to be hunted; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[a]

22 Because with lies ye have made the heart of the righteous sad, whom I have not made sad; and strengthened the hands of the wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way, [2]by promising him life:[b]

23 Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for I will deliver my people out of your hand: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[c]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *God answereth idolaters according to their own heart.* 6 *They are exhorted to repent, for fear of judgments, by means of seduced prophets.* 12 *God's irrevocable sentence of famine,* 15 *of noisome beasts,* 17 *of the sword,* 19 *and of pestilence.* 22 *A remnant shall be reserved for example of others.*

THEN came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me.[d]

2 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

3 Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?[e]

4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;

5 That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all estranged from me through their idols.

6 ¶ Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Repent, and turn [3]*yourselves* from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

7 For every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger that sojourneth in Israel, which separateth himself from me, and setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to a prophet to enquire of him concerning me; I the LORD will answer him by myself:

8 And I will set my face against that man, and will make him a sign and a proverb, and I will cut him off from the midst of my people; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[f]

9 And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I the LORD have deceived that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy him from the midst of my people Israel.[g]

10 And they shall bear the punishment of their iniquity: the punishment of the prophet shall be even as the punishment of him that seeketh *unto him;*

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

1 Or, *unto gardens.*

h ch. xi. 20; xxxvii. 27; 2 Peter ii. 15.

a ver. 9.

i ch. iv. 16; v. 16; Lev. xxvi. 26, Isa. iii. 1

2 Or, *that I should save his life* Heb. *by quickening him.*

b Jer. xxiii. 14

j vs. 16, 18, 20; xv. 1; Prov. xi. 4; Jer. vii. 16, xi. 14; xiv. 11.

c vs. 6—9; ch. xii. 24, xiv. 8, xv. 7; Micah iii. 6

4 Or, *bereave.*

k ch. v. 17; Lev. xxvi. 22.

5 Heb. *in the midst of it*

l vs. 14, 18, 20.

d ch. viii. 1, xx. 1, xxxiii. 31

m ch. v. 12; xxi. 3, 4; xxv. 13, xxix. 8, xxxviii. 21, Lev. xxvi. 25, Zeph. i. 3.

n ver. 14.

e vs. 4, 7; ch. vii. 19; 2 Kings iii. 13.

o ch. vii. 8, xxviii. 22, 2 Sam. xxiv. 15.

p ver. 14.

6 Or, *Also when.*

q ch. v. 17, xxxiii. 27

3 Or, *others*

r ch. vi. 8; xx. 43.

s Jer. xxii. 8, 9

f ch. v. 15; vi. 7; xv. 7; Lev. xvii. 10; xx. 3, 5, 6, Numb. xxvi. 10; Deut. xxviii. 37; Jer. xliv. 11.

g 1 Kings xxii. 23, Job xii. 16; Jer. iv. 10; 2 Thess. ii. 11.

11 That the house of Israel may go no more astray from me, neither be polluted any more with all their transgressions; but that they may be my people, and I may be their God, saith the Lord GOD.[h]

12 ¶ The word of the LORD came again to me, saying,

13 Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously, then will I stretch out mine hand upon it, and will break the staff of the bread thereof, and will send famine upon it, and will cut off man and beast from it:[i]

14 Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver *but* their own souls by their righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.[j]

15 ¶ If I cause noisome beasts to pass through the land, and they [4]spoil it, so that it be desolate, that no man may pass through because of the beasts:[k]

16 *Though* these three men *were* [5]in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate.[l]

17 ¶ Or *if* I bring a sword upon that land, and say, Sword, go through the land; so that I cut off man and beast from it:[m]

18 Though these three men *were* in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall be delivered themselves.[n]

19 ¶ Or *if* I send a pestilence into that land, and pour out my fury upon it in blood, to cut off from it man and beast:[o]

20 Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, *were* in it, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall *but* deliver their own souls by their righteousness.[p]

21 For thus saith the Lord GOD; [6]How much more when I send my four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the noisome beast, and the pestilence, to cut off from it man and beast?[q]

22 ¶ Yet, behold, therein shall be left a remnant that shall be brought forth, *both* sons and daughters: behold, they shall come forth unto you, and ye shall see their way and their doings: and ye shall be comforted concerning the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem, *even* concerning all that I have brought upon it.[r]

23 And they shall comfort you, when ye see their ways and their doings: and ye shall know that I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, saith the Lord GOD.[s]

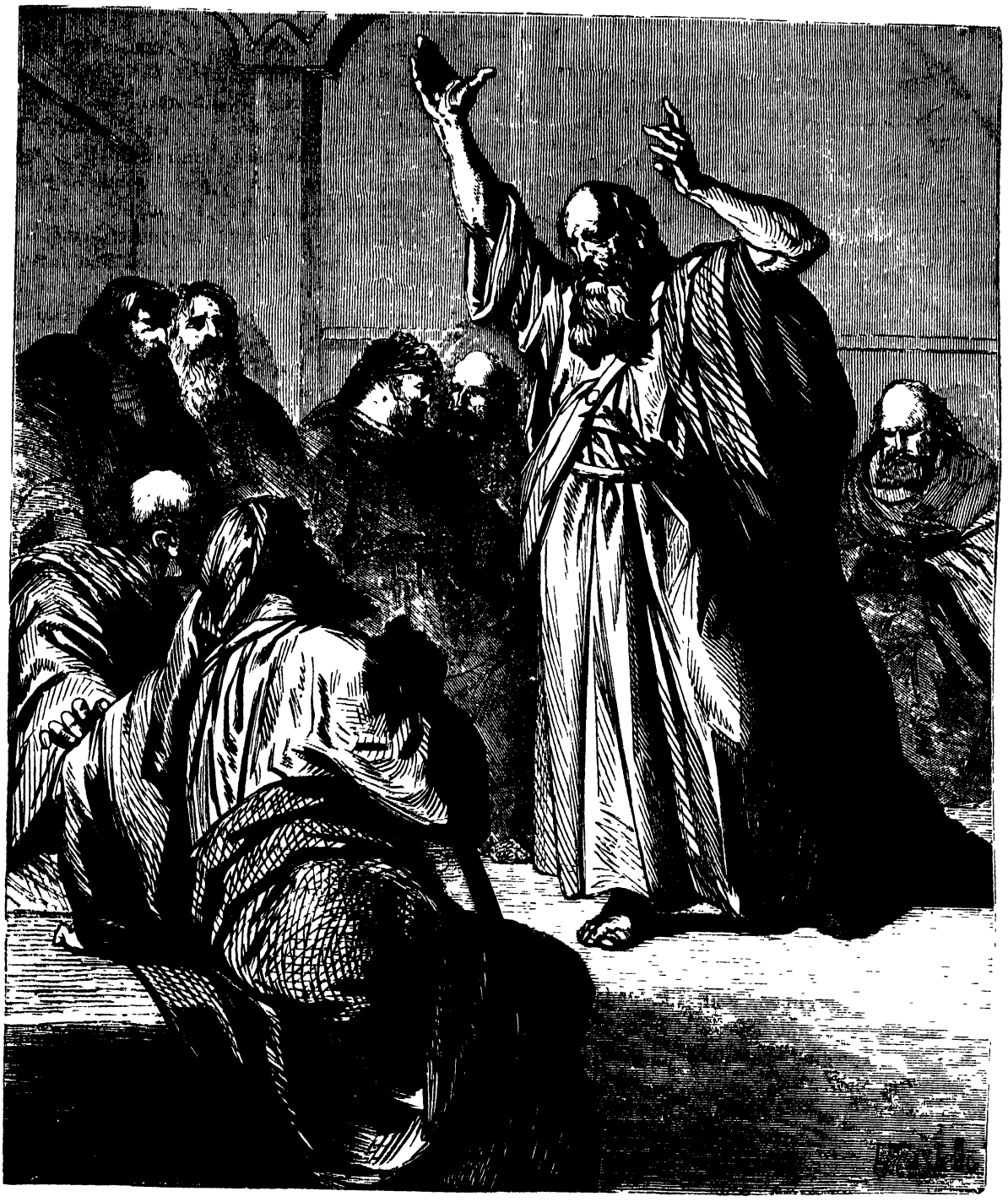
CHAPTER XV.

1 *By the unfitness of the vine branch for any work* 6 *is shewed the rejection of Jerusalem.*

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, What is the vine tree more than any tree, *or than* a branch which is among the trees of the forest?

3 Shall wood be taken thereof to do any work? or will *men* take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon?



EZEKIEL PROPHESYING TO THE ELDERS WHO HAD VISITED HIM.—EZEKIEL XIV 1.

4 Behold, it is cast into the fire for fuel; the fire devoureth both the ends of it, and the midst of it is burned. [1]Is it meet for *any* work?[a]

5 Behold, when it was whole, it was meet for no work: how much less shall it be [2]meet yet for *any* work, when the fire hath devoured it, and it is burned?

6 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; As the vine tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the fire for fuel, so will I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

7 And I will set my face against them, they shall go out from *one* fire, and *another* fire shall devour them; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I set my face against them.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 594

3 Heb *trespassed a trespass*

1 Heb *Will it prosper?*

a John xv 6

2 Heb *made fit*

c ch xx 4, xxii 2, xxxiii 7—9

b ch vi 7, vii 4, xi 10, xiv 8, xx 38, 42, 44, Lev. xvii 10, Isa. xxiv. 18

4 Heb *cutting out*, or, *habitation*

8 And I will make the land desolate, because they have [3]committed a trespass, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Under the similitude of a wretched infant is shewed the natural state of Jerusalem* 6 *God's extraordinary love towards her* 15 *Her monstrous whoredom* 35 *Her grievous judgment.* 44 *Her sin, matching her mother, and exceeding her sisters, Sodom and Samaria, calleth for judgments.* 60 *Mercy is promised her in the end*

AGAIN the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, cause Jerusalem to know her abominations,[c]

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto Jerusalem; Thy [4]birth and thy nativity *is* of the land of

Canaan; thy father *was* an Amorite, and thy mother an Hittite.[a]

4 And *as for* thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water [1]to supple *thee;* thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all.[b]

5 None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion upon thee; but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast born.

6 ¶ And when I passed by thee, and saw thee [2]polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee *when thou wast* in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee *when thou wast* in thy blood, Live.

7 I have [3]caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to [4]excellent ornaments: *thy* breasts are fashioned, and thine hair is grown, whereas thou *wast* naked and bare.[c]

8 Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time *was* the time of love; and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I sware unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.[d]

9 Then washed I thee with water; yea, I throughly washed away thy [5]blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil.

10 I clothed thee also with broidered work, and shod thee with badgers' skin, and I girded thee about with fine linen, and I covered thee with silk.

11 I decked thee also with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon thy hands, and a chain on thy neck.[e]

12 And I put a jewel on thy [6]forehead, and earrings in thine ears, and a beautiful crown upon thine head.

13 Thus wast thou decked with gold and silver; and thy raiment *was of* fine linen, and silk, and broidered work; thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, and oil: and thou wast exceeding beautiful, and thou didst prosper into a kingdom.[f]

14 And thy renown went forth among the heathen for thy beauty: for it *was* perfect through my comeliness, which I had put upon thee, saith the Lord GOD.[g]

15 ¶ But thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the harlot because of thy renown, and pouredst out thy fornications on every one that passed by; his it was.[h]

16 And of thy garments thou didst take, and deckedst thy high places with divers colours, and playedst the harlot thereupon: *the like things* shall not come, neither shall it be *so.*[i]

17 Thou hast also taken thy fair jewels of my gold and of my silver, which I had given thee, and madest to thyself images of men, and didst commit whoredom with them,

18 And tookest thy broidered garments, and coveredst them: and thou hast set mine oil and mine incense before them.

19 My meat also which I gave thee, fine flour, and oil, and honey, *wherewith* I fed thee, thou hast even set it before them for [7]a sweet savour: and *thus* it was, saith the Lord GOD.[j]

20 Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto me, and these hast thou sacrificed unto them [8]to be devoured. *Is this* of thy whoredoms a small matter,[k]

21 That thou hast slain my children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through *the fire* for them?

22 And in all thine abominations and thy whoredoms thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, when thou wast naked and bare, *and* wast polluted in thy blood.[l]

23 And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (woe, woe unto thee! saith the Lord GOD;)

24 *That* thou hast also built unto thee an [9]eminent place, and hast made thee an high place in every street.[m]

25 Thou hast built thy high place at every head of the way, and hast made thy beauty to be abhorred, and hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredoms.[n]

26 Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.[o]

27 Behold, therefore I have stretched out my hand over thee, and have diminished thine ordinary *food,* and delivered thee unto the will of them that hate thee, the [10]daughters of the Philistines, which are ashamed of thy lewd way.[p]

28 Thou hast played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable; yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest not be satisfied.[q]

29 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of Canaan unto Chaldea; and yet thou wast not satisfied herewith.[r]

30 How weak is thine heart, saith the Lord GOD, seeing thou doest all these *things,* the work of an imperious whorish woman;

31 [11]In that thou buildest thine eminent place in the head of every way, and makest thine high place in every street; and hast not been as an harlot, in that thou scornest hire;[s]

32 *But as* a wife that committeth adultery, *which* taketh strangers instead of her husband!

33 They give gifts to all whores: but thou givest thy gifts to all thy lovers, and [12]hirest them, that they may come unto thee on every side for thy whoredom.[t]

34 And the contrary is in thee from *other* women in thy whoredoms, whereas none followeth thee to commit whoredoms: and in that thou givest a reward, and no reward is given unto thee, therefore thou art contrary.

35 ¶ Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the LORD:

36 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the idols of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them;[u]

37 Behold, therefore I will gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all *them*

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7 Heb. *a savour of rest.*

a ver. 45; ch. xxi. 30.

j Hos. ii. 8.

1 Or, *when I looked upon thee.*

8 Heb. *to devour.*

b Hos. ii. 3

k ch. xx. 26; xxiii. 37; 2 Kings xvi. 3; Ps. cvi. 37, 38; Isa. lvii. 5; Jer. vii. 31; xxxii. 35.

2 Or, *trodden under foot.*

l vs. 4—6, 43, 60; Jer. ii. 2; Hos. xi. 1.

3 Heb. *made thee a million.*

9 Or, *brothel house.*

4 Or, *ornament of ornaments.*

m ver. 31; Isa. lvii. 5, 7, Jer. ii. 20; iii. 2.

c Exod. i. 7.

n Prov. ix. 14

o ch. viii. 10, 14, xx. 7, 8, xxiii. 19-21

d Exod. xix. 5, Ruth iii. 9, Jer. ii. 2.

5 Heb. *bloods.*

10 Or, *cities*

p ver. 57, 2 Chron. xxviii. 18, 19.

e Gen. xxiv. 22, 47; Prov. i. 9

q ch. xxiii. 12, &c.; 2 Kings xvi. 7, 10, 2 Chron. xxviii. 23, Jer. ii. 18, 36.

6 Heb. *nose,* Isa. iii. 21.

r ch. xxiii. 14, &c.

11 Or, *In thy daughters is thine,* &c.

f Deut. xxxii. 13, 14; Ps. xlviii. 2

s vs. 24, 39.

g Lam. ii. 15.

12 Heb. *bribest.*

t Hos. viii. 9

h ch. xxiii. 3, 8, 11, 12, Deut. xxxii. 15, Isa. i. 21, lvii. 8; Jer. ii. 20, iii. 2, 6, 20; vii. 4, Micah iii. 11; Hos. i. 2

i ch. vii. 20, 2 Kings xxiii. 7, Hos. ii. 8.

u ver. 20; Jer. ii. 34



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that thou hast loved, with all *them* that thou hast hated; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, that they may see all thy nakedness.[a]

38 And I will judge thee, [1]as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury and jealousy.[b]

39 And I will also give thee into their hand, and they shall throw down thine eminent place, and shall break down thy high places: they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and shall take [2]thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare.[c]

40 They shall also bring up a company against thee, and they shall stone thee with stones, and thrust thee through with their swords.[d]

41 And they shall burn thine houses with fire, and execute judgments upon thee in the sight of many women: and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou also shalt give no hire any more.[e]

42 So will I make my fury toward thee to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from thee, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.[f]

43 Because thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, but hast fretted me in all these *things;* behold, therefore I also will recompense thy way upon *thine* head, saith the Lord GOD: and thou shalt not commit this lewdness above all thine abominations.[g]

44 ¶ Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use *this* proverb against thee, saying, As *is* the mother, *so is* her daughter.

45 Thou *art* thy mother's daughter, that lotheth her husband and her children; and thou *art* the sister of thy sisters, which lothed their husbands and their children: your mother *was* an Hittite, and your father an Amorite.[h]

46 And thine elder sister *is* Samaria, she and her daughters that dwell at thy left hand: and [3]thy younger sister, that dwelleth at thy right hand, *is* Sodom and her daughters.[i]

47 Yet hast thou not walked after their ways, nor done after their abominations: but, [4]as *if that were* a very little *thing*, thou wast corrupted more than they in all thy ways.[j]

48 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, Sodom thy sister hath not done, she nor her daughters, as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters.[k]

49 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy.[l]

50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them away as I saw *good.*[m]

51 Neither hath Samaria committed half of thy sins; but thou hast multiplied thine abominations more than they, and hast justified thy sisters in all thine abominations which thou hast done.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 594

a ch xxiii 9, 10, 22, 29, Jer xiii 22, 26, Lam i 8, Hos ii 10, viii 10, Nahum iii 5.

1 Heb *with judgments of*

b vs 20, 36; Gen ix. 6; Exod xxi 12, Lev. xx 10, Deut xxii 22

h ver 3

3 Heb *lesser than thou.*

2 Heb *instruments of thine ornament*

c vs 24 31; ch xxiii 26, Hos ii 3

s Deut. xxxii 32, Isa i 10

4 Or, *that was lothed as a small thing*

d ch xxiii 46, 47, John viii 5, 7

e ch v 8, xxiii 10, 27, 48, Deut xiii 16, 2 Kings xxv 9, Jer xxxix 8; lii 13.

j vs 48, 51, ch v 6, 7, 2 Kings xxi 9

k Matt x 15, xi 24

f ch v 13.

l Gen xiii 10

m Gen xiii. 13, xviii 20, xix 5, 24

g ver 22; ch ix 10, xi 21, xxii 31, Ps lxxviii 42

n Jer iii 11, Matt. xii. 41, 42.

52 Thou also, which hast judged thy sisters, bear thine own shame for thy sins that thou hast committed more abominable than they: they are more righteous than thou: yea, be thou confounded also, and bear thy shame, in that thou hast justified thy sisters.

53 When I shall bring again their captivity, the captivity of Sodom and her daughters, and the captivity of Samaria and her daughters, then *will I bring again* the captivity of thy captives in the midst of them:[a]

54 That thou mayest bear thine own shame, and mayest be confounded in all that thou hast done, in that thou art a comfort unto them.[b]

55 When thy sisters, Sodom and her daughters, shall return to their former estate, and Samaria and her daughters shall return to their former estate, then thou and thy daughters shall return to your former estate.

56 For thy sister Sodom was not [1]mentioned by thy mouth in the day of thy [2]pride,

57 Before thy wickedness was discovered, as at the time of *thy* reproach of the daughters of [3]Syria, and all *that are* round about her, the daughters of the Philistines, which [4]despise thee round about.[c]

58 Thou hast [5]borne thy lewdness and thine abominations, saith the LORD.[d]

59 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even deal with thee as thou hast done, which hast despised the oath in breaking the covenant.[e]

60 ¶ Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with thee in the days of thy youth, and I will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant.[f]

61 Then thou shalt remember thy ways, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy sisters, thine elder and thy younger: and I will give them unto thee for daughters, but not by thy covenant.[g]

62 And I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD:[h]

63 That thou mayest remember, and be confounded, and never open thy mouth any more because of thy shame, when I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord GOD.[i]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Under the parable of two eagles and a vine,* 11 *is shewed God's judgment upon Jerusalem for revolting from Babylon to Egypt.* 22 *God promiseth to plant the cedar of the gospel.*

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, put forth a riddle, and speak a parable unto the house of Israel;

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of feathers, which had [6]divers colours, came unto Lebanon, and took the highest branch of the cedar:[j]

4 He cropped off the top of his young twigs, and carried it into a land of traffick; he set it in a city of merchants.

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7 Heb. *put it in a field of seed.*

h Deut. viii. 7—9; Isa. xliv. 4.

i ver. 14.

a vs. 60, 61; Isa. i. 9; Jer. xx. 16.

m ver. 15.

8 Heb. *field.*

b ch. xiv. 22, 23.

1 Heb. *for a report,* or, *hearing.*

2 Heb. *prides,* or, *excellencies.*

n 2 Kings xxv. 7.

3 Heb. *Aram.*

4 Or, *spoil.*

o ch. xix. 12; Hos. xiii. 15.

c 2 Kings xvi. 5; 1 Chron. xxviii. 18; Isa. vii. 1; xiv. 28.

5 Heb. *borne them.*

d ver. 27; ch. xxiii. 49.

e ch. xvii. 13, 16; Deut. xxix. 12, 14.

p ver 3, ch. ii. 5, xii. 9, 2 Kings xxiv. 11—16

f ch. xx. 43; xxxvi. 31, Ps. cvi. 45, Jer. xxxii. 40, l. 5.

9 Heb. *brought him to an oath*

q 2 Kings xxiv. 17, 2 Chron. xxxvi. 13

10 Heb. *to keep his covenant, to stand to it*

g ch. xx. 43, xxxvi. 31, Isa. liv. 1, lx. 4, Jer. xxxi. 31, &c., Gal. iv. 26, &c.

r ver 6, ch. xxix. 14

h Hos. ii. 19, 20

s ver 9, Deut. xvii. 16, 2 Kings xxiv. 20; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 13, Isa. xxxi. 1, 3, xxxvi. 6, 9

i ver. 61, Rom. iii. 19

t ch. xii. 13; Jer. xxxii. 5, xxxiv. 3, lii. 11.

u ch. iv. 2, Jer. xxxvii. 7, lii. 4

v 1 Chron. xxix. 24; Lam. v. 6.

6 Heb. *embroidering.*

j ver. 12, &c., 2 Kings xxiv. 12.

w ch. xvi. 13; xx. 36; xxxii. 3.

5 He took also of the seed of the land, and [7]planted it in a fruitful field; he placed *it* by great waters, *and* set it *as* a willow tree.[k]

6 And it grew, and became a spreading vine of low stature, whose branches turned toward him, and the roots thereof were under him: so it became a vine, and brought forth branches, and shot forth sprigs.[l]

7 There was also another great eagle with great wings and many feathers: and, behold, this vine did bend her roots toward him, and shot forth her branches toward him, that he might water it by the furrows of her plantation.[m]

8 It was planted in a good [8]soil by great waters, that it might bring forth branches, and that it might bear fruit, that it might be a goodly vine.

9 Say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Shall it prosper? shall he not pull up the roots thereof, and cut off the fruit thereof, that it wither? it shall wither in all the leaves of her spring, even without great power or many people to pluck it up by the roots thereof.[n]

10 Yea, behold, *being* planted, shall it prosper? shall it not utterly wither, when the east wind toucheth it? it shall wither in the furrows where it grew.[o]

11 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

12 Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these *things mean?* tell *them,* Behold, the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem, and hath taken the king thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon;[p]

13 And hath taken of the king's seed, and made a covenant with him, and hath [9]taken an oath of him: he hath also taken the mighty of the land:[q]

14 That the kingdom might be base, that it might not lift itself up, [10]*but* that by keeping of his covenant it might stand.[r]

15 But he rebelled against him in sending his ambassadors into Egypt, that they might give him horses and much people. Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such *things?* or shall he break the covenant, and be delivered?[s]

16 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely in the place *where* the king *dwelleth* that made him king, whose oath he despised, and whose covenant he brake, *even* with him in the midst of Babylon he shall die.[t]

17 Neither shall Pharaoh with *his* mighty army and great company make for him in the war, by casting up mounts, and building forts, to cut off many persons:[u]

18 Seeing he despised the oath by breaking the covenant, when, lo, he had given his hand, and hath done all these *things,* he shall not escape.[v]

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; *As* I live, surely mine oath that he hath despised, and my covenant that he hath broken, even it will I recompense upon his own head.

20 And I will spread my net upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare, and I will bring him to Babylon, and will plead with him there for his trespass that he hath trespassed against me.[w]

21 And all his fugitives with all his bands shall fall by the sword, and they that remain shall be scattered toward all winds: and ye shall know that I the LORD have spoken *it.*[e]

22 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also take of the highest branch of the high cedar, and will set *it;* I will crop off from the top of his young twigs a tender one, and will plant *it* upon an high mountain and eminent:[f]

23 In the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant it: and it shall bring forth boughs, and bear fruit, and be a goodly cedar: and under it shall dwell all fowl of every wing; in the shadow of the branches thereof shall they dwell.[g]

24 And all the trees of the field shall know that I the LORD have brought down the high tree, have exalted the low tree, have dried up the green tree and have made the dry tree to flourish: I the LORD have spoken and have done *it.*[h]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *God reproveth the unjust parable of sour grapes.* 5 *He sheweth how he dealeth with a just father.* 10 *with a wicked son of a just father:* 14 *with a just son of a wicked father.* 19 *with a wicked man repenting:* 24 *with a just man revolting.* 25 *He defendeth his justice,* 31 *and exhorteth to repentance.*

THE word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

2 What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?[a]

3 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, ye shall not have *occasion* any more to use this proverb in Israel.

4 Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die.[f]

5 ¶ But if a man be just, and do [1]that which is lawful and right,

6 *And* hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither hath defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a menstruous woman,[c]

7 And hath not oppressed any, *but* hath restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment;[h]

8 He *that* hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase, *that* hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man,[i]

9 Hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, to deal truly; he *is* just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord GOD.[j]

10 ¶ If he beget a son *that is* a [2]robber, a shedder of blood, and [3]*that* doeth the like to *any* one of these *things,*[k]

11 And that doeth not any of those *duties,* but even hath eaten upon the mountains, and defiled his neighbour's wife,

12 Hath oppressed the poor and needy, hath

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

e ch. viii. 6, 17.

a ch. xii. 14.

4 Heb. *bloods.*

m ch. iii 18, xxxiii. 4, Lev xx. 9, 11—13, 16, 27; Acts xviii. 6.

b Ps ii. 6, Isa. xi 1; liii. 2, Jer xxiii. 5; Zech. iii 8.

n ver 6, &c.

c ch xxxi. 6, Isa. ii. 2, 3; Micah iv 1; Dan. iv. 12.

5 Heb *hath not pledged the pledge,* or, *taken the pledge.*

d ch xxii 14; xxiv. 14; Luke i. 52.

o ch. iii. 18

p Exod. xx. 5, Deut. v 9, 2 Kings xxiii. 26, xxiv 3, 4

e Jer xxxi. 29, Lam v 7

q ver. 4, Deut. xxiv 16, 2 Kings xiv. 6; 2 Chron xxv 4; Isa. iii 10, 11; Jer xxxi. 29, 30, Rom. ii. 9.

f ver 20, Rom. vi. 23.

1 Heb. *judgment and justice.*

r ver. 27; ch. xxxiii. 12, 19.

g ch. xxii. 9; Lev xviii. 19, 20, xx. 10, 18.

s ch. xxxiii. 16.

t ver. 32; ch. xxxiii. 11; 1 Tim. ii. 4.

h Exod xxii. 21, 26, Lev. xix. 15, xxv 14, Deut. xv. 7, 8, xxiv. 12, 13, Isa. lviii. 7, Matt. xxv. 35, 36.

i Exod xxii 25; Lev xxv. 36, 37; Deut. i. 16, xxiii. 19, Neh. v 7, Ps. xv. 5; Zech. viii. 16.

u ch. iii. 20; xxxiii. 12, 13, 18.

j ch xx. 11; Amos v 4.

2 Or, *breaker up of an house.*

3 Or, *that doeth to his brother besides any of these.*

v ver. 29; ch. xxxiii 17, 20.

k Gen. ix 6; Exod. xxi 12; Numb. xxxv. 31.

w ver. 24.

spoiled by violence, hath not restored the pledge, and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols, hath committed abomination,[l]

13 Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his [4]blood shall be upon him.[m]

14 ¶ Now, lo, *if* he beget a son, that seeth all his father's sins which he hath done, and considereth, and doeth not such like,

15 *That* hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, hath not defiled his neighbour's wife,[n]

16 Neither hath oppressed any, [5]hath not withholden the pledge, neither hath spoiled by violence, *but* hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment,

17 *That* hath taken off his hand from the poor, *that* hath not received usury nor increase, hath executed my judgments, hath walked in my statutes; he shall not die for the iniquity of his father, he shall surely live.

18 *As for* his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and did *that* which *is* not good among his people, lo, even he shall die in his iniquity.[o]

19 ¶ Yet say ye, Why? doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father? When the son hath done that which is lawful and right, *and* hath kept all my statutes, and hath done them, he shall surely live.[p]

20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.[q]

21 But if the wicked will turn from all his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall surely live, he shall not die.[r]

22 All his transgressions that he hath committed, they shall not be mentioned unto him: in his righteousness that he hath done he shall live.[s]

23 Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: *and* not that he should return from his ways, and live?[t]

24 ¶ But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, *and* doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked *man* doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die.[u]

25 ¶ Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?[v]

26 When a righteous *man* turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.[w]

27 Again, when the wicked *man* turneth away

from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.[c]

28 Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.[b]

29 Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the Lord is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?[c]

30 Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn [1]*yourselves* from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.[d]

31 ¶ Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel?[e]

32 For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn [2]*yourselves*, and live ye.[f]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *A lamentation for the princes of Israel, under the parable of lions' taken in a pit,* 10 *and for Jerusalem, under the parable of a wasted vine.*

MOREOVER take thou up a lamentation for the princes of Israel,[g]

2 And say, What *is* thy mother? A lioness: she lay down among lions, she nourished her whelps among young lions.

3 And she brought up one of her whelps: it became a young lion, and it learned to catch the prey; it devoured men.[h]

4 The nations also heard of him; he was taken in their pit, and they brought him with chains unto the land of Egypt.[i]

5 Now when she saw that she had waited, *and* her hope was lost, then she took another of her whelps, *and* made him a young lion.[j]

6 And he went up and down among the lions, he became a young lion, and learned to catch the prey, *and* devoured men.[k]

7 And he knew [3]their desolate palaces, and he laid waste their cities; and the land was desolate, and the fulness thereof, by the noise of his roaring.

8 Then the nations set against him on every side from the provinces, and spread their net over him: he was taken in their pit.[l]

9 And they put him in ward in [4]chains, and brought him to the king of Babylon: they brought him into holds, that his voice should no more be heard upon the mountains of Israel.[m]

10 ¶ Thy mother *is* like a vine [5]in thy blood, planted by the waters: she was fruitful and full of branches by reason of many waters.[n]

11 And she had strong rods for the sceptres of them that bare rule, and her stature was exalted among the thick branches, and she appeared in her height with the multitude of her branches.[o]

12 But she was plucked up in fury, she was cast down to the ground, and the east wind dried up her fruit: her strong rods were broken and withered; the fire consumed them.[p]

13 And now she *is* planted in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty ground.

14 And fire is gone out of a rod of her branches, *which* hath devoured her fruit, so that she hath no strong rod *to be* a sceptre to rule. This *is* a lamentation, and shall be for a lamentation.[q]

CHAPTER XX.

1 *God refuseth to be consulted by the elders of Israel.* 5 *He sheweth the story of their rebellions in Egypt,* 10 *in the wilderness,* 27 *and in the land.* 33 *He promiseth to gather them by the gospel.* 45 *Under the name of a forest he sheweth the destruction of Jerusalem.*

AND it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth *month*, the tenth *day* of the month, *that* certain of the elders of Israel came to enquire of the LORD, and sat before me.[r]

2 Then came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,

3 Son of man, speak unto the elders of Israel, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Are ye come to enquire of me? *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.[s]

4 Wilt thou [6]judge them, son of man, wilt thou judge *them?* cause them to know the abominations of their fathers:[t]

5 ¶ And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when I chose Israel, and [7]lifted up mine hand unto the seed of the house of Jacob, and made myself known unto them in the land of Egypt, when I lifted up mine hand unto them, saying, I *am* the LORD your God;[u]

6 In the day *that* I lifted up mine hand unto them, to bring them forth of the land of Egypt into a land that I had espied for them, flowing with milk and honey, which *is* the glory of all lands:[v]

7 Then said I unto them, Cast ye away every man the abominations of his eyes, and defile not yourselves with the idols of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.[w]

8 But they rebelled against me, and would not hearken unto me: they did not every man cast away the abominations of their eyes, neither did they forsake the idols of Egypt: then I said, I will pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the midst of the land of Egypt.[x]

9 But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, among whom they *were*, in whose sight I made myself known unto them, in bringing them forth out of the land of Egypt.[y]

10 ¶ Wherefore I caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into the wilderness.[z]

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

o ch xxxi. 3, Dan. iv 11.

a ver 21.

b ver 14

p ch xvii. 10, Hos. xiii. 15.

c ver 25.

1 Or, *others*

q Judg. ix. 15; 2 Kings xxiv 20, Lam. iv. 20

d ch. vii 3, xxxiii. 20, Matt. iii 2, Rev ii. 5

e ch. xi. 19; xxxvi 26, Jer xxxii 39, Eph. iv 22, 23.

2 Or, *others*

f ver 23, Lam iii. 33, 2 Peter iii 9

r ch viii 1, xiv. 1

g ch. xxvi. 17; xxvii 2

s ver 31, ch. xiv. 3

6 Or, *plead for them*

t ch xvi 2, xxii 2; xxiii 36

7 Or, *sware*, and so ver 6, &c., Exod vi 8.

h ver 6, 2 Kings xxiii 31, 32

2 Kings xxiii 33, 2 Chron xxxvi 4, Jer xxii. 11, 12

u Exod iii 8, iv 31, vi 7, xx 2, Deut iv 34

i 2 Kings xxiii 34

v ver 15, Exod iii 8, 17, Deut viii 7—9, Ps xlviii 2, Jer xxxii 22, Dan viii 9, xi 16, 41, Zech vii 14

j ver 3, Jer xxii 13—17

Or, *their widows*

w ch xviii. 31, Lev xvii 7, xviii 3; Deut xxix 16—18; Josh xxiv 14, 2 Chron xv 8

l ver 4, 2 Kings xxiv 2

4 Or, *hooks*

x ve 13, 21, ch vii 8

m ch. vi 2, 2 Chron. xxxvi 6

5 Or, *in thy quietness*, or, *in thy likeness*

y ve. 14, 22, ch. xxxvi 21, 22, Exod xxxii 12, Numb xiv 13, &c; Deut ix. 28.

n ch. xvii 6, Deut. viii. 7—9.

z Exod. xiii. 18.

11 And I gave them my statutes, and [1]shewed them my judgments, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them.[a]

12 Moreover also I gave them my sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I *am* the LORD that sanctify them.[b]

13 But the house of Israel rebelled against me in the wilderness: they walked not in my statutes, and they despised my judgments, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them; and my sabbaths they greatly polluted: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them in the wilderness, to consume them.[c]

14 But I wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the heathen, in whose sight I brought them out.[d]

15 Yet also I lifted up my hand unto them in the wilderness, that I would not bring them into the land which I had given *them*, flowing with milk and honey, which *is* the glory of all lands;[e]

16 Because they despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but polluted my sabbaths: for their heart went after their idols.[f]

17 Nevertheless mine eye spared them from destroying them, neither did I make an end of them in the wilderness.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

1 Heb *made them to know.*

a vs. 13, 21; Lev xviii. 5; Deut. iv 8; Neh. ix 13, 14; Rom. x. 5; Gal iii 12.

b Exod. xx 8; xxxi 13, &c., xxxv 2, Deut. v 12, Neh ix 14.

c ver. 6; Numb. xiv. 28, Ps. xcv. 11; cvi 26.

d vs. 9, 22.

e ver 12, Jer. xvii 22.

f ve 13, 24; Numb xv. 39, Ps. lxxviii 37, Amos v. 25, 26; Acts vii. 42, 43

g Ps. lxxviii. 38.

h Deut. v. 32, 33; vi.—viii., x.—xii.



LIONESS AND WHELPS.—EZEKIEL XIX.

18 But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in the statutes of your fathers, neither observe their judgments, nor defile yourselves with their idols:

19 I *am* the LORD your God; walk in my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them;[h]

20 And hallow my sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may know that I *am* the LORD your God.[i]

21 Notwithstanding the children rebelled against me: they walked not in my statutes, neither kept my judgments to do them, which *if* a man do, he shall even live in them; they polluted my sabbaths: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the wilderness.[a]

22 Nevertheless I withdrew mine hand, and wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted in the sight of the heathen, in whose sight I brought them forth.[b]

23 I lifted up mine hand unto them also in the wilderness, that I would scatter them among the heathen, and disperse them through the countries;[c]

24 Because they had not executed my judgments, but had despised my statutes, and had polluted my sabbaths, and their eyes were after their fathers' idols.[d]

25 Wherefore I gave them also statutes *that were* not good, and judgments whereby they should not live;[e]

26 And I polluted them in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass through *the fire* all that openeth the womb, that I might make them desolate, to the end that they might know that I *am* the LORD.[f]

27 ¶ Therefore, son of man, speak unto the house of Israel, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Yet in this your fathers have blasphemed me, in that they have [1]committed a trespass against me.[g]

28 *For* when I had brought them into the land, *for* the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to them, then they saw every high hill, and all the thick trees, and they offered there their sacrifices, and there they presented the provocation of their offering: there also they made their sweet savour, and poured out there their drink offerings.[h]

29 Then [2]I said unto them, What *is* the high place whereunto ye go? And the name thereof is called Bamah unto this day.

30 Wherefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Are ye polluted after the manner of your fathers? and commit ye whoredom after their abominations?

31 For when ye offer your gifts, when ye make your sons to pass through the fire, ye pollute yourselves with all your idols, even unto this day: and shall I be enquired of by you, O house of Israel? *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will not be enquired of by you.[i]

32 And that which cometh into your mind shall not be at all, that ye say, We will be as the heathen, as the families of the countries, to serve wood and stone.[j]

33 ¶ *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you:[k]

34 And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out.

35 And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face.[l]

36 Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD.[m]

37 And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into [3]the bond of the covenant:[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

[a] ch. vi. 7; xx. 7; xxiii. 49; xxxiv. 17, 20; Jer. xliv. 14; Matt. xxv. 32, 33.

[a] vs. 8, 11, 13; Numb. xxv 1, 2; Deut. ix. 28, 24; xxxi. 27.

[b] vs. 9, 14, 17; Ps. lxxviii. 38.

[p] ch. xxiii. 38, 39; Judg. x. 14; Ps. lxxxi 12; Isa. i. 13; Amos iv. 4.

[c] Lev. xxvi. 33; Deut. xxviii. 64; Ps. cvi. 27; Jer. xv. 4.

4 Or, *chief.*

[d] vs. 13, 16; ch. vi. 9.

[q] ch. xvii. 23; Isa. ii. 2, 3; lvi. 7; lx. 7; Micah iv. 1; Zech. viii. 20, &c.; Mal. iii. 4; Rom. xii. 1.

5 Heb. *savour of rest.*

[e] ver. 39; Ps. lxxxi. 12; Rom. i. 24; 2 Thess. ii. 11.

[r] Eph. v. 2; Philipp. iv. 18.

[f] ch. vi. 7; xvi. 20, 21; 2 Kings xvii. 17; xxi. 6.

[s] vs. 38, 44; ch. xi. 17; xxxiv. 13; xxxvi. 23, 24; xxxviii. 23.

1 Heb. *trespassed a trespass.*

[g] Rom. ii. 24.

[t] ch. vi. 9; Lev. xxvi. 39.

[h] ch vi. 13; xvi 19; Isa. lvii. 5

[u] ver. 38, ch xxiv. 24, xxxvi. 22.

2 Or, *I told them what the high place was*, or, *Bamah.*

[v] ch. vi. 2; xxi 2

[w] ch xxi 4; Jer xxi. 14, Luke xxiii 31.

[i] vs. 3, 26.

[j] ch. xi. 5

[k] Jer xxi. 5

[l] ch. xvii. 20; Jer. ii. 9, 35.

[m] Numb. xiv. 21—23, 28, 29.

[n] ch. xx. 46; Deut. xxxii. 2, Amos vii. 16.

3 Or, *a delivering*

[o] Lev. xxvii. 32; Jer. xxxiii. 13.

38 And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[o]

39 As for you, O house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD; Go ye, serve ye every one his idols, and hereafter *also*, if ye will not hearken unto me: but pollute ye my holy name no more with your gifts, and with your idols.[p]

40 For in mine holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, serve me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings, and the [4]firstfruits of your oblations, with all your holy things.[q]

41 I will accept you with your [5]sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen.[r]

42 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country *for* the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers.[s]

43 And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed.[t]

44 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have wrought with you for my name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.[u]

45 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

46 Son of man, set thy face toward the south, and drop *thy word* toward the south, and prophesy against the forest of the south field;[v]

47 And say to the forest of the south, Hear the word of the LORD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will kindle a fire in thee, and it shall devour every green tree in thee, and every dry tree: the flaming flame shall not be quenched, and all faces from the south to the north shall be burned therein.[w]

48 And all flesh shall see that I the LORD have kindled it: it shall not be quenched.

49 Then said I, Ah Lord GOD! they say of me, Doth he not speak parables?

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Ezekiel prophesieth against Jerusalem with a sign of sighing.* 8 *The sharp and bright sword,* 18 *against Jerusalem,* 25 *against the kingdom,* 28 *and against the Ammonites.*

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face toward Jerusalem, and drop *thy word* toward the holy places, and prophesy against the land of Israel,[x]

3 And say to the land of Israel, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I *am* against thee, and will draw

[x] ch. xx. 46; Amos vii. 16.



THE KING OF BABYLON RESORTING TO DIVINATION BY ARROWS.—EZEKIEL XXI. 21.

forth my sword out of his sheath, and will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked.[a]

4 Seeing then that I will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked, therefore shall my sword go forth out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north:[b]

5 That all flesh may know that I the LORD have drawn forth my sword out of his sheath: it shall not return any more.[c]

6 Sigh therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of *thy* loins; and with bitterness sigh before their eyes.[d]

7 And it shall be, when they say unto thee, Wherefore sighest thou? that thou shalt answer, For the tidings; because it cometh: and every heart shall melt, and all hands shall be feeble, and every spirit shall faint, and all knees [1]shall be weak *as* water: behold, it cometh, and shall be brought to pass, saith the Lord GOD.[e]

8 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

BEFORE CHRIST 594.

a Job ix. 22.
f vs 15, 28; Deut. xxxii. 41.

b ch. xx. 47.
2 Or, *it is the rod of my son, it despiseth every tree.*
c Isa. xlv 23; lv. 11.
g ver 19.
d Isa. xxii. 4.
3 Or, *they are thrust down to the sword with my people.*
h Jer. xxxi. 19.
4 Or, *When the trial hath been, what then? shall they not also belong to the despising rod?*
e ver 27; Job ix. 23; 2 Cor. viii. 2.
1 Heb. *shall go into water.*
5 Heb. *hand to hand.*
e ch. vii. 17.
f ver. 17; ch vi. 11; Numb. xxiv. 10, 1 Kings xx. 30, xxii. 25.

9 Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD; Say, A sword, a sword is sharpened, and also furbished:[f]

10 It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we then make mirth? it [2]contemneth the rod of my son, *as* every tree.

11 And he hath given it to be furbished, that it may be handled: this sword is sharpened, and it is furbished, to give it into the hand of the slayer.[g]

12 Cry and howl, son of man: for it shall be upon my people, it *shall be* upon all the princes of Israel: [3]terrors by reason of the sword shall be upon my people: smite therefore upon *thy* thigh.[h]

13 [4]Because *it is* a trial, and what if *the sword* contemn even the rod? it shall be no *more*, saith the Lord GOD.[i]

14 Thou therefore, son of man, prophesy, and smite *thine* [5]hands together, and let the sword be doubled the third time, the sword of the slain: it *is* the sword of the great *men that are* slain, which entereth into their privy chambers.[j]

15 I have set the [1]point of the sword against all their gates, that *their* heart may faint, and *their* ruins be multiplied: ah! *it is* made bright, *it is* [2]wrapped up for the slaughter.[a]

16 Go thee one way or other, *either* on the right hand, [3]*or* on the left, whithersoever thy face *is* set.[b]

17 I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest: I the LORD have said *it*.[c]

18 ¶ The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

19 Also, thou son of man, appoint thee two ways, that the sword of the king of Babylon may come: both twain shall come forth out of one land: and choose thou a place, choose *it* at the head of the way to the city.

BEFORE CHRIST 594

1 Or, *glittering*, or, *fear*
2 Or, *sharpened.*
a vs. 10, 28.
3 Heb *set thyself, take the left hand.*
b ch xiv. 17.
g ver 29; ch xvii 19; xxxv. 5, 2 Chron xxxvi 13, Jer lii 2
c ver. 14, ch v. 13, xxii 13.
h ch. xvii. 24; Luke i. 52.
8 Heb *Perverted, perverted, perverted, will I make it*
i ver. 13, Gen xlix. 10; Luke i 32, 33; John i. 49.

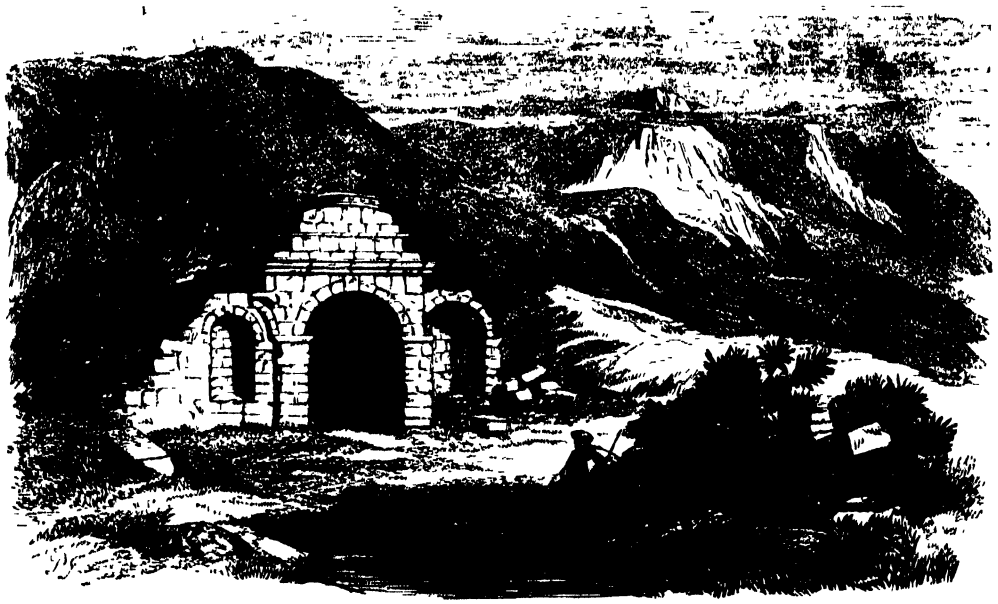
that your transgressions are discovered, so that in all your doings your sins do appear; because, *I say*, that ye are come to remembrance, ye shall be taken with the hand.

25 ¶ And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel, whose day is come, when iniquity *shall have* an end,[g]

26 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this *shall* not *be* the same: exalt *him that is* low, and abase *him that is* high.[h]

27 [8]I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no *more*, until he come whose right *it* is; and I will give it *him*.[i]

28 ¶ And thou, son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning the Ammonites, and concerning their reproach; even say thou,



GATEWAY OF RABBATH-AMMON.

20 Appoint a way, that the sword may come to Rabbath of the Ammonites, and to Judah in Jerusalem the defenced.[d]

21 For the king of Babylon stood at the [4]parting of the way, at the head of the two ways, to use divination: he made *his* [5]arrows bright, he consulted with [6]images, he looked in the liver.

22 At his right hand was the divination for Jerusalem, to appoint [7]captains, to open the mouth in the slaughter, to lift up the voice with shouting, to appoint *battering* rams against the gates, to cast a mount, *and* to build a fort.[e]

23 And it shall be unto them as a false divination in their sight, to them that have sworn oaths: but he will call to remembrance the iniquity, that they may be taken.[f]

24 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have made your iniquity to be remembered, in

d ch xxv 5, Jer xlix. 2, Amos i 14
j vs 9, 10; ch. 2, 3, 6, Jer xlix. 1, Zeph ii 8—10
4 Heb *mother of the*
5 Or, *knives*
6 Heb *teraphim.*
k ver 25; ch xii. 24; xxii 28; Job xviii. 20, Ps. xxxvii 13.
7 Or, *battering rams*, ch. 9 Or, *Cause it to turn*
l ch xvi. 3, 38; Gen. xv 14, Jer. xlvii. 6, 7.
e ch iv 2, Jer. ii. 14. 10 Or, *burning*
m ch vii 8; xiv. 19; xxii. 20—22.
f ch. xvii. 13, 15, 16, 18.
n ch. xxv 10.

The sword, the sword *is* drawn: for the slaughter *it is* furbished, to consume because of the glittering

29 Whiles they see vanity unto thee, whiles they divine a lie unto thee, to bring thee upon the necks of *them that are* slain, of the wicked, whose day is come, when their iniquity *shall have* an end.[k]

30 [9]Shall I cause *it* to return into his sheath? I will judge thee in the place where thou wast created, in the land of thy nativity.[l]

31 And I will pour out mine indignation upon thee, I will blow against thee in the fire of my wrath, and deliver thee into the hand of [10]brutish men, *and* skilful to destroy.[m]

32 Thou shalt be for fuel to the fire; thy blood shall be in the midst of the land; thou shalt be no *more* remembered: for I the LORD have spoken *it*.[n]

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *A catalogue of sins in Jerusalem.* 13 *God will burn them as dross in his furnace.* 23 *The general corruption of prophets, priests, princes, and people.*

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Now, thou son of man, wilt thou [1]judge, wilt thou judge the [2]bloody city? yea, thou shalt [3]shew her all her abominations.[a]

3 Then say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD, The city sheddeth blood in the midst of it, that her time may come, and maketh idols against herself to defile herself.

4 Thou art become guilty in thy blood that thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine idols which thou hast made; and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art come *even* unto thy years: therefore have I made thee a reproach unto the heathen, and a mocking to all countries.[b]

5 *Those that be* near, and *those that be* far from thee, shall mock thee, *which art* [4]infamous *and* much vexed.

6 Behold, the princes of Israel, every one were in thee to their [5]power to shed blood.[c]

7 In thee have they set light by father and mother: in the midst of thee have they dealt by [6]oppression with the stranger: in thee have they vexed the fatherless and the widow.[d]

8 Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast profaned my sabbaths.[e]

9 In thee are men that carry tales to shed blood: and in thee they eat upon the mountains: in the midst of thee they commit lewdness.[f]

10 In thee have they discovered their fathers' nakedness: in thee have they humbled her that was set apart for pollution.[g]

11 And [7]one hath committed abomination with his neighbour's wife; and [8]another hath [9]lewdly defiled his daughter in law; and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his father's daughter.[h]

12 In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood; thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord GOD.[i]

13 ¶ Behold, therefore I have smitten mine hand at thy dishonest gain which thou hast made, and at thy blood which hath been in the midst of thee.[j]

14 Can thine heart endure, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with thee? I the LORD have spoken *it*, and will do *it*.[k]



REFINING SILVER.

15 And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the countries, and will consume thy filthiness out of thee.[l]

16 And thou [10]shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of the heathen, and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.[m]

17 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 Son of man, the house of Israel is to me become [11]dross: all they *are* brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are *even* the dross of silver.[n]

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye are all become dross, behold, therefore I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

20 [12]*As* they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and

BEFORE CHRIST 594

f ch. xviii 6, 11, Exod xxiii 1, Lev xix 16

g ch xviii 6, Lev, xviii 7, 8, 19, xx 11, 18 1 Cor v 1.

7 Or, *every one*

8 Or, *every one*

9 Or, *by lewdness*

1 Or, *plead for*

2 Heb *city of bloods?*

h Lev xviii 9, 15, 20, xx 10, 12, 17, Deut xxii 22; Jer v 8

3 Heb *make her to know*, ch xvi 2.

a ch xx. 4, xxii 36, xxiv 6, 9, Nahum iii 1

4 ch xviii 11, xxii 35 Exod xxii 25, xxiii 8, Lev xxv 36, Deut xvi 19, xxiii 19; xxvii 25, xxxii 18, Jer iii 21

j ch xvi 17

k ch xvii 21, xxi 7

l ch xii 14, 15; xxii 27, 48

b ch v 14, Deut xxviii 37, 1 Kings ix 7, 2 Kings xxi 16, Dan ix 16

10 Or, *shalt be profaned*

4 Heb *polluted of name, much in vexation*

m ch vi. 7, Ps ix 16

b Heb *arm*

c Isa i 23, Micah iii 1—3, Zeph iii 3

11 Heb *drosses.*

6 Or, *deceit*

n Ps cxix. 119; Isa. i 22, Jer vi 28, &c.

d Exod xxii. 21, 22

e ver 26; ch xxiii. 38, Lev. xix 30.

12 Heb According *to the gathering.*

lead, and tin, into the midst of the furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt *it;* so will I gather *you* in mine anger and in my fury, and I will leave *you there*, and melt you.

21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the fire of my wrath, and ye shall be melted in the midst thereof.[a]

22 As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall ye be melted in the midst thereof; and ye shall know that I the LORD have poured out my fury upon you.[b]

23 ¶ And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

24 Son of man, say unto her, Thou *art* the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation.

25 *There is* a conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.[c]

26 Her priests have [1]violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things: they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed *difference* between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them.[d]

27 Her princes in the midst thereof *are* like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, *and* to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.[e]

28 And her prophets have daubed them with untempered *mortar*, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith the Lord GOD, when the LORD hath not spoken.[f]

29 The people of the land have used [2]oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger [3]wrongfully.[g]

30 And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.[h]

31 Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, saith the Lord GOD.[i]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *The whoredoms of Aholah and Aholibah.* 22 *Aholibah is to be plagued by her lovers.* 36 *The prophet reproveth the adulteress of them both.* 45 *and sheweth their judgments.*

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother:[j]

3 And they committed whoredoms in Egypt; they committed whoredoms in their youth: there were their breasts pressed, and there they bruised the teats of their virginity.[k]

4 And the names of them *were* [4]Aholah the elder, and [5]Aholibah her sister: and they were mine, and they bare sons and daughters. Thus *were* their names; Samaria *is* Aholah, and Jerusalem Aholibah.[l]

5 And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted on her lovers, on the Assyrians *her* neighbours,[m]

6 *Which were* clothed with blue, captains and rulers, all of them desirable young men, horsemen riding upon horses.

7 Thus she [6]committed her whoredoms with them, with all them *that were* [7]the chosen men of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted: with all their idols she defiled herself.

8 Neither left she her whoredoms *brought* from Egypt: for in her youth they lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her virginity, and poured their whoredom upon her.[n]

9 Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted.[o]

10 These discovered her nakedness: they took her sons and her daughters, and slew her with the sword: and she became [8]famous among women; for they had executed judgment upon her.[p]

11 And when her sister Aholibah saw *this*, [9]she was more corrupt in her inordinate love than she, and in her whoredoms [10]more than her sister in *her* whoredoms.[q]

12 She doted upon the Assyrians *her* neighbours, captains and rulers clothed most gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of them desirable young men.[r]

13 Then I saw that she was defiled, *that* they *took* both one way,

14 And *that* she increased her whoredoms: for when she saw men pourtrayed upon the wall, the images of the Chaldeans pourtrayed with vermilion,

15 Girded with girdles upon their loins, exceeding in dyed attire upon their heads, all of them princes to look to, after the manner of the Babylonians of Chaldea, the land of their nativity:

16 And [11]as soon as she saw them with her eyes, she doted upon them, and sent messengers unto them into Chaldea.[s]

17 And the [12]Babylonians came to her into the bed of love, and they defiled her with their whoredom, and she was polluted with them, and her mind was [13]alienated from them.[t]

18 So she discovered her whoredoms, and discovered her nakedness: then my mind was alienated from her, like as my mind was alienated from her sister.[u]

19 Yet she multiplied her whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the days of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt.[v]

20 For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh *is as* the flesh of asses, and whose issue *is like* the issue of horses.[w]

21 Thus thou calledst to remembrance the lewdness of thy youth, in bruising thy teats by the Egyptians for the paps of thy youth.

22 ¶ Therefore, O Aholibah, thus saith the Lord

BEFORE CHRIST 593

5 That is, *My tabernacle in her.*

l ch xvi. 8, 20.

m 2 Kings xv. 19; xvi. 7; xvii. 3; Hos viii. 9

a ver. 31.

6 Heb. *bestowed her whoredoms upon them*

b ch xx 8, 33

7 Heb *the choice of the children of Asshur.*

n ver 3.

2 Kings xvii 3—6, 23, xviii 9—11

c Micah iii 11, Zeph iii. 3, 4, Matt xxiii 14

1 Heb *offered violence to*

8 Heb *a name*

p ch xvi 37, 41.

9 Heb *she corrupted her inordinate love more than, &c.*

d ch xliv. 23, Lev x 10; xxii 22; Mal. ii 8

10 Heb *more than the whoredoms of her sister*

q ch. xvi 47, 51, Jer iii. 8, 11.

e ver 6; Isa. i. 23; Micah iii 2, 9, Zeph. iii 3

r vs. 6, 23; ch xvi 28, 2 Kings xvi 7, 10, 2 Chron. xxviii 16—23.

f ch. xiii 6, 7, 10; xxi 29.

2 Or, *deceit.*

3 Heb *without right.*

g ch xviii. 12; xxii. 7, Exod xxii 21; xxiii 9; Lev xix. 33; Jer. v. 26—28.

h ch xiii 5; Ps. cvi. 23; Jer v 1

11 Heb *at the sight of her eyes*

s ch xvi 29, 2 Kings xxiv 1

12 Heb *children of Babel*

i ver 22, ch ix 10, xi 21, xvi 43

13 Heb *loosed*, or, *disjointed*

t vs 22, 28

u Jer. vi. 8

v ver 3

j ch xvi 46, Jer. iii. 7, 8, 10

w ch. xvi. 26.

k ch xvi. 22; xx 8; Lev. xvii. 7; Josh. xxiv. 14.

4 That is, *His tent*, or, *tabernacle.*



EZEKIEL SHOWING RESIGNATION TO THE DISPENSATION OF GOD —EZEKIEL XXIV. 15—18

GOD; Behold, I will raise up thy lovers against thee, from whom thy mind is alienated, and I will bring them against thee on every side;[a]

23 The Babylonians, and all the Chaldeans, Pekod, and Shoa, and Koa, *and* all the Assyrians with them: all of them desirable young men, captains and rulers, great lords and renowned, all of them riding upon horses.[b]

24 And they shall come against thee with chariots, wagons, and wheels, and with an assembly of people, *which* shall set against thee buckler and shield and helmet round about: and I will set judgment before them, and they shall judge thee according to their judgments.

25 And I will set my jealousy against thee, and they shall deal furiously with thee: they shall take away thy nose and thine ears; and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall take thy sons and thy daughters; and thy residue shall be devoured by the fire.

26 They shall also strip thee out of thy clothes, and take away thy [1]fair jewels.[c]

27 Thus will I make thy lewdness to cease from thee, and thy whoredom *brought* from the land of

BEFORE CHRIST 593.

[a] ver. 28; ch. xvi. 37.

[b] ver. 12, Jer. l. 21.

[1] Heb. *instruments of thy decking*

[c] ch. xvi. 39.

Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift up thine eyes unto them, nor remember Egypt any more.[a]

28 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will deliver thee into the hand *of them* whom thou hatest, into the hand *of them* from whom thy mind is alienated:[b]

29 And they shall deal with thee hatefully, and shall take away all thy labour, and shall leave thee naked and bare: and the nakedness of thy whoredoms shall be discovered, both thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

30 I will do these *things* unto thee, because thou hast gone a whoring after the heathen, *and* because thou art polluted with their idols.[c]

31 Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; therefore will I give her cup into thine hand.[d]

32 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup deep and large: thou shalt be laughed to scorn and had in derision; it containeth much.[e]

33 Thou shalt be filled with drunkenness and sorrow, with the cup of astonishment and desolation, with the cup of thy sister Samaria.

34 Thou shalt even drink it and suck *it* out, and thou shalt break the sherds thereof, and pluck off thine own breasts: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.[f]

35 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast forgotten me, and cast me behind thy back, therefore bear thou also thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.[g]

36 ¶ The LORD said moreover unto me; Son of man, wilt thou [1]judge Aholah and Aholibah? yea, declare unto them their abominations;[h]

37 That they have committed adultery, and blood *is* in their hands, and with their idols have they committed adultery, and have also caused their sons, whom they bare unto me, to pass for them through *the fire*, to devour *them*.[i]

38 Moreover this they have done unto me: they have defiled my sanctuary in the same day, and have profaned my sabbaths.[j]

39 For when they had slain their children to their idols, then they came the same day into my sanctuary to profane it; and, lo, thus have they done in the midst of mine house.[k]

40 And furthermore, that ye have sent for men [2]to come from far, unto whom a messenger *was* sent; and, lo, they came: for whom thou didst wash thyself, paintedst thy eyes, and deckedst thyself with ornaments,[l]

41 And satest upon a [3]stately bed, and a table prepared before it, whereupon thou hast set mine incense and mine oil.[m]

42 And a voice of a multitude being at ease *was* with her: and with the men [4]of the common sort *were* brought [5]Sabeans from the wilderness, which put bracelets upon their hands, and beautiful crowns upon their heads.

43 Then said I unto *her that was* old in adulteries, Will they now commit [6]whoredoms with her, and she *with them?*

BEFORE CHRIST 593

a vs. 3, 19, ch xvi. 41; xxii 15

b vs. 17, 22; ch. xvi. 37, 39

n ver. 37; ch xvi. 38.

7 Heb *for a removing and spoil.*

o ch. xvi. 40.

8 Or, *single them out.*

c ch vi. 9

p ch. xvi. 40; xxiv. 21; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 17, 19.

d Jer. xxv. 15, &c.

q ver. 27; ch. xxii. 15; Deut. xiii. 11, 2 Peter ii. 6.

e ch xxii. 4, 5.

r ver 35; ch. xx 38, 42, 44; xxv. 5.

f Ps lxxv 8, Isa li 17

g ch xxii 12, 1 Kings xiv 9, Neh ix 26, Jer ii 32, iii. 21, xiii 25

1 Or, *plead for*

h ch xx 4; xxii 2, Isa lviii. 1.

s 2 Kings xxv 1, Jer xxxix 1, lii 4

i ver 45, ch xvi 20, 21, 36, 38, 45, xx 26, 31

t ch. xi 3, xvii. 12, Jer l. 13

j ch xxii 8

9 Or, *heap*

k 2 Kings xxi 4

2 Heb *coming.*

u ver 9, ch xxii 3, xxiii 37, Joel iii 3, Obad 11, Nahum iii 10

l Ruth iii 3 2 Kings ix. 30, Isa lvii 9, Jer iv 30

3 Heb *honourable*

v Lev xvii 13; Deut xii 16, 24.

m ch xvi 18, 19; Esther i 6 Prov vii 17, Isa lvii 7 Hos ii. 8, Amos ii 8, vi 4

w Matt vii 2.

4 Heb *of the multitude of men*

5 Or, *drunkards*

x ver. 6; Nahum iii. 1; Hab. ii. 12.

6 Heb. *her whoredoms.*

44 Yet they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot: so went they in unto Aholah and unto Aholibah, the lewd women.

45 ¶ And the righteous men, they shall judge them after the manner of adulteresses, and after the manner of women that shed blood; because they *are* adulteresses, and blood *is* in their hands.[n]

46 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will bring up a company upon them, and will give them [7]to be removed and spoiled.[o]

47 And the company shall stone them with stones, and [8]dispatch them with their swords; they shall slay their sons and their daughters, and burn up their houses with fire.[p]

48 Thus will I cause lewdness to cease out of the land, that all women may be taught not to do after your lewdness.[q]

49 And they shall recompense your lewdness upon you, and ye shall bear the sins of your idols: and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.[r]

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Under the parable of a boiling pot, 6 is shewed the irrevocable destruction of Jerusalem 15 By the sign of Ezekiel not mourning for the death of his wife, 19 is shewed the calamity of the Jews to be beyond all sorrow.*

AGAIN in the ninth year, in the tenth month, in the tenth *day* of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, write thee the name of the day, *even* of this same day: the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem this same day.[s]

3 And utter a parable unto the rebellious house, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Set on a pot, set *it* on, and also pour water into it:[t]

4 Gather the pieces thereof into it, *even* every good piece, the thigh, and the shoulder; fill *it* with the choice bones.

5 Take the choice of the flock, and [9]burn also the bones under it, *and* make it boil well, and let them seethe the bones of it therein.

6 ¶ Wherefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the bloody city, to the pot whose scum *is* therein, and whose scum is not gone out of it! bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall upon it.[u]

7 For her blood is in the midst of her; she set it upon the top of a rock; she poured it not upon the ground, to cover it with dust;[v]

8 That it might cause fury to come up to take vengeance; I have set her blood upon the top of a rock, that it should not be covered.[w]

9 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Woe to the bloody city! I will even make the pile for fire great.[x]

10 Heap on wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh, and spice it well, and let the bones be burned.

11 Then set it empty upon the coals thereof, that

the brass of it may be hot, and may burn, and *that* the filthiness of it may be molten in it, *that* the scum of it may be consumed.[a]

12 She hath wearied *herself* with lies, and her great scum went not forth out of her: her scum *shall be* in the fire.

13 In thy filthiness *is* lewdness: because I have purged thee, and thou wast not purged, thou shalt not be purged from thy filthiness any more, till I have caused my fury to rest upon thee.[b]

14 I the LORD have spoken *it:* it shall come to pass, and I will do *it:* I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent; according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they judge thee, saith the Lord GOD.[c]

15 ¶ Also the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

16 Son of man, behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes with a stroke: yet neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall thy tears [1]run down.

17 [2]Forbear to cry, make no mourning for the dead, bind the tire of thine head upon thee, and put on thy shoes upon thy feet, and cover not *thy* [3]lips, and eat not the bread of men.[d]

18 So I spake unto the people in the morning: and at even my wife died; and I did in the morning as I was commanded.

19 ¶ And the people said unto me, Wilt thou not tell us what these *things are* to us, that thou doest *so?*[e]

20 Then I answered them, The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

21 Speak unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will profane my sanctuary, the excellency of your strength, the desire of your eyes, and [4]that which your soul pitieth; and your sons and your daughters whom ye have left shall fall by the sword.[f]

22 And ye shall do as I have done: ye shall not cover *your* lips, nor eat the bread of men.[g]

23 And your tires *shall be* upon your heads, and your shoes upon your feet: ye shall not mourn nor weep; but ye shall pine away for your iniquities, and mourn one toward another.[h]

24 Thus Ezekiel is unto you a sign: according to all that he hath done shall ye do: and when this cometh, ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.[i]

25 Also, thou son of man, *shall it* not *be* in the day when I take from them their strength, the joy of their glory, the desire of their eyes, and [5]that whereupon they set their minds, their sons and their daughters,[j]

26 *That* he that escapeth in that day shall come unto thee, to cause *thee* to hear *it* with *thine* ears?[k]

27 In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him which is escaped, and thou shalt speak, and be no more dumb: and thou shalt be a sign unto them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 590.

a ch. xxii 15.

m ch vi 2, xxi 28; xxxv 2, Jer xlix. 1, &c., Amos i. 13, Zeph ii 9

b ch v 13, viii 18, xvi 42

c ch v 11, 1 Sam xv 29

n ch xxvi 2, Prov. xvii 5

6 Heb *children*

1 Heb *go*

2 Heb. *Be silent*

3 Heb *upper lip*, and so ver 22, Lev xiii. 45.

o ch xxi 20, xxiv 24, xxvi 6, xxxv 9, Isa. xvii 2, xxxii. 14, Zeph ii 14, 15

d Lev x 6, xxi 10, 2 Sam xv 30, Micah iii 7

7 Heb *hand*

8 Heb *foot*

9 Heb *soul*

p ch xxxvi 5, Job xxvii 23, Lam ii 15, Zeph ii 8, 10—15

10 Or, *meat*

e ch xii 9, xxxvii 18

q ch xxxv 3

4 Heb *the pity of your soul*

r ch xxxv 2, 5, 12, Isa xv, xvi, Jer xlviii 1, &c., Amos ii 1

11 Heb *shoulder of Moab*

f ch xii 20—22 xxiii 47, Ps xxvii 4, Jer vii 14

g ver 17, Jer xvi 6, 7

12 Or, *against the children of Ammon*

s ver 4, ch xxi 32

h ch xxxiii 10 Lev xxvi 39, Job xxvii 15, Ps lxxviii 64

13 Heb *by revenging revengement*

i ch iv 3, vi 7, xxv 5, Isa xx 3, John xiii 19, xiv 29.

t ch xxxv 2, &c., 2 Chron xxviii 17, Ps cxxxvii 7; Jer xlix 7, 8, &c., Amos i 11, Obad 10, &c

5 Heb *the lifting up of their soul.*

j ver 21.

14 Or, *they shall fall by the sword unto Dedan*

k ch xxxiii. 21, 22.

u Isa. xi. 14, Jer xlix 7—22.

l ver 24, ch iii 26, 27, xxix. 21 xxxiii. 22.

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *God's vengeance, for their insolency against the Jews, upon the Ammonites;* 8 *upon Moab and Seir,* 12 *upon Edom,* 15 *and upon the Philistines.*

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face against the Ammonites, and prophesy against them;[m]

3 And say unto the Ammonites, Hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou saidst, Aha, against my sanctuary, when it was profaned; and against the land of Israel, when it was desolate; and against the house of Judah, when they went into captivity;[n]

4 Behold, therefore I will deliver thee to the [6]men of the east for a possession, and they shall set their palaces in thee, and make their dwellings in thee: they shall eat thy fruit, and they shall drink thy milk.

5 And I will make Rabbah a stable for camels, and the Ammonites a couchingplace for flocks: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[o]

6 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast clapped *thine* [7]hands, and stamped with the [8]feet, and rejoiced in [9]heart with all thy despite against the land of Israel;[p]

7 Behold, therefore I will stretch out mine hand upon thee, and will deliver thee for [10]a spoil to the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the people, and I will cause thee to perish out of the countries: I will destroy thee; and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.[q]

8 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because that Moab and Seir do say, Behold, the house of Judah *is* like unto all the heathen;[r]

9 Therefore, behold, I will open the [11]side of Moab from the cities, from his cities *which are* on his frontiers, the glory of the country, Beth-jeshimoth, Baal-meon, and Kiriathaim,

10 Unto the men of the east [12]with the Ammonites, and will give them in possession, that the Ammonites may not be remembered among the nations.[s]

11 And I will execute judgments upon Moab; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

12 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because that Edom hath dealt against the house of Judah [13]by taking vengeance, and hath greatly offended, and revenged himself upon them;[t]

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also stretch out mine hand upon Edom, and will cut off man and beast from it; and I will make it desolate from Teman; and [14]they of Dedan shall fall by the sword.

14 And I will lay my vengeance upon Edom by the hand of my people Israel: and they shall do in Edom according to mine anger and according to my fury; and they shall know my vengeance, saith the Lord GOD.[u]

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because the Philistines have dealt by revenge, and have taken

vengeance with a despiteful heart, to destroy *it* [1]for the old hatred;[e]

16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will stretch out mine hand upon the Philistines, and I will cut off the Cherethims, and destroy the remnant of the [2]sea coast.[b]

17 And I will execute great vengeance upon them with furious rebukes; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall lay my vengeance upon them.[c]

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *Tyrus, for insulting against Jerusalem, is threatened.* 7 *The power of Nebuchadrezzar against her.* 15 *The mourning and astonishment of the sea at her fall*

AND it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, because that Tyrus hath said against Jerusalem, Aha, she is broken *that was* the gates of the people: she is turned unto me: I shall be replenished, *now* she is laid waste:[d]

3 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Tyrus, and will cause many nations to come up against thee, as the sea causeth his waves to come up.

4 And they shall destroy the walls of Tyrus, and break down her towers: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock.[e]

5 It shall be *a place for* the spreading of nets in the midst of the sea: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD: and it shall become a spoil to the nations.

6 And her daughters which *are* in the field shall be slain by the sword; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

7 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, a king of kings, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.[f]

8 He shall slay with the sword thy daughters in the field: and he shall make a fort against thee, and [3]cast a mount against thee, and lift up the buckler against thee.[g]

9 And he shall set engines of war against thy walls, and with his axes he shall break down thy towers.

10 By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee: thy walls shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheels, and of the chariots, when he shall enter into thy gates, [4]as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach.

11 With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all thy streets: he shall slay thy people by the sword, and thy strong garrisons shall go down to the ground.

12 And they shall make a spoil of thy riches, and make a prey of thy merchandise: and they shall break down thy walls, and destroy [5]thy pleasant houses: and they shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust in the midst of the water.

BEFORE CHRIST 590.

1 Or, *with perpetual hatred*

a 2 Chron xxviii. 18; Jer xlvii. 1, &c; Joel iii 4, &c., Amos i. 6.

h ch xxviii. 13; Isa xiv 11, xxiii 16, xxiv 8; Jer vii. 34, xvi 9, xxv. 10; Rev xviii 22

2 Or, *haven of the sea.*

b 1 Sam. xxx. 14, Jer. xlvii 4

i vs. 4, 5

c ch v 15, Ps ix 16.

j ver 18, ch xxvii 26, xxxi 16, Jer xlix 21

6 Heb *tremblings*

k ch xxxii 10, Jobii 13, Isa xxiii 8, Jonah iii 6.

7 Heb *of the seas*

l ch xxvii 32, 35; Rev xviii 9

d ch. xxv 3, xxxvi 2, Isa. xxiii, Jer xxv 22, xlvii 4, Amos i 9, Zech ix 2

m ver 15

e ver 14.

n ch xxxi 18, xxxii. 23, 24, 26, 27, 32

8 Heb *terrors.*

o ch xxvii 36, xxviii. 19, Ps xxxvii 36

f ch xviii. 32, xxv. 5, Ezra vii 12, Dan ii 37

3 Or, *pour out the engine of shot*

g ch xxi 22

p ch xix 1, xxvi. 17, xxviii 12, xxxii. 2

4 Heb *according to the enterings of a city broken up*

9 Heb *perfect of beauty*

q ch xxviii. 2, 12, Isa. xxiii 3.

10 Heb *heart*

11 Heb *built*

r Deut iii 9

5 Heb *houses of thy desires*

12 Or, *they have made thy hatches of ivory well trodden* Heb *the daughter.*

s Jer. ii. 10.

13 And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease; and the sound of thy harps shall be no more heard.[h]

14 And I will make thee like the top of a rock: thou shalt be *a place to* spread nets upon; thou shalt be built no more: for I the LORD have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.[i]

15 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD to Tyrus; Shall not the isles shake at the sound of thy fall, when the wounded cry, when the slaughter is made in the midst of thee?[j]

16 Then all the princes of the sea shall come down from their thrones, and lay away their robes, and put off their broidered garments: they shall clothe themselves with [6]trembling; they shall sit upon the ground, and shall tremble at *every* moment, and be astonished at thee.[k]

17 And they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and say to thee, How art thou destroyed, *that wast* inhabited [7]of seafaring men, the renowned city, which wast strong in the sea, she and her inhabitants, which cause their terror *to be* on all that haunt it![l]

18 Now shall the isles tremble in the day of thy fall; yea, the isles that *are* in the sea shall be troubled at thy departure.[m]

19 For thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when I shall bring up the deep upon thee, and great waters shall cover thee;

20 When I shall bring thee down with them that descend into the pit, with the people of old time, and shall set thee in the low parts of the earth, in places desolate of old, with them that go down to the pit, that thou be not inhabited; and I shall set glory in the land of the living;[n]

21 I will make thee [8]a terror, and thou *shalt be* no *more:* though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou never be found again, saith the Lord GOD.[o]

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *The rich supply of Tyrus.* 26 *The great and unrecoverable fall thereof*

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

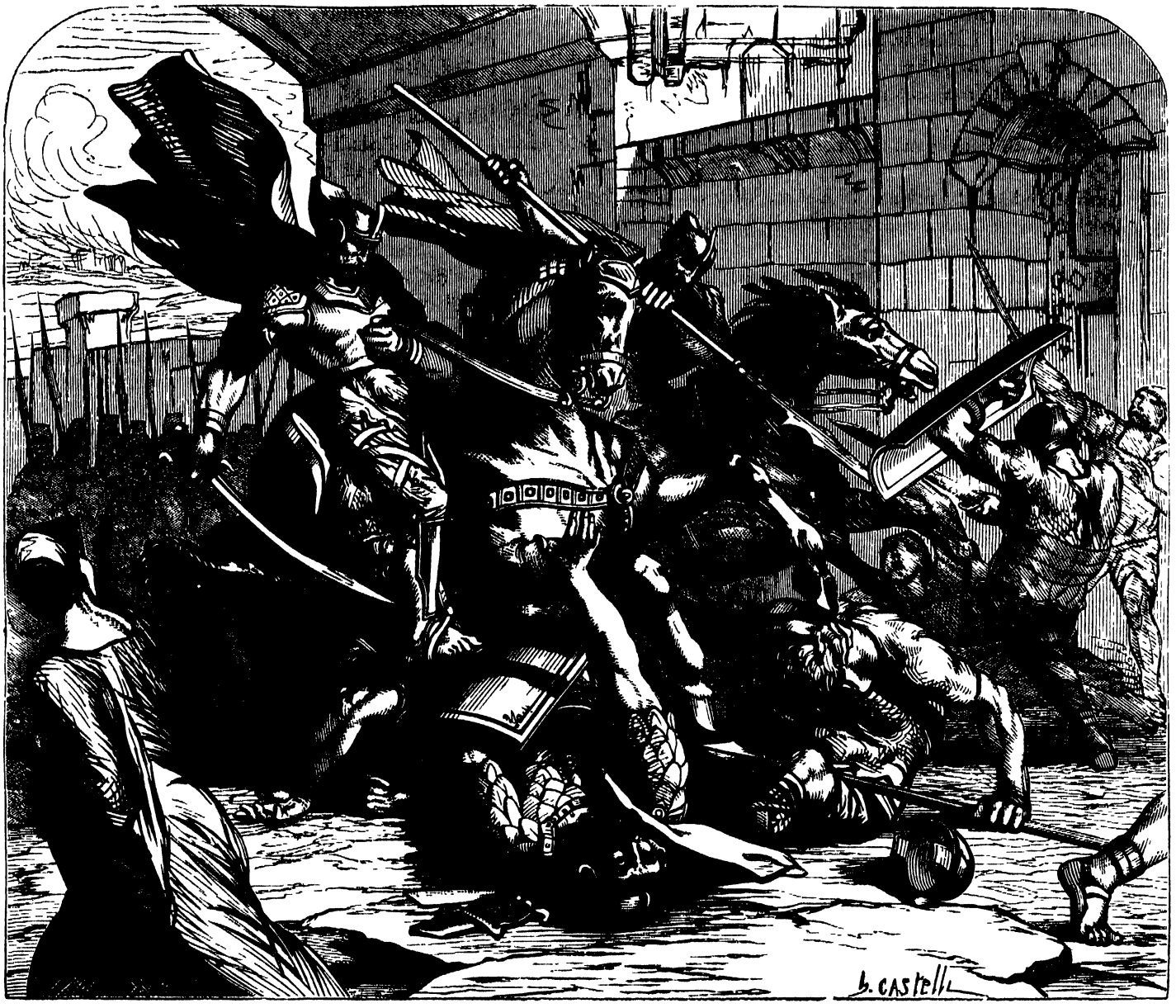
2 Now, thou son of man, take up a lamentation for Tyrus;[p]

3 And say unto Tyrus, O thou that art situate at the entry of the sea, *which art* a merchant of the people for many isles, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O Tyrus, thou hast said, I *am* [9]of perfect beauty.[q]

4 Thy borders *are* in the [10]midst of the seas, thy builders have perfected thy beauty.

5 They have [11]made all thy *ship* boards of fir trees of Senir: they have taken cedars from Lebanon to make masts for thee.[r]

6 *Of* the oaks of Bashan have they made thine oars; [12]the company of the Ashurites have made thy benches *of* ivory, *brought* out of the isles of Chittim.[s]



THE CAPTURE OF TYRE.

7 Fine linen with broidered work from Egypt was that which thou spreadest forth to be thy sail; [1]blue and purple from the isles of Elishah was that which covered thee.

8 The inhabitants of Zidon and Arvad were thy mariners: thy wise *men*, O Tyrus, *that* were in thee, were thy pilots.

9 The ancients of Gebal and the wise *men* thereof were in thee thy [2]calkers: all the ships of the sea with their mariners were in thee to occupy thy merchandise.[a]

10 They of Persia and of Lud and of Phut were in thine army, thy men of war: they hanged the shield and helmet in thee; they set forth thy comeliness.[b]

11 The men of Arvad with thine army *were* upon thy walls round about, and the Gammadims were in thy towers: they hanged their shields upon thy walls round about; they have made thy beauty perfect.[c]

12 Tarshish *was* thy merchant by reason of the multitude of all *kind of* riches; with silver, iron, tin, and lead, they traded in thy fairs.[d]

13 Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they *were* thy merchants: they traded the persons of men and vessels of brass in thy [3]market.[e]

14 They of the house of Togarmah traded in thy fairs with horses and horsemen and mules.[f]

15 The men of Dedan *were* thy merchants; many isles *were* the merchandise of thine hand: they brought thee *for* a present horns of ivory and ebony.[g]

16 Syria *was* thy merchant by reason of the multitude of [4]the wares of thy making: they occupied in thy fairs with emeralds, purple, and broidered work, and fine linen, and coral, and [5]agate.

17 Judah, and the land of Israel, they *were* thy merchants: they traded in thy market wheat of Minnith, and Pannag, and honey, and oil, and [6]balm.[h]

18 Damascus *was* thy merchant in the multitude

BEFORE CHRIST 590

d Gen x 4, 2 Chron xx 36

1 Or, *purple and scarlet*

3 Or, *merchandise*

e Gen x 2, Rev. xviii 13

f ch xxxviii 6, Gen x 3

2 Or, *stoppers of chinks* Heb *strengtheners*

a 1 Kings x 15; Ps lxxxiii 7.

g Gen x 7

4 Heb. *thy works*

b ch xxx 5, xxxviii 5, Jer xlvi 9

5 Heb *chrysoprase*

c ver 3, 4

6 Or, *rosin*

h Judg xi 33; 1 kings v 9, 11 Ezra iii 7, Jer viii 22, Acts xii 20.

of the wares of thy making, for the multitude of all riches; in the wine of Helbon, and white wool.

19 Dan also and Javan [1]going to and fro occupied in thy fairs: bright iron, cassia, and calamus, were in thy market.

20 Dedan *was* thy merchant in [2]precious clothes for chariots.[a]

21 Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar, [3]they occupied with thee in lambs, and rams, and goats: in these *were they* thy merchants.[b]

22 The merchants of Sheba and Raamah, they *were* thy merchants: they occupied in thy fairs with chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 590.

9 Or, *waves.*

h ch. xxvi. 15, 18.

1 Or, *Meuzal.*

i Rev. xviii. 17, &c.

2 Heb. *clothes of freedom.*

a Gen xxv 3.

3 Heb *they were the merchants of thy hand.*

j Esther iv 1, 3; Job ii 12, Jer vi. 26, Rev xviii. 19.

b Gen xxv. 13; Isa. lx. 7.

k Jer xvi. 6, xlvii. 5, Micah i. 16

c Gen x 7, 1 Kings x 1, 2, Ps. lxxii. 10, 15, Isa. lx 6.

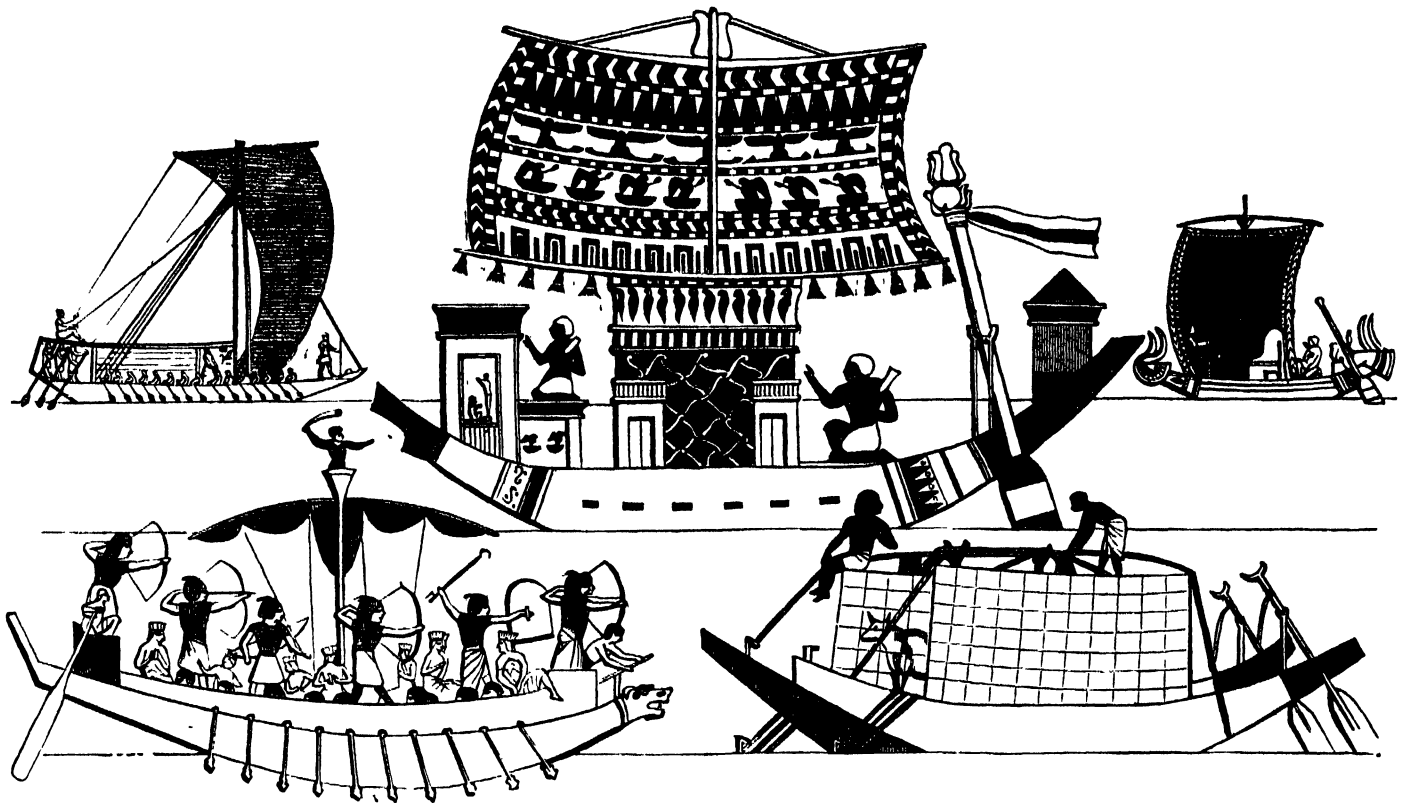
28 The [9]suburbs shall shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.[h]

29 And all that handle the oar, the mariners, *and* all the pilots of the sea, shall come down from their ships, they shall stand upon the land;[i]

30 And shall cause their voice to be heard against thee, and shall cry bitterly, and shall cast up dust upon their heads, they shall wallow themselves in the ashes:[j]

31 And they shall make themselves utterly bald for thee, and gird them with sackcloth, and they shall weep for thee with bitterness of heart *and* bitter wailing.[k]

32 And in their wailing they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and lament over thee, *saying*, What *city is* like Tyrus, like the destroyed in the midst of the sea?[l]



ANCIENT SHIPS. FAC-SIMILE FROM AN EGYPTIAN PAINTING.

23 Haran, and Canneh, and Eden, the merchants of Sheba, Asshur, *and* Chilmad, *were* thy merchants.[d]

24 These *were* thy merchants in [4]all sorts *of things*, in blue [5]clothes, and broidered work, and in chests of rich apparel, bound with cords, and made of cedar, among thy merchandise.

25 The ships of Tarshish did sing of thee in thy market: and thou wast replenished, and made very glorious in the midst of the seas.[e]

26 ¶ Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters: the east wind hath broken thee in the [6]midst of the seas.[f]

27 Thy riches, and thy fairs, thy merchandise, thy mariners, and thy pilots, thy calkers, and the occupiers of thy merchandise, and all thy men of war, that *are* in thee, [7]and in all thy company which *is* in the [8]midst of thee, shall fall into the midst of the seas in the day of thy ruin.[g]

d Gen xl 31, xxv 3, 2 Kings xix 12

l ver 2, ch xxvi 17, Rev xviii 18

4 Or, *excellent things.*

5 Heb *foldings*

m Rev xviii. 19

e ver 4, Ps xlviii. 7, Isa ii 16, xxiii 14.

n ver 27, ch. xxvi 19

6 Heb *heart*

f Ps xlvii 7

o ch xxvi 15, 16

7 Or, *even with all*

10 Heb *terrors*

11 Heb *shalt not be for ever*

8 Heb *heart*

p ch xxvi. 21, Jer xviii 16

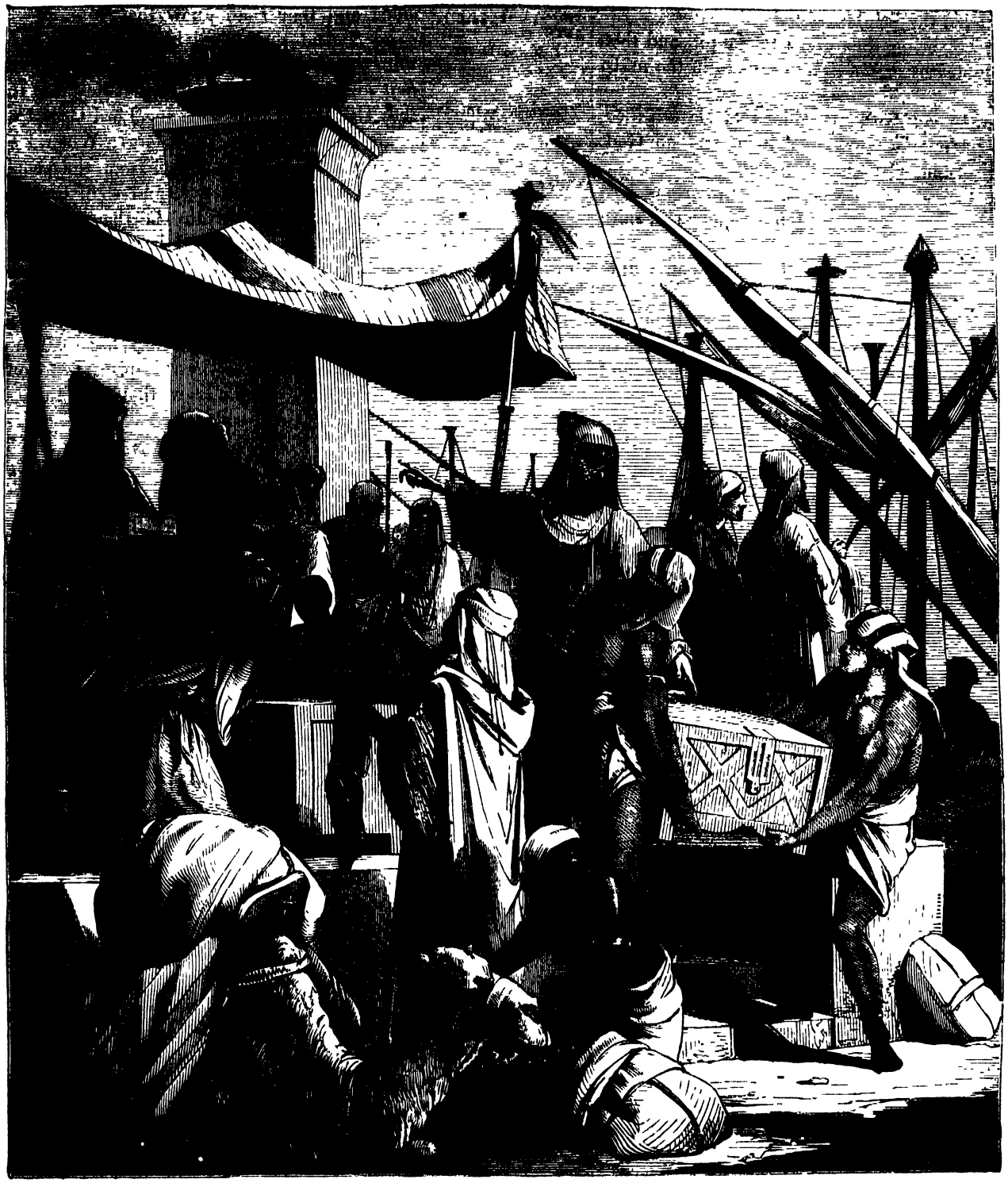
g ver 34, Prov xi 4, Rev. xviii. 9, &c

33 When thy wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many people; thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy merchandise.[m]

34 In the time *when* thou shalt be broken by the seas in the depths of the waters thy merchandise and all thy company in the midst of thee shall fall.[n]

35 All the inhabitants of the isles shall be astonished at thee, and their kings shall be sore afraid, they shall be troubled in *their* countenance.[o]

36 The merchants among the people shall hiss at thee; thou shalt be [10]a terror, and [11]never *shalt be* any more.[p]



MERCHANTS OF TYRE WITH THEIR MERCHANDISE.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *God's judgment upon the prince of Tyrus for his sacrilegious pride.* 11 *A lamentation of his great glory corrupted by sin.* 20 *The judgment of Zidon.* 24 *The restoration of Israel.*

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, say unto the prince of Tyrus, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thine heart *is* lifted up, and thou hast said, I *am* a God, I sit *in* the seat of God, in the [1]midst of the seas; yet thou *art* a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God:[a]

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

b Zech. ix 2.

2 Heb *By the greatness of thy wisdom*

c Ps lxii 10, Zech ix 3

1 Heb *heart*

a ver. 9, ch xxvii 3, 4, Isa. xxxi. 3.

3 Behold, thou *art* wiser than Daniel; there is no secret that they can hide from thee:[b]

4 With thy wisdom and with thine understanding thou hast gotten thee riches, and hast gotten gold and silver into thy treasures:

5 [2]By thy great wisdom *and* by thy traffick hast thou increased thy riches, and thine heart is lifted up because of thy riches:[c]

6 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God;

7 Behold, therefore I will bring strangers upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw

their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness.[a]

8 They shall bring thee down to the pit, and thou shalt die the deaths of *them that are* slain in the midst of the seas.

9 Wilt thou yet say before him that slayeth thee, I *am* God? but thou *shalt be* a man, and no God, in the hand of him that [1]slayeth thee.[b]

10 Thou shalt die the deaths of the uncircumcised by the hand of strangers: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.[c]

11 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

12 Son of man, take up a lamentation upon the king of Tyrus, and say unto him, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Thou sealest up the sum, full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.[d]

13 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone *was* thy covering, the [2]sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the [3]beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the [4]emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.[e]

14 Thou *art* the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee *so:* thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.[f]

15 Thou *wast* perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.

16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.[g]

17 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.[h]

18 Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick: therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.

19 All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be [5]a terror, and never *shalt* thou *be* any more.[i]

20 ¶ Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

21 Son of man, set thy face against Zidon, and prophesy against it,[j]

22 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Zidon; and I will be glorified in the midst of thee: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall have executed judgments in her, and shall be sanctified in her.[k]

23 For I will send into her pestilence, and blood into her streets; and the wounded shall be judged in the midst of her by the sword upon her on every side; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[l]

24 ¶ And there shall be no more a pricking brier unto the house of Israel, nor *any* grieving thorn of all *that are* round about them, that despised them; and they shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.[m]

25 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall have gathered the house of Israel from the people among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen, then shall they dwell in their land that I have given to my servant Jacob.[n]

26 And they shall dwell [6]safely therein, and shall build houses, and plant vineyards; yea, they shall dwell with confidence, when I have executed judgments upon all those that [7]despise them round about them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God.[o]

CHAPTER XXIX.

1 *The judgment of Pharaoh for his treachery to Israel.* 8 *The desolation of Egypt.* 13 *The restoration thereof after forty years* 17 *Egypt the reward of Nebuchadrezzar.* 21 *Israel shall be restored.*

IN the tenth year, in the tenth *month*, in the twelfth *day* of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against him, and against all Egypt:[p]

3 Speak, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great dragon that lieth in the midst of his rivers, which hath said, My river *is* mine own, and I have made *it* for myself.[q]

4 But I will put hooks in thy jaws, and I will cause the fish of thy rivers to stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers shall stick unto thy scales.[r]

5 And I will leave thee *thrown* into the wilderness, thee and all the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the [8]open fields; thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered: I have given thee for meat to the beasts of the field and to the fowls of the heaven.[s]

6 And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I *am* the LORD, because they have been a staff of reed to the house of Israel.[t]

7 When they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder: and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins to be at a stand.[u]

8 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring a sword upon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee.[v]

9 And the land of Egypt shall be desolate and waste; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD: because he hath said, The river *is* mine, and I have made *it*.

10 Behold, therefore I *am* against thee, and against thy rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt [9]utterly

B C 589—572.

a ch. xxx. 11; xxxi. 12; xxxii. 12.

l ch. xxxviii. 22.

m Numb. xxxiii. 55; Josh. xxiii. 13.

1 Or, *woundeth.*

b ver. 2.

c ch xxxi. 18; xxxii. 19, 20, 25, 27.

n ver. 22; ch. xi. 17; xx. 41; xxxiv 13; xxxvii. 21; Isa xi. 12

6 Or, *with confidence.*

7 Or, *spoil.*

d ver 3; ch xxvii. 2, 3.

o ch xxxvi. 28, Isa lxv 21; Jer xxiii 6, xxxi. 5, Amos ix 14.

2 Or, *ruby*

3 Or, *chrysolite.*

4 Or, *chrysoprase.*

e ch. xxvi. 13, xxxi 8, 9

f ver. 16; ch. xx 40; Exod. xxv 20

p ch xxviii 21; Isa. xix 1, Jer. xxv 19, xlvi 2, 25.

q ver 10, ch xxviii. 2, 22, Ps lxxiv 13, 14, Isa. xxvii 1, li. 9, Jer xliv. 30

g ver. 14.

r ch xxxviii. 4, Isa. xxxvii. 29.

h vs. 2, 5

8 Heb *face of the field.*

s Jer. vii 33; viii. 2; xvi. 4, xxv. 33, xxxiv 20.

t 2 Kings xviii 21, Isa xxxvi 6

5 Heb *terrors*

i ch xxvi 21, xxvii 36

u ch xvii 17, Jer xxxvii 5, 7, 11

j ch vi 2, xxv 2, xxix. 2, xxxii 30, Isa. xxiii. 4, 12, Jer xxv. 22; xxvii. 3

v ch xiv 17; xxxii. 11—13

k ver 25 ch xx. 41, xxxvi. 23, Ps ix. 16

9 Heb. *wastes of waste.*

waste *and* desolate, [1]from the tower of Syene even unto the border of Ethiopia.[a]

11 No foot of man shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it, neither shall it be inhabited forty years.[b]

12 And I will make the land of Egypt desolate in the midst of the countries *that are* desolate, and her cities among the cities *that are* laid waste shall be desolate forty years: and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.[c]

13 ¶ Yet thus saith the Lord GOD; At the end of forty years will I gather the Egyptians from the people whither they were scattered:[d]

14 And I will bring again the captivity of Egypt, and will cause them to return *into* the land of Pathros, into the land of their [2]habitation; and they shall be there a [3]base kingdom.[e]

15 It shall be the basest of the kingdoms; neither shall it exalt itself any more above the nations: for I will diminish them, that they shall no more rule over the nations.

16 And it shall be no more the confidence of the house of Israel, which bringeth *their* iniquity to remembrance, when they shall look after them: but they shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.[f]

17 ¶ And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 Son of man, Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon caused his army to serve a great service against Tyrus: every head *was* made bald, and every shoulder *was* peeled: yet had he no wages, nor his army, for Tyrus, for the service that he had served against it:[g]

19 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will give the land of Egypt unto Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon; and he shall take her multitude, and [4]take her spoil, and take her prey; and it shall be the wages for his army.

20 I have given him the land of Egypt [5]*for* his labour wherewith he served against it, because they wrought for me, saith the Lord GOD.[h]

21 ¶ In that day will I cause the horn of the house of Israel to bud forth, and I will give thee the opening of the mouth in the midst of them; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[i]

BEFORE CHRIST 572

1 Or, *from Migdol to Syene*

a ch. xxx. 6, 12.

4 Heb. *spoil her spoil, and prey her prey*

b ch xxx. 6, xxxii 13

5 Or, *for his hire*

h Jer. xxv. 9.

c ch. xxx. 7, 26

i ch xxiv 27; Ps cxxxii. 17.



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d Isa. xix. 23; Jer. xlvi. 26

2 Or, *birth*

3 Heb *low*

ch xvii 6, 14

e Isa xiii 6

ch vii 7, 12, Joel ii 1, Zeph i. 7

f Isa xxx 2, 3, xxxvi 4, 6

6 Or, *fear.*

l ch xxix 19, Jer l 15

7 Heb *Phut*

8 Heb *children*

m Jer. xxv 20, 24.

9 Or, *from Migdol to Syene*

g ch xxvi. 7, 8, Jer xxvii 6

n ch. xxix. 10

CHAPTER XXX.

1 *The desolation of Egypt and her helpers* 20 *The arm of Babylon shall be strengthened to break the arm of Egypt*

THE word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Howl ye, Woe worth the day![l]

3 For the day *is* near, even the day of the LORD *is* near, a cloudy day; it shall be the time of the heathen.[e]

4 And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great [6]pain shall be in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down.[f]

5 Ethiopia, and [7]Libya, and Lydia, and all the mingled people, and Chub, and the [8]men of the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword.[m]

6 Thus saith the LORD; They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down: [9]from the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.[n]

7 And they shall be desolate in the midst of the countries *that are* desolate, and her cities shall be in the midst of the cities *that are* wasted.[a]

8 And they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have set a fire in Egypt, and *when* all her helpers shall be [1]destroyed.

9 In that day shall messengers go forth from me in ships to make the careless Ethiopians afraid, and great pain shall come upon them, as in the day of Egypt: for, lo, it cometh.[b]

10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease by the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon.[c]

11 He and his people with him, the terrible of the nations, shall be brought to destroy the land: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 572.

a ch. xxix. 12
8 Or, *restrained.*

1 Heb *broken.*
e Jer ii. 16.

b Isa xviii 1, 2

c ch. xxix 19

f Jer xlvi. 11, xlviii 25

d ch xxviii 7

fall by the sword: and these *cities* shall go into captivity.

18 At Tehaphnehes also the day shall be [8]darkened, when I shall break there the yokes of Egypt: and the pomp of her strength shall cease in her: as for her, a cloud shall cover her, and her daughters shall go into captivity.[g]

19 Thus will I execute judgments in Egypt: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

20 ¶ And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first *month*, in the seventh *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

21 Son of man, I have broken the arm of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and, lo, it shall not be bound up to be healed, to put a roller to bind it, to make it strong to hold the sword.[i]

22 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I



SYENE.

12 And I will make the rivers [2]dry, and sell the land into the hand of the wicked: and I will make the land waste, and [3]all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: I the LORD have spoken *it*.[e]

13 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also destroy the idols, and I will cause *their* images to cease out of Noph; and there shall be no more a prince of the land of Egypt: and I will put a fear in the land of Egypt.[f]

14 And I will make Pathros desolate, and will set fire in [4]Zoan, and will execute judgments in No.[g]

15 And I will pour my fury upon [5]Sin, the strength of Egypt; and I will cut off the multitude of No.[h]

16 And I will set fire in Egypt: Sin shall have great pain, and No shall be rent asunder, and Noph *shall have* distresses daily.

17 The young men of [6]Aven and of [7]Pi-beseth shall

2 Heb. *drought*

3 Heb *the fulness thereof.*
i Ps xxxvii 17

c Isa xix 4—6
l ver 26, ch xxix 12

f Isa xix 1, 16; Jer xliii 12, xlvi 25, Zech x. 11, xiii 2.

4 Or, *Tanis*

g ch xxix 14, Ps lxxviii 12, 43, Nahum iii 8—10

5 Or, *Pelusium*

h ver 8, Jer xlvi 25.

m Ps lx 16

6 Or, *Heliopolis*

7 Or, *Pubastum*

n ver 23, ch xxix 12

am against Pharaoh king of Egypt, and will break his arms, the strong, and that which was broken; and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand.[k]

23 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse them through the countries.[l]

24 And I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and put my sword in his hand: but I will break Pharaoh's arms, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of a deadly wounded *man*.

25 But I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharaoh shall fall down; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I shall put my sword into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall stretch it out upon the land of Egypt.[m]

26 And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among the countries; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[n]



Egyptian. Philistine. Mede or Persian. Ethiopian Libyan.

TYPES OF THE PRINCIPAL NATIONS MENTIONED IN EZEKIEL XXX.

CHAPTER XXXI.

1 *A relation unto Pharaoh,* 3 *of the glory of Assyria,* 10 *and the fall thereof for pride.* 18 *The like destruction of Egypt.*

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

AND it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the third month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude; Whom art thou like in thy greatness?[a]

3 ¶ Behold, the Assyrian *was* a cedar in Lebanon [1]with fair branches, and with a shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs.[b]

4 The waters [2]made him great, the deep [3]set him up on high with her rivers running round about his plants, and sent out her [4]little rivers unto all the trees of the field.[c]

5 Therefore his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were multiplied, and his branches became long because of the multitude of waters, [5]when he shot forth.[d]

6 All the fowls of heaven made their nests in his boughs, and under his branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young, and under his shadow dwelt all great nations.[e]

7 Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the length of his branches: for his root was by great waters.

8 The cedars in the garden of God could not hide him: the fir trees were not like his boughs, and the chesnut trees were not like his branches; nor any tree in the garden of God was like unto him in his beauty.[f]

9 I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches: so that all the trees of Eden, that *were* in the garden of God, envied him.

10 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and he hath shot

a ver 18.

1 Heb *fair of branches*

f ch. xxviii. 13, Gen. ii. 8, xiii. 10

b Dan. iv. 10.

2 Or, *nourished*

3 Or, *brought him up.*

4 Or, *conduits.*

c Jer. li. 36.

5 Or, *when it sent them forth*

d Dan. iv. 11.

e ch. xvii. 23, Dan. iv. 12

up his top among the thick boughs, and his heart is lifted up in his height;[a]

11 I have therefore delivered him into the hand of the mighty one of the heathen; [1]he shall surely deal with him: I have driven him out for his wickedness.

12 And strangers, the terrible of the nations, have cut him off, and have left him: upon the mountains and in all the valleys his branches are fallen, and his boughs are broken by all the rivers of the land; and all the people of the earth are gone down from his shadow, and have left him.[b]

13 Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven remain, and all the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches:[c]

14 To the end that none of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves for their height, neither shoot up their top among the thick boughs, neither their trees [2]stand up in their height, all that drink water: for they are all delivered unto death, to the nether parts of the earth, in the midst of the children of men, with them that go down to the pit.[d]

15 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day when he went down to the grave I caused a mourning: I covered the deep for him, and I restrained the floods thereof, and the great waters were stayed: and I caused Lebanon [3]to mourn for him, and all the trees of the field fainted for him.

16 I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.[e]

17 They also went down into hell with him unto *them that be* slain with the sword; and *they that were* his arm, *that* dwelt under his shadow in the midst of the heathen.

18 ¶ To whom art thou thus like in glory and in greatness among the trees of Eden? yet shalt thou be brought down with the trees of Eden unto the nether parts of the earth: thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with *them that be* slain by the sword. This *is* Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.[f]

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 *A lamentation for the fearful fall of Egypt.* 11 *The sword of Babylon shall destroy it* 17 *It shall be brought down to hell, among all the uncircumcised nations.*

AND it came to pass in the twelfth year, in the twelfth month, in the first *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, take up a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt, and say unto him, Thou art like a young lion of the nations, and thou *art* as a [4]whale in the seas: and thou camest forth with thy rivers, and troubledst the waters with thy feet, and fouledst their rivers.[h]

3 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will therefore spread out my net over thee with a company of many people; and they shall bring thee up in my net.[i]

4 Then will I leave thee upon the land, I will cast thee forth upon the open field, and will cause all the fowls of the heaven to remain upon thee, and I will fill the beasts of the whole earth with thee.[j]

5 And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains, and fill the valleys with thy height.[k]

6 I will also water with thy blood [5]the land wherein thou swimmest, *even* to the mountains; and the rivers shall be full of thee.

7 And when I shall [6]put thee out, I will cover the heaven, and make the stars thereof dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon shall not give her light.[l]

8 All the [7]bright lights of heaven will I make [8]dark over thee, and set darkness upon thy land, saith the Lord GOD.

9 I will also [9]vex the hearts of many people, when I shall bring thy destruction among the nations, into the countries which thou hast not known.

10 Yea, I will make many people amazed at thee, and their kings shall be horribly afraid for thee, when I shall brandish my sword before them; and they shall tremble at *every* moment, every man for his own life, in the day of thy fall.[m]

11 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; The sword of the king of Babylon shall come upon thee.[n]

12 By the swords of the mighty will I cause thy multitude to fall, the terrible of the nations, all of them: and they shall spoil the pomp of Egypt, and all the multitude thereof shall be destroyed.[o]

13 I will destroy also all the beasts thereof from beside the great waters; neither shall the foot of man trouble them any more, nor the hoofs of beasts trouble them.[p]

14 Then will I make their waters deep, and cause their rivers to run like oil, saith the Lord GOD.

15 When I shall make the land of Egypt desolate, and the country shall be [10]destitute of that whereof it was full, when I shall smite all them that dwell therein, then shall they know that I *am* the LORD.[q]

16 This *is* the lamentation wherewith they shall lament her: the daughters of the nations shall lament her: they shall lament for her, *even* for Egypt, and for all her multitude, saith the Lord GOD.[r]

17 ¶ It came to pass also in the twelfth year, in the fifteenth *day* of the month, *that* the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18 Son of man, wail for the multitude of Egypt, and cast them down, *even* her, and the daughters of the famous nations, unto the nether parts of the earth, with them that go down into the pit.[s]

19 Whom dost thou pass in beauty? go down, and be thou laid with the uncircumcised.[t]

20 They shall fall in the midst of *them that are* slain by the sword: [11]she is delivered to the sword: draw her and all her multitudes.

BEFORE CHRIST 587.

a Dan v. 20.

e ch. xii. 13; xvii. 20; Hos. vii. 12.

1 Heb. *in doing he shall do unto him.*

j ch. xxix. 5; xxxi. 13.

k ch. xxxi. 12.

5 Or, *the land of thy swimming*

b ch xxviii. 7, xxxii. 5, xxxv. 8.

6 Or, *extinguish*

c ch xxxii 4, Isa. xviii. 6

l Isa xiii 10; Joel ii 31, iii 15; Amos viii 9, Matt. xxiv. 29, Rev. vi 12, 13

7 Heb *lights of the lights in heaven.*

8 Heb *them dark.*

2 Or, *stand upon themselves for their height.*

9 Heb. *provoke to anger, or, grief.*

d ch. xxxii. 18.

3 Heb *to be black.*

m ch xxvi. 16, xxvii. 35

n ch xxx. 4; Jer. xlvi. 26.

e ch. xxvi. 15; Isa. xiv 8, 15

o ch. xxviii. 7; xxix 19

f Lam iv 20

p ch xxix. 11.

10 Heb *desolate from the fulness thereof*

g ver 2, ch xxviii. 10, xxxii 19, 21, 24, &c

q ch vi 7, Exod vii 5, xiv 4, 18, Psa. ix 16

r ver 2, ch xxvi 17; 2 Sam i 17, 2 Chron xxxv 25.

s ch xxvi. 20, xxxi. 14

4 Or, *dragon.*

t vs 21, 24, &c; ch. xxviii 10; xxxi. 2, 18

h ver 16, ch xix 3, 6; xxvii 2; xxix 3; xxxiv. 18, xxxviii. 18.

11 Or, *the sword is laid.*

BEFORE CHRIST 587.

21 The strong among the mighty shall speak to him out of the midst of hell with them that help him: they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, slain by the sword.[a]

22 Asshur *is* there and all her company: his graves *are* about him: all of them slain, fallen by the sword:[b]

23 Whose graves are set in the sides of the pit, and her company is round about her grave: all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which caused [1]terror in the land of the living.[c]

24 There *is* Elam and all her multitude round about her grave, all of them slain, fallen by the sword, which are gone down uncircumcised into the nether parts of the earth, which caused their terror in the land of the living; yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit.[d]

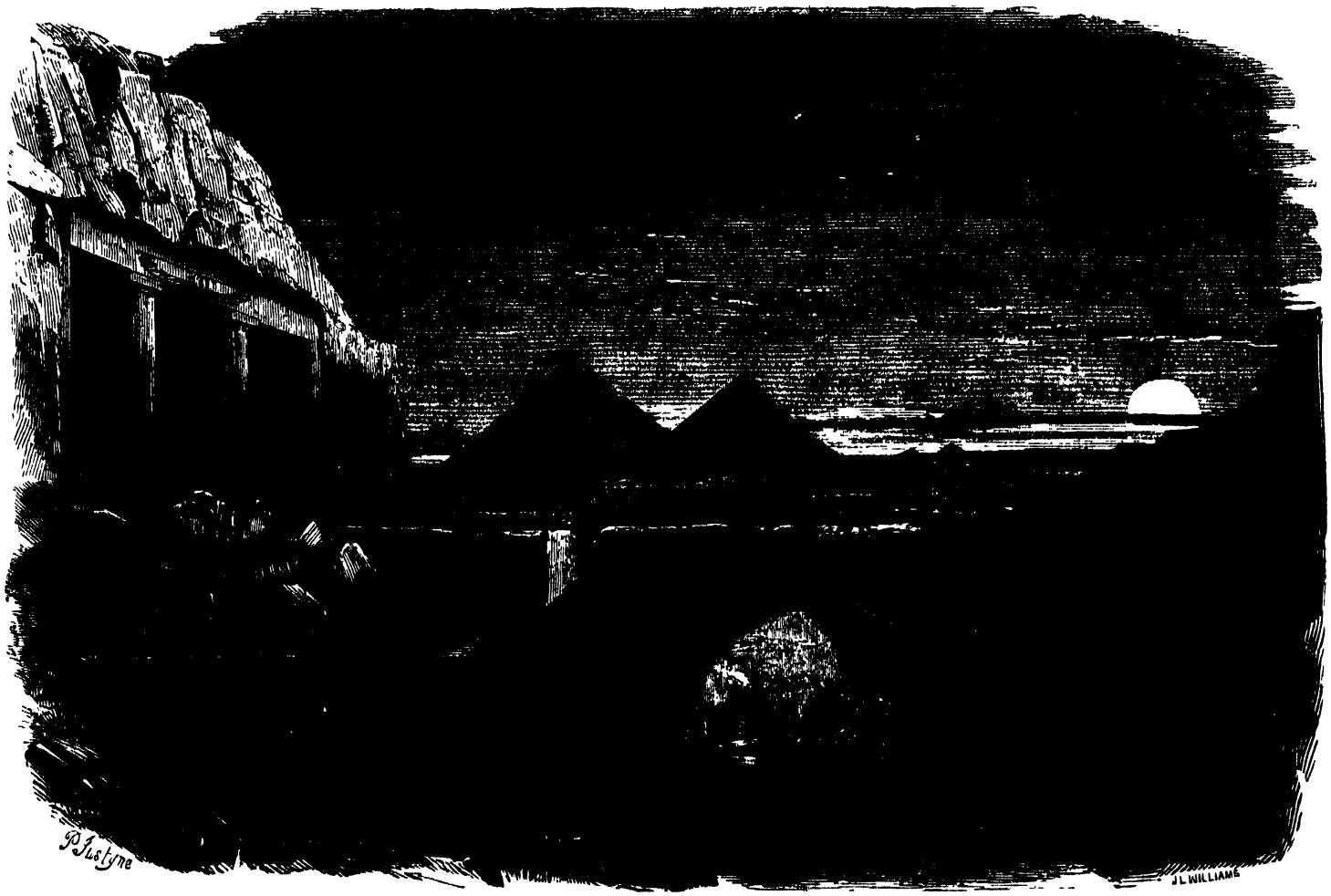
25 They have set her a bed in the midst of the slain with all her multitude: her graves *are* round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword: though their terror was caused in the land of the living, yet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit: he is put in the midst of *them that be* slain.

26 There *is* Meshech, Tubal, and all her multitude: her graves *are* round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword, though they caused their terror in the land of the living.[e]

27 And they shall not lie with the mighty *that are* fallen of the uncircumcised, which are gone down to hell [2]with their weapons of war: and they have laid their swords under their heads, but their iniquities shall be upon their bones, though *they were* the terror of the mighty in the land of the living.[f]

28 Yea, thou shalt be broken in the midst of the uncircumcised, and shalt lie with *them that are* slain with the sword.

29 There *is* Edom, her kings, and all her princes, which with their might are [3]laid by *them that were* slain by the sword: they shall lie with the uncircumcised, and with them that go down to the pit.[g]



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30 There *be* the princes of the north, all of them, and all the Zidonians, which are gone down with the slain; with their terror they are ashamed of their might; and they lie uncircumcised with *them that be* slain by the sword, and bear their shame with them that go down to the pit.[h]

31 Pharaoh shall see them, and shall be comforted over all his multitude, *even* Pharaoh and all his army slain by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.[i]

32 For I have caused my terror in the land of the living: and he shall be laid in the midst of the uncircumcised with *them that are* slain with the sword, *even* Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

2 Heb. *with weapons of their war.*

1 Or, *damaying*

3 Heb *given*, or, *put*

a vs 19, 25, 27, &c, Isa. i 31, xiv 9, 10

b vs. 24, 26, 29, 30

c vs 24—27, 32, ch. xxvi 17

d vs 21, 23, Jer xlix. 34, &c.

e vs. 19, 20, &c; ch. xxvii. 13, xxxviii 2; Gen. x. 2.

f ver 21, Isa xiv 18, 19

g ch xxv 12, &c

h ch. xxviii 21, xxxviii 6, 15; xxxix. 2

i ch. xxxi. 16

CHAPTER XXXIII.

1 According to the duty of a watchman, in warning the people, 7 Ezekiel is admonished of his duty 10 God sheweth the justice of his ways towards the penitent, and towards revolters. 17 He maintaineth his justice. 21 Upon the news of the taking of Jerusalem he propheseth the desolation of the land. 30 God's judgment upon the mockers of the prophets.

AGAIN the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, speak to the children of thy people, and say unto them, [1]When I bring the sword upon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coasts, and set him for their watchman:[a]

3 If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;

4 Then [2]whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head.[b]

5 He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul.

6 But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take *any* person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.[c]

7 ¶ So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me.[d]

8 When I say unto the wicked, O wicked *man*, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked *man* shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.

9 Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

10 Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel; Thus ye speak, saying, If our transgressions and our sins *be* upon us, and we pine away in them, how should we then live?[e]

11 Say unto them, *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?[f]

12 Therefore, thou son of man, say unto the children of thy people, The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression: as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither shall the righteous be able to live for his *righteousness* in the day that he sinneth.[g]

13 When I shall say to the righteous, *that* he shall surely live; if he trust to his own righteousness, and commit iniquity, all his righteousnesses shall not be remembered; but for his iniquity that he hath committed, he shall die for it.[h]

BEFORE CHRIST 587

[a] ch. iii. 18, 19; xviii. 27.

[b] ch xviii 7; xx. 11, 13, 21; Exod. xxii. 1, 4, Lev. vi 2, 4, 5, xviii 5, Numb v 6, 7, Luke xix 8

[c] ch xviii. 22

[1] Heb *A land when I bring a sword upon her*

[d] ver 20, ch xviii 25, 29

[e] ver 7, ch iii 11, xiv 17, 2 Sam xviii 24, 25, 2 Kings ix. 17, Hos ix. 8.

[m] ch xviii. 26, 27

[2] Heb *he that hearing heareth.*

[f] ch xviii 13

[n] ver 17, ch xviii 25, 29

[o] ch i 2, xxiv 26, 2 Kings xxv 4

[g] ver 8

[p] ch i 3, xxiv 27

[q] ver 27; ch. xxxiv. 2, xxxvi. 4; Isa. li 2; Micah iii 11, Matt iii. 9; John viii. 39

[r] Gen ix. 4, Lev iii. 17, vii 26, xvii. 10; xix. 26; Deut. xii. 16

[e] ch xxiv 23; xxxvii. 11; Isa. xlix. 14.

[s] ch xviii 6, xxii 6, 9, 11

[3] Heb *to devour him*

[f] ch xviii 23, 31, 32, 2 Sam xiv 14, 2 Petr iii 9.

[t] ver 24, ch xxxix. 4, Judg vi 2, 1 Sam. xiii. 6

[u] ch vi 2, 3, 6; vii. 24, xxiv. 21, xxx. 6, 7, xxxvi 34, 35; Jer xliv 2, 6, 22.

[g] ch iii 20, xviii 24, 26, 27, 2 Chron vii. 14.

[4] Or, *of thee*

[h] ch. iii. 20; xviii. 24.

14 Again, when I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and right;[i]

15 *If* the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity; he shall surely live, he shall not die.[k]

16 None of his sins that he hath committed shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live.[k]

17 ¶ Yet the children of thy people say, The way of the Lord is not equal: but as for them, their way is not equal.[l]

18 When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, he shall even die thereby.[m]

19 But if the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby.

20 ¶ Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you every one after his ways.[n]

21 ¶ And it came to pass in the twelfth year of our captivity, in the tenth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, *that* one that had escaped out of Jerusalem came unto me, saying, The city is smitten.[o]

22 Now the hand of the LORD was upon me in the evening, afore he that was escaped came; and had opened my mouth, until he came to me in the morning; and my mouth was opened, and I was no more dumb.[p]

23 Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

24 Son of man, they that inhabit those wastes of the land of Israel speak, saying, Abraham was one, and he inherited the land: but we *are* many; the land is given us for inheritance.[q]

25 Wherefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Ye eat with the blood, and lift up your eyes toward your idols, and shed blood: and shall ye possess the land?[r]

26 Ye stand upon your sword, ye work abomination, and ye defile every one his neighbour's wife: and shall ye possess the land?[s]

27 Say thou thus unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; *As* I live, surely they that *are* in the wastes shall fall by the sword, and him that *is* in the open field will I give to the beasts [3]to be devoured, and they that *be* in the forts and in the caves shall die of the pestilence.[t]

28 For I will lay the land most desolate, and the pomp of her strength shall cease; and the mountains of Israel shall be desolate, that none shall pass through.[u]

29 Then shall they know that I *am* the LORD, when I have laid the land most desolate because of all their abominations which they have committed.

30 ¶ Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking [4]against thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you,

and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the LORD.[a]

31 And they come unto thee [1]as the people cometh, and [2]they sit before thee *as* my people, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them: for with their mouth [3]they shew much love, *but* their heart goeth after their covetousness.[b]

32 And, lo, thou *art* unto them as [4]a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not.

33 And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet hath been among them.[c]

CHAPTER XXXIV.

1 *A reproof of the shepherds.* 7 *God's judgment against them.* 11 *His providence for his flock.* 20 *The kingdom of Christ.*

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; Woe *be* to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?[d]

3 Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: *but* ye feed not the flock.[e]

4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up *that which was* broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.[f]

5 And they were scattered, [5]because *there is* no shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.[g]

6 My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek *after them.*

7 ¶ Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

8 *As* I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock became meat to every beast of the field, because *there was* no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my flock;[h]

9 Therefore, O ye shepherds, hear the word of the LORD;

10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them.[i]

11 ¶ For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, *even* I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out.

12 [6]As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day

BEFORE CHRIST 587.

a Isa. xxix. 13

1 Heb *according to the coming of the people.*

2 Or, *my people sit before thee.*

j ch. xxx. 3; Joel ii. 2.

3 Heb. *they make loves,* or, *jests.*

b ch. viii. 1; xiv 1; xx 1, &c., Ps. lxxviii. 36, 37; Isa. xxix. 13, Matt. xiii. 22

4 Heb *a song of loves.*

k ch xxviii. 25, xxxvi 34, xxxvii 21, Isa. lxv. 9, 10, Jer. xxiii 3.

c ch ii 5; 1 Sam iii. 20

l Ps xxiii. 2, Jer xxxiii. 12.

m ver 4; Isa. x. 16, xl 11; Jer x 24, Micah iv 6, Matt. xviii 11, Mark ii 17; Luke v 32.

7 Heb *small cattle of lambs and kids.*

8 Heb. *great he goats*

n vs 20, 22; ch xx. 37, 38; Zech x. 3; Matt xxv 32, 33.

d ch xxxiii 24, Jer xxii. 1, Zech. xi. 17

e ch. xxxiii 25, 26, Isa. lvi. 11; Micah iii. 1—3, Zech. xi. 5, 16

f Luke xv. 4; 1 Peter v 3

o ver. 17

5 Or, *without a shepherd* and so ver. 8

g ver 8, 1 Kings xxii 17, Isa. lvi. 9, Jer. xii 9; Matt. ix. 36.

p ver. 17.

q ch xxxvii 24, 25 Isa. xl. 11, Jer xxiii 4, 5; xxx 9, Hos iii 5; John x. 11, Heb xiii 20; 1 Peter ii. 25; v 4

r ver 30, ch. xxxvii. 22, 27, Exod. xxix 45, Luke i 32, 33.

h vs. 2, 5, 6, 10.

s ver 28, ch xxxvii 26, Lev xxvi 6 Isa. xi 6—9; xxxv 9; Jer. xxiii. 6 Hos. ii. 18.

t ch. xx 40; Gen xii. 2; Lev. xxvi 4, Ps lxviii. 9; Isa xix. 24; lvi. 7; Zech. viii. 13; Mal. iii. 10

i vs. 2, 8; ch. iii. 18 Heb. xiii. 17.

u Lev. xxvi 4, 13 Ps. lxv. 12; Isa. lv. 2; Jer. ii. 20; xxv. 14.

6 Heb *According to his seeking.*

that he is among his sheep *that are* scattered; so will I seek out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day.[j]

13 And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country.[k]

14 I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and *in* a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel.[l]

15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD.

16 I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up *that which was* broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment.[m]

17 And *as for* you, O my flock, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I judge between [7]cattle and cattle, between the rams and the [8]he goats.[n]

18 *Seemeth it* a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?

19 And *as for* my flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.

20 ¶ Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD unto them; Behold, I, *even* I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle.

21 Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad;

22 Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle.[p]

23 And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, *even* my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd.[q]

24 And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken *it.*[r]

25 And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.[s]

26 And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.[t]

27 And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them.[u]

28 And they shall no more be a prey to the

heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make *them* afraid.[a]

29 And I will raise up for them a plant [1]of renown, and they shall be no more [2]consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more.[b]

30 Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God *am* with them, and *that* they, *even* the house of Israel, *are* my people, saith the Lord GOD.[c]

31 And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, *are* men, *and* I *am* your God, saith the Lord GOD.[d]

CHAPTER XXXV.

The judgment of mount Seir for their hatred of Israel.

MOREOVER the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face against mount Seir, and prophesy against it,[e]

3 And say unto it, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O mount Seir, I *am* against thee, and I will stretch out mine hand against thee, and I will make thee [3]most desolate.[f]

4 I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be desolate, and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD.[g]

5 Because thou hast had a [4]perpetual hatred, and hast [5]shed *the blood of* the children of Israel by the [6]force of the sword in the time of their calamity, in the time *that their* iniquity *had* an end:[h]

6 Therefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will prepare thee unto blood, and blood shall pursue thee: sith thou hast not hated blood, even blood shall pursue thee.[i]

7 Thus will I make mount Seir [7]most desolate, and cut off from it him that passeth out and him that returneth.[j]

8 And I will fill his mountains with his slain *men:* in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in all thy rivers, shall they fall that are slain with the sword.[k]

9 I will make thee perpetual desolations, and thy cities shall not return: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[l]

10 Because thou hast said, These two nations and these two countries shall be mine, and we will possess it; whereas the LORD was there:[m]

11 Therefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will even do according to thine anger, and according to thine envy which thou hast used out of thy hatred against them; and I will make myself known among them, when I have judged thee.[n]

12 And thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD, *and that* I have heard all thy blasphemies which thou hast spoken against the mountains of Israel, saying, They are laid desolate, they are given us [8]to consume.[o]

13 Thus with your mouth ye have [9]boasted against me, and have multiplied your words against me: I have heard *them.*[p]

14 Thus saith the Lord GOD; When the whole earth rejoiceth, I will make thee desolate.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 587.

a vs 8, 25; ch. xxxvi. 4; Jer. xxx. 10; xlvi 27

1 Or, *for renown*

2 Heb *taken away*

r vs. 3, 4, Obad 12, 15

b ch xxxvi 3, 6, 15; Isa. xi 1, Jer xxiii 5.

c ver 24, ch xxxvii. 27

d Ps. c 3, John x. 11

e ch vi 2, 3.

f ch xxv 3, xxvi 2, xxxv 10

g ch vi 2, xxv 8—11, Deut. ii 5, Jer xlix 7, 8; Amos i 11, Obad 10, &c.

10 Heb *Because for because*

11 Or, *ye are made to come up on the lip of the tongue*

3 Heb *desolation and desolation*, so ver 7

h ch. vi 14

u Deut xxviii 37; 1 Kings ix 7; Lam. ii 15, Dan ix 16

i ver 9

4 Or, *hatred of old.*

5 Heb *poured out the children*

12 Or, *bottoms*, or, *dales.*

6 Heb *hands*

k ch xxi 15, 25, 29, Ps cxxxvii 7, Dan. ix. 24, Obad 11

v ch xxxiv 28, Ps lxxix 4

l Ps cix 17.

7 Heb *desolation and desolation*, ver 3

j ch xxix 11, Judg v 6

w ch xxxv 10, 12, xxxvi 19, Deut. iv 24

k ch xxxi 12, xxxii 5

l ver 4, ch vi 7, vii 4 9, xxv 13, xxxvi. 11, Jer xlix. 17, 18, Mal i 3, 4

x ver 15; ch xxxiv 29, Ps cxxiii. 3, 4

m ch xxxvi 5, xlviii. 35, Ps lxxxiii 4, 12, Obad 13

y ch xx 5.

n Matt. vii 2, James ii. 13.

z ver. 33; Isa. lviii. 12; lxi. 4; Amos ix 14.

8 Heb *to devour.*

o ch vi 7, Ps ix 16

9 Heb *magnified*

p 1 Sam ii. 3, Rev xiii. 6.

a ch. xxxv 9; xxxvii 6, 13; Jer xxxi 27; xxxiii. 12.

q Isa. lxv. 13, 14.

15 As thou didst rejoice at the inheritance of the house of Israel, because it was desolate, so will I do unto thee: thou shalt be desolate, O mount Seir, and all Idumea, *even* all of it: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[r]

CHAPTER XXXVI.

1 *The land of Israel is comforted, both by destruction of the heathen, who spitefully used it,* 8 *and by the blessings of God promised unto it.* 16 *Israel was rejected for their sin,* 21 *and shall be restored without their desert* 25 *The blessings of Christ's kingdom.*

ALSO, thou son of man, prophesy unto the mountains of Israel, and say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD:[s]

2 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because the enemy hath said against you, Aha, even the ancient high places are our's in possession:[t]

3 Therefore prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD, [10]Because they have made *you* desolate, and swallowed you up on every side, that ye might be a possession unto the residue of the heathen, and [11]ye are taken up in the lips of talkers, and *are* an infamy of the people:[u]

4 Therefore, ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the [12]rivers, and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes, and to the cities that are forsaken, which became a prey and derision to the residue of the heathen that *are* round about;[v]

5 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Surely in the fire of my jealousy have I spoken against the residue of the heathen, and against all Idumea, which have appointed my land into their possession with the joy of all *their* heart, with despiteful minds, to cast it out for a prey.[w]

6 Prophesy therefore concerning the land of Israel, and say unto the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I have spoken in my jealousy and in my fury, because ye have borne the shame of the heathen:[x]

7 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I have lifted up mine hand, Surely the heathen that *are* about you, they shall bear their shame.[y]

8 ¶ But ye, O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your fruit to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come.

9 For, behold, I *am* for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and sown:

10 And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, *even* all of it: and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be builded:[z]

11 And I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit: and I will settle you after your old estates, and will do better *unto you* than at your beginnings: and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[a]

12 Yea, I will cause men to walk upon you, *even*

s ch vi 2, 3.

t ch xxv 3, xxvi 2, xxxv 10

u ch vi 2, xxv 8—11, Deut. ii 5, Jer xlix 7, 8; Amos i 11, Obad 10, &c.

10 Heb *Because for because*

11 Or, *ye are made to come up on the lip of the tongue*

v ch vi 14

w Deut xxviii 37; 1 Kings ix 7; Lam. ii 15, Dan ix 16

x ver 9

y ch xxxv 10, 12, xxxvi 19, Deut. iv 24

z ch xxxv 10, xlviii. 35, Ps lxxxiii 4, 12, Obad 13

a ch. xxxv 9; xxxvii 6, 13; Jer xxxi 27; xxxiii. 12.

my people Israel; and they shall possess thee, and thou shalt be their inheritance, and thou shalt no more henceforth bereave them *of men*.[a]

13 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because they say unto you, Thou *land* devourest up men, and hast bereaved thy nations;[b]

14 Therefore thou shalt devour men no more, neither [1]bereave thy nations any more, saith the Lord GOD.

15 Neither will I cause *men* to hear in thee the shame of the heathen any more, neither shalt thou bear the reproach of the people any more, neither shalt thou cause thy nations to fall any more, saith the Lord GOD.[c]

16 ¶ Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

17 Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman.[d]

18 Wherefore I poured my fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for their idols *wherewith* they had polluted it:[e]

19 And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them.[f]

20 And when they entered unto the heathen, whither they went, they profaned my holy name, when they said to them, These *are* the people of the LORD, and are gone forth out of his land.[g]

21 ¶ But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went.[h]

22 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I do not *this* for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went.[i]

23 And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I *am* the LORD, saith the Lord GOD, when I shall be sanctified in you before [2]their eyes.[j]

24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.[k]

25 ¶ Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.[l]

26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.[m]

27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do *them*.[n]

28 And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.[o]

29 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you.[p]

BEFORE CHRIST 587.

a Jer. xv. 7; Obad. 17, &c.
q ch. xxxiv. 27.

b Numb. xiii. 32.
r ch. vi. 9; xx. 43; Lev. xxvi. 39.

1 Or, *cause to fall.*

s ver. 22, Deut. ix. 5

c ch. xxxiv. 29.
t ver. 10.

d Lev. xv. 19, &c.; xviii. 26, 27, 28, Jer. ii. 7
u ch. xxviii. 13, Isa. li. 3, Joel ii. 3

e ch. xvi. 36, 38, xxiii. 37
v ch. xvii. 24, xxii. 14; xxxvii. 14

f ch. vii. 3; xviii. 30, xxii. 15; xxxix. 24.
w ver. 10, ch. xiv. 3; xx. 3, 31.

3 Heb. *flock of holy things*

g Isa. lii. 5, Rom. ii. 24.

h ch. xx. 9, 14.

i Ps. cvi. 8.
x ch. i. 3; iii. 14; viii. 3, xi. 24, Luke iv. 1.

2 Or, *your.*

j ch. xx. 41; xxviii. 22

4 Or, *champaign.*

k ch. xxxiv. 13, xxxvii. 21.
y Deut. xxxii. 39; 1 Sam. ii. 6; John v. 21; Rom. iv. 17; 2 Cor. i. 9.

l Isa. lii. 15; Jer. xxxiii. 8, Heb. x. 22.

m ch. xi. 19; Jer. xxxii. 39.
z ver. 9; Ps. civ. 30.

n ch. xi. 19; xxxvii. 14.
a ch. vi. 7; xxxv. 12; Joel ii. 27; iii. 17.

o ch. xi. 20; xxviii. 25; xxxvii. 25, 27; Jer. xxx. 22.

p ch. xxxiv. 29; Ps. cv. 16; Matt. i. 21; Rom. xi. 26.

30 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen.[q]

31 Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that *were* not good, and shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations.[r]

32 Not for your sakes do I *this*, saith the Lord GOD, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel.[s]

33 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities I will also cause *you* to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded.[t]

34 And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by.

35 And they shall say, This land that was desolate is become like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities *are become* fenced, *and* are inhabited.[u]

36 Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined *places*, *and* plant that that was desolate: I the LORD have spoken *it*, and I will do *it*.[v]

37 Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will yet *for* this be enquired of by the house of Israel, to do *it* for them; I will increase them with men like a flock.[w]

38 As the [3]holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

CHAPTER XXXVII.

1 *By the resurrection of dry bones,* 11 *the dead hope of Israel is revived.* 15 *By the uniting of two sticks,* 18 *is shewed the incorporation of Israel into Judah.* 20 *The promises of Christ's kingdom.*

THE hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which *was* full of bones,[x]

2 And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, *there were* very many in the open [4]valley; and, lo, *they were* very dry.

3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord GOD, thou knowest.[y]

4 Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the LORD.

5 Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:[z]

6 And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I *am* the LORD.[a]

7 So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.

8 And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh



EZEKIEL'S VISION OF THE VALLEY OF DRY BONES.—EZEKIEL XXXVII.

came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but *there was* no breath in them.

9 Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the [1]wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.[a]

10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.[b]

11 ¶ Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.[c]

12 Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.[d]

13 And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves,

14 And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the LORD have spoken *it*, and performed *it*, saith the LORD.[e]

15 ¶ The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying,

16 Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and *for* all the house of Israel his companions:[f]

17 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand.[g]

18 ¶ And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not show us what thou *meanest* by these?[h]

19 Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which *is* in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, *even* with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.[i]

20 ¶ And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes.

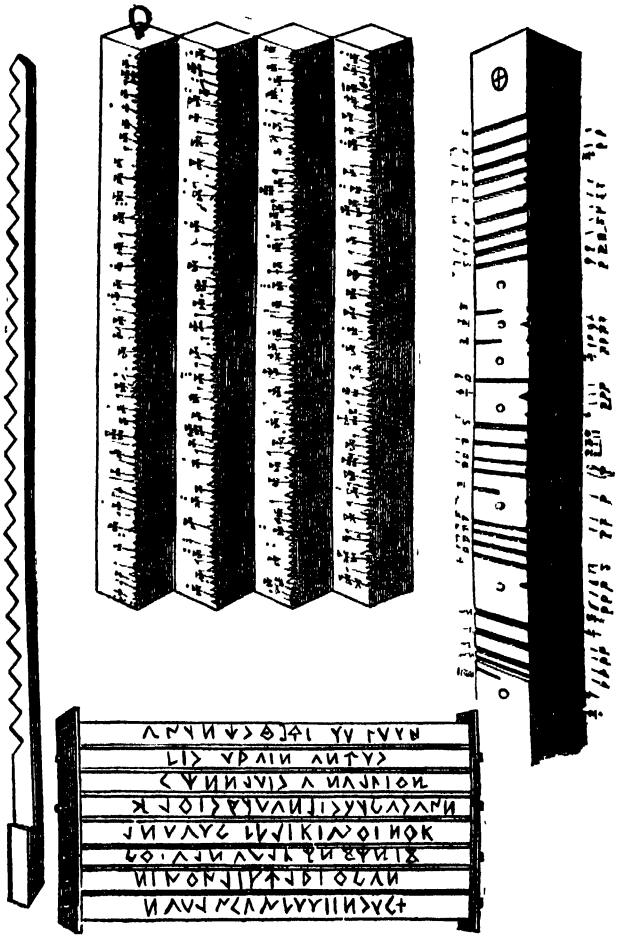
21 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:

22 And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all:[j]

23 Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God.[k]

24 And David my servant *shall be* king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them.[l]

25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, *even* they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and my servant David *shall be* their prince for ever.[m]



SPECIMENS OF ANCIENT WRITING ON STICKS.—EZEKIEL XXXVII. 19, 20.

26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.[n]

27 My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people.[o]

28 And the heathen shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.[p]

CHAPTER XXXVIII.

1 *The army,* 8 *and malice of Gog.* 14 *God's judgment against him.*

AND the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, [2]the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,[q]

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal;

BEFORE CHRIST 587.

l ver. 22, ch. xxxiv 23, 24; xxxvi. 27, Isa. xl. 11; Jer. xxiii 5; xxx. 9; Hos. iii. 5; Luke i. 32; John x. 16.

1 Or, *breath*

a ver. 5; Ps. civ. 30.

m ver. 24, ch. xxxvi 28, Isa. lx 21; Joel iii 20, Amos ix. 15; John xii 34.

b Rev. xi. 11.

c Ps. cxli. 7; Isa. xlix 14.

d ver 25, ch xxxvi. 24, Isa xxvi 19, Hos xiii 14

e ch xxxvi. 27

f Numb xvii. 2

g vs. 22, 24

h ch xii 9, xxiv 19.

i vs. 16, 17, Zech. x. 6

n ch xxxiv 25; xxxvi 10, 37, Ps. lxxxix 3, Isa. lv 3; Jer. xxxii 40, 2 Cor vi. 16.

o ch xi. 20, xiv. 11; xxxvi 28; xliii. 7; Lev. xxvi 11, 12; John i. 14.

p ch. xx. 12; xxxvi. 23.

j ch. xxxiv. 23, 24; Isa. xi. 13; Jer. iii. 18, l 4, Hos. i. 11; John x. 16.

2 Or, *prince of the chief.*

q ch. xxxii. 26; xxxv. 2, 3, xxxix. 1, Rev. xx. 8.

k ch. xxxvi. 25, 28, 29.

4 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts *of armour, even* a great company *with* bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:[e]

5 Persia, Ethiopia, and [1]Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:[b]

6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: *and* many people with thee.[c]

7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.[d]

8 ¶ After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the land *that is* brought back from the sword, *and is* gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them.[e]

9 Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.[f]

10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; It shall also come to pass, *that* at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt [2]think an evil thought:

11 And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell [3]safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates,[g]

12 [4]To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places *that are now* inhabited, and upon the people *that are* gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land.[h]

13 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?[i]

14 ¶ Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD: In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know *it?*[j]

15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army:[k]

16 And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.[l]

17 Thus saith the Lord GOD; *Art* thou he of whom I have spoken in old time [5]by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days *many* years that I would bring thee against them?

18 And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, *that* my fury shall come up in my face.

BEFORE CHRIST 587.

m ch. xxxvi. 5, 6; xxxix. 25; Ps. lxxxix. 46; Hagg. ii. 6, 7; Rev xvi. 18.

a ch. xxiii 12; xxix. 4; xxxix. 2; 2 Kings xix. 28.

1 Or, *Phut*

b ch xxvii. 10; xxx. 5.

6 Or, *towers*, or, *stairs.*

c ch. xxvii 14, Gen. x. 2.

n Jer iv 24, Hos iv 3, Nahum i. 5, 6.

d Jer. xlvi. 3, 4, 14; li. 12.

o ch xiv 17; Judg. vii 22, 1 Sam. xiv. 20, 2 Chron. xx. 23; Ps. cv. 16.

p ch v 17, xiii. 11; Ps xi. 6, Isa. xxix. 6, xxx. 30, lxvi 16, Jer xxv. 31, Rev. xvi 21.

e vs 11, 12, 16, ch. xxxiv 13, 25, 28, xxxvi 1, Gen xlix. 1, Deut. iv 30, Isa xxix. 6, Jer xxiii. 6.

q ver. 16, ch xxxvi 23; xxxvii 28, xxxix 7; Ps. lx. 16

f ver 16, Isa. xxviii. 2; Jer iv 13

2 Or, *conceive a mischievous purpose*

3 Or, *confidently*

g ver 8, Jer xlix 31

4 Heb *To spoil the spoil, and to prey the prey*

r ch. xxxviii 2, 3

7 Or, *strike thee with six plagues*, or, *draw thee back with a hook of six teeth*, as ch xxxviii 4

h ver 5, ch xxix 19, xxxvi 34, 35, Judg ix 37

8 Heb *the sides of the north*

s ch xxxviii 15

i ch xix 5, 8, xxvii. 12, 15, 20, 22, 23

9 Heb *wing*

10 Heb *to devour.*

j ver. 8; Isa. iv 1

t ver 17, ch xxxiii 27, xxxviii 21

11 Heb *the face of the field.*

k ver 6, ch xxxix 2.

12 Or, *confidently*

u ch xxxviii 22; Ps. lxxii. 10, Amos i 4

l vs 8, 9, ch. xxxvi. 23, xxxix. 21; Exod xiv 4.

v ver 22, ch. xx 39; xxxviii 16, 23, Lev xviii 21.

5 Heb *by the hands.*

w ch xxxviii 17; Rev xvi. 17; xxi. 6.

13 Or, *javelins.*

14 Or, *make a fire of them.*

19 For in my jealousy *and* in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;[m]

20 So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that *are* upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the [6]steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.[n]

21 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother.[o]

22 And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that *are* with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.[p]

23 Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[q]

CHAPTER XXXIX.

1 *God's judgment upon Gog.* 8 *Israel's victory.* 11 *Gog's burial in Hamon-gog.* 17 *The feast of the fowls.* 23 *Israel, having been plagued for their sins, shall be gathered again with eternal favour.*

THEREFORE, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:[r]

2 And I will turn thee back, and [7]leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from [8]the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:[s]

3 And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

4 Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that *is* with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every [9]sort, and *to* the beasts of the field [10]to be devoured.[t]

5 Thou shalt fall upon [11]the open field: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.

6 And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell [12]carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.[u]

7 So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not *let them* pollute my holy name any more: and the heathen shall know that I *am* the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.[v]

8 ¶ Behold, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord GOD; this *is* the day whereof I have spoken.[w]

9 And they that dwell in the cities of Israel shall go forth, and shall set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the staves, and the spears, and they shall [13]burn them with fire seven years:

10 So that they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down *any* out of the forests; for they shall burn the weapons with fire: and they shall spoil those that spoiled them, and rob those that robbed them, saith the Lord GOD.[a]

11 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the [1]*noses* of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call *it* The valley of [2]Hamon-gog.

12 And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may cleanse the land.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 587.

7 Or, *slaughter.*

a Isa xiv 2.

f ver 4; Isa. xviii. 6; xxxiv 6; Jer. xii. 9; Zeph. i. 7; Rev. xix. 17.

8 Heb. *great goats.*

1 Or, *mouths.*

g Deut. xxxii 14, Ps. xxii. 12; Rev. xix. 18.

2 That is, *The multitude of Gog*

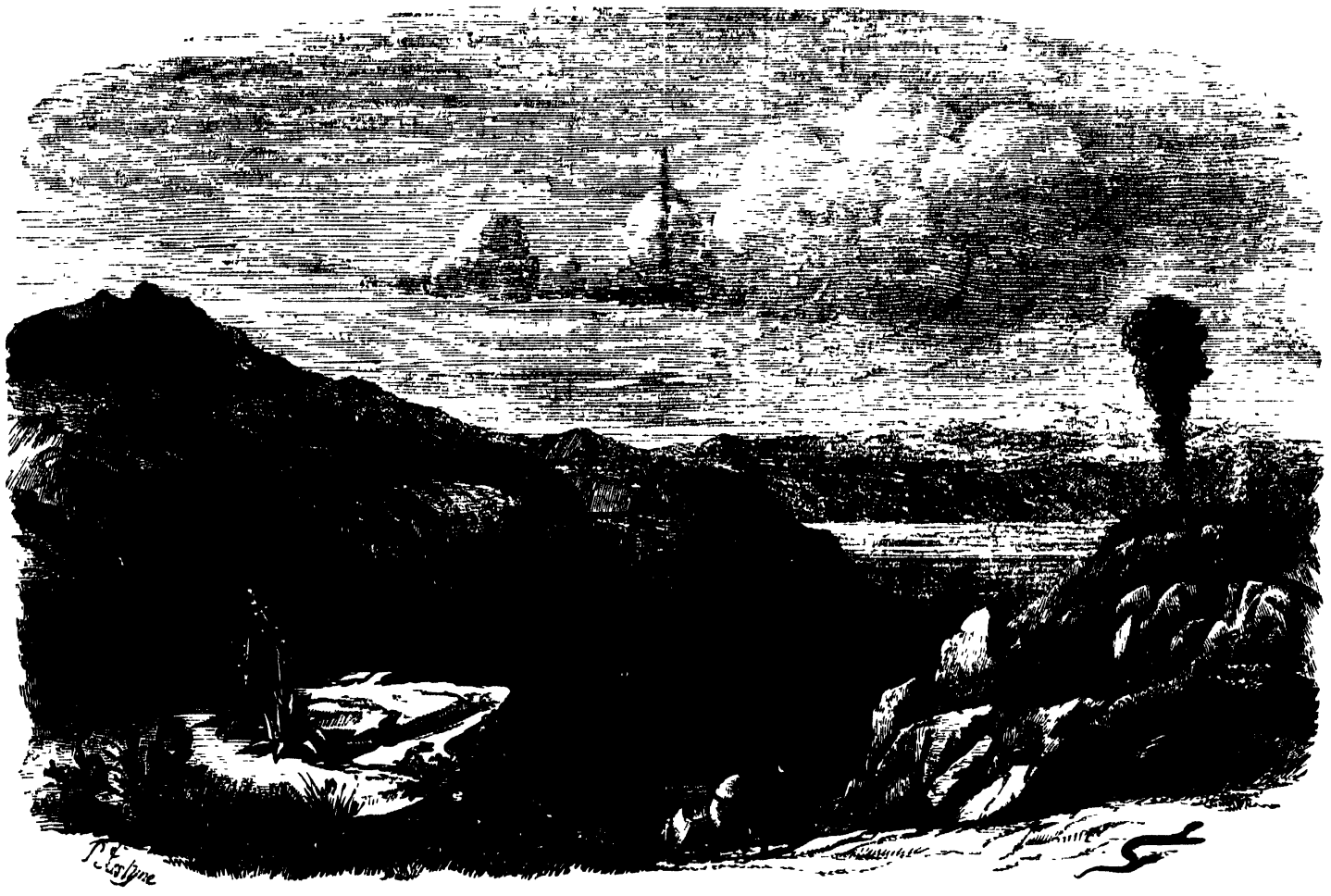
b vs. 14, 16; Deut. xxi. 23.

beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my [7]sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, *even* a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.[f]

18 Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of [8]goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.[g]

19 And ye shall eat fat till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

20 Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses



THE VALLEY OF PASSENGERS. SUPPOSED SITE OF THE VALLEY OF HAMON-GOG.—EZEKIEL XXXIX. 15.

13 Yea, all the people of the land shall bury *them;* and it shall be to them a renown the day that I shall be glorified, saith the Lord GOD.[c]

14 And they shall sever out [3]men of continual employment, passing through the land to bury with the passengers those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it: after the end of seven months shall they search.[d]

15 And the passengers *that* pass through the land, when *any* seeth a man's bone, then shall he [4]set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamon-gog.

16 And also the name of the city *shall be* [5]Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land.[e]

17 ¶ And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; Speak [6]unto every feathered fowl, and to every

h ch xxxviii 4; Ps. lxxvi. 6, Rev xix 18

c ch xxviii. 23

3 Heb *men of continuance.*

i ch. xxxviii 16, 23, Exod vii. 4.

d ver 12.

j vs 7, 28

4 Heb *build.*

k ch. xxxvi 18, 19, 20, 23, Lev xxvi 25, Deut. xxxi 17, Isa lix 2.

5 That is, The *multitude.*

e ver 12

6 Heb. *to the fowl of every wing.*

l ch. xxxvi. 19

and chariots, with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord GOD.[h]

21 And I will set my glory among the heathen, and all the heathen shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them.[i]

22 So the house of Israel shall know that I *am* the LORD their God from that day and forward.[j]

23 ¶ And the heathen shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity: because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword.[k]

24 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them.[l]

25 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name;[a]

26 After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made *them* afraid.[b]

27 When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations;[c]

28 Then shall they know that I *am* the LORD their God, [1]which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there.[d]

29 Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.[e]

CHAPTER XL.

1 *The time, manner, and end of the vision.* 6 *The description of the east gate,* 20 *of the north gate,* 24 *of the south gate,* 32 *of the east gate,* 35 *and of the north gate.* 39 *Eight tables.* 44 *The chambers.* 48 *The porch of the house.*

IN the five and twentieth year of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth *day* of the month, in the fourteenth year after that the city was smitten, in the selfsame day the hand of the LORD was upon me, and brought me thither.[f]

2 In the visions of God brought he me into the land of Israel, and set me upon a very high mountain, [2]by which *was* as the frame of a city on the south.[g]

3 And he brought me thither, and, behold, *there was* a man, whose appearance *was* like the appearance of brass, with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring reed; and he stood in the gate.[h]

4 And the man said unto me, Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and set thine heart upon all that I shall shew thee; for to the intent that I might shew *them* unto thee *art* thou brought hither: declare all that thou seest to the house of Israel.[i]

5 And behold a wall on the outside of the house round about, and in the man's hand a measuring reed of six cubits *long* by the cubit and an hand breadth: so he measured the breadth of the building, one reed; and the height, one reed.[j]

6 ¶ Then came he unto the gate [3]which looketh toward the east, and went up the stairs thereof, and measured the threshold of the gate, *which was* one reed broad; and the other threshold *of the gate, which was* one reed broad.

7 And *every* little chamber *was* one reed long, and one reed broad; and between the little chambers *were* five cubits; and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate within *was* one reed.

8 He measured also the porch of the gate within, one reed.

9 Then measured he the porch of the gate, eight cubits; and the posts thereof, two cubits; and the porch of the gate *was* inward.

10 And the little chambers of the gate eastward *were* three on this side, and three on that side; they three *were* of one measure: and the posts had one measure on this side and on that side.

11 And he measured the breadth of the entry of the gate, ten cubits; *and* the length of the gate, thirteen cubits.

12 The [4]space also before the little chambers *was* one cubit *on this side*, and the space *was* one cubit on that side: and the little chambers *were* six cubits on this side, and six cubits on that side.

13 He measured then the gate from the roof of *one* little chamber to the roof of another: the breadth *was* five and twenty cubits, door against door.

14 He made also posts of threescore cubits, even unto the post of the court round about the gate.

15 And from the face of the gate of the entrance unto the face of the porch of the inner gate *were* fifty cubits.

16 And *there were* [5]narrow windows to the little chambers, and to their posts within the gate round about, and likewise to the [6]arches: and windows *were* round about [7]inward: and upon *each* post *were* palm trees.[k]

17 Then brought he me into the outward court, and, lo, *there were* chambers, and a pavement made for the court round about: thirty chambers *were* upon the pavement.[l]

18 And the pavement by the side of the gates over against the length of the gates *was* the lower pavement.

19 Then he measured the breadth from the forefront of the lower gate unto the forefront of the inner court [8]without, an hundred cubits eastward and northward.

20 ¶ And the gate of the outward court [9]that looked toward the north, he measured the length thereof, and the breadth thereof.

21 And the little chambers thereof *were* three on this side and three on that side; and the posts thereof and the [10]arches thereof were after the measure of the first gate: the length thereof *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

22 And their windows, and their arches, and their palm trees, *were* after the measure of the gate that looketh toward the east; and they went up unto it by seven steps; and the arches thereof *were* before them.[m]

23 And the gate of the inner court *was* over against the gate toward the north, and toward the east; and he measured from gate to gate an hundred cubits.

24 ¶ After that he brought me toward the south, and behold a gate toward the south: and he measured the posts thereof and the arches thereof according to these measures.

25 And *there were* windows in it and in the arches thereof round about, like those windows: the length

BEFORE CHRIST 574.

[a] ch xx. 40; xxxiv. 13; xxxvi. 24, Jer. xxx. 3, 18, Hos i. 11.

[b] Lev. xxvi. 5, 6; Dan. ix. 16.

4 Heb. *limit*, or, *bound.*

[c] ch xxviii 25, 26; xxxvi. 23, 24, xxxviii. 16.

1 Heb *by my causing of them*, &c.

[d] ver. 22; ch. xxxiv. 30.

[e] Isa. liv 8. Joel ii. 28; Zech. xii. 10; Acts ii. 17.

5 Heb. *closed.*

6 Or, *galleries*, or, *porches*

7 Or, *within.*

[k] 1 Kings vi 4.

[f] ch. i. 3; xxxiii. 21.

[l] ch. xlv 5; 1 Kings vi. 5; Rev. xi. 2.

2 Or, *upon which.*

[g] ch. viii. 3; Rev. xxi. 10.

8 Or, *from without.*

[h] ch i 7; xlvii. 3; Dan. x. 6, Rev. xi. 1; xxi 15.

9 Heb. *whose face was.*

10 Or, *galleries*, or, *porches*

[i] ch xliii 10, xliv. 5.

[j] ch. xlii 20.

3 Heb. *whose face was the way toward the east.*

[m] ver 16.



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was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

26 And *there were* seven steps to go up to it, and the arches thereof *were* before them: and it had palm trees, one on this side, and another on that side, upon the posts thereof.

27 And *there was* a gate in the inner court toward the south: and he measured from gate to gate toward the south an hundred cubits.

28 And he brought me to the inner court by the south gate: and he measured the south gate according to these measures;

29 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, according to these measures: and *there were* windows in it and in the arches thereof round about: *it was* fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.

30 And the arches round about *were* five and twenty cubits long, and five cubits [1]broad.[a]

31 And the arches thereof *were* toward the utter court; and palm trees *were* upon the posts thereof: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.

32 ¶ And he brought me into the inner court toward the east: and he measured the gate according to these measures.[b]

33 And the little chambers thereof, and the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, *were* according to these measures: and *there were* windows therein and in the arches thereof round about: *it was* fifty cubits long, and five and twenty cubits broad.

34 And the arches thereof *were* toward the outward court; and palm trees *were* upon the posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.[c]

35 ¶ And he brought me to the north gate, and measured *it* according to these measures;[d]

36 The little chambers thereof, the posts thereof, and the arches thereof, and the windows to it round about: the length *was* fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

BEFORE CHRIST 574.

b vs. 24, 28, 35.

c vs 16, 31, 37.

d vs. 24, 28, 32.

1 Heb. *breadth.*

a vs. 21, 25, 33, 36.

37 And the posts thereof *were* toward the utter court; and palm trees *were* upon the posts thereof, on this side, and on that side: and the going up to it *had* eight steps.

38 And the chambers and the entries thereof *were* by the posts of the gates, where they washed the burnt offering.

39 ¶ And in the porch of the gate *were* two tables on this side, and two tables on that side, to slay thereon the burnt offering and the sin offering and the trespass offering.[a]

40 And at the side without, [1]as one goeth up to the entry of the north gate, *were* two tables; and on the other side, which *was* at the porch of the gate, *were* two tables.

41 Four tables *were* on this side, and four tables on that side, by the side of the gate; eight tables, whereupon they slew *their sacrifices.*

42 And the four tables *were* of hewn stone for the burnt offering, of a cubit and an half long, and a cubit and an half broad, and one cubit high: whereupon also they laid the instruments wherewith they slew the burnt offering and the sacrifice.

43 And within *were* [2]hooks, an hand broad, fastened round about: and upon the tables *was* the flesh of the offering.

44 ¶ And without the inner gate *were* the chambers of the singers in the inner court, which *was* at the side of the north gate; and their prospect *was* toward the south: one at the side of the east gate *having* the prospect toward the north.[b]

45 And he said unto me, This chamber, whose prospect *is* toward the south, *is* for the priests, the keepers of the [3]charge of the house.[c]

46 And the chamber whose prospect *is* toward the north *is* for the priests, the keepers of the charge of the altar: these *are* the sons of Zadok among the sons of Levi, which come near to the LORD to minister unto him.[d]

47 So he measured the court, an hundred cubits long, and an hundred cubits broad, foursquare; and the altar *that was* before the house.

48 ¶ And he brought me to the porch of the house, and measured *each* post of the porch, five cubits on this side, and five cubits on that side: and the breadth of the gate *was* three cubits on this side, and three cubits on that side.

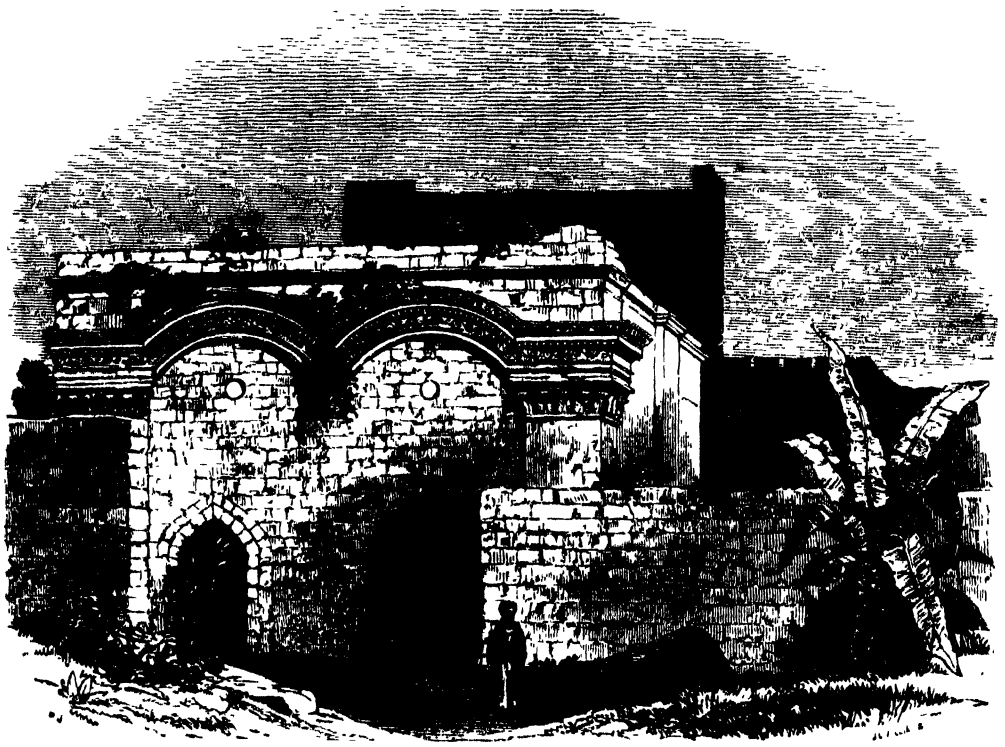
49 The length of the porch *was* twenty cubits, and the breadth eleven cubits; and *he brought me* by the steps whereby they went up to it: and *there were* pillars by the posts, one on this side, and another on that side.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 574.

[a] Lev iv. 2, 3; v. 6; vi. 6, vii. 1.

[1] Or, *at the step.*

[d] ch. xliii. 19; xliv. 15, 16; Numb. xviii. 5; 1 Kings ii. 35.



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[e] 1 Kings vi. 3, vii. 21

[2] Or, *end-irons*, or, the *two hearthstones.*

[4] Or, *entrance*

[b] 1 Chron. vi. 31.

[3] Or, *ward*, or, *ordinance*, so ver 46

[c] Lev viii. 35, Numb iii. 27, 28, 32, 38; xviii. 5; 1 Chron. ix. 23, 2 Chron. xiii 11; Ps cxxxiv 1

CHAPTER XLI.

The measures, parts, chambers, and ornaments of the temple.

AFTERWARD he brought me to the temple, and measured the posts, six cubits broad on the one side, and six cubits broad on the other side, *which was* the breadth of the tabernacle.

2 And the breadth of the [4]door *was* ten cubits; and the sides of the door *were* five cubits on the one side, and five cubits on the other side: and he measured the length thereof, forty cubits: and the breadth, twenty cubits.

3 Then went he inward, and measured the post of the door, two cubits; and the door, six cubits; and the breadth of the door, seven cubits.

4 So he measured the length thereof, twenty cubits; and the breadth, twenty cubits, before the temple: and he said unto me, This *is* the most holy *place.*[a]

5 After he measured the wall of the house, six cubits; and the breadth of *every* side chamber, four cubits, round about the house on every side.

6 And the side chambers *were* three, [1]one over another, and [2]thirty in order; and they entered into the wall which *was* of the house for the side chambers round about, that they might [3]have hold, but they had not hold in the wall of the house.[b]

7 And [4]*there was* an enlarging, and a winding about still upward to the side chambers: for the winding about of the house went still upward round about the house: therefore the breadth of the house *was still* upward, and so increased *from* the lowest *chamber* to the highest by the midst.[c]

8 I saw also the height of the house round about: the foundations of the side chambers *were* a full reed of six great cubits.[d]

9 The thickness of the wall, which *was* for the side chamber without, *was* five cubits: and *that* which *was* left *was* the place of the side chambers that *were* within.

10 And between the chambers *was* the wideness of twenty cubits round about the house on every side.

11 And the doors of the side chambers *were* toward *the place that was* left, one door toward the north, and another door toward the south: and the breadth of the place that was left *was* five cubits round about.

12 Now the building that *was* before the separate place at the end toward the west *was* seventy cubits broad; and the wall of the building *was* five cubits thick round about, and the length thereof ninety cubits.

13 So he measured the house, an hundred cubits long; and the separate place, and the building, with the walls thereof, an hundred cubits long;

14 Also the breadth of the face of the house, and of the separate place toward the east, an hundred cubits.

15 And he measured the length of the building over against the separate place which *was* behind it, and the [5]galleries thereof on the one side and on the other side, an hundred cubits, with the inner temple, and the porches of the court;

16 The door posts, and the narrow windows, and the galleries round about on their three stories, over against the door, [6]cieled with wood round about, [7]and from the ground up to the windows, and the windows *were* covered;[e]

17 To that above the door, even unto the inner house, and without, and by all the wall round about within and without, by [8]measure.

18 And *it was* made with cherubims and palm trees, so that a palm tree *was* between a cherub and a cherub; and *every* cherub had two faces;[f]

19 So that the face of a man *was* toward the palm tree on the one side, and the face of a young lion toward the palm tree on the other side: *it was* made through all the house round about.[g]

20 From the ground unto above the door *were* cherubims and palm trees made, and *on* the wall of the temple.

21 The [9]posts of the temple *were* squared, *and* the face of the sanctuary; the appearance *of the one* as the appearance *of the other.*

22 The altar of wood *was* three cubits high, and the length thereof two cubits; and the corners thereof, and the length thereof, and the walls thereof, *were* of wood: and he said unto me, This *is* the table that *is* before the LORD.[h]

23 And the temple and the sanctuary had two doors.[i]

24 And the doors had two leaves *apiece*, two turning leaves; two *leaves* for the one door, and two leaves for the other *door.*

25 And *there were* made on them, on the doors of the temple, cherubims and palm trees, like as *were* made upon the walls; and *there were* thick planks upon the face of the porch without.

26 And *there were* narrow windows and palm trees on the one side and on the other side, on the sides of the porch, and *upon* the side chambers of the house, and thick planks.[j]

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g ch. i. 10.

a 1 Kings vi. 20; 2 Chron. iii. 8.

9 Heb. *post.*

1 Heb. *side chamber over side chamber.*

2 Or, *three and thirty times*, or, *foot.*

3 Heb. *be holden.*

b 1 Kings vi. 5, 6.

4 Heb. *it was made broader, and went round*

h ch xliv 16; Exod xxx. 1, 8; Mal. i. 7, 12.

i 1 Kings vi. 31—35.

c 1 Kings vi. 8.

d ch. xl. 5.

j ver 16, ch xl. 16.

k ch xli 12, 15

l ch. xli. 16.

5 Or, *several walks*, or, *walks with pillars.*

10 Or, *did eat of these.*

11 Or, *and the building consisted of the lower and the middlemost*

6 Heb *cieling of wood.*

7 Or, *and the ground unto the windows.*

e ver 26; ch. xl. 16.

8 Heb. *measures.*

f 1 Kings vi. 29.

12 Or, *from the place.*

13 Or, *he that brought me.*

CHAPTER XLII.

1 *The chambers for the priests.* 13 *The use thereof.* 19 *The measures of the outward court.*

THEN he brought me forth into the utter court, the way toward the north: and he brought me into the chamber that *was* over against the separate place, and which *was* before the building toward the north.[k]

2 Before the length of an hundred cubits *was* the north door, and the breadth *was* fifty cubits.

3 Over against the twenty *cubits* which *were* for the inner court, and over against the pavement which *was* for the utter court, *was* gallery against gallery in three *stories.*[l]

4 And before the chambers *was* a walk of ten cubits breadth inward, a way of one cubit; and their doors toward the north.

5 Now the upper chambers *were* shorter: for the galleries [10]were higher than these, than the lower, [11]and than the middlemost of the building.

6 For they *were* in three *stories*, but had not pillars as the pillars of the courts: therefore *the building* was straitened more than the lowest and the middlemost from the ground.

7 And the wall that *was* without over against the chambers, toward the utter court on the forepart of the chambers, the length thereof *was* fifty cubits.

8 For the length of the chambers that *were* in the utter court *was* fifty cubits: and, lo, before the temple *were* an hundred cubits.

9 And [12]from under these chambers *was* [13]the entry

on the east side, [1]as one goeth into them from the utter court.

10 The chambers *were* in the thickness of the wall of the court toward the east, over against the separate place, and over against the building.

11 And the way before them *was* like the appearance of the chambers which *were* toward the north, as long as they, *and* as broad as they: and all their goings out *were* both according to their fashions, and according to their doors.[e]

12 And according to the doors of the chambers that *were* toward the south *was* a door in the head of the way, *even* the way directly before the wall toward the east, as one entereth into them.

13 ¶ Then said he unto me, The north chambers *and* the south chambers, which *are* before the separate place, they *be* holy chambers, where the priests that approach unto the LORD shall eat the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; for the place *is* holy.[b]

14 When the priests enter therein, then shall they not go out of the holy *place* into the utter court, but there they shall lay their garments wherein they minister; for they *are* holy; and shall put on other garments, and shall approach to *those things* which *are* for the people.[c]

15 Now when he had made an end of measuring the inner house, he brought me forth toward the gate whose prospect *is* toward the east, and measured it round about.

16 He measured the east [2]side with the measuring reed, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.

17 He measured the north side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about.

18 He measured the south side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed.

19 ¶ He turned about to the west side, *and* measured five hundred reeds with the measuring reed.

20 He measured it by the four sides: it had a wall round about, five hundred *reeds* long, and five hundred broad, to make a separation between the sanctuary and the profane place.[d]

CHAPTER XLIII.

1 *The returning of the glory of God into the temple.* 7 *The sin of Israel hindered God's presence.* 10 *The prophet exhorteth them to repentance, and observation of the law of the house.* 13 *The measures,* 18 *and the ordinances of the altar.*

AFTERWARD he brought me to the gate, *even* the gate that looketh toward the east:[e]

2 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice *was* like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with his glory.[f]

3 And *it was* according to the appearance of the vision which I saw, *even* according to the vision that I saw [3]when I came to destroy the city: and the visions *were* like the vision that I saw by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face.[g]

4 And the glory of the LORD came into the house by the way of the gate whose prospect *is* toward the east.[h]

5 So the spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house.[i]

6 And I heard *him* speaking unto me out of the house; and the man stood by me.[j]

7 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever, and my holy name, shall the house of Israel no more defile, *neither* they, nor their kings, by their whoredom, nor by the carcases of their kings in their high places.[k]

8 In their setting of their threshold by my thresholds, and their post by my posts, [4]and the wall between me and them, they have even defiled my holy name by their abominations that they have committed: wherefore I have consumed them in mine anger.[l]

9 Now let them put away their whoredom, and the carcases of their kings, far from me, and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever.[m]

10 ¶ Thou son of man, shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities: and let them measure the [5]pattern.[n]

11 And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, shew them the form of the house, and the fashion thereof, and the goings out thereof, and the comings in thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the laws thereof: and write *it* in their sight, that they may keep the whole form thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and do them.

12 This *is* the law of the house; Upon the top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round about *shall be* most holy. Behold, this *is* the law of the house.[o]

13 ¶ And these *are* the measures of the altar after the cubits: The cubit *is* a cubit and an hand breadth; even the [6]bottom *shall be* a cubit, and the breadth a cubit, and the border thereof by the [7]edge thereof round about *shall be* a span: and this *shall be* the higher place of the altar.[p]

14 And from the bottom *upon* the ground *even* to the lower settle *shall be* two cubits, and the breadth one cubit; and from the lesser settle *even* to the greater settle *shall be* four cubits, and the breadth *one* cubit.

15 So [8]the altar *shall be* four cubits; and from [9]the altar and upward *shall be* four horns.

16 And the altar *shall be* twelve *cubits* long, twelve broad, square in the four squares thereof.

17 And the settle *shall be* fourteen *cubits* long and fourteen broad in the four squares thereof; and the border about it *shall be* half a cubit; and the bottom thereof *shall be* a cubit about; and his stairs shall look toward the east.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 574.

1 Or, *as he came.*

3 Or, *when I came to prophesy that the city should be destroyed;* ch. ix. 1, 5.

g ch. i. 3, 4, 28; iii. 23; viii. 4; Jer. i. 10.

h ch. x. 19; xliv. 2.

i ch. iii. 12, 14; viii. 3, xliv. 4; 1 Kings viii. 10, 11.

a ver 4.

j ch. xl. 3.

k ch xxxix. 7; Exod. xxix. 45; Lev xxvi 30; 1 Chron xxviii 2, Ps. lxviii. 16, xcix 1, 5, cxxxii 14, Jer. xvi. 18; Joel iii 17, John i 14; 2 Cor vi. 16

4 Or, *for* there was but *a wall between me and them*

b Lev ii 3, 10, vi 14, 16, 17, 25, 29, vii 1, x 13, 14, xxiv. 9, Numb. xviii. 9, 10

l ch. viii 3, xxiii 39, xliv 7; 2 Kings xvi 14, xxi. 4, 5, 7.

c ch. xliv 19

m ver 7

5 Or, *sum,* or, *number*

n ch xl 4

2 Heb *wind*

o ch xl. 2

d ch xl 5, xlv 2

6 Heb *bosom.*

7 Heb *lip.*

p ch. xl. 5, xli. 8

e ch. x 19; xi. 23; xliv. 1, xlvi. 1

8 Heb *Harel,* that is, *the mountain of God.*

9 Heb *Ariel,* that is, *the lion of God;* Isa. xxix. 1

f ch. i 24, x. 4, xi 23; Rev. i 15; xiv. 2; xviii. 1, xix. 1, 6.

q Exod. xx. 26,

18 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD; These *are* the ordinances of the altar in the day when they shall make it, to offer burnt offerings thereon, and to sprinkle blood thereon.[a]

19 And thou shalt give to the priests the Levites that be of the seed of Zadok, which approach unto me, to minister unto me, saith the Lord GOD, a young bullock for a sin offering.[b]

20 And thou shalt take of the blood thereof, and put *it* on the four horns of it, and on the four corners of the settle, and upon the border round about: thus shalt thou cleanse and purge it.

21 Thou shalt take the bullock also of the sin offering, and he shall burn it in the appointed place of the house, without the sanctuary.[c]

22 And on the second day thou shalt offer a kid of the goats without blemish for a sin offering; and they shall cleanse the altar, as they did cleanse *it* with the bullock.

23 When thou hast made an end of cleansing *it*, thou shalt offer a young bullock without blemish, and a ram out of the flock without blemish.

24 And thou shalt offer them before the LORD, and the priests shall cast salt upon them, and they shall offer them up *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD.[d]

25 Seven days shalt thou prepare every day a goat *for* a sin offering: they shall also prepare a young bullock, and a ram out of the flock, without blemish.[e]

26 Seven days shall they purge the altar and purify it; and they shall [1]consecrate themselves.

27 And when these days are expired, it shall be, *that* upon the eighth day, and *so* forward, the priests shall make your burnt offerings upon the altar, and your [2]peace offerings; and I will accept you, saith the Lord GOD.[f]

CHAPTER XLIV.

1 *The east gate assigned only to the prince.* 4 *The priests reproved for polluting of the sanctuary.* 9 *Idolaters uncapable of the priest's office* 15 *The sons of Zadok are accepted thereto.* 17 *Ordinances for the priests.*

THEN he brought me back the way of the gate of the outward sanctuary which looketh toward the east; and it *was* shut.[g]

2 Then said the LORD unto me; This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no man shall enter in by it; because the LORD, the God of Israel, hath entered in by it, therefore it shall be shut.[h]

3 *It is* for the prince; the prince, he shall sit in it to eat bread before the LORD; he shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and shall go out by the way of the same.[i]

4 ¶ Then brought he me the way of the north gate before the house: and I looked, and, behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD: and I fell upon my face.[j]

5 And the LORD said unto me, Son of man, [3]mark well, and behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears all that I say unto thee concerning all the ordinances of the house of the LORD, and all the laws thereof; and mark well the entering in of the house, with every going forth of the sanctuary.[k]

6 And thou shalt say to the rebellious, *even* to the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O ye house of Israel, let it suffice you of all your abominations,[l]

7 In that ye have brought *into my sanctuary* [4]strangers, uncircumcised in heart, and uncircumcised in flesh, to be in my sanctuary, to pollute it, *even* my house, when ye offer my bread, the fat and the blood, and they have broken my covenant because of all your abominations.[m]

8 And ye have not kept the [5]charge of mine holy things: but ye have set keepers of my charge in my sanctuary for yourselves.[n]

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; No stranger, uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh, shall enter into my sanctuary, of any stranger that *is* among the children of Israel.[o]

10 And the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went astray, which went astray away from me after their idols; they shall even bear their iniquity.[p]

11 Yet they shall be ministers in my sanctuary, *having* charge at the gates of the house, and ministering to the house: they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice for the people, and they shall stand before them to minister unto them.[q]

12 Because they ministered unto them before their idols, and [6]caused the house of Israel to fall into iniquity; therefore have I lifted up mine hand against them, saith the Lord GOD, and they shall bear their iniquity.[r]

13 And they shall not come near unto me, to do the office of a priest unto me, nor to come near to any of my holy things, in the most holy *place:* but they shall bear their shame, and their abominations which they have committed.[s]

14 But I will make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and for all that shall be done therein.[t]

15 ¶ But the priests the Levites, the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood, saith the Lord GOD:[u]

16 They shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come near to my table, to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge.[v]

17 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, whiles they minister in the gates of the inner court, and within.[w]

18 They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads, and shall have linen breeches upon their loins; they shall not gird *themselves* [7]with any thing that causeth sweat.[x]

19 And when they go forth into the utter court,

BEFORE CHRIST 574.

a Lev. i. 5
k ch. xl. 4.
b ch. xliv 15; xlv 18, 19; Exod xxix. 10, 12, Lev. viii 14, 15
l ch. xlv 9; 1 Peter iv. 3.
4 Heb *children of a stranger.*
m ver 9; ch xliii 8; Lev. iii 16, xvii. 11, xxi 6, 8, 17, 21; xxii 25, xxvi. 41, Deut x. 16, Acts vii. 51, xxi. 28.
c Exod xxix. 14; Heb xiii 11
5 Or, *ward*, or, *ordinance*, and so vs 14, 16, and ch xl 45
n Lev xxii 2, &c
o ver. 7.
p ch xlviii 11; 2 Kings xxiii 8, &c, 2 Chron. xxix. 4.
d Lev. ii. 13.
e Exod xxix. 35, 36, Lev viii. 33
q Numb xvi. 9, 1 Chron xxvi. 1, xxix. 34
1 Heb *fill their hands* Exod. xxix. 24
6 Heb. *were for a stumbling block of iniquity unto*, &c.; ch xiv. 3, 4.
r Ps. cvi 26, Isa. ix. 16, Mal. ii 8.
2 Or, *thank offerings.*
f ch. xx 40, 41; Lev ix 1, Job xlii 8; Rom. xii 1, 1 Peter ii. 5.
s ch xxxii 30, xxxvi. 27; Numb. xviii. 3, 2 Kings xxiii. 9.
t Numb xviii. 4; 1 Chron. xxiii. 28, 32.
g ch xliii. 1.
u vs 7, 10; ch xl. 46; xliii. 19; Deut x. 8, 1 Sam. ii. 35.
h ch. xliii. 4.
v ch xli. 22.
i ch. xlvi 2, 8; Gen. xxxi. 54; 1 Cor. x. 18.
w Exod xxviii 39, 40, 43; xxxix. 27, 28
j ch. i. 28; iii. 23; xliii. 5.
7 Or, *in sweating places.* Heb. *in*, or, *with sweat.*
3 Heb. *set thine heart.*
x Exod. xxviii. 40, 42; xxxix. 28.

even into the utter court to the people, they shall put off their garments wherein they ministered, and lay them in the holy chambers, and they shall put on other garments; and they shall not sanctify the people with their garments.[a]

20 Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their locks to grow long; they shall only poll their heads.

21 Neither shall any priest drink wine, when they enter into the inner court.[b]

22 Neither shall they take for their wives a widow, nor her that is [1]put away: but they shall take maidens of the seed of the house of Israel, or a widow [2]that had a priest before.[c]

23 And they shall teach my people *the difference* between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.[d]

24 And in controversy they shall stand in judgment; *and* they shall judge it according to my judgments: and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all mine assemblies; and they shall hallow my sabbaths.[e]

25 And they shall come at no dead person to defile themselves: but for father, or for mother, or for son, or for daughter, for brother, or for sister that hath had no husband, they may defile themselves.[f]

26 And after he is cleansed, they shall reckon unto him seven days.[g]

27 And in the day that he goeth into the sanctuary, unto the inner court, to minister in the sanctuary, he shall offer his sin offering, saith the Lord GOD.[h]

28 And it shall be unto them for an inheritance: I *am* their inheritance: and ye shall give them no possession in Israel: I *am* their possession.[i]

29 They shall eat the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass offering; and every [3]dedicated thing in Israel shall be their's.[j]

30 And the first of all the firstfruits of all *things*, and every oblation of all, of every *sort* of your oblations, shall be the priest's: ye shall also give unto the priest the first of your dough, that he may cause the blessing to rest in thine house.[k]

31 The priests shall not eat of any thing that is dead of itself, or torn, whether it be fowl or beast.[l]

CHAPTER XLV.

1 *The portion of land for the sanctuary,* 6 *for the city,* 7 *and for the prince* 9 *Ordinances for the prince.*

MOREOVER, [4]when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance, ye shall offer an oblation unto the LORD, [5]an holy portion of the land: the length *shall be* the length of five and twenty thousand *reeds*, and the breadth *shall be* ten thousand. This *shall be* holy in all the borders thereof round about.[m]

2 Of this there shall be for the sanctuary five hundred *in length*, with five hundred *in breadth*, square round about; and fifty cubits round about for the [6]suburbs thereof.[n]

3 And of this measure shalt thou measure the length of five and twenty thousand, and the breadth of ten thousand: and in it shall be the sanctuary *and* the most holy *place*.[o]

4 The holy *portion* of the land shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which shall come near to minister unto the LORD: and it shall be a place for their houses, and an holy place for the sanctuary.[p]

5 And the five and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth, shall also the Levites, the ministers of the house, have for themselves, for a possession for twenty chambers.[q]

6 ¶ And ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, and five and twenty thousand long, over against the oblation of the holy *portion:* it shall be for the whole house of Israel.[r]

7 ¶ And *a portion shall be* for the prince on the one side and on the other side of the oblation of the holy *portion*, and of the possession of the city, before the oblation of the holy *portion*, and before the possession of the city, from the west side westward, and from the east side eastward: and the length *shall be* over against one of the portions, from the west border unto the east border.[s]

8 In the land shall be his possession in Israel: and my princes shall no more oppress my people; and *the rest of* the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes.[t]

9 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: remove violence and spoil, and execute judgment and justice, take away your [7]exactions from my people, saith the Lord GOD.[u]

10 Ye shall have just balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath.[v]

11 The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain the tenth part of an homer, and the ephah the tenth part of an homer: the measure thereof shall be after the homer.

12 And the shekel *shall be* twenty gerahs: twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh.[w]

13 This *is* the oblation that ye shall offer; the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of wheat, and ye shall give the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of barley:

14 Concerning the ordinance of oil, the bath of oil, *ye shall offer* the tenth part of a bath out of the cor, *which is* an homer of ten baths; for ten baths *are* an homer:

15 And one [8]lamb out of the flock, out of two hundred, out of the fat pastures of Israel; for a meat offering, and for a burnt offering, and for [9]peace offerings, to make reconciliation for them, saith the Lord GOD.[x]

16 All the people of the land [10]shall give this oblation [11]for the prince in Israel.

17 And it shall be the prince's part *to give* burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and drink offerings, in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the sabbaths,

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6 Or, *void places.*

n ch. xlii. 20.

a ch. xliv. 14; xlvi. 20; Lev. xxi. 5; Matt. xxiii. 17, 19.

o ch. xlviii. 10.

b Lev. x. 9.

p ver. 1; ch. xlviii. 10, &c.

1 Heb *thrust forth.*

2 Heb *from a priest.*

c Lev xxi. 7, 13, 14.

q ch. xl. 17; xlviii. 13.

d ch. xxii. 26; Lev. x. 10, 11; Mal. ii. 7.

r ch. xlviii. 15.

e ch. xxii. 26; Deut. xvii. 8, &c., 2 Chron xix. 8, 10.

f Lev xxi. 1, &c.

s ch. xlviii. 21.

g Numb. vi. 10; xix. 11, &c.

t ch xxii. 27; xlvi. 18; Jer. xxii. 17.

h ver. 17; Lev iv. 3

i Numb. xviii 20; Deut x 9, xviii. 1, 2; Josh xiii. 14, 33.

7 Heb *expulsions.*

u ch. xliv. 6, Jer. xxii. 3

3 Or, *devoted.*

v Lev. xix 35, 36, Prov xi. 1.

j Lev xxvii 21, 28, compared with Numb. xviii. 14.

k Exod. xiii 2; xxii 29, 30, xxiii. 19, Numb iii. 13, xviii. 12, 13, Neh x 37, Prov iii. 9, 10; Mal. iii 10

w Lev xxvii 25; Numb. iii. 47.

l Exod xxii. 31, Lev. xxii 8

4 Heb. *when ye cause the land to fall.*

8 Or, *kid.*

5 Heb *holiness.*

9 Or, *thank offerings.*

x Lev. i. 4.

10 Heb. *shall be for.*

11 Or, *with.*

m ch. xlvii. 22; xlviii 8.

in all solemnities of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sin offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt offering, and the [1]peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel.

18 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the first *month*, in the first *day* of the month, thou shalt take a young bullock without blemish, and cleanse the sanctuary:[a]

19 And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering, and put *it* upon the posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the settle of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court.[b]

20 And so thou shalt do the seventh *day* of the month for every one that erreth, and for *him that is* simple: so shall ye reconcile the house.[c]

21 In the first *month*, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten.[d]

22 And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bullock *for* a sin offering.[e]

23 And seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt offering to the LORD, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; and a kid of the goats daily *for* a sin offering.[f]

24 And he shall prepare a meat offering of an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and an hin of oil for an ephah.[g]

25 In the seventh *month*, in the fifteenth day of the month, shall he do the like in the feast of the seven days, according to the sin offering, according to the burnt offering, and according to the meat offering, and according to the oil.[h]

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d Exod. xii 18, Lev xxiii. 5, 6; Numb. ix. 2, 3; xxviii 16, 17; Deut. xvi 1, &c

1 Or, *thank offerings.*

e Lev iv. 14.



WORSHIPPING AT THE ENTRANCE OF AN ANCIENT TEMPLE. FROM A PAINTING FOUND AT POMPEII. (*See* EZEKIEL XLVI

a Lev. xvi. 16.

[1] Lev xxiii. 8; Numb. xxviii. 16, 22, 30; xxix. 5, 11, 16, 19, &c

g ch xlvi 5, 7.

b ch. xliii. 20.

c Lev iv. 27.

h Lev xxiii 34, Numb xxix 12, Deut. xvi. 13.

CHAPTER XLVI.

1 *Ordinances for the prince in his worship,* 9 *and for the people* 16 *An order for the prince's inheritance.* 19 *The courts for boiling and baking.*

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THUS saith the Lord GOD; The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath it shall be opened, and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened.

2 And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of *that* gate without, and shall stand by the post of the gate, and the priests shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth; but the gate shall not be shut until the evening.[a]

3 Likewise the people of the land shall worship at the door of this gate before the LORD in the sabbaths and in the new moons.

4 And the burnt offering that the prince shall offer unto the LORD in the sabbath day *shall be* six lambs without blemish, and a ram without blemish.[b]

5 And the meat offering *shall be* an ephah for a ram, and the meat offering for the lambs [1]as he shall be able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.[c]

6 And in the day of the new moon *it shall be* a young bullock without blemish, and six lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish.

7 And he shall prepare a meat offering, an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and for the lambs according as his hand shall attain unto, and an hin of oil to an ephah.

8 And when the prince shall enter, he shall go in by the way of the porch of *that* gate, and he shall go forth by the way thereof.[d]

9 ¶ But when the people of the land shall come before the LORD in the solemn feasts, he that entereth in by the way of the north gate to worship shall go out by the way of the south gate; and he that entereth by the way of the south gate shall go forth by the way of the north gate: he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth over against it.[e]

10 And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, shall go in; and when they go forth, shall go forth.

11 And in the feasts and in the solemnities the meat offering shall be an ephah to a bullock, and an ephah to a ram, and to the lambs as he is able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.[f]

12 Now when the prince shall prepare a voluntary burnt offering or peace offerings voluntarily unto the LORD, *one* shall then open him the gate that looketh toward the east, and he shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, as he did on the sabbath day: then he shall go forth; and after his going forth *one* shall shut the gate.[g]

13 Thou shalt daily prepare a burnt offering unto the LORD *of* a lamb [2]of the first year without blemish: thou shalt prepare it [3]every morning.[h]

14 And thou shalt prepare a meat offering for it every morning, the sixth part of an ephah, and the third part of an hin of oil, to temper with the fine flour; a meat offering continually by a perpetual ordinance unto the LORD.

15 Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the meat offering, and the oil, every morning *for* a continual burnt offering.

16 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; If the prince give a gift unto any of his sons, the inheritance thereof shall be his sons'; it *shall be* their possession by inheritance.

17 But if he give a gift of his inheritance to one of his servants, then it shall be his to the year of liberty; after it shall return to the prince: but his inheritance shall be his sons' for them.[i]

18 Moreover the prince shall not take of the people's inheritance by oppression, to thrust them out of their possession; *but* he shall give his sons inheritance out of his own possession: that my people be not scattered every man from his possession.[j]

19 ¶ After he brought me through the entry, which *was* at the side of the gate, into the holy chambers of the priests, which looked toward the north: and, behold, there *was* a place on the two sides westward.

20 Then said he unto me, This *is* the place where the priests shall boil the trespass offering and the sin offering, where they shall bake the meat offering; that they bear *them* not out into the utter court, to sanctify the people.[k]

21 Then he brought me forth into the utter court, and caused me to pass by the four corners of the court; and, behold, [4]in every corner of the court *there was* a court.

22 In the four corners of the court *there were* courts [5]joined of forty *cubits* long and thirty broad: these four [6]corners *were* of one measure.

23 And *there was* a row *of building* round about in them, round about them four, and *it was* made with boiling places under the rows round about.

24 Then said he unto me, These *are* the places of them that boil, where the ministers of the house shall boil the sacrifice of the people.[l]

CHAPTER XLVII.

1 *The vision of the holy waters.* 6 *The virtue of them.* 13 *The borders of the land.* 22 *The division of it by lot.*

AFTERWARD he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house *stood toward* the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south *side* of the altar.[m]

2 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto

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i Lev xxv. 10.

a ver. 8; ch xliv. 3

j ch. xlv. 8.

b ch. xlv 17.

1 Heb *the gift of his hand,* Deut xvi. 17

c vs 7, 11; ch. xlv. 24.

k ch. xliv 19; Lev. ii. 4, 5, 7; 2 Chron. xxxv. 13.

4 Heb *a court in a corner of a court, and a court in the corner of a court.*

d ver 2.

5 Or, *made with chimneys*

6 Heb. *cornered.*

e Exod xxiii 14—17, Deut xvi 16.

l ver 20.

f ver 5

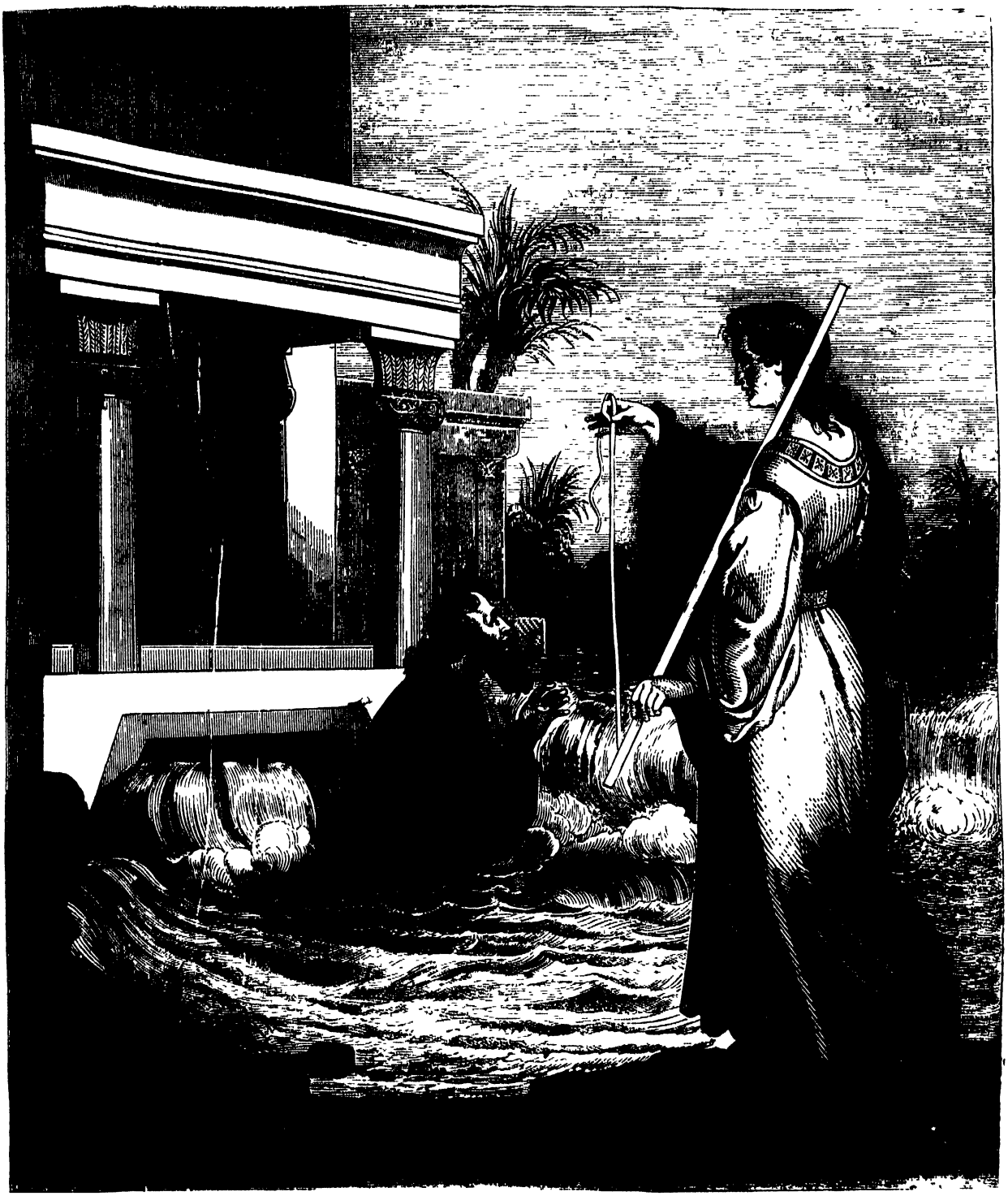
g ver 2, ch xliv. 3.

m Joel iii. 18; Zech. xiii 1; xiv. 8; Rev. xxii. 1

2 Heb. *a son of his year.*

3 Heb. *morning by morning.*

h Exod. xxix. 38; Numb. xxviii. 3.



VISION OF THE HOLY WATERS.—EZEKIEL XLVII. 1—5.

utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side.

3 And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the [1]waters *were* to the ancles.[a]

4 Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters *were* to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters *were* to the loins.

5 Afterward he measured a thousand; *and it was* a river that I could not pass over: for the waters [2]waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.

6 ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen *this?* Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river.

7 Now when I had returned, behold, at the [3]bank of the river *were* very many trees on the one side and on the other.[b]

8 Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the [4]desert, and go into the sea: *which being* brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed.

9 And it shall come to pass, *that* every thing that

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2 Heb *waters swimming.*

1 Heb *waters of the ancles*
3 Heb *lip.*
a ch xl 3
b ver 12, Rev xxii 2

4 Or, *plain.* Deut iii 17, iv. 49; Josh. iii 16.

liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the [1]rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh.

10 And it shall come to pass, *that* the fishers shall stand upon it from En-gedi even unto En-eglaim; they shall be a *place* to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of the great sea, exceeding many.[a]

11 But the miry places thereof and the marishes thereof [2]shall not be healed; they shall be given to salt.

12 And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, [3]shall grow all trees for meat, whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth [4]new fruit according to his months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof [5]for medicine.[b]

13 ¶ Thus saith the Lord GOD; This *shall be* the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land according to the twelve tribes of Israel: Joseph *shall have two* portions.[c]

14 And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: *concerning* the which I [6]lifted up mine hand to give it unto your fathers: and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance.[d]

15 And this *shall be* the border of the land toward the north side, from the great sea, the way of Hethlon, as men go to Zedad;[e]

16 Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim, which *is* between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath; [7]Hazar-hatticon, which *is* by the coast of Hauran.[f]

17 And the border from the sea shall be Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus, and the north northward, and the border of Hamath. And *this is* the north side.[g]

18 And the east side ye shall measure [8]from Hauran, and from Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the land of Israel *by* Jordan, from the border unto the east sea. And *this is* the east side.

19 And the south side southward, from Tamar *even* to the waters of [9]strife *in* Kadesh, the [10]river to the great sea. And *this is* [11]the south side southward.[h]

20 The west side also *shall be* the great sea from the border, till a man come over against Hamath. This *is* the west side.

21 So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel.

22 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* ye shall divide it by lot for an inheritance unto you, and to the strangers that sojourn among you, which shall beget children among you: and they shall be unto you as born in the country among the children of Israel; they shall have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.[i]

23 And it shall come to pass, *that* in what tribe the stranger sojourneth, there shall ye give *him* his inheritance, saith the Lord GOD.

BEFORE CHRIST 574.

1 Heb. *two rivers.*

a ch. xlviii. 28; Numb. xxxiv. 6; Josh. xxiii. 4.

2 Or, *and that which shall not be healed.*

12 Heb. *one portion.*

j ch. xlvii. 15, &c.

3 Heb.

4 Or, *principal.*

5 Or, *for bruises and sores*

b Ps. i. 3; Jer xvii 8, Rev. xxii. 2.

c ch. xlviii 4, 5; Gen xlviii. 5; 1 Chron. v. 1.

6 Or, *sware.*

d ch xx. 5, 6; xxviii 42; xlviii. 29; Gen xii. 7; xiii. 15; xv. 7; xvii. 8; xxvi. 3; xxviii. 13.

k ch xlv. 1—6.

e ch xlviii. 1, 29; Numb xxxiv. 8.

7 Or, *the middle village.*

f Numb xxxiv. 8; 2 Sam. viii. 8.

g ch xlviii. 1; Numb. xxxiv 9.

Heb. *from between.*

13 Or, *The sanctified* portion shall be *for the priests*

14 Or, *ward*, or, *ordinance.*

9 Or, *Meribah.*

10 Or, *valley.*

l ch. xlv 10, 15.

11 Or, *toward Teman.*

h ch. xlviii. 28; Numb xx. 13; Deut xxxii 51; Ps. lxxxi. 7.

m Exod. xxii. 29; Lev xxvii. 10, 28, 33

i Rom x. 12; Gal iii. 28; Eph. iii 6, Col. iii. 11; Rev. vii 9, 10

n ch. xlii. 20, xlv. 6.

CHAPTER XLVIII.

1, 23 *The portions of the twelve tribes,* 8 *of the sanctuary,* 15 *of the city and suburbs,* 21 *and of the prince.* 30 *The dimensions and gates of the city*

NOW these *are* the names of the tribes. From the north end to the coast of the way of Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus northward, to the coast of Hamath; for these are his sides east *and* west; [12]a *portion for* Dan.[j]

2 And by the border of Dan, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion for* Asher.

3 And by the border of Asher, from the east side even unto the west side, a *portion for* Naphtali.

4 And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion for* Manasseh.

5 And by the border of Manasseh, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion for* Ephraim.

6 And by the border of Ephraim, from the east side even unto the west side, a *portion for* Reuben.

7 And by the border of Reuben, from the east side unto the west side, a *portion for* Judah.

8 ¶ And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side, shall be the offering which ye shall offer of five and twenty thousand *reeds in* breadth, and *in* length as one of the *other* parts, from the east side unto the west side: and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of it.[k]

9 The oblation that ye shall offer unto the LORD *shall be* of five and twenty thousand in length, and of ten thousand in breadth.

10 And for them, *even* for the priests, shall be *this* holy oblation; toward the north five and twenty thousand *in length*, and toward the west ten thousand in breadth, and toward the east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length: and the sanctuary of the LORD shall be in the midst thereof.

11 [13]*It shall be* for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok; which have kept my [14]charge, which went not astray when the children of Israel went astray, as the Levites went astray.[l]

12 And *this* oblation of the land that is offered shall be unto them a thing most holy by the bor[der] of the Levites.

13 And over against the border of the priest[s] the Levites *shall have* five and twenty thousand in length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length *shall be* five and twenty thousand, and the breadth ten thousand.

14 And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the firstfruits of the land: for *it is* holy unto the LORD.[m]

15 ¶ And the five thousand, that are left in the breadth over against the five and twenty thousand, shall be a profane *place* for the city, for dwelling, and for suburbs: and the city shall be in the midst thereof.[n]

16 And these *shall be* the measures thereof; the

north side four thousand and five hundred, and the south side four thousand and five hundred, and on the east side four thousand and five hundred, and the west side four thousand and five hundred.

17 And the suburbs of the city shall be toward the north two hundred and fifty, and toward the south two hundred and fifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty, and toward the west two hundred and fifty.

18 And the residue in length over against the oblation of the holy *portion shall be* ten thousand eastward, and ten thousand westward: and it shall be over against the oblation of the holy *portion;* and the increase thereof shall be for food unto them that serve the city.

19 And they that serve the city shall serve it out of all the tribes of Israel.[a]

20 All the oblation *shall be* five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye shall offer the holy oblation foursquare, with the possession of the city.

21 ¶ And the residue *shall be* for the prince, on the one side and on the other of the holy oblation, and of the possession of the city, over against the five and twenty thousand of the oblation toward the east border, and westward over against the five and twenty thousand toward the west border, over against the portions for the prince: and it shall be the holy oblation; and the sanctuary of the house *shall be* in the midst thereof.[b]

22 Moreover from the possession of the Levites, and from the possession of the city, *being* in the midst *of that* which is the prince's, between the border of Judah and the border of Benjamin, shall be for the prince.

23 As for the rest of the tribes, from the east side unto the west side, Benjamin *shall have* [1]a *portion.*

24 And by the border of Benjamin, from the east side unto the west side, Simeon *shall have* a *portion.*

25 And by the border of Simeon, from the east side unto the west side, Issachar a *portion.*

26 And by the border of Issachar, from the east side unto the west side, Zebulun a *portion.*

27 And by the border of Zebulun, from the east side unto the west side, Gad a *portion.*

28 And by the border of Gad, at the south side southward, the border shall be even from Tamar *unto* the waters of [2]strife *in* Kadesh, *and* to the river toward the great sea.[c]

29 This *is* the land which ye shall divide by lot unto the tribes of Israel for inheritance, and these *are* their portions, saith the Lord GOD.[d]

30 ¶ And these *are* the goings out of the city on the north side, four thousand and five hundred measures.

31 And the gates of the city *shall be* after the names of the tribes of Israel: three gates northward; one gate of Reuben, one gate of Judah, one gate of Levi.[e]

32 And at the east side four thousand and five hundred: and three gates; and one gate of Joseph, one gate of Benjamin, one gate of Dan.

33 And at the south side four thousand and five hundred measures: and three gates; one gate of Simeon, one gate of Issachar, one gate of Zebulun.

34 At the west side four [1]thousand and five hundred, *with* their three gates; one gate of Gad, one gate of Asher, one gate of Naphtali.[f]

35 *It was* round about eighteen thousand *measures:* and the name of the city from *that* day *shall be,* [3]The LORD *is* there.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 574.

1 Heb. *one* portion.

2 Heb *Meribah-Ka-*

c ch. xlvii. 19.

a ch xlv. 6

d ch. xlvii. 14, 21, 22.

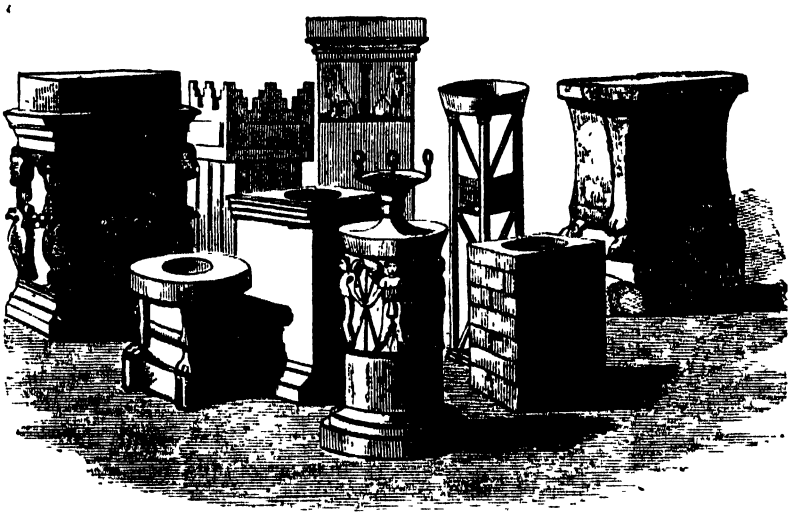
e Rev. xxi. 12, &c.

b vs. 8, 10, ch xlv 7.

f Jer xxxiii 16.

3 Heb. *Jehovah-shammah,* Exod xvii. 15, Judg vi 24.

g Jer iii 17, Joel iii. 21, Zech ii 10, Rev xxi. 3, xxii. 3.



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THE BOOK OF DANIEL

CHAPTER I.

BEFORE CHRIST 603

1 *Jehoiakim's captivity.* 3 *Ashpenaz taketh Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah.* 8 *They refusing the king's portion do prosper with pulse and water.* 17 *Their excellency in wisdom.*

IN the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it.[a]

2 And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with part of the vessels of the house of God: which he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.[b]

3 ¶ And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring [1]*certain* of the children of Israel, and of the king's seed, and of the princes;

4 Children in whom *was* no blemish, but well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as *had* ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans.[c]

a 2 Kings xxiv. 1, 2 Chron xxxvi 6

b Gen. x. 10, xi 2; 2 Chron xxxvi 7; Isa xi. 11; Jer. xxvii. 19, 20, Zech. v. 11.

1 Foretold, 2 Kings xx. 17, 18; Isa. xxxix 7.

c Lev. xxiv. 19, 20; Acts vii. 22.

5 And the king appointed them a daily provision of the king's meat, and of [1]the wine which he drank: so nourishing them three years, that at the end thereof they might stand before the king.[a]

6 Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah:

7 Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel *the name* of Beltoshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abed-nego.[b]

8 ¶ But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would

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1 Heb. *the wine of his drink.*

5 Heb *of pulse.*

6 Heb *that we may eat, &c.*

a ver 19; Gen. xli. 46; 1 Kings x. 8.

b ch iv 8, v 12, Gen. xli. 45, 2 Kings xxiv 17

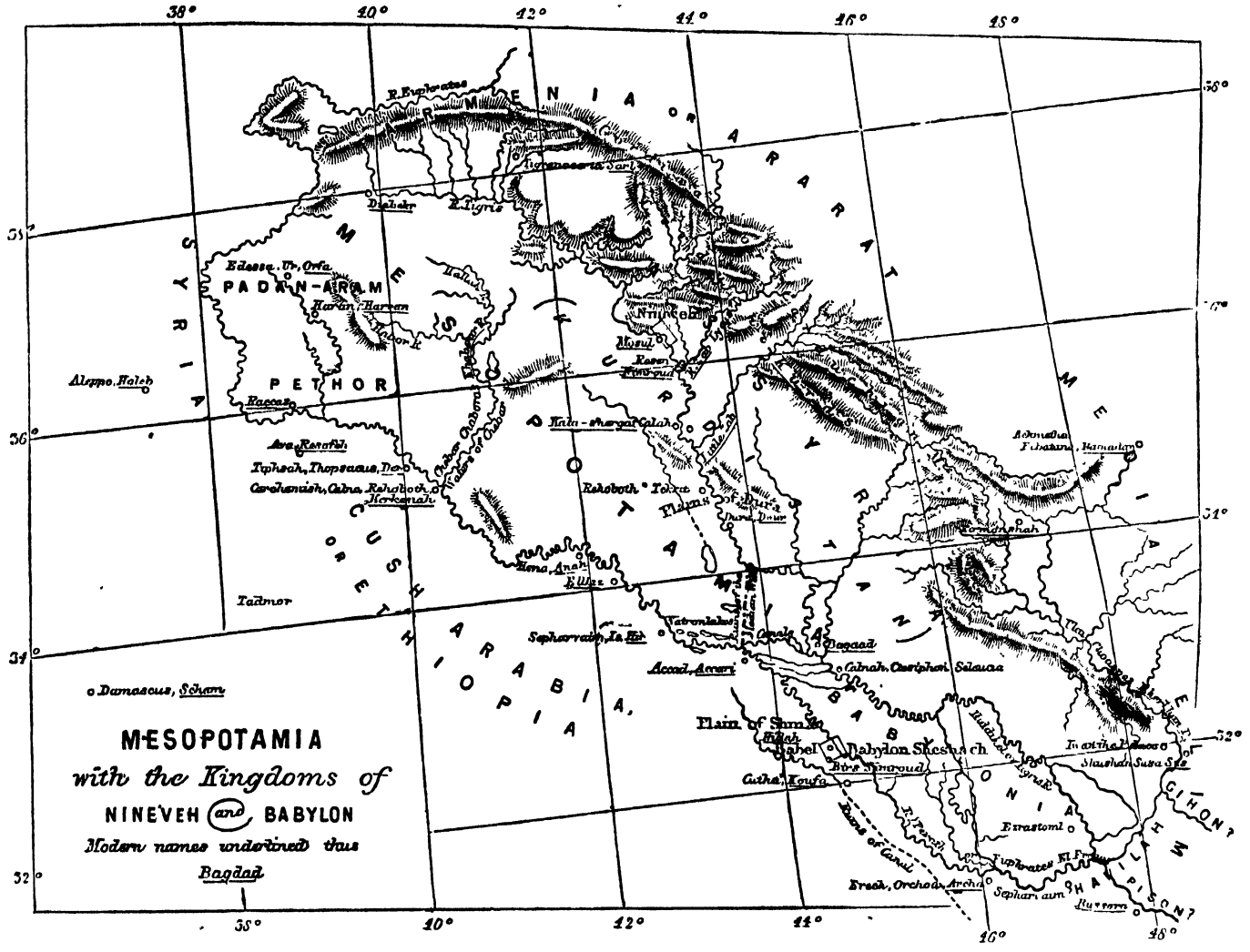
12 Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, ten days; and let them give us [5]pulse [6]to eat, and water to drink.

13 Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the children that eat of the portion of the king's meat: and as thou seest, deal with thy servants.

14 So he consented to them in this matter, and proved them ten days.

15 And at the end of ten days their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh than all the children which did eat the portion of the king's meat.

16 Thus Melzar took away the portion of their



not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.[c]

9 Now God had brought Daniel into favour and tender love with the prince of the eunuchs.[d]

10 And the prince of the eunuchs said unto Daniel, I fear my lord the king, who hath appointed your meat and your drink: for why should he see your faces [2]worse liking than the children which *are* of your [3]sort? then shall ye make *me* endanger my head to the king.

11 Then said Daniel to [4]Melzar, whom the prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,

c Deut. xxxii. 38; Ezek. iv. 13, Hos. ix. 3.

7 Or, *he made Daniel understand*

d Gen. xxxix. 21; Ps. cvi. 46; Prov. xvi. 7

e ch. v. 11, 12, 14; x. 1, Numb. xii. 6; 1 Kings iii. 12; 2 Chron. xxvi. 5; Acts vii. 22, James i 5, 17.

2 Heb

or, *continu-*

4 Or, *The steward.*

f ver 5; Gen. xli 46

8 Heb *wisdom of understanding.*

meat, and the wine that they should drink; and gave them pulse.

17 ¶ As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and [7]Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.[e]

18 Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.

19 And the king communed with them; and among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they before the king.[f]

20 And in all matters of [8]wisdom *and* understanding, that the king enquired of them, he found them

ten times better than all the magicians *and* astrologers that *were* in all his realm.[a]

21 And Daniel [1]continued *even* unto the first year of king Cyrus.[b]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Nebuchadnezzar, forgetting his dream, requireth it of the Chaldeans, by promises and threatenings.* 10 *They acknowledging their inability are judged to die.* 14 *Daniel obtaining some respite findeth the dream.* 19 *He blesseth God.* 24 *He staying the decree is brought to the king.* 31 *The dream.* 36 *The interpretation.* 46 *Daniel's advancement.*

AND in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and his sleep brake from him.[c]

2 Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, for to shew the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.[d]

3 And the king said unto them, I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit was troubled to know the dream.

4 Then spake the Chaldeans to the king in Syriack, O king, live for ever: tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation.[e]

5 The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, The thing is gone from me: if ye will not make known unto me the dream, with the interpretation thereof, ye shall be [2]cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill.[f]

6 But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation thereof, ye shall receive of me gifts and [3]rewards and great honour: therefore shew me the dream, and the interpretation thereof.[g]

7 They answered again and said, Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it.

8 The king answered and said, I know of certainty that ye would [4]gain the time, because ye see the thing is gone from me.

9 But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, *there is but* one decree for you: for ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed: therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can shew me the interpretation thereof.[h]

10 ¶ The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore *there is* no king, lord, nor ruler, *that* asked such things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.

11 And *it is* a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is none other that can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.[i]

12 For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise *men* of Babylon.

13 And the decree went forth that the wise *men* should be slain; and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain.

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5 Chald. *returned.*

a 1 Kings x. 1.

6 Or, *chief marshal.* Chald. *chief of the executioners,* or, *slaughtermen.* Gen. xxxvii. 36.

1 He lived to see that glorious time of the return of his people from the Babylonian captivity, though he did not die then. So *until* is used, Ps. cx. 1, cxii. 8.

b ch. vi. 28; x 1.

7 Chald. *from before God.*

c ch iv 5, vi. 18, Gen xli 8, Esther vi 1

8 Or, *that then should destroy Daniel,* &c

f Matt xvm. 19.

d ch v. 7; Gen xli 8, Exod. vii 11

4 Numb. xii. 6, Job xxxiii. 15, 16

l Ps cxliii 2, cxv 18, Jer xxxii. 19

e ch iii 9, v 10, vi 6, 21, 1 Kings i. 31

m ch ii 17, vii 25, 1 Chron xxix 30, Esther i 13, Job xii 18, Ps lxxv 6, 7, Jer xxvii 5, James i 5

2 Chald *made pieces*

n vs 28, 29, ch v. 11, 14, Job xii. 22; Ps xxv 14; cxxxix 11, 12, Heb. iv 13, James i 17.

f ch iii 29; 2 Kings x. 27; Ezra vi 11

3 Or, *fee.*

g ver 48, ch v 17

o ver 18.

4 Chald *buy* Eph v 16

9 Chald *That I have found*

10 Chald *children of the captivity of Judah.*

h Esther iv 11

11 Chald. *hath made known.*

i ver. 28, ch v 11.

p vs 18, 47; Gen. xl. 8, xli 16, xlix. 1, Amos iv. 13.

12 Chald *came up.*

q vs. 22, 28.

13 Or, *but for the intent that the interpretation may be made known to the king*

14 ¶ Then Daniel [5]answered with counsel and wisdom to Arioch the [6]captain of the king's guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise *men* of Babylon:

15 He answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, Why *is* the decree *so* hasty from the king? Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel.

16 Then Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king the interpretation.

17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions:

18 That they would desire mercies [7]of the God of heaven concerning this secret; [8]that Daniel and his fellows should not perish with the rest of the wise *men* of Babylon.[j]

19 ¶ Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven.[k]

20 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his:[l]

21 And he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:[m]

22 He revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what *is* in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him.[n]

23 I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee: for thou hast *now* made known unto us the king's matter.[o]

24 ¶ Therefore Daniel went in unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise *men* of Babylon: he went and said thus unto him; Destroy not the wise *men* of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and I will shew unto the king the interpretation.

25 Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus unto him, [9]I have found a man of the [10]captives of Judah, that will make known unto the king the interpretation.

26 The king answered and said to Daniel, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, Art thou able to make known unto me the dream which I have seen, and the interpretation thereof?

27 Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath demanded cannot the wise *men*, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king;

28 But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and [11]maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;[p]

29 As for thee, O king, thy thoughts [12]came *into thy mind* upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass.[q]

30 But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for *any* wisdom that I have more than any living, [13]but

for *their* sakes that shall make known the interpretation to the king, and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.[a]

31 ¶ Thou, O king, [1]sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness *was* excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof *was* terrible.

32 This image's head *was* of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his [2]thighs of brass,[b]

33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.

34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out [3]without hands, which smote the image upon his feet *that were* of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.[c]

35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing-floors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.[d]

36 ¶ This *is* the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

37 Thou, O king, *art* a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.[e]

38 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou *art* this head of gold.[f]

39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.[g]

40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all *things:* and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.[h]

41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.[i]

42 And *as* the toes of the feet *were* part of iron, and part of clay, *so* the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly [4]broken.

43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave [5]one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

44 And in [6]the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the [7]kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.[j]

45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain [8]without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass [9]hereafter: and the dream *is* certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 580

a ver 47; Gen. xli. 16; Acts iii. 12

1 Chald. *wast seeing.*

l Ezra vi 10, Acts x 25, xiv. 13, xxviii 6

2 Or, *sides*

b vs. 38, &c.

m ver 6, ch iv 9, v 11.

3 Or, *which was not in hands,* as ver 45

c ch viii 25, Zech iv 6; 2 Cor. v 1, Heb ix 24.

n ch iii 12, Esther ii. 19, 21, iii. 2

d Ps i 4, xxxvii 10 36, lxxx 9, Hos. xiii 3

e Ezra i. 2, vii 12, Isa xlvii 5, Jer xxvii 6, 7, Ezek. xxvi 7, Hos viii 10

f ver 32; ch iv 21, 22, Jer. xxvii. 6.

g ver. 32, ch. v 28, 31

h ch. vii. 7, 23

i ver. 33.

10 Chald. *with might*

11 Chald. *they command.*

o ch. iv. 1; vi. 25.

4 Or, *brittle.*

12 Or, *singing,* Chald. *symphony.*

5 Chald. *this with this.*

6 Chald. *their days.*

p Jer. xxix. 22; Rev. xiii. 15.

7 Chald. *kingdom thereof.*

j ver 28; ch. iv 3, 34; vi. 26; vii. 14, 27; Ps. ii. 9; Isa. lx. 12; Luke i. 32, 33; 1 Cor. xv. 24.

8 Or, *which was not in hand.*

9 Chald. *after this.*

q ch. vi. 12

k ver. 35; Isa. xxviii. 16.

r ch. ii. 4; v. 10, vi 6, 21.

46 ¶ Then the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.[l]

47 The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth *it is,* that your God *is* a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this secret.

48 Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise *men* of Babylon.[m]

49 Then Daniel requested of the king, and he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon: but Daniel *sat* in the gate of the king.[n]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Nebuchadnezzar dedicateth a golden image in Dura.* 8 *Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego are accused for not worshipping the image.* 13 *They, being threatened, make a good confession.* 19 *God delivereth them out of the furnace.* 26 *Nebuchadnezzar seeing the miracle blesseth God.*

NEBUCHADNEZZAR the king made an image of gold, whose height *was* threescore cubits, *and* the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.

2 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

3 Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

4 Then an herald cried [10]aloud, To you [11]it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages,[o]

5 *That* at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, [12]dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:

6 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.[p]

7 Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down *and* worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

8 ¶ Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and accused the Jews.[q]

9 They spake and said to the king Nebuchadnezzar, O king, live for ever.[r]



SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO IN THE FIERY FURNACE.—DANIEL III. 25.

10 Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, shall fall down and worship the golden image:

11 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth, *that* he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.

12 There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego; these men, O king, [1]have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.[a]

13 ¶ Then Nebuchadnezzar in *his* rage and fury commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. Then they brought these men before the king.

14 Nebuchadnezzar spake and said unto them, *Is it* [2]true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up?

15 Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; *well:* but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who *is* that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?[b]

16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we *are* not careful to answer thee in this matter.[c]

17 If it be *so*, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver *us* out of thine hand, O king.

18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

19 ¶ Then was Nebuchadnezzar [3]full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego: *therefore* he spake, and commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more than it was wont to be heated.

20 And he commanded the [4]most mighty men that *were* in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, *and* to cast *them* into the burning fiery furnace.

21 Then these men were bound in their [5]coats, their hosen, and their [6]hats, and their *other* garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

22 Therefore because the king's [7]commandment was urgent, and the furnace exceeding hot, the [8]flame of the fire slew those men that took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego.

23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

24 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonied, and rose up in haste, *and* spake, and said unto his [9]counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king.

25 He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and [10]they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.[d]

26 ¶ Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the [11]mouth of the burning fiery furnace, *and* spake, and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, ye servants of the most high God, come forth, and come *hither*. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, came forth of the midst of the fire.

27 And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men, upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed, neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.[e]

28 *Then* Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed *be* the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God.[f]

29 Therefore [12]I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak [13]any thing amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, shall be [14]cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because there is no other God that can deliver after this sort.[g]

30 Then the king [15]promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, in the province of Babylon.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Nebuchadnezzar confesseth God's kingdom,* 4 *maketh relation of his dreams, which the magicians could not interpret* 8 *Daniel heareth the dream.* 19 *He interpreteth it.* 28 *The story of the event.*

NEBUCHADNEZZAR the king, unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.[h]

2 [16]I thought it good to shew the signs and wonders that the high God hath wrought toward me.[i]

3 How great *are* his signs! and how mighty *are* his wonders! his kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion *is* from generation to generation.[j]

4 ¶ I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest in mine house, and flourishing in my palace:

5 I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head troubled me.[k]

6 Therefore made I a decree to bring in all the wise *men* of Babylon before me, that they might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream.

7 Then came in the magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers: and I told the dream before them; but they did not make known unto me the interpretation thereof.[l]

8 ¶ But at the last Daniel came in before me, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, according to the name of my god, and in whom *is* the spirit of the holy gods: and before him I told the dream, *saying*,[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 580.

d ver. 28; Job i. 6; xxxviii. 7; Ps. xxxiv. 7.

11 Chald. *door.*

1 Chald. *have set no regard upon thee.*

a ch. ii. 49.

e Heb. xi. 34.

2 Or, *of purpose.*

f ch vi. 22, 23; Ps xxxiv 7, 8, Jer. xvii 7

12 Chald. *a decree is made by me.*

13 Chald. *error.*

14 Chald. *made pieces.*

g ch. ii. 5; vi. 26, 27.

b Exod. v 2, xxxii 32, 2 Kings xviii. 35, Luke xii. 9.

15 Chald. *made to prosper.*

c Matt. x. 19.

3 Chald. *filled.*

h ch. iii. 24; vi 25.

16 Chald *It was seemly before me.*

4 Chald. *mighty of strength.*

i ch. iii. 26.

5 Or, *mantles*

j ver. 34; ch. ii. 44; vi. 26, 27.

6 Or, *turbans.*

7 Chald. *word.*

8 Or, *spark.*

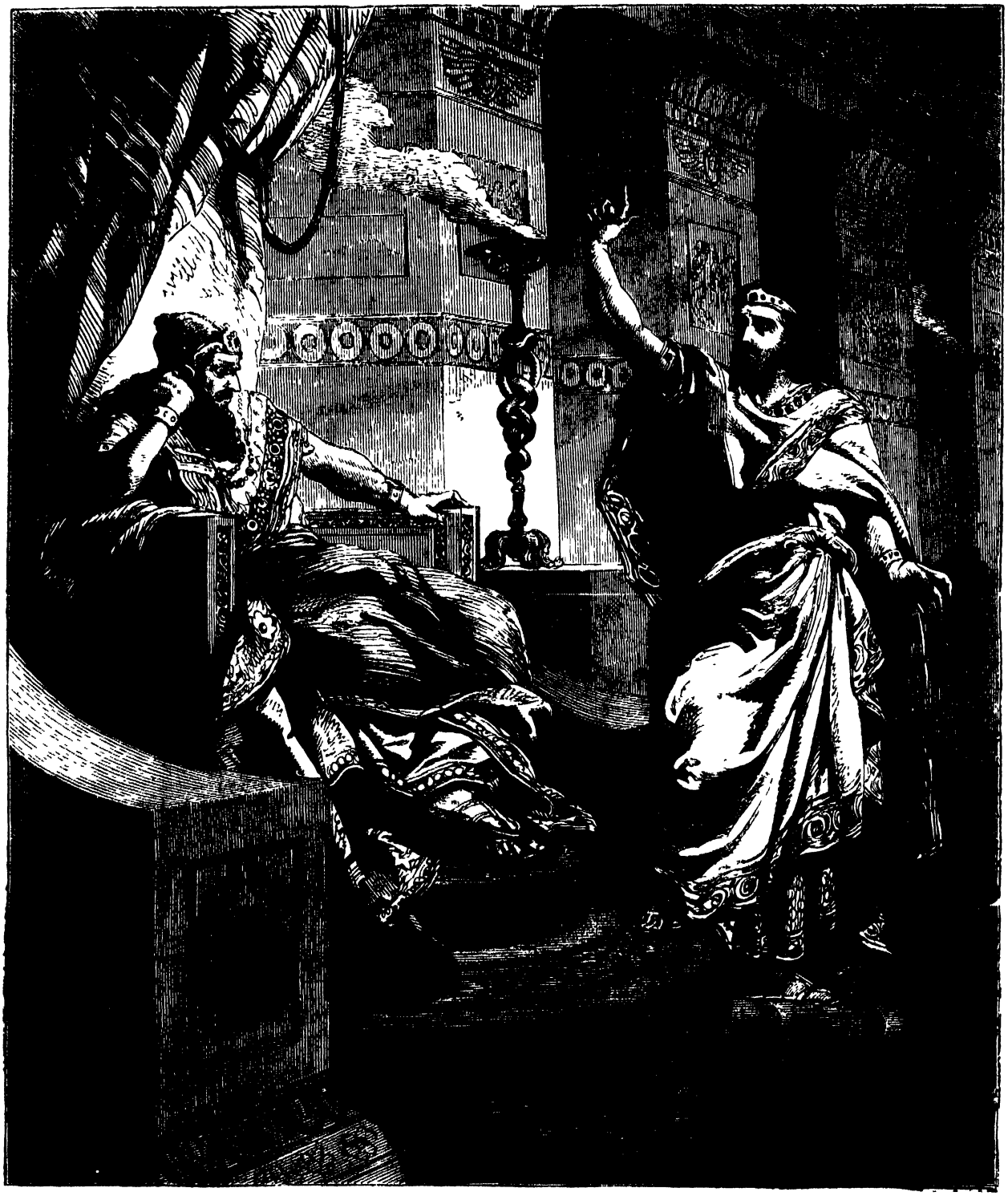
k ch. ii. 1, 28, 29.

9 Or, *governors.*

l ch ii. 2.

10 Chald. *there is no hurt in them.*

m ver. 18; ch. i. 7; ii. 11; v. 11, 14; Isa. lxiii. 11.



DANIEL INTERPRETING THE DREAM OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR.

9 O Belteshazzar, master of the magicians, because I know that the spirit of the holy gods *is* in thee, and no secret troubleth thee, tell me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and the interpretation thereof.[a]

10 Thus *were* the visions of mine head in my bed; [1]I saw, and behold a tree in the midst of the earth, and the height thereof *was* great.[b]

11 The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth:

12 The leaves thereof *were* fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it *was* meat for all: the beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the fowls of the heaven dwelt in the boughs thereof, and all flesh was fed of it.[c]

13 I saw in the visions of my head upon my bed, and, behold, a watcher and an holy one came down from heaven;[d]

14 He cried [2]aloud, and said thus, Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:[e]

15 Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the

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c Ezek. xvii. 23; xxxi. 6, Lam. iv 20.

a ch ii 48; v 11.

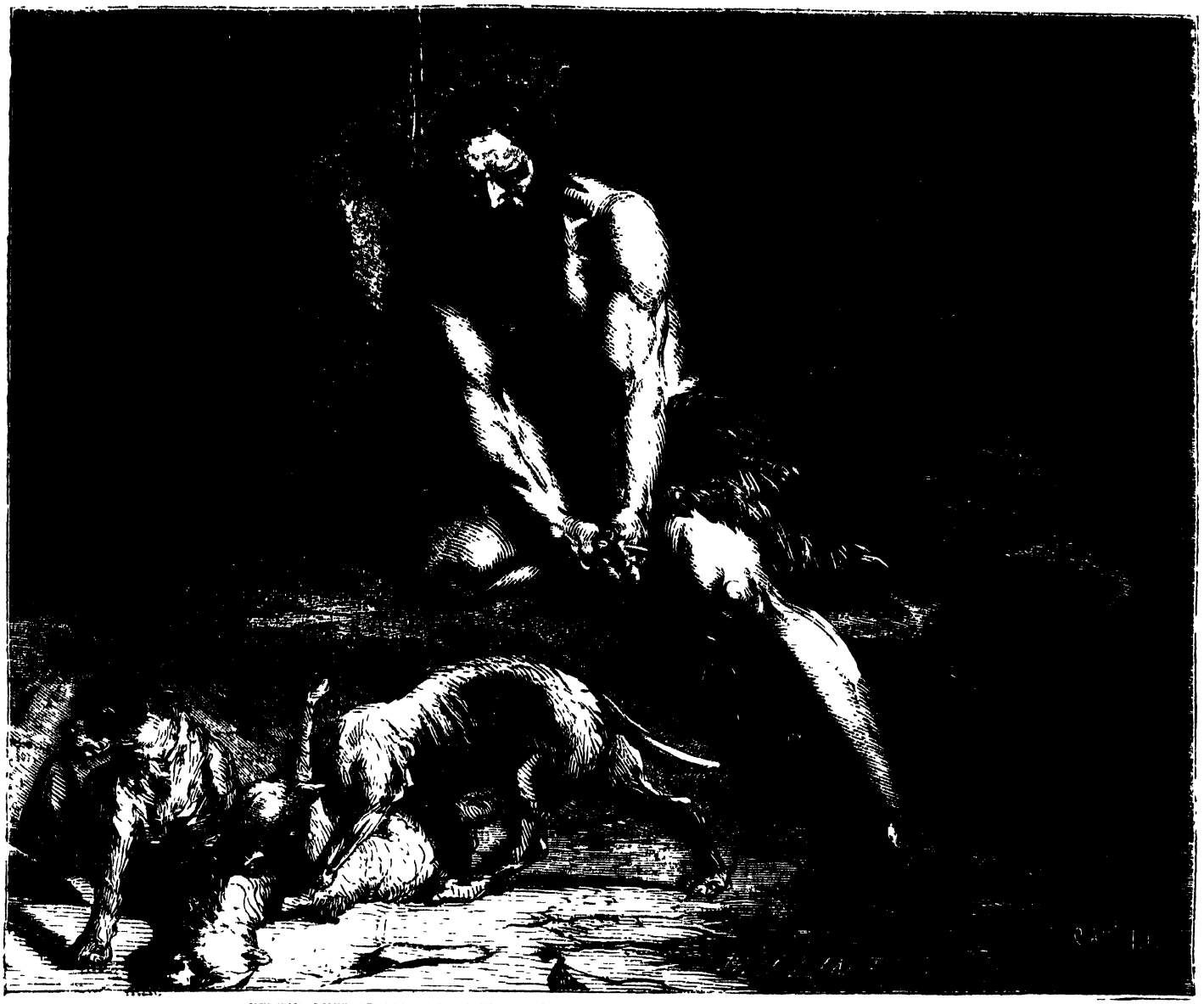
1 Chald. *I was seeing.*

d ver 17, 23, ch. viii. 13; Deut. xxxiii. 2; Ps. ciii. 20, Zech. xiv. 5; Jude 14.

b ver. 20; Ezek. xxxi. 3, &c.

2 Chald. *with might.*

e Ezek. xxxi. 12; Matt iii 10.



NEBUCHADNEZZAR REDUCED TO THE CONDITION OF A BEAST OF THE FIELD.—DANIEL IV. 33

earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and *let* his portion *be* with the beasts in the grass of the earth:

16 Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let seven times pass over him.[a]

17 This matter *is* by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.[b]

18 This dream I king Nebuchadnezzar have seen. Now thou, O Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation thereof, forasmuch as all the wise *men* of my kingdom are not able to make known unto me the interpretation: but thou *art* able; for the spirit of the holy gods *is* in thee.[c]

19 ¶ Then Daniel, whose name *was* Belteshazzar, was astonied for one hour, and his thoughts troubled

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[a] ver. 8, 2 Sam xvii 32; Jer xxix 7

[a] ch. xi. 13, xii. 7.

[e] vs 10—12

[b] vs 25, 32, ch ii 21; v. 21, Ps. ix 16

[f] ch ii 28; Jer xxvii. 6—8.

[c] ver 8, ch. v 8, 15, Gen. xli. 8, 15.

him. The king spake, and said, Belteshazzar, let not the dream, or the interpretation thereof, trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, the dream *be* to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.[d]

20 The tree that thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth;[e]

21 Whose leaves *were* fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it *was* meat for all; under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven had their habitation:

22 It *is* thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.[f]

23 And whereas the king saw a watcher and an holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy it; yet leave the stump of the roots thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and

let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and *let* his portion *be* with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him;[e]

24 This *is* the interpretation, O king, and this *is* the decree of the most High, which is come upon my lord the king:

25 That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.[h]

26 And whereas they commanded to leave the stump of the tree roots; thy kingdom shall be sure unto thee, after that thou shalt have known that the heavens do rule.[c]

27 Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee, and break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor; if it may be [1]a lengthening of thy tranquillity.[d]

28 ¶ All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar.

29 At the end of twelve months he walked [2]in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.

30 The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?[e]

31 While the word *was* in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, *saying*, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee:[f]

32 And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling *shall be* with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.[g]

33 The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' *feathers*, and his nails like birds' *claws*.

34 And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom *is* from generation to generation:[h]

35 And all the inhabitants of the earth *are* reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and *among* the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?[i]

36 At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me.[j]

37 Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works *are* truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 538.

j ver. 26; Job xlii. 12; Prov. xxii. 4; Matt. vi. 33.

a ver. 13; ch. v. 21.

k ch. v. 20; Ezek. xviii. 11; Ps. xxxiii. 4; Rev. xv. 3; xvi. 7.

b vs. 17, 32; ch. v. 21, &c.; Ps. lxxxiii. 18; cvi. 20; Jer. xxvii. 5.

l Esther i. 3.

c Luke xv. 18, 21.

3 Or, *grandfather.*

1 Or, *an healing of thine error.*

4 Chald. *brought forth.*

d 1 Kings xxi. 29; Ps. xii. 1, &c.; 1 Peter iv. 8.

m vs. 11, 13; ch. i. 2; Jer. xxvii. 7; lii. 19.

2 Or, *upon.*

e ch. v. 20; Prov. xvi. 18.

n Rev. ix. 20.

f ver. 24; ch. v. 5; Luke xii 20

o ch iv. 31.

5 Chald *brightnesses*, ver 9

6 Chald *changed it*

7 Or, *girdles*, Isa v. 27. Chald. *bindings*, or, *knots*

g ver 25

p Nahum ii 10.

8 Chald *with might*

9 Or, *purple*

q ch. ii 2, iv 6; vi. 2; Isa. xlvii. 13.

r ch ii 27; iv 7

10 Chald *brightnesses*, ver 6

h ver. 26, ch. ii 44, vii. 14, xii. 7; Ps. x 16; Micah iv. 7, Luke i. 33; Rev. iv 10.

s ch ii. 1.

i Job ix 12, xxxiv 29; Ps cxv 3, cxxxv 6; Isa. xiv. 9; Rom. ix. 20

t ch. ii. 4, iii 9

CHAPTER V.

1 *Belshazzar's impious feast.* 5 *A handwriting, unknown to the magicians, troubleth the king.* 10 *At the commendation of the queen Daniel is brought.* 17 *He, reproving the king of pride and idolatry,* 25 *readeth and interpreteth the writing.* 30 *The monarchy is translated to the Medes.*

BELSHAZZAR the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.[l]

2 Belshazzar, whiles he tasted the wine, commanded to bring the golden and silver vessels which his [3]father Nebuchadnezzar had [4]taken out of the temple which *was* in Jerusalem; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, might drink therein.[m]

3 Then they brought the golden vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which *was* at Jerusalem; and the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, drank in them.

4 They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.[n]

5 ¶ In the same hour came forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote over against the candlestick upon the plaister of the wall of the king's palace: and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.[o]

6 Then the king's [5]countenance [6]was changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the [7]joints of his loins were loosed, and his knees smote one against another.[p]

7 The king cried [8]aloud to bring in the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers. *And* the king spake, and said to the wise *men* of Babylon, Whosoever shall read this writing, and shew me the interpretation thereof, shall be clothed with [9]scarlet, and *have* a chain of gold about his neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.[q]

8 Then came in all the king's wise *men:* but they could not read the writing, nor make known to the king the interpretation thereof.[r]

9 Then was king Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his [10]countenance was changed in him, and his lords were astonied.[s]

10 ¶ *Now* the queen by reason of the words of the king and his lords came into the banquet house: *and* the queen spake and said, O king, live for ever: let not thy thoughts trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed:[t]

11 There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom *is* the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him; whom the king



DANIEL INTERPRETING THE MYSTERIOUS HANDWRITING ON THE WALL OF BELSHAZZAR'S PALACE. — DANIEL V. 17–28.

Nebuchadnezzar thy [1]father, the king, *I say*, thy [2]father, made master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, *and* soothsayers;[a]

12 Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding, [3]interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and [4]dissolving of [5]doubts, were found in the same Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar: now let Daniel be called, and he will shew the interpretation.[b]

13 Then was Daniel brought in before the king. *And* the king spake and said unto Daniel, *Art* thou that Daniel, which *art* of the children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my [6]father brought out of Jewry?

14 I have even heard of thee, that the spirit of the gods *is* in thee, and *that* light and understanding and excellent wisdom is found in thee.[c]

15 And now the wise *men*, the astrologers, have been brought in before me, that they should read

BEFORE CHRIST 538.

1 Or, *grandfather.*
2 Or, *grandfather.*
9 Or, *to deal proudly*, Exod. xviii. 11.
10 Chald. *made to come down.*
a ch. ii. 48; iv. 8, 9, 18.
b ch iv. 30, 37.
3 Or, *of an interpreter*, &c.
11 Or, *he made his heart equal*, &c.
4 Or, *of a dissolver.*
5 Chald. *knots.*
b ch. i. 7; vi. 3.
c vs. 11, 12.
6 Or, *grandfather.*
f 2 Chron. xxxiii. 23; xxxvi. 12.

20 But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened [9]in pride, he was [10]deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him:[h]

21 And he was driven from the sons of men; and [11]his heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling *was* with the wild asses: they fed him with grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven; till he knew that the most high God ruled in the kingdom of men, and *that* he appointeth over it whomsoever he will.[i]

22 And thou his son, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this;[j]

23 But hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them; and thou hast praised the gods of silver, and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which



WEIGHING THE SOUL IN A BALANCE. FROM AN EGYPTIAN REPRESENTATION OF JUDGMENT (SEE DANIEL V. 27)

this writing, and make known unto me the interpretation thereof: but they could not show the interpretation of the thing:[d]

16 And I have heard of thee, that thou canst [7]make interpretations, and dissolve doubts: now if thou canst read the writing, and make known to me the interpretation thereof, thou shalt be clothed with scarlet, and *have* a chain of gold about thy neck, and shalt be the third ruler in the kingdom.[e]

17 ¶ Then Daniel answered and said before the king, Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy [8]rewards to another; yet I will read the writing unto the king, and make known to him the interpretation.

18 O thou king, the most high God gave Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honour:[f]

19 And for the majesty that he gave him, all people, nations, and languages, trembled and feared before him: whom he would he slew; and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he set up; and whom he would he put down.[g]

d vs 7, 8.
k vs. 3, 4, Ps cxv 5, 6, Jer. x 23
7 Chald *interpret*
e ver 7.
l Job xxxi. 6, Ps lxii. 9.
8 Or, *fee*, as ch. ii 6
m ver 31; ch. vi. 28; ix. 1 Foretold, Isa. xxi. 2.
n ver. 7
f ch ii. 37, 38, iv 17, 22, 25.
o Jer. li. 31, 39, 57.
12 Chald. *he as the son of*, &c.
13 Or, *now.*
p ch. ix 1.
g ch. viii 4, Jer. xxvii 7

see not, nor hear, nor know: and the God in whose hand thy breath *is*, and whose *are* all thy ways, hast thou not glorified:[k]

24 Then was the part of the hand sent from him; and this writing was written.

25 ¶ And this *is* the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.

26 This *is* the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it.

27 TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.[l]

28 PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians.[m]

29 Then commanded Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with scarlet, and *put* a chain of gold about his neck, and made a proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.[n]

30 ¶ In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain.[o]

31 And Darius the Median took the kingdom, [12]*being* [13]about threescore and two years old.[p]

CHAPTER VI.

1 Daniel is made chief of the presidents. 4 They conspiring against him obtain an idolatrous decree. 10 Daniel, accused of the breach thereof, is cast into the lions' den. 18 Daniel is saved. 24 His adversaries devoured, 25 and God magnified by a decree.

IT pleased Darius to set over the kingdom an hundred and twenty princes, which should be over the whole kingdom;[a]

2 And over these three presidents; of whom Daniel *was* first: that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.

3 Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit *was* in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm.[b]

4 ¶ Then the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he *was* faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.[c]

5 Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this Daniel, except we find *it* against him concerning the law of his God.

6 Then these presidents and princes [1]assembled together to the king, and said thus unto him, King Darius, live for ever.[d]

7 All the presidents of the kingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellors, and the captains, have consulted together to establish a royal statute, and to make a firm [2]decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions.

8 Now, O king, establish the decree, and sign the writing, that it be not changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which [3]altereth not.[e]

9 Wherefore king Darius signed the writing and the decree.

10 ¶ Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.[f]

11 Then these men assembled, and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God.

12 Then they came near, and spake before the king concerning the king's decree; Hast thou not signed a decree, that every man that shall ask *a petition* of any God or man within thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and said, The thing *is* true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.[g]

13 Then answered they and said before the king, That Daniel, which *is* of the children of the captivity of Judah, regardeth not thee, O king, nor the decree that thou hast signed, but maketh his petition three times a day.[h]

14 Then the king, when he heard *these* words, was sore displeased with himself, and set *his* heart on Daniel to deliver him: and he laboured till the going down of the sun to deliver him.[i]

15 Then these men assembled unto the king, and said unto the king, Know, O king, that the law of the Medes and Persians *is*, That no decree nor statute which the king establisheth may be changed.[j]

16 Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast *him* into the den of lions. *Now* the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will deliver thee.

17 And a stone was brought, and laid upon the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that the purpose might not be changed concerning Daniel.[k]

18 ¶ Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were [4]instruments of musick brought before him: and his sleep went from him.[l]

19 Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions.

20 And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: *and* the king spake and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?[m]

21 Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live for ever.[n]

22 My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt.[o]

23 Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.[p]

24 ¶ And the king commanded, and they brought those men which had accused Daniel, and they cast *them* into the den of lions, them, their children, and their wives; and the lions had the mastery of them, and brake all their bones in pieces or ever they came at the bottom of the den.[q]

25 ¶ Then king Darius wrote unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth; Peace be multiplied unto you.[r]

26 I make a decree, That in every dominion of my kingdom men tremble and fear before the God of Daniel: for he *is* the living God, and stedfast for ever, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed, and his dominion *shall be even* unto the end.[s]

27 He delivereth and rescueth, and he worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, who hath delivered Daniel from the [5]power of the lions.[t]

28 So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.[u]

BEFORE CHRIST 538.

a ch. i. 6, iii. 12; v. 13.

b ch. v. 12.

c Eccles. iv. 4.

d ver. 21; ch. ii. 4; Neh ii. 3.

e vs 12, 15; Esther i. 19; viii 8.

f 1 Kings viii. 44, 48; Ps. v. 7; lv. 17; Jonah ii. 4; Acts ii. 1; iii. 1; x. 9.

g ver. 8; ch. iii. 8.

h Mark vi. 26.

i Esther i. 1.

j ver. 8.

k Lam iii. 53; Matt. xxvii. 66.

l ch. ii. 1.

m ch. iii. 15.

n ch. ii. 4.

o ch. iii. 28; Heb. xi. 33.

p Heb. xi. 33.

q Deut. xix. 19; xxiv 16; 2 Kings xiv. 6, Esther ix. 10.

r ch. iv. 1.

s ch. ii. 44; iii. 33; iv. 3, 34; vii. 14, 27; Ps xcix. 1; Luke i. 33.

t ch. iv. 3.

u ch i. 21; Ezra i. 1, 2.

1 Or, *came tumultuously.*

2 Or, *interdict.*

3 Chald. *passeth not.*

4 Heb. *hand.*

5 Heb. *hand.*



DANIEL IN THE LION'S DEN.—DANIEL VI. 22.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Daniel's vision of four beasts.* 9 *Of God's kingdom.* 15 *The interpretation thereof.*

IN the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel [1]had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, *and* told the sum of the [2]matters.[a]

2 Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea.

3 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.[b]

4 The first *was* like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, [3]and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.[c]

5 And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and [4]it raised up itself on one side, and *it had* three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.[d]

6 After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.[e]

7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it *was* diverse from all the beasts that *were* before it; and it had ten horns.[f]

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn *were* eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.[g]

9 ¶ I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, *and* his wheels *as* burning fire.[h]

10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.[i]

11 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld *even* till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.[j]

12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet [5]their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.[k]

BEFORE CHRIST 553.

1 Chald *saw*

l ver 27; ch. ii. 44, iii 4, Ps ii. 6—8, viii 6, cx. 1, 2; cxlv 13, Micah iv 7, Matt. xi 27, xxviii. 18, Luke i 33; John xii 34, 1 Cor. xv. 27, Eph i. 22; Heb. xii. 28

2 Or, *words.*

a ch ii 28, Numb. xii. 6; Amos iii 7

6 Chald *sheath.*

m ver 28

b Rev xiii. 1.

n ver 3

7 Chald *high ones*, that is, *things*, or, *places.*

3 Or, *wherewith.*

o vs 22, 27; Isa. lx. 12—14, 1 Tim. ii. 11, 12; Rev ii. 26, 27, iii 21, xx. 4.

c Deut. xxviii. 49; 2 Sam i 23, Jer iv 7, 13, xlviii 40; Ezek. xvii. 3; Hab. i 8

8 Chald. *from all those*

4 Or, *it raised up one dominion.*

p ver 7.

d ch. ii 39.

e ch. viii. 8, 22.

q ch viii. 12, 24, xi 31, Rev xi 7, xiii 7, xvii. 14, xix. 19.

r vs 9, 18; 1 Cor vi 2, Rev i 6, v 10, xx 4

f vs 19, 23, ch ii 40, 41, Rev xiii. 1

s ch ii 40.

g vs 20, 21, 24, 25, ch viii 9, Ps. xii. 3, Rev. ix 7, xiii 5

t vs 7, 8, 20, Rev. xvii 12

h vs 13, 22, Ps xc 2, civ. 2, Ezek i 15, 16, Rev. i 14; xx 4

ch ii 21, viii 24, 25, xi 28, 30, 31, 36; xii. 7; Isa. xxxvii 23, Rev xii. 14; xiii 5—7, xvii. 6; xviii. 24

i 1 Kings xxii 19; Ps. l. 3; lxviii 17; xcvii. 3; Isa. xxx. 33, lxvi 15; Heb xii. 22, Rev. v 11; xx. 4, 12.

v vs. 10, 22.

j Rev xix. 20.

9 Or, *rulers.*

5 Chald *a prolonging in life was given them.*

w vs. 14, 18, 22; ch. ii 44; Isa. lx. 12; Luke i. 33; John xii 34; Rev. xi. 15.

k ver. 9; Ezek. i. 26; Matt. xxiv 30; xxvi 64, Rev. i. 7, 13; xiv. 14.

x ver 15; ch. viii 27, x 8, 16, Luke ii 19, 51

14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.[l]

15 ¶ I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of *my* [6]body, and the visions of my head troubled me.[m]

16 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.

17 These great beasts, which are four, *are* four kings, *which* shall arise out of the earth.[n]

18 But the saints of the [7]most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.[o]

19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse [8]from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth *were of* iron, and his nails *of* brass; *which* devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;[p]

20 And of the ten horns that *were* in his head, and *of* the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even *of* that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look *was* more stout than his fellows.

21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;[q]

22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.[r]

23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.[s]

24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom *are* ten kings *that* shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.[t]

25 And he shall speak *great* words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.[u]

26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy *it* unto the end.[v]

27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and all [9]dominions shall serve and obey him.[w]

28 Hitherto *is* the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.[x]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Daniel's vision of the ram and he goat.* 13 *The two thousand three hundred days of sacrifice.* 15 *Gabriel comforteth Daniel, and interpreteth the vision.*

IN the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, *even unto* me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first.[a]

2 And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I *was* at Shushan *in* the palace, which *is* in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.[b]

3 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had *two* horns: and the *two* horns *were* high; but one *was* higher than [1]the other, and the higher came up last.

4 I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither *was there any* that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.[c]

5 And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and [2]touched not the ground: and the goat *had* [3]a notable horn between his eyes.[d]

6 And he came to the ram that had *two* horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.

7 And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.



HEAD OF ALEXANDER THE GREAT, HORNED. FROM A COIN IN THE BODLEIAN LIBRARY.

8 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.[e]

9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant *land*.[f]

10 And it waxed great, *even* [4]to the host of heaven; and it cast down *some* of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.[g]

11 Yea, he magnified *himself* even [5]to the prince of the host, and by him the daily *sacrifice* was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.[h]

12 And [6]an host was given *him* against the daily *sacrifice* by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.[i]

13 ¶ Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto [7]that certain *saint* which spake, How long *shall be* the vision *concerning* the daily *sacrifice*, and the transgression [8]of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?[j]

14 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred [9]days; then shall the sanctuary be [10]cleansed.

15 ¶ And it came to pass, when I, *even* I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man.[k]

16 And I heard a man's voice between *the banks of* Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this *man* to understand the vision.[l]

17 So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end *shall be* the vision.[m]

18 Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and [11]set me upright.[n]

19 And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end *shall be*.[o]

20 The ram which thou sawest having *two* horns *are* the kings of Media and Persia.[p]

21 And the rough goat *is* the king of Grecia: and the great horn that *is* between his eyes *is* the first king.[q]

22 Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.[r]

23 And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors [12]are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.[s]

24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the [13]holy people.[t]

25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify *himself* in his heart, and by [14]peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.[u]

26 And the vision of the evening and the morning

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f ch. vii. 8; xi. 16, 21, 25, 41, 45; Ps. xlviii. 2; Ezek. xx. 6, 15.

4 Or, *against the host.*

g ch. xi. 28; Isa. xiv. 13; Rev. xii. 4.

5 Or, *from him.*

a ch vii. 1

h ver. 25; ch. xi. 36; Exod xxix. 38, Numb xxviii. 3; Jer xlviii 26, 24; Ezek. xlvi 13.

6 Or, *the host was given over for the transgression against the daily* sacrifice

b Esther i. 2.

i ver 4; ch xi. 28, 31, 36; Ps. cxix. 43, 142; Isa. lix. 14.

7 Or, *the numberer of secrets*, or, *the wonderful numberer.* Heb *Palmoni.*

1 Heb. *the second.*

8 Or, *making desolate*, ch. xi. 31, xii 11

j ch. iv. 13; xii 6; 1 Peter i 12

9 Heb *evening morning*

10 Heb *justified*

c ch. v 19, xi 3, 16.

2 Or, *none touched* him *in the earth*

3 Heb *a horn of sight*

k ch xii 8, 1 Peter i 10, 11, Ezek i. 26

d ver. 21.

l ch ix 21; xii. 6, 7; Luke i. 19, 26

m Ezek. i. 28, Rev i. 17

11 Heb *made me stand upon my standing*

n ch x 9, 10, Ezek ii 2, Luke ix 32

o ch ix 27, xi 27, 35, 36, xii 7, Hab ii 3

p ver 3

q ver 5, ch xi. 3.

r ver 8, ch. xi. 4.

12 Heb *are accomplished*

s ver 6, Deut. xxviii. 50

13 Heb. *people of the holy ones.*

t vs. 10, 12; ch. vii. 25, xi. 36; Rev. xvii. 13, 17.

14 Or, *prosperity.*

e ver. 22; ch. vii 6, xi. 4

u ver. 11; ch ii. 34, 35; xi. 36; Job xxxiv 20; Lam. iv. 6.



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which was told *is* true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it *shall be* for many days.[a]

27 And I Daniel fainted, and was sick *certain* days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood *it*.[b]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Daniel, considering the time of the captivity,* 3 *maketh confession of sins,* 16 *and prayeth for the restoration of Jerusalem.* 20 *Gabriel informeth him of the seventy weeks.*

IN the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, [1]which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans;[c]

2 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.[d]

3 ¶ And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:[e]

4 And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments;[f]

5 We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments:[g]

6 Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.[h]

7 O Lord, righteousness [2]*belongeth* unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, *that are* near, and *that are* far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee.[i]

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a ch xi 14, xii. 4, 9, Ezek. xii. 27, Rev xxii 10

b ver 16, ch vi. 2, 3; vii. 28; x 8, 16

c ch i. 21, v 31; vi 28

d 2 Chron. xxvi. 21; Jer. xxv. 11, 12; xxix. 10.

e ch vi 10, Neh i. 4, Jer xxix. 12, 13; James iv. 8—10.

f Exod xx 6; Deut. vii 9; Neh. i 5, ix. 22

g ver 15, 1 Kings viii 47, 48; Neh i. 6, 7, ix 33, 34; Ps. cvi 6; Isa. lxiv. 5—7, Jer. xiv. 7.

h ver 10; 2 Chron. xxxvi. 15, 16.

i Neh. ix. 33.

1 Or, *in which he*, &c.

2 Or, *thou hast*, &c.

8 O Lord, to us *belongeth* confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee.[e]

9 To the Lord our God *belong* mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him;[4]

10 Neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.[c]

11 Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that *is* written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.[d]

12 And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem.[e]

13 As *it is* written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet [1]made we not our prayer before the LORD our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth.[f]

14 Therefore hath the LORD watched upon the evil, and brought it upon us: for the LORD our God *is* righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice.[g]

15 And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast [2]gotten thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly.[h]

16 ¶ O Lord, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain: because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people *are become* a reproach to all *that are* about us.[i]

17 Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake.[j]

18 O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies.[k]

19 O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name.[l]

20 ¶ And whiles I *was* speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God;[m]

21 Yea, whiles I *was* speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.[n]

22 And he informed *me*, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth [3]to give thee skill and understanding.

23 At the beginning of thy supplications the [4]commandment came forth, and I am come to shew *thee;* for thou *art* greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.[o]

24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, [5]to finish the transgression, and [6]to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and [7]prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.[p]

25 Know therefore and understand, *that* from the going forth of the commandment [8]to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince *shall be* seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street [9]shall be built again, and the [10]wall, even [11]in troublous times.[q]

26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but [12]not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof *shall be* with a flood, and unto the end of the war [13]desolations are determined.[r]

27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make *it* desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.[s]

CHAPTER X.

1 *Daniel having humbled himself seeth a vision.* 10 *Being troubled with fear he is comforted by the angel.*

IN the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing *was* true, but the time appointed *was* long: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision.[t]

2 In those days I Daniel was mourning three [14]full weeks.

3 I ate no [15]pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled.[u]

4 And in the four and twentieth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great river, which *is* Hiddekel;[v]

5 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a certain man clothed in linen, whose loins *were* girded with fine gold of Uphaz:[w]

6 His body also *was* like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.[x]

7 And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves.[y]

8 Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my [16]comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.[z]

9 Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when

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o ch. x. 11, 12, 19; Matt. xxiv. 15.

a ver 7.

5 Or, *to restrain.*

b Neh ix. 17; Ps. cxxx. 4, 7.

6 Or, *to seal up*, Lam. iv. 22.

7 Heb. *prophet.*

c ver. 6.

p Ps. xlv. 7; Isa liii. 10, 11; Jer xxiii. 5, 6, Luke i 35; John i. 41; Heb. ix. 11, 12; Rev. xiv. 6.

8 Or, *to build again Jerusalem*, as 2 Sam xv 25; Ps. lxxi 20.

d Lev. xxvi. 14, &c.; Deut. xxvii. 15, &c.; xxviii 15, &c; xxix 20, &c., xxx. 17, 18, xxxi 17, &c., xxxii. 19, &c., Isa. i. 4—6; Jer viii. 5, 10; Lam ii. 17

9 Heb. *shall return and be built.*

10 Or, *breach*, or, *ditch*

11 Heb *in strait of times.*

q ver. 23; Ezra iv 24, vi 1, 15, vii 1, &c; Neh ii 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, iv 8, 16—18, vi 15; Isa. iv 4, John i. 41, iv. 25

12 Or, *shall have nothing*, John xiv 30

e Lam i 12, ii 13, Ezek v 9, Amos iii. 2, Zech i. 6

13 Or, *it shall be cut off by desolations*

1 Heb. *intreated we not the face of the, &c.*

r ch xi. 10, 22, Isa. viii 7, 8; liii 8; Matt. xxii. 7, xxiv. 2, 6, 14, Mark ix 12, Luke xix 44

f Lev xxvi 14, &c., Deut. xxviii 15, Isa ix 13; Jer ii 20, v 3, Lam. ii. 17, Hos vii 7, 10

g vs 7, 10; Neh ix. 33, Jer xxxi. 28, xliv 27

s Isa. x. 22, Jer xxxi 31; Ezek xvi. 60—62, Matt xxiv. 15, Mark xiii 14, Luke xxi 20, 24

2 Heb *made thee a name*

h ver 5, Exod vi 1, 6, xiv 18, xxxii 11, 1 Kings viii 51, Neh i 10, ix. 10, Jer. xxxii 20, 21.

i ver 20, Exod. xx 5, 1 Sam xii 7, Ps xxxi 1, lxxi. 2, Micah vi 4, 5, Zech viii 3

t ver 14, ch i 7, 17, viii 16, 26, Rev xix 9

14 Heb *weeks of days*

15 Heb *bread of desires*

j ver 19, Numb vi 25, Ps lxvii 1, lxxx 3, 7, 19, Lam. v. 18, John xvi 24

u Matt vi 17

k Exod iii. 7, Ps lxxx 14, &c, Isa. xxxvii 17, Jer xxv 29

v Gen. ii 14

w ch xii 6, 7; Josh v 13, Jer x 9; Rev i. 13–15, xv 6

l Ps. lxxix 9, 10; cii 15, 16

m ch viii 16; Ps. xxxii. 5, Isa. lxv 24

x Ezek i. 7, 14, 16, 24; Rev i. 13, 15, xix 12

n ch viii. 16, 18; x. 10, 16; 1 Kings xviii. 36.

y 2 Kings vi. 17; Acts ix 7.

3 Heb. *to make thee skilful of understanding*

16 Or, *vigour.*

4 Heb *word.*

z ch vii. 28; viii. 27



DANIEL TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL WHILE PRAYING.—DANIEL IX. 1

I heard the voice of his words, then was I in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward the ground.[a]

10 ¶ And, behold, an hand touched me, which [1]set me upon my knees and *upon* the palms of my hands.[b]

11 And he said unto me, O Daniel, [2]a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and [3]stand upright: for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling.[c]

12 Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words.[d]

13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, [4]one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.[e]

14 Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision *is* for *many* days.[f]

15 And when he had spoken such words unto me,

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a ch viii 18.

d ch ix 3, 4, 22, 23, Acts x. 4, Rev i 17

1 Heb *moved.*

b ch ix 21; Jer i. 9, Rev i 17

2 Heb *a man of desires*

4 Or, *the first.*

e vs 20, 21; ch. xii 1, Jude 9, Rev xii 7

3 Heb *stand upon thy standing*

c ch ix 23

f ver 1, ch ii 28, viii 26, Gen xlix 1, Hab ii 3

I set my face toward the ground, and I became dumb.[a]

16 And, behold, *one* like the similitude of the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened my mouth, and spake, and said unto him that stood before me, O my lord, by the vision my sorrows are turned upon me, and I have retained no strength.[b]

17 For how can [1]the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me, straightway there remained no strength in me, neither is there breath left in me.

18 Then there came again and touched me *one* like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me,

19 And said, O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace *be* unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong. And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened, and said, Let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me.[c]

20 Then said he, Knowest thou wherefore I come unto thee? and now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia shall come.[d]

21 But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and *there is* none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.[e]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *The overthrow of Persia by the king of Grecia.* 5 *Leagues and conflicts between the kings of the south and of the north.* 30 *The invasion and tyranny of the Romans.*

ALSO I in the first year of Darius the Mede, *even* I, stood to confirm and to strengthen him.[f]

2 And now will I shew thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than *they* all: and by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.

3 And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will.[g]

4 And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward the four winds of heaven; and not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others beside those.[h]

5 ¶ And the king of the south shall be strong, and *one* of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his dominion *shall be* a great dominion.

6 And in the end of years they [2]shall join themselves together; for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make [3]an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and [4]he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in *these* times.

7 But out of a branch of her roots shall *one* stand up [5]in his estate, which shall come with an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against them, and shall prevail:

8 And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, *and* with [6]their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue *more* years than the king of the north.

9 So the king of the south shall come into *his* kingdom, and shall return into his own land.

10 But his sons [7]shall be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces: and *one* shall certainly come, and overflow, and pass through: [8]then shall he return, and be stirred up, *even* to his fortress.[i]

11 And the king of the south shall be moved with choler, and shall come forth and fight with him, *even* with the king of the north: and he shall set forth a great multitude; but the multitude shall be given into his hand.

12 *And* when he hath taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall cast down *many* ten thousands: but he shall not be strengthened *by it.*

13 For the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come [9]after certain years with a great army and with much riches.[j]

14 And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south: also [10]the robbers of thy people shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall.

15 So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take [11]the most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither [12]his chosen people, neither *shall there be any* strength to withstand.

16 But he that cometh against him shall do according to his own will, and none shall stand before him: and he shall stand in the [13]glorious land, which by his hand shall be consumed.[k]

17 He shall also set his face to enter with the strength of his whole kingdom, and [14]upright ones with him; thus shall he do: and he shall give him the daughter of women, [15]corrupting her: but she shall not stand *on his side*, neither be for him.[l]

18 After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince [16]for his own behalf shall cause [17]the reproach offered by him to cease; without his own reproach he shall cause *it* to turn upon him.

19 Then he shall turn his face toward the fort of his own land: but he shall stumble and fall, and not be found.[m]

20 Then shall stand up [18]in his estate [19]a raiser of taxes *in* the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in [20]anger, nor in battle.

21 And [21]in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.[n]

22 And with the arms of a flood shall they be

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5 Or, *in his place*, or, *office*, ver. 20.

a ver. 9; ch. viii. 18.

6 Heb. *vessels of their desire.*

b vs. 8, 10; ch. viii. 15; Jer. l. 9.

1 Or, *this servant of my lord.*

7 Or, *shall war.*

8 Or, *then shall he be stirred up again.*

i ver. 7, ch. ix. 26; Isa. viii. 8.

c ver. 11; Judg. vi. 23.

d ver. 13.

e ver 13; Jude 9, Rev xii. 7.

9 Heb. *at the end of times, even years.*

j ch. iv. 16, xii. 7.

10 Heb *the children of robbers.*

f ch. v. 31; ix. 1.

11 Heb. *the city of munitions.*

12 Heb. *the people of his choices.*

13 Or, *goodly land*, vs. 41, 45; ch. viii 9. Heb. *the land of ornament.*

k vs 3, 36; ch viii. 4, 7, Josh. i. 5.

14 Or, *much uprightness*, or, *equal conditions.*

g vs. 16, 36, ch. vii. 6, viii. 4, 5.

15 Heb. *to corrupt.*

l ch ix. 26

16 Heb *for him*

17 Heb *his reproach*

h ch viii 8, 22

m Job xx 8; Ps xxxvii 36; Ezek. xxvi 21

2 Heb *shall associate themselves*

18 Or, *in his place*, ver 7

19 Heb *one that causeth an exactor to pass over.*

3 Heb. *rights*

20 Heb *angers*

21 Or, *in his place.*

4 Or, *whom she brought forth.*

n ch vii 8, viii 9, 23, 25.

overflown from before him, and shall be broken; yea, also the prince of the covenant.[a]

23 And after the league *made* with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.[b]

24 He shall enter [1]peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do *that* which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: *yea*, and he shall [2]forecast his devices against the strongholds, even for a time.

25 And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him.

26 Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain.[c]

27 And both these kings' [3]hearts *shall be* to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end *shall be* at the time appointed.[d]

28 Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and his heart *shall be* against the holy covenant; and he shall do *exploits*, and return to his own land.[e]

29 At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.[f]

30 ¶ For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.[g]

31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily *sacrifice*, and they shall place the abomination that [4]maketh desolate.[h]

32 And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he [5]corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do *exploits*.

33 And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, *many* days.[i]

34 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

35 And *some* of them of understanding shall fall to [6]try them, and to purge, and to make *them* white, *even* to the time of the end: because *it is* yet for a time appointed.[j]

36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.[k]

37 Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.[l]

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7 Or, *But in his stead* Heb *As for the Almighty God, in his seat he shall honour, yea, he shall honour a god whom, &c.*

ver. 10, ch. viii. 10, 11, 25

8 Or, *munitions.* Heb. *Mauzzim*, or, *God's protectors*

9 Heb *things desired*, Isa. xliv 9

ch viii 25

10 Heb *fortresses of munitions*

Or, *into the peaceable and fat, &c.*

11 Heb *a price*

Heb. *think his thoughts*

m vs 10, 22, 35, Isa. xxi 1, Zech ix. 14, Ezek xxxviii 4, 15, Rev ix 16

12 Or, *goodly land*, ver 16 Heb *land of delight*, or, *ornament*

n Isa xi 14

vs 10, 22

13 Heb *send forth*

Heb *their hearts*

vs 29, 35, 40, ch. viii 19

o Ezek. xxx 4

ver 22

vs 23, 25

14 Or, *goodly H mountain of delight of holiness*

p vs 16, 41, Ps xlviii. 2, 2 Thess ii 4, 8, Rev xix 20

q ver. 28; Numb. xxiv. 24, Jer. li. 10.

4 Or, *as*

h ch viii. 11; xii 11

5 Or, *cause to dissemble.*

g ch. x. 13, 21, Exod. xxxii. 32, Ps lvi. 8; lxix. 28; Isa. xxvi. 20, 21; Jer xxx. 7; Ezek. xiii. 9, Matt. xxiv. 21; Luke 20; Philipp iv. 3 Rev iii. 5, xiii 8

i Mal ii 7, Heb xi 33, &c

r Isa lxvi 24, Matt xxv 46, John 28, 29, Acts xxiv 15, Rom ix 21.

15 Or, *teachers*

6 Or, *by them*

s ch xi 33, 35, Prov iv 18, Matt xiii 43, 1 Cor xv 41 42, James v 20

j vs. 29, 40, ch viii. 17 19, xii 10, 1 Peter i.

t ver 9, ch viii 26, x 1, Rev x 4, xxii 10

16 Heb *up*

u ch x 4

k ver 16, ch xi 8, 25, viii 11, 24—26, ix 27, 2 Thess. ii 4, Rev xiii 5, 6

17 Or, *from above*

v ch. viii. 13

l Isa. xiv 13, 2 Thess ii 4, 1 Tim. iv 3.

38 [7]But in his estate shall he honour the God of [8]forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and [9]pleasant things.

39 Thus shall he do in the [10]most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge *and* increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for [11]gain.

40 And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.[m]

41 He shall enter also into the [12]glorious land, and many *countries* shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, *even* Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon.[n]

42 He shall [13]stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Edom shall not escape.

43 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps.[o]

44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.

45 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the [14]glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.[p]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Michael shall deliver Israel from their troubles* 5 *Daniel is informed of the time*

AND at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation *even* to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.[q]

2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame *and* everlasting contempt.[r]

3 And they that be [15]wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.[s]

4 But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, *even* to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.[t]

5 ¶ Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the [16]bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.[u]

6 And *one* said to the man clothed in linen, which *was* [17]upon the waters of the river, How long *shall it be to* the end of these wonders?[v]

7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which

was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth for ever that *it shall be* for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these *things* shall be finished.[c]

8 And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what *shall be* the end of these *things?*

9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words *are* closed up and sealed till the time of the end.[d]

10 Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.[e]

11 And from the time *that* the daily *sacrifice* shall be taken away, and [1]the abomination that [2]maketh desolate set up, *there shall be* a thousand two hundred and ninety days.[f]

12 Blessed *is* he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.

13 But go thou thy way till the end *be:* [3]for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days.[g]

BEFORE CHRIST 534.

c ch. xi. 31, 35; Hos. xiv 9; Zech. xiii. 9; John vii. 17; viii. 47; xviii. 37; Rev. ix. 20; xxii. 11.

1 Heb *to set up the abomination, &c.*

2 Or, *astonisheth.*

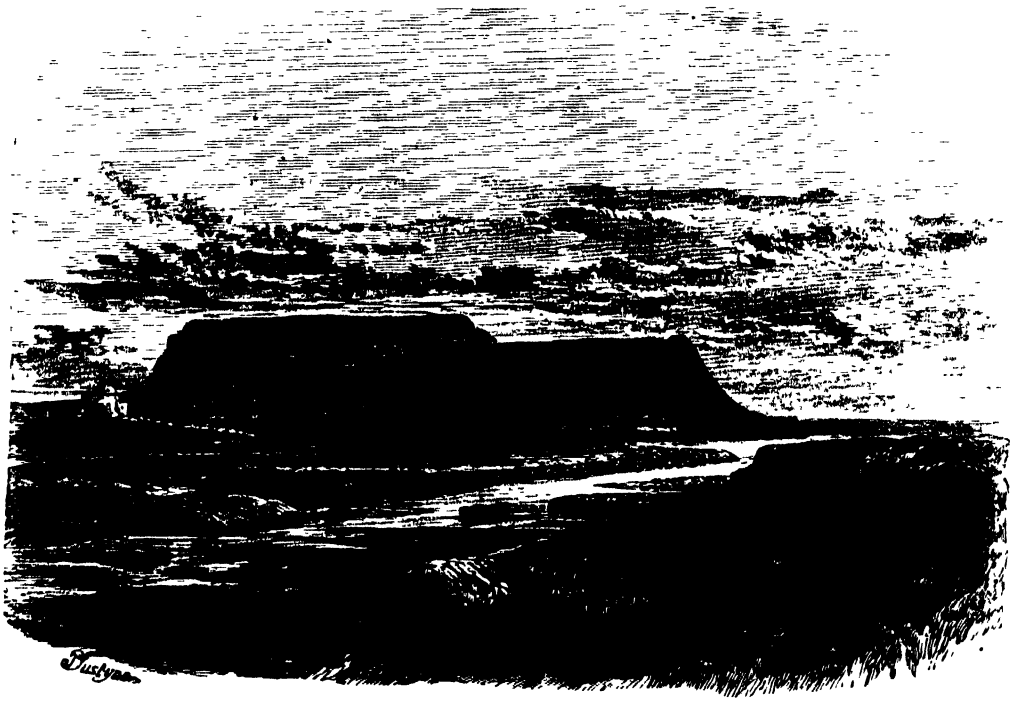
a ch. iv 34; vi. 25, viii. 24; xi 13, Luke xxi. 24, Rev x. 5—7; xii. 14.

d ch. viii. 11; xi. 31.

3 Or, *and thou, &c.*

b ver 4

e ver. 9, Ps. l 5; Isa. lvii. 2, Rev. xiv 13.



RUINS OF SUSA.





The Book of HOSEA

CHAPTER I.

1 *Hosea, to shew God's judgment for spiritual whoredom, taketh Gomer,* 4 *and hath by her Jezreel,* 6 *Lo-ruhamah,* 8 *and Lo-ammi* 10 *The restoration of Judah and*

BEFORE CHRIST 785.

Hosea was contemporary with Isaiah, Micah, and Amos, and directed his prophecies chiefly against the kingdom of the Ten Tribes His ministry extended from the time of Hezekiah to that of Jeroboam the Second, and thus embraced a period of nearly sixty years

THE word of the LORD that came unto Hosea, the son of Beeri, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel.

2 The beginning of the word of the LORD by Hosea. And the LORD said to Hosea, Go, take unto thee a wife of whoredoms and children of whoredoms: for the land hath committed great whoredom, *departing* from the LORD.[a]

3 So he went and took Gomer the daughter of Diblaim; which conceived, and bare him a son.

4 And the LORD said unto him, Call his name Jezreel; for yet a little *while*, and I will [1]avenge the blood of Jezreel upon the house of Jehu, and will cause to cease the kingdom of the house of Israel.[b]

5 And it shall come to pass at that day, that I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel.

a ch iii 1; Deut. xxxi 16, Ps. lxxiii 27, Jer ii. 13, Ezek. xxiii. 3, &c

1 Heb *visit*

b 2 Kings x 12, 29.

6 ¶ And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And *God* said unto him, Call her name [1]Lo-ruhamah: for [2]I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; [3]but I will utterly take them away.[a]

7 But I will have mercy upon the house of Judah, and will save them by the LORD their God, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle, by horses, nor by horsemen.[b]

8 ¶ Now when she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son.

9 Then said *God*, Call his name [4]Lo-ammi: for ye *are* not my people, and I will not be your *God*.

10 ¶ Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass, *that* [5]in the place where it was said unto them, Ye *are* not my people, *there* it shall be said unto them, *Ye are* the sons of the living God.[c]

11 Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great *shall be* the day of Jezreel.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 785.

1 That is, *Not having obtained mercy*

2 Heb *I will not add any more to*

f Jer. xlii. 22, 26; Ezek. xvi. 4, 37, 39; xix. 13; Amos viii. 11, 13

3 Or, *that I should altogether pardon them.*

a 2 Kings xvii. 6, 23.

g John viii. 41

b 2 Kings xix. 35; Zech. iv 6; ix 10.

8 Heb. *drinks.*

h vs. 8, 12; Jer iii. 1, 6, 8, 9; xliv 17; Ezek. xvi 15, &c.

4 That is, *Not my people.*

9 Heb. *wall a wall.*

i Job iii. 23; xix. 8; Lam. iii. 7, 9.

Or, *instead of that.*

CHAPTER II.

1 *The idolatry of the people* 6 *God's judgments against them.* 14 *His promises of reconciliation with them.*

SAY ye unto your brethren, [6]Ammi; and to your sisters, [7]Ruhamah.

2 Plead with your mother, plead: for she *is* not my wife, neither *am* I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her breasts;[e]

3 Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst.[f]

4 And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they *be* the children of whoredoms.[g]

5 For their mother hath played the harlot: she that conceived them hath done shamefully: for she said, I will go after my lovers, that give *me* my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my [8]drink.[h]

6 ¶ Therefore, behold, I will hedge up thy way with thorns, and [9]make a wall, that she shall not find her paths.[i]

7 And she shall follow after her lovers, but she shall not overtake them; and she shall seek them, but shall not find *them:* then shall she say, I will go and return to my first husband; for then *was it* better with me than now.[j]

8 For she did not know that I gave her corn, and [10]wine, and oil, and multiplied her silver and gold, [11]*which* they prepared for Baal.[k]

9 Therefore will I return, and take away my corn in the time thereof, and my wine in the season thereof, and will [12]recover my wool and my flax *given* to cover her nakedness.[l]

10 And now will I discover her [13]lewdness in the sight of her lovers, and none shall deliver her out of mine hand.[m]

11 I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts.[n]

12 And I will [14]destroy her vines and her fig trees, whereof she hath said, These *are* my rewards that my lovers have given me: and I will make them a forest, and the beasts of the field shall eat them.[o]



c ch ii 23, Gen xxxii. 12, Rom ix 25—28, 1 Peter ii 10

j ch v 15, Luke xv 18, Ezek xvi 8

10 Heb *new wine*

11 Or, wherewith *they made Baal*, ch viii 4.

k Isa. i 3, Ezek. xvi. 17—19

d Isa xi 12, 13, Jer iii. 18, Ezek xxxiv 23, xxxvii 16—24

12 Or, *take away*

l ver 3

13 Heb *folly*, or, *villany*

6 That is, *My people*

7 That is, *Having obtained mercy*

m Ezek xvi 37; xxiii. 29

n 1 Kings xii 32, Amos viii 5, 10

14 Heb *make desolate*

e Isa. l 1, Ezek. xvi 25

o ver 5, Ps lxxx. 12, 13, Isa. v 5.

13 And I will visit upon her the days of Baalim, wherein she burned incense to them, and she decked herself with her earrings and her jewels, and she went after her lovers, and forgat me, saith the LORD.[a]

14 ¶ Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak [1]comfortably unto her.[b]

15 And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor for a door of hope: and she shall sing there, as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt.[c]

16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, *that* thou shalt call me [2]Ishi; and shalt call me no more [3]Baali.

17 For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name.[d]

18 And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven, and *with* the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, and will make them to lie down safely.[e]

19 And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies.

20 I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the LORD.[f]

21 And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the earth;[g]

22 And the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel.[h]

23 And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to *them which were* not my people, Thou *art* my people; and they shall say, *Thou art* my God.[i]

CHAPTER III.

1 *By the expiation of an adulteress, 4 is shewed the desolation of Israel before their restoration*

THEN said the LORD unto me, Go yet, love a woman beloved of *her* friend, yet an adulteress, according to the love of the LORD toward the children of Israel, who look to other gods, and love flagons [4]of wine.[j]

2 So I bought her to me for fifteen *pieces* of silver, and *for* an homer of barley, and an [5]half homer of barley:

3 And I said unto her, Thou shalt abide for me many days; thou shalt not play the harlot, and thou shalt not be for *another* man: so *will* I also *be* for thee.[k]

4 For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without [6]an image, and without an ephod, and *without* teraphim:[l]

BEFORE CHRIST 780.

a Ezek. xxiii 40, 42.

m ch. v 6; Isa. ii. 2; Jer xxx 9, 24, l. 4, 5, Ezek xxxiv 23, 24; xxxvii. 22, 24, xxxviii 8, 16, Dan. ii. 28; Micah iv 1

1 Or, *friendly.* Heb. *to her heart.*

b Ezek. xx. 35.

c Exod xv 1; Josh vii. 26, Isa lxv 10, Jer ii 2, Ezek. xvi. 8, 22, 60.

2 That is, *My husband.*

3 That is, *My lord.*

n ch xii. 2, Isa. i. 18; iii 13, 14, Jer. iv. 22, v 4; xxv. 31; Micah vi. 2

d Exod xxiii 13, Josh. xxiii 7, Ps xvi. 4, Zech xiii 2

7 Heb *bloods*

e Lev xxvi 5, Job v 23, Ps. xlvi 9, Isa. ii 4, xi 6—9, Jer xxiii 6, Ezek xxxiv 25; xxxix 9, 10, Zech. ix. 10

o Jer iv 28, xii 4, Amos v 16, viii 8, Zeph i 3

p Deut xvii 12

f Jer xxxi 33, 34, John xvii 3

8 Heb *cut off*

q Jer vi 4, 5, xv 8

9 Heb *cut off*

g Zech viii 12

h ch i 4

r Isa v 13

s ch xiii 6, 1 Sam ii 30, Mal ii 9, Philipp iii 19

10 Heb. *lift up their soul to their iniquity*

i ch i 6, 10, Jer xxxi 27, Zech x 9, xiii 9, Rom. ix 26, 1 Peter ii. 10

11 Heb *visit upon.*

12 Heb *cause to return*

t Isa. xxiv 2, Jer v 31

u Lev xxvi 26; Micah vi 14, Hagg. i 6

v Isa xxviii 7, Eccles vii 7

4 Heb *of grapes*

j ch i. 2, Jer iii. 20

w ch v 4, Isa. xliv 20, Jer. ii. 27, Hab ii. 19

5 Heb *lethech*

x Isa. i 29, lvii 5, 7, Ezek. vi 13, xx 28, Amos viii 17, Rom i 28

13 Or, *Shall I not,* &c.

k Deut xxi 13

14 Or, *be punished*

y vs 1, 6

6 Heb *a standing,* or, *statue,* or, *pillar,* Isa xix. 19

l ch x 3, Exod xxviii 6, Judg xvii 5

5 Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.[m]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *God's judgments against the sins of the people, 6 and of the priests, 12 and against their idolatry. 15 Judah is exhorted to take warning by Israel's calamity*

HEAR the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because *there is* no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land.[n]

2 By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth [7]blood.

3 Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away.[o]

4 Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another: for thy people *are* as they that strive with the priest.[p]

5 Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will [8]destroy thy mother.[q]

6 ¶ My people are [9]destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.[r]

7 As they were increased, so they sinned against me: *therefore* will I change their glory into shame.[s]

8 They eat up the sin of my people, and they [10]set their heart on their iniquity.

9 And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will [11]punish them for their ways, and [12]reward them their doings.[t]

10 For they shall eat, and not have enough: they shall commit whoredom, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD.[u]

11 Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.[v]

12 ¶ My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused *them* to err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God.[w]

13 They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof *is* good: therefore your daughters shall commit whoredom, and your spouses shall commit adultery.[x]

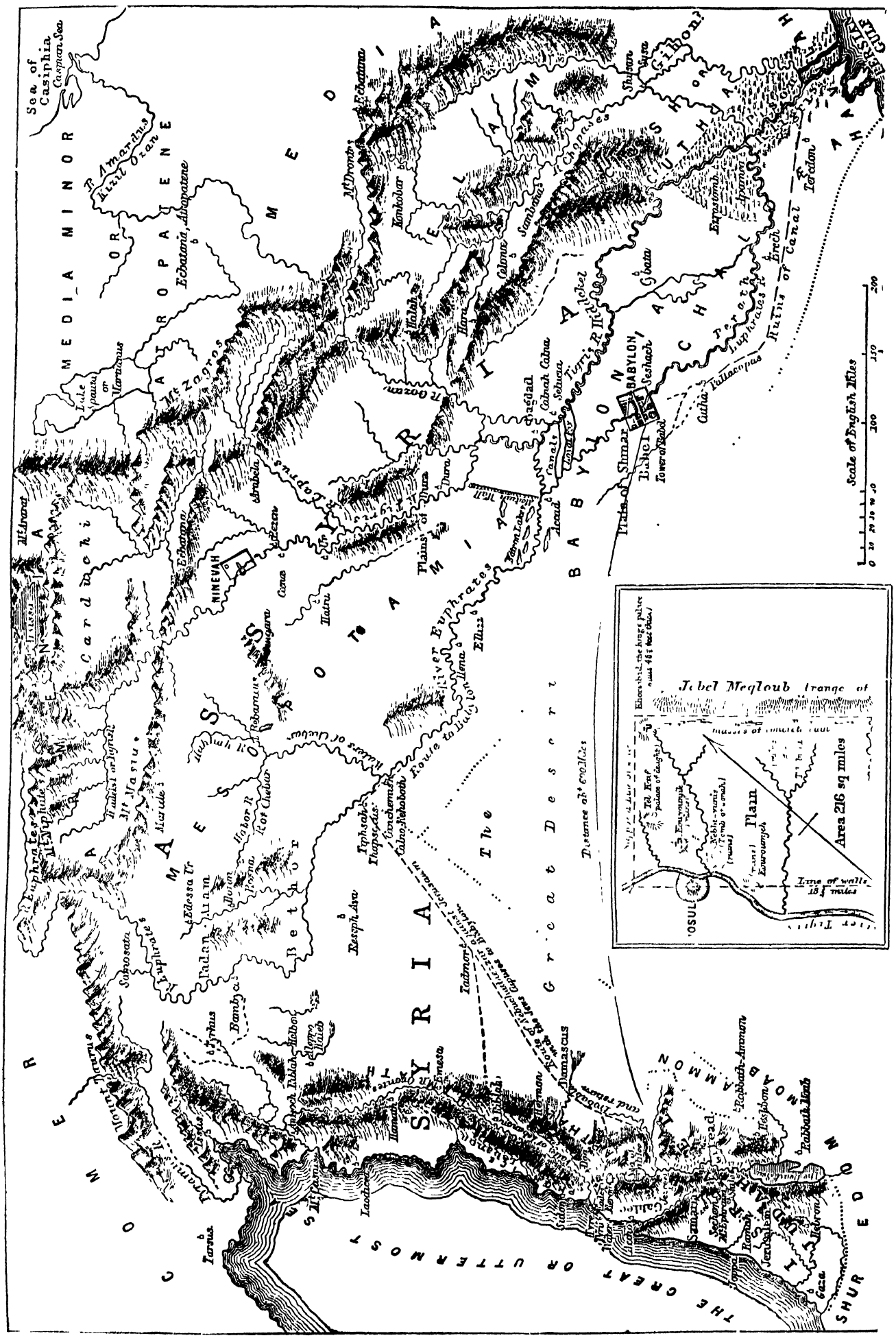
14 [13]I will not punish your daughters when they commit whoredom, nor your spouses when they commit adultery: for themselves are separated with whores, and they sacrifice with harlots: therefore the people *that* doth not understand shall [14]fall.[y]

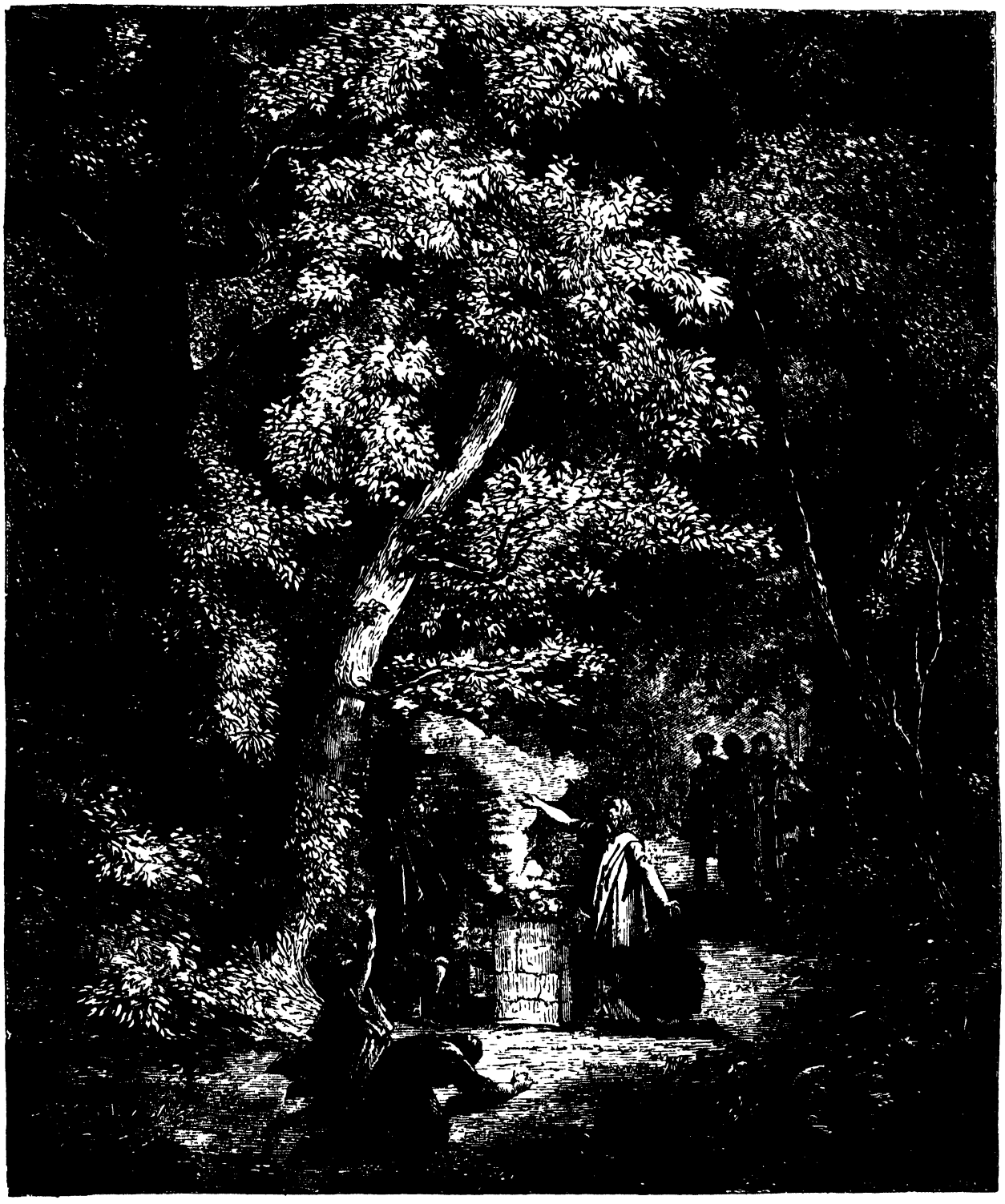
15 ¶ Though thou, Israel, play the harlot, *yet* let not Judah offend; and come not ye unto Gilgal,

MAP OF ASSYRIA AND THE HOLY LAND,

SHOWING THE RELATIVE SITUATIONS OF THOSE COUNTRIES,

TOGETHER WITH A PLAN OF NINEVEH.





OFFERING SACRIFICE UNDER TREES.—HOSEA IV. 13; X. 1.

neither go ye up to Beth-aven, nor swear, The LORD liveth.[a]

16 For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb in a large place.[b]

17 Ephraim *is* joined to idols: let him alone.[c]

18 Their drink [1]is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her [2]rulers *with* shame do love, Give ye.

19 The wind hath bound her up in her wings, and they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 780.

a ch. ix. 15; x. 5; xii 11; 1 Kings xii. 29, Amos iv 4, v. 5, viii. 14; Zeph. i 5.

b Jer iii 6; vii 24, viii. 5, Zech. vii. 11

c Matt. xv. 14

1 Heb. *is gone.*

2 Heb *shields*, Ps xlvii. 9, Micah iii. 11, vii 3.

d ch. vi. 9.

3 Or, *and, &c.*

4 Heb. *a correction.*

CHAPTER V.

1 *God's judgments against the priests, the people, and the princes of Israel, for their manifold sins,* 15 *until they repent.*

HEAR ye this, O priests; and hearken, ye house of Israel; and give ye ear, O house of the king; for judgment *is* toward you, because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread upon Tabor.[e]

2 And the revolters are profound to make slaughter, [3]though I *have been* [4]a rebuker of them all.[f]

e ch. vi. 9.

f Isa xxix. 15

3 I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou committest whoredom, *and* Israel is defiled.[a]

4 [1]They will not frame their doings to turn unto their God: for the spirit of whoredoms *is* in the midst of them, and they have not known the LORD.[b]

5 And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity; Judah also shall fall with them.[c]

6 They shall go with their flocks and with their herds to seek the LORD; but they shall not find *him;* he hath withdrawn himself from them.[d]

7 They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have begotten strange children: now shall a month devour them with their portions.[e]

8 Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah, *and* the trumpet in Ramah: cry aloud *at* Beth-aven, after thee, O Benjamin.[f]

9 Ephraim shall be desolate in the day of rebuke: among the tribes of Israel have I made known that which shall surely be.

10 The princes of Judah were like them that remove the bound: *therefore* I will pour out my wrath upon them like water.[g]

11 Ephraim *is* oppressed *and* broken in judgment, because he willingly walked after the commandment.[h]

12 Therefore *will* I *be* unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as [2]rottenness.[i]

13 When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah *saw* his wound, then went Ephraim to the Assyrian, and sent [3]to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound.[j]

14 For I *will be* unto Ephraim as a lion, and as a young lion to the house of Judah: I, *even* I, will tear and go away; I will take away, and none shall rescue *him.*[k]

15 ¶ I will go *and* return to my place, [4]till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early.[l]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *An exhortation to repentance.* 4 *A complaint of their untowardness and iniquity.*

COME, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up.[m]

2 After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight.[n]

3 Then shall we know, *if* we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter *and* former rain unto the earth.[o]

4 ¶ O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? for your [5]goodness *is* as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away.[p]

5 Therefore have I hewed *them* by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of my mouth: [6]and thy judgments *are as* the light *that* goeth forth.[q]

BEFORE CHRIST 780.

r 1 Sam. xv. 22; Ps. l. 8, 9; Prov. xxi. 3; Eccles. v. 1; Isa. i. 11; Jer. xxii. 16; Micah vi. 8; Matt. ix. 13; xii. 7; John xvii. 3.

a ch. iv. 17; Ezek. xxiii. 5, &c.; Amos iii. 2.

7 Or, *like Adam*, Job xxxi. 33.

1 Heb. *They will not give*; or, *Their doings will not suffer* them.

s ch. v. 7; viii. 1.

b ch. iv. 12.

8 Or, *cunning for blood*

t ch. xii. 11.

9 Heb. *with* one *shoulder*, or, *to Shechem.*

c ch. vii. 10.

10 Or, *enormity.*

u ch. v 1, 2; Jer. xi. 9; Ezek. xxii. 25.

d Prov. i. 28; Isa. i. 15; Jer xi. 11; Ezek. viii. 18; Micah iii. 4; John vii. 34

v ch iv. 12, 13, 17; Jer v 30.

w Ps. cxxvi. 1; Jer li 33; Joel iii. 13, Rev xiv. 15.

e ch vi 7, Isa. xlviii 8; Jer iii 20, v 11; Zech xi. 8, Mal. ii. 11.

f ch. iv. 15; viii. 1, Josh. vii. 2; Judg v. 14; Joel ii. 1

11 Heb *evils.*

g Deut xix 14, xxvii 17.

h Deut xxviii 33, 1 Kings xii 28, Micah vi 16

12 Heb *strippeth.*

x ch. v 1, vi 10.

2 Or, *a worm*

i Prov xii 4

13 Heb. *say not to*

3 Or, *to the king of Jareb*, or, *to the king* that *should plead.*

y Ps ix 16; xc 8; Prov v. 22, Jer. xvii 1

j ch vii 11, x. 6, xii. 1; 2 Kings xv 19, Jer xxx 12

z Rom i 32

14 Or, *the rauer will cease*

15 Or, *from waking.*

k ch xiii 7, 8, Ps l 22; Lam iii 10

a Jer ix. 2

4 Heb *till they be guilty.*

16 Or, *with heat through wine.*

l Lev xxvi 40, 41; Ps. lxxviii 34, Jer. xxix. 12, 13, Ezek vi. 9, xx. 43, xxxvi 31.

17 Or, *applied.*

b ch viii. 4, 2 Kings xv 10, 14, 25, 30; Isa. lxiv 7

m ch v 14, Deut. xxxii 39, 1 Sam ii 6, Job v 18, Jer xxx 17

c Ps cvi 35

18 Heb *sprinkled.*

n 1 Cor xv 4

d ch viii 7

e ch v 5, Isa. ix 13

o 2 Sam xxiii 4; Job xxix. 23, Ps lxxii 6.

f ch v 13, ix. 3, xii 1, 2 Kings xv. 19, xvii. 4

5 Or, *mercy*, or, *kindness.*

p ch xi 8, xiii 3

g Lev xxvi 14, &c.; Deut. xxviii. 15, &c.; 2 Kings xvii 13, 18; Ezek. xii. 13, &c

6 Or, *that thy judgments might be, &c.*

q Jer. i. 10; v. 14; xxiii. 29; Heb iv. 12.

19 Heb. *spoil.*

6 For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.[r]

7 But they [7]like men have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against me.[s]

8 Gilead *is* a city of them that work iniquity, *and is* [8]polluted with blood.[t]

9 And as troops of robbers wait for a man, *so* the company of priests murder in the way [9]by consent: for they commit [10]lewdness.[u]

10 I have seen an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there *is* the whoredom of Ephraim, Israel is defiled.[v]

11 Also, O Judah, he hath set an harvest for thee, when I returned the captivity of my people.[w]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *A reproof of manifold sins.* 11 *God's wrath against them for their hypocrisy.*

WHEN I would have healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the [11]wickedness of Samaria: for they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, *and* the troop of robbers [12]spoileth without.[x]

2 And they [13]consider not in their hearts *that* I remember all their wickedness: now their own doings have beset them about; they are before my face.[y]

3 They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes with their lies.[z]

4 They *are* all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, [14]*who* ceaseth [15]from raising after he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened.[a]

5 In the day of our king the princes have made *him* sick [16]with bottles of wine; he stretched out his hand with scorners.

6 For they have [17]made ready their heart like an oven, whiles they lie in wait: their baker sleepeth all the night; in the morning it burneth as a flaming fire.

7 They are all hot as an oven, and have devoured their judges; all their kings are fallen: *there is* none among them that calleth unto me.[b]

8 Ephraim, he hath mixed himself among the people; Ephraim is a cake not turned.[c]

9 Strangers have devoured his strength, and he knoweth *it* not: yea, gray hairs are [18]here and there upon him, yet he knoweth not.[d]

10 And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face: and they do not return to the LORD their God, nor seek him for all this.[e]

11 ¶ Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.[f]

12 When they shall go, I will spread my net upon them; I will bring them down as the fowls of the heaven; I will chastise them, as their congregation hath heard.[g]

13 Woe unto them! for they have fled from me: [19]destruction unto them! because they have trans-

gressed against me: though I have redeemed them, yet they have spoken lies against me.[e]

14 And they have not cried unto me with their heart, when they howled upon their beds: they assemble themselves for corn and wine, *and* they rebel against me.[f]

15 Though I have [1]bound *and* strengthened their arms, yet do they imagine mischief against me.

16 They return, *but* not to the most High: they are like a deceitful bow: their princes shall fall by the sword for the rage of their tongue: this *shall be* their derision in the land of Egypt.[c]

CHAPTER VIII.

1, 12 *Destruction is threatened for their impiety,* 5 *and idolatry.*

SET the trumpet to [2]thy mouth. *He shall come* as an eagle against the house of the LORD, because they have transgressed my covenant, and trespassed against my law.[d]

2 Israel shall cry unto me, My God, we know thee.[e]

3 Israel hath cast off *the thing that is* good: the enemy shall pursue him.

4 They have set up kings, but not by me: they have made princes, and I knew *it* not: of their silver and their gold have they made them idols, that they may be cut off.[f]

5 ¶ Thy calf, O Samaria, hath cast *thee* off; mine anger is kindled against them: how long *will it be* ere they attain to innocency?[g]

6 For from Israel *was* it also: the workman made it; therefore it *is* not God: but the calf of Samaria shall be broken in pieces.

7 For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no [3]stalk: the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.[h]

8 Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be among the Gentiles as a vessel wherein *is* no pleasure.[i]

9 For they are gone up to Assyria, a wild ass alone by himself: Ephraim hath hired [4]lovers.[j]

10 Yea, though they have hired among the nations, now will I gather them, and they shall [5]sorrow [6]a little for the burden of the king of princes.[k]

11 Because Ephraim hath made many altars to sin, altars shall be unto him to sin.[l]

12 I have written to him the great things of my law, *but* they were counted as a strange thing.[m]

13 [7]They sacrifice flesh *for* the sacrifices of mine offerings, and eat *it; but* the LORD accepteth them not; now will he remember their iniquity, and visit their sins: they shall return to Egypt.[n]

14 For Israel hath forgotten his Maker, and buildeth temples; and Judah hath multiplied fenced cities: but I will send a fire upon his cities, and it shall devour the palaces thereof.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 760

a Ps. lxxviii. 36, Micah vi. 4.

b Job xxxv. 9, 10; Jer. iii. 10, Zech vii. 5

8 Or, *in*, &c

1 Or, *chastened.*

p ch. ii. 12, iv. 12, v. 4, 7; Jer. xliv. 17

9 Or, *wine-fat*

q ch. ii 9, 12.

c ch ix 3, 6, xi 7, Ps. lxxiii 9, lxxviii 57

10 Not into Egypt itself, but into another bondage as bad as that

r ch viii 13, xi 5, 11, Lev xxv. 23, 2 Kings xvii 6, Jer ii 7, xvi 18, Ezek iv 13, Dan i 8

2 Heb *the roof of*

s ch iii 4, viii 13, Lev xvii 11; Deut. xxvi 14, Jer vi 20

d ch v 8, vi 7, Deut xxviii 49, Jer iv 13, Hab i 8

t ch ii 11

e ch v 15, Ps lxxviii 34, Titus i 16

11 Heb *spoil*

12 Or, *their silver shall be desired, the nettle,* &c Heb *the desire*

u ver 3, ch vii 16

f ch ii 8, xiii 2, 2 Kings xv 13, 17, 25

13 Heb *man of the spirit*

v Ezek xiii 3, &c, Micah ii 11, Zeph iii 4

g Jer xiii 27.

14 Or, *against*

w Jer vi 17, xxxi 6, Ezek. iii. 17, xxxiii 7

x ch viii 13, x 9, Judg xix 22, Isa xxxi 6

3 Or, *standing corn*

h ch viii 9; x. 12, 13, Prov xxii 8

y ch ii. 15, Numb xxv 3, Ps lxxxi. 12, cvi. 28, Isa xxviii 4, Jer xi 13; Ezek xx 8, Micah vii. 1, Amos iv 5

i 2 Kings xvii 6, Jer xxii 28, xliii 38.

4 Heb *loves.*

j 2 Kings xv 19; Isa. xxx. 6, Jer ii. 24, Ezek. xvi. 33, 34.

5 Or, *begin.*

6 Or, *in a little while,* as Hagg ii 6

k ch x 10, Isa x 8, Ezek xvi 37, xxvi 7, Dan ii 37

z ch v 6; Deut xxviii. 41, 62, xxxi. 17, 1 Sam xxviii 15, 16, 2 Kings xvii 18

l ch. xii. 11

a ver 16, ch xiii 16, Ezek xxvi, xxvii, xxviii

m Deut iv 6, 8, Ps cxix 18; cxlvii 19, 20

7 Or, *In the sacrifices of mine offerings they,* &c

b ch i. 6; Luke xxiii 29.

n ch v 6, ix. 3, 4, 6, xi 5, Deut. xxviii 68, Jer xiv 10, 12; Amos v 22, viii 7

c ch. i. 6; iv. 15, xii 11.

o Deut xxxii 18; 1 Kings xii 31, Isa. xxix 23, Jer xvii. 27, Amos ii 5, Eph. ii. 10.

15 Heb. *the desires.*

d ver. 13; Ezek. xxiv 21.

e Deut. xxiii. 64, 65.

CHAPTER IX.

The distress and captivity of Israel for their sins and idolatry.

REJOICE not, O Israel, for joy, as *other* people: for thou hast gone a whoring from thy God, thou hast loved a reward [8]upon every cornfloor.[p]

2 The floor and the [9]wine-press shall not feed them, and the new wine shall fail in her.[q]

3 They shall not dwell in the LORD'S land; but Ephraim shall return [10]to Egypt, and they shall eat unclean *things* in Assyria.[r]

4 They shall not offer wine *offerings* to the LORD, neither shall they be pleasing unto him: their sacrifices *shall be* unto them as the bread of mourners; all that eat thereof shall be polluted: for their bread for their soul shall not come into the house of the LORD.[s]

5 What will ye do in the solemn day, and in the day of the feast of the LORD?[t]

6 For, lo, they are gone because of [11]destruction: Egypt shall gather them up, Memphis shall bury them: [12]the pleasant *places* for their silver, nettles shall possess them: thorns *shall be* in their tabernacles.[u]

7 The days of visitation are come, the days of recompence are come; Israel shall know *it*. the prophet *is* a fool, the [13]spiritual man *is* mad, for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the great hatred.[v]

8 The watchman of Ephraim *was* with my God: *but* the prophet *is* a snare of a fowler in all his ways, *and* hatred [14]in the house of his God.[w]

9 They have deeply corrupted *themselves*, as in the days of Gibeah: *therefore* he will remember their iniquity, he will visit their sins.[x]

10 I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness; I saw your fathers as the firstripe in the fig tree at her first time: *but* they went to Baal-peor, and separated themselves unto *that* shame; and *their* abominations were according as they loved.[y]

11 *As for* Ephraim, their glory shall fly away like a bird, from the birth, and from the womb, and from the conception.

12 Though they bring up their children, yet will I bereave them, *that there shall* not *be* a man *left:* yea, woe also to them when I depart from them![z]

13 Ephraim, as I saw Tyrus, *is* planted in a pleasant place: but Ephraim shall bring forth his children to the murderer.[a]

14 Give them, O LORD: what wilt thou give? give them a miscarrying womb and dry breasts.[b]

15 All their wickedness *is* in Gilgal: for there I hated them: for the wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of mine house, I will love them no more: all their princes *are* revolters.[c]

16 Ephraim is smitten, their root is dried up, they shall bear no fruit: yea, though they bring forth, yet will I slay *even* [15]the beloved *fruit* of their womb.[d]

17 My God will cast them away, because they did not hearken unto him: and they shall be wanderers among the nations.[e]

CHAPTER X.

Israel is reproved and threatened for their impiety and idolatry.

ISRAEL *is* [1]an empty vine, he bringeth forth fruit unto himself: according to the multitude of his fruit he hath increased the altars; according to the goodness of his land they have made goodly

2 [3]Their heart is divided; now shall they be found faulty: he shall [4]break down their altars, he shall spoil their images.[b]

3 For now they shall say, We have no king, because we feared not the LORD; what then should a king do to us?[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 740.

i ch. ix. 9; Judg. xx.

1 Or, *a vine emptying the fruit which it giveth.*

7 Or, *when I shall bind them for their two transgressions, or, in their two habitations.*

j ch. viii. 10; Deut. xxviii. 63; Jer. xvi. 10; Ezek. xxiii. 46.

8 Heb *the beauty of her neck*

k Jer. l. 11; Micah iv. 13.

2 Heb *statues*, or, *standing images*

a ch. viii. 4, 11; xii. 11, Nahum ii. 2.

3 Or, *He hath divided their heart*

l Prov. xi. 18; Jer. iv. 3.

4 Heb *behead*

b 1 Kings xviii. 21; Matt. vi. 24.

c ver. 7, ch. iii. 4; xi. 5, Micah iv. 9.

m ch. viii. 7; Job iv. 8; Prov. xxii. 8; Gal. vi. 7, 8.

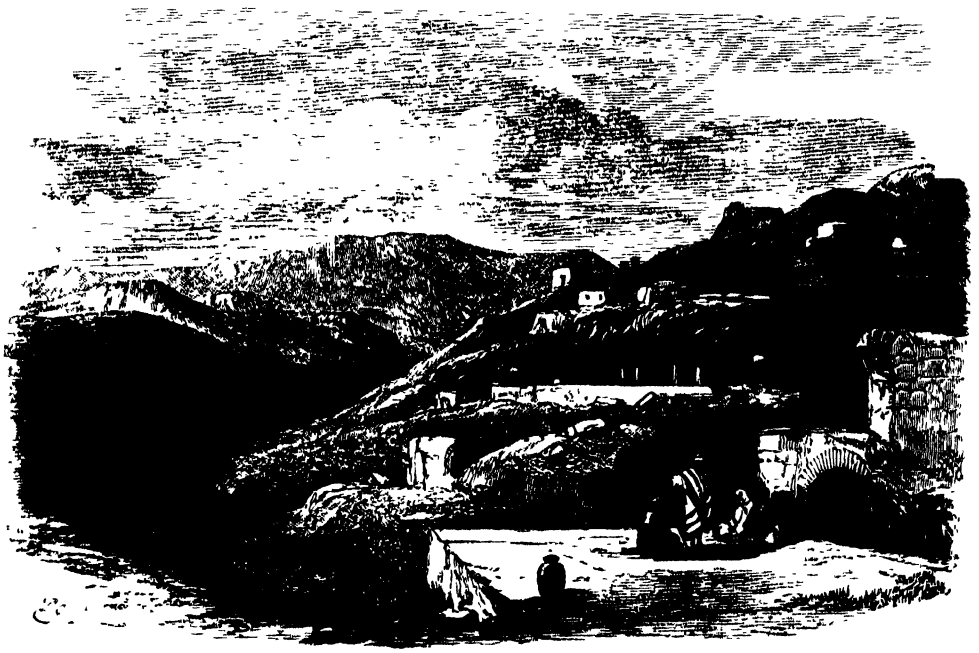
against the children of iniquity did not overtake them.[l]

10 *It is* in my desire that I should chastise them; and the people shall be gathered against them, [7]when they shall bind themselves in their two furrows.[j]

11 And Ephraim *is as* an heifer *that is* taught, *and* loveth to tread out *the corn;* but I passed over upon [8]her fair neck: I will make Ephraim to ride; Judah shall plow, *and* Jacob shall break his clods.[k]

12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for *it is* time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.[l]

13 Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies: because thou didst trust in thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.[m]



BETH-AVEN, NOW BEIT-AVAN.

4 They have spoken words, swearing falsely in making a covenant: thus judgment springeth up as hemlock in the furrows of the field.[d]

5 The inhabitants of Samaria shall fear because of the calves of Beth-aven: for the people thereof shall mourn over it, and [5]the priests thereof *that* rejoiced on it, for the glory thereof, because it is departed from it.[e]

6 It shall be also carried unto Assyria *for* a present to king Jareb: Ephraim shall receive shame, and Israel shall be ashamed of his own counsel.[f]

7 *As for* Samaria, her king is cut off as the foam upon [6]the water.[g]

8 The high places also of Aven, the sin of Israel, shall be destroyed: the thorn and the thistle shall come up on their altars; and they shall say to the mountains, Cover us; and to the hills, Fall on us.[h]

9 O Israel, thou hast sinned from the days of Gibeah: there they stood: the battle in Gibeah

d Deut. xxix. 18, Amos v. 7, vi. 12, Acts viii. 23, Heb. xii. 15

n ch. xiii. 16; 2 Kings xviii. 34, xix. 13

9 Heb *the evil of your evil.*

5 Or, *Chemarim.*

o ver. 7.

e ch. iv. 15; viii. 5, 6, ix. 11; 1 Sam. iv. 21, 22, 1 Kings xii. 28, 29, 2 Kings xxiii. 5, Zeph. i. 4

f ch. v. 13, xi. 6

6 Heb *the face of the water.*

g vs. 3, 15

p ch. ii. 15; Exod. iv. 22, 23, Matt. ii. 15.

h ch. iv. 15; ix. 6; Deut. ix. 21, 1 Kings xii. 30; Isa. ii. 19; Luke xxiii. 30, Rev. vi. 16; ix. 6.

q ch. ii. 13; xiii. 2; 2 Kings xvii. 16.

14 Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people, and all thy fortresses shall be spoiled, as Shalman spoiled Beth-arbel in the day of battle: the mother was dashed in pieces upon *her* children.[n]

15 So shall Beth-el do unto you because of [9]your great wickedness: in a morning shall the king of Israel utterly be cut off.[o]

CHAPTER XI.

1 The ingratitude of Israel unto God for his benefits. 5 His judgment. 8 God's mercy toward them.

WHEN Israel *was* a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.[p]

2 *As* they called them, so they went from them: they sacrificed unto Baalim, and burned incense to graven images.[q]

3 I taught Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms; but they knew not that I healed them.[a]

4 I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love: and I was to them as they that [1]take off the yoke on their jaws, and I laid meat unto them.[b]

5 ¶ He shall not return into the land of Egypt, but the Assyrian shall be his king, because they refused to return.[c]

6 And the sword shall abide on his cities, and shall consume his branches, and devour *them*, because of their own counsels.[d]

7 And my people are bent to backsliding from me: though they called them to the most High, [2]none at all would exalt *him*.[e]

8 How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? *how* shall I deliver thee, Israel? how shall I make thee as Admah? *how* shall I set thee as Zeboim? mine heart is turned within me, my repentings are kindled together.[f]

9 I will not execute the fierceness of mine anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim: for I *am* God, and not man; the Holy One in the midst of thee: and I will not enter into the city.[g]

10 They shall walk after the LORD: he shall roar like a lion: when he shall roar, then the children shall tremble from the west.[h]

11 They shall tremble as a bird out of Egypt, and as a dove out of the land of Assyria: and I will place them in their houses, saith the LORD.[i]

12 Ephraim compasseth me about with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit: but Judah yet ruleth with God, and is faithful [3]with the saints.[j]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *A reproof of Ephraim, Judah, and Jacob.* 3 *By former favours he exhorteth to repentance* 7 *Ephraim's sins provoke God*

EPHRAIM feedeth on wind, and followeth after the east wind: he daily increaseth lies and desolation; and they do make a covenant with the Assyrians, and oil is carried into Egypt.[k]

2 The LORD hath also a controversy with Judah, and will [4]punish Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he recompense him.[l]

3 ¶ He took his brother by the heel in the womb, and by his strength he [5]had power with God:[m]

4 Yea, he had power over the angel, and prevailed: he wept, and made supplication unto him: he found him *in* Beth-el, and there he spake with us;[n]

5 Even the LORD God of hosts; the LORD *is* his memorial.[o]

6 Therefore turn thou to thy God: keep mercy and judgment, and wait on thy God continually.[p]

7 ¶ *He is* [6]a merchant, the balances of deceit *are* in his hand: he loveth to [7]oppress.[q]

8 And Ephraim said, Yet I am become rich, I have found me out substance: [8]*in* all my labours they shall find none iniquity in me [9]that *were* sin.[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 725

a Exod. xv. 26; Deut. i. 31; xxxii. 10—12; Isa. xlvi 3
s ch xiii 4, Lev. xxiii 42, 43, Neh. viii 17, Zech xiv 16
1 Heb *lift up.*
b ch ii. 8, Lev xxvi 13; Ps. lxxviii. 25.
10 Heb *by the hand*
t 2 Kings xvii. 13
c ch viii 13, ix 3, 2 Kings xvii 13, 14
u ch iv 15, viii 11, ix 15, x 1, Amos iv 4
d ch x 6
v Gen xxviii 5; xxix. 20,28, Deut xxvi 5
2 Heb *together they exalted not*
w Exod xii 50, 51; xiii 3, Ps lxxvii 20, Isa lxiii. 11, Micah vi 4
e ch iv 16, vii 16, Jer iii 6, &c, viii 5
11 Heb. *with bitterness*
12 Heb *bloods*
x Deut xxviii 37, 2 Kings xvii 11—18, Dan xi 18
f ch vi 4, Gen xiv 8, xix 24, 25, Deut xxix 23, xxxii 36, Isa. lxiii 15, Jer ix 7, xxxi 20, Amos iv 11
g Numb xxiii 19, Isa. liv 8, 9, Mal. iii 6
h Isa xxxi 4, Joel iii 16, Amos i 2, Zech viii 7
y ch xi 2, 2 Kings xvii 16, 18
i ch xi 11, Isa lx 8, Ezek xxviii 25, 26, xxxvii 21, 25
3 Or, *with the most holy*
j ch xii 1
13 Or, *the sacrificers of men*
k ch ii 8, viii 4
a ch vi 4, Dan ii 31
b ch xii 9, Isa. xliii 11, xlv 21
l ch x 13, vii 11, viii 7, 2 Kings xvii. 4, Isa. xxx 6, lvii 9
14 Heb. *droughts*
c Deut ii 7, viii 15, xxxii 10.
4 Heb *visit upon*
d ch. viii 14, Deut viii 12, 14, xxxii 15
ch iv 1, Micah vi 2
e ch v 14, Jer v 6, Lam iii 10
5 Heb *was a prince*, or, *behaved himself princely*
m Gen. xxv 26, xxxii. 24, &c
15 Heb *the beast of the field*
f 2Sam xvii 8, Prov xvii 12
n Gen xxviii 12, 19, xxxv 9, 10, 15
16 Heb *in thy help*
g ver 4, ch xiv 1; Prov. vi 32, Mal i. 9
17 Rather, *Where is thy king?* king Hoshea being then in prison, 2 Kings xvii. 4.
o Exod iii 15.
h ver 4, ch x 3; Deut. xxxii 38, 1 Sam viii 5, 19.
p ch. xiv 1, Ps xxxvii 7, Micah vi 8
6 Or, *Canaan*, Ezek xvi 3
s 1 Sam viii 7, x 19, xv 22, 23, xvi 1
7 Or, *deceive.*
q Prov xi. 1; Amos viii 5
j Deut. xxxii 34, Job xiv 17.
8 Or, *all my labours suffice me not; he shall have punishment of iniquity in whom is sin*
9 Heb. *which*
r Zech xi 5, Rev iii 17

9 And I *that am* the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt will yet make thee to dwell in tabernacles, as in the days of the solemn feast.[s]

10 I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and used similitudes, [10]by the ministry of the prophets.[t]

11 *Is there* iniquity *in* Gilead? surely they are vanity: they sacrifice bullocks in Gilgal; yea, their altars *are* as heaps in the furrows of the fields.[u]

12 And Jacob fled into the country of Syria, and Israel served for a wife, and for a wife he kept *sheep*.[v]

13 And by a prophet the LORD brought Israel out of Egypt, and by a prophet was he preserved.[w]

14 Ephraim provoked *him* to anger [11]most bitterly: therefore shall he leave his [12]blood upon him, and his reproach shall his Lord return unto him.[x]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Ephraim's glory, by reason of idolatry, vanisheth* 5 *God's anger for their unkindness.* 9 *A promise of God's mercy* 15 *A judgment for rebellion.*

WHEN Ephraim spake trembling, he exalted himself in Israel; but when he offended in Baal, he died.[y]

2 And now they sin more and more, and have made them molten images of their silver, *and* idols according to their own understanding, all of it the work of the craftsmen: they say of them, Let [13]the men that sacrifice kiss the calves.[z]

3 Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud, and as the early dew that passeth away, as the chaff *that* is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and as the smoke out of the chimney.[a]

4 Yet I *am* the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me: for *there is* no saviour beside me.[b]

5 ¶ I did know thee in the wilderness, in the land of [14]great drought.[c]

6 According to their pasture, so were they filled; they were filled, and their heart was exalted; therefore have they forgotten me.[d]

7 Therefore I will be unto them as a lion: as a leopard by the way will I observe *them*:[e]

8 I will meet them as a bear *that is* bereaved *of her whelps*, and will rend the caul of their heart, and there will I devour them like a lion: [15]the wild beast shall tear them.[f]

9 ¶ O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me [16]*is* thine help.[g]

10 [17]I will be thy king: where *is any other* that may save thee in all thy cities? and thy judges of whom thou saidst, Give me a king and princes?[h]

11 I gave thee a king in mine anger, and took *him* away in my wrath.[i]

12 The iniquity of Ephraim *is* bound up; his sin *is* hid.[j]

13 The sorrows of a travailing woman shall come upon him: he *is* an unwise son; for he should not

stay [1]long in *the place of* the breaking forth of children.[a]

14 I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes.[b]

15 ¶ Though he be fruitful among *his* brethren, an east wind shall come, the wind of the LORD shall come up from the wilderness, and his spring shall become dry, and his fountain shall be dried up: he shall spoil the treasure of all [2]pleasant vessels.[c]

16 Samaria shall become desolate; for she hath rebelled against her God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with child shall be ripped up.[d]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *An exhortation to repentance.* 4 *A promise of God's blessing.*

O ISRAEL, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity.[e]

2 Take with you words, and turn to the LORD: say unto him, Take away all iniquity, and [3]receive *us* graciously: so will we render the calves of our lips.[f]

3 Asshur shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, *Ye are* our gods: for in thee the fatherless findeth mercy.[g]

4 ¶ I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him.[h]

5 I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall [4]grow as the lily, and [5]cast forth his roots as Lebanon.[i]

6 His branches shall spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon.[j]

7 They that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive *as* the corn, and [6]grow as the vine: the [7]scent thereof *shall be* as the wine of Lebanon.[k]

8 Ephraim *shall say*, What have I to do any more with idols? I have heard *him*, and observed him: I *am* like a green fir tree. From me is thy fruit found.[l]

9 Who *is* wise, and he shall understand these *things?* prudent, and he shall know them? for the ways of the LORD *are* right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein.[m]

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1 Heb. *a time.*

a 2 Kings xix. 3.
g ver. 8; ch. ii. 17, Deut. xvii. 16, Ps. x. 14; xxxiii. 17, lxviii. 5; Isa. xxx 2, 16; xxxi. 1.

b Isa. xxv. 8; Jer. xv. 6; Ezek. xxxvii. 12, Rom. xi. 29; 1 Cor. xv. 54, 55.
h ch. xi. 7; Jer. v. 6; xiv. 7; Eph. i. 6.
4 Or, *blossom.*
5 Heb. *strike.*
i Job xxix. 19; Prov. xix. 12.

2 Heb. *vessels of desire.*

c ch iv. 19; Gen. xli 52, xlviii. 19; Jer. iv 11, Ezek xvii. 10, xix. 12
j Gen xxvii. 17; Ps lii. 8; cxxviii. 3, Cant. i. 11.
6 Or, *blossom.*

d ch. x. 14, 15; 2 Kings viii. 12; xv. 16; xvii. 6, xviii. 12; Amos i. 13; Nahum iii. 10.
7 Or, *memorial.*
k Ps. xci. 1
l ver. 3, Jer. xxxi. 18, James i. 17

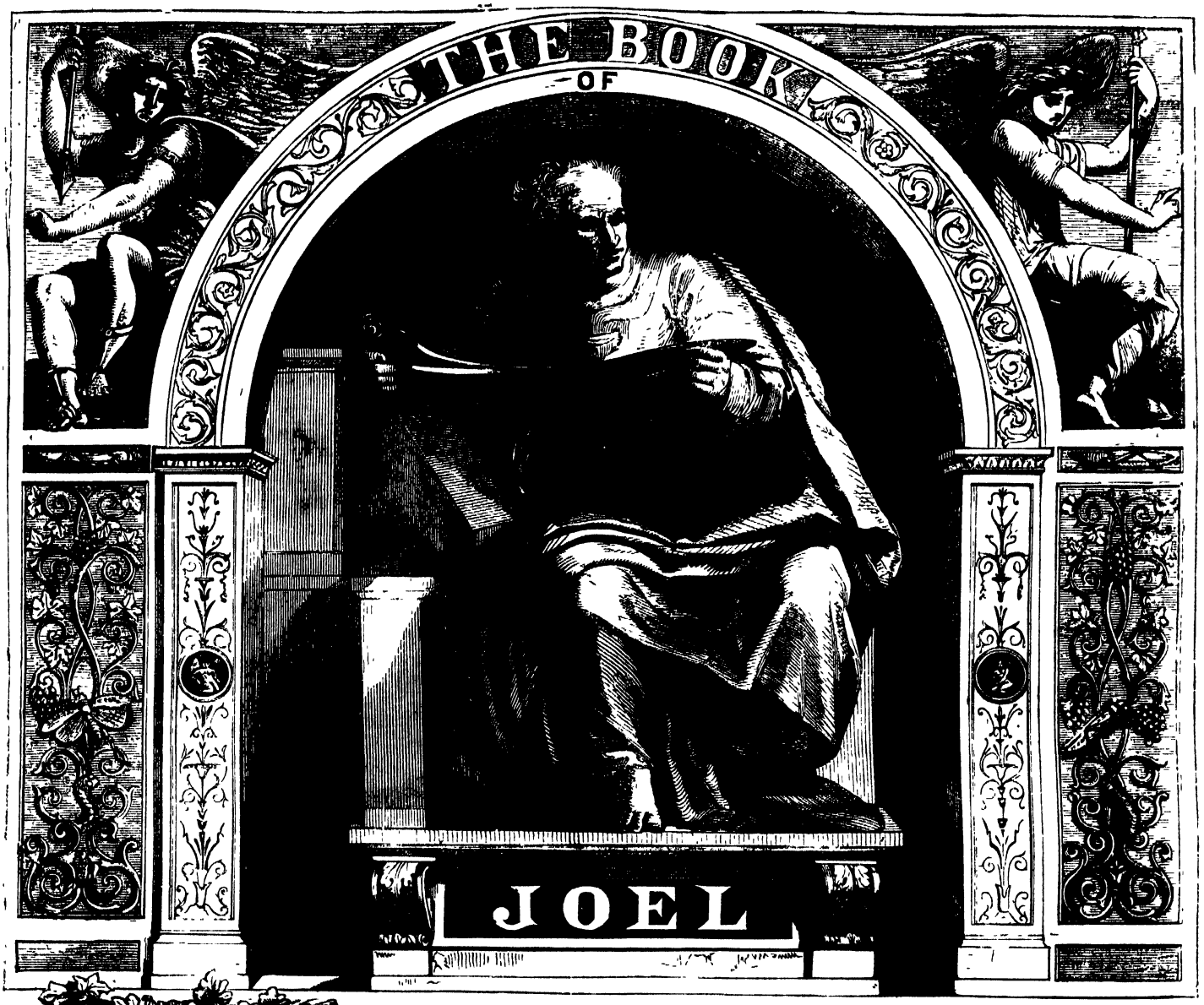
e ch xii. 6, xiii 9, Joel ii 13.

3 Or, *give good*

f Heb xiii. 15
m Ps cvii 43, Prov x 29, Jer ix 12, Dan xii 10, John viii 47, xviii 37, 2 Cor ii 16, 1 Peter ii 7, 8.



MOUNT LEBANON AND ITS VICINITY.



CHAPTER I.

1 *Joel, declaring sundry judgments of God, exhorteth to observe them,* 8 *and to mourn.* 14 *He prescribeth a fast for complaint.*

THE word of the LORD that came to Joel the son of Pethuel.

2 Hear this, ye old men, and give ear, all ye inhabitants of the land. Hath this been in your days, or even in the days of your fathers?[a]

3 Tell ye your children of it, and *let* your children *tell* their children, and their children another generation.[b]

4 [1]That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the locust hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the caterpiller eaten.[c]

5 Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine, because of the new wine; for it is cut off from your mouth.[d]

6 For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, whose teeth *are* the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion.[e]

7 He hath laid my vine waste, and [2]barked my fig tree: he hath made it clean bare, and cast *it* away; the branches thereof are made white.[f]

8 ¶ Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth.[g]

9 The meat offering and the drink offering is cut off from the house of the LORD; the priests, the LORD's ministers, mourn.[h]

10 The field is wasted, the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted: the new wine is [3]dried up, the oil languisheth.[i]

11 Be ye ashamed, O ye husbandmen; howl, O ye vinedressers, for the wheat and for the barley; because the harvest of the field is perished.[i]

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c ch. ii. 25, Deut. xxviii. 38

ch. ii. 2, 11, 15. Rev. ix. 8

2 Heb. laid *my fig tree for a barking*

f Isa. v. 6.

g Prov. ii. 17; Isa. xxii. 12; Jer. iii. 4

h ver. 13; ch. ii. 14.

a ch. ii. 2.

3 Or, *ashamed.*

i ver. 12. Isa. xxiv. 7, Jer. xii. 11; xiv. 2

b Ps. lxxviii. 4.

1 Heb. *The residue of the palmerworm.*

xiv. 3, 4

12 The vine is dried up, and the fig tree languisheth; the pomegranate tree, the palm tree also, and the apple tree, *even* all the trees of the field, are withered: because joy is withered away from the sons of men.[a]

13 Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, ye ministers of the altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the house of your God.[b]

14 ¶ Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders *and* all the inhabitants of the land *into* the house of the LORD your God, and cry unto the LORD,[c]

15 Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD *is* at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.[d]

16 Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, *yea*, joy and gladness from the house of our God?[e]

17 The [1]seed is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for the corn is withered.

18 How do the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate.[f]

19 O LORD, to thee will I cry: for the fire hath devoured the [2]pastures of the wilderness, and the flame hath burned all the trees of the field.[g]

20 The beasts of the field cry also unto thee: for the rivers of waters are dried up, and the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness.[h]

CHAPTER II.

1 *He sheweth unto Zion the terribleness of God's judgment.* 12 *He exhorteth to repentance,* 15 *prescribeth a fast,* 18 *promiseth a blessing thereon.* 21 *He comforteth Zion with present,* 28 *and future blessings.*

BLOW ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for *it is* nigh at hand;[i]

2 A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, *even* to the years of [3]many generations.[j]

3 A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land *is* as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.[k]

4 The appearance of them *is* as the appearance of horses: and as horsemen, so shall they run.[l]

5 Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.[m]

6 Before their face the people shall be much pained: all faces shall gather [4]blackness.[n]

7 They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:

8 Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path: and *when* they fall upon the [5]sword, they shall not be wounded.

9 They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.[o]

10 The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:[p]

11 And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp *is* very great: for *he is* strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD *is* great and very terrible; and who can abide it?[q]

12 ¶ Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye *even* to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:[r]

13 And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he *is* gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.[s]

14 Who knoweth *if* he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him; *even* a meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God?[t]

15 ¶ Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:[u]

16 Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.[v]

17 Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should [6]rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where *is* their God?[w]

18 ¶ Then will the LORD be jealous for his land, and pity his people.[x]

19 Yea, the LORD will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen:[y]

20 But I will remove far off from you the northern *army*, and will drive him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because [7]he hath done great things.[z]

21 ¶ Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things.

22 Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength.[a]

23 Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you [8]the former rain [9]moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first *month*.[b]

24 And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil.[c]

B. C. 870—865.

a ver. 10; Ps. iv. 7; Isa. ix. 3; xxiv. 11; Jer. xlviii. 33.
5 Or, *dart.*
o Jer. ix. 21; John x. 1.
b vs 8, 9; Jer. iv. 8.
p ver. 31; ch. iii. 15, Ps. xviii. 7; Isa. xiii. 10; Ezek. xxxii. 7; Matt. xxiv. 29.
c ch ii. 15, 16; Lev. xxiii. 36, 2 Chron. xx. 3, 4, 13.
q ver 25; ch iii. 16; Numb. xxiv. 23; Jer. xxv 30; xxx 7, l. 34, Amos i. 2; v 18; Zeph. i 15; Mal. iii. 2; Rev. xviii 8.
d ch ii. 1, Isa. xiii. 6, 9, Jer xxx. 7.
r Jer. iv 1; Hos. xii. 6; xiv. 1
e Deut. xii. 6, 7, xvi. 11, 14, 15
1 Heb *grains*
s Gen xxxvii 34; Exod xxxiv 6, 2 Sam i 11, Job i 20, Ps xxxiv 18, li 17, lxxxvi. 5, 15, Jonah iv 2.
f Hos iv 3
t ch i 9, 13. 2 Sam. xii 22, 2 Kings xix 4 Isa lxv 8, Amos v. 15, Jonah iii 9, Zeph ii 3, Hagg ii 19
2 Or, *habitations*
u ver 1, Numb x 3
g ch ii 3, Ps l 15, Jer ix 10
h 1 Kings xvii 7, xviii 5, Job xxxviii 41, Ps civ 21; cxlv 15
v ch i 14; Exod xix 10, 22, 2 Chron xx 13, 1 Cor vii. 5
6 Or, *use a by-word against them.*
w Exod xxxii 11, 12, Deut ix 26—29, Ps xlii 10, lxxix 10, cxv 2, Micah vii 10
x Deut xxxii 36; Isa lx 10, Zech i. 14, viii 2
i ver 1; ch i 15, Numb x 5, 9, Jer iv. 5, Obad 15, Zeph i 14, 15
y ch i 10, Mal. iii. 10—12
3 Heb *of generation and generation*
j vs 5, 11, 25, ch i 6, Exod x 14
7 Heb *he hath magnified to do*
z Deut. xi. 24, Jer i 14, Ezek xlvii 18, Zech xiv. 8
k ch i 19, 20, Gen ii 8; xiii 10, Isa li 3, Zech viii 14
l Rev ix 7
a ch i 18—20, Zech viii 12
8 Or, *a teacher of righteousness*
m ver 2, Rev ix. 9.
9 Heb *according to righteousness.*
4 Heb *pot*
n Jer viii 21; Lam iv. 8; Nahum ii 10.
b Deut xi 14; xxviii 12, Isa xli. 16, lxi 10, Hab. iii 18; Zech. x. 7; James v. 7.
c Lev xxvi 4, 5

25 And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpiller, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.[a]

26 And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed.[b]

27 And ye shall know that I *am* in the midst of Israel, and *that* I *am* the LORD your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed.[c]

28 ¶ And it shall come to pass afterward, *that* I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.[e]

30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.[f]



THE INTERCESSION OF THE PRIESTS —JOEL II. 17

31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.[g]

32 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.[h]

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a ver 11; ch i. 4.
b Lev xxvi. 5, 26; Ps xxii. 26; Micah vi 14
c ch iii 17; Lev xxvi 11, 12; Isa. xlv. 5, 21, 22; Ezek xxxvii. 26—28; xxxix. 22, 28.
d Isa. xliv 3; liv. 13; Ezek. xxxix. 29; Zech xii. 10; John vii. 39; Acts ii. 17.
e 1 Cor xii. 13; Gal iii 28, Col. iii. 11.
f Matt. xxiv. 29
g ver 10; ch iii 1, 15; Isa. xiii 9, 10, Mal. iv 5; Matt. xxiv 29, Mark xiii 24; Luke xxi. 25, Rev. vi 12
h Isa. xi. 11, 16; xlvi 13; lix. 20; Jer xxxi. 7, Micah iv



SELLING THE CHILDREN OF JEWISH CAPTIVES.—JOEL III. 3, 6

CHAPTER III.

1 *God's judgments against the enemies of his people.* 9 *God will be known in his judgment.* 18 *His blessing upon the church.*

FOR, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem,[a]

2 I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and *for* my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.[b]

3 And they have cast lots for my people; and have given a boy for an harlot, and sold a girl for wine, that they might drink.[c]

4 Yea, and what have ye to do with me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine? will ye render me a recompence? and if ye recompense me, swiftly *and* speedily will I return your recompence upon your own head;[d]

5 Because ye have taken my silver and my gold, and have carried into your temples my goodly [1]pleasant things:[e]

6 The children also of Judah and the children of Jerusalem have ye sold unto [2]the Grecians, that ye might remove them far from their border.

B. C. 870—865.

c Obad 11; Nahum iii. 10.

a Jer xx. 3; Ezek. xxxviii. 4.

d Ezek. xxv. 15—17; Amos i. 6, 9.

1 Heb. *desirable.*

e Dan. xi. 38.

b ver 12; 2 Chron. xx. 26; Isa. lxvi. 16, Ezek. xxxviii. 22, Zech. xiv. 2—4

2 Heb *the sons of the Grecians.*

7 Behold, I will raise them out of the place whither ye have sold them, and will return your recompence upon your own head:[a]

8 And I will sell your sons and your daughters into the hand of the children of Judah, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans, to a people far off: for the LORD hath spoken *it*.[b]

9 ¶ Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; [1]Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up:[c]

10 Beat your plowshares into swords, and your [2]pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I *am* strong.[d]

11 Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: thither [3]cause thy mighty ones to come down, O LORD.

12 Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat: for there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about.

13 Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press is full, the fats overflow; for their wickedness *is* great.[f]

14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of [4]decision: for the day of the LORD *is* near in the valley of decision.[g]

B. C. 870—865.

h ch. ii. 10, 31.

a Isa. xliii. 5, 6, xlix. 12; Jer. xxiii. 8.

5 Heb *place of repair*, or, *harbour*.

i ch. ii. 11, Isa. ii. 5, 6; Hagg ii. 6.

b Jer. vi. 20

1 Heb. *Sanctify*.

6 Heb *holiness*.

c Isa viii 9, 10; Jer. xlvi. 3, 4; Ezek. xxxviii 7

j ch ii. 27; Dan xi 45, Nahum i. 15; Obad. 16.

2 Or, *scythes*.

d Isa. ii 4; Micah iv 3, Zech xii 8.

3 Or, *the LORD shall bring down*

k Numb. xxv. 1; Ezek. xlvii.1; Zech. xiv 8

e ver 2, Ps xcvi 13; xcviii. 9; cx. 6, Isa. ii. 13

l Isa. xix 1, &c.; Jer xlix. 17.

f Isa. lxiii. 3, Jer ii. 33, Lam i 15, Hos vi 11; Matt xiii 39, Rev xiv 15, 18—20

m ver 17, Isa. lv 4, Ezek xlviii 35

4 Or, *concision*, or, *threshing*.

g ver 2, ch. ii 1

l Or, *even I, the LORD, that dwelleth in Zion*

n Amos ix. 15

15 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.[h]

16 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD *will be* the [5]hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.[i]

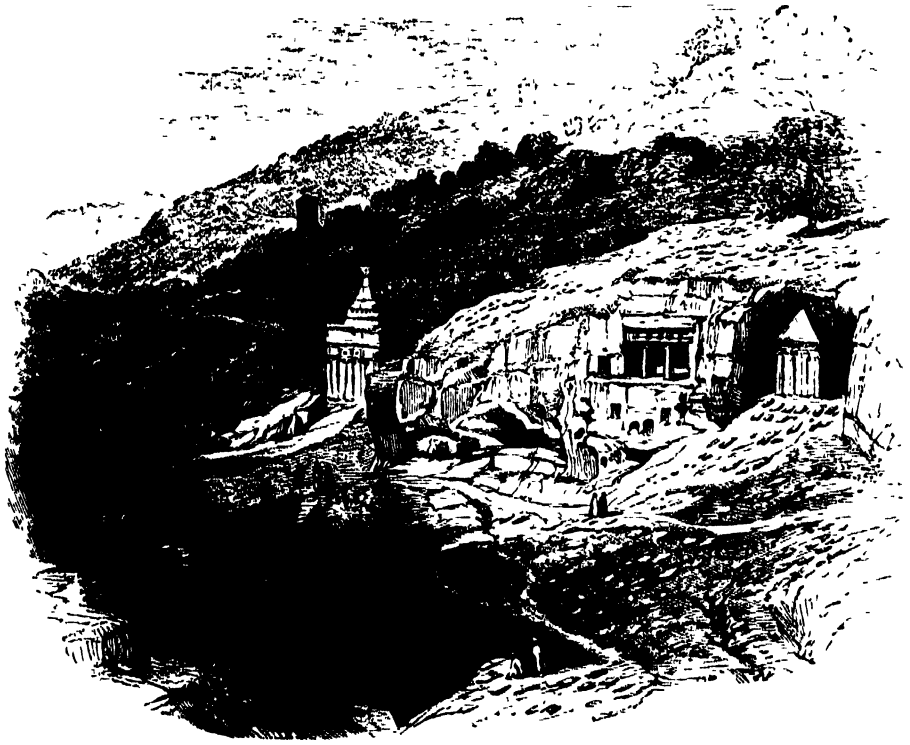
17 So shall ye know that I *am* the LORD your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be [6]holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.[j]

18 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the LORD, and shall water the valley of Shittim.[k]

19 Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence *against* the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land.[l]

20 But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.[m]

21 For I will cleanse their blood *that* I have not cleansed: [7]for the LORD dwelleth in Zion.[n]



VALLEY OF JEHOSHAPHAT.—JOEL III. 2





The Book of AMOS.

CHAPTER I.

1 *Amos sheweth God's judgment upon Syria,* 6 *upon the Philistines,* 9 *upon Tyrus,* 11 *upon Edom,* 13 *upon Ammon.*

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THE words of Amos, who was among the herdmen of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, two years before the earthquake.[a]

2 And he said, The LORD will roar from Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.[b]

3 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Damascus, [1]and for four, I will not [2]turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they have threshed Gilead with threshing instruments of iron:[c]

4 But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces of Ben-hadad.[d]

5 I will break also the bar of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from [3]the plain of Aven, and him that holdeth the

a ch. vii. 10, 14, 2 Sam. xiv. 2, 2 Chron. xx. 20; Hos. i. 1, Zech. xiv. 5

b 1 Sam. xxv. 2, Isa. xxxiii. 9, Jer. xxv. 30, Joel iii. 16

1 Or, *yea, for four*

2 Or, *convert it*, or *let it be quiet*; and so ver. 6, &c.

c 2 Kings x. 33; xiii. 7, Isa. viii. 4; xvii. 1; Jer. xlix. 23, Zech. ix. 1.

d vs. 7, 10, 12; ch. ii. 2, 5; Jer. xvii. 27; xlix. 27.

3 Or, *Bikath-aven.*

sceptre from [1]the house of Eden: and the people of Syria shall go into captivity unto Kir, saith the LORD.[e]

6 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Gaza, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they [2]carried away captive the whole captivity, to deliver *them* up to Edom:[f]

7 But I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall devour the palaces thereof:[g]

8 And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and him that holdeth the sceptre from Ashkelon, and I will turn mine hand against Ekron: and the remnant of the Philistines shall perish, saith the Lord GOD.[h]

9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Tyrus, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they delivered up the whole captivity to Edom, and remembered not [3]the brotherly covenant:[i]

10 But I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall devour the palaces thereof.[j]

11 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Edom, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because he did pursue his brother with the sword, and [4]did cast off all pity, and his anger did tear perpetually, and he kept his wrath for ever:[k]

12 But I will send a fire upon Teman, which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah.[l]

13 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of the children of Ammon, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they have ripped up the women with child of Gilead, that they might enlarge their border:[m]

14 But I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall devour the palaces thereof, with shouting in the day of battle, with a tempest in the day of the whirlwind:[n]

15 And their king shall go into captivity, he and his princes together, saith the LORD.[o]

CHAPTER II.

1 *God's wrath against Moab,* 4 *upon Judah,* 6 *and upon Israel.* 9 *God complaineth of their unthankfulness.*

THUS saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Moab, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof, because he burned the bones of the king of Edom into lime:[a]

2 But I will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kirioth: and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, *and* with the sound of the trumpet:[b]

3 And I will cut off the judge from the midst thereof, and will slay all the princes thereof with him, saith the LORD.[c]

4 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they have despised the law of the LORD, and have not kept his commandments, and their lies caused them to err, after the which their fathers have walked:[d]

5 But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem.[e]

6 ¶ Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will not turn away *the punishment* thereof; because they sold the righteous for silver, and the poor for a pair of shoes;[f]

7 That pant after the dust of the earth on the head of the poor, and turn aside the way of the meek: and a man and his father will go in unto the *same* maid, to profane my holy name:[g]

8 And they lay *themselves* down upon clothes laid to pledge by every altar, and they drink the wine of [5]the condemned *in* the house of their god.[h]

9 ¶ Yet destroyed I the Amorite before them, whose height *was* like the height of the cedars, and he *was* strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath.[i]

10 Also I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and led you forty years through the wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.[k]

11 And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for Nazarites. *Is it* not even thus O ye children of Israel? saith the LORD.[l]

12 But ye gave the Nazarites wine to drink; and commanded the prophets, saying, Prophesy not.[m]

13 Behold, [6]I am pressed under you, as a cart is pressed *that is* full of sheaves.[n]

14 Therefore the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his force, neither shall the mighty deliver [7]himself:[o]

15 Neither shall he stand that handleth the bow; and *he that is* swift of foot shall not deliver *himself:* neither shall he that rideth the horse deliver himself.[p]

16 And *he that is* [8]courageous among the mighty shall flee away naked in that day, saith the LORD.

CHAPTER III.

1 *The necessity of God's judgment against Israel.* 9 *The publication of it, with the causes thereof.*

HEAR this word that the LORD hath spoken against you, O children of Israel, against the whole family which I brought up from the land of Egypt, saying,

2 You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore I will [9]punish you for all your iniquities.[a]

3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

4 Will a lion roar in the forest, when he hath no prey? will a young lion [10]cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing?

5 Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gin *is* for him? shall *one* take up a snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?

6 Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the

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1 Or, *Beth-eden.* Fulfilled, 2 Kings xvi 9.

a ch ix 7, Jer li 30, Lam ii 9

o Lev xxvi 14, 15, Neh i 7; Isa xxviii 15, Jer xvi 19, 20, Ezek xx 13, 16, 18, 24, 30, Rom i. 25.

2 Or, *carried them away with an entire captivity,* 2 Chron xxi. 16, 17, Joel iii 6

p Jer xvii. 27, Hos viii 14

b ver 9; 2 Chron xxviii. 18, Isa xiv 29, Jer xlvii 4, 5, Ezek. xxv. 15, 16, Zeph ii 4

c Jer xlvii 1

q ch viii 6; Isa xxix. 21.

r ch v 12, Lev. xx 3, Isa x 2, Ezek xxxvi 20, Rom ii 24

d Ps lxxxi 14, Jer xlvii 4, Ezek. xxv 16, Zeph ii 4, Zech. ix 5, 6

5 Or, *such as have fined,* or, *mulcted*

s Exod. xxii 26, 1 Cor viii 10, x 21

3 Heb *the covenant of brethren,* 2 Sam v 11, 1 Kings v 1, ix 11—14

e ver 6, Isa xxiii 1, Jer xlvii 4, Ezek xxvi—xxviii; Joel iii 4, 5

t Numb xiii 28, 32, 33, xxi 24, Josh xxiv 8, Isa v 24, Mal iv 1.

f vs. 4, 7, &c

u Exod xii 51, Deut. ii 7, viii. 2, Micah vi 4

4 Heb *corrupted his compassions.*

v Numb vi. 2, Judg. xiii 5

g Gen xxvii 41, Deut xxiii 7, Isa xxi 11, xxxiv 5, Jer xlix 8, &c, Ezek xxv 12—14, xxxv 2, &c, Joel iii 19, Obad. 1, &c., Mal i 2, 4.

w ch vii. 12, 13, xxx. 10; Jer. xi 21, Micah ii 6.

h Obad 9, 10.

6 Or, *I will press your place, as a cart full of sheaves presseth.*

x Isa i 14

7 Heb *his soul,* or, *life*

y ch ix 1 &c; Ps xxxiii 16, Jer ix 23

i Jer xlix 1 2, Ezek xxv 2, Hos xiii 16, Zeph ii 9

z Ps xxxiii 17

j ch i 2, Deut. iii 11 2 Sam xii 26 Jer xlix. 2, Ezek. xxv 5

8 Heb *strong of his heart*

k Jer xlix 3

l 2 Kings iii 27, Isa xv, xvi, Jer xlviii; Ezek xxv 8—11, Zeph ii 8—11.

9 Heb. *visit upon*

a Deut. vii. 6; x 15, Ps. cxlvii. 19, 20, Dan ix. 12, Matt xi 22; Luke xii 47, Rom ii. 9; 1 Peter iv. 17.

m ch i 14, Jer. xlviii 41.

10 Heb. *give forth his voice.*

n Numb. xxiv. 17.

people [1]not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, [2]and the LORD hath not done *it?*[a]

7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.[b]

8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy?[c]

9 ¶ Publish in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say, Assemble yourselves upon the mountains of Samaria, and behold the great tumults in the midst thereof, and the [3]oppressed in the midst thereof.

10 For they know not to do right, saith the LORD, who store up violence and [4]robbery in their palaces.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 784.

1 Or, *not run together?*
2 Or, *and shall not the LORD do* somewhat?
a Isa. xlv. 7.
f Judg. iii. 20; 1 Kings xxii. 39; Jer. xxxvi. 22.
b Gen. vi. 13; xviii. 17; Ps. xxv 14; John xv. 15.
c ch. i. 2; Acts iv. 20; v 20, 29; 1 Cor. ix. 16.
3 Or, *oppressions*
g Ps. xxii. 12, Ezek. xxxix. 18.
4 Or, *spoil*
d Jer. vi. 22

and the great houses shall have an end, saith the LORD.[f]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *He reproveth Israel for oppression,* 4 *for idolatry,* 6 *and for their incorrigibleness.*

HEAR this word, ye kine of Bashan, that *are* in the mountain of Samaria, which oppress the poor, which crush the needy, which say to their masters, Bring, and let us drink.[g]

2 The Lord GOD hath sworn by his holiness, that, lo, the days shall come upon you, that he will take



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11 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; An adversary *there shall be* even round about the land; and he shall bring down thy strength from thee, and thy palaces shall be spoiled.[e]

12 Thus saith the LORD; As the shepherd [5]taketh out of the mouth of the lion two legs, or a piece of an ear; so shall the children of Israel be taken out that dwell in Samaria in the corner of a bed, and [6]in Damascus *in* a couch.

13 Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord GOD, the God of hosts,

14 That in the day that I shall [7]visit the transgressions of Israel upon him I will also visit the altars of Beth-el: and the horns of the altar shall be cut off, and fall to the ground.

15 And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the houses of ivory shall perish,

Ps. lxxxix. 35; Jer. xvi. 16, Hab. i. 15
e 2 Kings xvii. 3, 6; xviii. 9—11.
8 Or, *ye shall cast away the things of the palace.*
5 Heb. *delivereth.*
i Ezek. xii. 5, 12.
6 Or, *on the bed's feet.*
9 Heb. *three years of days.*
j ch. v. 5; Numb. xxviii. 3, 4; Deut. xiv. 28; Hos. iv. 15; xii. 11.
10 Heb. *offer by burning.*
7 Or, *punish Israel for.*
11 Heb. *so ye love.*
k Lev. vii. 13; xxii. 18, 21; xxiii. 17; Deut. xii. 6; Ps. lxxxi. 12.
l vs. 8, 9; Jer. v. 3; Hagg. ii. 17.

you away with hooks, and your posterity with fishhooks.[h]

3 And ye shall go out at the breaches, every *cow at that which is* before her; and [8]ye shall cast *them* into the palace, saith the LORD.[i]

4 ¶ Come to Beth-el, and transgress; at Gilgal multiply transgression; and bring your sacrifices every morning, *and* your tithes after [9]three years:[j]

5 And [10]offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving with leaven, and proclaim *and* publish the free offerings: for [11]this liketh you, O ye children of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.[k]

6 ¶ And I also have given you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, and want of bread in all your places: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.



REVELLING REGARDLESS OF IMPENDING RUIN.—AMOS VI. 4—6.

7 And also I have withholden the rain from you, when *there were* yet three months to the harvest: and I caused it to rain upon one city, and caused it not to rain upon another city: one piece was rained upon, and the piece whereupon it rained not withered.

8 So two *or* three cities wandered unto one city, to drink water; but they were not satisfied: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.[c]

9 I have smitten you with blasting and mildew: [1]when your gardens and your vineyards and your fig trees and your olive trees increased, the palmerworm devoured *them:* yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.[b]

10 I have sent among you the pestilence [2]after the manner of Egypt: your young men have I slain with the sword, [3]and have taken away your horses; and I have made the stink of your camps to come up unto your nostrils: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.[c]

11 I have overthrown *some* of you, as God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and ye were as a firebrand plucked out of the burning: yet have ye not returned unto me, saith the LORD.[d]

12 Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel: *and* because I will do this unto thee, prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.[e]

13 For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth unto man what *is* his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The LORD, The God of hosts, *is* his name.[f]

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d ver 6; Gen xix 24, 25; Isa. xiii 19, Jer xlix. 18, Zech iii. 2, Jude 23.

e Ezek. xiii 5, xxii 30, Luke xiv. 31, 32.

a vs 6, 10, 11.

1 Or, *the multitude of your gardens, &c., did the palmerworm, &c.*

f ch. v. 8; viii. 9; ix. 6, Deut. xxxii. 13; xxxiii. 29; Ps. cxxxix. 2; Isa. xlvii 4; Jer. x 16; Dan. ii. 28; Micah i. 3.

b Deut. xxviii. 22; Joel i 4, ii. 25; Hagg. ii. 17.

2 Or, *in the way.*

3 Heb. *with the captivity of your horses.*

g Jer. vii. 29; Ezek. xix. 1; xxvii 2

c ver 6; Exod. ix. 3, 6; xii. 29; Deut. xxviii. 27, 60, Ps. lxxviii. 50

CHAPTER V.

1 *A lamentation for Israel.* 4 *An exhortation to repentance.* 21 *God rejecteth their hypocritical service.*

HEAR ye this word which I take up against you, *even* a lamentation, O house of Israel.[g]

2 The virgin of Israel is fallen; she shall no more rise: she is forsaken upon her land; *there is* none to raise her up.

3 For thus saith the Lord GOD; The city that went out *by* a thousand shall leave an hundred, and that which went forth *by* an hundred shall leave ten, to the house of Israel.

4 ¶ For thus saith the LORD unto the house of Israel, Seek ye me, and ye shall live:[a]

5 But seek not Beth-el, nor enter into Gilgal, and pass not to Beer-sheba: for Gilgal shall surely go into captivity, and Beth-el shall come to nought.[b]

6 Seek the LORD, and ye shall live; lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph, and devour *it*, and *there be* none to quench *it* in Beth-el.[c]

7 Ye who turn judgment to wormwood, and leave off righteousness in the earth,[d]

8 *Seek him* that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD *is* his name:[e]

9 That strengtheneth the [1]spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled shall come against the fortress.

10 They hate him that rebuketh in the gate, and they abhor him that speaketh uprightly.[f]

11 Forasmuch therefore as your treading *is* upon the poor, and ye take from him burdens of wheat: ye have built houses of hewn stone, but ye shall not dwell in them; ye have planted [2]pleasant vineyards, but ye shall not drink wine of them.[g]

12 For I know your manifold transgressions and your mighty sins: they afflict the just, they take a bribe, and they turn aside the poor in the gate *from their right*.[h]

13 Therefore the prudent shall keep silence in that time; for it *is* an evil time.

14 Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live: and so the LORD, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken.[i]

15 Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: it may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph.[j]

16 Therefore the LORD, the God of hosts, the Lord, saith thus; Wailing *shall be* in all streets; and they shall say in all the highways, Alas! alas! and they shall call the husbandman to mourning, and such as are skilful of lamentation to wailing.[k]

17 And in all vineyards *shall be* wailing: for I will pass through thee, saith the LORD.[l]

18 Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end *is* it for you? the day of the LORD *is* darkness, and not light.[m]

19 As if a man did flee from a lion, and a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and a serpent bit him.[n]

20 *Shall* not the day of the LORD *be* darkness, and not light? even very dark, and no brightness in it?

21 ¶ I hate, I despise your feast days, and I will not [3]smell in your solemn assemblies.[o]

22 Though ye offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings, I will not accept *them:* neither will I regard the [4]peace offerings of your fat beasts.[p]

23 Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs; for I will not hear the melody of thy viols.

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5 Heb. *roll.*

q Hos. vi. 6; Micah vi. 8.

r Deut. xxxii 17; Josh. xxiv 14; Isa. xliii. 23, Ezek. xx. 8, 16, 24; Acts vii. 42, 43.

6 Or, *Siccuth your king.*

a ver. 6; 2 Chron. xv. 2; Isa. lv. 3, Jer. xxix. 13

s 1 Kings xi. 33.

b ch iv. 4; viii. 14; Hos. iv 15; x 8

t ch iv 13; 2 Kings xvii 6.

c ver 4

d ch vi 12

7 Or, *are secure.*

8 Or, *first-fruits.*

e ch iv 13, ix 6; Job ix 9, xxxviii 31, 34; Ps civ. 20.

u Exod. xix 5; Luke vi 24.

1 Heb. *spoil.*

f 1 Kings xxii. 8; Isa. xxix. 21.

v 2 Kings xviii 34, 2 Chron. xxvi 6, Isa. x 9, Jer xl. 10, Nahum iii 8.

9 Or, *habitation.*

w ver. 12; ch v. 12, 18, ix 10; Ps. xciv. 20, Ezek. xii 27.

2 Heb *vineyards of desire*

10 Or, *abound with superfluities*

g Deut xxviii. 30, 38, 39; Micah vi 15, Zeph. i. 13; Hagg i. 6

11 Or, *quarter.*

x 1 Chron xxiii. 5, Isa v 12

h ch ii. 6, 7; Isa. xxix. 21

12 Or, *in bowls of wine*

13 Or, *by each.*

y Gen xxxvii 25

i Micah iii 11.

j 2 Kings xix. 4; Ps. xxxiv 14, xcvii 10 Micah iii 21, Joel ii 14, Rom xii 9

14 Heb *the fulness thereof*

z ch viii 7, Ps xlvii 4, Jer li 14, Ezek xxiv 21, Heb vi 13, 17

k Jer ix 17

l Exod xii. 12, Nahum i 12

15 Or, *they will not,* or, *have not*

a ch v 13, viii 3

m Isa v 19, Jer xvii 15, xxx 7, Ezek xii 22, 27, Joel ii 2, Zeph i 15, 2 Peter iii 4

16 Or, *droppings*

b ch iii 15, Isa. lv. 11

n Jer xlviii 44

c ch v. 7, Hos. x 4

3 Or, *smell your holy days*

o Lev xxvi 31, Prov xxi 27, Isa. i 11—16, Jer vi. 20, Hos viii. 13.

4 Or, *thank offerings.*

p Isa. lxvi 3, Micah vi 6, 7.

17 Or, *valley.*

d Numb. xxxiv 8; 1 Kings viii. 65; Jer. v. 15.

24 But let judgment [5]run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.[q]

25 Have ye offered unto me sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O house of Israel?[r]

26 But ye have borne [6]the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun your images, the star of your god, which ye made to yourselves.[r]

27 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity beyond Damascus, saith the LORD, whose name *is* The God of hosts.[r]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The wantonness of Israel, 7 shall be plagued with desolation, 12 and their incorrigibleness.*

WOE to them *that* [7]*are* at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, *which are* named [8]chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came![s]

2 Pass ye unto Calneh, and see; and from thence go ye to Hamath the great: then go down to Gath of the Philistines: *be they* better than these kingdoms? or their border greater than your border?[t]

3 Ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the [9]seat of violence to come near;[w]

4 That lie upon beds of ivory, and [10]stretch themselves upon their couches, and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;

5 That [11]chant to the sound of the viol, *and* invent to themselves instruments of musick, like David;[x]

6 That drink [12]wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: but they are not grieved for the [13]affliction of Joseph.[y]

7 ¶ Therefore now shall they go captive with the first that go captive, and the banquet of them that stretched themselves shall be removed.

8 The Lord GOD hath sworn by himself, saith the LORD the God of hosts, I abhor the excellency of Jacob, and hate his palaces: therefore will I deliver up the city with all [14]that is therein.[z]

9 And it shall come to pass, if there remain ten men in one house, that they shall die.

10 And a man's uncle shall take him up, and he that burneth him, to bring out the bones out of the house, and shall say unto him that *is* by the sides of the house, *Is there* yet *any* with thee? and he shall say, No. Then shall he say, Hold thy tongue: for [15]we may not make mention of the name of the LORD.[a]

11 For, behold, the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great house with [16]breaches, and the little house with clefts.[b]

12 ¶ Shall horses run upon the rock? will *one* plow *there* with oxen? for ye have turned judgment into gall, and the fruit of righteousness into hemlock:[c]

13 Ye which rejoice in a thing of nought, which say, Have we not taken to us horns by our own strength?

14 But, behold, I will raise up against you a nation, O house of Israel, saith the LORD the God of hosts; and they shall afflict you from the entering in of Hemath unto the [17]river of the wilderness.[d]



THE JUDGMENT AGAINST AMAZIAH.—AMOS VII. 17

CHAPTER VII.

1 *The judgments of the grasshoppers,* 4 *and of the fire, are diverted by the prayer of Amos.* 7 *By the wall of a plumbline is signified the rejection of Israel.* 10 *Amaziah complaineth of Amos.* 14 *Amos sheweth his calling,* 16 *and Amaziah's judgment.*

THUS hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, behold, he formed [1]grasshoppers in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, lo, *it was* the latter growth after the king's mowings.

2 And it came to pass, *that* when they had made an end of eating the grass of the land, then I said, O Lord GOD, forgive, I beseech thee: [2]by whom shall Jacob arise? for he *is* small.[a]

3 The LORD repented for this: It shall not be, saith the LORD.[b]

4 ¶ Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and, behold, the Lord GOD called to contend by fire, and it devoured the great deep, and did eat up a part.

5 Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he *is* small.[c]

6 The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be, saith the Lord GOD.

7 ¶ Thus he shewed me: and, behold, the Lord

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2 Or, *who of* (or, for) *Jacob shall stand?*

a ver 5, Isa li 19

b ver 6, Deut xxxii 36, Jonah iii 10,

1 Or, *green worms*

c vs 2, 3.

stood upon a wall *made* by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.

8 And the LORD said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumbline. Then said the Lord, Behold, I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel: I will not again pass by them any more:[a]

9 And the high places of Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste; and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.[b]

10 ¶ Then Amaziah the priest of Beth-el sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, Amos hath conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel: the land is not able to bear all his words.[c]

11 For thus Amos saith, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel shall surely be led away captive out of their own land.

12 Also Amaziah said unto Amos, O thou seer, go,

BEFORE CHRIST 787.

a ch. viii 2; 2 Kings xxi. 13, Isa. xxviii 17; xxxiv. 11; Lam. ii. 8; Micah vii. 18.

b ch v 5; viii. 14, Gen xxvi 23, xlvi 1. Fulfilled, 2 Kings xv. 10.

h ch vii. 8, Ezek. vii. 2.

5 Heb. *shall howl.*

c 1 Kings xii 32.

6 Heb. *be silent.*

i ch. v 23, vi. 9, 10.

j Ps xiv. 4; Prov. xxx. 14.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *By a basket of summer fruit is shewed the propinquity of Israel's end.* 4 *Oppression is reproved.* 11 *A famine of the word threatened.*

THUS hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and behold a basket of summer fruit.

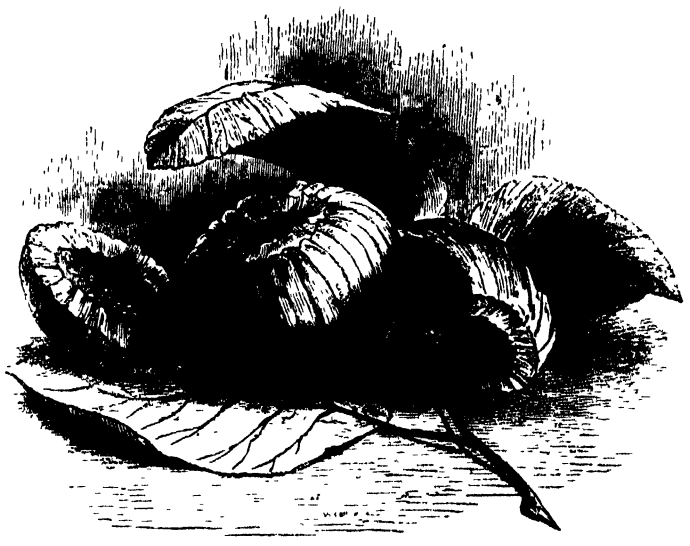
2 And he said, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A basket of summer fruit. Then said the LORD unto me, The end is come upon my people of Israel; I will not again pass by them any more.[h]

3 And the songs of the temple [5]shall be howlings in that day, saith the Lord GOD: *there shall be* many dead bodies in every place; they shall cast *them* forth [6]with silence.[i]

4 ¶ Hear this, O ye that swallow up the needy, even to make the poor of the land to fail,[j]



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flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there:

13 But prophesy not again any more at Beth-el: for it *is* the king's [1]chapel, and it *is* the [2]king's court.[d]

14 ¶ Then answered Amos, and said to Amaziah, I *was* no prophet, neither *was* I a prophet's son; but I *was* an herdman, and a gatherer of [3]sycomore fruit:[e]

15 And the LORD took me [4]as I followed the flock, and the LORD said unto me, Go, prophesy unto my people Israel.

16 ¶ Now therefore hear thou the word of the LORD: Thou sayest, Prophesy not against Israel, and drop not *thy word* against the house of Isaac:[f]

17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city, and thy sons and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be divided by line; and thou shalt die in a polluted land: and Israel shall surely go into captivity forth of his land.[g]

7 Or, *month*

8 Heb *open*

1 Or, *sanctuary*

2 Heb *house of the kingdom*

9 Heb *perverting the balances of deceit*, Hos xii 7

d ch ii 12, 1 Kings xii. 32, xiii 1

k Neh. xiii. 15, 16, Micah vi 10, 11.

3 Or, *wild figs*

l ch ii 6

e ch. i 1; 1 Kings xx. 35, 2 Kings ii 5, iv 38, vi. 1, Zech xiii. 5.

4 Heb. *from behind.*

m ch vi 8; Hos viii. 13, ix. 9

n ch. ix. 5, Hos. iv. 3.

o Job v. 14; Isa. xiii. 10, lix. 9, 10; Jer. xv 9; Micah iii. 6.

g Isa. xiii. 16; Jer xxviii 12; xxix 21, 25, 31, 32, Lam. v. 11; Hos. iv. 13; Zech. xiv. 2.

5 Saying, When will the [7]new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? and the sabbath, that we may [8]set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and [9]falsifying the balances by deceit?[k]

6 That we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes; *yea*, and sell the refuse of the wheat?[l]

7 The LORD hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their works.[m]

8 Shall not the land tremble for this, and every one mourn that dwelleth therein? and it shall rise up wholly as a flood; and it shall be cast out and drowned, as *by* the flood of Egypt.[n]

9 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord GOD, that I will cause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:[o]

10 And I will turn your feasts into mourning, and all your songs into lamentation; and I will bring up sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness upon every

head; and I will make it as the mourning of an only *son*, and the end thereof as a bitter day.[a]

11 ¶ Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD:[b]

12 And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find *it*.

13 In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst.

14 They that swear by the sin of Samaria, and say, Thy god, O Dan, liveth; and, The [1]manner of Beer-sheba liveth; even they shall fall, and never rise up again.[c]

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a Isa xv. 2, 3; Jer. vi. 26; xlviii 37, Ezek vii. 18; xxvii. 31; Zech. xii. 10.

b 1 Sam iii 1, Ps lxxiv. 9, Ezek vii 26

f Lev xvii 10, xxvi 33; Deut xxviii 65, Jer xliv. 11; Ezek. v 12.

g ch viii 8, Micah i 4

4 Or, *spheres* Heb *ascensions*

5 Or, *bundle*

1 Heb *way*

c ch v 5, Hos iv 15

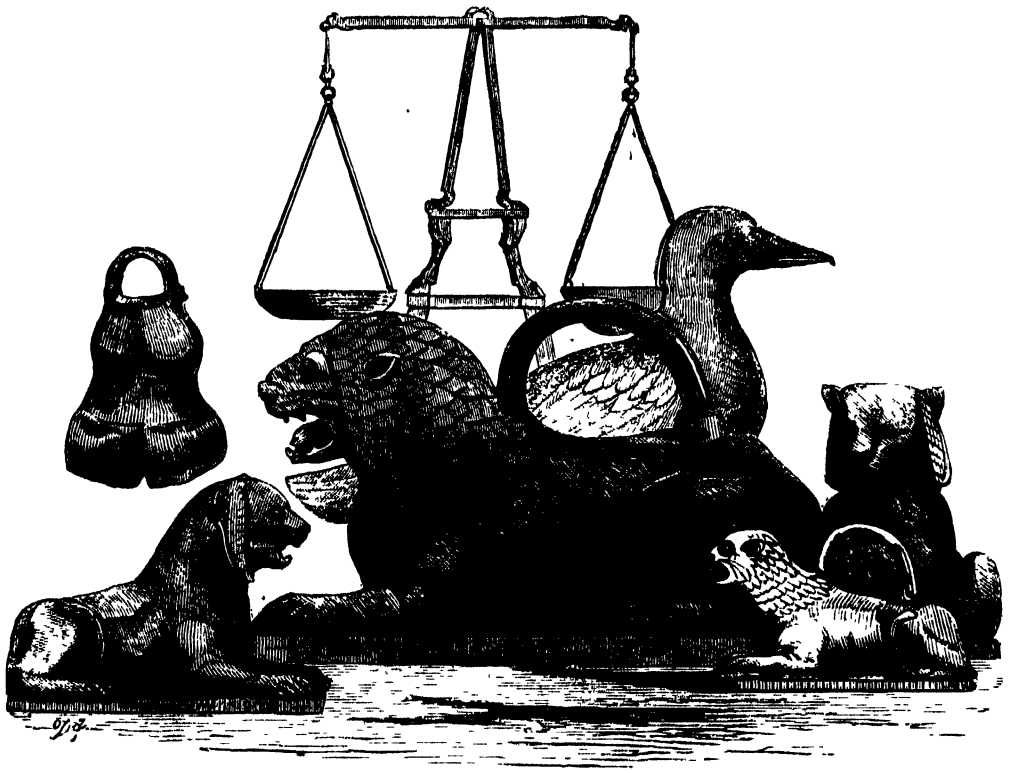
h ch iv 13, v 8, Ps. civ 3, 13

the sea, thence will I command the serpent, and he shall bite them:

4 And though they go into captivity before their enemies, thence will I command the sword, and it shall slay them: and I will set mine eyes upon them for evil, and not for good.[f]

5 And the Lord GOD of hosts *is* he that toucheth the land, and it shall melt, and all that dwell therein shall mourn: and it shall rise up wholly like a flood; and shall be drowned, as *by* the flood of Egypt.[g]

6 *It is* he that buildeth his [4]stories in the heaven, and hath founded his [5]troop in the earth; he that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD *is* his name.[h]



ANCIENT WEIGHTS AND BALANCES.—AMOS VIII. 5

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The certainty of the desolation.* 11 *The restoring of the tabernacle of David.*

I SAW the Lord standing upon the altar: and he said, Smite the [2]lintel of the door, that the posts may shake: and [3]cut them in the head, all of them; and I will slay the last of them with the sword: he that fleeth of them shall not flee away, and he that escapeth of them shall not be delivered.[d]

2 Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them; though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down:[e]

3 And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel, I will search and take them out thence; and though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of

2 Or, *chapiter*, or, *knop*

i ch i 5, Deut ii 23; Jer xlvii. 4

3 Or, *wound them.*

Jer xxx 11; xxxi 35, 36, Obad. 16, 17

6 Heb. *cause to move*

d ch. ii 14; Ps. lxviii. 21; Hab iii 13.

7 Heb. *stone*

e Job xx. 6; Ps. cxx 8, &c.; Jer. li Obad. 4

k ch. vi. 3.

8 Heb. *hedge*, or, *t*

7 *Are* ye not as children of the Ethiopians unto me, O children of Israel? saith the LORD. Have not I brought up Israel out of the land of Egypt? and the Philistines from Caphtor, and the Syrians from Kir?[i]

8 Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD *are* upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, saith the LORD.[j]

9 For, lo, I will command, and I will [6]sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as *corn* is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least [7]grain fall upon the earth.

10 All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, which say, The evil shall not overtake nor prevent us.[k]

11 ¶ In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and [8]close up the breaches

thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old:[a]

12 That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, [1]which are called by my name, saith the LORD that doeth this.[b]

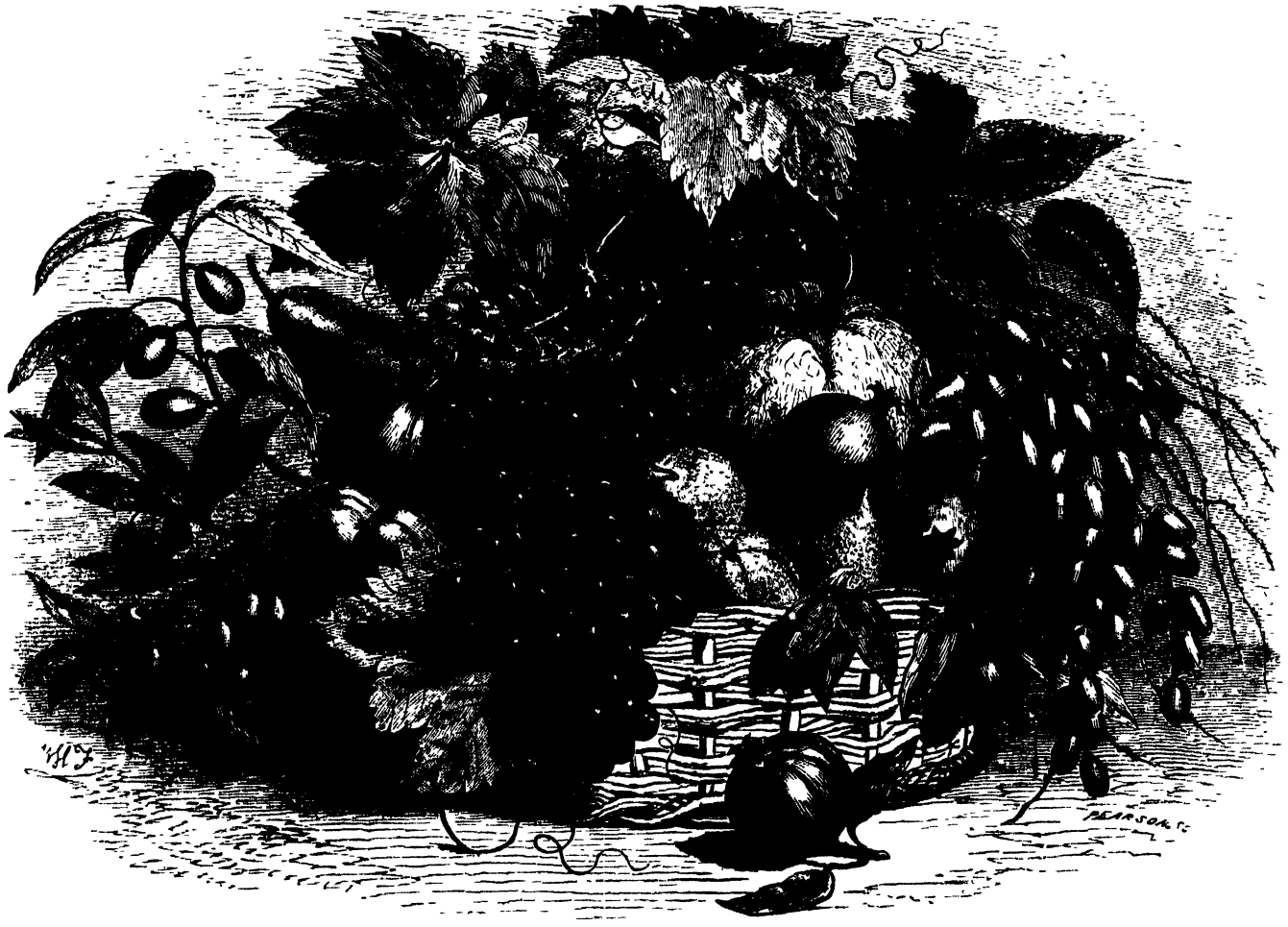
13 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that [2]soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop [3]sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 787.

a Acts xv. 16, 17.
1 Heb. *upon whom my name is called.*
b Numb. xxiv. 18; Obad. 19
d Isa. lxi. 4; lxv 21; Jer xxx. 3; Ezek. xxxvi. 33—36.
2 Heb *draweth forth.*
3 Or, *new wine*
c Lev xxvi 5, Joel iii. 18
e Isa lx. 21, Jer xxxii 41, Ezek. xxxiv 28, Joel iii. 20.

14 And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit *them;* and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.[d]

15 And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the LORD thy God.[e]



A BASKET OF THE FRUITS OF PALESTINE.



The Book of OBADIAH

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

1 *The destruction of Edom,* 3 *for their pride,* 10 *and for their wrong unto Jacob* 17 *The salvation and victory of Jacob.*

THE vision of Obadiah. Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning Edom; We have heard a rumour from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent among the heathen, Arise ye, and let us rise up against her in battle.[a]

2 Behold, I have made thee small among the heathen: thou art greatly despised.

3 ¶ The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee, thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation *is* high; that saith in his heart, Who shall bring me down to the ground?[b]

4 Though thou exalt *thyself* as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.[c]

5 If thieves came to thee, if robbers by night, (how art thou cut off!) would they not have stolen till they had enough? if the grapegatherers came to thee, would they not leave [1]*some* grapes?[d]

6 How are *the things* of Esau searched out! *how* are his hidden things sought up!

a Isa xxi 11, xxxiv 5, Jer xlix. 14, &c, Ezek xxv 12—14; Joel iii. 19, Mal. i. 3.

b 2 Kings xiv 7, Isa xlv 13—15, Rev xviii 7

c Job xx 6; Jer xlix 16 li 53, Amos ix 2; Hab ii

1 Or, *gleanings?*

d Deut. xxiv 21; Isa. xvii. 6; xxiv. 13.

7 All the men of thy confederacy have brought thee *even* to the border: [1]the men that were at peace with thee have deceived thee, *and* prevailed against thee; [2]*they that eat* thy bread have laid a wound under thee: *there is* none understanding [3]in him.[a]

8 Shall I not in that day, saith the LORD, even destroy the wise *men* out of Edom, and understanding out of the mount of Esau?[b]

9 And thy mighty *men*, O Teman, shall be dismayed, to the end that every one of the mount of Esau may be cut off by slaughter.[c]

10 ¶ For *thy* violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off [8]for ever.[d]

11 In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers [4]carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou *wast* as one of them.[e]

12 But thou shouldest not have looked on the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger; neither shouldest thou have rejoiced over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction; neither shouldest thou have [5]spoken proudly in the day of distress.[f]

13 Thou shouldest not have entered into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor have laid *hands* on their [6]substance in the day of their calamity;

BEFORE CHRIST 588.

1 Heb. *the men of thy peace.*
7 Or, *shut up,* Ps xxxi. 8.
2 Heb. the men *of thy bread.*
3 Or, *of it*
a Isa. xix 11, 12, Jer xxxviii 22
g Ezek xxx 3; xxxv 15, Joel iii 14, Hab ii 8.
b Job v 12, 13, Isa. xxix. 14, Jer xlix 7.
8 Or, *sup up*
c Ps. lxxvi 5; Jer. xlix 7, Amos ii 16
h Jer xxv 28, 29; xlix 12, Joel iii 17, 1 Peter iv 17
9 Or, *they that escape*
10 Or, *it shall be holy*
d Gen xxvii. 41, Ps cxxxvii 7, Ezek. xxv 12, xxxv 5, 9, Amos i 11, Mal i 4
i Joel ii 32, iii 17, Amos ix 8.
4 Or, *carried away his substance*
e Joel iii. 3, Nahum iii 10
j Isa x 17, Zech xii 6
k Amos ix 12, Zeph ii 7
5 Heb *magnified thy mouth*
f Job xxxi 29, Ps xxii 17, xxxvii 13, liv 7, lix 10, cxxxvii 7; Prov xvii 5, xxiv 17, 18, Micah iv 11, vii 8, 10
11 Or, shall possess *that which is in Sepharad*
l 1 Kings xvii 9, 10, Jer xxxii 44
6 Or, *forces*
m Ps xxii 28, Dan ii 44, vii 14, 27, Zech xiv 9, Luke i 33, 1 Tim iv 16, Rev xi 15, xix 6

14 Neither shouldest thou have stood in the cross-way, to cut off those of his that did escape; neither shouldest thou have [7]delivered up those of his that did remain in the day of distress.

15 For the day of the LORD *is* near upon all the heathen: as thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee: thy reward shall return upon thine own head.[g]

16 For as ye have drunk upon my holy mountain, *so* shall all the heathen drink continually, yea, they shall drink, and they shall [8]swallow down, and they shall be as though they had not been.[h]

17 ¶ But upon mount Zion shall be [9]deliverance, and [10]there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.[i]

18 And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them; and there shall not be *any* remaining of the house of Esau; for the LORD hath spoken *it*.[j]

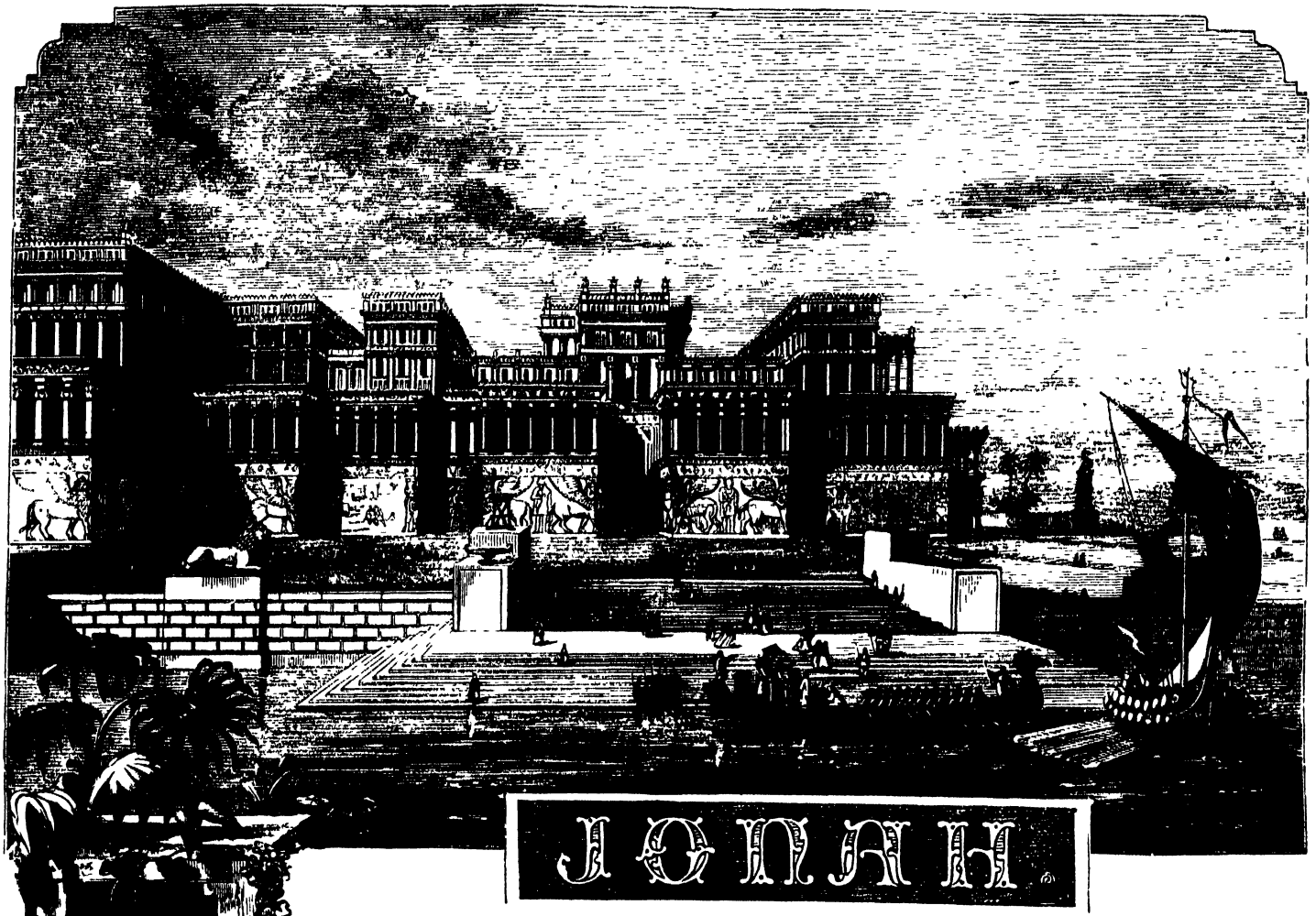
19 And *they of* the south shall possess the mount of Esau; and *they of* the plain the Philistines: and they shall possess the fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria: and Benjamin *shall possess* Gilead.[k]

20 And the captivity of this host of the children of Israel *shall possess* that of the Canaanites, *even* unto Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, [11]which *is* in Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the south.[l]

21 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD'S.[m]



EDOM AND MOUNT



CHAPTER I.

1 *Jonah, sent to Nineveh, fleeth to Tarshish.* 4 *He is bewrayed by a tempest,* 11 *thrown into the sea,* 17 *and swallowed by a fish*

NOW the word of the LORD came unto [1]Jonah the son of Amittai, saying,[a]

2 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me.[b]

3 But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD, and went down to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.[c]

4 ¶ But the LORD [2]sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was [3]like to be broken.[d]

5 Then the mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his god, and cast forth the wares that *were* in the ship into the sea, to lighten *it* of them. But Jonah was gone down into the sides of the ship; and he lay, and was fast asleep.[e]

6 So the shipmaster came to him, and said unto him, What meanest thou, O sleeper? arise, call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us, that we perish not.[f]

7 And they said every one to his fellow, Come, and let us cast lots, that we may know for whose cause this evil *is* upon us. So they cast lots, and the lot fell upon Jonah.[g]

8 Then said they unto him, Tell us, we pray thee, for whose cause this evil *is* upon us; What *is* thine occupation? and whence comest thou? what *is* thy country? and of what people *art* thou?

9 And he said unto them, I *am* an Hebrew; and I fear [4]the LORD, the God of heaven, which hath made the sea and the dry *land*.[h]

10 Then were the men [5]exceedingly afraid, and said unto him, Why hast thou done this? For the men knew that he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had told them.

11 ¶ Then said they unto him, What shall we do unto thee, that the sea [6]may be calm unto us? for the sea [7]wrought, and was tempestuous.

12 And he said unto them, Take me up, and cast me forth into the sea; so shall the sea be calm unto you: for I know that for my sake this great tempest *is* upon you.[i]

13 Nevertheless the men [8]rowed hard to bring *it* to the land; but they could not: for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous against them.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 860

f Ps cvii. 28; Joel ii 14

1 Called *Jonas* Matt. xii 39

g Josh vii 14, 16, 18, 1 Sam x 20, 21; xiv 41—43; Prov. xvi 33, Acts i. 26.

a 2 Kings xiv 25

b ch iii 2, 3, iv 11; Gen x 11, 12, xviii 20, 21, Ezra ix 6, James v 4

4 Or, *JEHOVAH*

h Ps cxlvi 6, Acts xvii 24.

5 Heb *with great fear*

c ch iv 2; Gen iv 16; Josh xix 46, 2 Chron ii 16, Job i 12, ii 7, Acts ix 36

2 Heb *cast forth.*

6 Heb *may be silent from us*

7 Or, *grew more and more tempestuous* Heb. *went*

3 Heb *thought to be broken*

d Ps cvii 25

i John xi 50

8 Heb *digged*

e 1 Sam xxiv. 3, Acts xxvii 18, 19, 38

j Prov. xxi 30.



JONAH CAST INTO THE SEA.—JONAH I. 15

14 Wherefore they cried unto the LORD, and said, We beseech thee, O LORD, we beseech thee, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not upon us innocent blood: for thou, O LORD, hast done as it pleased thee.[a]

15 So they took up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea: and the sea [1]ceased from her raging.[b]

16 Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly, and [2]offered a sacrifice unto the LORD, and made vows.[c]

17 ¶ Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the [3]belly of the fish three days and three nights.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 860

a Deut xxi. 8, Ps. cxv. 3.

1 Heb *stood.*

b Ps lxxxix 9; Luke viii. 24

4 Or *out of mine affliction*

2 Heb *sacrificed a sacrifice unto the LORD, and vowed vows*

c Mark iv. 41; Acts v. 11.

5 Or, *the grave.*

c Ps cxx 1, cxxx. 1, cxlii 1; Lam iii 55, 56.

3 Heb. *bowels*

d Matt. xii. 40; xvi. 4; Luke xi. 30.

6 Heb. *heart.*

CHAPTER II.

The prayer of Jonah. 10 *He is delivered from the fish.*

THEN Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God out of the fish's belly,

2 And said, I cried [4]by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of [5]hell cried I, *and* thou heardest my voice.[e]

3 For thou hadst cast me into the deep, in the [6]midst of the seas; and the floods

compassed me about: all thy billows and thy waves passed over me.[a]

4 Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again toward thy holy temple.[b]

5 The waters compassed me about, *even* to the soul: the depth closed me round about, the weeds were wrapped about my head.[c]

6 I went down to the [1]bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars *was* about me for ever: yet hast thou brought up my life from [2]corruption, O LORD my God.[d]

7 When my soul fainted within me I remembered the LORD: and my prayer came in unto thee, into thine holy temple.[e]

8 They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy.[f]

9 But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay *that* that I have vowed. Salvation *is* of the LORD.[g]

10 ¶ And the LORD spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry *land*.

BEFORE CHRIST 860

a Ps. xlii. 7; lxxxviii 6.
h Deut xviii 22
b 1 Kings viii 38; Ps xxxi. 22.
i Matt. xii 41, Luke xi 32
c Ps. lxix 1, Lam. iii 54
1 Heb *cuttings off.*
2 Or, *the pit*
j Job ii 8.
d Ps xviii 10
4 Heb *said*
5 Heb *great men.*
e Ps xviii 6
k 2 Chron xx 3, Joel ii 15
f 2 Kings xvii 15, Ps xxxi 6, Jer x 8, xvi 19.



PLACE WHERE JONAH IS SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN CAST ASHORE.

CHAPTER III.

1 *Jonah, sent again, preacheth to the Ninevites.* 5 *Upon their repentance,* 10 *God repenteth.*

AND the word of the LORD came unto Jonah the second time, saying,

2 Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.

3 So Jonah arose, and went unto Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an [3]exceeding great city of three days' journey.

g Ps. iii 8, l. 14, 23; cxvi. 17, 18, Hos xiv 2, Heb xiii. 15
l Isa. lviii 6, lix 6.
m 2 Sam. xii 22, Joel ii. 14.
n Jer xviii. 8; Amos vii. 3, 6.
3 Heb. *of God*, so Gen. xxx 8; Ps xxxvi 6, lxxx. 10.

4 And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.[h]

5 ¶ So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them.[i]

6 For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered *him* with sackcloth, and sat in ashes.[j]

7 And he caused *it* to be proclaimed and [4]published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his [5]nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water:[k]

8 But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that *is* in their hands.[l]

9 Who can tell *if* God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?[m]

10 ¶ And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did *it* not.[n]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Jonah, repining at God's mercy,* 4 *is reproved by the type of a gourd.*

BUT it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.

2 And he prayed unto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, O LORD, *was* not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou *art* a



JONAH PREACHING IN NINEVEH

gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil.[a]

3 Therefore now, O LORD, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for *it is* better for me to die than to live.[b]

4 ¶ Then said the LORD, [1]Doest thou well to be angry?

5 So Jonah went out of the city, and sat on the east side of the city, and there made him a booth, and sat under it in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.

6 And the LORD God prepared a [2]gourd, and made *it* to come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah [3]was exceeding glad of the gourd.

7 But God prepared a worm when the morning rose the next day, and it smote the gourd that it withered.

BEFORE CHRIST 860.

a ch. i. 3, Exod. xxxiv. 6, Ps. lxxxvi. 5, Joel ii. 13.

4 Or, *silent*

b ver. 8; 1 Kings xix. 4.

1 Or, *Art thou greatly angry?*

c ver. 3.

5 Or *Art thou greatly angry?*

6 Or, *I am greatly angry.*

7 Or, *spared.*

2 Or, *palmerist.* Heb. *Kikayon*

8 Heb. *was the son of the night.*

3 Heb. *rejoiced with great joy*

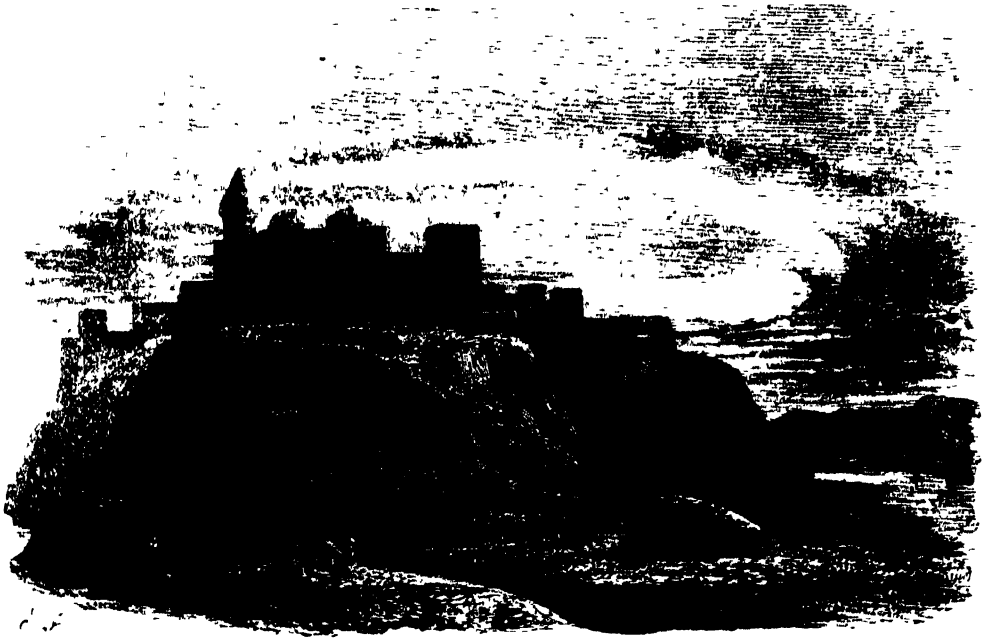
d ch. i. 2, iii. 2, 3, Deut. i. 39, Ps. xxxvi. 6, cxlv. 9.

8 And it came to pass, when the sun did arise, that God prepared a [4]vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, *It is* better for me to die than to live.[c]

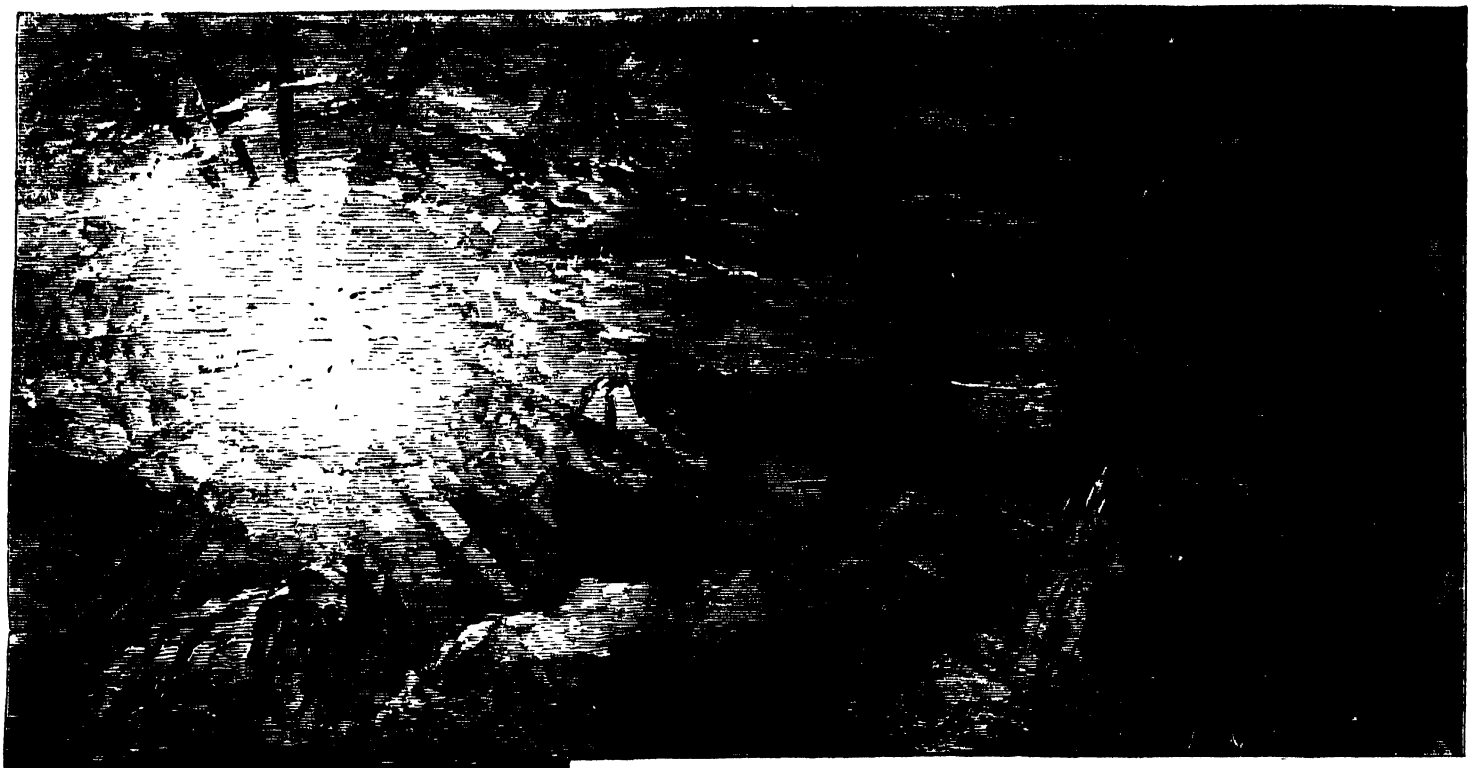
9 And God said to Jonah, [5]Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, [6]I do well to be angry, *even* unto death.

10 Then said the LORD, Thou hast [7]had pity on the gourd, for the which thou hast not laboured, neither madest it grow; which [8]came up in a night, and perished in a night:

11 And should not I spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than sixscore thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand; and *also* much cattle?[d]



TOMB OF JONAH.



The Book of MICAH.

CHAPTER I.

1 *Micah sheweth the wrath of God against Jacob for idolatry* 10 *He exhorteth to*

BEFORE CHRIST 730.

THE word of the LORD that came to Micah the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah, which he saw concerning Samaria and Jerusalem.[a]

2 [1]Hear, all ye people; hearken, O earth, and [2]all that therein is: and let the Lord GOD be witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple.[b]

3 For, behold, the LORD cometh forth out of his place, and will come down, and tread upon the high places of the earth.[c]

4 And the mountains shall be molten under him, and the valleys shall be cleft, as wax before the fire, *and* as the waters *that are* poured down [3]a steep place.[d]

5 For the transgression of Jacob *is* all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel. What *is* the transgression of Jacob? *is it* not Samaria? and what

a Jer xxvi. 18, Amos i. 1

1 Heb *Hear, ye people, all of them.*

2 Heb *the fulness thereof*

b Deut xxxii 1, Isa. i 2, Ps xi 4, l. 7, Jonah ii 7, Hab ii. 20

c Deut xxxii 13, xxxiii 29, Ps cxv 3, Isa. xxvi 21, Amos iv 13

3 Heb *a descent*

d Judg v 5, Ps xcvii 5, Isa lxiv 1—3, Amos ix 5, Hab. iii 6, 10.

are the high places of Judah? *are they* not Jerusalem?

6 Therefore I will make Samaria as an heap of the field, *and* as plantings of a vineyard: and I will pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discover the foundations thereof.[a]

7 And all the graven images thereof shall be beaten to pieces, and all the hires thereof shall be burned with the fire, and all the idols thereof will I lay desolate: for she gathered *it* of the hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot.[b]

8 Therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked: I will make a wailing like the dragons, and mourning as the [1]owls.[c]

9 For [2]her wound *is* incurable; for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my people, *even* to Jerusalem.[d]

10 ¶ Declare ye *it* not at Gath, weep ye not at all: in the house of [3]Aphrah roll thyself in the dust.[e]

11 Pass ye away, thou [4]inhabitant of Saphir, having thy shame naked: the inhabitant of [5]Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of [6]Beth-ezel; he shall receive of you his standing.

12 For the inhabitant of Maroth [7]waited carefully for good: but evil came down from the LORD unto the gate of Jerusalem.[f]

13 O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the chariot to the swift beast: she *is* the beginning of the sin to the daughter of Zion: for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.[g]

14 Therefore shalt thou give presents [8]to Moresheth-gath: the houses of [9]Achzib *shall be* a lie to the kings of Israel.[h]

15 Yet will I bring an heir unto thee, O inhabitant of Mareshah: [10]he shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel.[i]

16 Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge thy baldness as the eagle; for they are gone into captivity from thee.[j]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Against oppression.* 4 *A lamentation* 7 *A reproof of injustice and idolatry.* 12 *A promise of restoring Jacob*

WOE to them that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.[k]

2 And they covet fields, and take *them* by violence; and houses, and take *them* away: so they [11]oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.[l]

3 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for this time *is* evil.[m]

4 ¶ In that day shall *one* take up a parable against you, and lament [12]with a doleful lamentation, *and* say, We be utterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he removed *it* from me! [13]turning away he hath divided our fields.[n]

BEFORE CHRIST 730.

o Deut xxxii. 8, 9.

14 Or, *Prophesy not as they prophesy.* Heb *Drop*, &c., Ezek. xxi. 2.

p Isa xxx 10; Amos ii. 12, vii 16.

a ch iii 12; 2 Kings xix. 25, Ezek xiii 14.

15 Or, *shortened?*

16 Heb. *upright?*

17 Heb. *yesterday*

b Hos. ii 5, 12

18 Heb *over against a garment.*

19 Or, *wives.*

1 Heb. *daughters of the owl*

c Job xxx. 29; Ps cii 6, Isa. xx 2—4; xxi 3, xxii 4, Jer. iv 19

2 Or, *she is grievously sick of her wounds*

d 2 Kings xviii. 13, Isa. viii. 7, 8.

q Lev xviii. 15, 28, Deut. xii. 9, Jer. iii. 2.

3 That is, *Dust.*

e Jer. vi. 26.

20 Or, *walk with the wind, and lie falsely*

4 Or, *that dwellest fairly* Heb. *inhabitress.*

5 Or, *the country of flocks*

6 Or, *a place near*

r Ezek xiii 3

7 Or, *was grieved*

f Amos iii. 6.

s ch iv 6, 7, Jer xxxi 10; Ezek xxxvi 37

g 2 Kings xviii 14, 17

8 Or, *for*

t Hos. iii 5, Isa. lii 12.

9 That is, *a lie*

h Josh xv 44, 2 Sam viii. 2, 2 Kings xviii 14—16.

10 Or, *the glory of Israel shall come*, &c

i Josh. xv 44, 2 Chron xi 7

j Job i 20, Isa. xv 2, xxii 12, Jer vii 29; xvi. 6, xlvii 5, xlviii 37, Lam iv 5.

u Jer. v. 4, 5.

v Ps xiv 4, Ezek xi 3, 7

k Gen xxxi 29, Ps xxxvi 4, Hos vii 6

11 Or, *defraud.*

w Ps xviii 41, Prov i 28, Isa. i. 15, Ezek viii 18, Zech vii. 13

l Isa. v 8

x ch ii 11, Isa. lvi 10, 11, Ezek. xiii 10, 18, 19, Matt. vii. 15.

m Jer viii 3, Amos v 13, Eph v 16.

21 Heb. *from a vision*

12 Heb *with a lamentation of lamentations*

22 Heb *from divining*

y Isa viii 20, 22, Ezek. xiii 23, Amos viii. 9, Zech xiii 4

13 Or, *instead of restoring*

n ch. i 15, 2 Sam i. 17, Hab ii. 6.

5 Therefore thou shalt have none that shall cast a cord by lot in the congregation of the LORD.[o]

6 [14]Prophesy ye not, *say they to them that* prophesy: they shall not prophesy to them, *that* they shall not take shame.[p]

7 ¶ O *thou that art* named the house of Jacob, is the spirit of the LORD [15]straitened? *are* these his doings? do not my words do good to him that walketh [16]uprightly?

8 Even [17]of late my people is risen up as an enemy: ye pull off the robe [18]with the garment from them that pass by securely as men averse from war.

9 The [19]women of my people have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from their children have ye taken away my glory for ever.

10 Arise ye, and depart; for this *is* not *your* rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy *you*, even with a sore destruction.[q]

11 If a man [20]walking in the spirit and falsehood do lie, *saying*, I will prophesy unto thee of wine and of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of this people.[r]

12 ¶ I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of *the multitude of* men.[s]

13 The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it: and their king shall pass before them, and the LORD on the head of them.[t]

CHAPTER III.

1 *The cruelty of the princes.* 5 *The falsehood of the prophets.* 8 *The security of them both.*

AND I said, Hear, I pray you, O heads of Jacob, and ye princes of the house of Israel: *Is it* not for you to know judgment?[u]

2 Who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones;

3 Who also eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them; and they break their bones, and chop them in pieces, as for the pot, and as flesh within the caldron.[v]

4 Then shall they cry unto the LORD, but he will not hear them: he will even hide his face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.[w]

5 ¶ Thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that make my people err, that bite with their teeth, and cry, Peace; and he that putteth not into their mouths, they even prepare war against him.[x]

6 Therefore night *shall be* unto you, [21]that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, [22]that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.[y]

7 Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners

confounded: yea, they shall all cover their [1]lips; for *there is* no answer of God.[a]

8 ¶ But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.

9 Hear this, I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.

10 They build up Zion with [2]blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity.[c]

11 The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon the LORD, [3]and say, *Is* not the LORD among us? none evil can come upon us.[d]

12 Therefore shall Zion for your sake be plowed *as* a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of the forest.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 730.

1 Heb *upper lip.*

a Ps lxxiv. 9; Amos viii. 11.

b Isa. lviii 1.

4 Or, *scythes*

g Ps lxxii. 7; Isa. ii 4, Joel iii. 10.

2 Heb *bloods.*

c Jer xxii 13, Ezek xxii. 27, Hab. ii. 12; Zeph iii 3.

h 1 Kings iv 25, Zech iii. 10.

i Jer ii. 11; Zech x. 12.

3 Heb. *saying.*

d ch. vii 3, Isa. i 23; xlviii 2, Jer vii 4, Ezek xxii 12, Hos iv. 18, Rom. ii 17.

j Ps. cxlvii. 2; Ezek xxxiv 13, 16; xxxvii. 21; Zeph. iii. 19.

for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

3 ¶ And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into [4]pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.[g]

4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make *them* afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken *it.*[h]

5 For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever.[i]

6 In that day, saith the LORD, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted;[j]



SITTING UNDER THE VINE.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The glory,* 3 *peace,* 8 *kingdom,* 11 *and victory of the church.*

BUT in the last days it shall come to pass, *that* the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it.[f]

2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths:

e ch i 6, iv 2, Ps. lxxix 1, Jer xxvi. 18

k ch ii 12, v 3, 7, 8, vii. 18, Isa. ix 6, xxiv 23, Dan vii 14, 27, Luke i 33, Rev xi 15

5 Or, *Edar,* Gen xxxv 21

l Isa. xiii 8; xxi 3; Jer. xxx. 6; l 43

f Isa. ii 2, &c., Ezek xvii. 22, 23.

7 And I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the LORD shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.[k]

8 ¶ And thou, O tower of [5]the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.

9 Now why dost thou cry out aloud? *is there* no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.[l]

10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go *even* to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

11 ¶ Now also many nations are gathered against



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thee, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion.[a]

12 But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor.[b]

13 Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass: and thou shalt beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain unto the LORD, and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.[c]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The birth of Christ.* 4 *His kingdom.* 8 *His conquest.*

NOW gather thyself in troops, O daughter of troops: he hath laid siege against us: they shall smite the judge of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.[d]

2 But thou, Beth-lehem Ephratah, *though* thou be little among the thousands of Judah, *yet* out of thee shall he come forth unto me *that is* to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth *have been* from of old, from [1]everlasting.[e]

3 Therefore will he give them up, until the time *that* she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.[f]

4 ¶ And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth.[g]

5 And this *man* shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight [2]principal men.[h]

6 And they shall [3]waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod [4]in the entrances thereof: thus shall he deliver *us* from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders.[i]

7 And the remnant of Jacob shall be in the midst

BEFORE CHRIST 710

a ch vii 10, Lam ii 16, Obad 12
1 Heb *the days of eternity*
e Gen xlix 10, Exod xviii 25, 1 Sam xxiii 23, Ps xc 2, Prov viii 22, 23, Isa ix 6, Matt ii 6, John i 1, vii 42
b Isa xxi 10, lv 8, Rom xi 33
f ch iv 7, 10
c Isa xviii 7, xxiii 18; xli 15, 16, lx 6, 9, Jer li 33, Dan ii 44, Zech iv 14, vi 5
g ch vii 14, Ps lxxii 8, Isa xi 11, xlix 10, lii 13, Ezek xxxiv 23 Zech ix 10, Luke i 32
2 Heb *princes of men*
h Ps lxxii 7, Isa ix 6, Zech ix 10, Luke ii 14, Eph ii 14.
3 Heb *eat up*
4 Or *with her own naked swords*
d Lam iii 30, Matt v 39, xxvii 30
i Gen x 8, 10, 11, Luke i 71

of many people as a dew from the LORD, as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men.[a]

8 ¶ And the remnant of Jacob shall be among the Gentiles in the midst of many people as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion among the flocks of [1]sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and teareth in pieces, and none can deliver.

9 Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries, and all thine enemies shall be cut off.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and I will destroy thy chariots:[b]

11 And I will cut off the cities of thy land, and throw down all thy strong holds:

12 And I will cut off witchcrafts out of thine hand; and thou shalt have no *more* soothsayers:[c]

13 Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy [2]standing images out of the midst of thee; and thou shalt no more worship the work of thine hands.[d]

14 And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee: so will I destroy thy [3]cities.

15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury upon the heathen, such as they have not heard.[e]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *God's controversy for unkindness,* 6 *for ignorance,* 10 *for injustice,* 16 *and for idolatry*

HEAR ye now what the LORD saith; Arise, contend thou [4]before the mountains, and let the hills hear thy voice.

2 Hear ye, O mountains, the LORD's controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth: for the LORD hath a controversy with his people, and he will plead with Israel.[f]

3 O my people, what have I done unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.[g]

4 For I brought thee up out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants; and I sent before thee Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.[h]

5 O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal; that ye may know the righteousness of the LORD.[i]

6 ¶ Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, *and* bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves [5]of a year old?

7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, *or* with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn *for* my transgression, the fruit of my body *for* the sin of my soul?[j]

8 He hath shewed thee, O man, what *is* good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to [6]walk humbly with thy God?[k]

9 The LORD's voice crieth unto the city, and [7]*the man of* wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.

10 ¶ [8]Are there yet the treasures of wickedness in

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

9 Heb *measure of leanness,* Amos viii 5

l Deut xxv 13—16; Prov. xi. 1; xx. 10, 23

a ver. 3, Deut. xxxii 2, Ps lxxii. 6; cx. 3.

10 Or, *Shall I be pure with,* &c

m Hos xii. 7.

1 Or, *goats*

n Jer ix 3, 5, 6, 8.

o Lev xxvi 16, Ps. cvii. 17, 18.

b Zech ix 10

p Lev xxvi. 26; Hos. iv 10.

c Isa. ii 6.

q Deut. xxviii. 38—40; Amos v 11, Zeph i 13, Hagg i 6.

11 Or, *he doth much keep the,* &c.

2 Or, *statues*

d Isa. ii. 8, Zech xiii 2

12 Or, *astonishment*

3 Or, *enemies*

r 1 Kings ix 8, xvi 25, 26, 30, &c, xxi 25, 26, 2 Kings xxi 3, Isa xxv 8, Jer xix 8, li 51, Lam v 1, Hos x 11

e ver 8; Ps. cxlix 7, 2 Thess i 8

4 Or, *with*

s Isa. xvii 6; xxiv 13, xxviii 4, Hos ix 10.

13 Or, *godly,* or, *merciful*

f Deut xxxii 1, Ps l 1, 4, Isa i 2 18, v. 3, 4, xlii 26, Hos iv 1, xii 2

t Ps xii 1, xiv 1, 3; Isa lvii 1, Hab i. 13.

g Jer ii 5, 31

14 Heb *the mischief of his soul*

u ch iii 11, Isa i 23, Hos iv 18, Hab i 15

h Exod xii 51, xiv 30, xx 2, Deut iv 20, Amos ii 10

v 2 Sam xxiii 6, 7, Isa lv 13, Ezek ii 6

i Numb xxii 5, xxiii 7, xxiv 10, 11, xxv 1, xxxiii 49, Deut xxiii 4, 5, Josh iii 1, v 10, xxiv 9, 10, Judg v 11, Rev ii 14

w Jer ix 4

5 Heb *sons of a year?*

x Ezek xxii 7, Matt x 21, 35, 36, Luke xii 53, xxi 16, 2 Tim iii 2, 3

j 2 Kings xvi 3, xxi 6 xxiii 10, Job xxix 6; Ps l 9, li 16, Isa i 11, Jer vii 31, xix 5, Ezek xxiii 37

y Isa viii 17

6 Heb *humble* thyself *to walk*

k Gen xviii 19, Deut x 12, 1 Sam xv 22, Isa. i 17, Hos vi 6, xii 6

z Ps xxvii 1, xxxvii 24, Prov xxiv 16, 17, Lam iv 21

7 Or, *thy name shall see that which is*

8 Or, *Is there yet unto every man an house of the wicked,* &c

a Ps xxxvii. 6; Lam iii 39.

the house of the wicked, and the [9]scant measure *that is* abominable?[l]

11 [10]Shall I count *them* pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?[m]

12 For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies, and their tongue *is* deceitful in their mouth.[n]

13 Therefore also will I make *thee* sick in smiting thee, in making *thee* desolate because of thy sins.[o]

14 Thou shalt eat, but not be satisfied; and thy casting down *shall be* in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and *that* which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.[p]

15 Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt not reap; thou shalt tread the olives, but thou shalt not anoint thee with oil; and sweet wine, but shalt not drink wine.[q]

16 ¶ For [11]the statutes of Omri are kept, and all the works of the house of Ahab, and ye walk in their counsels; that I should make thee a [12]desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing: therefore ye shall bear the reproach of my people.[r]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *The church, complaining of her small number,* 3 *and the general corruption,* 5 *putteth her confidence not in man, but in God.* 8 *She triumpheth over her enemies* 14 *God comforteth her by promises,* 16 *by confusion of the enemies,* 18 *and by his mercies*

WOE is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits, as the grapegleanings of the vintage: *there is* no cluster to eat: my soul desired the firstripe fruit.[s]

2 The [13]good *man* is perished out of the earth: and *there is* none upright among men: they all lie in wait for blood; they hunt every man his brother with a net.[t]

3 ¶ That they may do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh, and the judge *asketh* for a reward; and the great *man,* he uttereth [14]his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.[u]

4 The best of them *is* as a brier: the most upright *is sharper* than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen *and* thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.[v]

5 ¶ Trust ye not in a friend, put ye not confidence in a guide: keep the doors of thy mouth from her that lieth in thy bosom.[w]

6 For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man's enemies *are* the men of his own house.[x]

7 Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.[y]

8 ¶ Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the LORD *shall be* a light unto me.[z]

9 I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, *and* I shall behold his righteousness.[a]

10 [1]Then *she that is* mine enemy shall see *it*, and shame shall cover her which said unto me, Where is the LORD thy God? mine eyes shall behold her: now shall she be trodden down as the mire of the streets.[a]

11 *In* the day that thy walls are to be built, *in* that day shall the decree be far removed.[b]

12 *In* that day *also* he shall come even to thee from Assyria, [2]and *from* the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea, and *from* mountain to mountain.[c]

13 [3]Notwithstanding the land shall be desolate because of them that dwell therein, for the fruit of their doings.[d]

14 ¶ Feed thy people with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily *in* the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed *in* Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.[e]

15 According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous *things*.[f]

16 ¶ The nations shall see and be confounded at all their might: they shall lay *their* hand upon *their* mouth, their ears shall be deaf.[g]

17 They shall lick the dust like a serpent, they shall move out of their holes like [4]worms of the earth: they shall be afraid of the LORD our God, and shall fear because of thee.[h]

18 Who *is* a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth *in* mercy.[i]

19 He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.

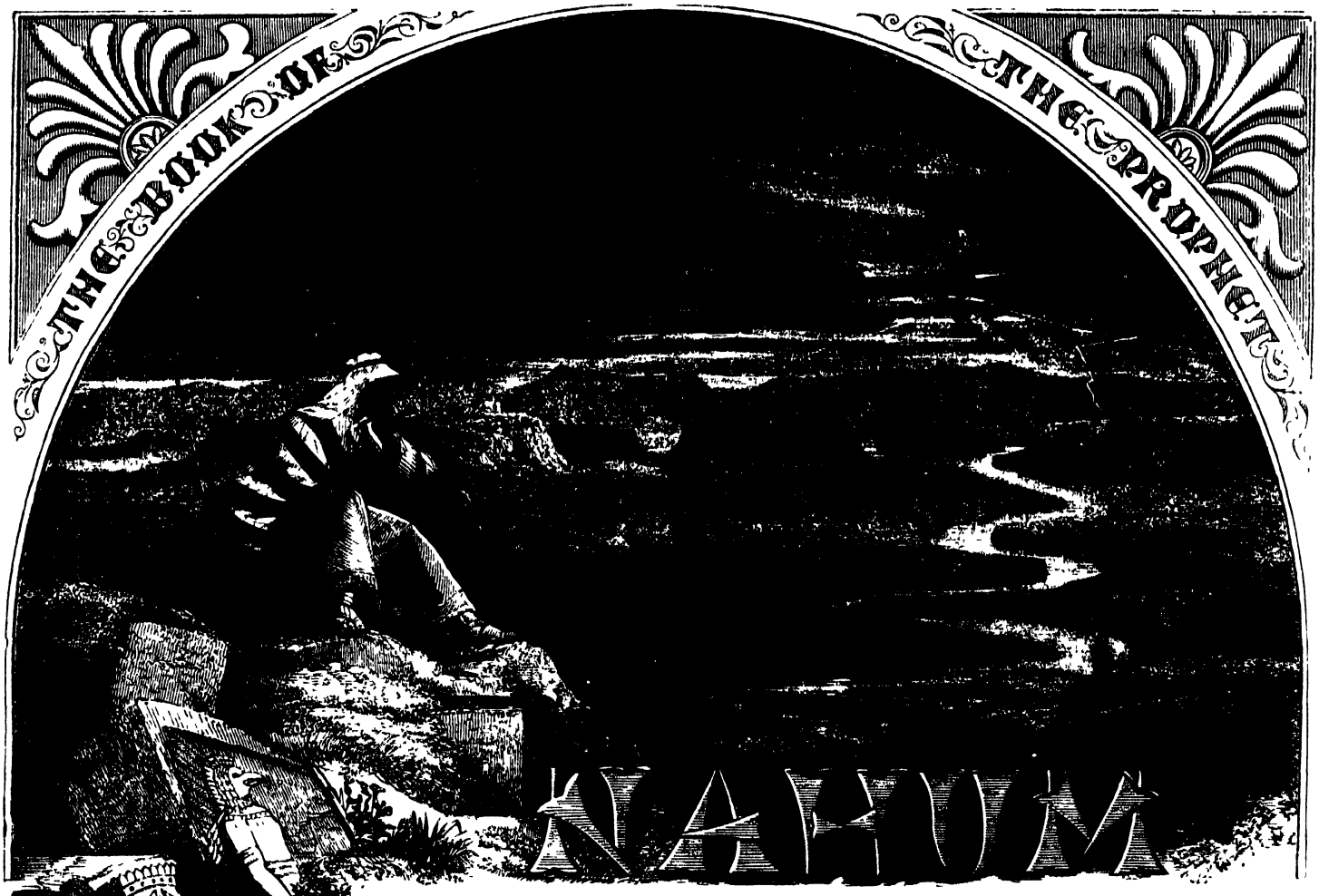
20 Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, *and* the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 710.

1 Or, *And thou will see her that is mine enemy, and cover her with shame.*
f Ps. lxviii. 22; lxxviii. 12.
a ch. iv. 11; 2 Sam. xxii 43, Ps xxxv 26; xli. 3, 10, lxxix 10; cxv 2, Joel ii. 17, Zech x 5
g Job xxi. 5; xxix. 9; Isa. xxvi. 11.
b Amos ix. 11, &c.
4 Or, *creeping things.*
2 Or, *even to*
h Ps. xviii 45; lxxii. 9; Isa xlix. 23, Jer. xxxiii 9
c Isa. xi 16, xix 23, &c; xxvii 13, Hos xi 11
3 Or, *After that it hath been.*
i ch iv 7, v 3, 7, 8, Exod xv 11, xxxiv. 6, 7, Ps cui 9, Isa lvii 16, Jer iii 5, l 20.
d ch iii. 12, Jer xxi 14.
e ch v 4, Ps xxviii 9, Isa. xxxvii 24
j Ps cv 9, 10, Luke i. 72, 73



MORESHETH-GATH, NOW BEIT-JIBRÎN, THE SUPPOSED BIRTH-PLACE OF MICAH. (See MICAH I. 1.)



CHAPTER I.

The majesty of God in goodness to his people, and severity against his enemies.

THE burden of Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite.[a]

2 [1]God *is* jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and [2]*is* furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth *wrath* for his enemies.[b]

3 The LORD *is* slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit *the wicked:* the LORD *hath* his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds *are* the dust of his feet.[c]

4 He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.[d]

5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.[e]

6 Who can stand before his indignation? and who can [3]abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.[f]

7 The LORD *is* good, a [4]strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.[g]

8 But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and darkness shall pursue his enemies.[h]

9 What do ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time.[i]

10 For while *they be* folden together *as* thorns, and while they are drunken *as* drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.[j]

11 There is *one* come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, [5]a wicked counsellor.[k]

12 Thus saith the LORD; [6]Though *they be* quiet, and likewise many, yet thus shall they be [7]cut down, when he shall pass through. Though I have afflicted thee, I will afflict thee no more.[l]

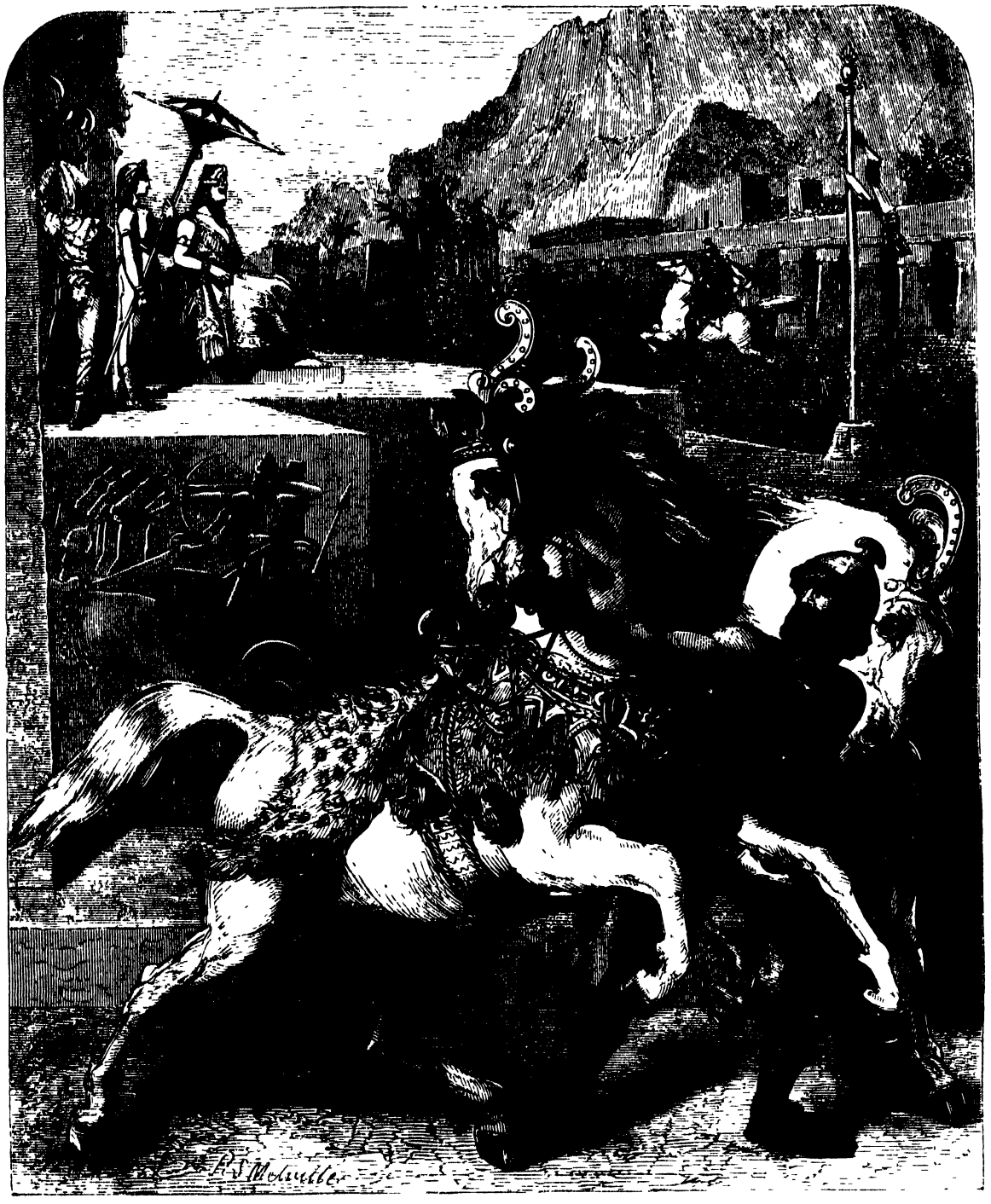
13 For now will I break his yoke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.[m]

14 And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee, *that* no more of thy name be sown: out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.[n]

15 Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O

BEFORE CHRIST 714

f Mal iii 2, Rev. xvi 1.
4 Or, *strength*
g 1 Chron xvi 34, Ps i 6, c 5, Jer xxxiii 11, Lam iii 35; 2 Tim. ii 19
h Dan ix. 26, xi 10, 22, 40
a Zeph ii 13.
1 Or, *The LORD is a jealous God, and a revenger, &c.*
i 1 Sam iii. 12, Ps ii 1
j ch iii 11, 2 Kings xix 22, 23, Mal iv 1
2 Heb *that hath fury.*
b Heb *a counsellor of Belial*
k 2 Kings xix. 22, 23
b Exod xx. 5; xxxiv 14, Deut. iv 24; xxxii 35; Josh xxiv. 19; Ps xciv. 1, Isa. lix 13
6 Or, *If* they would have been at *peace, so* should they have been *many, and so should they have been shorn, and he should have passed away*
7 Heb. *shorn*
l 2 Kings xix 35, 37; Isa. viii. 8; Dan. xi. 10
c Exod xxxiv 6, 7, Neh. ix 17, Job ix 4, Ps. xviii 7, &c., xcvii 2, civ 8; Jonah iv. 2, Hab iii 5, 11, 12
m Jer. ii 20, xxx 8
d Ps cvi 9, Isa xxxiii 9, l 2; Matt viii 26
e Judg v 5, Ps lxviii 8, xcvii 5; Micah i. 4, 2 Peter iii 10
n 2 Kings xix 37.
3 Heb *stand up*



CHARIOT HORSES OF NINEVEH.

Judah, [1]keep thy solemn feasts, perform thy vows: for [2]the wicked shall no more pass through thee; he is utterly cut off.[a]

CHAPTER II.

The fearful and victorious armies of God against Nineveh.

HE [3]that dasheth in pieces is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch the way, make *thy* loins strong, fortify *thy* power mightily.[b]

2 For the LORD hath turned away [4]the excellency of Jacob, as the excellency of Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.[c]

3 The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men *are* [5]in scarlet: the chariots *shall be* with [6]flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the fir trees shall be terribly shaken.[d]

4 The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall justle one against another in the broad ways: [7]they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings.

5 He shall recount his [8]worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the [9]defence shall be prepared.

6 The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be [10]dissolved.

7 And [11]Huzzab shall be [12]led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead *her* as with the voice of doves, tabering upon their breasts.[e]

BEFORE CHRIST 714.

1 Heb *feast*
5 Or, *dyed scarlet*
2 Heb *Belial*
6 Or, *fiery torches*
a vs 11, 12, 14, Isa. liii 7, Rom x 15
d Isa. lxiii 2, 3
7 Heb *their show*
3 Or, *The disperser*, or, *hammer*
8 Or, *gallants*
b ch iii 14, Jer l. 23, li 11, 12
9 Heb *covering*, or, *coverer*
4 Or, *the pride of Jacob as the pride of Israel.*
10 Or, *molten.*
11 Or, *that which was established*, or, *there was a stand made.*
12 Or, *discovered*
c Ps lxxx 12; Jer. xxv. 29; Hos. x 1
e Isa xxxviii. 14, lix 11.

8 But Nineveh *is* [1]of old like a pool of water: yet they shall flee away. Stand, stand, *shall they cry;* but none shall [2]look back.

9 Take ye the spoil of silver, take the spoil of gold: [3]for *there is* none end of the store *and* glory out of all the [4]pleasant furniture.

10 She is empty, and void, and waste: and the heart melteth, and the knees smite together, and much pain *is* in all loins, and the faces of them all gather blackness.[e]

11 Where *is* the dwelling of the lions, and the feedingplace of the young lions, where the lion, *even* the old lion, walked, *and* the lion's whelp, and none made *them* afraid?[h]

12 The lion did tear in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses, and filled his holes with prey, and his dens with ravin.

13 Behold, I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will burn her chariots in the smoke, and the sword shall devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey from the earth, and the voice of thy messengers shall no more be heard.[c]

CHAPTER III.

The miserable ruin of Nineveh.

WOE to the [5]bloody city! it *is* all full of lies *and* robbery; the prey departeth not;[d]

2 The noise of a whip, and the noise of the rattling of the wheels, and of the prancing horses, and of the jumping chariots.

3 The horseman lifteth up both [6]the bright sword and the glittering spear: and *there is* a multitude of slain, and a great number of carcases; and *there is* none end of *their* corpses; they stumble upon their corpses:

4 Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts.[e]

5 Behold, I *am* against thee, saith the LORD of hosts; and I will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will shew the nations thy nakedness, and the kingdoms thy shame.[f]

6 And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.[g]

7 And it shall come to pass, *that* all they that look upon thee shall flee from thee, and say, Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? whence shall I seek comforters for thee?[h]

8 Art thou better than [7]populous No, that was situate among the rivers, *that had* the waters round about it, whose rampart *was* the sea, *and* her wall *was* from the sea?[i]

9 Ethiopia and Egypt *were* her strength, and *it was* infinite; Put and Lubim were [8]thy helpers.

10 Yet *was* she carried away, she went into captivity: her young children also were dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets: and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men were bound in chains.[j]

11 Thou also shalt be drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt seek strength because of the enemy.[k]

12 All thy strong holds *shall be like* fig trees with the firstripe figs: if they be shaken, they shall even fall into the mouth of the eater.[l]

13 Behold, thy people in the midst of thee *are* women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide open unto thine enemies: the fire shall devour thy bars.[m]

14 Draw thee waters for the siege, fortify thy strong holds: go into clay, and tread the morter, make strong the brickkiln.[n]

15 There shall the fire devour thee; the sword shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like the canker-worm: make thyself many as the cankerworm, make thyself many as the locusts.[o]

16 Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the cankerworm [9]spoileth, and fleeth away.

17 Thy crowned *are* as the locusts, and thy captains as the great grasshoppers, which camp in the hedges in the cold day, *but* when the sun ariseth they flee away, and their place is not known where they *are*.[p]

18 Thy shepherds slumber, O king of Assyria: thy nobles shall dwell *in the dust:* thy people is scattered upon the mountains, and no man gathereth *them*.[q]

19 *There is* no [10]healing of thy bruise; thy wound is grievous: all that hear the bruit of thee shall clap the hands over thee: for upon whom hath not thy wickedness passed continually?[r]

BEFORE CHRIST 714.

1 Or, *from the days that she hath been.*

g Mal. ii. 9; Heb. x. 33.

2 Or, *cause them to turn.*

3 Or, *and their infinite store, &c.*

4 Heb *vessels of desire.*

h Jer. xv. 5; Rev. xviii. 10.

7 Or, *nourishing.* Heb. *No-Amon.*

a Isa. xiii. 7, 8; Jer. xxx. 6, Dan v. 6; Joel ii. 6.

i Jer xlvi 25, 26; Ezek. xxx. 14—16, Amos vi. 2

8 Heb *in thy help.*

b Job iv 10, 11; Ezek xix. 2—7.

j Ps. cxxxvii. 9; Isa. xiii. 16; Lam ii. 19, Hos. xiii. 16; Joel iii. 3; Obad. 11.

k ch. i. 10; Jer. xxv 17, 27.

l Rev. vi. 13

c ch. iii. 5, 2 Kings xviii 17, 19, xix. 9, 23, Ezek xxix. 3; xxxviii. 3, xxxix. 1

m Ps. cxlvii 13, Jer. l. 37, li. 30

5 Heb *city of bloods.*

d Jer xlvii 3; Ezek. xxii. 2, 3, xxiv. 6, 9; Hab ii. 12.

n ch. ii. 1.

o Joel i. 14.

9 Or, *spreadeth himself*

6 Heb *the flame of the sword, and the lightning of the spear*

p Rev ix 7

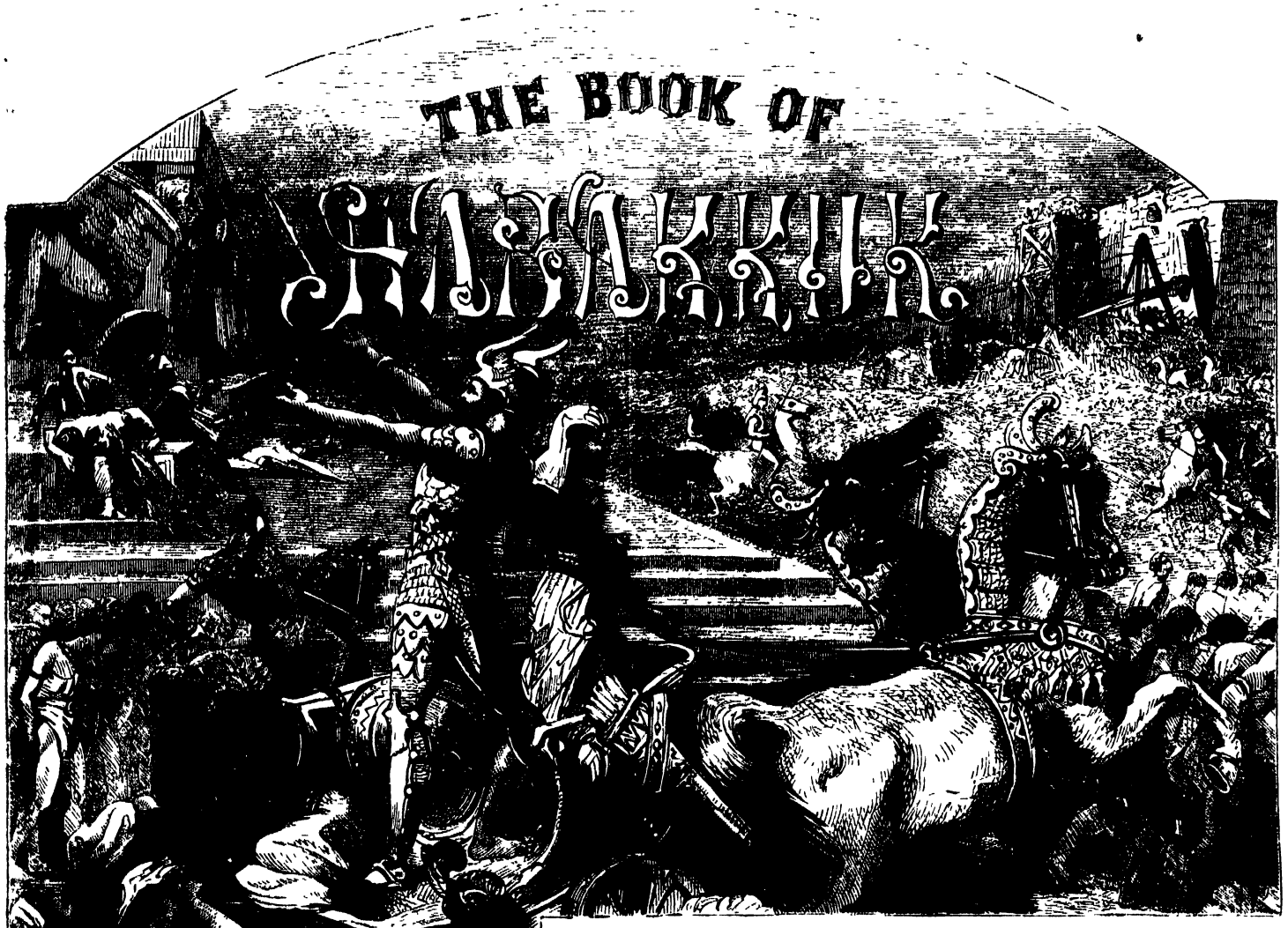
e Isa. xlvii 9, 12; Rev. xviii. 2, 3

q Exod xv 16; Ps lxxvi. 6, Jer l. 18.

10 Heb *wrinkling*

f ch ii. 13, Isa xlvii 2, 3, Jer xiii 22, 26, Ezek. xvi 37, Micah i. 11, Hab ii 16

r Isa xiv 8, Lam ii 15, Micah i 9



CHAPTER I.

1 *Unto Habakkul, complaining of the iniquity of the land, b is shewed the fearful vengeance by the Chaldeans.* 12 *He complaineth that vengeance should be executed by them who are far worse.*

BEFORE CHRIST 606

THE burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see.

2 O LORD, how long shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear! *even* cry out unto thee *of* violence, and thou wilt not save![a]

3 Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause *me* to behold grievance? for spoiling and violence *are* before me: and there are *that* raise up strife and contention.

4 Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore [1]wrong judgment proceedeth.

5 ¶ Behold ye among the heathen, and regard, and wonder marvellously: for *I* will work a work in your days, *which* ye will not believe, though it be told *you*.[c]

6 For, lo, [2]I raise up the Chaldeans, *that* bitter and hasty nation, which shall march through the [3]breadth of the land, to possess the dwellingplaces *that are* not their's.[d]

7 They *are* terrible and dreadful: [4]their judgment and their dignity shall proceed of themselves.

a Lam iii 8.

1 Or, *wrested.*

b Job xxi 7; Ps. xciv. 3, &c.; Jer xii 1.

c Isa. xxix. 14, Acts xiii. 41

2 Fulfilled, 2 Chron. xxxvi 6

3 Heb *breadths*

d Deut xxviii. 49, 50, Jer v 15

4 Or, *from them shall proceed the judgment of these, and the captivity of*

8 Their horses also are swifter than the leopards, and are more [1]fierce than the evening wolves: and their horsemen shall spread themselves, and their horsemen shall come from far; they shall fly as the eagle *that* hasteth to eat.[a]

9 They shall come all for violence: [2]their faces shall sup up *as* the east wind, and they shall gather the captivity as the sand.

10 And they shall scoff at the kings, and the princes shall be a scorn unto them: they shall deride every strong hold; for they shall heap dust, and take it.

11 Then shall *his* mind change, and he shall pass over, and offend, *imputing* this his power unto his god.[b]

12 ¶ *Art* thou not from everlasting, O LORD my God, mine Holy One? we shall not die. O LORD, thou hast ordained them for judgment; and, O [3]mighty God, thou hast [4]established them for correction.[c]

13 *Thou art* of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on [5]iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, *and* holdest thy tongue when the wicked devoureth *the man that is* more righteous than he?[d]

14 And makest men as the fishes of the sea, as the [6]creeping things, *that have* no ruler over them?[e]

15 They take up all of them with the angle, they catch them in their net, and gather them in their [7]drag: therefore they rejoice and are glad.[f]

16 Therefore they sacrifice unto their net, and burn incense unto their drag; because by them their portion *is* fat, and their meat [8]plenteous.[g]

17 Shall they therefore empty their net, and not spare continually to slay the nations?

BEFORE CHRIST 606.

1 Heb. *sharp.*
a Jer. iv. 13; v. 6; Zeph iii. 3.
2 Or, *the supping up of their faces, &c., or, their faces shall look toward the east* Heb *the opposition of their faces toward the east*
14 Heb *bloods.*
l ver 17; Isa. xxxiii 1.
15 Or, *gaineth an evil gain*
16 Heb *palm of the hand.*
m Jer xxiii 13, xlix. 16; Obad. 4
b Dan v 4
17 Or, *piece*, or, *fastening*
18 Or, *witness against it*
19 Heb *bloods*
3 Heb *rock*, Deut xxxii 4
4 Heb *founded*
n Jer xxii. 13, Ezek. xxiv. 9; Micah iii 10; Nahum iii. 1.
c 2 Kings xix 25, Ps xvii 13, xc. 2, xciii 2, Isa. x. 5—7; Lam v 19, Ezek. xxx. 25
5 Or, *grievance*
20 Or, *in vain?*
o Jer li 58
21 Or, *by knowing the glory of the LORD*
d Ps. v 5, Jer xii 1
p Isa xi 9
6 Or, *moving*
q Gen ix 22; Hos vii 5
7 Or, *fine net*
e Jer xvi. 16; Amos iv 2
22 Or, *more with shame than with glory*
8 Or, *dainty* Heb *fat.*
f Deut viii 17, Isa. x 13, xxxvii 24, 25.
r Jer xxv. 26, 27, li. 57.
9 Heb *fenced place.*
10 Or, *in me.*
11 Or, *when I am argued with* Heb *upon my reproof*, or, *arguing*
g Ps lxxxv. 8; Isa xxi 8, 11
h Isa viii 1, xxx 8
i Dan x 14, xi 27, 35, Heb x 37

him that increaseth *that which is* not his! how long? and to him that ladeth himself with thick clay!

7 Shall they not rise up suddenly that shall bite thee, and awake that shall vex thee, and thou shalt be for booties unto them?

8 Because thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoil thee; because of men's [14]blood, and *for* the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.[l]

9 ¶ Woe to him that [15]coveteth an evil covetousness to his house, that he may set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the [16]power of evil![m]

10 Thou hast consulted shame to thy house by cutting off many people, and hast sinned *against* thy soul.

11 For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the [17]beam out of the timber shall [18]answer it.

12 ¶ Woe to him that buildeth a town with [19]blood, and stablisheth a city by iniquity![n]

13 Behold, *is it* not of the LORD of hosts that the people shall labour in the very fire, and the people shall weary themselves [20]for very vanity?[o]

14 For the earth shall be filled [21]with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.[p]

15 ¶ Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to *him*, and makest *him* drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness![q]

16 Thou art filled with [22]shame for glory: drink thou also, and let thy foreskin be uncovered: the cup of the LORD'S right hand shall be turned unto thee, and shameful spewing *shall be* on thy glory.[r]

17 For the violence of Lebanon shall cover thee,

CHAPTER II.

1 *Unto Habakkuk, waiting for an answer, is shewed that he must wait by faith.* 5 *The judgment upon the Chaldean for unrighteousness,* 9 *for covetousness,* 12 *for cruelty,* 15 *for drunkenness,* 18 *and for idolatry*



I WILL stand upon my watch, and set me upon the [9]tower, and will watch to see what he will say [10]unto me, and what I shall answer [11]when I am reproved.[s]

2 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make *it* plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.[t]

3 For the vision *is* yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.[u]

4 Behold, his soul *which* is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.[v]

5 ¶ [12]Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, *he is* a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and *is* as death, and cannot be satisfied, but gathereth unto him all nations, and heapeth unto him all people:[w]

6 Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and say, [13]Woe to

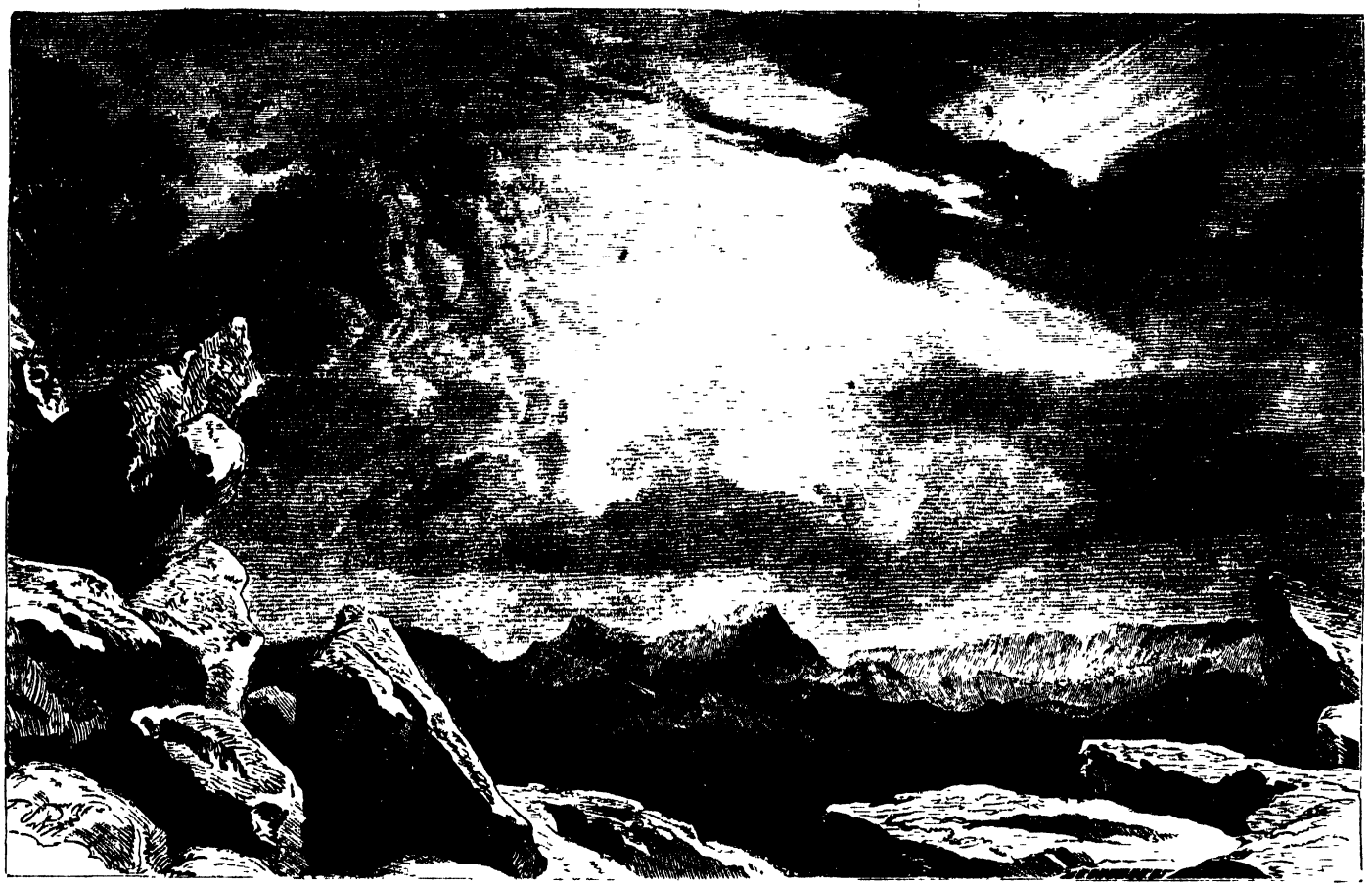


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and the spoil of beasts, *which* made them afraid, because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.[x]

18 ¶ What profiteth the graven image that the maker thereof hath graven it; the molten image, and a teacher of lies, that [22]the maker of his work trusteth therein, to make dumb idols?[y]

12 Or, *How much more.*
s ver 8
k Prov xxvii 20; xxx 16.
23 Heb *the fashioner of his fashion.*
13 Or, *Ho, he.*
t Ps cxv 15, Isa xliv 9, 10, xlvi 2, Jer x 8, 14; Zech. x 2, 1 Cor xii. 2.



"THE MOUNTAINS SAW THEE, AND THEY TREMBLED."—HABAKKUK III. 10.

19 Woe unto him that saith to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise, it shall teach! Behold, it *is* laid over with gold and silver, and *there is* no breath at all in the midst of it.[a]

20 But the LORD *is* in his holy temple: [1]let all the earth keep silence before him.[b]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Habakkuk in his prayer trembleth at God's majesty.* 17 *The confidence of his faith.*

A PRAYER of Habakkuk the prophet [2]upon Shigionoth.[c]

2 O LORD, I have heard [3]thy speech, *and* was afraid: O LORD, [4]revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.[d]

3 God came from [5]Teman, and the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise.[e]

4 And *his* brightness was as the light; he had [6]horns *coming* out of his hand: and there *was* the hiding of his power.

5 Before him went the pestilence, and [7]burning coals went forth at his feet.[f]

6 He stood, and measured the earth: he beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: his ways *are* everlasting.[g]

7 I saw the tents of [8]Cushan [9]in affliction: *and* the curtains of the land of Midian did tremble.

8 Was the LORD displeased against the rivers? *was* thine anger against the rivers? *was* thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses *and* [10]thy chariots of salvation?[h]

9 Thy bow was made quite naked, *according* to the oaths of the tribes, *even thy* word. Selah. [11]Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers.[i]

10 The mountains saw thee, *and* they trembled: the overflowing of the water passed by: the deep uttered his voice, *and* lifted up his hands on high.[j]

11 The sun *and* moon stood still in their habitation: [12]at the light of thine arrows they went, *and* at the shining of thy glittering spear.[k]

12 Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst thresh the heathen in anger.[l]

13 Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, *even* for salvation with thine anointed; thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, by [13]discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah.[m]

14 Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they [14]came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing *was* as to devour the poor secretly.

BEFORE CHRIST 606.

a Ps cxxxv 17
1 Heb *be silent all the earth before him.*
b Ps xi 4; Zeph. i. 7; Zech ii 13.
10 Or, *thy chariots were salvation?*
h ver 15, Deut xxxiii 26, Ps lxviii 4, civ 3
11 Or, *Thou didst cleave the rivers of the earth*
i Ps lxxviii 15, 16, cv 41
2 Or, *according to variable songs*, or, *tunes, called in Hebrew, Shigionoth*
c Ps vii title
3 Heb *thy report*, or, *thy hearing*
4 Or, *preserve alive*
j Exod. xiv 22, xix 16, 18, Josh iii 16; Judg v 4, 5, Ps lxviii 8, lxxvii 18, cxiv. 4
12 Or, *thine arrows walked in the light, &c.*
k Josh x 13, Ps xviii 14, lxxvii 17, 18
d Ps lxxxv 6.
5 Or, *the south.*
l Jer h. 33; Amos i 3, Micah iv 13
e Deut xxxiii 2, Judg v 4, Ps lxviii 7.
6 Or, *bright beams out of his side*
13 Heb *making naked*
m Josh x 24; xi 8, 12; Ps. lxviii 21
7 Or, *burning diseases*, Deut. xxxii 24.
f Nahum i 3
14 Heb. *were tempestuous.*
g Gen xlix. 26, Ps xviii. 8, Nahum i 5
8 Or, *Ethiopia*
9 Or, *under affliction*, or, *vanity*

15 Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, *through* the [1]heap of great waters.[a]

16 When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will [2]invade them with his troops.[b]

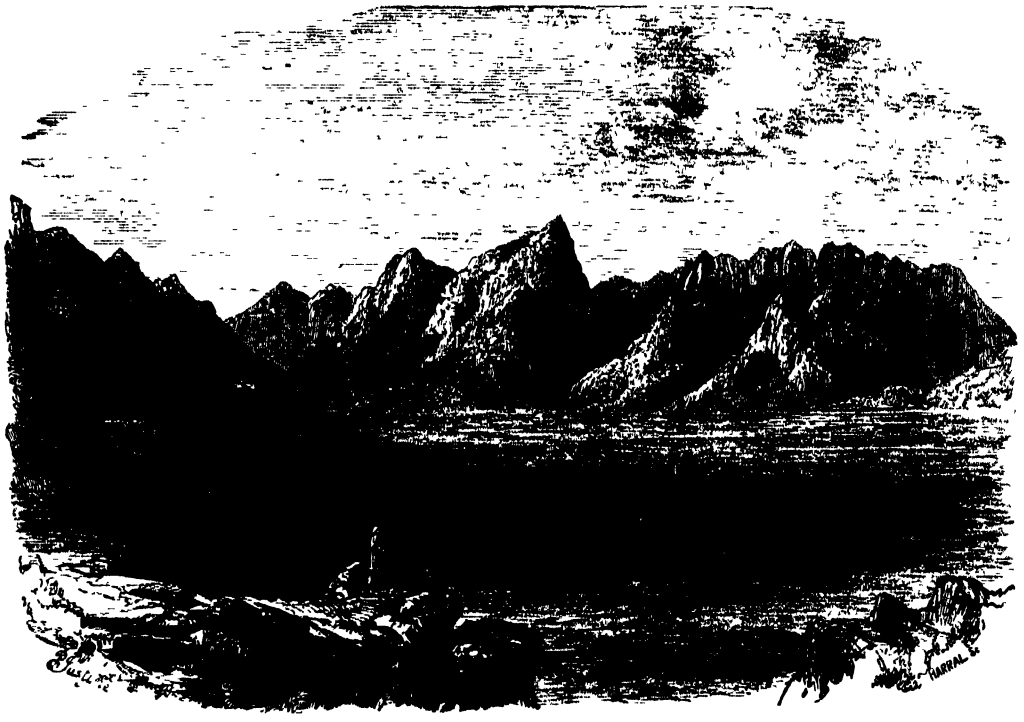
17 ¶ Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither *shall* fruit *be* in the vines; the labour of the olive shall [3]fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and *there shall be* no herd in the stalls:

18 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.[c]

19 The LORD God *is* my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' *feet*, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my [4]stringed instruments.

BEFORE CHRIST 606.

3 Heb. *lie.*
1 Or, *mud.*
a ver. 8; Ps. lxxvii. 19.
c Job xiii. 15; Isa. xii. 16; lxi. 10.
2 Or, *cut them in pieces.*
b Ps. cxix. 120; Jer. xxiii. 9.
4 Heb. *Neginoth*, Ps. lv. title.
d Deut. xxxii. 13; xxxiii 29; 2 Sam. xxii 34; Ps. xviii. 33; xxvii. 1.



THE WILDERNESS OF SIN, OR PARAN.





The Book of ZEPHANIAH

CHAPTER I.

God's severe judgment against Judah for divers sins.

BEFORE CHRIST 630

THE word of the LORD which came unto Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hizkiah, in the days of Josiah the son of Amon, king of Judah.

2 [1]I will utterly consume all *thin* from off [2]the land, saith the LORD.

3 I will consume man and beast; I will consume the fowls of the heaven, and the fishes of the sea, and the [3]stumblingblocks with the wicked; and I will cut off man from off the land, saith the LORD.[a]

4 I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and [4]I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, *and* the name of the Chemarims with the priests;[b]

5 And them that worship the host of heaven upon

1 Heb *By taking away I will make an end*

2 Heb. *the face of the land.*

3 Or, *idols.*

a Ezek. vii. 19, xiv. 3, 4, 7, Matt. xiii. 41.

4 Fulfilled, cir. 624, 2 Kings xxiii. 4, 5

b Hos. x. 5.

the housetops; and them that worship *and* that swear [1]by the LORD, and that swear by Malcham;[a]

6 And them that are turned back from the LORD; and *those* that have not sought the LORD, nor enquired for him.[b]

7 Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: for the day of the LORD *is* at hand: for the LORD hath prepared a sacrifice, he hath [2]bid his guests.[c]

8 And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD's sacrifice, that I will [3]punish the princes, and

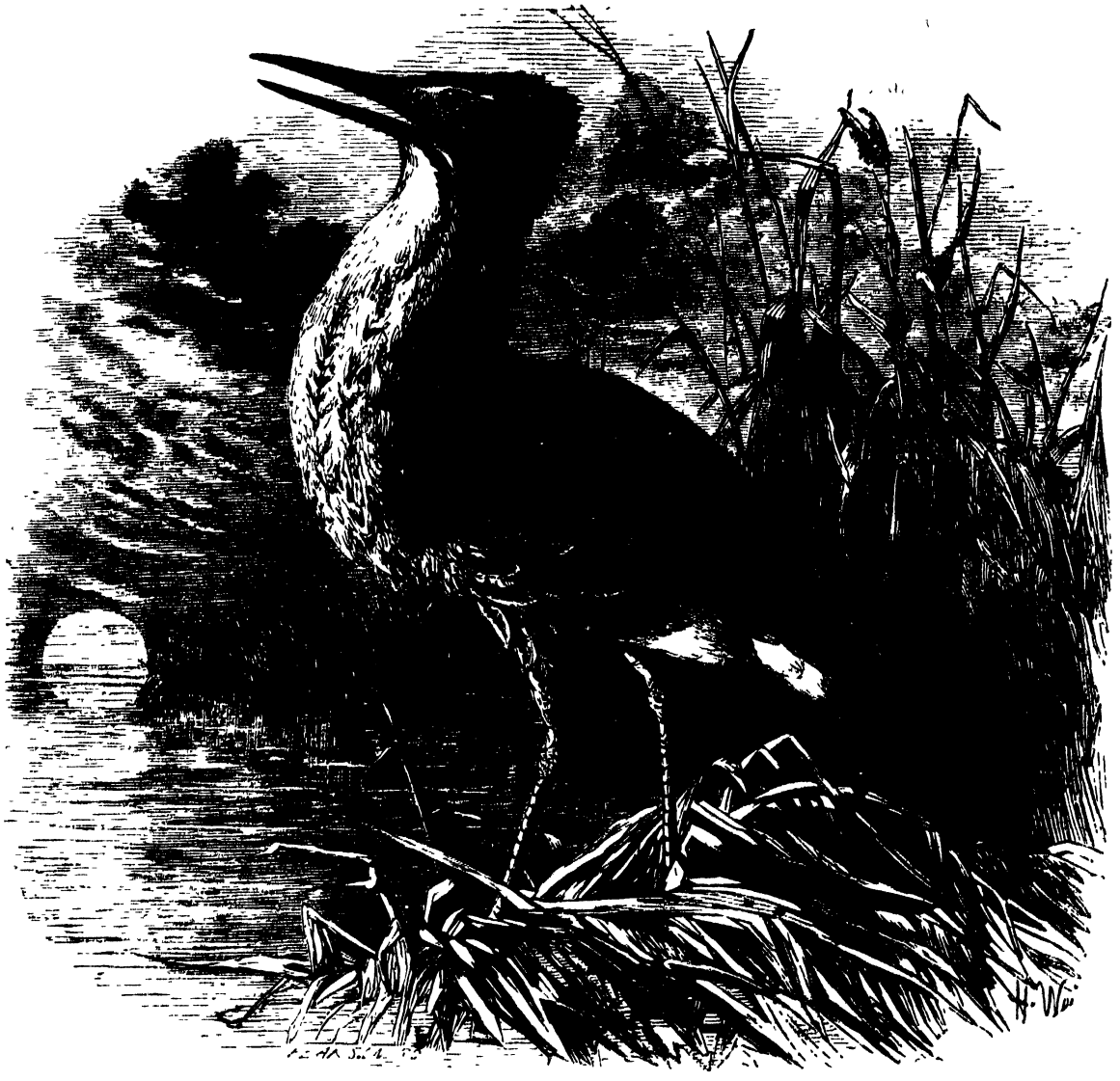
BEFORE CHRIST 630.

1 Or, *to the LORD.*
a Josh. xxiii. 7; 1 Kings xi. 33; xviii. 21; 2 Kings xvii. 33, 41; xxiii 12; Isa. xlviii. 1; Hos. iv. 15.
4 Heb. *curded*, or, *thickened.*
g Ps. xciv. 7; Jer xlviii. 11; Amos vi. 1.
b Isa. i. 4; Jer. ii. 13, 17; xv. 6; Hos. vii. 7.
2 Heb. *sanctified*, or, *prepared.*
h Deut. xxviii. 30, 39, Amos v. 11; Micah vi. 15.

will search Jerusalem with candles, and punish the men that are [4]settled on their lees: that say in their heart, The LORD will not do good, neither will he do evil.[g]

13 Therefore their goods shall become a booty, and their houses a desolation: they shall also build houses, but not inhabit *them;* and they shall plant vineyards, but not drink the wine thereof.[h]

14 The great day of the LORD *is* near, *it is* near, and hasteth greatly, *even* the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.[i]



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the king's children, and all such as are clothed with strange apparel.[d]

9 In the same day also will I punish all those that leap on the threshold, which fill their masters' houses with violence and deceit.

10 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, *that there shall be* the noise of a cry from the fish gate, and an howling from the second, and a great crashing from the hills.[e]

11 Howl, ye inhabitants of Maktesh, for all the merchant people are cut down; all they that bear silver are cut off.[f]

12 And it shall come to pass at that time, *that* I

c Isa xiii 6, xxxiv 6; Jer xlvi. 10, Ezek. xxxix. 17, Rev xix. 17
3 Heb *visit upon*
i Joel ii 1, 11
d Jer xxxix 6
j ver 18, Isa xvii. 5, Jer xxx 7; Joel ii 2, 11, Amos v 18
k Jer iv 19
e 2 Chron xxxiii. 14
l Deut xxviii 29; Ps lxix 3, lxxxiii 10, Isa lix 10; Jer ix 22, xvi 4
f James v 1.

is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,[j]

16 A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.[k]

17 And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.[l]

18 Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD's wrath; but

the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.[a]

CHAPTER II.

1 *An exhortation to repentance.* 4 *The judgment of the Philistines,* 8 *of Moab and Ammon,* 12 *of Ethiopia and Assyria.*

GATHER yourselves together, yea, gather together, O nation [1]not desired;[b]

2 Before the decree bring forth, *before* the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the LORD come upon you, before the day of the LORD'S anger come upon you.[c]

3 Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the LORD'S anger.[d]

4 ¶ For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up.[e]

5 Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of the LORD *is* against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.[f]

6 And the sea coast shall be dwellings *and* cottages for shepherds, and folds for flocks.[g]

7 And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening: [2]for the LORD their God shall visit them, and turn away their captivity.[h]

8 ¶ I have heard the reproach of Moab, and the revilings of the children of Ammon, whereby they have reproached my people, and magnified *themselves* against their border.[i]

9 Therefore *as* I live, saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Surely Moab shall be as Sodom, and the children of Ammon as Gomorrah, *even* the breeding of nettles, and saltpits, and a perpetual desolation: the residue of my people shall spoil them, and the remnant of my people shall possess them.[j]

10 This shall they have for their pride, because they have reproached and magnified *themselves* against the people of the LORD of hosts.[k]

11 The LORD *will be* terrible unto them: for he will famish all the gods of the earth; and *men* shall worship him, every one from his place, *even* all the isles of the heathen.[l]

12 ¶ Ye Ethiopians also, ye *shall be* slain by my sword.[m]

13 And he will stretch out his hand against the north, and destroy Assyria; and will make Nineveh a desolation, *and* dry like a wilderness.[n]

14 And flocks shall lie down in the midst of her, all the beasts of the nations: both the [3]cormorant and the bittern shall lodge in the [4]upper lintels of it; *their* voice shall sing in the windows; desolation *shall be* in the thresholds: [5]for he shall uncover the cedar work.[o]

BEFORE CHRIST 630.

a vs. 2, 3; ch. iii. 8; Prov xi. 4, Ezek. vii. 19.

p Job xxvii 23; Isa xlvii. 8, Jer. xxii. 14, Lam. ii. 15, Ezek. xxvii. 30; Nahum iii. 19; Rev. xviii. 7.

1 Or, *not desirous.*

b Joel ii. 16.

6 Or, *gluttonous.* Heb. *crav.*

7 Or, *instruction.*

c 2 Kings xxiii 26; Job xxi 18, Ps i 4; Isa. xvii 13, Hos. xiii. 3.

q Jer v 3, xxii. 21

d Ps lxxvi 9, Amos v 6, 15, Joel ii. 14, Jonah iii. 9.

r Ezek xxii 27, Micah iii 9—11; Hab i 8

e Jer vi 4, xv 8, xlvii. 4, 5, 1 Zek xxv 15; Amos i 6—8, Zech. ix. 5, 6.

s Jer xxii 11, 32, Lam ii 14, Ezek xxii 26, Hos ix 7

8 Heb *morning by morning*

t vs 15, 17, Deut xxxii 4, Jer iii 3, vi 15, viii 12, Ezek xxii 26, Micah iii 11

f Josh xiii 3, Ezek. xxv 16

9 Or, *corners*

g ver 14, Isa. xvii 2

2 Or, *when,* &c.

h vs 9, 11, ch iii 20, Exod iv 31, Ps cxxvi. 1, Isa xi 11, Jer xxix 14, Micah iv 7, v 7, 8, Hagg i 12, ii 2, Luke i 68

u Gen vi 12, Jer viii 6

i Jer xlviii 27, xlix. 1, Ezek. xxv 3, 6, 8

v ch i. 18; Ps. xxvii. 14, xxxvii 34, Prov xx. 22, Joel iii 2.

10 Heb. *lip.*

j ver 7, Gen. xix. 25, Deut xxix. 23, Isa. xiii 19; xv, xxxiv 13; Jer xlviii; xlix. 18, l. 40, Ezek xxv 9, Amos i. 13; ii. 1.

11 Heb. *shoulder.*

w Isa. xix. 18.

k Isa. xvi 6, Jer. xlviii. 29.

x Ps lxviii 31; Isa. xviii. 1, 7, lx. 4, &c; Mal i 11, Acts viii 27

l Gen x 5, Mal. i. 11; John iv 21

12 Heb *in my holy*

m Ps xvii 13, Isa xviii. 1, xx 4, Jer xlvi 9, Ezek xxx 9.

y Jer vii 4, Micah iii 11, Matt. iii 9.

n Isa x 12, Ezek xxxi. 3, Nahum i 1, ii. 10; iii 15, 18

z Isa xiv 32; Zech xi 11, Matt v 3, 1 Cor i 27, 28, James ii 5.

3 Or, *pelican*

4 Or, *knops,* or, *chapiters*

a ch ii 7, Isa lx 21, lxiii 8, Ezek xxxiv 28, Micah iv 4, vii. 14; Rev xiv 5.

5 Or, *when he hath uncovered.*

o ver 6, Isa. xxxiv. 11, 14, Jer. xxii 14.

15 This *is* the rejoicing city that dwelt carelessly, that said in her heart, I *am,* and *there is* none beside me: how is she become a desolation, a place for beasts to lie down in! every one that passeth by her shall hiss, *and* wag his hand.[p]

CHAPTER III.

1 *A sharp reproof of Jerusalem for divers sins.* 8 *An exhortation to wait for the restoration of Israel,* 14 *and to rejoice for their salvation by God.*

WOE to [6]her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city!

2 She obeyed not the voice; she received not [7]correction; she trusted not in the LORD; she drew not near to her God.[q]

3 Her princes within her *are* roaring lions; her judges *are* evening wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.[r]

4 Her prophets *are* light *and* treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law.[s]

5 The just LORD *is* in the midst thereof; he will not do iniquity: [8]every morning doth he bring his judgment to light, he faileth not; but the unjust knoweth no shame.[t]

6 I have cut off the nations: their [9]towers are desolate; I made their streets waste, that none passeth by: their cities are destroyed, so that there is no man, that there is none inhabitant.

7 I said, Surely thou wilt fear me, thou wilt receive instruction; so their dwelling should not be cut off, howsoever I punished them: but they rose early, *and* corrupted all their doings.[u]

8 ¶ Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey: for my determination *is* to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them mine indignation, *even* all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy.[v]

9 For then will I turn to the people a pure [10]language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one [11]consent.[w]

10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, *even* the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering.[x]

11 In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty [12]because of my holy mountain.[y]

12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD.[z]

13 The remnant of Israel shall not do iniquity, nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make *them* afraid.[a]

14 ¶ Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel;

be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.[a]

15 The LORD hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, *even* the LORD, *is* in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more.[b]

16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: *and to* Zion, Let not thine hands be [1]slack.[c]

17 The LORD thy God in the midst of thee *is* mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; [2]he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.[d]

BEFORE CHRIST 630.

a Isa. xii. 6; liv. 1; Zech. ii. 10; ix. 9.
2 Heb. *the burden upon it was reproach.*
c Lam. ii. 6
b vs. 5, 17; Ezek. xlviii. 35; John i. 49, Rev vii. 15; xxi. 3, 4.
4 Heb *I will set them for a praise.*
5 Heb *of their shame.*
f Ezek. xxxiv. 16; Micah iv. 6, 7.
1 Or, *faint.*
c Isa. xxxv. 3, 4.
2 Heb *he will be silent.*
d Deut. xxx 9; Isa. lxii 5; lxv 19, Jer xxxii 41
g Isa xi. 12, xxvii 12, lvi 8, Ezek. xxviii 25, xxxiv. 13, xxxvii. 21.

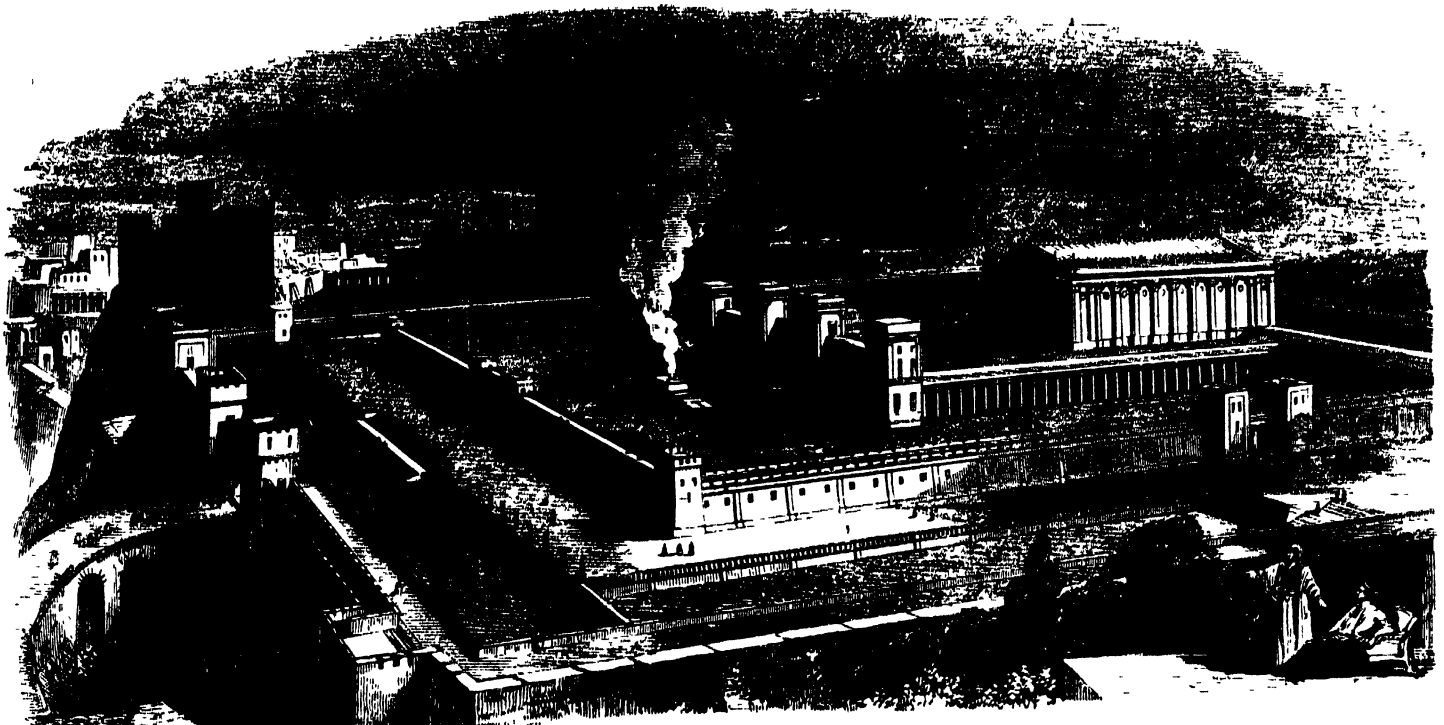
18 I will gather *them that are* sorrowful for the solemn assembly, *who* are of thee, *to whom* [2]the reproach of it *was* a burden.[e]

19 Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and [4]I will get them praise and fame in every land [5]where they have been put to shame.[f]

20 At that time will I bring you *again*, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith the LORD.[g]



WOLVES. (*See* ZEPHANIAH III





THE BOOK OF

HAGGAI

CHAPTER I.

1 *Haggai reproveth the people for neglecting the building of the house.* 7 *He inciteth them to the building.* 12 *He promiseth God's assistance to them being forward.*

BEFORE CHRIST 520.

IN the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD [1]by Haggai the prophet unto Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, [2]governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, saying,[a]

2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, the time that the LORD'S house should be built.

3 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,[b]

4 *Is it* time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this house *lie* waste?[c]

5 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; [3]Consider your ways.[d]

1 Heb *by the hand of Haggai.*

2 Or, *captain.*

a 1 Chron. iii. 17, 19, vi. 15; Ezra iii. 2; iv. 24; v. 1, 2; Zech. i. 1; Matt. i. 12; Luke iii. 27.

b Ezra v. 1.

c 2 Sam. vii. 2; Ps. cxxxii. 3, &c.

3 Heb *Set your heart on your ways.*

d ver. 7; Lam. iii. 40.



THE MESSAGE OF HAGGAI TO ZERUBBABEL AND JOSHUA.—HAGGAI II.

6 Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages *to put it* into a bag [1]with holes.[a]

7 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

8 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.

9 Ye looked for much, and, lo, *it came* to little; and when ye brought *it* home, I did [2]blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts. Because of mine house that *is* waste, and ye run every man unto his own house.[b]

10 Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed *from* her fruit.[c]

11 And I called for a drought upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the corn, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon *that* which the ground bringeth forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labour of the hands.[d]

12 ¶ Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, obeyed the voice of

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b ch. ii. 16, 17.

c Lev. xxvi. 19; Deut. xxviii. 23; 1 Kings viii. 35

1 Heb. *pierced through*

a ch. ii. 16, Deut. xxviii. 38, Lam. iv. 40, Hos. iv. 10, Micah vi. 14, 15, Zech. viii. 10

d ch. ii. 17, 1 Kings xvii. 1, 2 Kings viii. 1

2 Or, *blow it away.*

the LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as the LORD their God had sent him, and the people did fear before the LORD.[a]

13 Then spake Haggai the LORD'S messenger in the LORD'S message unto the people, saying, I *am* with you, saith the LORD.[b]

14 And the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; and they came and did work in the house of the LORD of hosts, their God,[c]

15 In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king.

CHAPTER II.

1 *He encourageth the people to the work, by promise of greater glory to the second temple than was in the first.* 10 *In the type of holy things and unclean he sheweth their sins hindered the work.* 20 *God's promise to Zerubbabel.*

IN the seventh *month*, in the one and twentieth *day* of the month, came the word of the LORD [1]by the prophet Haggai, saying,

2 Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying,

3 Who *is* left among you that saw this house in her first glory? and how do ye see it now? *is it* not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing?[d]

4 Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, saith the LORD; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the LORD, and work: for I *am* with you, saith the LORD of hosts:[e]

5 *According to* the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, so my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.[f]

6 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it *is* a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry *land*;[g]

7 And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.[h]

8 The silver *is* mine, and the gold *is* mine, saith the LORD of hosts.

9 The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts.[i]

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[a] Ezra v. 2.

[b] Lev. x. 10, 11; Deut. xxxiii. 10; Mal. ii 7

[b] Matt. xxviii. 20, Rom. viii. 31.

[c] ch. ii. 21; 2 Chron. xxxvi 22; Ezra v. 2, 8.

[k] Numb. xix. 11.

[i] Titus i. 15.

[m] ch i 5.

[1] Heb *by the hand of.*

[n] ch i 6, 9, Zech viii. 10.

[o] ch. i. 9, 11; Deut. xxviii 22; 1 Kings viii 37; Jer. v. 3; Amos iv. 6, 8—11.

[d] Ezra iii. 12, Zech. iv. 10

[p] Zech viii. 9

[q] Zech. viii 12

[e] Zech. viii. 9

[f] Exod xxix 45, 46, Neh. ix. 20, Isa. lxiii 11

[r] ver. 6, 7, ch i. 14; Heb xii. 26

[g] ver 21; Joel iii 16, Heb xii. 26

[h] Gen. xlix 10; Mal iii. 1.

[s] Dan ii 44; Micah v 10, Zech iv 6, ix. 10; Matt. xxiv 7

[i] Ps lxxxv 8, 9, Luke ii 14; John i. 14, Eph ii 14.

[t] Cant. viii. 6; Isa. xlii 1; xliii. 10; Jer. xxii. 24.

10 ¶ In the four and twentieth *day* of the ninth *month*, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,

11 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ask now the priests *concerning* the law, saying,[j]

12 If one bear holy flesh in the skirt of his garment, and with his skirt do touch bread, or pottage, or wine, or oil, or any meat, shall it be holy? And the priests answered and said, No.

13 Then said Haggai, If *one that is* unclean by a dead body touch any of these, shall it be unclean? And the priests answered and said, It shall be unclean.[k]

14 Then answered Haggai, and said, So *is* this people, and so *is* this nation before me, saith the LORD; and so *is* every work of their hands; and that which they offer there *is* unclean.[l]

15 And now, I pray you, consider from this day and upward, from before a stone was laid upon a stone in the temple of the LORD:[m]

16 Since those *days* were, when *one* came to an heap of twenty *measures*, there were *but* ten: when *one* came to the pressfat for to draw out fifty *vessels* out of the press, there were *but* twenty.[n]

17 I smote you with blasting and with mildew and with hail in all the labours of your hands; yet ye *turned* not to me, saith the LORD.[o]

18 Consider now from this day and upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth *month*, *even* from the day that the foundation of the LORD'S temple was laid, consider *it*.[p]

19 Is the seed yet in the barn? yea, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate, and the olive tree, hath not brought forth: from this day will I bless *you*.[q]

20 ¶ And again the word of the LORD came unto Haggai in the four and twentieth *day* of the month, saying,

21 Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth;[r]

22 And I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the heathen; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them; and the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother.[s]

23 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, will I take thee, O Zerubbabel, my servant, the son of Shealtiel, saith the LORD, and will make thee as a signet: for I have chosen thee, saith the LORD of hosts.[t]



CHAPTER I.

1 *Zechariah exhorteth to repentance.* 7 *The vision of the horses.* 12 *At the prayer of the angel comfortable promises are made to Jerusalem* 18 *The vision of the four horns, and the four carpenters.*

BEFORE CHRIST 520

IN the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,[a]

2 The LORD hath been [1]sore displeased with your fathers.

3 Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye unto me, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will turn unto you, saith the LORD of hosts.[b]

4 Be ye not as your fathers, unto whom the former prophets have cried, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Turn ye now from your evil ways, and *from* your evil doings: but they did not hear, nor hearken unto me, saith the LORD.[c]

5 Your fathers, where *are* they? and the prophets, do they live for ever?

6 But my words and my statutes, which I commanded my servants the prophets, did they not [2]take hold of your fathers? and they returned and said, Like as the LORD of hosts thought to do unto us, according to our ways, and according to our doings, so hath he dealt with us.[d]

7 ¶ Upon the four and twentieth day of the eleventh month, which *is* the month Sebat, in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,

8 I saw by night, and behold a man riding upon a red horse, and he stood among the myrtle trees that *were* in the bottom; and behind him *were there* red horses, [3]speckled, and white.[e]

9 Then said I, O my lord, what *are* these? And the angel that talked with me said unto me, I will shew thee what these *be.*

10 And the man that stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, These *are they* whom the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth.[f]

11 And they answered the angel of the LORD that stood among the myrtle trees, and said, We have walked to and fro through the earth, and, behold, all the earth sitteth still, and is at rest.[g]

12 ¶ Then the angel of the LORD answered and said, O LORD of hosts, how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah,

2 Or, *overtake*

d Isa lv 1, Lam. i. 18, ii 17.

3 Or, *bay*

e ch vi 2—7, Josh v 13, Rev vi 4

a Ezra iv 24, v 1 Hagg i 1, Matt xxiii 35

1 Heb *with displeasure.*

b Jer xxv 5, xxxv 15 Micah vii 19, Mal iii 7, Luke xv 20, James iv 8

f Heb i 14.

g Ps cii 20, 21

c 2 Chron xxxvi 15, 16 Isa. xxxi. 6, Jer iii 12; xviii 11; Ezek. xviii. 30, Hos xiv. 1.

against which thou hast had indignation these threescore and ten years?[a]

13 And the LORD answered the angel that talked with me *with* good words *and* comfortable words.[b]

14 So the angel that communed with me said unto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.[c]

15 And I am very sore displeased with the heathen *that are* at ease: for I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.[d]

16 Therefore thus saith the LORD; I am returned to Jerusalem with mercies: my house shall be built in it, saith the LORD of hosts, and a line shall be stretched forth upon Jerusalem.[e]

17 Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; My cities through [1]prosperity shall yet be spread abroad; and the LORD shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet choose Jerusalem.[f]

18 ¶ Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and behold four horns.

19 And I said unto the angel that talked with me, What *be* these? And he answered me, These *are* the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.[g]

20 And the LORD shewed me four carpenters.

21 Then said I, What come these to do? And he spake, saying, These *are* the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: but these are come to fray them, to cast out the horns of the Gentiles, which lifted up *their* horn over the land of Judah to scatter it.[h]

CHAPTER II.

1 *God, in the care of Jerusalem, sendeth to measure it.* 6 *The redemption of Zion.* 10 *The promise of God's presence.*

I LIFTED up mine eyes again, and looked, and behold a man with a measuring line in his hand.[i]

2 Then said I, Whither goest thou? And he said unto me, To measure Jerusalem, to see what *is* the breadth thereof, and what *is* the length thereof.[j]

3 And, behold, the angel that talked with me went forth, and another angel went out to meet him,

4 And said unto him, Run, speak to this young man, saying, Jerusalem shall be inhabited *as* towns without walls for the multitude of men and cattle therein:[k]

5 For I, saith the LORD, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her.[l]

6 ¶ Ho, ho, *come forth*, and flee from the land of the north, saith the LORD: for I have spread you abroad as the four winds of the heaven, saith the LORD.[m]

7 Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest *with* the daughter of Babylon.[n]

8 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye.[o]

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a ch. vii. 5; Jer. xxv. 11, 12; Dan. ix. 2.

b Jer. xxix. 10.

p ch. iv. 9; Isa. xl. 15; xlix. 16.

q ch. viii. 3; Lev. xxvi. 12; Isa. xii. 6; liv. 1; Ezek. xxxvii. 27; John i. 14; 2 Cor. vi. 16.

c ch. viii. 2; Joel ii. 18.

d Isa. xlvii. 6.

r ver. 9; ch. iii. 10; viii. 22, 23; Exod. xii. 49; Isa. ii. 2, 3; xlix. 22; lx. 3, &c.; Ezek. xxxiii. 33.

s ch. i. 17; Deut. xxxii. 9.

e ch. ii. 1, 2, 10; viii. 3; Isa. xii. 1, liv. 8.

2 Heb. *the habitation of his holiness*, Deut. xxvi. 15; Isa. lxiii. 15

t Ps. lxviii. 5; Isa. lvii 15, Hab ii 20; Zeph i. 7

1 Heb *good*

f ch ii 12, iii 2, Isa. xiv. 1; li 3

g Ezra iv. 1, 4, 7; v. 3.

3 That is, *an adversary.*

4 Heb. *to be his adversary.*

u Ps. cix. 6; Hagg. i. 1, Rev. xii. 10.

v ch i 17; Amos iv. 11; Rom. viii. 33, xi 5; Jude 23.

h Ps. lxxv. 4, 5.

w Isa. lxiv. 6.

i Ezek. xl 3.

x Isa. lxi. 10; Luke xv. 22; Rev. xix. 8.

j Rev xi. 1; xxi 15, 16.

y ch vi 11, Exod. xxix 6

5 Or, *ordinance.*

6 Heb *walls*

k Jer xxxi. 27, Ezek. xxxvi 10, 11.

z ch. iv 14; vi. 5; Lev viii 35, Deut. xvii 9, 1 Kings ii. 3, Ezek. xliv. 16; Mal. ii 7.

l ch ix 8; Isa. xxvi. 1; lx 19, Rev xxi. 23

a ch vi. 12, Ps lxxi 7, Isa iv 2; viii 18, xi. 1, xx 3; xlii 1; xlix 3, 5; lii 13; liii. 11; Jer xxiii 5; xxxiii 15, Ezek xxxiv. 23, 24, Luke i. 78.

m Deut. xxviii 64, Isa xxiii 20; lii 11, Jer. l. 8; li. 6, 45, Ezek. xvii 21.

n Rev. xviii.

b ch. iv 10, xiii 1, Ps. cxviii. 22, Isa. xxviii. 16; Jer. xxxi. 34; l 20; Micah vii 18, 19; Rev. v 6.

o Deut xxxii. 10; Ps. xvii. 8; 2 Thess. i 6.

c ch. iii 11; 1 Kings iv 25, Isa xxxvi. 16; Micah iv. 4.

9 For, behold, I will shake mine hand upon them, and they shall be a spoil to their servants: and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me.[p]

10 ¶ Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD.[q]

11 And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and shall be my people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto thee.[r]

12 And the LORD shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again.[s]

13 Be silent, O all flesh, before the LORD: for he is raised up out of [2]his holy habitation.[t]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Under the type of Joshua, the restoration of the church,* 8 *Christ the Branch is promised.*

AND he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and [3]Satan standing at his right hand [4]to resist him.[u]

2 And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: *is* not this a brand plucked out of the fire?[v]

3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.[w]

4 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.[x]

5 And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the LORD stood by.[y]

6 And the angel of the LORD protested unto Joshua, saying,

7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If thou wilt walk in my ways, and if thou wilt keep my [5]charge, then thou shalt also judge my house, and shalt also keep my courts, and I will give thee [6]places to walk among these that stand by.[z]

8 Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they *are* men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.[a]

9 For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone *shall be* seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.[b]

10 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbour under the vine and under the fig tree.[c]



JOSHUA BEING CLOTHED BY COMMAND OF THE ANGEL.—ZECHARIAH III. 1—5

CHAPTER IV.

1 *By the golden candlestick is foreshewed the good success of Z foundation.* 11 *By the two olive trees the two anointed ones*

AND the angel that talked with me came again, and waked as a man

2 And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a *o*

a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and [2]seven pipes to the seven lamps, which *are* upon the top thereof:[b]

3 And two olive trees by it, one upon the right *side* of the bowl, and the other upon the left *side* thereof.[c]

4 So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying, What *are* these, my lord?

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3 Or, *army.*

d Hos i 7

a ch ii 3; Dan. viii. 18.

e Ezra iii 11, 13; Ps. cxviii 22; Jer li. 25, Matt. xxi. 21.

1 Heb. *with her bowl.*

2 Or, *seven several pipes to the lamps, &c.*

b Exod. xxv 31, 37; Rev. i. 12; iv. 5.

f ch ii 8, 9, 11; vi. 15; Ezra iii. 10; vi. 15; Isa. xlviii. 16.

c vs. 11, 12; Rev xi. 4.

4 Or, *since the seven eyes of the LORD shall rejoice.*

5 Heb. *stone of tin.*

5 Then the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord.

6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This *is* the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by [3]might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.[d]

7 Who *art* thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel *thou shalt become* a plain: and he shall bring forth the headstone *thereof with* shoutings, *crying,* Grace, grace unto it.[e]

8 Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

9 The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you.[f]

10 For who hath despised the day of small things? [4]for they shall rejoice, and shall see the [5]plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel *with* those seven; they *are*



VISION OF THE GOLDEN CANDLESTICK.—ZECHARIAH IV.

the eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro through the whole earth.[c]

11 ¶ Then answered I, and said unto him, What *are* these two olive trees upon the right *side* of the candlestick and upon the left *side* thereof?[b]

12 And I answered again, and said unto him, What *be these* two olive branches which [1]through the two golden pipes [2]empty [3]the golden *oil* out of themselves?

13 And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these *be?* And I said, No, my lord.

14 Then said he, These *are* the two [4]anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 520

a ch. iii. 9, 2 Chron. xvi. 9; Prov. xv. 3; Hagg. ii. 3.

b ver. 3.

c Ezek. ii. 9.

1 Heb. *by the hand.*

2 Or, *empty out of themselves oil into the gold.*

3 Heb. *the gold.*

4 Heb. *sons of oil.*

CHAPTER V.

1 *By the flying roll is shewed the curse of thieves and swearers.* 5 *By a woman pressed in an ephah, the final damnation of Babylon.*

THEN I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold a flying roll.[a]

2 And he said unto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying roll; the length thereof *is* twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof ten cubits.

3 Then said he unto me, This *is* the curse that goeth forth over the face of the whole earth: for [5]every one that stealeth shall be cut off *as* on this

a ch. iii. 9, 2 Chron. xvi. 9; Prov. xv. 3; Hagg. ii. 3.

b ver. 3.

d Ezek. ii. 9.

1 Heb. *by the hand.*

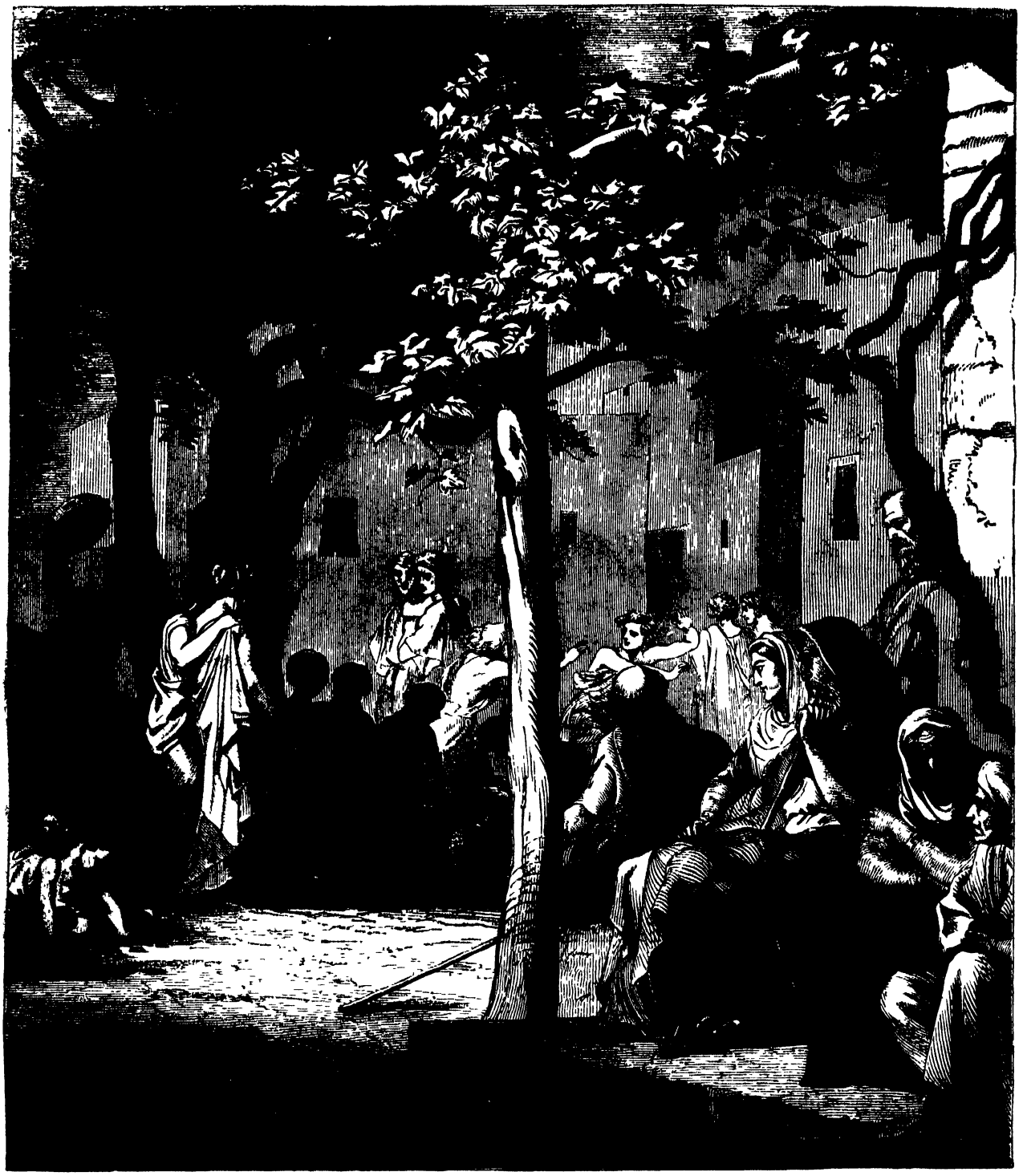
2 Or, *empty out of themselves oil into the gold.*

3 Heb. *the gold.*

4 Heb. *sons of oil.*

c ch. iii. 7; vi. 5; Josh. iii. 11, 13; Luke i. 19.

5 Or, *every one of this people that stealeth holdeth himself guiltless, as it doth.*



BOYS AND GIRLS PLAYING IN THE STREETS OF JERUSALEM.—ZECHARIAH VIII. 4, 5.

6 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If it be [1]marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this people in these days, should it also be marvellous in mine eyes? saith the LORD of hosts.[a]

7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Behold, I will save my people from the east country, and from [2]the west country;[b]

8 And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness.[c]

9 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Let your hands be strong, ye that hear in these days these words by the mouth of the prophets, which *were* in the day *that* the foundation of the house of the LORD of hosts was laid, that the temple might be built.[d]

10 For before these days [3]there was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast; neither *was there any* peace to him that went out or came in because of the affliction: for I set all men every one against his neighbour.[e]

11 But now I *will* not *be* unto the residue of this people as in the former days, saith the LORD of hosts.

BEFORE CHRIST 520

1 Or, *hard*, or, *difficult.*

a Gen xviii. 14; Luke i 37, xviii. 27; Rom. iv. 21

d ver 18; Ezra v 1, 2, Hagg. ii. 4, 18.

3 Or, *the hire of man became nothing*, &c

2 Heb *the country of the going down of the sun*, Ps. l. 1, cxiii. 3

b Isa. xi 11, 12; xliii 5, 6· Ezek. xxxvii. 21.

e 2 Chron. xv. 5, Hagg i. 6, 9, 10; ii 16

c ch. xiii 9; Jer. iv 2, xxx 22; xxxi. 1, 33.

12 For the seed *shall be* prosperous; the vine shall give her fruit, and the ground shall give her increase, and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all these *things*.[a]

13 And it shall come to pass, *that* as ye were a curse among the heathen, O house of Judah, and house of Israel; so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, *but* let your hands be strong.[b]

14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; As I thought to punish you, when your fathers provoked me to wrath, saith the LORD of hosts, and I repented not:[c]

15 So again have I thought in these days to do well unto Jerusalem and to the house of Judah: fear ye not.

16 ¶ These *are* the things that ye shall do; Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour; [1]execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:[d]

17 And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and love no false oath: for all these *are things* that I hate, saith the LORD.[e]

18 ¶ And the word of the LORD of hosts came unto me, saying,

19 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The fast of the fourth *month*, and the fast of the fifth, and the fast of the seventh, and the fast of the tenth, shall be to the house of Judah joy and gladness, and cheerful [2]feasts; therefore love the truth and peace.[f]

20 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; *It shall* yet *come to pass*, that there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities:

21 And the inhabitants of one *city* shall go to another, saying, Let us go [3]speedily [4]to pray before the LORD, and to seek the LORD of hosts: I will go also.[g]

22 Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD.[h]

23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days *it shall come to pass*, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard *that* God *is* with you.[i]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *God defendeth his church.* 9 *Zion is exhorted to rejoice for the coming of Christ, and his peaceable kingdom.* 12 *God's promises of victory and defence.*

THE burden of the word of the LORD in the land of Hadrach, and Damascus *shall be* the rest thereof: when the eyes of man, as of all the tribes of Israel, *shall be* toward the LORD.[j]

2 And Hamath also shall border thereby; Tyrus, and Zidon, though it be very wise.[k]

3 And Tyrus did build herself a strong hold, and heaped up silver as the dust, and fine gold as the mire of the streets.[l]

4 Behold, the Lord will cast her out, and he will smite her power in the sea; and she shall be devoured with fire.[m]

5 Ashkelon shall see *it*, and fear; Gaza also *shall see it*, and be very sorrowful, and Ekron; for her expectation shall be ashamed; and the king shall perish from Gaza, and Ashkelon shall not be inhabited.[n]

6 And a bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.[o]

7 And I will take away his [5]blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from between his teeth: but he that remaineth, even he, *shall be* for our God, and he shall be as a governor in Judah, and Ekron as a Jebusite.

8 And I will encamp about mine house because of the army, because of him that passeth by, and because of him that returneth: and no oppressor shall pass through them any more: for now have I seen with mine eyes.[p]

9 ¶ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he *is* just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.[q]

10 And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem, and the battle bow shall be cut off: and he shall speak peace unto the heathen: and his dominion *shall be* from sea *even* to sea, and from the river *even* to the ends of the earth.[r]

11 As for thee also, [6]by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein *is* no water.[s]

12 ¶ Turn you to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope: even to day do I declare *that* I will render double unto thee;[t]

13 When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.

14 And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the Lord GOD shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.[u]

15 The LORD of hosts shall defend them; and they shall devour, and [7]subdue with sling stones; and they shall drink, *and* make a noise as through wine; and they [8]shall be filled like bowls, *and* as the corners of the altar.[v]

16 And the LORD their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people: for *they shall be as* the stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensign upon his land.[w]

17 For how great *is* his goodness, and how great *is* his beauty! corn shall make the young men [9]cheerful, and new wine the maids.[x]

BEFORE CHRIST 520.

l Job xxvii.16; Ezek. xxviii. 4, 5.

a Ps. lxvii. 6; Hos. ii. 21, 22; Joel ii. 22; Hagg i. 10; ii. 19.

m Isa. xxiii. 1; Ezek. xxvi. 17.

b ver. 9; Gen. xii. 2. Ruth iv. 11, 12, Isa. xix. 24, 25, Zeph iii. 20, Hagg ii. 19

n Jer xlvii 1, 5; Zeph ii. 4

o Amos i 8

c ch. i 6; 2 Chron. xxxvi 16, Jer. xxxi. 28

5 Heb *bloods.*

1 Heb *judge truth and the judgment of peace*

d ver 19; ch vii. 9, Eph. iv 25.

p ch ii 5; Exod. iii 7, Ps xxxiv 7, Isa ix 18, Ezek. xxviii 24

e ch. v 3, 4, vii. 10, Prov iii. 29

q ch. ii. 10; Isa. lxii 11; Jer xxiii. 5, xxx 9, Matt. xxi 5, Luke xix 38, John i 49, xii 15

2 Or, *solemn*, or, *set times*

f ver 16, ch vii 3 5, 2 Kings xxv 25, Esth viii 17, Isa xxxv 10; Jer xli 1, 2, lii 4, 6, 7, 12, 13.

r Ps lxxii 8, Hos i 7, ii 18, Micah v 10; Hagg ii 22, Eph ii 14, 17

6 Or, *whose covenant is by blood*

3 Or, *continually* Heb *going*

4 Heb *to entreat the face of the LORD*, ch vii 2

s Exod xxiv 8, Isa xlii 7, li 14, lxi 1; Heb x 29, xiii 20

g Isa ii 3, Micah iv 1, 2

t Isa xlix 9, lxi 7

h Isa lx. 3, &c, lxvi. 23

i Isa lii 6; iv. 1, 1 Cor xiv 25

u Ps xviii 14, lxxvii 17, cxliv 6, Isa xxi 1

7 Or, *subdue the stones of the sling*

8 Or, *shall fill both the bowls, &c*

v Lev iv 18, 25; Deut xii 27.

w Isa. xi 12; lxii 3, Mal iii. 17

j 2 Chron xx. 12, Ps cxlv 15, Jer. xxiii. 33, Amos i 3

9 Or, *grow*, or, *speak*

x Ps xxxi 19; Joel iii 18; Amos ix 14

k 1 Kings xvii. 9, Isa. xxiii; Ezek. xxvi, xxvii, xxviii.; Obad 20; Amos i. 9



ZECHARIAH HAVING BROKEN HIS STAFF, RECEIVES THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER.—ZECHARIAH XI. 10—14

CHAPTER X.

1 *God is to be sought unto, and not idols.* 5 *As he visited his flock for sin, so he will save and restore them.*

ASK ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; *so* the LORD shall make [1]bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.[a]

2 For the [2]idols have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams; they comfort in vain: therefore they went their way as a flock, they [3]were troubled, because *there was* no shepherd.[b]

3 Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I [4]punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle.[c]

4 Out of him came forth the corner, out of him the nail, out of him the battle bow, out of him every oppressor together.[d]

5 ¶ And they shall be as mighty *men*, which tread down *their enemies* in the mire of the streets in the battle: and they shall fight, because the LORD *is* with them, and [5]the riders on horses shall be confounded.[e]

6 And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to place them; for I have mercy upon them: and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for I *am* the LORD their God, and will hear them.[f]

7 And *they of* Ephraim shall be like a mighty *man*, and their heart shall rejoice as through wine: yea, their children shall see *it*, and be glad; their heart shall rejoice in the LORD.[g]

8 I will hiss for them, and gather them; for I have redeemed them: and they shall increase as they have increased.[h]

ORE CHRIST 520.

d Numb xxiv 17, 1 Sam xiv 38, Isa. xix 13, xxii 23.

1 Or, *lightnings*, Jer x 13

5 Or, *they shall make the riders on horses ashamed*

e Ps xviii 42

a Deut xi 14, Job xxix 23, Jer xiv 22, Joel ii 23

2 Heb *teraphims*, Judg xvii. 5.

f ch xiii 9; Jer iii 18, Ezek. xxxvii 21, Hos. i. 7.

3 Or, *answered that*, &c

b Job xiii. 4, Jer x 8; Ezek. xxxiv. 5; Hab ii. 18.

g ch. ix. 15; Ps. civ. 15.

4 Heb. *visited upon.*

c Cant. i. 9; Ezek. xxxiv. 5, 17; Luke i. 68.

h Isa. v. 26; xlix. 19; Ezek. xxxvi. 37.

9 And I will sow them among the people: and they shall remember me in far countries; and they shall live with their children, and turn again.[a]

10 I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria; and I will bring them into the land of Gilead and Lebanon; and *place* shall not be found for them.[b]

11 And he shall pass through the sea with affliction, and shall smite the waves in the sea, and all the deeps of the river shall dry up: and the pride of Assyria shall be brought down, and the sceptre of Egypt shall depart away.[c]

12 And I will strengthen them in the LORD; and they shall walk up and down in his name, saith the LORD.[d]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *The destruction of Jerusalem.* 3 *The elect being cared for, the rest are rejected.* 10 *The staves of Beauty and Bands broken by the rejection of Christ.* 15 *The type and curse of a foolish shepherd.*

OPEN thy doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour thy cedars.[e]

2 Howl, fir tree; for the cedar is fallen; because the [1]mighty are spoiled: howl, O ye oaks of Bashan; for [2]the forest of the vintage is come down.[f]

3 ¶ *There is* a voice of the howling of the shepherds; for their glory is spoiled: a voice of the roaring of young lions; for the pride of Jordan is spoiled.

4 Thus saith the LORD my God; Feed the flock of the slaughter;[g]

5 Whose possessors slay them, and hold themselves not guilty: and they that sell them say, Blessed *be* the LORD; for I am rich: and their own shepherds pity them not.[h]

6 For I will no more pity the inhabitants of the land, saith the LORD: but, lo, I will [3]deliver the men every one into his neighbour's hand, and into the hand of his king: and they shall smite the land, and out of their hand I will not deliver *them*.

7 And I will feed the flock of slaughter, [4]*even* you, O poor of the flock. And I took unto me two staves; the one I called Beauty, and the other I called [5]Bands; and I fed the flock.[i]

8 Three shepherds also I cut off in one month; and my soul [6]lothed them, and their soul also abhorred me.[j]

9 Then said I, I will not feed you: that that dieth, let it die; and that that is to be cut off, let it be cut off; and let the rest eat every one the flesh [7]of another.[k]

10 ¶ And I took my staff, *even* Beauty, and cut it asunder, that I might break my covenant which I had made with all the people.

11 And it was broken in that day: and [8]so the poor of the flock that waited upon me knew that it *was* the word of the LORD.[l]

12 And I said unto them, [9]If ye think good, give *me* my price; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for my price thirty *pieces* of silver.[m]

BEFORE CHRIST 514

a Deut. xxx. 1; Hos. ii. 23.
n Matt. xxvii. 9, 10.
10 Or, *Binders.*
b Isa. xi 11, 16; xlix. 20; Hos. xi. 11.
o Ezek. xxxiv. 2—4.
11 Or, *hidden.*
c Isa xi 15, 16; xiv. 25; Ezek xxx 13
12 Or, *bear.*
d Micah iv. 5.
p Jer xxiii 1, Ezek. xxxiv 2, John x. 12, 13.
e ch. x. 10.
1 Or, *gallants.*
2 Or, *the defenced forest*
f Isa. xxxii. 19.
q Numb xvi 22; Eccles xii 7, Isa. xlii 5, xliv 24; xlv. 12, 18, xlviii. 13, lvii. 16, Heb. xii. 9.
g ver. 7.
13 Or, *slumber*, or, *poison.*
14 Or, *and also against Judah* shall be *which shall be in siege against Jerusalem.*
r Isa. li. 17, 22, 23.
h Deut xxix 19, Jer ii. 3; l. 7, Hos xii 8
3 Heb *make to be found*
s vs 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, ch xiii 1, xiv 4, 6, 8, 9, 13, Matt xxi 44.
4 Or, *verily, the poor.*
5 Or, *Binders*
i ver 4, Zeph. iii. 12, Matt xi 5
t Ps. lxxvi 6; Ezek xxxviii 4.
6 Heb *was straitened for them.*
15 Or, There is *strength to me* and *to the inhabitants*, &c, Joel iii 16
j Hos. v. 7
7 Heb *of his fellow*, or, *neighbour*
k Jer. xv. 2, xliii. 11.
u Obad. 18.
8 Or, *the poor of the flock*, &c, *certainly knew.*
l ver 7, Zeph. iii. 12
9 Heb *If* it be *good in your eyes.*
16 Or, *abject.* Heb *fallen.*
m Exod. xxi. 32; Matt. xxvi. 15.

13 And the LORD said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was prised at of them. And I took the thirty *pieces* of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the LORD.[n]

14 Then I cut asunder mine other staff, *even* [10]Bands, that I might break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel.

15 ¶ And the LORD said unto me, Take unto thee yet the instruments of a foolish shepherd.[o]

16 For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, *which* shall not visit those that be [11]cut off, neither shall seek the young one, nor heal that that is broken, nor [12]feed that that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces.

17 Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword *shall be* upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.[p]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Jerusalem a cup of trembling to herself,* 3 *and a burdensome stone to her adversaries.* 6 *The victorious restoring of Judah.* 9 *The repentance of Jerusalem.*

THE burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him.[q]

2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of [13]trembling unto all the people round about, [14]when they shall be in the siege both against Judah *and* against Jerusalem.[r]

3 ¶ And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.[s]

4 In that day, saith the LORD, I will smite every horse with astonishment, and his rider with madness: and I will open mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every horse of the people with blindness.[t]

5 And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, [15]The inhabitants of Jerusalem *shall be* my strength in the LORD of hosts their God.

6 ¶ In that day will I make the governors of Judah like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left: and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, *even* in Jerusalem.[u]

7 The LORD also shall save the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify *themselves* against Judah.

8 In that day shall the LORD defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is [16]feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David



THE GREAT MOURNING OF HADADRIMMON.—ZECHARIAH XII. 11.

shall be as God, as the angel of the LORD before them.[a]

9 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.[b]

10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for *his* only *son*, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn.[c]

11 In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.[d]

12 And the land shall mourn, [1]every family apart; the family of the house of David apart, and their wives apart; the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wives apart;[e]

13 The family of the house of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family [2]of Shimei apart, and their wives apart;

14 All the families that remain, every family apart, and their wives apart.

BEFORE CHRIST 514

a Joel iii. 10

b ver 3, Hagg ii 22

3 Heb *separation for uncleanness*

f ch xii 3, Heb ix 14, 1 Peter i. 19, Rev i 5

c Jer vi 26, xxxi 9, 14, Ezek xxxix 29, Joel ii 28 Amos viii 10, John xix 34, 37, Rev. i 7

g Exod xxiii 13, Josh. xxiii 7; Ps xvi. 4, Ezek xxx 13, Hos ii 17, Micah v 12, 13, 2 Peter ii 1

d 2 Kings xxiii 29, 2 Chron xxxv 24, Acts ii 37

1 Heb *families, families*

e 2 Sam v 14, Matt. xxiv 30, Luke iii. 31, Rev i 7

h Deut xiii 6, 8, xviii. 20

2 Or, *of Simeon*, as LXX

4 Heb *a garment of hair*

5 Heb *to lie.*

i 2 Kings i. 8; Isa. xx. 2, Micah iii 6, 7; Matt. iii. 4.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *The fountain of purgation for Jerusalem,* 2 *from idolatry, and false prophecy.* 7 *The death of Christ, and the trial of a third part.*

IN that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for [3]uncleanness.[f]

2 ¶ And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.[g]

3 And it shall come to pass, *that* when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.[h]

4 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the prophets shall be ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear [4]a rough garment [5]to deceive:[i]

5 But he shall say, I *am* no prophet, I *am* an husbandman; for man taught me to keep cattle from my youth.[a]

6 And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which I was wounded *in* the house of my friends.

7 ¶ Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man *that is* my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones.[b]

8 And it shall come to pass, *that* in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off *and* die; but the third shall be left therein.[c]

BEFORE CHRIST 514.

f Isa. xiii. 16; Joel iii. 2.

a Amos vii. 14.

b Isa. xl. 11; Ezek. xxxiv. 23; Matt. xviii. 10, 14; xxvi 31; Mark xiv 27, Luke xii. 32; John x. 30, xiv. 10, 11; Phil. ii. 6.

g Ezek. xi. 23; Joel iii. 12, 14

1 Or, *my mountains*

2 Or, *when he shall touch the valley of the mountains to the place he separated.*

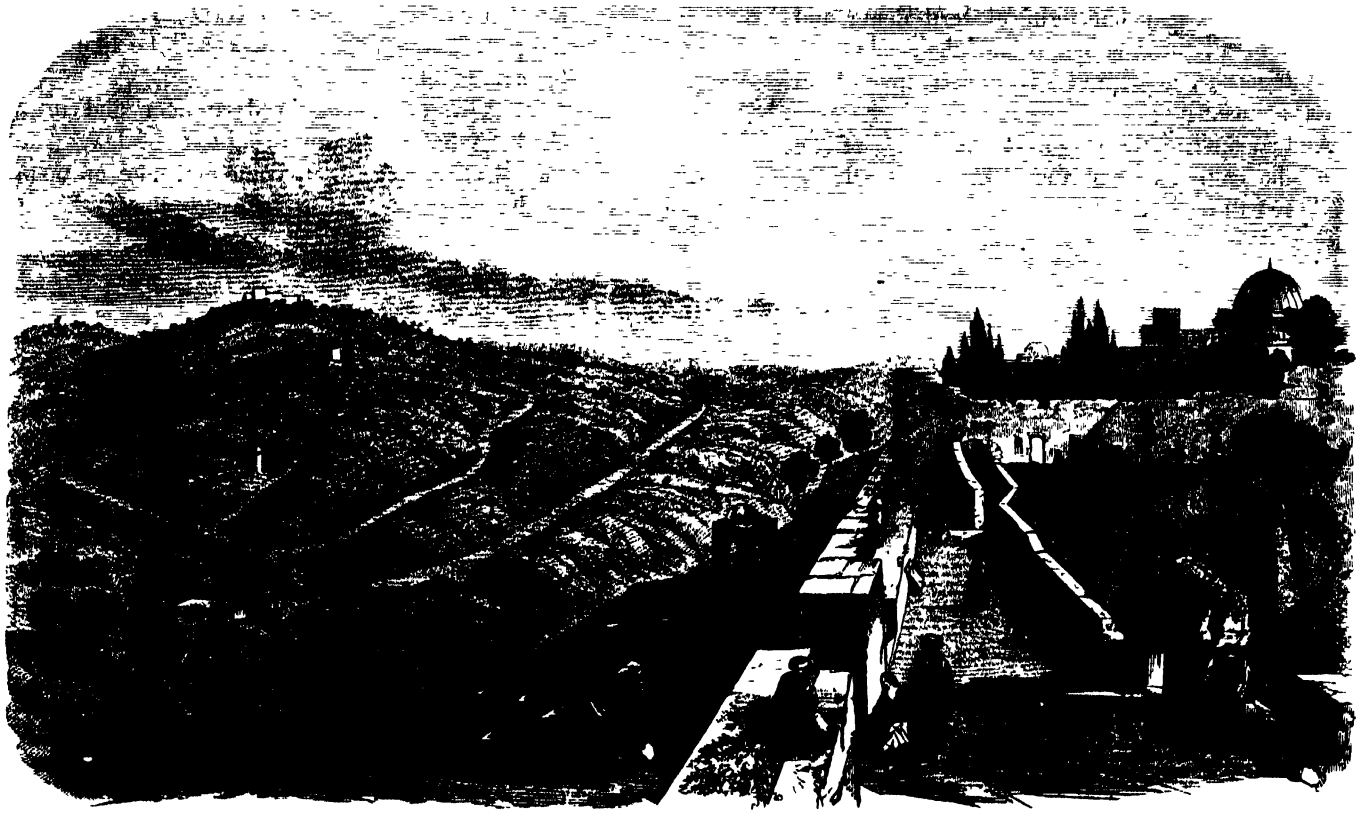
c Rom. xi 5

tivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.[f]

3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

4 ¶ And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which *is* before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, *and there shall be* a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.[g]

5 And ye shall flee *to* the valley of [1]the mountains; [2]for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the



THE MOUNT OF OLIVES.

9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It *is* my people: and they shall say, The LORD *is* my

XIV.

1 *The destroyers of Jerusalem destroyed.* 4 *The coming of Christ, and the graces of his kingdom.* 12 *The plague of Jerusalem's enemies* 16 *The remnant shall turn to the Lord,* 20 *and their spoils shall be holy*

BEHOLD, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.[d]

2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into cap-

h Joel iii 11—14, Amos i 1, Matt xvi 27, xxiv 30, 31; xxv. 31, Jude 14.

3 That is, it shall not be clear in some places, and dark in other places of the world.

d ch. viii 8; x 6, Ps. l. 15; xci 15, cxliv. 15; Jer xxx 22; Ezek. xi. 20; Hosea ii. 23, 1 Peter i. 6, 7

4 Heb. *precious.*

5 Heb. *thickness*

6 Or, *the day shall be one.*

e Isa. xxx 26; lx. 19, 20; Matt xxiv. 36, Rev xxi 23, xxii. 5

7 Or, *eastern,* Joel ii 20.

f Ezek xlvii 1, Joel iii 18, Rev xxii 1

c Isa xiii. 9, Joel ii. 31, Acts ii. 20

i Dan. ii. 44, Eph iv 5, 6; Rev. xi 15

8 Or, *compassed.*

earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, *and* all the saints with thee.[h]

6 And it shall come to pass in that day, [3]*that* the light shall not be [4]clear, *nor* [5]dark:

7 But [6]it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, *that* at evening time it shall be light.[e]

8 And it shall be in that day, *that* living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the [7]former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.[f]

9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.[i]

10 All the land shall be [8]turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem: and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the

corner gate, and *from* the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.[a]

11 And *men* shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem [1]shall be safely inhabited.[b]

12 ¶ And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

13 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* a great tumult from the LORD shall be among them; and they shall lay hold every one on the hand of his neighbour, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbour.[c]

14 And [2]Judah also shall fight [3]at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the heathen round about shall be gathered together, gold, and silver, and apparel, in great abundance.[d]

15 And so shall be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camel, and of the ass, and of all the beasts that shall be in these tents, as this plague.[e]

16 ¶ And it shall come to pass, *that* every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.[f]

17 And it shall be, *that* whoso will not come up of *all* the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.[g]

18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, [4]that *have* no *rain;* there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.[h]

19 This shall be the [5]punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

20 ¶ In that day shall there be upon the [6]bells of the horses, HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD; and the pots in the LORD'S house shall be like the bowls before the altar.[i]

21 Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto the LORD of hosts: and all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day there shall be no more the Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.[j]

BEFORE CHRIST 514.

a ch. xii. 6; Neh. iii. 1; xii. 39; Isa. xl. 4, Jer. xxxi. 38.

1 Or, *shall abide.*

f Lev. xxiii. 34, 43; Neh. viii 14; Isa. lx. 6, 7, 9; lxvi. 23; Hos. xii. 9, John vii 2

b Jer. xxiii. 6; xxxi. 40.

g Isa. lx. 12.

4 Heb *upon whom there is not.*

h Deut. xi. 10.

5 Or, *sin.*

c Judg vii. 22; 1 Sam. xiv. 15, 20, 2 Chron. xx. 23; Ezek. xxxviii. 21.

2 Or, *thou also, O Judah, shalt.*

6 Or, *bridles.*

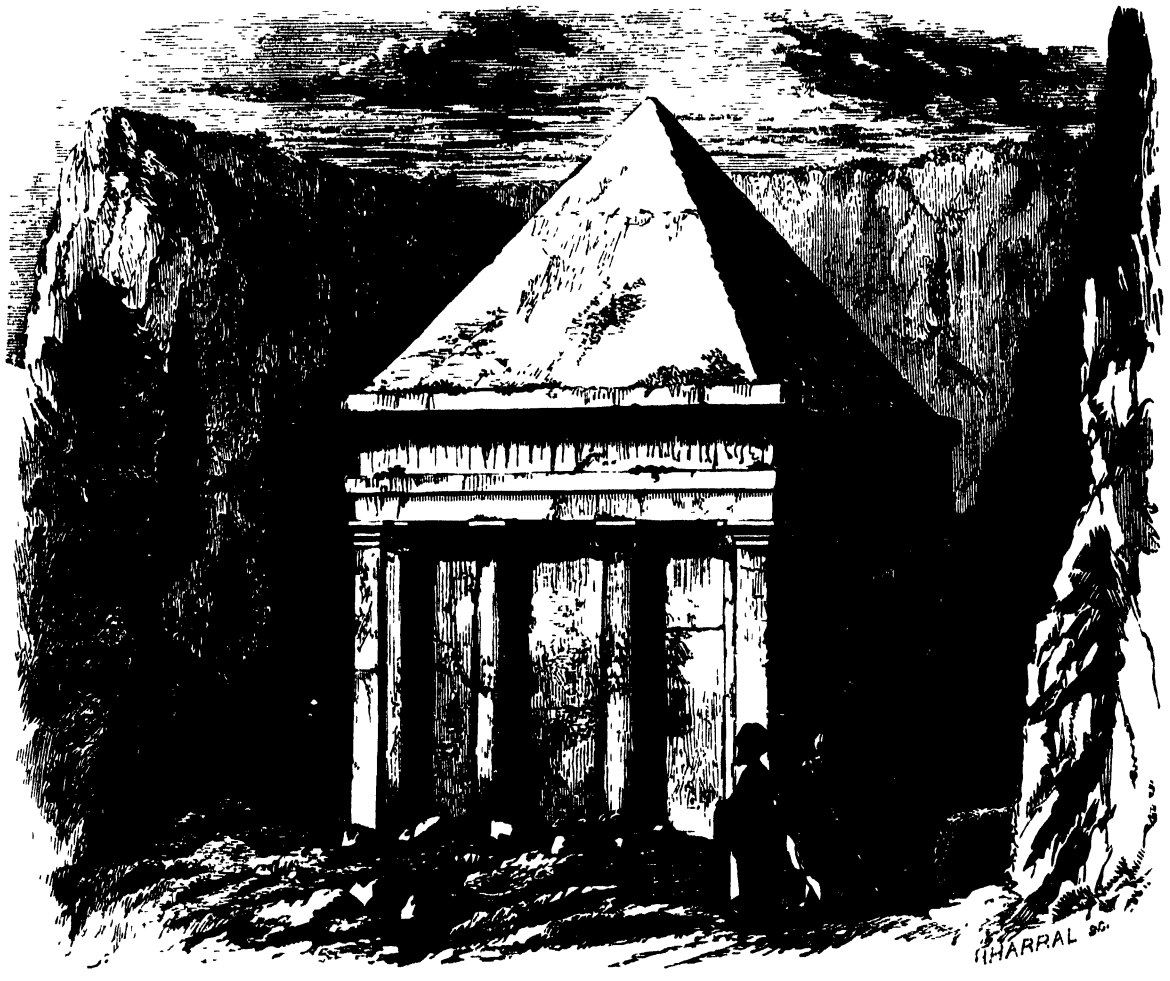
3 Or, *against.*

i Isa. xxiii. 18.

d Ezek. xxxix. 10, 17, &c.

e ver 12

j Isa. xxxv 8, Joel iii 17; Eph ii. 19—22; Rev. xxi. 27; xxii. 15.



TOMB OF ZECHARIAH.



CHAP. I.

1 *Malachi complaineth of Israel's unkindness* 6 *Of their grossness* 12 *and profaneness.*

THE burden of the word of the LORD to Israel [1]by Malachi.

2 I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? *Was* not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob,[a]

3 And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness.[b]

4 Whereas Edom saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever.

BEFORE CHRIST 440

2 Or, *upon.* Heb *from upon*

c Ps xxxv 27

d ch ii 14, 17, iii 7, 8, 13, Exod xx. 12, Luke vi 46.

1 Heb *by the hand of Malachi*

3 Or, *Bring unto,* &c

e ver 12, Deut xv 21, Ezek. xli 22

4 Heb *to sacrifice.*

a Deut. vii 8; x 15, Rom ix. 13.

f ver. 14, Lev. xxii 22; Deut. xv 21; Job xlii 8.

b Jer xlix 18; Ezek. xxxv 3, 4, 7, 9, 14, 15, Obad 10, &c.

5 Heb *the face of God*

6 Heb. *from your hand.*

g Hos. xiii. 9

5 And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say, The LORD will be magnified [2]from the border of Israel.[c]

6 ¶ A son honoureth *his* father, and a servant his master: if then I *be* a father, where *is* mine honour? and if I *be* a master, where *is* my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?[d]

7 [3]Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar; and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that ye say, The table of the LORD *is* contemptible.[e]

8 And if ye offer the blind [4]for sacrifice, *is it* not evil? and if ye offer the lame and sick, *is it* not evil? offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the LORD of hosts.[f]

9 And now, I pray you, beseech [5]God that he will be gracious unto us: this hath been [6]by your means: will he regard your persons? saith the LORD of hosts.[g]

10 Who *is there* even among you that would shut the doors *for nought?* neither do ye kindle *fire* on mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you,

saith the LORD of hosts, neither will I accept an offering at your hand.[a]

11 For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name *shall be* great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense *shall be* offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name *shall be* great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts.[b]

12 ¶ But ye have profaned it, in that ye say, The table of the LORD *is* polluted; and the fruit thereof, *even* his meat, *is* contemptible.[c]

13 Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness *is it!* [1]and ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts; and ye brought *that which was* torn, and the lame, and the sick; thus ye brought an offering: should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.[d]

14 But cursed *be* the deceiver, which hath in his flock a male, and voweth, and sacrificeth unto the Lord a corrupt thing: for I *am* a great King, saith the LORD of hosts, and my name *is* dreadful among the heathen.[e]

CHAPTER II.

1 *He sharply reproveth the priests for neglecting their covenant,* 11 *and the people for idolatry,* 14 *for adultery,* 17 *and for infidelity.*

AND now, O ye priests, this commandment *is* for you.

2 If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay *it* to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the LORD of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay *it* to heart.[f]

3 Behold, I will [2]corrupt your seed, and [3]spread dung upon your faces, *even* the dung of your solemn feasts; and [4]*one* shall take you away with it.[g]

4 And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant might be with Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

5 My covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him *for* the fear wherewith he feared me, and was afraid before my name.[h]

6 The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from iniquity.[i]

7 For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he *is* the messenger of the LORD of hosts.[j]

8 But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to [5]stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.[k]

9 Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according as ye have not kept my ways, but [6]have been partial in the law.[l]

10 Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?[m]

11 ¶ Judah hath dealt treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah hath profaned the holiness of the LORD which he [7]loved, and hath married the daughter of a strange god.[n]

12 The LORD will cut off the man that doeth this, [8]the master and the scholar, out of the tabernacles of Jacob, and him that offereth an offering unto the LORD of hosts.[o]

13 And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that he regardeth not the offering any more, or receiveth *it* with good will at your hand.

14 ¶ Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet *is* she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.[p]

15 And did not he make one? Yet had he the [9]residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might seek [10]a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal [11]treacherously against the wife of his youth.[q]

16 For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith [12]that he hateth putting away: for *one* covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.[r]

17 ¶ Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied *him?* When ye say, Every one that doeth evil *is* good in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them; or, Where *is* the God of judgment?[s]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Of the messenger, majesty, and grace of Christ.* 7 *Of the rebellion,* 8 *sacrilege,* 13 *and infidelity of the people.* 16 *The promise of blessing to them that fear God.*

BEHOLD, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.[t]

2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he *is* like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' sope:[u]

3 And he shall sit *as* a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.[v]

4 Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD, as in the days of old, and as in [13]former years.[w]

BEFORE CHRIST 440.

a Isa. i. 11; Jer. vi. 20; Amos v. 21; 1 Cor. ix. 13.

m Job xxxi. 15; 1 Cor. viii. 6; Eph. iv. 6.

7 Or, *ought to love.*

b Isa. lx. 3, 5; lxvi. 19, 20; John iv. 21, 23; 1 Tim. ii. 8; Rev. viii. 3.

n Ezra ix. 1; x. 2, Neh. xiii. 23.

8 Or, *him that waketh, and him that answereth.*

c ver. 7.

o Neh. xiii. 28, 29.

1 Or, *whereas ye might have blown it away.*

d Lev. xxii. 20, &c.

e ver 8; Ps xlvii. 2; 1 Tim. vi 15

p Prov ii 17, v. 18

9 Or, *excellency*

10 Heb *a seed of God.*

11 Or, *unfaithfully.*

q Ezra ix 2, Matt xix 4, 5, 1 Cor. vii 14.

12 Or, *if he hate* her, *put* her *away* Heb *to put away.*

r Deut xxiv 1; Matt. v 22, xix. 8

f Lev xxvi 14, &c., Deut xxviii 15, &c.

s ch ii 13—15, Isa xlviii 24, Amos ii 13

2 Or, *reprove*

3 Heb *scatter*

4 Or, *it shall take you away to it*

g 1 Kings xiv 10

h Numb xxv 12, Deut xxxiii. 8, 9, Ezek xxxiv 25, xxxvii 26

i Deut. xxxiii 10, Jer xxiii 22, James v 20

t Isa xl 3, lxiii 9, Hagg ii 7, Matt xi 10, Mark i 2, Luke i 76, vii. 27

j Lev x 11, Deut xvii. 9, 10, xxiv 8, Ezra vii 10, Jer xviii 8, Hagg ii. 11, 12, Gal iv 14.

5 Or, *fall in the law.*

u ch iv 1; Isa. iv. 4; Matt. iii. 10—12, Rev vi. 17.

k 1 Sam ii. 17; Neh. xiii. 29, Jer xviii. 15.

v Isa. i. 25; Zech xiii 9; 1 Peter ii. 5

6 Or, *lifted up the face against.* Heb. *accepted faces.*

l 1 Sam. ii. 30.

13 Or, *ancient.*

w ch. i. 11.

5 And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that [1]oppress the hireling in *his* wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger *from his right*, and fear not me, saith the LORD of hosts.[a]

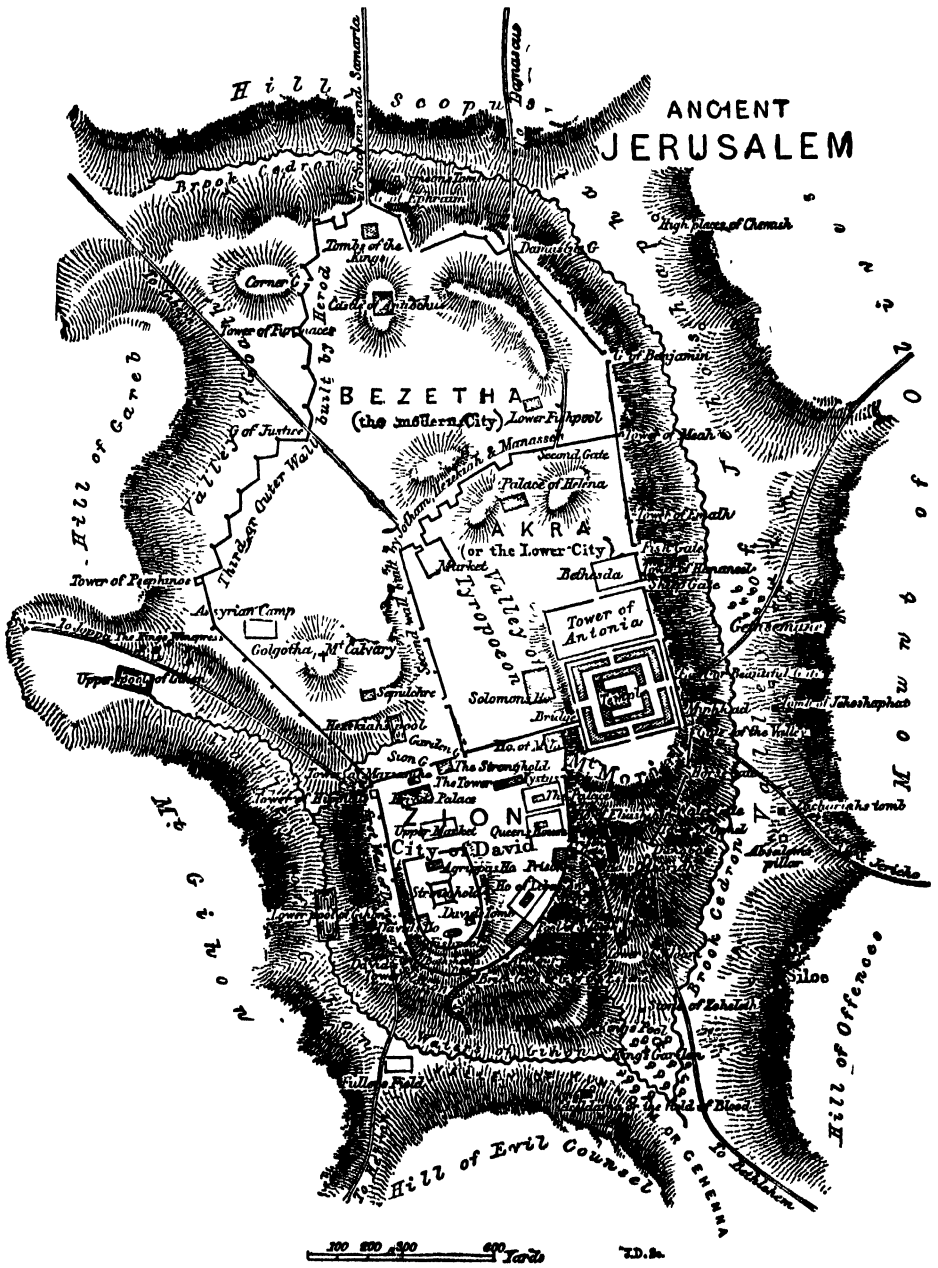
6 For I *am* the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.[b]

BEFORE CHRIST 440.

2 Heb. *empty out.*
1 Or, *defraud*
c Gen. vii. 11; 2 Kings vii 2, 1 Chron. xxvi 20, 2 Chron. xxxi. 10, 11; Neh x. 38, xiii. 12; Amos iv 9.
a Zech. v. 4; James v. 4, 12.
3 Heb *corrupt.*
b Numb xxiii 19; Lam iii 22, Rom. xi. 29; James i. 17.

there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and [2]pour you out a blessing, that *there shall* not *be room* enough *to receive it.*[c]

11 And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not [3]destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.


ANCIENT
JERUSALEM
Hill of Scopus
Mount of Olives
Hill of Evil Counsel
Hill of Offence
Brook Kedron
Valley of Tyropoeon
BEZETHA
(the modern City)
AKRA
(or the Lower City)
Tower of Antonia
Mt Moriah
ZION
City of David
Mt. of Corruption
Hill of Gareb
Valley of Hinnom
Golgotha, Mt Calvary
Assyrian Camp
Tower of Psephinus
Tower of Hippicus
Castle of Antonia
Palace of Herod
Palace of Helena
Solomon's Hall
Bridge
Pool of Siloam
Fuller's Field
Aceldama
Siloe
Tombs of the Kings
Corner G.
Second Gate
Gate Gennath
Fish Gate
Sheep Gate
Gate of Ephraim
Gate of Benjamin
Gate of Meah
Gate of Judah
Gate of the Valley
Gate Sterquilinium
Gate of Jehoshaphat
Gate of the Fountain
Water Gate
Horse Gate
Prison
Beautiful Gate
Pinnacle
Bethesda
Market
Upper Market
Queen's Palace
Xystus
Council House
Synagogue
Stone of Bohan
Tomb of Zechariah
Tomb of Absalom
Pillar
Tomb of Jehoshaphat
Tombs of the Prophets
Tombs of the Kings
Aqueduct to the Pools of Solomon
Aqueduct to the Temple
Aqueduct to Herodium
Aqueduct to Bethlehem
Aqueduct to Hebron
Road to Jericho
Road to Bethany
Road to Jaffa
Road to Nablous
Road to Bethlehem
Road to Hebron
Road to Emmaus
Road to Beth-horon
Road to Gophna
Road to Shechem
Road to Samaria
Road to Jericho
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that work wickedness [1]are set up; yea, *they that* tempt God are even delivered.[a]

16 ¶ Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.[b]

17 And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my [2]jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.[c]

18 Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.[d]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *God's judgment on the wicked.* 2 *and his blessing on the good* 4 *He exhorteth to the study of the law,* 5 *and telleth of Elijah's coming and office.*

FOR, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.[e]

2 ¶ But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing [1]in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.[f]

3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do *this*, saith the LORD of hosts.[g]

4 ¶ Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, *with* the statutes and judgments.[h]

5 ¶ Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:[i]

6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.[j]

(BEFORE CHRIST 440.

1 Heb. *are built*

a ch. ii. 17; lxxiii. 12, Ps xcv. 9.

e ch. iii. 2, 17, Joel ii. 31; Amos ii 9, Obad. 18.

b ch. iv 2; Ps. lvi. 8, lxvi. 16; Isa. lxv. 6, Heb. iii. 13; Rev. xx. 12.

f ch. iii. 16; Luke i 78; Eph. v. 14; 2 Peter i 19; Rev ii. 28.

2 Or, *special treasure.*

c Exod xix. 5; Deut vii 6, Ps. cxxxv 4, Titus ii. 14; 1 Peter ii. 9.

g 2 Sam. xxii 43, Micah vii. 10; Zech. x. 5.

d Ps. lviii. 11; ciii 13, Isa. lxii. 3.

h Exod. xx. 3, &c, Deut. iv 10; Ps cxlvii. 19

i Joel ii. 31, Matt. xi 14; xvii. 11, Luke i 17

j Zech v 3, xiv 12.

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THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO S. MATTHEW

CHAPTER I.

1 *The genealogy of Christ from Abraham to Joseph.* 18 *He was conceived by the Holy Ghost, and born of the Virgin Mary when she was espoused to Joseph.* 19 *The angel satisfieth the misdeeming thoughts of Joseph, and interpreteth the names of Christ.*

THE book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.[a]

2 Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren;[b]

3 And Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram;[c]

4 And Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon;

5 And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse;

6 And Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her *that had been the wife* of Urias;[d]

7 And Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat Abia; and Abia begat Asa;[e]

8 And Asa begat Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat Ozias;

9 And Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias;

10 And Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat Josias;[f]

11 And Josias begat Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were carried away to Babylon:[g]

12 And after they were brought to Babylon,

a ch xxii 42, Gen xii 3; xxii 18, Ps cxxxii 11, Isa xi 1, Jer xxiii 5; Luke iii 23, John vii 42, Acts ii. 30, xiii 23, Rom. i. 3, Gal. iii 16.
b Gen xxi 2, 3; xxv. 26, xxix 35
c Gen xxviii. 27, &c.; Ruth iv. 18, &c.; 1 Chron. ii. 5, 9, &c.
d 1 Sam xvi. 1.; xvii 12, 2 Sam xii. 24.
e 1 Chron iii 10, &c
f 2 Kings xx 21, 1 Chron iii 13.
g 2 Kings xxiv 14—16; xxv 11, 1 Chron iii 15—17, 2 Chron. xxxvi 10, 20; Jer xxvii. 20; xxxix. 9; lii 11, 15, 28—30; Dan i 2

CHAPTER I.

Very scanty are the notices which we have of the author of this Gospel. In Mark ii. 14 he is introduced to us as Levi, the son of Alphæus, and may therefore have been the brother of James the Less, who, in Matthew x 3, is also called "the son of Alphæus." By profession he was a publican, an officer under the Roman Power, who was engaged in the collection of rates or taxes. After embracing the Christian faith, he dropped the name of Levi for that of Matthew, just as the Apostle of the nations gave up the name of Saul for that of Paul.

Of his apostolic labours out of Palestine, we know nothing. He comes before us as a writer rather than a worker. Not that he was wanting in active effort; as a follower of Christ, that was impossible; but whether he travelled and carried Christianity into other lands, or not, we have no means of determining.

Whether he wrote his narrative in Hebrew or in Greek, is a point still in dispute —while there are not a few authorities who contend for its Hebrew origin, that is, for its having been written in Syro-Chaldaic, as the vernacular language of the Hebrew Christians in Palestine, yet the weight of opinion is now in favour of its Greek original.

From the whole of the narrative, it is clear that Matthew wrote for the Jews; and to meet the Jewish predilection for what was outward and visible, he strongly presents to our view the human nature of Christ; yet maintaining, throughout his composition, that Jesus was the Messiah promised to the fathers, and predicted by the prophets in their own Scriptures.

Jechonias begat Salathiel; and Salathiel begat Zorobabel;[a]

13 And Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor;

14 And Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud;

15 And Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob;

16 And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.

17 So all the generations from Abraham to David *are* fourteen generations; and from David until the carrying away into Babylon *are* fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into Babylon unto Christ *are* fourteen generations.

18 ¶ Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.[b]

19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just *man*, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily.[c]

20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.[d]

21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name [1]JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.[e]

22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying,

23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and [2]they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.[f]

24 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

25 And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.[g]

a 1 Chron. iii. 17–19; Ezra iii. 2; v. 2; Neh. xii. 1; Hagg. i. 1.

h Gen. x. 30; xxv. 6; 1 Kings iv. 30; Luke ii. 4, 6, 7.

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i Numb. xxiv 17, Isa. lx. 3; Luke ii. 11.

b Luke i. 27, 35.

c Deut xxiv. 1.

j 2 Chron xxxiv 13; xxxvi. 14; Mal. ii. 7.

d Luke i. 35.

3 Or, *feed.*

1 That is, *Saviour*, Heb

k Micah v 2; John vii 42; Rev ii 27

e Acts iv 12; v. 31, xiii. 23, 38

2 Or, *his name shall be called*

f Isa vii. 14

q Exod xiii 2; Luke ii 7, 21.

CHAPTER II.

1 *The wise men out of the east are directed to Christ by a star.* 11 *They worship him, and offer their presents.* 14 *Joseph fleeth into Egypt, with Jesus and his mother.* 16 *Herod slayeth the children:* 20 *himself dieth.* 23 *Christ is brought back again into Galilee to Nazareth.*



NOW when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,[a]

2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.[b]

3 When Herod the king had heard *these things*, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born.[j]

5 And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judæa: for thus it is written by the prophet,

6 And thou Bethlehem, *in* the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall [3]rule my people Israel.[k]

7 Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared.

8 And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found *him*, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

9 When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

Matthew's narrative takes the priority in time of all the rest; and between his record of the Saviour's life, and the records of Mark and Luke, there is such a correspondence as to have given to the three the name of the SYNOPTICAL GOSPELS. John's narrative differs from the other three in its depth of spiritual truth, and in a fuller exhibition of the Divinity of Christ

1 "The book of the generation"—that is, the roll of the pedigree It is thought by some that the genealogical tables of both Matthew and Luke were extracted from those registers which were preserved in public offices or repositories

"The Son of David" was one of the special titles given to the promised Messiah

5, 6 Though there was an interval of some three hundred and sixty-six years between Rachab and David, it is possible that the blessing of longevity was bestowed on several of the progenitors of David, as it was on his father Jesse.—1 Sam xvii 12

8. "Joram begat Ozias"—we learn from 2 Chron. xvi.—xxvi., that three generations came between Jeroboam and Uzziah. and we are told that it is very common among the Orientals to abridge their genealogical tables, if by such an abbreviation they can preserve the line of descent.

16. "The husband of Mary"—the object of the Evangelist is to show that Christ was, by legal descent, the heir of the throne of David.

18 "Mary was espoused to Joseph"—that is, betrothed. The interval between the betrothal and the fact of marriage was sometimes considerable; but during this period the woman was, in the eye of the law, the man's wife

19. "To put her away privily."—that is, according to the form prescribed by the law in Deut. xxiv. 1, for, had Joseph brought her to open justice, her punishment would have been death.

CHAPTER II.

We have here the visit and adoration of the magi from the far East, during the latter days of Herod the Great; the unusual physical phenomenon in the heavens by which these magi were influenced; the flight of Joseph, with Mary and the infant Jesus, into Egypt; the barbarous and inhuman conduct of Herod in his slaughter of the innocents; his death, which was followed by a supernatural intimation to Joseph to return to the land of Judea, with his settlement in Nazareth.

1 "Bethlehem of Judæa"—this town was otherwise known by the name of Ephrath and Ephratah, Gen xxxv. 19; xlviii 7; Micah v 2, and stood six Roman miles to the south of Jerusalem. In Ruth i 1 and iv. 18—22 it is mentioned as the place of David's family, and is therefore called "the city of David"

"In the days of Herod the king"—this was Herod the Great, the son of Antipater, who, being driven from his tetrarchy by the pretender Antigonus, fled to Rome, insinuated himself into the favour of Antony, and was by the voice of the senate appointed king of Judea, and had this title confirmed to him three years afterwards by Octavianus, in consequence of the overthrow of Antigonus

It was by this Herod the Temple was rebuilt, or repaired, enlarged, and adorned; but neither this magnificent deed, nor his liberality in other public works, nor even his provident care of his subjects during a severe famine, could atone for his heartless cruelties. Perhaps no man who ever sat upon a throne—not even Nero himself—was more hated than this very Herod. He died in the seventieth year of his age; and the events which are here recorded took place a short time before his death.

"Wise men from the east:"—they may have come from Arabia, or Persia, or Chaldea, while the term magi, or wise men, points them out as possessed of more than usual attainments in philosophy and science. There is no reason for supposing that they belonged to the priesthood, or could lay claim to regal dignity. In common with others, they had received the impression that the state of the nations was indicative of some impending revolution, and of the appearance of some illustrious hero and

10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

11 ¶ And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they [1]presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.[e]

12 And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.[f]

13 And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

14 When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt:

15 And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.[c]

16 ¶ Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.

17 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying,[d]

18 In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping *for* her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

19 ¶ But when Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt,

20 Saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

21 And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.

22 But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judæa in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee:[e]

23 And he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.[f]

ANNO DOMINI 1—26.

[A.D. 26.

1 Or, *offered.*

g Josh. xiv. 10, Mark i. 4, 15; Luke iii. 2, 3, John i. 28.

a Ps. lxxii. 10; Isa. lx. 6.

h ch. iv. 17; x. 7; Dan. ii. 44.

b ch. i. 20.

The Fourth Year before the Common Account called Anno Domini.

i Isa. xl. 3; Mark i. 3; Luke i. 76; iii. 4; John i. 23.

j Lev. xi. 22; 1 Sam. xiv. 25, 26, 2 Kings i. 8, Zech. xiii. 4; Mark i. 6.

k Mark i. 5; Luke iii. 7

l Acts xix. 4, 18.

c Hos. xi. 1.

m ch. xii. 34; xxiii. 33, Luke iii. 7—9; Rom. v. 9, 1 Thess. i. 10.

2 Or, *answerable to amendment of life.*

d Jer. xxxi. 15

n John viii. 33, 39, Acts xiii. 26, Rom. iv. 1, 11, 16.

o ch. vii. 19; Luke xiii. 7, 9; John xv. 6.

The Third Year before the Account called Anno Domini

p Isa. iv. 4, xlv. 3, Mal. iii. 2, Mark i. 8, Luke iii. 16, John i. 15, 26, 33, Acts i. 5, ii. 3, 4, xi. 16, xix. 4, 1 Cor. xii. 13

[A.D. 27

q ch. xiii. 30, Mal. iii. 3, iv. 1

r ch. ii. 22; Mark i. 9, Luke iii. 21

e ch. iii. 13; Luke ii. 39

f Judg. xiii. 5; 1 Sam. i. 11, John i. 45.

CHAPTER III.

1 *John preacheth. his office; life, and baptism.* 7 *He reprehendeth the Pharisees,* 13 *and baptizeth Christ in Jordan.*



IN those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judæa,[g]

2 And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.[h]

3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.[i]

4 And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey.[j]

5 Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judæa, and all the region round about Jordan,[k]

6 And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.[l]

7 ¶ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?[m]

8 Bring forth therefore fruits [2]meet for repentance:

9 And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.[n]

10 And now also the ax is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.[o]

11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and *with* fire:[p]

12 Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.[q]

13 ¶ Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him.[r]

14 But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

15 And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer *it to be so* now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him.

16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens

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deliverer. They connected greatness with royalty, and hence they went direct to the palace to inquire after the new born king.

9. "The star . . . . went before them:"—this star was probably the Shechinah, or symbol of Divine glory, which was so often seen, and in various forms, under the Old Testament Economy, and the last manifestation of which took place at the conversion of Saul of Tarsus. Hence it could move or it could rest, at any moment or at any spot, which no star or planet could do.

22. "Archelaus did reign in Judæa:"—only four days before his own dissolution, Herod put his son Antipater to death, and nominated Archelaus, who was his son by a Samaritan woman, as his successor. His appointment was confirmed by the Roman senate under the title of Ethnarch, including the government of Judea, Idumea, and Samaria; but his conduct was such that he was afterwards deposed, and banished to Venice in Gaul. The Emperor then united Judea and Samaria to the province of Syria, placed Judea under a procurator, and under the Roman power it remained till some years after the death of Christ.

23. "A city called Nazareth:"—this small Galilean town, situated in the territory of Zebulon, was from fifty to seventy miles north of Jerusalem, and stood on an elevated site, about midway between Mount Tabor and Cana. It is now a place of no importance.

"That it might be fulfilled."—it is a just observation of Alford's, that "the accomplishment of a promise formally made, is often alleged as the cause of an action extending wider than the promise, and purposed long before its utterance." This remark applies to any passage in the New Testament where we find the phrase—"that it might be fulfilled."

CHAPTER III.

SYNOPSIS:—Luke i., ii. Matt. iii. 1—12; Mark i. 2—9; Luke iii. 1—20 Matt. iii. 13—17; Mark i. 10, 11, Luke iii. 21—23; John i. 32—34.

With this chapter, which relates to the mission and active labours of John as the forerunner of Christ, begins the synoptic narrative of the three Evangelists. The burden of our remarks on this particular portion of Matthew's record we shall reserve till we come to the narrative of St. Luke. Nearly thirty years have already rolled away, and we discern the Baptist entering upon his work with a strong heart and a mighty purpose.

were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him :[a]

17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.[b]

ANNO DOMINI 26.

a Isa. xi. 2; xlii. 1; Mark i. 10; Luke iii. 22; John i. 32, 33

e ch. xxvii. 53; Neh. xi. 1, 18; Isa. xlviii. 2, lii. 1; Rev. xi. 2.

5 Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple,[e]

6 And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in *their* hands



THE FLIGHT INTO EGYPT.—MATTHEW II. 14.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Christ fasteth, and is tempted.* 11 *The angels minister unto him.* 13 *He dwelleth in Capernaum,* 17 *beginneth to preach,* 18 *calleth Peter, and Andrew,* 21 *James, and John,* 23 *and healeth all the diseased.*



THEN was Jesus led up of the spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.[c]

2 And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred.

3 And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.[d]

b ch. xii 18; xvii 5; Ps ii 7. Isa xlii 1, Mark i 11, Luke ix 35, John xii 28; Eph i 6, Col i. 13, 2 Peter i. 17

f Ps xci 11, 12.

g Deut. vi. 16.

c 1 Kings xviii 12; Ezek iii 14, viii 3; xi 1, 24 xl 2, xliii 5, Mark i 12, &c, Luke iv. 1, &c, Acts viii. 39.

h Deut. vi 13; x 20; Josh xxiv 14, 1 Sam vii 3.

i Heb i. 14.

[A D 30

1 Or, *delivered up*

j Mark i 14, Luke iii 20, iv 14, 31, John iv. 43.

[A.D 31.

d Deut viii. 3.

they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.[f]

7 Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.[g]

8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.[h]

11 Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.[i]

12 ¶ Now when Jesus had heard that John was [1]cast into prison, he departed into Galilee;[j]

13 And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:

14 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

15 The land of Zabulon, and the land of Neph-

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1. "In those days:"—see Luke iii 1, 2. The wilderness of Judea was bounded by the river Jordan and the Dead Sea, and is called by St. Luke the country about the Jordan.

4. "His raiment of camel's hair"—this was the rough garment of the prophets, woven out of camel's hair, not the skin of the animal. The locust, according to Lev. xi. 22, was used as food, and is still eaten in the East. The wild honey was abundant, and when used moderately was nutritious.

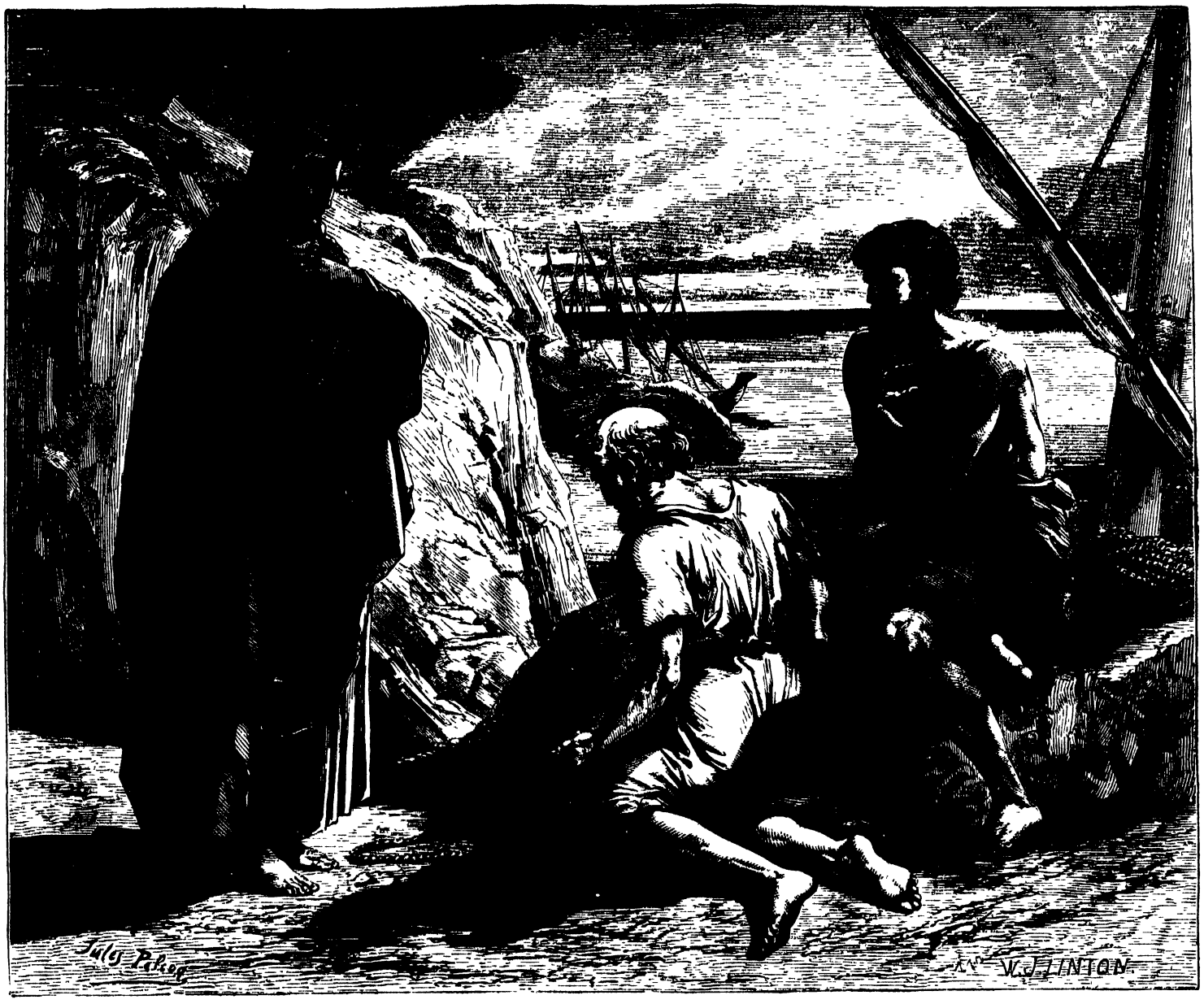
8. "Fruits meet for repentance"—by coming to him, and submitting to his baptism, they professed to be the subjects of repentance, and therefore he requires of them such a course of life and action as would bespeak the reality of their profession.

15. "Thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness:"—that is, every Divine ordinance. John was "a man sent from God;" but John did no miracle. How, then, were the people to be assured that he held his commission immediately from Heaven? Christ comes to be baptised of John, as of one who was fulfilling a Divine ordinance. He therefore attests the mission and the ministry of John, his forerunner; and while he is in the act of doing this, the Father attests the mission of his own Son as the Redeemer of the world.

CHAPTER IV.

SYNOPSIS:—Matt iv. 1—11; Mark i 12—13; Luke iv. 1—13. Matt. iv 12—17; Mark i. 14, 15; Luke iv. 14, 15 Matt. iv. 18—22; Mark i. 16—20 Matt. iv. 23—25; vii. 29.

We are here introduced into one of the deeply mysterious scenes of our Lord's life. As the Redeemer of men, he must first encounter and overcome the power by which man was vanquished. For this purpose he is led up, under Divine guidance, into a desert, far away from human sympathy and aid, that, single-handed and alone, he may enter into conflict with the concentration of all evil, in the person of the Evil One. Till this fight was fought, he



"FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN."—MATTHEW IV. 19.

thalim, *by* the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;[e]

16 The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.[b]

17 ¶ From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.[c]

18 ¶ And Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.[d]

ANNO DOMINI 30.

a Isa. ix 1, 2

e Luke v 10, 11.

f Mark x 28; Luke xviii 28

b Isa. xlii. 7; Luke ii 32.

c ch iii 2; x 7; Mark i. 14, 15

g Mark i. 19, 20, Luke v. 10.

d Mark i 16—18; Luke v 2; John i. 42

19 And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.[g]

20 And they straightway left *their* nets, and followed him.[f]

21 And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them.[g]

22 And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him.

23 ¶ And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the

was not qualified to enter on any future scene of his ministry. As sin had converted Paradise into a wilderness, Christ, by his victory, has converted the wilderness into a Paradise again.

3. "The tempter came to him:"—we believe that the devil was personally present with the Incarnate One in the desert, and that each successive temptation was presented outwardly, Satan not having the power to enter a sinless mind.

11. "Then the devil leaveth him:"—but St. Luke tells us it was only for a season; and therefore we are led to infer that Christ was the subject of repeated and frequent temptation.

15. "Galilee of the Gentiles:"—Galilee was divided into Upper and Lower; the former, or Upper Galilee, lay on the north, and was inhabited partly by Syrians, Phœnicians, and Arabians, and hence called "Galilee of the Gentiles." The latter, or Lower Galilee, especially the valley along the Sea of Tiberias, was fertile and populous.

25. "And from Decapolis:"—some think that this was a canton of Judea, within the half-tribe of Manasseh, east of the Jordan; but others refer it to certain cities of Persia, united by some alliance, of which Scythopolis was the chief, and which, in the time of our Lord, were inhabited chiefly by Greeks.

kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.[a]

24 And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them.

25 And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and *from* Decapolis, and *from* Jerusalem, and *from* Judæa, and *from* beyond Jordan.[b]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Christ beginneth his sermon in the mount: 3 declaring who are blessed, 13 who are the salt of the earth, 14 the light of the world, the city on an hill, 15 the candle 17 that he came to fulfil the law 21 What it is to kill, 27 to commit adultery, 33 to swear 38 exhorteth to suffer wrong, 44 to love even our enemies, 48 and to labour after perfectness.*



AND seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:[c]

2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

3 Blessed *are* the poor in spirit: for their's is the kingdom of heaven.[d]

4 Blessed *are* they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.[e]

5 Blessed *are* the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.[f]

6 Blessed *are* they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.[g]

7 Blessed *are* the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.[h]

8 Blessed *are* the pure in heart: for they shall see God.[i]

9 Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

10 Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven.[j]

11 Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you [1]falsely, for my sake.[k]

12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great *is* your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.[l]

13 ¶ Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.[m]

14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.[n]

15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under [2]a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.[o]

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.[p]

17 ¶ Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.[q]

18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.[r]

19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.[s]

20 For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven.[t]

21 ¶ Ye have heard that it was said [3]by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:[u]

22 But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, [4]Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.[v]

23 Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee;[w]

24 Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.[x]

25 Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.[y]

26 Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

27 ¶ Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:[z]

28 But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a ch. ix. 35; xxiv. 14; Mark i. 14, 21, 34, 39; Luke iv. 15, 44.

m Mark ix. 50; Luke xiv. 34, 35

n Prov iv. 18, Philipp. ii 15.

2 The word, in the original, signifieth *a measure containing about a pint less than a peck*

o Mark iv 21; Luke viii. 16; xi. 33.

p John xv 8; 1 Cor. xiv. 25; 1 Peter ii. 12.

b Mark iii 7.

q Rom iii. 31; x. 4; Gal. iii. 24.

r Luke xvi. 17.

s James ii. 10.

c Mark iii. 13.

t Rom ix. 31; x 3

3 Or, *to them.*

d Ps. li. 17; Prov. xvi. 19, xxix. 23, Isa. lvii 15; lxvi. 2; Luke vi. 20.

u Exod. xx 13, Deut. v 17

e Isa. lxi 2, 3; Luke vi. 21, John xvi. 20; 2 Cor i 7; Rev xxi. 4.

f Ps xxxvii. 11; Rom. iv. 13

4 That is, *Vain fellow*, 2 Sam. vi. 20.

g Isa. lv. 1; lxv. 13.

v James ii. 20.

h ch. vi. 14, Ps xli. 1; Mark xi 25, 2 Tim. i. 16, Heb. vi. 10, James ii 13

w ch viii. 4, xxiii 19

i Ps xv 2, xxiv 4, 1 Cor xiii 12, Heb xii. 14, 1 John iii 2, 3

x ch xviii 19, Job xlii 8, 1 Tim ii 8, 1 Peter iii 7

j 2 Cor iv 17, 2 Tim ii 12, 1 Peter iii 14.

y Ps xxxii 6, Prov xxv 8, Isa lv 6, Luke xii 58, 59

1 Gr. *lying*

k Luke vi 22, 1 Peter iv 14

l ch xxiii. 34, 37; 2 Chron xxxvi 16 Neh ix 26, Luke xi 23, Acts v 41, vii 52, Rom v 3, 1 Thess ii 15, James i. 2, 1 Peter iv 13

z Exod xx 14; Deut. v 18.

CHAPTER V.

In the Sermon on the Mount, which fills up the next three chapters, we have an enumeration of the virtues which constitute the Christian character, and the blessings that shall be conferred, and we may consider Christ's Sermon on the Mount as the point of transition from the yoke of bondage to the freedom of the Gospel. It points to the relation that existed between a dispensation which had all but passed away, and the new era of universal love and mercy. It sets forth the kingdom of God as the grand final end of the Old Economy—the consummation for which that economy gradually, but most surely, prepared the way.

1. "Went up into a mountain:"—while some have sought this mountain in the Hill of Blessing, in the immediate neighbourhood of Capernaum, the Church of Rome refers it to the singular ascent known by the name of TELL-HATTAN, but this is deemed too far remote from the scene of the Saviour's previous labours, and now the weight of authority leans to MOUNT TABOR, which, at about two hours' distance east of Nazareth, and only a few points south of Capernaum, rises in towering majesty above every other in the country, and is, with regard to verdure, one of the finest and most beautiful hills on which the eye can rest. On the brow of this lofty height, and surrounded by the most glorious landscape, did the Saviour reiterate the law of Sinai, in all the depth of its spiritual import—the one universal law of moral being.

13—16. "Wherewith shall it be salted?"—what is to be salted? The earth. What is to salt it? The holy character of Christ's disciples, just as the light in them was to illumine and guide a dark, dark world.

18. "One jot or one tittle:"—the jot or iota refers to the Hebrew יוֹד, which is the smallest letter in that alphabet; and the tittle denotes the slightest change in the formation of a Hebrew letter. For example, the two letters ר and ד are very like each other. Now there is a word in which the

a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.[a]

29 And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell.[b]

30 And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast *it* from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not *that* thy whole body should be cast into hell.

31 It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:[c]

32 But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.[d]

33 ¶ Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths:[e]

34 But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne:[f]

35 Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King.[g]

36 Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black.

37 But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.[h]

38 ¶ Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:[i]

39 But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.[j]

40 And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have *thy* cloke also.

41 And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.[k]

42 Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.[l]

43 ¶ Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.[m]

44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;[n]

45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.[o]

46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?[p]

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a Gen. xxxiv. 2; 2 Sam. xi. 2; Job xxxi. 1; Prov. vi. 25.

q Gen xvii. 1; Lev. xi. 44; xix. 2; Luke vi. 36; Eph. v. 1; Col. i 28; iv 12; James i. 4; 1 Peter i. 15, 16.

b ch. xviii. 8, 9; xix. 12; Mark ix. 43—47; Rom. viii. 13; 1 Cor. ix. 27; Col. iii. 5.

c ch. xix. 3, &c; Deut xxiv 1; Jer. iii. 1; Mark x. 2, &c.

1 Or, *righteousness.*

2 Or, *with.*

d ch. xix. 9; Luke xvi. 18; Rom. vii. 3, 1 Cor. vii. 10, 11.

r Deut. xxiv. 13; Ps cxii. 9; Dan iv 27, 2 Cor ix. 9, 10

3 Or, *cause not a trumpet to be sounded*

e ch. xxiii. 16; Exod. xx. 7, Lev. xix. 12, Numb xxx 2; Deut v. 11, xxiii 23.

f ch. xxiii. 16, 18, 22; Isa. lxvi. 1, James v. 12

g Ps. xlviii 2; lxxxvii. 3

s Rom. xii. 8.

h Col. iv. 6; James v 12

i Exod. xxi. 24; Lev xxiv. 20; Deut. xix. 21.

t Luke xiv. 14.

j Prov. xx 22; xxiv 29; Isa. l. 6; Lam. iii. 30, Luke vi. 29; Rom. xii. 17, 19; 1 Cor vi 7; 1 Thess. v. 15; 1 Peter iii. 9

k ch. xxvii. 32; Mark xv. 21.

l Deut. xv. 8, 10; Luke vi. 30, 35.

u 2 Kings iv. 33.

m Lev. xix. 18; Deut. xxiii. 6; Ps. xli. 10.

v 1 Kings xviii. 26, 27; Eccles. v. 2.

n Luke vi. 27, 35; xxiii. 34; Acts vii 60, Rom xii 14, 20; 1 Cor iv 12, 13; 1 Peter iii 23; iii 9.

w Luke xi 2, &c

x ch. xxvi 39, 42; Ps ciii 20, 21; Acts xxi. 14.

o Job xxv. 3.

y Job xxiii. 12; Prov. xxx 8.

z ch. xviii. 21, &c.

p Luke vi. 32.

47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more *than others?* do not even the publicans so?

48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.[q]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Christ continueth his sermon in the mount, speaking of alms, 5 prayer, 14 forgiving our brethren, 16 fasting, 19 where our treasure is to be laid up, 24 of serving God, and mammon 25 exhorteth not to be careful for worldly things · 33 but to seek God's kingdom.*



TAKE heed that ye do not your [1]alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward [2]of your Father which is in heaven.[r]

2 Therefore when thou doest *thine* alms, [3]do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.[s]

3 But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth:

4 That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.[t]

5 ¶ And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites *are:* for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

6 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.[u]

7 But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen *do:* for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking.[v]

8 Be not ye therefore like unto them: for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.

9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.[w]

10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as *it is* in heaven.[x]

11 Give us this day our daily bread.[y]

12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.[z]

13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us

first is used, which signifies to profane; but if we insert the second, the sense is then to praise; and taking the whole sentence in which this word occurs, the change in the reading is most marked:—if we retain the first letter, it is, "Ye shall not PROFANE my holy name;" but if we substitute the second, it is, "Ye shall not PRAISE my holy name." Every element of light and life which was common to the Old Economy was now to re-appear in himself as the Living and the True; nor should one jot or tittle of the old disappear till it had been consummated in Him and his work.

22. "Say to his brother, RACA:"—this word was used as a term of contempt; while the corresponding word "FOOL," if we may judge from its use in other parts of Scripture, was employed to express whatever is reprobate and wicked in the extreme.

"In danger of hell fire:"—to the south-east of Jerusalem was the valley of Hinnom, in which the idolatrous Jews of earlier days were wont to burn their children to Moloch, and into which the bodies of criminals, after execution, were thrown to be consumed. To his hearers the words of Jesus were full of deep and solemn meaning.

CHAPTER VI.

2. "Sound a trumpet."—the words are not to be taken literally, but as a proverbial expression, to denote any kind of ostentatious display.

5. "In the corners of the streets:"—there were certain fixed hours in the service of the Synagogue for the offering of prayer; but if the time overtook a man unexpectedly, then he was to pray wherever he happened to be at the moment; in the street or anywhere else. But these hypocrites



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from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.[a]

14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:[b]

15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.[c]

16 ¶ Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.[d]

17 But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face;[e]

18 That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret: and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.

19 ¶ Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a ch. xxvi 41. 1 Chron xxix 11. Luke xxii 40, 46. John xvii. 15; 1 Cor. x 13; 2 Peter ii. 9; Rev iii 10.

d Isa. lviii 5.

b Mark xi 25, 26; Eph. iv. 32; Col. iii 13.

e Ruth iii 3; Dan. x 3.

c ch. xviii. 35; James ii. 13.

studied to let the hour pass, so as, in the performance of commanded duty, to draw to themselves the gaze and the commendation of men.

16. "Disfigure their faces:"—the reference is to the practice of covering the head with ashes, which disfigured the countenance, or of neglecting to wash during a season of fasting. But in this, as in other prescribed duties, everything depended not on the outward form, but on the inward reality.

25. "Take no thought:"—the original is, be not distracted—let not the mind be drawn this way and that, so as to be torn with anxiety and solicitude.



'I WILL; BE THOU CLEAN."—MATTHEW VIII. 3

earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:[a]

20 But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:[b]

21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

22 The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.[c]

23 But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great *is* that darkness!

24 ¶ No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.[d]

ANNO DOMINI 31

a Prov xxiii 4; 1 Tim vi 17; Heb. xiii 5; James v 1, &c

e Ps lv. 22; Luke xii 22, 23; Philipp iv. 6; 1 Peter v. 7

b ch xix 21; Luke xii 33, 34; xviii 22, 1 Tim vi 19; 1 Peter i 4.

f Job xxxviii. 41; Ps cxlvii 9; Luke xii. 24, &c.

c Luke xi. 34, 36.

d Luke xvi. 13; Gal. i. 10; 1 Tim. vi. 17, James iv. 4; 1 John ii. 15.

25 Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?[e]

26 Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?[f]

27 Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

28 And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

29 And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

30 Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the

28, 29. "Consider the lilies:"—some would take these lilies as inclusive of all wild flowers; but we prefer to restrict the term to the *Crown Imperial*, which grows wild in Palestine; or to the *Amaryllis lutea*, whose golden liliaceous flowers cover the autumnal fields of the Levant. And not more beautiful than just are the words of the amiable and pious Doddridge:—"Every microscope in which a flower is viewed, affords a lively comment on this text." The most gorgeous attire—the richest and most curious embroidery comes far short of the beauty which is revealed in one little flower.

oven, *shall he* not much more *clothe* you, O ye of little faith?

31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.[e]

34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day *is* the evil thereof.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Christ ending his sermon in the mount, reproveth rash judgment, 6 forbiddeth to cast holy things to dogs, 7 exhorteth to prayer, 13 to enter in at the strait gate, 15 to beware of false prophets, 21 not to be hearers, but doers of the word: 24 like houses builded on a rock, 26 and not on the sand.*

JUDGE not, that ye be not judged.[h]

2 For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.[c]

3 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?[d]

4 Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam *is* in thine own eye?

5 Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

6 ¶ Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.[e]

7 ¶ Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:[f]

8 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.[g]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

h Luke xi. 11—13.

i Gen. vi. 5; viii. 21.

j ch. xxii. 40; Lev. xix. 18; Luke vi. 31; Rom. xiii 8—10; Gal. v. 14; 1 Tim. i. 5.

a 1 Kings iii. 13; Ps. xxxvii 25, Mark x. 30; Luke xii 31; 1 Tim. iv. 8.

k Luke xiii. 24.

1 Or, How.

l ch. xxiv. 4, 5, 11, 24; Deut. xiii 3; Jer. xxiii 16; Micah iii. 5; Mark xiii. 22; Acts xx. 29, 30; Rom. xvi. 17, 18; Eph. v. 6, Col. ii 8; 2 Tim. iii 5; 2 Peter ii. 1—3; 1 John iv. 1

m ver 20; ch. xii. 33, Luke vi 43, 44

b Luke vi 37; Rom. ii 1; xiv 3, 4, 10, 13; 1 Cor. iv. 3, 5, James iv. 11, 12.

n ch. xii. 33; Jer. xi. 19

o ch. iii 10; Luke iii. 9, John xv. 2, 6.

c Mark iv 24; Luke vi. 38

d Luke vi. 41, 42.

p ch. xxv. 11, 12; Hos viii. 2, Luke vi. 46, xiii 25, Acts xix. 13, Rom ii. 13, James i 22

q Numb xxiv. 4; John xi 51; 1 Cor xiii 2

r ch. xxv 12, 41; Ps. v 5, vi 8, Luke xiii 25, 27; 2 Tim ii. 19

s Luke vi 47, &c.

e Prov. ix 7, 8, xxiii. 9, Acts xiii. 45, 46

f ch xxi 22, Mark xi. 24, Luke xi 9, 10; xviii 1, John xiv 13, xv. 7, xvi 23, 24; James i 5, 6; 1 John iii 22; v 14, 15.

g Prov. viii 17; Jer. xxix 12, 13

9 Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?[k]

10 Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?

11 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?[i]

12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.[j]

13 ¶ Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:[k]

14 [1]Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

15 ¶ Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.[l]

16 Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?[m]

17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.[n]

18 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

19 Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.[o]

20 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

21 ¶ Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.[p]

22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?[q]

23 And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.[r]

24 ¶ Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:[s]

25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

CHAPTER VII.

1. "Judge not:"—this does not forbid us to form an opinion; but in expressing that opinion, not to speak as if we could judge or pronounce on the motives which influence others. We can condemn any line of conduct only on evidence clear and convincing.

3. "The mote;" . . . "the beam:"—this may be a proverbial phrase to express the greater sin of the man who undertakes to censure, than of him who is censured, or it may be designed to set forth "the relative magnitude which our own faults and those of our brother ought to hold in our estimation;" but we are strongly of opinion, that its true application is to the incapacity of any one to form a correct judgment of another's conduct, while he himself is under the influence of evil. His diseased mental vision magnifies the mote in his brother's eye into a beam; while the beam in his own eye he regards as a mote. He is thus incapable of forming a true judgment.

5. "See clearly to cast out the mote:"—instead of dwelling on our brother's faults or errors till they become magnified into enormities, and of holding them up to the gaze and reprobation of others, our Lord here teaches us that the duty of reformation is to begin with self, and then we shall be enabled to help our brother to free himself from what is wrong in his life and character—performing on his behalf every kindly office which the genius of the Christian faith could prompt or dictate. In harmony with this is the teaching of the Apostle James (v 19, 20).

6. "Give not that which is holy unto the dogs"—the holy things here spoken of point to the sacrificial offerings, which it would be a profanation to give unto dogs; and to cast pearls before swine, would be to misappropriate that which was good and costly.

13, 14. "Enter ye in at the strait gate."—while the great majority of men deceive themselves as to the difficulties connected with an entrance into the kingdom of God, how few are even willing to undergo the necessary labour, or go through the self-denying struggles which are called for in order to gain the blessed end! Hence it is, that they lose everlasting life.

22. "Have we not prophesied in thy name?"—supernatural gifts were no evidence of a renewed and sanctified state of soul. While miracles were effects produced by the power of the Spirit acting through the human agent, the presence and activity of that power in any given individual were no evidence of inward, spiritual life. The contradiction between the personal character and the miraculous gifts was quite enough to determine who were the true and who were the false among those professed teachers and guides of the people.

24—27. "Heareth these sayings of mine:"—in these concluding verses, our Lord is careful to make prominent, as Neander remarks, "the great

27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

28 And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine:[a]

29 For he taught them as *one* having authority, and not as the scribes.[b]

CHAPTER VIII.

2 Christ cleanseth the leper, 5 healeth the centurion's servant, 14 Peter's mother in law, 16 and many other diseased: 18 sheweth how he is to be followed: 23 stilleth the tempest on the sea, 28 driveth the devils out of two men possessed, 31 and suffereth them to go into the swine.



WHEN he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him.

2 And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.[c]

3 And Jesus put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.

4 And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man; but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.[d]

5 ¶ And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him,[e]

6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.

7 And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him.

8 The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.[f]

9 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this *man*, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth *it*.

10 When Jesus heard *it*, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.

11 And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven.[g]

12 But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.[h]

13 And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, *so* be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.

14 ¶ And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever.[i]

15 And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them.

16 ¶ When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with *his* word, and healed all that were sick:[j]

17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare *our* sicknesses.[k]

18 ¶ Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side.

19 And a certain scribe came, and said unto him, Master, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.[l]

20 And Jesus saith unto him, The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air *have* nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.

21 And another of his disciples said unto him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.[m]

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f Ps. cvii. 20; Luke xv. 19, 21.

a ch. xiii. 54; Mark i. 22; vi. 2; Luke iv. 32.

b John vii. 46.

g Gen. xii. 3; Isa. ii. 2, 3, xi. 10, Mal. i. 11; Luke xiii. 29, Acts x. 45, xi. 18; xiv. 27, Rom. xv. 9, &c., Eph. iii. 6

h ch. xiii. 42, 50; xxi. 43, xxii. 13, xxiv. 51; xxv. 30; Luke xiii. 28; 2 Peter ii. 17, Jude 13.

i Mark i. 29—31; Luke iv. 38, 39; 1 Cor. ix. 5.

c Mark i. 40, &c; Luke v. 12, &c.

j Mark i. 32, &c.; Luke iv. 40, 41

k Isa. liii. 4; 1 Peter ii. 24.

d ch. ix. 30; Lev. xiv. 3, 4, 10, Mark v. 43, Luke v. 14

e Luke vii. 1, &c

l Luke ix. 57, 58.

m 1 Kings xix. 20; Luke ix. 59, 60

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truth announced in the beginning, and carried through the discourse, namely, that a right disposition of heart is essential in all things, according to their right application of his words, his hearers were to judge themselves, and find their destiny described." He adds, that "these words of warning, at the end of the discourse, harmonise well with its beginning."

CHAPTER VIII.

Synopsis.—Matt. viii. 1—4, Mark i. 40—45, Luke v. 12—16. Matt. viii. 5—13; Luke vii. 1—10. Matt. viii. 14—17, Mark i. 29—34, Luke iv. 31—44. Mark i. 35—39; Luke v. 1—11. Matt. viii. 18—27, Mark iv. 35—41; Luke viii. 22—25. Matt. viii. 28—34, Mark. v. 1—20, Luke viii. 26—39.

We have listened to Christ as the world's Great Teacher, as he has been expounding Divine truth for the guidance of mankind, and we are now to come down with him from the mount, and to be witnesses of those miracles which stand out with such sublimity and grandeur in the sacred history. These miracles are spoken of as simply his "works;" as if in him the supernatural was nothing more than the natural heightened and intensified; as if the miraculous were only another mode or revelation of his ordinary procedure.

And here it is of the first moment that we get the true idea of a miracle. We utterly reject the notion of its being "a violation of the laws of Nature;" or of its being a reversing or suspending of those laws, so as to disturb or derange the established order of things. We resolve a miracle into nothing less than an immediate act of God's power; in other words, the production of an unexpected result or effect, as the necessary sequence to the presence of a new cause. Now, if we resolve a miracle into the immediate act of God, then we believe with Olshausen, that to the creature every act of God is a miracle; till considered in relation to him as the First Cause, it appears as pure law and order.

1. "Great multitudes followed him:"—that is, into Capernaum, as the next scene of his labours. Some of these had doubtless been with him on the mount, and on their way to the city were joined by many others.

2. "There came a leper:"—in our notes on Leviticus xiv. 1—37, we have entered at length into the subject of leprosy, as well as into the Divine law relating to the treatment of the unhappy persons afflicted by this loathsome disease. In the present instance, the leper had heard of Christ's character and works of mercy; and full of simple, genuine faith, he put himself in contact with the Saviour, fell at his feet, and implicitly committed himself to his gracious aid. His form of address bespeaks the depth and the force of his faith—"if thou wilt," he did not question his power, for he felt assured that there was no limit to the active and saving energy of the Great Worker; but he, at the same time, knew that any exertion of his power rested on his own sovereign will. The man was therefore just in the attitude to appreciate the Saviour's interposition, and at once the healing virtue passed over from Christ to the leper, and immediately his cure was effected. To him that believeth, all things are possible

4. "Offer the gift that Moses commanded:"—this command, with all which it includes, will be found in Leviticus xiv. 2—12. That which strikes us in this injunction of our Lord is the fact, that up to the day of his death he never interfered with the Mosaic institutions—never attempted to disturb them, or set them aside. On the contrary, he ever enjoined a faithful fulfilment of all the obligations involved in the ancient law, till their very observance should beget in them the conscious need of the true righteousness, which was to be found only in him and through his mediation.

"For a testimony unto them:"—if the man had been cleansed—entirely healed of his leprosy, without the intervention or service of the priesthood, then to admit the fact of the cure was to admit the corresponding fact of Christ's supernatural power. What a condemnation this of their own unbelief, and of their rejection of him as the Messiah and Sent of God!

5. "There came unto him a centurion:"—the leper met Jesus on his way to Capernaum, but having entered the city, he finds another suppliant at his feet in the person of a Roman military officer, whose servant was sick of the palsy. This centurion, whose rank gave him the command of one hundred men, was probably one of the Roman garrison of Capernaum, a Gentile, and therefore brought up in the element of Pagan life; but living among the Jews, had become a proselyte to the Jewish faith.

Matthew says that the centurion himself came to Jesus, whereas Luke (vii. 3) says, that "he sent unto him the elders of the Jews," to prefer his

22 But Jesus said unto him, Follow me; and let the dead bury their dead.

23 ¶ And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him.

24 And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep.[a]

25 And his disciples came to *him*, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.

26 And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.[b]

27 But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!

28 ¶ And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.[c]

29 And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time?

30 And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding.

31 So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine.

32 And he said unto them, Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters.

33 And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing, and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils.

34 And, behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought *him* that he would depart out of their coasts.[d]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a Mark iv. 37, &c.; Luke viii. 23, &c.

e ch. iv 13.

b Ps. lxv. 7; lxxxix. 9; cvii. 29.

f ch viii 10; Mark ii. 3, Luke v. 18.

c Mark v 1, &c.; Luke viii 26, &c.

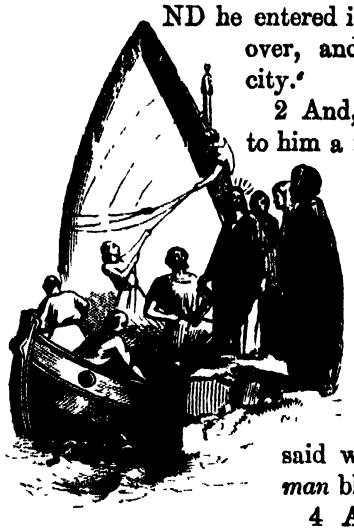
g ch xii. 25, Ps cxxxix 2, Mark xii 15; Luke v 22, vi. 8, ix 47, xi. 17.

d Deut v 25, 1 Kings xvii 18, Luke v 8, Acts xvi 39

h Mark ii 14, Luke v 27

CHAPTER IX.

2 Christ curing one sick of the palsy, 9 calleth Matthew from the receipt of custom, 10 eateth with publicans and sinners, 14 defendeth his disciples for not fasting, 20 cureth the bloody issue, 23 raiseth from death Jairus' daughter, 27 giveth sight to two blind men, 32 healeth a dumb man possessed of a devil, 36 and hath compassion of the multitude.



AND he entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city.[e]

2 And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.[f]

3 And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This *man* blasphemeth.

4 And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?[g]

5 For whether is easier, to say, *Thy* sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk?

6 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.

7 And he arose, and departed to his house.

8 But when the multitudes saw *it*, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.

9 ¶ And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.[h]

request. It is true that a man is said to do that which is done by others in his name and at his request, but the two accounts admit of an easier reconciliation. In the first instance, he may have preferred his request through these elders, and afterwards have appeared before the Saviour in his own person. This is confirmed by the language of the ninth verse, in which he speaks in the first person—"I am a man under authority."

9. "Under authority:"—he had men above him as well as men under him, and therefore he knew what it was to obey orders, as well as to have his orders obeyed. And he reasoned thus:—if through military ranks the word of command runs from the highest to the lowest with all but the speed of lightning, and with all the force of law, what must be the force and efficacy of his word, to whose one will everything is subordinate?

12. "The children of the kingdom:"—the Jews with whom God had established his covenant, in whose midst he had set up his kingdom, and to whom first he sent his own Son to turn their hearts to the obedience of faith. A Gentile proselyte is saved, but the people despising their privileges are cast out.

15. "She arose, and ministered unto them:"—in ordinary cases, even when fever is wholly subdued, the patient is left the subject of great exhaustion; but so perfect was the recovery effected by the Saviour on Peter's wife's mother, that her strength was equal to immediate and active service.

16. "Many that were possessed with devils,"—than the doctrine of demoniacal possession, there is none more difficult within the wide compass of Revelation. Of the existence of evil spirits there can be no doubt, nor of their influence over man. Now there are certain states of body and mind which render man more susceptible of their influence, and of which they take advantage in bringing him under their power. Thus it is said of Judas on the night of Christ's betrayal, that "the devil entered into him." Satan had entered into him long before that, but the man's conduct had been such as to give the great enemy complete power over him, so that he hurried him from one act to another, till he rushed on, and laying his hand on the awful prerogative of God, put an end to his life. We do not say that all who were possessed were extremely wicked or abandoned. This possession was often found in connection with disease of body, as well as corruption of heart. Still, it is not to be resolved into disease. It was a living and conscious power that had possession of the man, and from the character of the times in which our Lord appeared, this possession was more than usually common. If, therefore, he came to conquer all evil, it was no less a display of his mercy than of his power, thus to deliver man from the grasp of such a foe.

31. "If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine:"—here the personality of these evil spirits is placed beyond all controversy. But how can we reconcile it with the benevolent character of Christ, that he should allow these spirits to enter the herd of swine, and thus effect their destruction? Two things are here worthy of remark:—first, these spirits acknowledge their subjection to Christ; nor can they act without his immediate permission. This is an important fact lying on the very face of the narrative; and secondly, swine being ceremonially unclean, and forbidden by the Mosaic law, the Saviour employed these spirits as instruments to punish the transgressors of the law by the loss of their property, and to prove to them, and to the nation at large, that the times of reformation had come, that obedience was the condition of the Divine favour, that self-denial lies at the root of all religion, and that everything is to be sacrificed rather than the soul and her eternal interests. Does not this bespeak benevolence of the highest order—love infinite in its depth, compass, and end?

CHAPTER IX.

SYNOPSIS:—Matt. ix. 1—8, Mark ii. 1—12; Luke v. 17—26. Matt. ix. 9—13; Mark ii. 13—17; Luke v 27—32. Matt. ix. 14—17; Mark ii 18—22; Luke v. 33—39. Matt. ix. 18—26; Mark v. 21—43; Luke viii. 41—56. Matt. ix. 27—38.

The Saviour is still before us in the field of a sublime activity, multiplying his deeds of grandeur, and glorifying his power. Having returned to the western shore of the lake after his cure of the demoniac, Jesus went straightway to Capernaum—"his own city"—where he found himself surrounded by those who excited his sympathy and compassion, who appealed to his power and love, and on whose behalf he showed himself strong to save.

1. "Passed over:"—that is, to the western side of the Lake of Tiberias, on which the city of Capernaum stood.

2. "A man sick of the palsy:"—afflicted with the same malady as the cen-



CHRIST SENDING FORTH THE APOSTLES.—MATTHEW X.

10 ¶ And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.[a]

11 And when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners?[b]

12 But when Jesus heard *that*, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.

13 But go ye and learn what *that* meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.[c]

14 ¶ Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but thy disciples fast not?[d]

15 And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.[e]

16 No man putteth a piece of [1]new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse.

17 Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.

18 ¶ While he spake these things unto them, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live.[f]

19 And Jesus arose, and followed him, and *so did* his disciples.

20 ¶ And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind *him*, and touched the hem of his garment:[g]

21 For she said within herself, If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole.

22 But Jesus turned him about, and when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a Mark ii. 15, &c.; Luke v. 29, &c.

b 2 Chron. xxxv. 25; Mark v. 38; Luke viii. 51.

c ch. xi. 19; Luke v. 30; xv. 2; Gal. ii. 15.

d Acts xx. 10.

2 Or, *this fame.*

e ch. xii. 7; Hos. vi. 6; Micah vi. 6—8; 1 Tim. i. 15.

f ch. xv. 22; xx. 30, 31, Mark x. 47, 48; Luke xviii. 38, 39.

g Mark ii. 18, &c.; Luke v. 33, &c., xviii. 12.

1 Or, *raw*, or *unwrought cloth.*

h John iii. 29; Acts xiii. 2, 3; xiv. 23; 1 Cor vii. 5.

i ch viii 4; xii 16; xvii 9, Luke v. 14

m Mark vii. 36.

n ch xii. 22; Luke xi 14.

o ch xii 24; Mark iii 22, Luke xi. 15.

p ch. iv 23; Mark vi. 6, Luke xiii 22

3 Or, *were tired and lay down*

q Numb xxvii. 17, 1 Kings xxii 17, Ezek xxxiv. 5; Zech. x. 2

r Luke x. 2; John iv. 35

s 2 Thess iii 1.

23 And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise,[i]

24 He said unto them, Give place: for the maid is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn.[j]

25 But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose.

26 And [2]the fame hereof went abroad into all that land.

27 ¶ And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, *Thou* son of David, have mercy on us.[k]

28 And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord.

29 Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you.

30 And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, See *that* no man know *it*.[l]

31 But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country.[m]

32 ¶ As they went out, behold, they brought to him a dumb man possessed with a devil.[n]

33 And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spake: and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel.

34 But the Pharisees said, He casteth out devils through the prince of the devils.[o]

35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.[p]

36 ¶ But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they [3]fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.[q]

37 Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly *is* plenteous, but the labourers *are* few;[r]

38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.[s]

turion's servant. But what was this disease? Not what we understand by palsy or paralysis. It may have been what, in medical nomenclature, is called TETANUS, or one of the various forms of EPILEPSY. The miracle lay not in the cure—for neither of these diseases is deemed incurable—but in the *mode* by which the cure was effected. He spake, and it was done.

3—8. "This man blasphemeth:"—Christ, overlooking for the moment the physical malady in the interesting condition of the man's mind, declares unto him, on the ground of his penitence and faith, the absolution and remission of his sins. This roused the opposition of the Jewish authorities, who immediately charged him with blasphemy; on which he appeals to their own reason:—"Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk?" The power which forgives sin is the only power which, by its own unaided word, can work a miracle; and to prove to you that I have this power, I say to the sick of the palsy, "Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house."

9. "He saw a man, named Matthew."—the Evangelist does not here introduce his own call to the Apostleship out of any feeling of pride and ostentation, but simply to connect his house with the subsequent scene, for "the house," mentioned in the next verse, was his own house, where he received and entertained the Saviour.

"Sitting at the receipt of custom:"—as this was by the Lake of Tiberias, it is not unlikely that Matthew was employed in receiving certain dues connected with the traffic on the water

15. "Then shall they fast:"—Christ, as the Bridegroom, had come to exalt our humanity, and therefore it was not the time for his disciples and friends to fast and mourn; but when he should be taken from them—leave the world, and go to the Father—then would they both fast and weep:—see John xvi. 20.

16 "New cloth unto an old garment:"—the dress of Oriental nations is not made of our woollen cloths, and fabrics of stronger texture, but principally of cotton or calico; and to put a new piece into an old and worn-out garment, would subject the old to such a strain as would increase or multiply the rent.

17. "New wine into old bottles:"—these bottles were made of skins; and the new wine in its fermentation would burst the old skins.

The design of Christ in these two significant illustrations is, to teach John's disciples the contrast between the narrow and restricted life of Judaism, and the free, generous, unconfined life of Christianity; as also to impress upon them the fact, that the time had now come for the passing away for ever of the Old Economy, and for the setting up of that one grand spiritual kingdom of God, which "is not meat and drink, but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

23. "Saw the minstrels:"—when death entered a family, minstrels, who played upon pipes, and wailing women were employed or hired to weep and mourn for the dead. Their number was in proportion to the wealth and influence of the family. For some further remarks on this renewed instance of miraculous power, see Mark v. 36 and Luke viii. 49, with the Notes.

27—38. The account of the healing of two blind men, of the cure effected on the dumb man possessed with a devil, and of our Lord's compassion for the multitude who were without competent spiritual teachers and guides, is peculiar to our Evangelist. It is not found in the other Three Gospels.

CHAPTER X.

1 Christ sendeth out his twelve apostles, enabling them with power to do miracles, 5 giveth them their charge, teacheth them, 16 comforteth them against persecutions; 40 and promiseth a blessing to those that receive them.



AND when he had called unto *him* his twelve disciples, he gave them power [1]*against* unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.[a]

2 Now the names of the twelve apostles are these; The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James *the son* of Zebedee, and John his brother;[b]

3 Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican; James *the son* of Alphæus, and Lebbæus, whose surname was Thaddæus;

4 Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betrayed him.[c]

5 These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into *any* city of the Samaritans enter ye not:[d]

6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.[e]

7 And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand.[f]

8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.[g]

9 [2]Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses,[h]

10 Nor scrip for *your* journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet [3]staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat.[i]

11 And into whatsoever city or town ye shall enter, enquire who in it is worthy; and there abide till ye go thence.[j]

12 And when ye come into an house, salute it.

13 And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you.[k]

14 And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet.[l]

15 Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.[m]

16 ¶ Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and [4]harmless as doves.[n]

17 But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;[o]

18 And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles.[p]

19 But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.[q]

20 For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.[r]

21 And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against *their* parents, and cause them to be put to death.[s]

22 And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.[t]

23 But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not [5]have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.[u]

24 The disciple is not above *his* master, nor the servant above his lord.[v]

25 It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the master of the house [6]Beelzebub, how much more *shall they call* them of his houshold?[w]

26 Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known.[x]

27 What I tell you in darkness, *that* speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, *that* preach ye upon the housetops.

28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.[y]

29 Are not two sparrows sold for a [7]farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.

30 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.[z]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

m ch xi. 22, 24.
4 Or, *simple.*
n Luke x. 3; Rom xvi. 19; 1 Cor. xiv. 20; Eph. v 15; Philipp. ii. 15.
1 Or, *over.*
o ch. xxiv. 9; Mark xiii 9; Luke xii. 11; xxi 12; Acts v. 40.
a Mark iii. 13, &c.; vi 7; Luke vi. 13; ix. 1.
p Acts xii 1, &c.; xxiv 10; xxv. 7, 23, 2 Tim iv. 16.
q Exod. iv 12; Jer. i 7; Mark xiii 11—13; Luke xii. 11; xxi 14, 15.
b John i. 42.
r 2 Sam. xxiii. 2; Acts iv 8, vi. 10, 2 Tim iv 17
s vs 35, 36; Micah vii 6, Luke xxi 16
c Luke vi 15, John xiii. 26, Acts i. 13.
t ch xxiv 13; Dan xii 12, 13, Mark xiii. 13; Luke xxi 17
d ch. iv 15; 2 Kings xvii 24; John iv. 9, 20.
5 Or, *end*, or, *finish.*
e ch. xv 24, Isa liii 6, Jer l. 6, 17, Ezek xxxiv 5, 6, 16, Acts xiii. 46, 1 Peter ii 25
u ch ii 13; iv 12; xii 15, xvi 28, Acts viii 1; ix 25, xiv 6
f ch iii. 2; iv 17, Luke ix 2, x. 9.
v Luke vi 40; John xiii 16; xv 20
g Acts viii 18, 20.
2 Or, *Get*
6 Gr *Beelzebul*
h 1 Sam ix 7, Mark vi 8, Luke ix 3; x 4, xxii 35
w ch xii. 24; Mark iii. 22, Luke xi. 15, John viii. 48, 52.
3 Gr *a staff*
i Luke x. 7; 1 Cor ix. 7, &c; 1 Tim. v 18
x Mark iv 22; Luke viii. 17, xii. 2, 3.
j Luke x 8
y Isa. viii 12, 13; Luke xii. 4, 1 Peter iii 14.
k Ps. xxxv 13, Luke x. 5.
7 It is in value half-penny farthing in the original, as being the tenth part of the Roman penny, ch. xviii. 28
l Neh. v. 13, Mark vi. 11; Luke ix. 5, x. 10, 11, Acts xiii. 51; xviii. 6
z 1 Sam. xiv. 45; 2 Sam. xiv 11; Luke xxi. 18; Acts xxvii. 34.

CHAPTER X.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt. x. 1—42; Mark vi. 7—13; Luke ix. 1—6

The last two verses of the preceding chapter lead us to the conclusion, that the sphere of Christ's public labours had now become much too large for himself alone to completely fill, and therefore he selected a certain number of his more intimate friends and more advanced followers, to be the teachers of his doctrine, and the founders of his kingdom. When this election to office took place, none of the Evangelists inform us; and here we have not the choosing, but the sending forth of the Twelve on their sublime and saving mission.

1. "He gave them power:"—such a supernatural impartation of the Spirit as should act through them to the accomplishment of the most stupendous, impressive, and incontrovertible deeds; and to which they might everywhere and always refer as their credentials of office.

2—4. "The names of the twelve apostles:"—the order in which these names occur in the narrative of the different Evangelists and in the Acts of the Apostles greatly differs, but that we are to infer from this that there existed any priority or pre-eminence among them, we do not believe. If Peter had stood last in the list instead of first, and if Judas Iscariot had stood first instead of last, this would not have altered the relation of either to the whole body, nor affected their influence.

5. "Any city of the Samaritans:"—these Samaritans "were the Gentile inhabitants of the country between Judea and Galilee, consisting of heathens whom Shalmaneser, King of Assyria, brought from Babylon and other places." From 2 Kings xvii. 24—41, we learn that they strangely mixed the worship of Jehovah with their gross and debasing idolatries.

7. "The kingdom of heaven:"—a comprehensive term for the Reign of Grace on earth, in connection with which heavenly principles are at work in our fallen, sinful humanity, producing in the disciples of Christ a meetness for the world of perfect life and unchangeable happiness. The means of grace lead to the hope of glory.

9, 10. The prohibition in these two verses extends to the three essentials of earthly life—MONEY, FOOD, CLOTHING. The disciples were to set out on their present mission in the spirit of simple and entire dependence on Him who sent them, without making any previous provision whatever.

The "scrip" was the wallet in which travellers carried their food and clothing; as they were forbidden to take either of these with them, they needed not the RABDON, or stick, on which the wallet was borne from the shoulder. They were at liberty to take their staff or walking-stick, but nothing more.

17. "Deliver you up to the councils:"—these councils were smaller courts, appointed in every city, to take cognizance of causes both civil and criminal:—ut. xvi. 18.

"Take no thought:"—they were not to distract and distress themselves

31 Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.

32 Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.[a]

33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.[b]

34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.[c]

35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.[d]

36 And a man's foes *shall be* they of his own houshold.[e]

37 He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.[f]

38 And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.[g]

39 He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.[h]

40 ¶ He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.[i]

41 He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward.[j]

42 And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold *water* only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a Luke xii. 8; Rom. x. 9, 10; Rev. iii. 5.

b Mark viii. 38; Luke ix. 26, 2 Tim. ii. 12.

c Luke xii. 49, 51—53.

d Micah vii. 6.

e Ps xli. 9, lv. 13; Micah vii. 6, John xiii. 18.

f ch. xiv. 3; Luke vii. 18, 19, &c.

g Luke xiv. 26.

m Gen. xlix. 10; Numb xxiv 17, Dan. ix. 24; John vi. 14.

h ch. xvi 24, Mark viii. 34, Luke ix. 23; xiv. 27

i ch. xvi. 25; Luke xvii 33; John xii. 25.

k ch. xviii. 5, Luke ix 48; x 16, John xii 44, xiii. 20, Gal. iv. 14.

n Ps. xxii. 26, Isa xxix. 18; xxxv 4—6; xlii. 7, lxi 1, Luke iv 18, John ii 23, iii. 2, v 36, x 25, 38, xiv. 11, James ii 5

j 1 Kings xvii 10, xviii 4, 2 Kings iv 8

o ch. xiii 57, xxiv. 10, xxvi 31, Isa. viii 14, 15, Rom ix. 32, 33, 1 Cor i 23, ii 14, Gal v 11, 1 Peter ii. 8

k ch xviii 5, 6; xxv. 40, Mark ix 41, Heb vi 10.

p Luke vii 24, Eph. iv 14.

CHAPTER XI.

2 John sendeth his disciples to Christ. 7 Christ's testimony concerning John. 18 The opinion of the people, both concerning John and Christ. 20 Christ upbraideth the unthankfulness and unrepentance of Chorazin, Bethsaida, and Capernaum: 25 and praising his Father's wisdom in revealing the gospel to the simple, 28 he calleth to him all such as feel the burden of their sins.



AND it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.

2 Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,[l]

3 And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?[m]

4 Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:

5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.[n]

6 And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.[o]

7 ¶ And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind?[p]

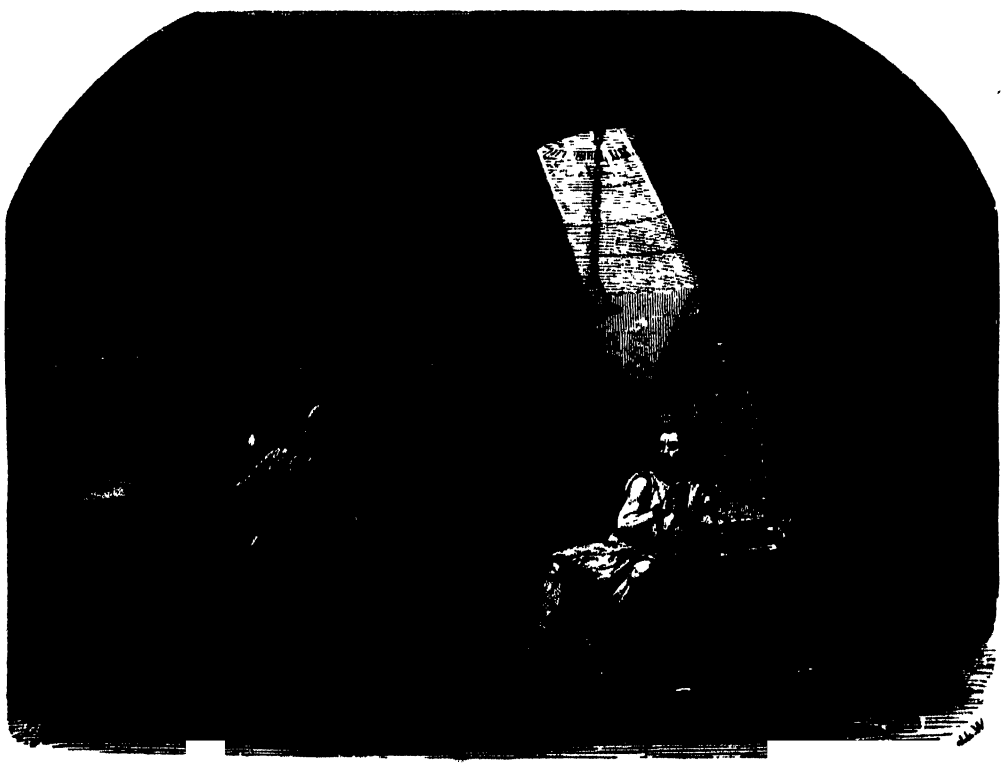
as to their defence. He who is the only Fountain of wisdom and truth would stand by them, and teach them both what and how they should speak.

23. "Till the Son of man be come."—the reference is not to the end of the dispensation, but to the destruction of Jerusalem. According to Alford, "these two subjects accompany and interpenetrate one another in a manner wholly inexplicable to those who are unaccustomed to the wide import of Scripture prophecy, which speaks very generally not so much of *events themselves—points of time*—as of a series of events, all ranging under one great description;" and therefore he thinks that in all such expressions we must look onwards to the great final coming of the Lord, as the end of all prophecy.

CHAPTER XI.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt. xi. 1—30; Luke vii. 18—35; x. 13—18, 21, 22.

Whether the preceding charge to the Twelve was delivered in the house of Matthew or in the open air—whether in some retired spot, or while prosecuting a journey, we have no means of knowing. But the Saviour having given his Apostles their sublime commission, and having, in his instructions to them, laid down principles which, in their spirit, admit of universal application to both ministers and missionaries in all future time, he sets out afresh on his own appointed work of teaching, and, in connection with that teaching, of revealing his wondrous and saving power. Olshausen says that "the narrative of the mission of the two disciples of St. John is made use of by St. Matthew, only as a means of connecting therewith those discourses of Jesus in which are portrayed the different positions of the people with regard to the person of Jesus. The proud understood Jesus as little as they did John; the humble recognised that which is DIVINE, under the most sacred forms, because they themselves, in fact, were seeking after this only."



JOHN IN PRISON.—MATTHEW XIV. 10.

2. "In the prison:"—the reasons for John's imprisonment are given in chap. xiv. 3—5; and there, in the fortress of Machairus, he had been languishing for several months. He was not, however, forbidden all intercourse with his followers, and from them he was ever hearing of the wonderful power of Christ in the deeds which he performed. Hence his message to him, and the inquir which it involved.



"THE SON OF MAN IS LORD EVEN OF THE SABBATH DAY."—MATTHEW XII. 8.

8 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft *clothing* are in kings' houses.

9 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet.[a]

10 For this is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.[b]

11 Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven [1]suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.[c]

13 For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.[d]

14 And if ye will receive *it*, this is Elias, which was for to come.[e]

15 He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.[f]

16 ¶ But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows,[g]

17 And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented.

18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil.

19 The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children.[h]

20 ¶ Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:[i]

21 Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.[j]

22 But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you.[k]

23 And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.[l]

24 But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.[m]

25 ¶ At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.[n]

26 Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.

27 All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and *he* to whomsoever the Son will reveal *him*.[o]

28 ¶ Come unto me, all *ye* that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.[p]

30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.

ANNO DOMINI 31.

[t] Luke x. 13, &c.

[a] ch. xiv. 5; xxi. 26; Luke i. 76; vii. 26.
[j] Jonah iii. 7, 8.

[b] Mal. iii. 1; Mark i. 2; Luke i. 76; vii. 27.
[k] ver. 24; ch. x. 15.

1 Or, *is gotten by force, and they that thrust men.*
[l] Isa. xiv. 13; Lam. ii. 1.

[c] Luke xvi. 16.

[d] Mal. iv. 5.
[m] ch. x. 15.

[e] ch. xvii. 12; Mal. iv. 5; Luke i. 17.

[f] ch. xiii. 9; Luke viii. 8; Rev. ii. 7, 11, 17, 29; iii. 6, 13, 22.
[n] ch. xvi. 17; Ps. viii. 2; Luke x. 21; 1 Cor. i. 19, 27; ii. 8, 2 Cor. iii. 14.

[g] Luke vii. 31.

[o] ch. xxviii. 18; Luke x. 22; John i. 18; iii. 35; vi. 46; x. 15; xiii. 3; xvii. 2; 1 Cor. xv. 27.

[h] ch. ix. 10; Luke vii. 35.

[p] Jer. vi. 16; Zech. ix. 9; John xiii. 15; Philipp. ii. 5, 7, 8; 1 Peter ii. 21; 1 John ii. 6; v. 3.

3. "Art thou he that should come?"—this was a title given to the Messiah. This message was probably designed to remove the doubts of his disciples—to confirm their faith in Christ's Messiahship, and to withdraw their thoughts from John and his ministration, in order that they might be fixed upon Christ as the Divine Teacher and the promised Deliverer. It is possible, also, that, while thus promoting the spiritual welfare of his disciples, John might desire to be assured that Jesus, to whom he sent these messengers, was that Holy and Divine person whom he had baptized, upon whom he had seen the Spirit descend, on behalf of whom he had received the heavenly testimony, declaring him to be the Son of God, and whom he had announced as the antitype shadowed forth by the Paschal Lamb, and, as such, the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. To this prudent and pious inquiry the Saviour responded by a reply addressed to the eye as well as to the ear; that the messengers might perceive, in the fulfilment of prophecies relating to the promised Messiah, and familiar to every Jew, that he who performed those acts of mercy and deeds of power was indeed the Christ, the Son of God.

7. "A reed shaken with the wind:"—the reed abounded on the banks of the Jordan, and was the sport of every breeze. The point of the Saviour's question is this:—Did you expect to find in John—a man who has thus proved himself true to his convictions—one who is fickle, changeful, and the sport of outward influences? John is not that man

11. "Is greater than he:"—in the words of Neander, "this superiority does not refer to moral worth, in which, certainly, Christ could not intend to place 'the least' in the Christian Church above this man of God; but refers to advantages for comprehending the nature and power of the Gospel, here termed the kingdom of God. In this sense the greatest or most enlightened under the Old Testament dispensation is not equal to the feeblest disciple of Christ enjoying the light and knowledge of the Gospel.

12. "Suffereth violence:"—it is, from its very spirituality, violently opposed by a carnal selfish world; and yet by the violent only—by those who violently, earnestly, perseveringly struggle against such carnality and worldliness in Divine strength—can the kingdom be taken, or be entered.

14. "This is Elias:"—for the true interpretation of this phrase, see the Notes on Mal. iv. 5, 6.

16—19. "Whereunto shall I liken this generation? . . . Wisdom is justified of her children:"—the Saviour here charges the Jews with all the fickleness of children in their little games and pastimes, whom nothing can long please or satisfy. Now their music is full of mirth and joy, and then it is sad and sorrowful; but both are alike unwelcome to their companions, who will neither dance nor be sad. So it was with them in relation to John and his illustrious Master. The Baptist came as the ascetic of the desert, preaching repentance, with fasting, self-denial, and severe mortification, and they treat him as a madman—as one possessed or beside himself. The Son of man, whose whole ministry formed a perfect contrast to that of his forerunner, freely mingled in the scenes and society of men, and shared their human joys, and they look upon him as a glutton and a wine-bibber—given up to luxury and self-indulgence. How false the estimate thus formed of both! "Wisdom is justified of her children:"—she had her children, and they could recognise the operations of an Infinite Wisdom in the ministry of both; for while the multitude, to use the words of Neander, "sunk in worldly-mindedness and self-conceit, and deaf to the voice of Divine Wisdom, took offence, for opposite reasons, at both these messengers of God, the humble and susceptible disciples of the Wisdom of God, on the other hand, could understand the different stand-points of John and Jesus, and appreciate the reasons for their different modes of life and action."

21. "Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida!"—the first of these places, which is mentioned only here, was a small town in Galilee, on the shores of the Lake of Tiberias, or Genesareth, not far from the city of Capernaum. Its precise locality is now unknown. Bethsaida, which literally means "the house of fishing," was also a town of Galilee, situated on the west of Jordan, near the Sea of Tiberias, and distinguished as the birth-place of Andrew, Peter, and Philip.

25. "Hid these things from the wise and prudent:"—from those who affected to be enlightened and informed, and who placed their human intelligence above the revelation and the knowledge of God; but revealed to babes—the child-like in disposition, and therefore susceptible of impression.

27. "No man knoweth the Son:"—the essential nature of Christ, as the only-begotten Son of God, is just as profound a mystery as the essence or being of the Father; while the relation between the two is a depth which we can never fathom. Nor is it possible, but by inward spiritual illumination, that we can perceive or apprehend the relation of both Father and Son to the soul recovered from sin and death.

28—30. These cheering and inexhaustible words, which have been preserved by Matthew alone, teach us that the obedience which flows from an inward Divine life, and which is rendered in the spirit of love, is easy when contrasted with the bondage of sin, and leads to corresponding rest and joy.

It is a fact which stands distinctly out on every page of the Christian Revelation, that "Christianity has its yoke, and demands obedience to the supremacy of the word of Christ, and the discipline of his Spirit; but by strength divinely imparted the yoke becomes easy, and the burden becomes light. The Law and the Gospel alike demand obedience; but the Gospel, with the demand, bestows the power to obey.

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Christ reproveth the blindness of the Pharisees concerning the breach of the sabbath,* 3 *by scriptures,* 9 *by reason,* 13 *and by a miracle.* 22 *He healeth the man possessed that was blind and dumb.* 31 *Blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall never be forgiven.* 36 *Account shall be made of idle words.* 38 *He rebuketh the unfaithful, who seek after a sign:* 49 *and sheweth who is his brother, sister, and mother.*



AT that time Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn; and his disciples were an hungred, and began to pluck the ears of corn, and to eat.[a]

2 But when the Pharisees saw *it*, they said unto him, Behold, thy disciples do that which is not lawful to do upon the sabbath day.

3 But he said unto them, Have ye not read what David did, when he was an hungred, and they that were with him;[b]

4 How he entered into the house of God, and did eat the shewbread, which was not lawful for him to eat, neither for them which were with him, but only for the priests?[c]

5 Or have ye not read in the law, how that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath, and are blameless?[d]

6 But I say unto you, That in this place is *one* greater than the temple.[e]

7 But if ye had known what *this* meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, ye would not have condemned the guiltless.[f]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

g Mark iii. 1; Luke vi. 6.

h Luke xiii. 14; xiv. 3; John ix. 16.

a Deut. xxiii. 25; Mark ii. 23; Luke vi 1.

i Exod. xxiii. 4, 5; Deut. xxii. 4.

1 Or, *took counsel.*

j ch. xxvii 1; Mark iii 6; Luke vi 11; John v. 18; x 39; xi 53.

b 1 Sam xxi. 6

k ch x. 23; xix. 2; Mark iii. 7.

c Exod. xxv. 30; xxix. 32, 33, Lev. viii. 31; xxiv 5, 9.

l ch ix 30.

d Numb. xxviii. 9; John vii. 22.

e 2 Chron vi. 18; Mal iii 1

m ch iii. 17; xvii. 5, Isa xlii 1.

f ch ix 13, Hos vi. 6, Micah vi 6, 7, 8

8 For the Son of man is Lord even of the sabbath day.

9 And when he was departed thence, he went into their synagogue:[g]

10 ¶ And, behold, there was a man which had *his* hand withered. And they asked him, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they might accuse him.[h]

11 And he said unto them, What man shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep, and if it fall into a pit on the sabbath day, will he not lay hold on it, and lift *it* out?[i]

12 How much then is a man better than a sheep? Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days.

13 Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched *it* forth; and it was restored whole, like as the other.

14 ¶ Then the Pharisees went out, and [1]held a council against him, how they might destroy him.[j]

15 But when Jesus knew *it*, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, and he healed them all;[k]

16 And charged them that they should not make him known:[l]

17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

18 Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my spirit upon him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.[m]

19 He shall not strive, nor cry; neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets.

CHAPTER XII.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt xii. 1—8; Mark ii 23—28; Luke vi. 1—5 Matt. xii. 9—21; Mark iii 1—6; Luke vi 6—11. Matt xii. 22—45; Mark iii 20—30; Luke xi. 14—26, 29—36. Matt. xii. 46—50; Mark iii. 31—35; Luke viii. 19—21.

It is a striking fact in the history of our Lord, that though possessed of unlimited power, he never performed a miracle to satisfy his own will or want, when the momentary need could be supplied by natural and accessible means; still he was always willing and ready to interpose that power on behalf of others when nothing else could secure the desired effect. Strange to say, however, the most benevolent manifestation of this power called forth the most determined opposition; so much so, that many of the Jews assigned these benevolent deeds to Satanic agency, and thus shut their hearts against the very influence which Christ was employing for the subjugation and regeneration of man. This leads the Saviour to speak of the sin against the Holy Ghost, and to point out who they were that could claim any true spiritual relationship to him as the Son of God and the Saviour of the world.

1. "On the Sabbath day:"—according to Luke, this was "on the second Sabbath after the first;" the first Sabbath after the second day from the Passover, when, according to the Mosaic institution, the first sheaf of corn was offered to the Lord in the Temple. From this day seven Sabbaths were reckoned to the day of Pentecost.

"Began to pluck the ears of corn:"—and having plucked them, they rubbed them in their hands to set free the grain, which, Robinson tells us, is still a customary process in Eastern countries.

2. "The Pharisees:"—of all the sects into which the Jews were divided, the Pharisees, or Separatists, as the word signifies, who piqued themselves on their superior sanctity and intelligence, were by far the most numerous. Of their origin, little, if anything, is known. Their system of doctrine and practice was the growth of ages, and led to the most contemptible selfishness. There is equal point and truth in Lightfoot's remark—"The best of Pharisees are the worst of men;" for their professed piety was based on that most consummate of all hypocrisies which makes religion a veil for the indulgence of every passion and the commission of every wrong. Such was their character as a sect; though there were a few noble exceptions.

"Not lawful to do upon the Sabbath day:"—though always on the alert, it is worthy of remark that these supercilious selfish Pharisees did not presume to condemn the deed of Christ's disciples; for their own published law—Deut. xxiii. 25—allowed the plucking of the ears of corn in any field through which there lay an open path. The charge preferred against these disciples was that of Sabbath-breaking—a charge at once refuted by our Lord, who refers, in verses 3—6, to the fact of David satisfying his hunger with the fact of the priests profaning the Sabbath by the servile work which they had officially to do on that hallowed day, but which was allowed, and even sanctified, by being done in the Temple; and then to the fact that there was One present on the occasion greater than the Temple. He did not—he would not—condemn the act of these his disciples, for they were engaged in the service of One that was greater than the Temple. He, as the Lord of the Sabbath, knew what was its law, its spirit, its design. Man is not the slave of the Sabbath; but the Sabbath is the minister of man; and if that day be appropriated to works of mercy and of need—to God's honour and man's spiritual welfare—its design is fulfilled.

9. "He went into their synagogue:"—the synagogue was a place of public assembly, and where divine worship was performed. It is said that the synagogue had no existence before the time of the Captivity, but that subsequent to that event, meetings of the people for public instruction became frequent; that these meetings were first held in private houses, or in the open air; that appropriate buildings were afterwards erected, and were built wherever there were worshippers in numbers sufficient to associate and assemble; that there were some hundreds of these synagogues in Jerusalem at the time it was subdued by the Romans; that these buildings in some respects corresponded, in their construction, with the Temple; that in each was an ark, or chest, which contained a copy of the law; that each synagogue had its proper officers—its council, composed of elders, or men of age and influence, to whom pertained the supreme direction, with their president, who was known by the designation of ruler, or chief ruler of the synagogue; that this council had power to excommunicate and punish offenders; that the service performed in these synagogues consisted of the offering of public prayers, which was followed by reciting the condemnatory portions of the law; then came the repetition of their phylacteries, followed by the reading of the Law and the Prophets; then followed an exposition of Scripture and a practical exhortation; and the whole was concluded with a short prayer and benediction. The exposition might devolve on one of the elders, or be performed by any more distinguished worshipper who happened to be present. This fact explains Luke iv. 17—20.

14. "Held a council:"—Mark says, "with the Herodians." This is the first time the Evangelist speaks of a council being held to put Jesus to death.

19. "He shall not strive, nor cry:"—his was a ministry, not of strife and contest, but of peace. He was to ride forth because of meekness. His gentleness made him great. And one of the distinguishing marks of the followers of Christ, is the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, ever remembering that "a soft answer turneth away wrath," and "he that is slow to anger is better than the mighty," and "he that ruleth his spirit, than he that

20 A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory.

21 And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.

22 ¶ Then was brought unto him one possessed with a devil, blind, and dumb: and he healed him, insomuch that the blind and dumb both spake and saw.[a]

23 And all the people were amazed, and said, Is not this the son of David?

24 But when the Pharisees heard *it*, they said, This *fellow* doth not cast out devils, but by [1]Beelzebub the prince of the devils.[b]

25 And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:[c]

26 And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself; how shall then his kingdom stand?

27 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast *them* out? therefore they shall be your judges.

28 But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.[d]

29 Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house.[e]

30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

31 ¶ Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy *against* the *Holy* Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.[f]

32 And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world, neither in the *world* to come.[g]

33 Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by *his* fruit.[h]

34 O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.[i]

35 A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

36 But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

37 For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

38 ¶ Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee.[j]

39 But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:[k]

40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.[l]

41 The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here.[m]

42 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.[n]

43 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none.[o]

44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth *it* empty, swept, and garnished.

45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a ch. vii. 17; Luke vi. 43, 44.

i ch. iii. 7; xxiii. 33; Luke vi. 45.

a ch ix. 32; Mark iii. 11; Luke xi. 14.

1 Gr. *Beelzebul*, ver. 27.

b ch ix. 34; Mark iii. 22; Luke xi 15.

j ch xvi 1; Mark viii. 11; Luke xi. 16, 29; John ii. 18; 1 Cor. i. 22.

c ch ix. 4; John ii 25; Rev. ii. 23

k ch. xvi. 4; Isa. lvii. 3, Mark viii 38; John iv. 48.

l Jonah i. 17.

d Dan. ii. 44; vii 14; Luke i. 33; xi. 20, xvii. 20, 21.

e Isa. xlix 24; Luke xi. 21—23.

m Jer iii 11; Ezek. xvi 51, 52, Jonah iii 5, Luke xi. 32, Rom. ii. 27

n 1 Kings x. 1; 2 Chron ix. 1; Luke xi 31

f Mark iii. 28; Luke xii. 10, Acts vii 51, Heb. vi. 4, x. 26, 29; 1 John v 16

o Job i 7, Luke xi 24, 1 Peter v 8

g ch. xi 19; xiii. 55; John vii 12, 52; 1 Tim. i. 13.

23. "Is not this the son of David?"—it is clear from Matt. i. 1, that this designation was the especial title of the Messiah. The words, in their present interrogatory form, may be regarded as a confession of his Messiahship.

27. "By whom do your children cast them out?"—we know, from the facts of the Old Testament history, and from the words of our Lord, in Matt. vii. 22, that the power of working miracles was not confined to the Prophets, or to the Apostles, and if that power could in no case be resolved into anything lower than the Infinite and Divine, then how could his works, so replete with benignant and merciful results, be looked upon as designs and deeds of Satan? Hence the force of the Saviour's words—"If Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself;"—as if he had said, If I am the mere agent of Satan, and am in league with him, then he is working against himself, to the overthrow of his own kingdom, and the loss of his own power.

31, 32. "The blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men:"—by ascribing the works of Christ to Satanic agency, in opposition to the clearest proof and the highest demonstration, they put themselves in direct antagonism to the One only Power by which Christ professed to perform his miracles, and the only Power which was henceforth to act, through his own mysterious mediation, on their hearts, to subdue, renovate, and sanctify them; and, therefore, if men continued in this state of wilful and determined opposition to this saving Power, they placed themselves beyond the reach of forgiveness and salvation. The crime is not peculiar to the age of our Lord, and not confined to those who were eye-witnesses of his miracles; but in our own day is to be found in the wilful and persevering rejection of the only means of salvation. While life continues there is hope; but it is quite possible for men, through unbelief and contempt of the Gospel, to force their way into the world of everlasting woe. From such fatal conduct may the good Lord deliver us!

33. "Make the tree good, and his fruit good:"—the application of these words is very striking. The Jews could not deny either the reality or the beneficence of the Saviour's miracles, and yet they ascribed them to Satanic agency. Now, says Christ, if the fruit be good, must not the tree which yields the fruit be good also? or if the tree be bad, must not the fruit be bad also? Deny, if you will, the goodness of the deeds—declare them to be bad—and you will be consistent in tracing them to diabolical influence; but if you admit their goodness and beneficence, then it follows that I am of God. To this there was no reply.

36. "Every idle word:"—that is, every rash and evil-designed word. Words are but the medium of thought; and since thoughts have their seat in the heart, the state of the heart in the sight of God must determine every man's condition for ever.

40, 41. On the interpretation and use of these verses, see Notes on Jonah i. 17; iii. 5—10.

42. "The queen of the south:"—she was the reigning queen of Ethiopia, the queens of which were usually called Candace; and if we may believe the Abyssinian tradition, she embraced the Hebrew faith in Jerusalem. The Arabians, however, claim this princess, under the name of BALKIS, which is supposed by some to be nearer the truth, since Sheba, whence she came, was a tract in Arabia Felix, near the shores of the Red Sea, and abounded in aromatics, and gold, and precious stones.

50. "The same is my brother, and sister, and mother:"—from these words it is very clear that there are ties or relationships more intimate, more endearing, and more permanent, than those of earth and time. Christ has partaken of our nature, and we are called upon to partake of his; and when, by the operation of the Holy Spirit upon the heart, we are brought into a spiritual relationship to Christ, he becomes our Elder Brother, and we are exalted to the honour of membership in the holy family of Christ's kindred, and are numbered among the sons and daughters of the Most High, and are constituted joint heirs with Christ in his kingdom, felicity, and glory. The kingdom, the throne, and the glory belonging to Christ, by virtue of his mediatorial office, are by Christ assigned to them that believe on his name.



JESUS TEACHING BY THE SEASIDE.—MATTHEW XIII. 1—3.

other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.[a]

46 ¶ While he yet talked to the people, behold, *his* mother and his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him.[b]

47 Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee.

48 But he answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?

49 And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren!

50 For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.[c]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a Heb. vi. 4; x. 26; 2 Peter ii. 20—22.

b ch. xii. 55; Mark iii. 31; vi. 3; Luke viii. 19—21; John ii. 12; vii. 3, 5; Acts i. 14; 1 Cor. ix. 5; Gal. i. 19

c Mark iv. 1.

c Luke v. 3; viii. 4.

f Luke viii. 5

c John xv. 14; Gal. v. 6; vi. 15; Col. iii. 11; Heb. ii. 11.

CHAPTER XIII.

3 *The parable of the sower and the seed* 18 *the exposition of it.* 24 *The parable of the tares,* 31 *of the mustard seed,* 33 *of the leaven,* 44 *of the hidden treasure,* 45 *of the pearl,* 47 *of the drawnet cast into the sea:* 53 *and how Christ is contemned of his own countrymen.*



THE same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side.[d]

2 And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that he went into a ship, and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.[e]

3 And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow;[f]

4 And when he sowed, some *seeds* fell by the

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1—52; Mark iv. 1—20, 30—34; Luke viii. 4—15; xiii. 18—21. Matt. xiii. 53—58; Mark vi. 1—6; Luke iv. 14—29.

The Evangelist here gives us a collection of parables; but whether he has recorded them in the order in which they were delivered by our Saviour or not, we are unable to determine. They have reference to the development and progress of God's kingdom in the world; and we, having them before us in a collective form, are able to consider the scope and meaning of each individual

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way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

5 Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.

7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:

8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.[a]

9 Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.[b]

10 And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?

11 He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.[c]

12 For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.[d]

13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

14 And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive:[e]

15 For this people's heart is waxed gross, and *their* ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with *their* eyes, and hear with *their* ears, and should understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.[f]

16 But blessed *are* your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.[g]

17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous *men* have desired to see *those things* which ye see, and have not seen *them;* and to hear *those things* which ye hear, and have not heard *them.*[h]

18 ¶ Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.[i]

19 When any one heareth the word of the kingdom, and understandeth *it* not, then cometh the wicked *one*, and catcheth away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.[j]

20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;[k]

21 Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.[l]

22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.[m]

23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth *it;* which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

24 ¶ Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field:

25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares?

28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?

29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

a Gen. xxvi. 12.
b Isa. lviii. 2; Ezek. xxxiii. 31, 32; John v. 35.
b ch. xi. 15; Mark iv. 9.
l ch. xi. 6; 2 Tim. i. 15.
c ch. xi. 25; xvi. 17; Mark iv. 11; 1 Cor. ii. 10; 1 John ii. 27.
m ch. xix. 23; Jer. iv. 3, Mark x. 23; Luke xviii 24; 1 Tim. vi. 9; 2 Tim. iv. 10.
d ch. xxv. 29; Mark iv. 25; Luke viii. 18; xix. 26.
e Isa. vi. 9; Ezek. xii. 2; Mark iv. 12; Luke viii. 10; John xii. 40; Acts xxviii. 26, 27; Rom. xi. 8; 2 Cor. iii. 14, 15.
f Heb. v. 11.
g ch. xvi. 17; Luke x. 23, 24; John xx.
h Heb. xi. 13; 1 Peter i. 10, 11.
i Mark iv. 14; Luke viii. 11.
j ch. iv. 23.
k ch. iv. 23.

parable, and by comparing the one with the other, gain a deeper insight into all revealed and spiritual truth.

1. "The house:"—pointing, doubtless, to his dwelling at Capernaum, otherwise called "his own city." The "sea side" was the shore of the Lake of Tiberias.

3. "Spake to them in parables:"—a great deal of ingenuity has been displayed in the effort to distinguish between the parable and the similitude—the parable and the fable—the parable and the allegory—the parable and the proverb. Suffice it to say here, that the word PARABLE is derived from the Greek, and signifies to compare one thing with another. It is some fact, subject, or event, thrown out as the basis of comparison, with the view of illustrating and enforcing some great spiritual truth.

5. "Stony places;"—the native rocks, which had but a thin layer of earth, and on which the radiation would cause the seed to spring up quickly, but as quickly to be scorched and destroyed.



THE SOWER.

29. "The tares:"—the word rendered TARE signifies the DARNEL, so well known for its intoxicating qualities, and which was the pest of the agriculturist. In Aleppo it grows abundantly in the corn-fields. In the time of harvest it is drawn up by the hand, along with the wheat, then gathered out, bound in bundles, and burned. Naturalists tell us that it is "the only poisonous the true counterpart to corn in nature, and hard to distinguish from wheat. We may conceive, therefore, that Christ had both these facts present to his mind—the resemblance of the darnel to the true grain, and its poisonous character. Nor is it less evident, that in the striking change of the term which he employs to designate these tares, he penetrates into the physiology of Nature itself; and in thus distinguishing the genuine from the spurious—the fruitful grain from the noxious tare—even from their first origin and seed, the Saviour teaches his disciples to make a difference between what is not from God, but from the Evil One, although it stands, with false and hypocritical appearance, in the midst of that which is good and real.

The readiness of the human mind to embrace error is forcibly presented to our notice in the parable of the good seed and the tares. The enemy sought and found opportunity to scatter spurious seed among the wheat, and, having done this, we are told "he went his way." The soil was so congenial, that the tares thus secretly planted needed no watchful care, and, although left to themselves, were found to produce abundantly. Mark the diversity of evils that followed. The soil capable of producing food for man yielded

30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.[a]

31 ¶ Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field:[b]

32 Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

33 ¶ Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three [1]measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.[c]

34 All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them:[d]

35 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.[e]

36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked *one*;[f]

39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.[g]

40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.

41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all [2]things that offend, and them which do iniquity;[h]

42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.[i]

43 Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun

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j ver. 9; Dan. xii. 3; 1 Cor. xv. 42, 43, 58.

a ch. iii. 12.

k Isa. lv. 1; Philipp. iii. 7, 8; Rev. iii. 18.

b Isa. ii. 2, 3; Micah iv. 1; Mark iv. 30, &c.; Luke xiii. 18, 19.

l Prov. ii. 4; iii. 14, 15; viii. 10, 19.

m ch. xxii. 10.

1 The word in the Greek is, *a measure containing about a peck and a half, wanting a little more than a pint.*

c Luke xiii. 20, &c.

d Mark iv. 33, 34.

n ch. xxv. 32.

o ver. 42.

e Ps. lxxviii. 2; Rom xvi. 25, 26; 1 Cor. ii. 7; Eph. iii. 9; Col. i. 26.

p Cant. vii. 13.

f ch. xxiv. 14; xxviii. 19; Gen. iii. 15; Mark xvi. 15, 20, Luke xxiv. 47; John viii. 44; Acts xiii. 10; Rom. x. 18; Col. i. 6; 1 John iii. 8.

q ch. ii. 23; Mark vi. 1, Luke iv. 16, 23.

g Joel iii. 13, Rev. xiv. 15.

r ch. xii. 46; Isa. xlix. 7, Mark vi. 3; xv. 40; Luke iii. 23; John vi. 42.

2 Or, *scandals.*

h ch. xviii. 7; 2 Peter ii. 1, 2.

s ch. xi. 6; Mark vi. 3, 4; Luke iv. 24; John iv. 44.

i ver. 50; ch. iii. 12; viii. 12, Rev. xix. 20; xx. 10.

t Mark vi. 5, 6.

in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.[j]

44 ¶ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.[k]

45 ¶ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:

46 Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.[l]

47 ¶ Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind:[m]

48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

49 So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just,[n]

50 And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.[o]

51 Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord.

52 Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe *which is* instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure *things* new and old.[p]

53 ¶ And it came to pass, *that* when Jesus had finished these parables, he departed thence.

54 And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this *man* this wisdom, and *these* mighty works?[q]

55 Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?[r]

56 And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this *man* all these things?

57 And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house.[s]

58 And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.[t]

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poison, and the tares were a hindrance both to the *growth* of the wheat, and to the *quantity* of the wheat. The pure seed was subjected to suspicion and to injury, increased toil was entailed on the reapers, and the efforts of the sower were to an extent counteracted. Such is the tendency of error.

30. "Let both grow together:"—in the outward and visible church, which is a mixture of the good and evil—of the contrite worshipper, and the unhumbled professor.

32. "Becometh a tree:"—it is well known that the mustard-tree attains to a very large size in Judea, notwithstanding the smallness of its seed.

44. "Treasure hid in a field:"—the insecurity of property, arising from the want of establishments, like our modern banks, in those earlier times, led the Orientals, on leaving home, to hide a great deal of valuable property in fields, gardens, and courts of houses, and very often near to some tree, to mark the spot. In many instances the proprietors never returned to take possession of it; and hence it was quite a possible thing for such treasure as is here described to be found in a field.

45. "A merchant man, seeking goodly pearls:"—to deal in precious stones is still a vocation in the East, and not a few of such dealers travel in search of what is uncommon and rare; and for some one rich and rare specimen, they will sometimes dispose of their entire stock.

48. "Gathered the good into vessels:"—the Levitical law interdicted the use of all fish which were without fins, and hence it was no common quantity that must have been thus thrown aside.

52. "Like unto a man that is an householder:"—the interpretation put upon this whole verse by Alford is, that every one who is enrolled as a disciple of Christ, and is taught as such, "is like a householder (the Great Householder being the Lord himself) who puts forth from his store new things and old;" that is, he adds, "Ye yourselves, scribes of the kingdom of heaven, instructed as ye shall fully be in the meaning of these sayings, shall be like householders, from your own stores of knowledge hereafter, bringing out not only your present understanding of them, but even new and deeper meanings." Better still are the words of Neander:—"As a householder shows his visitors his jewels—exhibits, in pleasing alternation, the modern and the antique—and leads them from the common to the rare, so must the teacher of Divine truth, in the new manifestation of the kingdom of God, bring out of his treasures of knowledge truths old and new, and gradually lead his hearers from the old and usual to the new and unaccustomed." The old is ever to become new by being presented to the mind in new points of view—the same truths, viewed in various aspects. The one grand idea is, that in the Old and New Testament revelations there is enough to insure both variety in the matter and in the mode of our teaching.

A cluster of brilliants, from their very nature, present beauties to the eye of the beholder, but these beauties largely depend upon the manner in which the cluster receives the light and reflects its rays. So it is with Divine truth: it is ever beautiful, but the effect may be heightened or diminished by the mode in which it is presented to our view. The Old Testament casts its hallowed light upon the New Testament, and the New receives this light, increases it, and again reflects it.

"Parables possess," says St. Jerome, "an inward marrow, different from what their outward form would lead us to expect; and as gold is sought in the earth, the kernel in the nut, and the hidden fruit in the rough coating of the chesnut, so in parables there is a Divine spirit and meaning which we must explore."

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Herod's opinion of Christ.* 3 *Wherefore John Baptist was beheaded.* 13 *Jesus departeth into a desert place: 15 where he feedeth five thousand men with five loaves and two fishes: 22 he walketh on the sea to his disciples: 34 and landing at Gennesaret, healeth the sick by the touch of the hem of his garment.*



AT that time Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus,[a]

2 And said unto his servants, This is John the Baptist; he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works [1]do shew forth themselves in him.

3 ¶ For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and put *him* in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife.[b]

4 For John said unto him, It is not lawful for thee to have her.[c]

5 And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet.[d]

6 But when Herod's birthday was kept, the daughter of Herodias danced [2]before them, and pleased Herod.

7 Whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask.

8 And she, being before instructed of her mother, said, Give me here John Baptist's head in a charger.

9 And the king was sorry: nevertheless for the oath's sake, and them which sat with him at meat, he commanded *it* to be given *her*.

10 And he sent, and beheaded John in the prison.

11 And his head was brought in a charger, and given to the damsel: and she brought *it* to her mother.

12 And his disciples came, and took up the body, and buried it, and went and told Jesus.

13 ¶ When Jesus heard *of it*, he departed thence by ship into a desert place apart: and when the people had heard *thereof*, they followed him on foot out of the cities.[e]

14 And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.[f]

15 ¶ And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place, and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves victuals.[g]

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2 Gr. *in the midst.*

a Mark vi. 14; Luke ix. 7.

1 Or, *are wrought by him.*

b Mark vi. 17; Luke iii. 19, 20.

c Lev. xviii 16; xx. 21.

d ch. xxi 26; Luke xx. 6.

e ch. x. 23; xii. 15; Mark vi. 32, Luke ix. 10; John vi 1, 2.

f ch ix 36; Mark vi 34.

g Mark vi. 35; Luke ix. 12; John vi. 5.

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SYNOPSIS:—Matt. xiv. 1—12, Mark v 14—29, Luke iii. 19, 20; ix. 7—9 Matt. xiv. 13—21; Mark vi. 30—44, Luke ix. 10—17, John vi. 1—15. Matt. xiv. 22—36; Mark vi. 45—56, John vi. 16—21.

In chapters xiv.—xvii. there seems to be no traceable connection. But, fragmentary as their character may be, they are yet of inestimable worth, and supply us with lessons of great moment. The joy of the wicked and the afflictions of the righteous; the power of Christ, and the infirmity of man; the Christian's faith, and the future glory of the Redeemer and the redeemed, are presented to our view.

1. "Herod the tetrarch." — this was Herod Antipas, the son of Herod the Great, and brother of Archelaus. He was tetrarch of Galilee and Perea; married the daughter of Aretas, an Arabian king; but during a visit to his half-brother, Herod-Philip, he became enamoured of his wife, Herodias, and prevailed upon her to leave her husband, and live with him. This step led to a war between him and his father-in-law, which broke out before the death of Tiberius, and in which he was totally defeated, and his army destroyed by Aretas. He afterwards went to Rome; but the Emperor Caligula banished both him and Herodias to some place in Gaul, whence he was removed to Spain, where he died.

10. "Beheaded John in the prison:"—the Evangelist Luke (iii. 19, 20) had anticipated the death of John, and here Matthew speaks of the event as past. The events here related are supposed to have taken place at Machairus, a fortress and frontier town between Perea and Arabia, near to which Antipas had a palace.

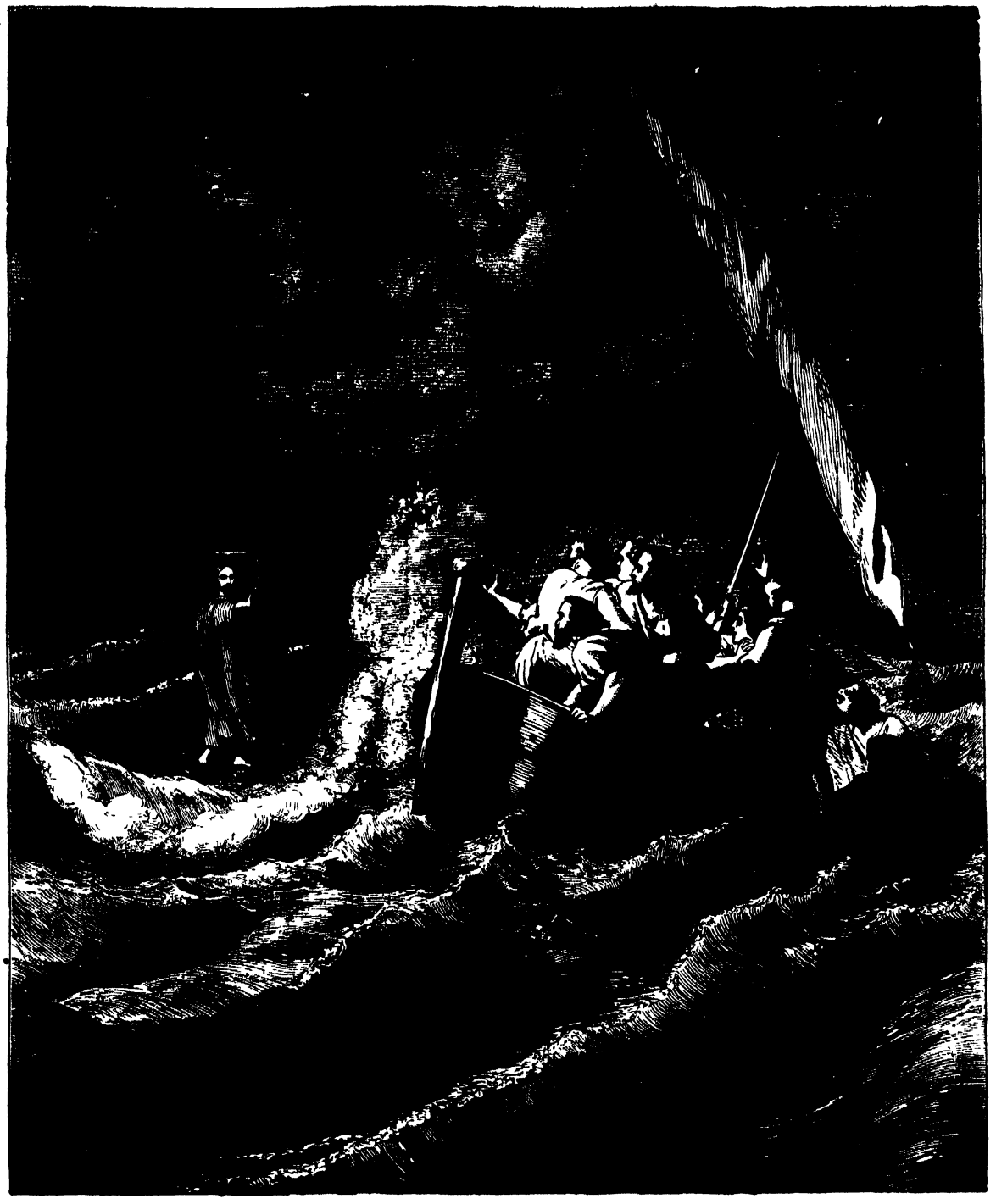
13 "He departed thence by ship into a desert place apart:"—as the Elder Brother of man, Jesus had his sympathies deep and true. The report of John's death filled his human soul with sorrow, and for a season he seeks retirement. From Capernaum, he crossed the Lake of Tiberias—John vi. 1—into a desert place connected with the city of Bethsaida, and there obtained, in this hour of grief, renewed refreshment and invigoration. On coming forth from his retirement, the Redeemer entered upon still wider scenes and circles of activity. He saw "a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and healed their sick."



BURIAL OF JOHN THE BAPTIST.—MATTHEW XIV. 12.

15. "His disciples came to him:"—we learn from the narrative in Mark, that the Twelve had returned from their mission ere our Lord had withdrawn into retirement, and had related to him "both what they had done, and what they had taught." The success of their labours as his avowed followers had tended to heighten and extend the fame of Christ himself, till it reached the ears of Herod, whose conscience was aroused, and whose fears were awakened lest this Jesus should prove to be John the Baptist, risen from the dead. Such is the way with sinners. Everything excites their suspicion, they quake at every shadow, they look upon every man as an enemy.

"The time is now past:"—we are told "it was evening," or the decline of



"IT IS I; BE NOT AFRAID."—MATTHEW XIV. 27.

16 But Jesus said unto them, They need not depart; give ye them to eat.

17 And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes.

18 He said, Bring them hither to me.

19 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to *his* disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.[a]

20 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full.

21 And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.

22 ¶ And straightway Jesus constrained his

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a ch. xv. 36.

day; that is, about three o'clock in the afternoon. With the Jews the day closed at six o'clock; this therefore was the first evening; for in the twenty-third verse we read, that after Jesus had performed the miracle of feeding these five thousand, "he went up into a mountain to pray," and that "when THE EVENING was come, he was there alone." We have thus a second evening, or the hour which was regarded as late in the night. Between these two evenings is the period indicated by the phrase, "the time is now past." It was too late in the day to send them on their journey without provision for their bodily wants; unless they could reach the surrounding villages before six o'clock, and buy victuals for themselves.

We are told by St. John (vi. 4), that "the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh," which will account for the multitude by which Christ was now surrounded. They were on their way to Jerusalem, to attend the great national festival.

disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away.

23 And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone.[a]

24 But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary.

25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.

26 And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear.[b]

27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.

28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.

29 And he said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus.

30 But when he saw the wind [1]boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me.

31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth *his* hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?

32 And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased.

33 Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou art the Son of God.[c]

34 ¶ And when they were gone over, they came into the land of Gennesaret.[d]

35 And when the men of that place had knowledge of him, they sent out into all that country round about, and brought unto him all that were diseased;

36 And besought him that they might only touch the hem of his garment: and as many as touched were made perfectly whole.[e]

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[a] Mark vi. 46; John vi. 16.

[b] Job ix. 8.

[1] Or, *strong.*

[c] ch. xvi. 16; xxvi. 63; Ps. ii. 7; Mark i. 1; Luke iv. 41; John i. 49; vi. 69; xi. 27; Acts viii. 37; Rom. i. 4.

[d] Mark vi. 53.

[e] ch. ix. 20; Mark iii. 10; Luke vi. 19; Acts xix. 12.

CHAPTER XV.

3 Christ reproveth the scribes and Pharisees for transgressing God's commandments through their own traditions: 11 teacheth how that which goeth into the mouth doth not defile a man. 21 He healeth the daughter of the woman of Canaan, 30 and other great multitudes: 32 and with seven loaves and a few little fishes feedeth four thousand men, beside women and children.



THEN came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem, saying,[f]

2 Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread.[g]

3 But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?

4 For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.[h]

5 But ye say, Whosoever shall say to *his* father or *his* mother, *It is* a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me;[i]

6 And honour not his father or his mother, *he shall be free.* Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.

7 *Ye* hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying,[j]

8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with *their* lips; but their heart is far from me.[k]

9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men.[l]

10 ¶ And he called the multitude, and said unto them, Hear, and understand:[m]

11 Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a

[f] Mark vii. 1.

[g] Mark vii. 5; Col. ii. 8.

[h] Exod. xx. 12; xxi. 17; Lev. xix. 3; xx. 9; Deut. v. 16; xxvii. 16; Prov. xx. 20; xxiii. 22; xxx. 17; Eph. vi 2.

[i] Mark vii. 11, 12.

[j] Mark vii. 6.

[k] Isa. xxix. 13; Ezek. xxxiii. 31.

[l] Isa. xxix 13; Col ii. 18—22; Titus i. 14.

[m] Mark vii. 14.

17. "They say unto him:"—here again John tells us that it was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, who spoke; and that the five barley loaves and two fishes were the property of a lad, who in all probability belonged to one of the caravans now on their way to the metropolis.

20 "They did all eat, and were filled:"—according to Meyer, and his opinion is endorsed by Alford, "the *process* of the miracle is thus to be conceived—the Lord blessed, and gave the loaves and fishes to the disciples, as *they were*; and then, *during their distribution of them*, the miraculous increase took place, so that they broke and distributed enough for all." On the contrary, we believe that the multiplication or increase took place immediately under the hand of the Saviour himself, and while, perhaps, he was in the act of giving thanks; that the act of thanksgiving past, the increase of provision was present to the eye of the multitude, as well as to the eye of his disciples, before he commanded the disciples to give to the multitude.

"Twelve baskets full."—the word rendered "basket" is KOPHINOS, and points to that kind of travelling basket which was the usual accompaniment of the Jew in his travels, and in which he carried his provisions.

22. "He sent the multitudes away:"—the beloved disciple tells us, in his narrative of this miracle, that the people were so struck by the wonder-working power of Christ, as to acknowledge him to be the Messiah, and fain would they have taken him, even by force, and made him a king. He at once, therefore, dispersed them, and himself withdrew into solitude.

24. "In the midst of the sea"—this was the Lake of Tiberias, otherwise called "the Sea of Galilee;" and which, from the winds sweeping down the mountains which overhung it, was often and suddenly lashed into storm.

25. "In the fourth watch."—previous to the Captivity, the Hebrews divided their night into three watches; but subsequently to that event, they, in imitation of the Romans, divided it into four. The fourth watch was from three to six o'clock in the morning.

26. "It is a spirit:"—the disciples were believers in a spiritual world, and in spiritual existence. It never occurred to them, that the miraculous power of their Master, whom they had left on shore, might be exerted to lift him above the laws of his physical nature; and hence they never thought that this appearance was, or could be, the personal Christ himself. It was not till he spake that they became cognisant of the fact. How slow we all are to believe in an omnipotent Saviour!

34. "Came into the land of Gennesaret:"—a beautiful and fertile plain on the western shore of the lake, at whose northern extremity stood Capernaum, at which, or near which, our Lord and his disciples now landed:—John vi. 24, 25.

CHAPTER XV.

SYNOPSIS:—Matt. xv. 1—20; Mark vii. 1—23. Matt. xv. 21—28; Mark vii. 24—30 Matt. xv. 29—30; Mark vii 31—37, viii. 1—9

Here we have a continuation of those FRAGMENTA of St. Matthew, which may be regarded as supplementary to the preceding portion of his narrative. While there are those who maintain that these Scribes and Pharisees came expressly from Jerusalem, after the Passover alluded to in John vi. 4, to watch our Lord, we find Olshausen, with more caution, if not reserve, thus expressing himself:—"It would be rash to draw any inference from the presence of the Pharisees and Scribes who came down from Jerusalem; for the fact that they came from Jerusalem does not prove that they *belonged* to Jerusalem; and just as little, that they were sent for the purpose of watching him. We can only infer from the form of Christ's discourse against the Pharisees, that the occurrence belongs to the latter period of his ministry, for during his earlier labours he did not usually express himself so strongly against them as he does here."

1. "Came to Jesus scribes and Pharisees:"—for an account of the religious sect of the Pharisees, see the Notes on chap. xii. 14.

The Scribes were generally of the Levitical order, and existed long before any sect was known among the Jews Their chief vocation was the transcription and exposition of the Sacred Law. In New Testament times, they were devoted to letters and public instruction—expounding the Law, and addressing the people in their Synagogues.

The fanatical hatred of the Pharisees against our Lord, was but the effect of the opposition which his previous ministry in Jerusalem had excited; and hence the present attempt of those who followed him into Galilee, to entangle him by their subtle and perplexing questions.

2. "The tradition of the elders:"—it is a lamentable fact, that the

man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man.[a]

12 Then came his disciples, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended, after they heard this saying?

13 But he answered and said, Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.[b]

14 Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.[c]

15 Then answered Peter and said unto him, Declare unto us this parable.[d]

16 And Jesus said, Are ye also yet without understanding?[e]

17 Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?[f]

18 But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.[g]

19 For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:[h]

20 These are *the things* which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.

21 ¶ Then Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon.[i]

22 And, behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord, *thou* son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil.

23 But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us.

24 But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.[j]

25 Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me.

26 But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast *it* to dogs.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

[a] Acts x. 15; Rom. xiv. 14, 17, 20; 1 Tim. iv. 4; Titus i. 15.

[b] John xv. 2; 1 Cor. iii. 12, &c.

[c] ch. iv. 18; Mark vii. 31.

[d] ch. xxiii. 16; Isa. ix. 16, Mal. ii. 8; Luke vi. 39.

[e] Mark vii. 17.

[f] ch. xi. 5; Isa. xxxv. 5, 6; Luke vii. 22.

[g] ch. xvi. 9; Mark vii. 18.

[h] 1 Cor. vi. 13.

[i] James iii 6.

[j] Mark viii. 1.

[k] Gen. vi 5; viii. 21; Prov. vi. 14; Jer. xvii. 9; Mark vii. 21.

[l] 2 Kings iv. 43.

[m] Mark vii. 24.

[n] ch. xiv 19; 1 Sam ix. 13; Luke xxii. 19.

[o] ch x. 5, 6; Acts iii. 25, 26; xiii. 46, Rom. xv. 8.

[p] ch. vii. 6; Philipp. iii. 2.

[q] Mark viii. 10.

27 And she said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table.

28 Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great *is* thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

29 And Jesus departed from thence, and came nigh unto the sea of Galilee; and went up into a mountain, and sat down there.[l]

30 And great multitudes came unto him, having with them *those that were* lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet; and he healed them:[m]

31 Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see: and they glorified the God of Israel.

32 ¶ Then Jesus called his disciples *unto him*, and said, I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and have nothing to eat: and I will not send them away fasting, lest they faint in the way.[n]

33 And his disciples say unto him, Whence should we have so much bread in the wilderness, as to fill so great a multitude?[o]

34 And Jesus saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven, and a few little fishes.

35 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground.

36 And he took the seven loaves and the fishes, and gave thanks, and brake *them*, and gave to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.[p]

37 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken *meat* that was left seven baskets full.

38 And they that did eat were four thousand men, beside women and children.

39 And he sent away the multitude, and took ship, and came into the coasts of Magdala.[q]

Jews came to attach more importance to the traditionary gloss of Scripture, than to Scripture itself. The Written Word they compared to water; but their traditions to wine

"They wash not their hands"—the duty of washing before eating was one of their traditions, but formed no part of the revealed and published Law. Yet the Jew attached vast importance to this traditionary act; so much so, that it is reported of a certain Rabbi, while in prison, and with scarcely sufficient water to sustain life, that he preferred dying of thirst to eating with unwashen hands.

3. "Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God?"—so transgress or go beyond the commandment, as to disregard the authority of God and render the Divine precept of no effect.

5. "It is a gift."—that is, something consecrated to God and his service; under this pretext they claimed exemption from helping their parents. "By whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me, it is a gift:"—in other words, "Whatever property I have, and out of which I might help thee, is consecrated and given up to God." Thus the man held himself free from all obligation to his father or his mother, and the Sanhedrim, acting on their traditions, also held him free. What sophistry! What injustice! As if the claims of God and his service could ever set aside or interfere with the discharge of filial duty!

12. "Knowest thou that the Pharisees were offended?"—they might have interpreted the Saviour's words in the preceding verse, and which were addressed to the multitude, as an attack upon the Mosaical law in respect to food; but knowing the tendency of their whole system "to smother true religion under a mass of outward forms," the Saviour, instead of softening down what was so offensive to them, presented the doctrine yet more broadly—yet more distinctly. He never modified his teaching, or consulted the prejudices and predilections of his hearers, when truth and everlasting interests were involved.

13. "Every plant:"—this may be taken as inclusive not only of their doctrine, but of the Pharisees themselves personally. As a sect, they rested on a purely human basis, and their teaching was rather a perversion than an inculcation of the truth of God.

15 "This parable"—it was not, in the proper sense of the word, a parable, but only a figurative form of expression, involving a hard or difficult saying.

21. "Into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon:"—as Christ does not appear to have actually entered into the Gentile territories, the verse may be rendered—"Then Jesus went thence, and departed *towards* the coasts of Tyre and Sidon."

29. "Came nigh unto the sea of Galilee."—to the eastern side of the lake, as we learn from St. Mark; and the word here rendered "mountain" points rather to the high land contiguous to the water.

32—38. There are certain critics who would have us believe in the identity of this miracle with that narrated in the preceding chapter, but the evidence is all against them. It is true that the situation in the wilderness, the kind of food, the blessing, the breaking and the distributing of the bread, all correspond; but "every circumstance which could vary does vary in the two accounts."

The word rendered "baskets," in the thirty-seventh verse, is different from that so rendered in chap. xiv. 20. In the present instance, each basket was large enough to contain a man's body; and in such a basket was Paul let down from the wall of Damascus—Acts ix. 25. These baskets were sometimes used for sleeping in when journeying through the desert.

39. "Came into the coasts of Magdala:"—this was a small town about three miles from the Lake of Tiberias, on its western side, whose vicinity embraced the same district of country as Dalmanutha—Mark viii. 10. From this little town or village of Magdala, which was supposed to have been her birthplace, one of our Lord's attendants was named Mary Magdalene, or Mary of Magdala.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *The Pharisees require a sign.* **6** *Jesus warneth his disciples of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees.* **13** *The people's opinion of Christ,* **16** *and Peter's confession of him.* **21** *Jesus foreshewth his death,* **23** *reproving Peter for dissuading him from it:* **24** *and admonisheth those that will follow him, to bear the cross.*



THE Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven.[a]

2 He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, *It will be* fair weather: for the sky is red.

3 And in the morning, *It will be* foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O *ye* hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not *discern* the signs of the times?

4 A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.[b]

5 And when his disciples were come to the other side, they had forgotten to take bread.[c]

6 ¶ Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.[d]

7 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have taken no bread.

8 *Which* when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread?

9 Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?[e]

10 Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up?[f]

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[g] Mark viii. 27; Luke ix. 18

[a] ch xii 38; Mark viii 11, Luke xi. 16; xii. 54—56, 1 Cor. i. 22.

[h] ch xiv. 2; Luke ix 7—9.

[i] ch xiv. 33; Mark viii. 29, Luke ix. 20, John vi 69, xi 27, Acts viii 37, ix 20, Heb i 2, 5, 1 John iv. 15, v 5

[j] 1 Cor. ii 10; Eph ii. 8, Gal. i 16.

[k] Job. xxxviii 17, Ps ix 13, cvii 18; Isa xxxviii 10, John i 42, Eph. ii 20; Rev xxi 14.

[b] ch xii 39

[c] Mark viii. 14

[l] ch xviii. 18, John xx 23

[d] Luke xii 1.

[m] ch xvii 9, Mark viii. 30, Luke ix 21.

[n] ch xx 17, Mark viii 31, ix 31, x 33; Luke ix 22, xviii. 31, xxiv 6, 7

[e] ch. xiv. 17; John vi 9

1 Gr *Pity thyself.*

[f] ch. xv. 34.

11 How is it that ye do not understand that I spake *it* not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?

12 Then understood they how that he bade *them* not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

13 ¶ When Jesus came into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?[g]

14 And they said, Some *say that thou art* John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.[h]

15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?

16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.[i]

17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.[j]

18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.[k]

19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.[l]

20 Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.[m]

21 ¶ From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.[n]

22 Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, [1]Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee.

23 But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee

CHAPTER XVI.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt. xvi 1—4; Mark viii 10—12 Matt xvi. 5—12, Mark viii 13—21. Matt xvi 13—28, Mark viii 27, ix. 1; Luke ix 18—27

The Pharisees, who lived in a world of external forms, and were familiar with the seen and the temporal, rather than with the unseen and eternal, give the Saviour an opportunity—by their cavils, objections, and constant demands for some outward and visible sign—not only of administering to themselves the most sharply-pointed rebuke, but of counselling his own disciples against the tendency of their doctrines and beliefs; from which he passes to the enumeration of some of the grand vital truths connected with the foundation and progress of his own kingdom in the world.

1. "The Pharisees also with the Sadducees."—of the Pharisees, as one of the great religious sects among the Jews, and of their professed principles, see Notes on chap. xii 14 The Sadducees formed another important sect, and differed on many points from the Pharisees. They were less numerous than the Pharisees, but more eminent, being composed of the higher classes They had not the same sway over the people as the Pharisees, and they were careful never to come into collision with their power. The founder of this sect was Sadu, a disciple of Antigonus of Sachos, who—perverting the doctrine of his master, that we should never act for the sake of mere reward—denied that there was any future state of reward and punishment This, of course, involved the denial of the separate existence of the soul, with the resurrection of the dead They did not believe in the fact of angel or spirit; nor in an over-ruling Providence, or that God exercised any influence over man, but left him entirely to the freedom of his own will and action. They took the Written Law in its literal acceptation, and rejected everything in the form of tradition. They agreed in nothing but—DENYING; their only bond of union was opposition to the Pharisees.

2—4. "It will be fair weather:"—the sun was perhaps setting, and throwing back its rich and splendid glow, and thus gave birth to the Saviour's remark. They could judge from external phenomena as to the weather: why could they not also discern from the higher phenomena in the moral world, manifested in his person, ministry, and miracles, the signs of the times of the Messiah's advent? But seeing they would not see, and hearing they would not understand, the Saviour, therefore, referred to the case of the prophet Jonas, and left them to reflect upon the instruction conveyed by the three days, as regarded the prophet, and the forty days, as regarded Nineveh.

6 "Leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees:"—in turning to Mark, we find that, for "Sadducees," he reads, "Herodians," which is to be accounted for from the fact that the dependents and supporters of Herod's dynasty were for the most part Sadducees in religious sentiment.

12. "The doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees."—see verses 1, 6; xii. 14.

13. "Into the coasts of Cæsarea Philippi:"—a town in the northern part of Judea, in the vicinity of Mount Hermon, not far from the source of the Jordan, and about a day's journey from Sidon. Philip the Tetrarch, son of Herod, enlarged it, added to its prosperity, and gave to it the name of Cæsarea, in honour of Tiberius Cæsar.

18. "Thou art Peter"—this name was not now given to this Apostle for the first time, since we learn from John i. 42 that it was bestowed upon him on his first interview with the Saviour, and the Saviour here only takes advantage of his name in connection with his confession —Thou art Peter—the man of rock—and on this rock or foundation-truth, involved in thy confession, and including the whole person and work of thy Master, I will build my Church. The Dean of Canterbury says, justly.—"Nothing can be farther from any legitimate interpretation of this promise than the idea of a perpetual primacy in the successors of Peter; the very notion of *succession* is precluded by the form of the comparison, which concerns the person, and *him only*, so far as it involves a direct promise."

19. "The keys of the kingdom:"—the keys were the symbol of office;



THE MIRACLE OF THE LOAVES AND FISHES.—MATTHEW XV. 36.

behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.[a]

24 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.[b]

25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.[c]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a 2 Sam. xix 22; Rom. viii 7.
d Ps xlix 7, 8
b ch x 38; Mark viii. 34; Luke ix 23; xiv. 27, Acts xiv. 22, 1 Thess iii 3.
e ch. xxv 31; xxvi. 64, Mark viii. 38; Luke ix. 26; Rom. ii. 6, 2 Cor v 10; Rev. xxii 12
c Luke xvii. 33; John xii. 25.
f Mark ix. 1; Luke ix. 27.

26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?[d]

27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.[e]

28 Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.[f]

and to Peter was it given to open the kingdom both to Jews and Gentiles, as the Apostle who first preached to both the gospel of reconciliation, after the resurrection and ascension of Christ.

"Whatsoever thou shalt bind—loose on earth:"—this promise was not confined to Peter, as we learn from John xx. 20—23.

21. "Suffer many things—be killed:"—up to this point we have had no intimation of our Lord's death; but, having entered on the second great division of his ministry, he keeps before his own mind, and the mind of his disciples, that this was introductory to his mysterious sufferings and decease.

28. "The Son of man coming in his kingdom:"—the primary application of these words is to the destruction of Jerusalem, and the full manifestation

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *The transfiguration of Christ.* 14 *He healeth the lunatick,* 22 *foretelleth his own passion,* 24 *and payeth tribute.*



AND after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,[a]

2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

3 And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.

4 Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

5 While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.[b]

6 And when the disciples heard *it*, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid.[c]

7 And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid.[d]

8 And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.

9 And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.[e]

10 And his disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the scribes that Elias must first come?[f]

11 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things.[g]

12 But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the Son of man suffer of them.[h]

13 Then the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.[i]

14 ¶ And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a *certain* man, kneeling down to him, and saying,[j]

15 Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatick, and sore vexed: for ofttimes he falleth into the fire, and oft into the water.

16 And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him.

17 Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.

18 And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour.

19 Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out?

20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.[k]

21 Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.

22 ¶ And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said unto them, The Son of man shall be betrayed into the hands of men:[l]

23 And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again. And they were exceeding sorry.

24 ¶ And when they were come to Capernaum, they that received [1]tribute *money* came to Peter, and said, Doth not your master pay tribute?[m]

25 He saith, Yes. And when he was come into the house, Jesus prevented him, saying, What thinkest thou, Simon? of whom do the kings of the earth take custom or tribute? of their own children, or of strangers?

26 Peter saith unto him, Of strangers. Jesus saith unto him, Then are the children free.

27 Notwithstanding, lest we should offend them, go thou to the sea, and cast an hook, and take up the fish that first cometh up; and when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt find [2]a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and thee.

ANNO DOMINI 32.

j Mark ix. 14; Luke ix. 37.

a Mark ix. 2; Luke ix. 28.

k ch. xxi 21; Mark xi 23; Luke xvii 6, 1 Cor xiii. 9, xiii 2

b ch iii 17, Deut xviii 15, 19, Isa. xlii 1, Mark i 11, Luke iii 22, Acts iii. 22, 23.

c 2 Peter i. 18.

l ch xvi 21; xx 17, Mark viii 31 ix 30, 31, x. 33, Luke ix 22, 44, xviii. 31, xxiv. 6, 7.

d Dan viii. 18, ix. 21; x. 10, 18.

1 Called in the original, *didrachma*, being in value fifteen pence. Exod. xxx 13; xxxviii 26.

m Mark ix. 33.

e ch xvi 20; Mark viii. 30, ix. 9.

f ch xi 14, Mal iv 5; Mark ix. 11.

g Mal. iv 6, Luke i. 16, 17, Acts iii. 21

h ch xi 14, xiv 3, 10; xvi 21, Mark ix 12, 13

i ch xi 14.

2 Or, *a stater* It is half an ounce of silver, in value 2*s* 6*d* after 5*s* the ounce

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of Christ's empire in the annihilation of the Jewish polity, and the universal triumph of Christianity, but the great event to which they refer is Christ's second advent—his final coming.

CHAPTER XVII.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt xvii 1–13 Mark ix 2–13 Luke ix 28–36 Matt xvii. 14–21, Mark ix 14–29, Luke ix 37–43. Matt xvii 22, 23, Mark ix 30–32, Luke ix. 44, 45. Matt xvii. 24–27

The unparalleled event in the life of Christ, here recorded, is to be taken not only as a grand representation, prefiguring the kingdom of God in its progress and development, but as a sublime preparation of the Great Incarnate for his approaching sufferings and death. From the Mount of Transfiguration he came down to the valley of humiliation, and, through toil and trial, urged his way to the Garden and the Cross.

1. "Bringeth them up into an high mountain"—ancient tradition placed the scene of the transfiguration on Tabor's lovely height; but for no other reason, it would seem, than that this mountain was the highest in Galilee, and its surrounding beauties were unequalled in their life and grandeur. But this tradition is now given up. Within six miles of Cæsarea Philippi stands the Mount Paneas, which is part of the grand and lofty mountain-range of Hermon, running between Damascus and the Lake of Tiberias, forming the northern boundary of the country beyond the Jordan, while the beauty of the surrounding country surprises and delights every eye. In the midst of these external glories, on Hermon's favoured height, did the Redeemer of the world, in his transfiguration, draw around him the sevenfold light and splendour of eternity.

The three disciples whom he took with him up the mount formed the narrower circle of his particular friends. He took *three*, that there might be a competent testimony.

2. "His face did shine as the sun"—such was the effulgence of his own Godhead, as it streamed through the thick veil of his flesh, that while his countenance was as the sun shining in his strength, his very raiment appeared as if woven of the purest light. The brightness which was now coming from him, and flowing around him, was the concentration and fulness of the Divine glory; and it burned with an effulgence which would have eclipsed a whole firmament of suns and stars. Without laying aside his corporeal nature, the Son of Man stood radiant with the glory of an indwelling Deity; heaven and earth were present as witnesses of his majesty; the cloud of light fell like rich and beauteous drapery from the eternal throne, and inclosed the mount, while all was hushed into solemn silence. Neither sound nor motion was to be heard, till the Holy One had spoken:—"THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED."

3. "Moses and Elias talking with him:"—Moses, the giver of the Law; Elijah, the restorer of the Law. Moses and Elijah were representatives, one of the Law, and the other of the Prophets; Christ and his disciples were representatives of the Gospel, and the Gospel, rightly understood, is the Law fulfilled and the Prophecies accomplished.

10—13. On these verses, see chap. iv. 12; xi. 7—15; xiv. 1—13.

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Christ warneth his disciples to be humble and harmless: 7 to avoid offences, and not to despise the little ones: 15 teacheth how we are to deal with our brethren, when they offend us: 21 and how oft to forgive them: 23 which he setteth forth by a parable of the king, that took account of his servants, 32 and punished him, who shewed no mercy to his fellow.*



AT the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?[a]

2 And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,

3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.[b]

4 Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.[c]

5 And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.[d]

6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and *that* he were drowned in the depth of the sea.[e]

7 ¶ Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh![f]

8 Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast *them* from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.[g]

9 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast *it* from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire.

10 Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

[a] Luke ix. 56, xix 10; John iii. 17; xii. 47.

[j] Luke xv. 4.

[a] Mark ix 33; Luke ix. 46; xxii. 24.

[k] Lev xix 17, Luke xvii. 3, James v 20; 1 Peter iii. 1.

[b] ch. xix 14; Ps. cxxxi 2; Mark x 14, Luke xviii 16; 1 Cor xiv 20; 1 Peter ii. 2.

[l] Deut xvii 6, xix. 15, John viii 17, 2 Cor xiii. 1; Heb. x 28

[c] ch xx. 27; xxiii 11.

[m] Rom. xvi 17, 1 Cor. v 9; 2 Thess. iii 6, 14; 2 John 10.

[d] ch. x 42; Luke ix. 48.

[n] ch. xvi. 19, John xx 23, 1 Cor. v 4.

[e] Mark ix. 42, Luke xvii. 1, 2.

[f] ch xxvi 24, Luke xvii 1, 1 Cor xi 19

[o] ch. v 24, 1 John iii 22, v. 14.

[g] ch. v 29, 30; Mark ix 43, 45

[p] Luke xvii 4

[q] ch vi 14, Mark xi 25, Col iii. 13

[h] Esther i 14, Ps xxxiv 7, Zech xiii 7, Luke i 19, Heb i 14

[1] *A talent is 750 ounces of silver, which after five shillings the ounce is £187 10s*

11 For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.[i]

12 How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray?[j]

13 And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that *sheep*, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray.

14 Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

15 ¶ Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.[k]

16 But if he will not hear *thee*, *then* take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.[l]

17 And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.[m]

18 Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.[n]

19 Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.[o]

20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

21 ¶ Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?[p]

22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.[q]

23 ¶ Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants.

24 And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand [1]talents.

14—21. St. Mark gives the fullest account of this miracle; the reader is therefore referred to his Gospel, chap. ix. 14—29, and Notes.

24—27. "Doth not your Master pay tribute?"—this was not a political, but an ecclesiastical tax—the Temple-tribute of half a shekel of silver—every Jew of twenty years of age and upwards paid annually to the Temple in Jerusalem.

"Then are the children free:"—"as kings do not tax their own children, so the Messiah—the Son of God and Theocratic King—for whose appearance the whole Temple discipline was but preparatory, was not bound to pay this purely ecclesiastical tax." Still he would give them no occasion to accuse him of any violation of the law—see Exod. xxx. 13; 2 Kings xii. 4.

"Thou shalt find a piece of money:"—grant it, that the fish had swallowed the money; the knowledge which Christ had of this fact, and of the fish being in a particular part of the water at the time of Peter's arrival at the lake, and that it should be the first that his hook would take up, gave to the whole transaction the character of a true miracle.

CHAPTER XVIII.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt xviii. 1—35; Mark ix 33—50; Luke ix. 46—50.

It is possible that the fact of three of their number having been selected to accompany the Saviour to the Mount of Transfiguration may have led to the conversation of the disciples, on their way to Capernaum, as to pre-eminence in the kingdom of God. This conversation sharpened into a severe and angry contest which tended to wound the feelings and to alienate the heart. This will account for the character and form of the present address, in which the Redeemer dwells on those peculiar features of character which are essential to an entrance into his kingdom

3. "Become as little children"—the child-like spirit and disposition lies at the basis of all holy, spiritual, elevated character.

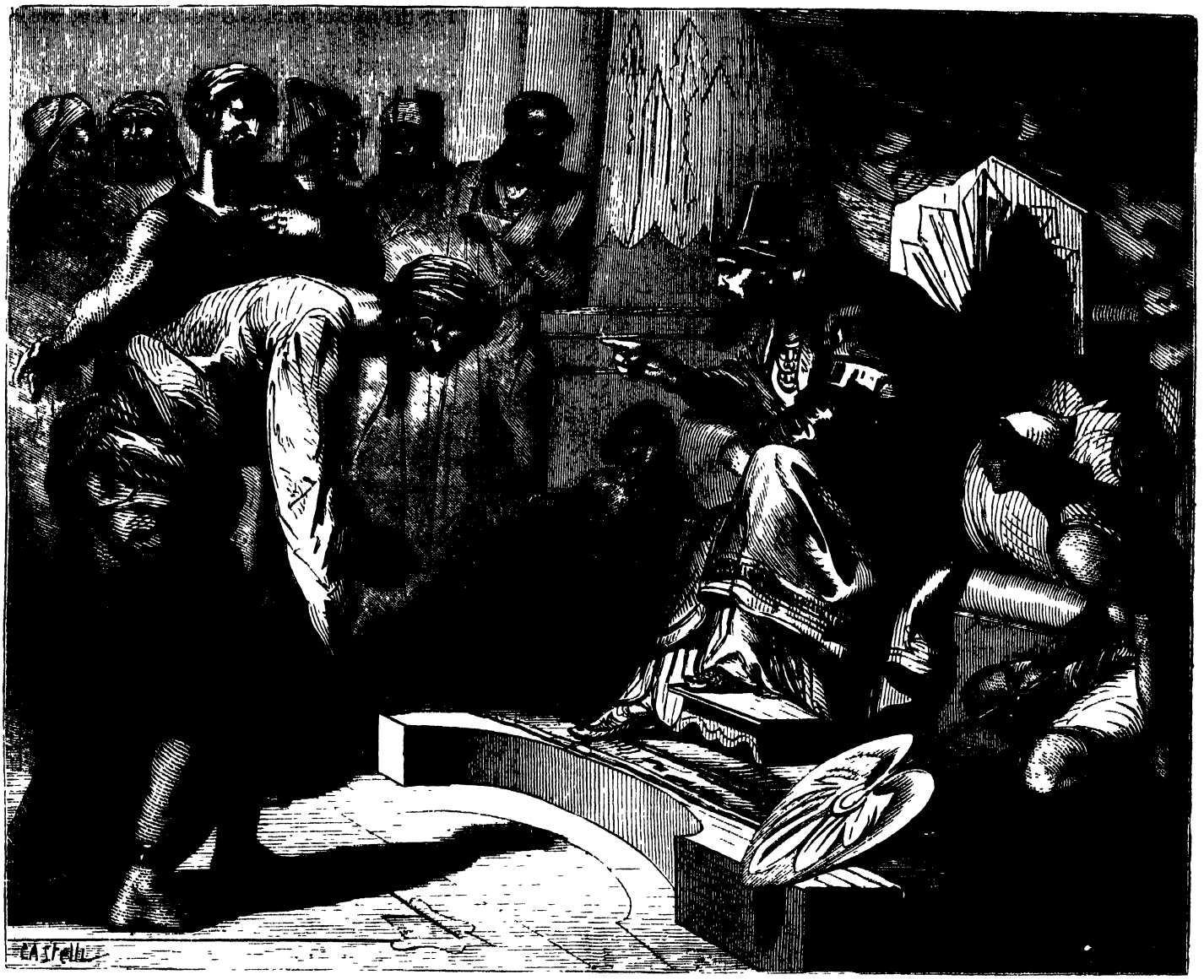
6 "A millstone were hanged about his neck."—death by drowning was a punishment known among the Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans, but not among the Hebrews. This, therefore, may have been with the Jews a proverbial phrase arising out of the practice of other nations.

10. "Their angels do always behold the face of my Father:"—it may have been a popular belief among the Jews, as among ourselves, that children have each his guardian angel, who dwells in the presence of God, and comes forth to minister to his little charge But as the word "angel" is used, in Acts xii. 15, for the human departed spirit, this has led some expositors to regard the words before us as a warning against offending these little ones, from the fact that the spirits of departed children are present with God, and therefore all children are dear unto him.

17. "Tell it unto the church:"—among the Jews, offences were reported to the Synagogue; and, if the law provided no punishment, the Synagogue dealt with such offences accordingly. To this, perhaps, our Lord here alludes.

"As a publican:"—so long as the publican held his office, he was excluded from the synagogue to which he had previously belonged.

21. "Till seven times?"—the Jewish Doctors said, *three* times; Peter said, *seven* times; Jesus says, seventy times seven. There is to be no limit



"SHOULDEST NOT THOU ALSO HAVE HAD COMPASSION ON THY FELLOWSERVANT, EVEN AS I HAD PITY ON THEE?"—MATTHEW XVIII. 33.

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25 But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.[a]

26 The servant therefore fell down, and [1]worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

28 But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which owed him an hundred [2]pence: and he laid hands on him, and took *him* by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest.

29 And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

30 And he would not: but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt.

31 So when his fellowservants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.

32 Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me:

33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee?

34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.

35 So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.[b]

a 2 Kings iv 1; Neh v. 8.

1 Or, *besought him.*

2 *The Roman penny is the eighth part of an ounce, which after five shillings the ounce is seven pence halfpenny,* ch. xx. 2.

b ch. vi. 12; Prov. xxi. 13; Mark xi. 26; James ii. 13.

to the exercise of forgiveness. We are never to cease to forgive, just as God is ever, for Christ's sake, forgiving us.

24. "Ten thousand talents:"—the Jewish talent was a little more than £342 in silver; and in gold it was worth about £5,475; so that ten thousand talents in silver would be equal to £3,420,000, and in gold, to £54,750,000. If we adopt the Roman talent, this will reduce these amounts at least one-third. Contrasted with such immense sums, how insignificant was the amount—one hundred pence, or £3 2s. 6d.—due to him from his fellow-servant! In reading the Scriptures, care must be taken not to confound the laws, the customs, or the costume of modern days with those of early times, otherwise the propriety of many allusions and expressions will not be discerned



CHRIST BLESSING LITTLE CHILDREN.—MATTHEW XIX. 13, 14.

CHAPTER XIX.

Christ healeth the sick: 3 answereth the Pharisees concerning divorcement: 10 sheweth when marriage is necessary: 13 receiveth little children: 16 instructeth the young man how to attain eternal life, 20 and how to be perfect: 23 telleth his disciples how hard it is for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God, 27 and promiseth reward to those that forsake any thing to follow him.

AND it came to pass, *that* when Jesus had finished these sayings, he departed from Galilee, and came into the coasts of Judæa beyond Jordan;[a]

2 And great multitudes followed him; and he healed them there.[b]

3 ¶ The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?

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c Gen. i. 27; v. 2; Mal. ii. 15.

d Gen. ii 24; Mark x 5—9, 1 Cor vi 16; vii. 2; Eph. v. 31.

a Mark x. 1; John x. 40.

e ch v. 31; Deut. xxiv 1.

b ch. xii. 15.

f ch. v. 32; Mark x. 11; Luke xvi. 18; 1 Cor. vii. 10, 11.

4 And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made *them* at the beginning made them male and female,[c]

5 And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?[d]

6 Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

7 They say unto him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?[e]

8 He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

9 And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except *it be* for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.[f]

"All that he had:"—amongst the Romans, according to Adams, in his "Antiquities," and other authorities, slaves had a certain allowance granted them for their sustenance—commonly four or five pecks of grain a month—and four denarii—that is, about half-a-crown. They likewise had a daily allowance. Whatever they saved of these, or procured by any other means, with their master's consent, was called their PECULIUM. This money, with

10 ¶ His disciples say unto him, If the case of the man be so with *his* wife, it is not good to marry.[a]

11 But he said unto them, All *men* cannot receive this saying, save *they* to whom it is given.[b]

12 For there are some eunuchs, which were so born from *their* mother's womb: and there are some eunuchs, which were made eunuchs of men: and there be eunuchs, which have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He that is able to receive *it*, let him receive *it*.[c]

13 ¶ Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put *his* hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them.[d]

14 But Jesus said, Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven.[e]

15 And he laid *his* hands on them, and departed thence.

16 ¶ And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?[f]

17 And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.

18 He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness,[g]

19 Honour thy father and *thy* mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.[h]

20 The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet?

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[a] Prov. xxi. 19.

[b] 1 Cor. vii. 2, 7, 9, 17.

[c] ch. vi 20, Luke xii. 33, xvi. 9; Acts ii 45, iv. 34, 35, 1 Tim. vi. 18, 19

[d] Mark x. 13; Luke xviii. 15.

[e] ch xviii. 3

[f] Mark x 17; Luke x. 25; xviii 18.

[g] Exod. xx. 13; Deut. v 17

[h] ch xv 4; xxii 39; Lev xix 18, Rom. xiii 9, Gal v. 14, James ii 8

[i] Mark x 29, 30; Luke xviii. 29, 30.

[k] ch xx 16, xxi. 31, 32, Mark x. 31, Luke xiii. 30.

[l] ch iv 20, Deut xxxiii 9, Mark x. 28; Luke v 11; xviii 28.

[m] ch xx 21; Luke xxii 28—30, 1 Cor vi 2, 3, Rev. ii. 26.

[n] ch xx 1—16.

21 Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go *and* sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come *and* follow me.[i]

22 But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions.

23 ¶ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.[k]

24 And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

25 When his disciples heard *it*, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved?

26 But Jesus beheld *them*, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.[l]

27 ¶ Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore?[m]

28 And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.[n]

29 And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.[o]

30 But many *that are* first shall be last; and the last *shall be* first.[o]

[o] ch xx 16, xxi. 31, 32, Mark x. 31, Luke xiii. 30.

their master's permission, they put out at interest, or sometimes purchased with it a slave for themselves, from whose labour they might make profit. Such a slave was called *servi vicarius*, and formed part of the PECULIUM, with which, also, slaves sometimes purchased their own freedom.

35. A somewhat difficult verse: our conduct in the forgiveness of others appears to be the rule and measure of God's procedure with us. Olshausen says, that "exclusion from the face of the Lord is made to depend on the want of love to others arising from the want of faith, without which there can be no love in the soul" The words of the text are not less emphatic than solemn.—"So likewise shall my heavenly Father do unto you,"—that is, according to Stier, "precisely as the parable represents it, and not otherwise, will he do certainly to you also, my disciples and apostles, if ye forgive not your brethren . . . The important expression, 'from the heart,' shows that all judgment is referred to him who alone knows the heart, and before whom *every one* who forgives not from the heart will be tried in heaven and shut out." An unforgiving spirit proves a heart destitute of the spirit of the Gospel; for it is written, "Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you"

The grand design of the parable is to set forth the exuberant grace of God towards our fallen race in contrast with the claims and requirements of unbending justice In the scheme of Divine mediation, the law of God is fully honoured, therefore justice can lay no restriction on the exercise of grace; and on this foundation it is that Sovereign Love erects its throne, and proclaims, through Christ, forgiveness to the chief of sinners But how unfathomable must be the depth of that mercy which thus provides for the forgiveness of sin! And what a sublime revelation does it give us of the justice and the mercy of God as exhibited in the work of Christ!

CHAPTER XIX.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt xix 1—15, Mark x. 1—16, Luke xviii. 15—17. Matt. xix. 16—30; Mark x 17—31, Luke xviii 18—30.

In John x. 40 we read that Jesus "went away again beyond Jordan into the place where John at first baptized, and there he abode." This was in the vicinity of Bethabara, in Perea, and what is here related by our Evangelist is supposed to have taken place partly during Christ's stay in Perea, and partly when he had returned from Jerusalem into Judea. This creates a considerable interval between the delivery of the discourse recorded in the preceding chapter and the incidents there narrated; but this interval is, to a certain extent, filled up by the narrative of Luke ix. 51—xviii. 14, or xix. 48. The incidents and discourses thus given by St. Luke are not even touched by the other Evangelists, and are derived from materials supplied during two different journeys of Christ, which he has incorporated into one continuous narrative. The circumstance mentioned by Luke (x. 38), that Jesus is already at Bethany, while at xvii. 11 he represents him on the borders of Galilee and Samaria, is easily explained by referring the former passage to the time of Christ's presence in Jerusalem at the Feast of Dedication, and the latter passages to his presence at Ephraim. The only difficulty which meets us here, as Olshausen shows, is, that nothing is said of Christ's coming to Jerusalem, and his stay there. But this silence is of no importance, since the Feast journeys are entirely omitted by Luke, as also by Matthew and Mark; and therefore we must not wonder that he does not give his readers fuller information as to the minuter incidents after the last journey from Galilee.

1. "Departed from Galilee"—he left Galilee for Jerusalem to attend the Feast of Dedication. He did not, however, return to Galilee, but went into Perea, and there remained. From Perea he came to Bethany (John xi), which was beyond Jordan, on the confines of Judea

3—6 "The Pharisees came, tempting him"—the question here submitted to our Lord was one which was warmly debated between the rival Rabbinical schools of Hillel and Schammai, both of whom confounded the political and juridical with the moral elements of the question The school of Hillel asserted the right of arbitrary divorce, while the school of Schammai denied any such right except in the case of adultery.

"For every cause"—that is, for any cause which a man may choose to prefer against his wife. The mere statement of the question was its refutation.

"They twain shall be one flesh"—as the male and the female were both originally shut up in Adam, so it was the great work of the Redeemer to lead back all human relations to their original intentions: he here asserts that the idea of marriage, as a Divine institution, is to be realised in this life in that sacred union by which the man and his wife are joined into one whole, so as to constitute one life. The wedded pair are one flesh, or ONE MAN, within the limits of their united earthly life.

7. "Give a writing of divorcement"—the Saviour having stated the cause that rendered a dissolution of marriage lawful, the Pharisees conceive that he has put himself in direct antagonism with Moses, and hence this, their second question. Moses gave no such commandment · he only *suffered* them so to do in certain special cases. If it be true that the laws of a state "do not aim to realise moral ideas, or to create a moral sense, but to bring about *outward* civilisation," it follows that since the marriage relation involves the idea of imperfection, there must exist some provision in law to render possible the dissolution of the outward union. Thus far the great Hebrew legislator condescended to the weakness and the obduracy of his people; but he left the original institution of marriage intact, and our Lord proceeds to show that the Gospel inculcates a higher standard of morality.

10. "If the case of the man be so:"—in the third verse, the Pharisees put the question—"is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?"—to which Christ has replied—"for no cause except adultery." If that be the only cause for separation, say the disciples, then it is not good to marry.

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Christ, by the similitude of the labourers in the vineyard, sheweth that God is debtor unto no man* 17 *foretelleth his passion:* 20 *by answering the mother of Zebedee's children teacheth his disciples to be lowly:* 30 *and giveth two blind men their sight.*



FOR the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard.

2 And when he had agreed with the labourers for a [1]penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

3 And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace,

4 And said unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way.

5 Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise.

6 And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle?

7 They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, *that* shall ye receive.

8 So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them *their* hire, beginning from the last unto the first.

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2 Or, *have continued one hour only.*

1 *The Roman penny is the eighth part of an ounce, which after five shillings the ounce is seven pence halfpenny,* ch. xviii. 28.

a ch. vi. 24, Deut. xv. 9, Prov. xxiii. 6, Rom. ix. 21.

b ch. xix. 30; xxii. 14.

c Mark x. 32, Luke xviii. 31, John xii. 12.

d ch. xvi. 21.

e ch. xxvii. 2, Mark xv. 1, &c., Luke xxiii. 1, John xviii. 28, &c., Acts iii. 13.

f ch. iv. 21, Mark x. 35.

9 And when they came that *were hired* about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny.

10 But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny.

11 And when they had received *it*, they murmured against the goodman of the house,

12 Saying, These last [2]have wrought *but* one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.

13 But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny?

14 Take *that* thine *is*, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee.

15 Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good?[a]

16 So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.[b]

17 ¶ And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them,[c]

18 Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death,[d]

19 And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify *him:* and the third day he shall rise again.[e]

20 ¶ Then came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping *him*, and desiring a certain thing of him.[f]

21 And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may

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The probabilities of happiness, in their judgment, were not such as to encourage men to form a union thus declared to be binding.

12 Here we may remark that a single life is not better nor more holy than a married life, but, at times, is more free from cares, and, as such, affords the opportunity of devoting a larger portion of our time to spiritual employments. Upon a subject bearing so largely upon the welfare of mankind, we cannot do better than adopt the pious example of one of the early fathers of the Christian Church, who expresses himself to this effect —

"In every state may I learn to be content, since in every state I may save my soul. Marriage is good, and a single life is good, but that which is fittest is best for me. May I wisely choose the way I should go, and then, without looking back, go on till I come to thee, my God. Let me not seek undue redresses of the troubles incident to my condition, nor vainly amuse myself with desire of change. Marriage is nothing, and single life nothing, but as they furnish means, or remove impediments, towards attaining the kingdom of heaven."

16—22 "Good Master, what good thing shall I do?"—the spirit in which this young man came to our Lord, says Alford, "seems to have been that of excessive admiration for Jesus as a Teacher of eminent virtue, and of desire to know from him by what work of exceeding merit he might win eternal life. Our Lord corrects the false notion, by showing that obedience to every command will be required of him who, by his own merit, seeks to obtain eternal life."

24. "A camel to go through the eye of a needle:"—this is a proverbial phrase to express what is humanly impossible. All attempts, therefore, to pervert the word *camel* into *cable*, and "the eye of a needle" into a gateway known by the name of "THE NEEDLE'S EYE," are, as we consider it, very unnecessary.

28 "In the regeneration:"—that is, in the final restitution of all things. The expression, to "sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel," has perplexed most of the commentators, and has been most variously interpreted. The simplest exposition is this—if, according to Christ's own declaration, men are to be judged by the word which he spake unto them, then the Apostles, as the first teachers and propagators of that truth, shall sit in subordination with him in the seat of judgment, and act the part of assessors as each is judged by the truth which Christ uttered, and which they taught. With what unutterable worth and importance does this invest the revealed truth of God; and with what solemnity and self-application should we listen to it! "The day of judgment," says Tertullian, "is the day of *regeneration*, as it is called in the Gospel, because our bodies shall be regenerated by glory there, as our souls are by faith here."

CHAPTER XX

SYNOPSIS.—Matt. xx. 1-16, 17—19, Mark x. 32-34, Luke xviii. 31-34. Matt. xx. 20—28, Mark x. 35—45. Matt. xx. 29—34, Mark x. 46—52, Luke xviii. 35-43.

To keep down everything like pride and ambition in the hearts of his disciples, to whom he had just promised that they should sit on twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel, the Lord adds this deeply instructive parable, in which he shows that no priority of nation, or rank or place, or power, or office, would avail in contrast with faithful and devoted service, and that even the Jews themselves, who, as a nation, had been for thousands of years the chosen people of God, and to whom pertained "the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises, and of whom, as concerning the flesh, the Christ came," should have no advantage over the Gentiles, who were now to be brought into the New Dispensation, and partake with them in all the blessings of infinite love.

1. "The kingdom of heaven"—a phrase for the Dispensation of Grace, with its fulness of life and blessing.

2 "A penny a day"—that was the Roman denarius, which was equal to sevenpence-halfpenny of our money. It was about this time the pay of a Roman soldier, and a liberal rate it was for a day's labour, if we bear in mind that in Cisalpine Gaul the charge for a day's entertainment at an inn was but one-twentieth of this sum.

3 "The third hour"—the phrase in the first verse—"early in the morning"—denotes six in the morning, and here "the third hour" points to nine o'clock, or three hours later.

11. "They murmured against the goodman of the house"—it does not appear that he entered into terms with any parties except those whom he hired early in the morning, and when, at the close of the day, he gave them individually their full amount of wages, not only was he free from all further obligation, but had a perfect right in dealing with the others to rise from the lower ground of equity to the higher ground of generosity, and reward their labour according to his own good pleasure. So in reference to the Jews, with whom God had entered into covenant. Every condition of that covenant, on the part of God, had been fulfilled; and if, in the overflowing of his infinite love, he was pleased to include the Gentiles in the immense and everlasting provisions of his grace, the mouth of the Jew was for ever shut. His negligence rendered him insusceptible of richer communications; and hence the Gentile, by his very receptiveness and appreciation of the blessings bestowed upon him, would come to take the priority of the Jew; and thus the last would be first, and the first be last.

19 "Deliver him to the Gentiles."—that is, to the Roman nation as the chief portion of the heathen world.

sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.[a]

22 But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able.[b]

23 And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared of my Father.[c]

24 And when the ten heard *it*, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren.[d]

25 But Jesus called them *unto him*, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them.

26 But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister;[e]

27 And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:[f]

28 Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.[g]

29 And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed him.[h]

30 ¶ And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, *thou* son of David.[i]

31 And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, *thou* son of David.

32 And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, What will ye that I shall do unto you?

33 They say unto him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened.

34 So Jesus had compassion *on them*, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch. xix. 28.

b ch xxvi. 39, 42; Mark xiv 36, Luke xii. 50, xxii 42, John xviii. 11.

j Zech xiv. 4; Mark xi 1, Luke xix 29

c ch xxv 34, Acts xii. 2, Rom viii 17, 2 Cor. i. 7; Rev i. 9.

d Mark x. 41, Luke xxii. 24, 25.

e ch xxiii 11; Mark ix 35; x 43; 1 Peter v 3

f ch xviii 4

k Isa lxii 11, Zech ix 9; John xii 15

g ch xxvi 28; Isa. liii 10, 11, Dan ix 24, 26, John x. 51, 52, xiii 4, 14 Rom v 15, 19, Philipp ii 7, 1 Tim ii 6, Titus ii 14, Heb ix 28, 1 Peter i. 19

l Mark xi 4.

h Mark x 46, Luke xviii 35

m 2 Kings ix 13

n Lev xxiii 40, John xii. 13

i ch ix 27.

o ch xviii 39, Ps cxviii 25, 26

p Mark xi 15, Luke xix 45 John ii 13, 15

q ch. ii 23, Luke vii 16, John vi 14, vii 40, ix 17

r Deut xiv. 25, Mark xi 11, Luke xix 45, John ii 15.

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Christ rideth into Jerusalem upon an ass,* 12 *driveth the buyers and sellers out of the temple,* 17 *curseth the fig tree,* 23 *putteth to silence the priests and elders,* 28 *and rebuketh them by the similitude of the two sons,* 33 *and the husbandmen, who slew such as were sent unto them.*



AND when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then sent Jesus two disciples,[j]

2 Saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose *them*, and bring *them* unto me.

3 And if any *man* say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them.

4 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,

5 Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.[k]

6 And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them,[l]

7 And brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set *him* thereon.[m]

8 And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed *them* in the way.[n]

9 And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the son of David: Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.[o]

10 And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, Who is this?[p]

11 And the multitude said, This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee.[q]

12 ¶ And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves,[r]

20. "The mother of Zebedee's children."—her name was Salome, and her sons' names were James and John, the first of whom suffered martyrdom under Herod, Acts xii. 1, 2, and the second was, through a long life, no stranger to tribulation and suffering—to exile and sorrow. The mother preferred the request to Jesus in the name of her sons, which her sons, perhaps, repeated; for Christ's reply is addressed directly to them and not to her, nor through her

23. "Is not mine to give."—the words, "*it shall be given to them*," are in italics, to denote that they are not in the original, and by the omission of these words we gain the sense of the passage. The Father appoints the honour, and the Redeemer confers it in accordance with that appointment

25—28. "The princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion."—nothing corresponding to magisterial rule or authority was to have existence in his kingdom, and therefore the object of the Saviour in this exhortation is to repress the spirit of ambition on both sides, and press upon them a closer conformity to that humility and its corresponding virtues, of which they had the perfect exemplar in himself. All true greatness has its root in humility.

30. "Two blind men"—in Mark and Luke mention is made of only one of them—probably because that one was known, for Mark mentions him *by name;* and as his name is preserved, we may presume that he was born in a superior rank of life, and to better hopes, and therefore excited unusual sympathy.

32. "What will ye?"—these words justify the practice of embodying, whenever needful, special petitions in our prayers at the throne of the heavenly grace.

34. "Jesus had compassion on them"—the sympathy and compassion of the Saviour were called forth by every form of human suffering. So deeply and so truly did he identify himself with the miseries of our common humanity, that he is called "the Man of Sorrows," and "the Acquainted with Grief."

CHAPTER XXI.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt. xxi 1–17; Mark xi 1–11, Luke xix 29–44; John xii 12–36 Matt. xxi 18–22, Mark xi 12–14, 20–26 Matt xxi 23–32; Mark xi 27–33, Luke xx 1–16.

This chapter is full of striking, stirring interest, and reveals to us almost every phase of the Saviour's unparalleled character. His ministry is now drawing to a close, and everything, both in his teaching and his action, gathers intensity and force. The cross, with all its mysterious suffering, was now coming into view; but instead of shrinking from the death which he knew to be before him, he urged his way forward to meet it; and this is "to be explained chiefly from the relation in which he stood to the will of the Father, who found an everlasting redemption in *the equal balancing* of justice and mercy, in such a way, that the Righteous One, placing himself, in his free love, on the same footing with the unrighteous, did, by thus going down to their level, bring all the recipients of his mercy up to his own." To this grand final act his whole life was but introductory and preparatory.

1. "They drew nigh unto Jerusalem."—it is a warmly contested question, whether our Lord made a twofold entry into Jerusalem; but without entering on the merits of the question, the probability is, that on his way to Jerusalem our Lord stayed at Bethany, went *privately* into the city, where he observed the abuses in the Temple, returned in the evening with the Twelve to Bethany, and on the morrow made his triumphal entry into the city, amid the greetings and the acclamations of the multitude.

Bethphage—which literally is, THE HOUSE OF FIGS—was a suburb of some size, nearer to Jerusalem than Bethany, but of which no trace now remains.

3 "The Lord hath need of them:"—from the words which follow, "and straightway he will send them," it has been inferred, and with great probability, that the owner of the ass was personally devoted to the Saviour.



"MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED THE HOUSE OF PRAYER; BUT YE HAVE MADE IT A DEN OF THIEVES."—MATTHEW XXI. 13.

13 And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.[a]

14 And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them.

15 And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosanna to the son of David; they were sore displeased,

ANNO DOMINI 33

a Isa lvi 7; Jer. vii. 11, Mark xi 17, Luke xix 46

b Ps viii. 2

c Mark xi. 11; John xi. 18.

d Mark xi 12

1 Gr *one fig tree*

16 And said unto him, Hearest thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?[b]

17 ¶ And he left them, and went out of the city into Bethany, and he lodged there.[c]

18 Now in the morning as he returned into the city, he hungered.[d]

19 And when he saw [1]a fig tree in the way, he

8. "Spread their garments . . . cut down branches:"—a very customary mode among the Jews and other Oriental nations of publicly expressing their joy. During the Feast of Tabernacles, the people were wont to carry in their hands branches of palm trees, olives, citrons, myrtles, and willows, singing, "HOSANNAH! SAVE, WE BESEECH THEE!"—which words were regarded as a prayer for the coming of the Messiah. The whole scene, as we may see from 2 Kings ix. 13, was an act of royal honour, and well became the occasion of our Lord's entry into the holy city.

12, 13. "Cast out all them that sold."—this cleansing of the Temple is not to be confounded with a similar act recorded in John ii. 13—18, which took place at the beginning of our Lord's ministry, while this occurred towards its close. These business transactions were carried on, not in the Temple

came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever. And presently the fig tree withered away.[a]

20 And when the disciples saw *it*, they marvelled, saying, How soon is the fig tree withered away![b]

21 Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this *which is done* to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done.[c]

22 And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.[d]

And when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto him as he was teaching, and said, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority?[e]

24 And Jesus answered and said unto them, I also will ask you one thing, which if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.

25 The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him?

26 But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet.[f]

27 And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell. And he said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.

28 ¶ But what think ye? A *certain* man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work to day in my vineyard.

29 He answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented, and went.

30 And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I *go*, sir: and went not.

31 Whether of them twain did the will of *his*

They say unto him, The first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That the publicans and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you.[g]

32 For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not: but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ye, when ye had seen *it*, repented not afterward, that ye might believe him.[h]

33 ¶ Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country:[i]

34 And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it.[j]

35 And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another.[k]

36 Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise.

37 But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son.

38 But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.[l]

39 And they caught him, and cast *him* out of the vineyard, and slew *him*.[m]

40 When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen?

41 They say unto him, He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out *his* vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.[n]

42 Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?[o]

43 Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.[p]

44 And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.[q]

45 And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard his parables, they perceived that he spake of them.

46 But when they sought to lay hands on him, they feared the multitude, because they took him for a prophet.[r]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

h ch iii 1, &c. Luke iii. 12, 13.

a Mark xi. 13.

b Mark xi 20.

c ch xxv 14, 15, Ps lxxx 9, Cant. viii 11 Isa v 1, Jer ii 21, Mark xii. 1, Luke xx.

d ch xvii xviii 6, 1 Cor xiii James i. 6.

j Cant. viii 11, 12.

e ch vii 7, Mark xi. 24, v 16; 1 John iii. 22, v 14

k ch. v. 12; xxiii 34, 37; 2 Chron xxiv 21; xxxvi. 16; Neh ix. 26, Acts vii. 52; 1 Thess. ii 15, Heb xi 36, 37.

f Exod ii. 14; Mark xi 27; Luke xx. 1, Acts iv. 7; vii 27

l ch. xxvi 3, xxvii 1, Ps ii. 2; John xi. 53, Acts iv 27

m ch xxvi 50, &c, Mark xiv 46, &c; Luke xxii 54, &c, John xviii 12, &c, Acts ii 23.

xiv 5; Mark vi. [illegible], Luke xx

n Luke xx 16, 24; Acts viii xv 7, xviii xxviii 28, Rom ix, x, xi.; Heb.

o Ps cxviii 22, xx.iii 16, Mark xii 10, Luke 17, Acts iv Eph ii 20 Peter ii 6, 7

p

q Isa. viii 14, lx 12, Dan 44, Zech xii Luke xx 18, Rom ix. 33, 1 Peter ii 8.

g Luke vii. 29, 50.

r ver. 11; Luke vii 16; John vii 40

proper, but in the Court of the Gentiles, and not till a period subsequent to the Captivity, when many foreigners came to Jerusalem, and brought with them their own currency, which they expended in the purchase of victims for sacrifice

19 "Nothing thereon, but leaves only"—if there were leaves, there ought to have been fruit, since in the fig-tree the fruit precedes the foliage Both Alford and Olshausen make this transaction wholly typical.—"The fig-tree was the Jewish people, full of the leaves of a fruitless profession, for when the Saviour came seeking those fruits of true repentance which the law ought to have produced, he found them not, and hence the penal sentence which now took effect" When Christ exercised his power to bless, he selected *men*, when he exercised his judgment, it was to smite the barren tree.

25 "The baptism of John"—the baptism is to be taken as inclusive of the entire office, mission, and work of the Baptist.

28—32. "Publicans and harlots go into the kingdom of God before you"—the openly profane, by the convictions of their own conscience, and the admonitions of God's Spirit, are often brought to repentance and to life eternal, while the Scribes and the Pharisees, with all their professions of legal obedience, are denied the provisions of Heaven's mercy These latter feign to do the will of God, and do it not, while the former, who once lived in opposition to that will, are brought into spiritual subjection to God, and yield to him a willing and hearty obedience

"In the way of righteousness,"—preaching repentance, reformation, and a righteous and godly life as the evidence of an inward and a spiritual change.

33—46. The plain import of this parable is to set forth the opposition of the chosen people to the inspired messengers and prophets of God, till, in the spirit of a ripe and finished malignity, they rejected his own Son, and finally put him to death.

According to Bengel and others, the householder is God, who has his servants at command, the vineyard is the Jewish Church, the hedge is either the law or the separation of the people of Israel from all the nations of the earth, including the idea of the Divine protection afforded to the former against the latter, the winepress is either Jerusalem or the priesthood; the tower is either the Temple or the Theocratic kingdom, the going into a far country is meant to denote the Divine silence, during which men are disposed to act according to their own will and pleasure

"Digged a winepress"—that is, some cavity in the ground or rock, and which was so fitted up as to receive and preserve the juice as it flowed from the press above, in which the grapes were pressed by the foot.

Neander says justly:—"The lord of the vineyard had done everything necessary for its cultivation, so God had ordained all things wisely for the prosperity of his kingdom among the Jews,—all that was wanting was that they should rightly use the means instituted by him. The lord of the vineyard had a right to demand of his tenants a due proportion of fruit at the vintage; so God required of the Jews, to whom he had given his especial mercies as a nation, the fruits of a corresponding life;" but when they not only reject the earlier messengers, but kill his Son—the destined heir of the vineyard—to secure themselves entire independence, and turn the kingdom of God into anarchy, "the privileges were forfeited, and the blessings are transferred to other nations."

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *The parable of the marriage of the king's son.* 9 *The vocation of the Gentiles.* 12 *The punishment of him that wanted the wedding garment.* 15 *Tribute ought to be paid to Cæsar.* 23 *Christ confuteth the Sadducees for the resurrection:* 34 *answereth the lawyer, which is the first and great commandment:* 41 *and poseth the Pharisees about the Messias.*



AND Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said,[a]

2 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,

3 And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.

4 Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and *my* fatlings *are* killed, and all things *are* ready: come unto the marriage.[b]

5 But they made light of *it*, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:

6 And the remnant took his servants, and entreated *them* spitefully, and slew *them*.

7 But when the king heard *thereof*, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.[c]

8 Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.[d]

9 Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.

10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.[e]

11 ¶ And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:[f]

12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.[g]

14 For many are called, but few *are* chosen.[h]

15 ¶ Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in *his* talk.[i]

16 And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any *man:* for thou regardest not the person of men.

17 Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cæsar, or not?

18 But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, *ye* hypocrites?

19 Shew me the tribute money? And they brought unto him a [1]penny.

20 And he saith unto them, Whose *is* this image and [2]superscription?

21 They say unto him, Cæsar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which are Cæsar's; and unto God the things that are God's.[j]

22 When they had heard *these words*, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

23 ¶ The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him,[k]

24 Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.[l]

25 Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:

26 Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the [3]seventh.

27 And last of all the woman died also.

28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

g ch. viii 12.

h ch. xx. 16.

a Luke xiv. 16; Rev. xix. 7, 9

i Mark xii. 13; Luke xx. 20.

1 *In value seven pence halfpenny*, ch. xx. 2

2 Or, *inscription.*

b Prov. ix. 2.

j ch. xvii. 25, Rom. xiii. 7.

c Dan. ix 26; Luke xix. 27

k Mark xii 18, Luke xx 27, Acts xxiii 8

d ch. x 11, 13, Acts xiii. 46

l Deut. xxv. 5.

e ch. xiii. 38, 47.

3 Gr. *seven.*

f 2 Cor. v. 3; Eph. iv 24, Col. iii 10, 12, Rev. iii 4; xvi. 15; xix 8.

CHAPTER XXII.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt. xxii. 1–14. xii. 15–22; Mark xii. 13–17; Luke xx. 20–26. Matt. xxii. 23–40, Mark xii. 18–34, Luke xx. 27–40. Matt. xxii. 41–46; Mark xii. 35–37; Luke xx. 41–44.

The parable of the vineyard let out to husbandmen, which forms the conclusion of the preceding chapter, clearly points to the state of the Jewish nation, who, though in covenant with God as his people, turned a deaf ear to his anointed servants, trampled under foot the most vital truth, and now consummated their guilt in rejecting and putting to death his incarnate Son. Now, between this parable and the parable with which the present chapter opens, there is an immediate connection. Setting out from the Old Testament point of view, with the rejection of the Jews and the calling of the Gentiles, the Saviour here exhibits the blessings of his reign, in conformity with ancient prediction, under the figure of a rich and sumptuous feast, to which he invites his guests. Just as the accession of a prince to his throne is frequently described as a marriage with his people, so the accession of Christ to the throne of the kingdom of God is indicative of the fact that he came to ennoble our humanity, and take it into deathless union with himself.

1—10. There are two metaphors in this parable which seem to be closely allied—the metaphor of a king inviting his subjects, and that of a bridegroom taking home his bride. Those who are invited are, in one sense, the subjects of the prince who invites; and in another sense, they constitute the bride of the royal bridegroom.

The servants sent forth to invite the guests were the prophets and teachers of the Jewish Church; the murderers were the Jews; the city was Jerusalem, whose destruction—though forty years after the introduction of the Gospel to the other nations—was concurrent with the rejection of the Jews and the reception of the Gentiles.

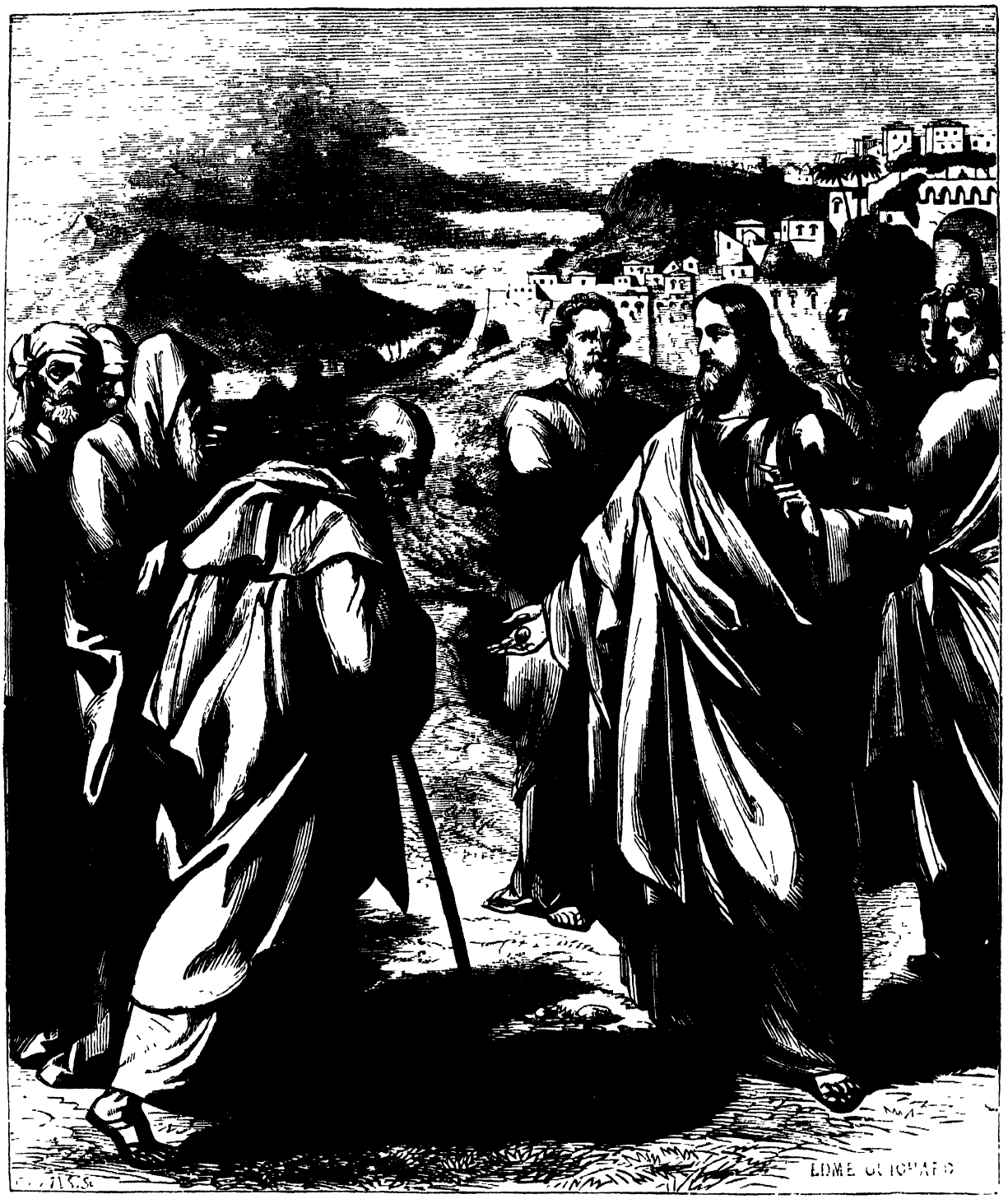
12. "A wedding garment."—at these ancient and royal banquets robes were provided for all guests, and to appear in the royal presence without such garment was regarded as an offence to the giver of the feast.

16. "Their disciples with the Herodians"—these Herodians, as the dependents and supporters of the dynasty of Herod, were rather a political than a religious sect. Being for the most part Sadducees in their creed, they were thus directly opposed to the Pharisees, yet with the Pharisees they united in opposition to our Lord.

23–33. "Came to him the Sadducees"—from Acts xxiii 8, we learn that the creed of this sect consisted in negations and denials. They believed in neither angel, spirit, nor resurrection. Their object in the present instance was to maintain an argument with our Lord in opposition to his teaching. In their reasoning they set out with the false hypothesis, that "the customs and relationships of the present life would be transferred to the future spiritual state," but Christ strikes at once at the root of this hypothesis, by tracing it to their own ignorance of the Scriptures, and of the unconfined power of God, who has made death one of the conditions of higher life; and, therefore, though Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob had passed away from this earthly scene, they had not ceased to exist, that each of them, as an individual personal spirit, was in conscious being, and the same power which kept alive the soul in her separation from the body, would animate the body itself, and make it a fit receptacle for the glorified spirit. So that, had they known their own Scriptures—not in the letter, but in the spirit—they could not have failed to discover this necessary connection between the truth there revealed and the doctrine of a future state.

Lavater, who is followed by Stier and others, was quite justified in saying that this passage is "a weighty testimony against the so-called sleep of the soul in the intermediate state."

34—40. "Asked him a question, tempting him:"—not "tempting" in an



"..... THEREFORE UNTO CÆSAR THE THINGS WHICH ARE CÆSAR'S; AND UNTO GOD THE THINGS THAT ARE GOD'S."—MATTHEW XXII 21.

29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.[a]

30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.[b]

31 But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying,

32 I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.[c]

33 And when the multitude heard *this*, they were astonished at his doctrine.[d]

34 ¶ But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together.[e]

35 Then one of them, *which was* a lawyer, asked *him a question*, tempting him, and saying,[f]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a John xx. 9
c Exod. iii. 6, 16; Mark xii. 26; Luke xx 37, Acts vii. 32; Heb xi. 16
d ch vii 28.
b 1 John iii 2.
e Mark xii. 28.
f Luke x 25.

evil sense, but in the sense of trying or testing him; and this not maliciously, but in the spirit of honest, earnest inquiry; and hence, as we learn from St. Mark, the Saviour, whose loving heart always welcomed the very first germs of truth and goodness, praised the spirit of the man's reply, and assured him that he was not far from the kingdom of God.

"A lawyer"—that is, one who interpreted the law of Moses.



CHRIST WEEPING OVER JERUSALEM.—MATTHEW XXIII. 37—39.

36 Master, which *is* the great commandment in the law?

37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.[a]

38 This is the first and great commandment.

39 And the second *is* like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.[b]

40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.[c]

41 ¶ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,[d]

42 Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, *The son* of David.

43 He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying,

44 The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool?[e]

45 If David then call him Lord, how is he his son?

46 And no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any *man* from that day forth ask him any more *questions*.[f]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[a] Deut. vi. 5; x. 12; xxx. 6, Luke x. 27.

[b] ch. xix. 19, Lev. xix. 18, Mark xii. 31; Luke x. 27; Rom. xiii. 9, Gal. v. 14, James ii. 8.

[c] ch. vii. 12; 1 Tim. i. 5.

[d] Mark xii. 35; Luke xx. 41.

[e] Ps. cx. 1; Acts ii. 34; 1 Cor. xv. 25; Heb. i. 13; x. 12, 13.

[f] Mark xii. 34; Luke xiv. 6, xx. 40.

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *Christ admonisheth the people to follow the good doctrine, not the evil examples, of the scribes and Pharisees.* 5 *His disciples must beware of their ambition.* 13 *He denounceth eight woes against their hypocrisy and blindness:* 34 *and prophesieth of the destruction of Jerusalem.*



THEN spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples,

2 Saying, The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat:[g]

3 All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, *that* observe and do; but do not ye after their works: for they say, and do not.[h]

4 For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay *them* on men's shoulders; but they *themselves* will not move them with one of their fingers.[i]

5 But all their works they do for to be seen of

[g] Neh. viii. 4, 8; Mal. ii. 7, Mark xii. 38; Luke xx. 45.

[h] Rom. ii. 19, &c.

[i] Luke xi. 46; Acts xv. 10; Gal. vi. 13.

41—46. "What think ye of Christ? whose son is he?"—the title "Son of David" was, in fact, one of the designations of the promised Messiah, but many of the Jews understood it in a mere worldly-political sense; and hence the point of the Saviour's question—"How then doth David in spirit call him Lord?"—give him; by the teaching of inspiration, a name and title which imply possession and supremacy? To this there was no answer. Either David was wrong, or Christ is the Son of God and the Saviour of man—combining in himself both Deity and humanity.

CHAPTER XXIII.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt. xxiii. 1—39, Mark xii. 38—40; Luke xx. 45—47.

The matter found in the Evangelists Mark and Luke is nothing more than a trace of the discourse here recorded by Matthew, and which is peculiar to him; though there are some Commentators who conceive that no small portion of the address is to be found in substance in Luke xi. and xiii.; nor can it be denied, that in many points it bears a close resemblance to the Sermon on the Mount. In the discourse now before us, which was delivered

men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments,[a]

6 And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues,[b]

7 And greetings in the markets, and to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi.

8 But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, *even* Christ; and all ye are brethren.[c]

9 And call no *man* your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.[d]

10 Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, *even* Christ.

11 But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.[e]

12 And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.[f]

13 ¶ But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in *yourselves*, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.[g]

14 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.[h]

15 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.

16 Woe unto you, *ye* blind guides, which say, Whosoever shall swear by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he is a debtor![i]

17 *Ye* fools and blind: for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that sanctifieth the gold?[j]

18 And, Whosoever shall swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever sweareth by the gift that is upon it, he is [1]guilty.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch vi 1, 2, 5, 16; Numb. xv. 38, Deut vi 8; xxii. 12; Prov. iii. 3.

k Exod xxix. 37.

b Mark xii. 38, 39; Luke xi 43, xx 46, 3 John 9

l 1 Kings viii 13; 2 Chron vi. 2, Ps. xxvi. 8; cxxxii. 14.

c 2 Cor i. 24; James iii. 1, 1 Peter v. 3.

m ch v 34; Ps. xi. 4; Acts vii. 49.

d Mal i 6

2 Gr. ἄνηθον, *dill.*

n ch. ix. 13; xii. 7; 1 Sam. xv. 22; Hos vi. 6, Micah vi 8; Luke xi. 42

e ch. xx 26, 27.

f Job xxii 29; Prov. xv. 33, xxix 23; Luke xiv 11, xviii 14; James iv 6, 1 Peter v. 5.

o Mark vii. 4; Luke xi 39.

g Luke xi. 52.

h Mark xii 40, Luke xx 47, 2 Tim iii 6; Titus i. 11.

p Luke xi 44; Acts xxiii. 3.

q Luke xi 47.

i ver 24, ch v 33, 34; xv 14.

j Exod xxx 29.

r Acts viii 51, 52, 1 Thess ii 15

1 Or, *debtor*, or, *bound*

s Gen xv 16, 1 Thess ii 16

19 *Ye* fools and blind: for whether *is* greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift?[k]

20 Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all things thereon.

21 And whoso shall swear by the temple, sweareth by it, and by him that dwelleth therein.[l]

22 And he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him that sitteth thereon.[m]

23 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and [2]anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier *matters* of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.[n]

24 *Ye* blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.

25 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.[o]

26 *Thou* blind Pharisee, cleanse first that *which is* within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also.

27 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead *men's* bones, and of all uncleanness.[p]

28 Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

29 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,[q]

30 And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.

31 Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves, that ye are the children of them which killed the prophets.[r]

32 Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers.[s]

towards the close of his ministry, our Lord solemnly warns his followers against mere appearances—against everything in the form of show or semblance in the momentous business of religion. Viewed in this light, it constitutes a solemn protest against the hypocrisies of all ages, whose form and appearance may vary, but whose real nature—or rather, want of all reality—ever remains the same

2 "Moses' seat" is to be taken as the emblem of the Divine authority, of which Moses was the representative, as the judge and lawgiver of the people

3 "Do not ye after their works."—it was not the individuals of the Pharisees and Scribes against which our Lord here warns his disciples, but their *character* So far as they taught in harmony with Revealed Truth, they were to be obeyed, but their conduct, being in direct opposition to their teaching, was to be shunned and condemned.

4 "Bind heavy burdens"—by encumbering all the relations of life with a multitude of minute regulations, which neither reason nor piety could commend, and the very enforcing of which restrained all freer and more spontaneous action

5. "Make broad their phylacteries"—these phylacteries consisted of small strips of parchment, on which were written certain verses of Scripture, and which, being rolled up, were put into a box, and bound on the forehead, between the eyes, worn sometimes near the heart, and sometimes on the left arm. The "borders of their garments" were purple lappings attached to some part of their dress The Saviour dwells on these merely external things to set forth more vividly the utterly hypocritical vanity and ambition which were bound up in the character of the Pharisee, whose devotion consisted in external observances, while the heart was devoted to selfishness and pride.

7 "Called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi"—this was a title given to princes, as well as to distinguished teachers How oft is it that "the honour of men is the idol to which men pay their homage!"

9. "Call no man your father upon the earth,"—in other words, give no man any designation which would imply dominion over your faith or your conscience These are far above the sphere of human influence.

10 "Neither be ye called masters"—the word here rendered *masters* would be better expressed by guides, and again points to a title of spiritual pre-eminence

13. "Shut up the kingdom of heaven against men"—this kingdom is the new, holy, spiritual community which the Redeemer came to establish, and in which an inward and Divine life is the ruling element, but the Pharisees, by their endless external forms, deterred men from entering into any such community, they blocked up the way to the temple of truth, and thus prevented men from attaining the blessings of spiritual life.

14. "Devour widows' houses"—this was done, in all likelihood, by so insinuating themselves into the favour of those widows, as to induce them to devote their property to the support and use of the Pharisees and Scribes themselves, or to such objects as tended to give increased influence to the class to which they belonged The welfare of themselves, and not the benefit of the widow, was the object of their deceitful and ostentatious piety. They were men of extreme avarice, and their conduct in this instance, under the cloak of greater sanctity, was the more offensive.

24. "Strain at a gnat," or, as the older versions have it, "strain out a gnat"—if a gnat, which was held to be unclean, entered the wine, the Jews then carefully strained the wine, so as to remove the insect—Lev xi 20, 23, 41, 42; xvii 10—14. The Buddhists in Ceylon and Hindustan follow the same practice. The camel, as a large, and also an unclean beast, is put in striking and impressive contrast with the little insect.

27. "Like unto whited sepulchres"—on the fifteenth day of the month Adar in each year, the Jews were in the habit of whitewashing their tombs, or some spot near where there was a grave, that persons might not be liable to uncleanness by passing over it. This was so beautifully done, that no one ignorant of the fact would have supposed them to be tombs or graves, and yet that fair exterior concealed nothing but putrefaction. So their heart was not "a temple of the living God, but a grave of pestilent corruption."

29. "Ye build the tombs of the prophets:"—the Saviour here passes (says Olshausen) "from the graves with which he compared the Pharisees, to the monuments which they ostentatiously erected in memory of the ancient prophets, arrogantly persuading themselves that the evil principle which had

33 *Ye* serpents, *ye* generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?[a]

34 ¶ Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and *some* of them ye shall kill and crucify; and *some* of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute *them* from city to city:[b]

35 That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar.[c]

36 Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation.

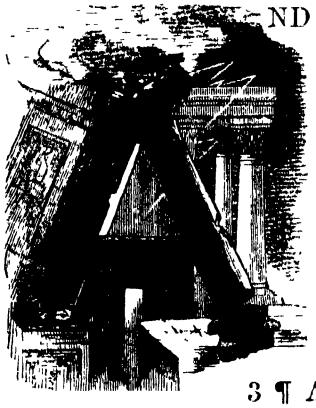
37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, *thou* that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under *her* wings, and ye would not![d]

38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

39 For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord.[e]

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Christ foretelleth the destruction of the temple* · 3 *what and how great calamities shall be before it*. 29 *the signs of his coming to judgment* 36 *And because that day and hour is unknown*, 42 *we ought to watch like good servants, expecting every moment our master's coming.*



AND Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to *him* for to shew him the buildings of the temple.[f]

2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.[g]

3 ¶ And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what *shall be* the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?[h]

4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.[i]

5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.[j]

6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.[k]

8 All these *are* the beginning of sorrows.

9 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.[l]

10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.[m]

11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.[n]

12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.[o]

14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.[p]

15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)[q]

16 Then let them which be in Judæa flee into the mountains:

17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days![r]

20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was

ANNO DOMINI 33

a ch iii 7; xii 34.

h Mark xiii. 3; 1 Thess v. 1

i Eph v 6; Col ii 8, 18; 2 Thess ii 3, 1 John iv. 1

b ch x. 17, xxi 34, 35; Luke xi 49, Acts v 40, vii 58, 59, xxii. 19, 2 Cor xi 24, 25.

j ver 11, 24, Jer xiv 14, xxiii 21, 25, John v 43

c Gen iv 8, 2 Chron. xxiv 20, 21, 1 John iii 12, Rev xviii. 24

k 2 Chron xv 6, Isa xix. 2; Hagg ii 22, Zech. xiv. 13.

l ch x 17; Mark xiii 9; Luke xxi 12, John xv 20, xvi 2, Acts iv 2, 3, vii 59, xii 1, &c, 1 Peter iv 16, Rev ii 10, 13

d Deut xxxii 11, 12, 2 Chron xxiv 21, Ps xvii 8, xci. 4, Luke xiii 34.

m ch. xi 6, xiii. 57, 2 Tim. i 15, iv 10, 16

n ver 5, 24, ch vii 15, Acts xx 29, 1 Tim iv 1, 2 Peter ii 1

o ch xxi 9, Ps cxviii 26

o ch x 22, Mark xiii 13, Heb iii 6, 14, Rev ii 10

p ch iv. 23, ix 35, Rom x 18, Col. i 6, 23

q Dan ix 23, 25, 27, xii 11, Mark xiii 14, Luke xxi 20

f Mark xiii. 1, Luke xxi. 5

g 1 Kings ix 7; Jer xxvi 18, Micah iii. 12, Luke xix 44

r Luke xxiii 29.

borne such bitter fruits in their fathers, had no root in their hearts" What self-deception! what blindness of mind! While they were dreaming of thus performing a service of affection, they were in realty only carrying out and completing the work of their ancestors. They were nothing less than accomplices in the murders committed by their fathers the one killed, and the others prepared or embellished the tombs, thus imparting an appearance of reverence and piety to the guilty deeds committed by their forefathers They, indeed, endeavoured to justify themselves by accusing their ancestors, and yet, in acknowledging their descent from those who killed the prophets, they bore witness against themselves; and it is the fact that *they* were the last of such hypocrites and persecutors.

32. "Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers;"—or rather, "ye filling up, or completing their guilt, to your own final destruction"

34 "Behold, I send unto you prophets"—though wrath was impending over them, the Saviour assures them of conditions of mercy. To make known those conditions, he would send them prophets, who appeared in the persons of his Apostles—wise men, full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, represented by Stephen and James, and others of the same type; scribes, or such as were profoundly read in the Oracles of Truth, as Apollos, and men like him, "mighty in the Scriptures" But instead of listening to such messengers of life, and accepting the conditions of mercy, they would persecute them, and imbrue their hands in their blood

35. "From the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias"—Abel is here mentioned as the first of the human race whose blood was shed in the cause of truth and righteousness, and with him is joined Zacharias the son of Barachias, or Jehoiada, of whose prophecy and death we have an account in 2 Chron. xxiv. 20—22, and of whose blood the Jews have the saying, that "the stain never was destroyed till the Temple was destroyed at the captivity." The fact that these words were uttered by our Lord in the Temple, imparts to them an increased solemnity.

"Between the temple and the altar"—this was an open space in which the great altar of burnt-offerings stood, at the entrance of the buildings strictly belonging to the Temple.

38 "Behold, your house is left unto you desolate"—these words were in all likelihood uttered by the Saviour as he was going out of the Temple. Hitherto he had spoken of it as his Father's house, but he now calls it *their* house, for, from that moment, it ceased to be what it had been. When he withdrew, it ceased to be the scene of the Divine Presence; and Jesus himself discontinued his public ministry among the Jews.

CHAPTER XXIV.

SYNOPSIS—Matt. xxiv 1—51, xxv. 1—13, Mark xiii 1—37; Luke xxi 5—36

In this great prophetic discourse, our Lord throws back the veil from the future. The relation is much the same in all the three Evangelists, while their statements about the time, the local circumstances, and the general contents of the discourse, are a guarantee for the correctness of their narrative. The obvious design of the discourse is to describe the approaching overthrow of Jerusalem with the whole of the Jewish polity, connecting with this impending catastrophe the return of the Lord to establish his new kingdom in the world

1 "Shew him the buildings of the temple"—he had said, in the close of the previous discourse—"Behold, your house is left unto you desolate," and these words falling with startling effect on the ears of his disciples, they call his attention to the magnitude and the splendour of the sacred edifice; but it was only to have its overthrow predicted with deeper emphasis.

3. "Sat upon the mount of Olives."—from which the Temple could be seen, and where the coming siege was to commence.

"The end of the world."—this may refer either to the end of time, or only to the close of the age or dispensation. Our Lord does not answer the question of his disciples, for it could contribute nothing to their advan-

not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.[a]

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.[b]

23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here *is* Christ, or there; believe *it* not.[c]

24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect.[d]

25 Behold, I have told you before.

26 Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, *he is* in the secret chambers; believe *it* not.

27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.[e]

28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.[f]

29 ¶ Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:[g]

30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.[h]

31 And he shall send his angels [1]with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.[i]

32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer *is* nigh:[j]

33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that [2]it is near, *even* at the doors.[k]

34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Dan ix. 26; xii. 1; Joel ii. 2.

m ch. v 18; Ps. cii. 26, Isa. li. 6, Jer. xxxi 35, 36; Mark xiii. 31; Luke xxi. 33; Heb i. 11.

n Zech xiv. 7; Mark xiii. 32, Acts i. 7; 1 Thess. v 2; 2 Peter iii 10.

b Isa. lxv. 8, 9; Zech. xiv 2, 3.

c Mark xiii. 21; Luke xvii. 23; xxi 8.

o Gen. vi. 3—5; vii. 5, Luke xvii 26, 1 Peter iii. 20.

d vs 5, 11, Deut. xiii. 1; John vi 37; x 28, 29, Rom viii 28—30; 2 Thess. ii 9—11, 2 Tim. ii. 19; Rev. xiii. 13.

p Luke xvii. 34, &c.

e Luke xvii. 24.

q ch. xxv 13; Mark xiii 33, &c., Luke xxi 36.

f Job xxxix. 30; Luke xvii 37.

r Luke xii 39; 1 Thess.v 2, 2 Peter iii 10, Rev iii 3, xvi 15.

s ch. xxv. 13; 1 Thess v. 6

g Isa. xiii.10, Ezek xxxii 7, Dan vii 11, 12, Joel ii 10, 31, iii 15, Amos v 20; viii. 9 Mark xiii. 24, Luke xxi 25, Acts ii 20, Rev vi 12

t Luke xii 42, Acts xx. 28, 1 Cor iv 2, Heb iii. 5.

u Rev xvi 15.

h ch xvi 27, Dan vii 13, Zech xii 12, Mark xiii 26, Rev i 7

1 Or, *with a trumpet, and a great voice*

v ch xxv 21, 23, Luke xxii 29

i ch xiii 41, 1 Cor xv 52, 1 Thess iv. 16

j Luke xxi 29

2 Or, *he*

k James v 9

3 Gr *cut him off.*

l ch xvi 28, xxiii 36, Mark xiii 30, Luke xxi 32

w ch viii 12, xxv 30

35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.[m]

36 ¶ But of that day and hour knoweth no *man*, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.[n]

37 But as the days of Noe *were*, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,[o]

39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

40 Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.[p]

41 Two *women shall be* grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

42 ¶ Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.[q]

43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.[r]

44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.[s]

45 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his houshold, to give them meat in due season?[t]

46 Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.[u]

47 Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.[v]

48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;

49 And shall begin to smite *his* fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;

50 The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and in an hour that he is not aware of,

51 And shall [3]cut him asunder, and appoint *him* his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.[w]

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tage, but satisfies himself by giving them certain salutary admonitions to watchfulness and fidelity

Concerning the destruction of the Temple, and the city, and the signs of this event, he answers in verses 4, 5, 15, 16, concerning his coming, and the end of the world, and the signs of that event, he answers in verses 29–31, concerning the time when the Temple was to be destroyed, he answers in verses 32, 33, and concerning the time of the end of the world, he answers in verse 36

5. "Saying, I am Christ:"—Josephus tells us that Judea was overrun with impostors, who drew the multitudes into solitudes and deserts, under the expectation of seeing signs and miracles. In history, we meet with the names of twenty-four false Messiahs, who, at different periods, sought to lead the people astray Among them were Dositheus, the Samaritan, who asserted that he was Christ, and Simon Magus, who claimed to be the Son of God.

6—10 "The end is not yet,"—that is, the time for the completion of these predictions has not yet come, and their accomplishment will be introduced and preceded by wars and rumours of wars—by persecution and suffering—by death and martyrdom.

13. "He that shall endure unto the end:"—the primary meaning of this seems to be, that whosoever remained faithful till the destruction of Jerusalem, should be preserved from it, and we learn from history that no Christian perished in the siege, besides this, there is a reference to that "recompense of reward" which shall be the portion of those who are found faithful to the end.

14. "This gospel shall be preached in all the world:"—this was fulfilled in the life and labours of the Apostle Paul, whose mission embraced all nations, even before the destruction of Jerusalem

15. "The abomination of desolation"—a Hebrew mode of expression, meaning an abominable desolation; and by a reference to Luke xxi. 20, we find that the Roman army was thus designated. In this Pagan army the soldiers adored the eagles of their legions, and mingled with their standards the images of their gods, and of their emperors, whom they alike regarded as the objects of worship, and worthy of divine honours.

16—18 "Flee into the mountains."—the Christian Jews fled to Pella, a town in the northernmost boundary of Persea, in reaching which they had to cross the mountain heights.

20. "Neither on the Sabbath;"—because, though they were Christians, they were not yet free from the rigid custom of the Jews in preserving the sanctity of the Sabbath according to the law of Moses.

27. "So shall the coming of the Son of man be:"—just as the lightning, when it leaves the dark-bosomed cloud, fills the whole hemisphere from east to west with its flame, and makes itself seen, so the coming of the Son of man will be manifest to all men.

28. "Wheresoever the carcase is:"—Jerusalem was the centre of life, and wealth, and population, and the Romans, like so many vultures, would hurry thither to destroy and devour Hence the exhortation to take flight.

29—31. "In those days shall the sun be darkened:"—there can be no doubt that physical phenomena, ecclesiastical changes, and political convulsions, are all included in this description. The frame of Nature was disturbed, the fabric of society was rent asunder, and the Church itself was driven to the mountains. These verses also point to the final coming of our Lord at the close of all things.

34. "Verily I say unto you:"—a solemn announcement in the Old Testament is ushered in by—"Thus saith the Lord of Hosts;" in the New Testament it is—"Verily I say unto you."

"This generation shall not pass:"—the Jews were accustomed to regard time as divided into three periods which they called "generations." The first, from the creation until the time of Moses; the second, from the time of Moses until the coming of the Messiah; and the third, from the days of the Messiah until the end of all things.



THE TEN VIRGINS

MATTHEW XXV



THE WISE AND FOOLISH VIRGINS.—MATTHEW XXV. 1–13.

CHAPTER XXV.

1 *The parable of the ten virgins,* 14 *and of the talents.* 31 *Also the description of the last judgment.*



THEN shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.[a]

2 And five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish.[b]

3 They that *were* foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.[c]

6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.[d]

7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.[e]

8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are [1]gone out.

9 But the wise answered, saying, *Not so;* lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.[f]

11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.[g]

12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.[h]

13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.[i]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

j ch xxi 33, Luke xix. 12.

2 A talent is £187 10*s*

k ch xviii. 24, Rom. xii. 6, 1 Cor xii 7, 11, 29, Eph. iv. 11.

a Eph. v. 29, 30; Rev. xix. 7, xxi. 2, 9.

b ch. xiii. 47, xxii. 10.

c 1 Thess v. 6.

d ch xxiv. 31, 1 Thess. iv 16

e Luke xii. 35

l vs 34, 46, ch xxiv 47, Luke xii 44, xxii. 29, 30, 2 Tim ii 12, Heb xi. 2, 1 Peter i. 8.

1 Or, *going out*

m ver. 21.

f Luke xiii. 25.

g ch vii. 21–23

h Ps v 5, Hab i 13, John ix 31

i ch xxiv 42, 44, Mark xiii 33—35, Luke xxi 36, 1 Cor xvi 13, 1 Thess v 6, 1 Peter v 8, Rev xvi. 15

14 ¶ For *the kingdom of heaven is* as a man travelling into a far country, *who* called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.[j]

15 And unto one he gave five [2]talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.[k]

16 Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made *them* other five talents.

17 And likewise he that *had received* two, he also gained other two.

18 But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

19 After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.

20 And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.

21 His lord said unto him, Well done, *thou* good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.[l]

22 He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.

23 His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.[m]

24 Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:

25 And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, *there* thou hast *that is* thine.

26 His lord answered and said unto him, *Thou*

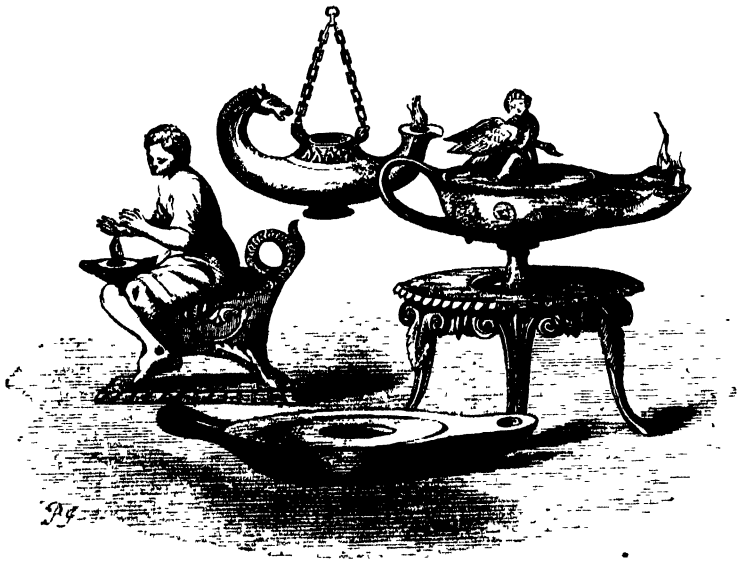
41. "Women shall be grinding"—this was a species of employment confined almost exclusively to women, in their capacity of servants or slaves.

42—51 How much depends on fidelity to Christ and his service! How fearful—how unutterably tremendous the doom that will fall upon the impenitent!

CHAPTER XXV.

The first thirteen verses of this chapter, which are peculiar to Matthew, ought to have formed the conclusion of the preceding chapter, as being the application of the solemn predictions which the Saviour had just uttered. The point of transition, from the overthrow of the Jewish polity to the setting up of his own everlasting kingdom, is to be found in the fourteenth verse. The overlooking of this simple fact has led expositors into various kinds of misinterpretations of this impressive parable. We must regard these Divine similes as designed to convey a solemn monition to the Jewish people in the prospect of the desolation that was coming upon themselves and their country, and also as an admonition to the Christian Church.

1. "**Then shall the kingdom of** heaven be likened unto ten virgins,"—that is, the reign of grace, under the Messiah, from the day of his resurrection, and his subsequent ascension, extending not only to the overthrow of Jerusalem, but to the end of the Gospel dispensation.



ANCIENT LAMPS. FROM THE RUINS OF HERCULANEUM.

Ten is a favourite number with the Jews; and as ten men formed a congregation in a synagogue, the number is here taken for the whole nation

These lamps were not flambeaus, nor torches, as they are sometimes represented, but lamps such as were used in the East

2 "Five wise—five foolish"—our Lord represents the nation in the most favourable light, to conciliate prejudice, and insure attention to his teaching The word "foolish" is to be taken in the sense of thoughtless and indifferent, as indicated by their culpable negligence.

They were the virgin companions of the bride waiting for the bridegroom, according to the custom of the times

6 "At midnight there was a cry made"—it is at such a time that marriages in the East are celebrated, and that the bridegroom leads home his bride.

8. "Are gone out"—or rather, "are going out," and that through their own neglect.

14. "Called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods"—the design of this parable is to set forth the duties of the Christian life. The disciples of Christ are left in the world as his representatives and active agents, and on the part which they perform depend everlasting consequences to themselves and to others Hence the deep and thrilling earnestness with which our Lord here speaks to his professed followers.

25. "There thou hast that is thine:"—this was not true. Had he improved

wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

27 Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and *then* at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

28 Take therefore the talent from him, and give *it* unto him which hath ten talents.

29 For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.[a]

30 And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.[b]

31 ¶ When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:[c]

32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth *his* sheep from the goats:[d]

33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:[e]

35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:[f]

36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.[g]

37 Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed *thee?* or thirsty, and gave *thee* drink?

38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took *thee* in? or naked, and clothed *thee?*

39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done *it* unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done *it* unto me.[h]

41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:[i]

ANNO DOMINI 33

a ch xiii. 12; Mark iv. 25, Luke viii. 18; xix. 26; John xv 2

j Prov xiv. 31; xvii 5, Zech. ii. 8, Acts ix 5.

b ch. viii 12, xxiv. 51

k Dan xii 2, John v 29, Rom ii 7, &c.

c ch. xvi 27, xix 28, Zech xiv 5, Mark viii 38, Acts i 11, 1 Thess. iv 16, 2 Thess i 7, Jude 14, Rev i 7

d ch. xiii. 49, Ezek xx 38; xxxiv 17, 20, Rom xiv 10, 2 Cor. v. 10, Rev. xx 12

e ch xx 23; Mark x 40, Rom viii 17, 1 Cor ii 9, Heb xi 16, 1 Peter i 4, 9, iii 9, Rev xxi 7

l Mark xiv 1, Luke xxii 1, John xiii 1

f Isa lviii 7, Ezek xviii 7, Heb xiii 2, James i 27, 3 John 5

g 2 Tim i 16, James ii 15, 16.

m Ps. ii 2, John xi 47, Acts iv. 25, &c.

n ch xxi 17; Mark xiv 3, John xi 1, 2, xii 3

h ch x 42, Prov xiv 31, xix 17, Mark ix 41, Heb vi 10

i ch vii 23, xiii 40, 42, Ps vi 8, Luke xiii 27, 2 Peter ii. 4, Jude 6

o John xii 4

42 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink:

43 I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not.

44 Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

45 Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did *it* not to one of the least of these, ye did *it* not to me.[j]

46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.[k]

CHAPTER XXVI.

1 *The rulers conspire against Christ.* 6 *The woman anointeth his head.* 14 *Judas selleth him.* 17 *Christ eateth the passover* 26 *instituteth his holy supper.* 36 *prayeth in the garden* 47 *and being betrayed with a kiss,* 57 *is carried to Caiaphas,* 69 *and denied of Peter.*



AND it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said unto his disciples,

2 Ye know that after two days is *the feast of* the passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified.[l]

3 Then assembled together the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders of the people, unto the palace of the high priest, who was called Caiaphas,[m]

4 And consulted that they might take Jesus by subtilty, and kill *him.*

5 But they said, Not on the feast *day,* lest there be an uproar among the people.

6 ¶ Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper,[n]

7 There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat *at meat.*

8 But when his disciples saw *it,* they had indignation, saying, To what purpose *is* this waste?[o]

his talent, there would have been not only the talent, but the increase arising therefrom, and both these his lord claimed justly. The sin of the servant consisted, first, in sloth, and then in assuming false grounds of excuse.

26. "I reap where I sowed not,"—that is, let it be so that I am a hard master, reaping where I have not sowed, that does not affect your responsibility. I gave you a talent to employ, and I now demand the fruit of it. The man had no return to make, and hence his designation—"thou wicked and slothful servant," and hence his doom.

31—46. In the preceding parable we have the progress and development of Christ's kingdom in the world; here we are carried forward to the close of the great Evangelical economy, and are set down amid the scenes and the realities of the last judgment, in which there will take place a complete and endless separation between the righteous and the wicked.

Christ the King shall first address the righteous, in the hearing of the unrighteous; and then the unrighteous shall depart in the sight of the redeemed. Thus the condemned will see nothing of eternal life, though the righteous will see the vengeance inflicted on the men who, in the days of their probation, rejected Christ and his redemption, and died in their impenitence and unbelief.

Awakening thoughts, these! Oh! for grace so to live in this sinful, selfish world, as at last to be found of Christ in peace! To those who look for him is he to appear a second time unto salvation—a salvation commenced in time, and extending throughout the countless ages of eternity!

CHAPTER XXVI

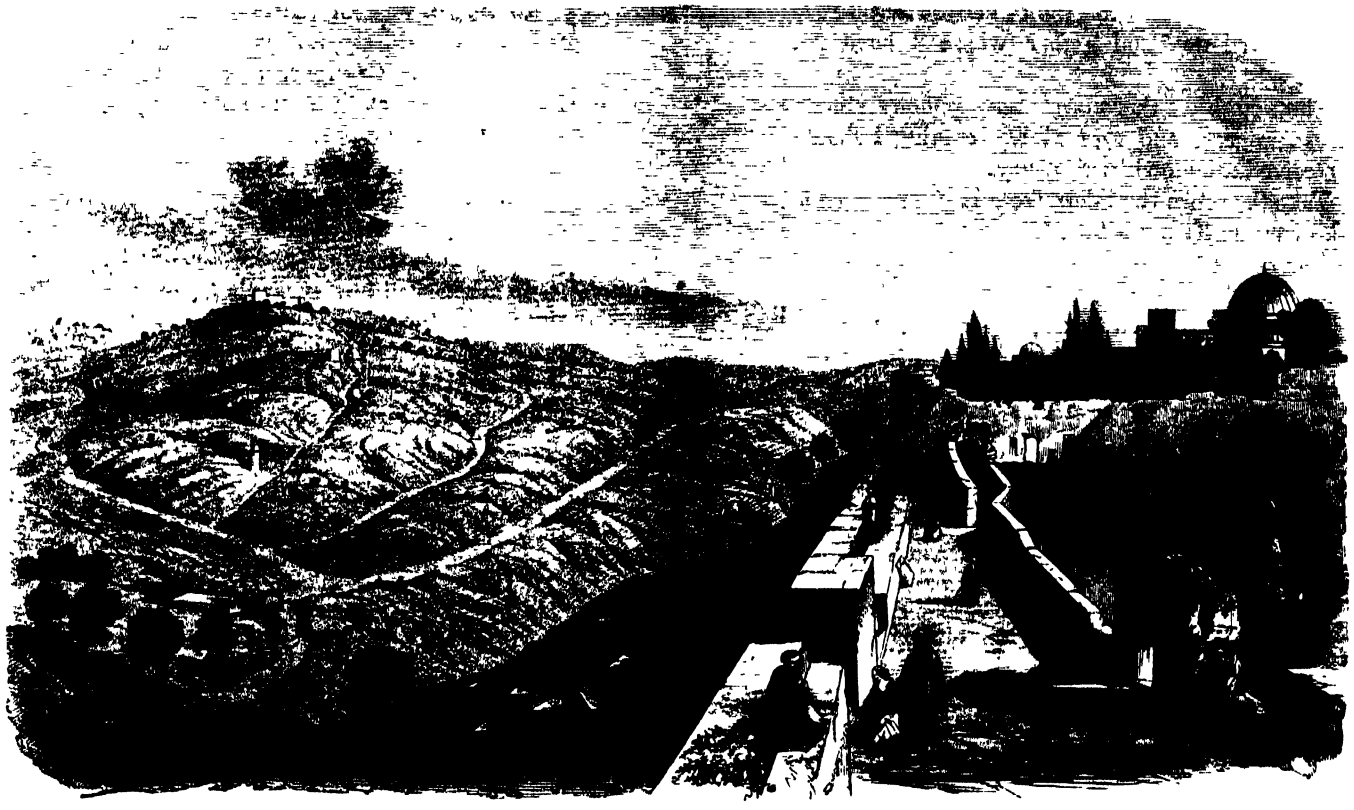
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A life of teaching must now give place in Christ to scenes of suffering. Whatever more he had to say was to be comprised within the last few moments which preceded his death, and within the narrow circle of his own immediate followers. He was now entering on the last scene of his humiliation, which deepened into his agony in the garden, and his death upon the cross

2. "The feast of the passover:"—this great Jewish festival was celebrated on the fourteenth day of the first month (Nisan) between the evenings—that is, between the thirteenth and fourteenth, or between the fourteenth and fifteenth, and so including the two days The feast of unleavened bread began on the fifteenth, and continued for seven days. It follows, that though the term PASSOVER is strictly applicable only to the eating of the paschal lamb on the fourteenth day, it is yet used in reference to the whole period

4. "Consulted that they might take Jesus:"—while our Lord, by an act of solemn consecration, was now preparing himself entirely for suffering, his enemies, influenced by the worst of principles, were plotting his death!

7. "As he sat at meat:"—we learn from John xii. 2. that this Simon—who,



THE MOUNT OF OLIVES.

9 For this ointment might have been sold for much, and given to the poor.

10 When Jesus understood *it*, he said unto them, Why trouble ye the woman? for she hath wrought a good work upon me.

11 For ye have the poor always with you; but me ye have not always.[a]

12 For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did *it* for my burial.

13 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, *there* shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her.

14 ¶ Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests,[b]

15 And said *unto them*, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver.[c]

16 And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him.

ANNO DOMINI 33

[d] Exod. xii. 6, 18; Mark xiv. 12; Luke xxii. 7

[a] ch xviii 20; xxviii 20, Deut xv 11, John xii 8, xiii 33, xiv. 19, xvi. 5, 28, xvii 11

[e] Mark xiv 17—21; Luke xxii. 14, John xiii. 21.

[b] ch x 4; Mark xiv 10; Luke xxii. 3, John xiii 2, 30.

[c] ch. xxvii 3; Zech xi. 12.

[f] Ps. xli 9; Luke xxii. 21; John xiii 18.

17 ¶ Now the first *day* of the *feast of* unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover?[d]

18 And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples.

19 And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.

20 Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve.[e]

21 And as they did eat, he said, Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.

22 And they were exceeding sorrowful, and began every one of them to say unto him, Lord, is it I?

23 And he answered and said, He that dippeth *his* hand with me in the dish, the same shall betray me.[f]

24 The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man

it is said, was a leper, that is, had been a leper, and, perhaps, had been healed by Christ, and was, in all probability, connected with the family of Lazarus—made a supper for Jesus, and as the ancients rather reclined than sat at table—lay on couches furnished with cushions, in such a position that their feet rested backwards—the woman could have no difficulty in pouring the ointment on the Saviour's head, or in wiping his feet with her hair.

8. "They had indignation"—it was Judas Iscariot, as we learn from John, who took objection to this act of affectionate piety on the part of Mary.

"To what purpose is this waste?"—it is somewhat remarkable that, in the original, the word here rendered WASTE means also PERDITION; and Judas is called "the son of perdition."

12. "She did it for my burial:"—others were anointed after death; but Christ was anointed while still living. It may be, as Olshausen says, that the Saviour "intended by these words not only to rebuke his disciples, but to give her an intimation of the unspeakable sorrow that awaited her; for what must she have felt when she saw Him expire on the cross who had power to rescue his friend Lazarus from the grave!" The Saviour's death was not only certain, but near at hand.

13. "Be told for a memorial of her:"—she thus erected to herself a monument as lasting as the Gospel; and the fulfilment of the Saviour's words is an enduring proof of the truth of Christianity. Beautifully says Bengel—"No earthly monarch can bestow immortality on any action, even though he employ all his wealth and power to do so. The memory of the godly may flourish, even though their names be unknown."

15. "Thirty pieces of silver."—this, which was about £3 15s. of our money, was the price of a slave.

17. "Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread:"—the feast continued eight days, including the day on which the paschal lamb was slain, and during the whole of this period no leaven was allowed to be used in the bread; thus, by an outward and visible emblem, every partaker of the feast was taught that humiliation and contrition must be blended with their devotional acts, if they desired to participate in the blessings to be conferred by Him of whom the paschal lamb was a type.

"To eat the passover;"—that is, the lamb slain in remembrance of the Passover. By a well-known figure of speech, the object that *represents* is here used for the object *represented*.



JUDAS ISCARIOT COVENANTING WITH THE CHIEF PRIESTS.—MATTHEW XXVI. 14, 15.

is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born.[a]

25 Then Judas, which betrayed him, answered and said, Master, is it I? He said unto him, Thou hast said.

26 ¶ And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and [1]blessed *it*, and brake *it*, and gave *it* to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.[b]

ANNO DOMINI 33

a Ps xxii., Isa. liii; Dan ix 26, Mark ix 12, Luke xxiv 25, 26, 46, John xvii 12, Acts xvii 2, 3, xxvi 22, 23
c Mark xiv 23
d ch xx 28, Exod xxiv 8, Lev xvii 11, Jer xxxi 31, Rom v 15
1 Many Greek copies have, *gave thanks*, Mark vi 41.

27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave *it* to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;[c]

28 For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.[d]

29 But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.[e]

b Mark xiv 22, Luke xxii 19, 1 Cor. x 16, xi 23–25

e Mark xiv 25, Luke xxii 18, Acts x 41.

When the disciples besought Christ to teach them how to pray, our Lord was pleased to adopt pious sentences already in use. So, also, in the institution of the sacramental supper, the Saviour selected for the emblems not things new, but portions of an ordinance long in use, which had reference to himself under a prior dispensation, and employed them to commemorate the great event of which the paschal lamb was only a type. If we bear this practice of our Lord's in view, and then examine the mode in which the paschal feast was observed, we shall gain informa-

30 And when they had sung an [1]hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.[a]

31 Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.[b]

32 But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.[c]

33 Peter answered and said unto him, Though all *men* shall be offended because of thee, *yet* will I never be offended.

34 Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.[d]

35 Peter said unto him, Though I should die with thee, yet will I not deny thee. Likewise also said all the disciples.

36 ¶ Then cometh Jesus with them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith unto the disciples, Sit ye here, while I go and pray yonder.[e]

37 And he took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.[f]

38 Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.[g]

39 And he went a little farther, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou *wilt*.[h]

40 And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour?

41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.[i]

42 He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.

43 And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy.

44 And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words.

45 Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take *your* rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

46 Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand that doth betray me.

47 ¶ And while he yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people.[j]

48 Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he: hold him fast.

49 And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, master; and kissed him.[k]

50 And Jesus said unto him, Friend, wherefore art thou come? Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus, and took him.[l]

51 And, behold, one of them which were with Jesus stretched out *his* hand, and drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and smote off his ear.[m]

52 Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.[n]

53 Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?[o]

54 But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be?[p]

55 In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes, Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and

ANNO DOMINI 33.

1 Or, *psalm*

a Mark xiv 26.

b ch xi 6, Zech. xiii 7; Mark xiv. 27, John xvi 32.

c ch xxviii. 7, 10, 16, Mark xiv. 28, xvi. 7.

d Mark xiv 30; Luke xxii. 34; John xiii. 38

j Mark xiv 43, Luke xxii. 47, John xvi 1 3; Acts i. 16.

e Mark xiv. 32—35; Luke xxii. 39; John xviii 1.

k 2 Sam. xx. 9

f ch. iv 21.

l Ps xli 9; lv. 13

g John xii. 27.

m John xviii 10.

h ch. xx 22; Mark xiv 36, Luke xxii. 42, John v 30, vi. 38; xii 27, Philipp ii. 8; Heb v 7

n Gen ix. 6, Rev. xiii 10

o 2 Kings vi. 17; Dan. vii 10.

i Mark xiii 33; xiv 38; Luke xxii 40, 46, Eph. vi. 18.

p ver 24, Isa liii 7, &c, Luke xxiv. 25, 44, 46.

tion that will aid us in the better comprehension of other portions of the Scriptures We quote the manner of celebrating the passover as given by Maimonides Pesach —

"1 They mingled a cup of wine with water, and then one gave thanks, saying, 'Blessed be God for the fruit of the vine.'

"2 They washed their hands.

"3 The table was furnished with—

"(1) Two cakes of unleavened bread.

"(2) With bitter herbs, and,

"(3) With the paschal lamb roasted whole.

These three articles were according to law.

"4 They removed all the dishes from the table, that the children might inquire the cause, and be informed of the nature of the feast. Then, replacing the supper, they explained the instruction designed to be conveyed by the bitter herbs and the paschal lamb.

"5 A second cup of wine is placed upon the table, and Psalms cxiii. and cxiv are said

"6 The hands are again washed, and they proceed to break and to bless a cake of the unleavened bread

"7 They eat the bread with the bitter herbs.

"8 Then they eat the flesh of the lamb, and again wash

"9. A third cup is then filled with wine, and this cup is called the cup of blessing, and over this cup they say grace after meat; then give thanks for the wine, and all partake of it, this is followed by the

"10 Singing of a hymn, and by prayer"

It will be seen that our Lord's first act in instituting the Sacrament coincides with the "cup of blessing," then he taketh some of the unleavened bread, blesseth and breaketh, and giveth it to be eaten for his body, from henceforth, in that sense in which the paschal lamb had been eaten, and in that sense in which the paschal lamb had hitherto represented his body. After which he finished the singing of the hymn, and went forth to the Mount of Olives To this adaptation of "the Jewish cup of blessing" to our Christian Sacrament, St. Paul refers, 1 Cor x 16.

"Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee?"—what a lesson is taught by the contrast here exhibited! Here light and darkness, life and death, are seen in the opposite characters of the faithful and the faithless The heart of the true disciple is in Christ, and in the ordinances divinely appointed—"Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover?" The heart of the false disciple is centred in himself, and in his covetousness—"What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you?"

18 "Go to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith."—the name of this individual is not given, and whether he was a disciple and believer, the authorities are not agreed. The words may imply the fact of his being a disciple, and such we believe was his relation to the Saviour, though it was customary for persons to receive strangers into their houses during this great national festival, as every pious Jew was expected to keep a room in his house for the convenience of strangers at the time of the feast, and no charge was to be made for the accommodation afforded.

25. "Judas said, Master, is it I?" we learn from John xiii. 26—30, that it was at this period of time that Satan so entered into Judas, that the unhappy man could no longer restrain himself, and, contrary to the law of the Passover, he went out He was hurried on by diabolical influence, and halted not till he had taken the fatal step

26—29 "Jesus took bread"—St Luke introduces the institution of the Lord's Supper, of which these verses give us the simple account, as something which took place before Judas went out (Luke xxii. 21—23), and therefore *during* the celebration of the Passover, and not at its close.

"Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it"- brake it after blessing it, which, says Bengel, "is inconsistent with the notion of transubstantiation"

"He took the cup, saying, Drink ye *all* of it."—from which it would follow that if one of the two elements were sufficient, it must have been the wine rather than the bread. In the distribution of both the bread and the wine, the words of our Lord preclude even the idea of any change in the *matériel* of either.

36. "Unto a place called Gethsemane:"—after the celebration of the Passover, the institution of his own Supper, the delivery of his farewell discourse, and the offering up of his intercessory prayer, our Saviour, with his disciples, hastened from the city. He passed the mountain stream, Kedron, to the

staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on me.

56 But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.[a]

57 ¶ And they that had laid hold on Jesus led *him* away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled.[b]

58 But Peter followed him afar off unto the high priest's palace, and went in, and sat with the servants, to see the end.

59 Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put him to death;

60 But found none: yea, though many false witnesses came, *yet* found they none. At the last came two false witnesses,[c]

61 And said, This *fellow* said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days.[d]

62 And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?[e]

63 But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.[f]

64 Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.[g]

65 Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.[h]

66 What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.[i]

67 Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote *him* with the [1]palms of their hands,[j]

68 Saying, Prophesy unto us, thou Christ, Who is he that smote thee?[k]

69 ¶ Now Peter sat without in the palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying, Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee.[l]

70 But he denied before *them* all, saying, I know not what thou sayest.

71 And when he was gone out into the porch, another *maid* saw him, and said unto them that were there, This *fellow* was also with Jesus of Nazareth.

72 And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the man.

73 And after a while came unto *him* they that stood by, and said to Peter, Surely thou also art *one* of them; for thy speech bewrayeth thee.[m]

74 Then began he to curse and to swear, *saying*, I know not the man. And immediately the cock crew.[n]

75 And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly.[o]

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g ch. xvi 27, xxiv 30, xxv. 31, Ps cx. 1; Dan vii. 13, Luke xxi 27, John i 51, Acts vii 55, Rom xiv 10, 1 Thess iv 16, Rev i. 7

a ver 54, Lam iv. 20, John xviii 15.

h 2 Kings xviii. 37, xix 1

i Lev xxiv 16, John xix 7

b Mark xiv 53, Luke xxii 54, John xviii 12, 13, 24

1 Or, *rods.*

j ch xxvii 30; Isa l 6, liii 3, Luke xxii 63, John xix. 3.

k Mark xiv 65, Luke xxii 64

l Mark xiv 66, Luke xxii 55, John xviii 16, 17, 25

c Deut xix 15, Ps xxvii 12, xxxv 11, Mark xiv 55, Acts vi 33.

d ch. xxvii. 40, John ii 19.

e Mark xiv 60

m Luke xxii 59

n Mark xiv 71

f ch xxvii 12, 14, Lev v 1, 1 Sam xiv 24, 26, Isa liii 7

o ver 31, Mark xiv 30, Luke xxii 61, 62, John xiii 38

Mount of Olives, at whose base, on the western side, was this garden or grove of olives, with its walks, fountains, and shady retreats. It was a place of deep seclusion, peculiarly fitted to the feelings and the circumstances of the suffering Redeemer

38 "My soul is exceeding sorrowful"—this bespeaks the true and perfect manhood of our Lord, yet his will was truly one with the will of the Father, so that while his bodily frame was overpowered by fear and dread, and inward conflict, his calm resignation of will enabled him to acquiesce in all that was essential to the accomplishment of the Divine purpose If we inquire into the cause of these sufferings, there is but one answer to the question—Christ, as our substitute, was sustaining the weight, and subject to the punishment of our sins.



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39. "If it be possible, let this cup pass from me"—the cup is not to be referred to his final sufferings on the cross, but, as we imagine, to the agony—the unutterable agony to which he was then subject. This is proved by the words of the Apostle in his Epistle to the Hebrews (v. 7), where, speaking of the Saviour's mediatorial life and work, he says—"Who, in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications, with strong crying and tears, unto Him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared" In the garden he feared lest his bodily powers might be unable to sustain the weight of suffering then pressing upon him, and from that he was saved, for there appeared an angel from heaven to strengthen him.

45. "Sleep on now, and take your rest"—Luther and others read this clause interrogatively—"Can ye sleep now, and take rest?"

47. "Lo, Judas came."—which words clearly prove that he had withdrawn from the society of Jesus and his disciples before they left the room in which they had celebrated the Passover and eaten of his own last supper.

"A great multitude."—this, no doubt, was composed of that detachment of the Roman cohort which was quartered in the tower of Antonia, during the Festival, as a prudent provision in the event of any disturbance or uproar

52 "Put up again thy sword into his place"—the disciple who smote the servant, and to whom these words are addressed, was Peter, and he is here reminded that the sword was an instrument wholly alien to the kingdom of Christ and the propagation of truth.

57. "Led him away to Caiaphas the high priest"—from John xviii. 13, we learn that Jesus was first taken before Annas, who was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, and was sent bound by him to Caiaphas, to meet his accusers face to face.

63 "Jesus held his peace"—in the evangelical prophet Isaiah we find the silence of the Messiah when before his judge clearly foretold, thus Prophecy fulfilled is a perpetual testimony to the truth of the Gospel—"He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth" (Isa liii 7) But when solemnly adjured in the name of the living God, the Saviour that he might render obedience to the law—answered also by a solemn asseveration—"Thou hast said"

64 "The Son of man sitting on the right hand of power"—just as the Saviour, in his grand intercessory prayer, speaks of his work as finished, whereas the garden and the cross still lay between him and the close of his humiliation, so here he represents his reign of power and glory as already begun It is not unusual with the sacred writers to employ the present tense in place of the future, to denote the certain fulfilment of the event, so also when the Saviour speaks, the future is regarded as if present

74 "I know not the man."—in what intense light does this narrative of Peter's denial reveal the weakness of even sanctified humanity! His self-confidence was his ruin. But, oh! the infinite tenderness of redeeming love! The Saviour pities the weakness of his disciple, and from the depth of his fall raises him up. Repentance followed his fall, and life followed his repentance

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *Christ is delivered bound to Pilate.* 3 *Judas hangeth himself.* 19 *Pilate, admonished of his wife,* 24 *washeth his hands:* 26 *and looseth Barabbas.* 29 *Christ is crowned with thorns,* 34 *crucified,* 40 *reviled,* 50 *dieth, and is buried:* 66 *his sepulchre is sealed, and watched.*



WHEN the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put him to death:[a]

2 And when they had bound him, they led *him* away, and delivered him to Pontius Pilate the governor.[b]

3 ¶ Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders,[c]

4 Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What *is that* to us? see thou *to that.*

5 And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself.[d]

6 And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.

7 And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter's field, to bury strangers in.

8 Wherefore that field was called, The field of blood, unto this day.[e]

9 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremy the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued, [1]whom they of the children of Israel did value;[f]

10 And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.

11 And Jesus stood before the governor: and the governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And Jesus said unto him, Thou sayest.[g]

12 And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing.[h]

13 Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee?[i]

14 And he answered him to never a word; insomuch that the governor marvelled greatly.

15 Now at *that* feast the governor was wont to release unto the people a prisoner, whom they would.[j]

16 And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.

17 Therefore when they were gathered together, Pilate said unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?

18 For he knew that for envy they had delivered him.

19 ¶ When he was set down on the judgment seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have thou nothing to do with that just man: for I have suffered many things this day in a dream because of him.

20 But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus.[k]

21 The governor answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas.

22 Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? *They* all say unto him, Let him be crucified.

23 And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified.

24 ¶ When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but *that* rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed *his* hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye *to it.*[l]

25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood *be* on us, and on our children.[m]

26 ¶ Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered *him* to be crucified.[n]

27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the [2]common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band *of soldiers.*[o]

28 And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe.[p]

29 ¶ And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put *it* upon his head, and a reed in his right

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i ch xxvi. 62; John xix. 10.

j Mark xv. 6; Luke xxiii. 17, John xviii. 39.

a Ps ii 2; Mark xv. 1; Luke xxii 66, xxiii. 1, John xviii. 28.

b ch. xx. 19, Acts iii. 13.

k Mark xv 11, Luke xxiii 18, Johnxviii. 40, Acts iii 14.

c ch xxvi. 14, 15.

d 2 Sam. xvii. 23, Acts i. 18.

e Acts i 19

l Deut xxi 6

m Deut xix 10, Josh ii 19, 2 Sam i 16, 1 Kings ii 32, Acts v 28

1 Or, *whom they bought of the children of Israel*

f Zech xi 12, 13

n Isa liii 5, Mark xv 15, Luke xxiii 16, 24, 25, John xix 1, 16

2 Or, *governor's house*

o Mark xv 16, John xix 2

g Mark xv 2, Luke xxiii 3, John xviii 33, 37, 1 Tim vi 13.

p Luke xxiii 11.

h ch xxvi. 63, John xix 9.

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SYNOPSIS.—Matt xxvii 1, 2 Mark xiv. 1; **Luke xxii. 66, xxiii 1**, John xviii 28 **Matt. xxvii 3—16, 11—25** Mark xv 1—15, **Luke xxiii 2—9, 25**, **John xviii. 28—40** Matt xxvii. 27—30, Mark xv 16—19 John xix 1—3. **Matt. xxvii. 31—44; Mark xv 20—32**, Luke xxiii 26—43, John xix 16—27 **Matt xxvii. 45—56; Mark xv. 33—41**; Luke xxiii 44—49, John xix 28—30 Matt xxvii 57—61; **Mark xv. 42—47; Luke xxiii. 50—56**, John xix 38—42 Matt xxvii 62—66

The Saviour was now approaching the inexpressible crisis when his sinless humanity should be exposed to "the whole aggressiveness of the power of darkness." Still he faltered not in his course. There is neither halt nor hesitation in his step. He goes to meet death with more than the heroism of the martyr. He is absorbed in the sublime end of his mission. Infinite results rise before his mind, involving the glory of his Father, and his own eternal glory in the salvation of a countless multitude of otherwise lost and ruined sinners.

1. "When the morning was come"—the object of this morning meeting of the Sanhedrim was, doubtless, to condemn the Saviour and to provide for the execution of the sentence.

2. "Delivered him to Pontius Pilate"—his residence was at Cesarea, but he was now in Jerusalem in connection with the feast.

4. "What is that to us?"—pertinently says Bengel, "See how they dismiss, without remark, the question as to the *innocence* of their victim!" "See thou to that!" The ungodly, "though associating in the commission of a crime, desert their associates when it has been accomplished."

7. "The potter's field:"—some well-known spot, the property of some potter, who had so exhausted it that it was no longer of any use to him, and wholly unfit for tillage.

9. "Spoken by Jeremy the prophet:"—the words are found not in Jeremiah, but in Zechariah xi. 12, 13. Anciently the writings of the prophets were so arranged that the first was Jeremiah; consequently, the name might be used for any portion of the prophetical volume.

14. "Answered him to never a word:"—the charges refuted themselves; and, conscious of his innocence, the Just One made no reply.

15. "Wont to release unto the people a prisoner:"—how true is it that "even political customs subserve Divine Providence!"

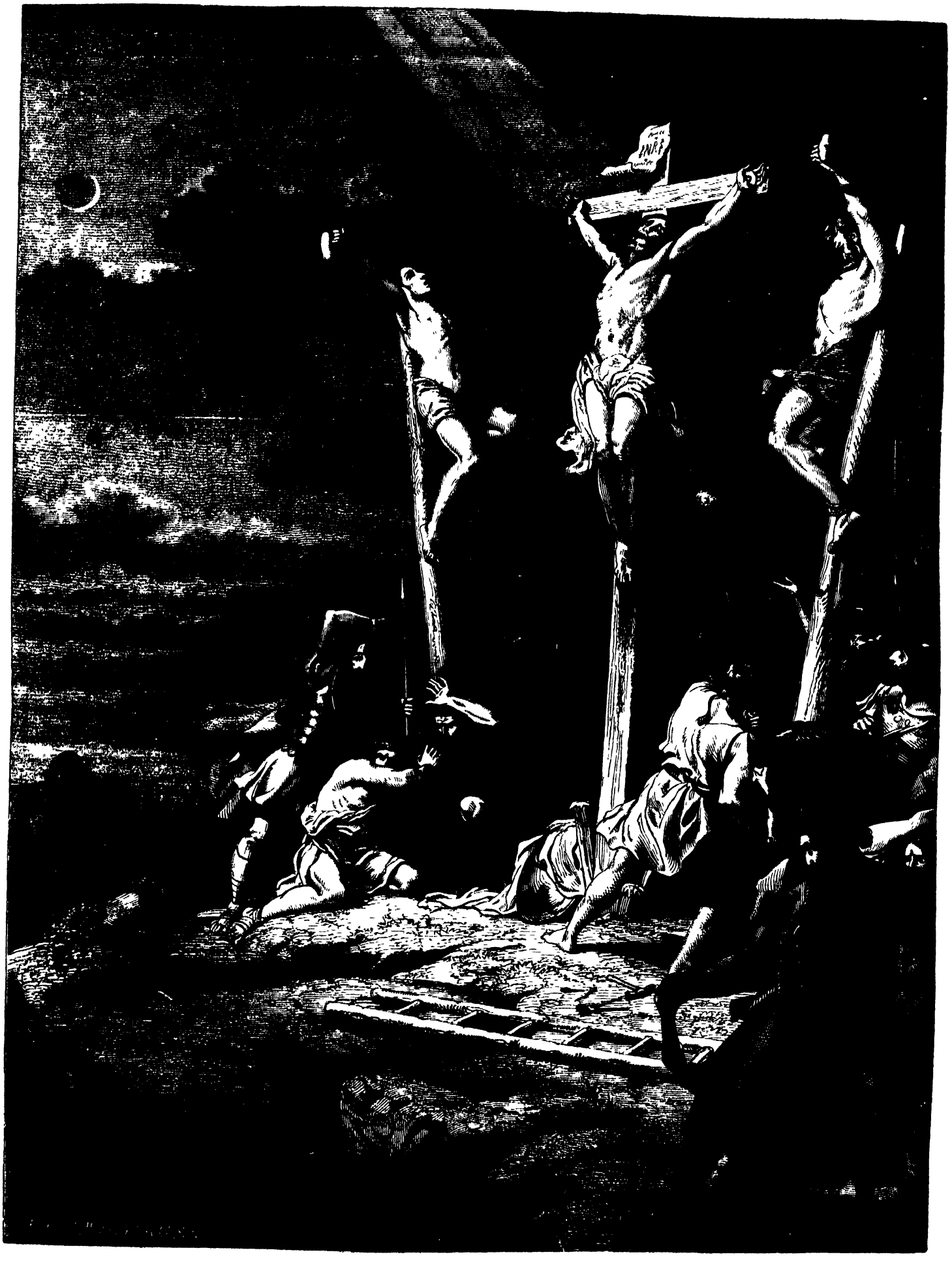
16. "A notable prisoner:"—a well-known robber, notorious for his crimes. Yet he is preferred to the innocent Jesus! How does sin harden the heart and dry up every human feeling!

19. "His wife sent unto him:"—through this heathen woman, Heaven revealed to Pilate, and through him to the whole Jewish council, the innocence of Jesus.

25. "His blood be on us:"—they thus held themselves responsible for the death of Christ. If he were innocent, they were willing to bear the guilt. Unspeakable infatuation this!—unutterable wickedness!

27. "Into the common hall"—this was the Prætorium, which, among the Romans, was the name given to the court where the prætor administered justice. It was, in fact, part of his palace, and the former palace of Herod, in Upper Jerusalem, was now the residence of the Roman governor.

32. "A man of Cyrene, Simon by name:"—as the subject of a true humanity, the Saviour fainted and failed beneath the weight of the cross; and hence the fact of its being transferred to Simon. Whether this man was attached to Christ by profession, we have no means of determining; but



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hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews![a]

30 And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.[b]

31 And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify *him*.[c]

32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.[d]

33 And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,[e]

34 ¶ They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted *thereof*, he would not drink.[f]

35 And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots.[g]

36 And sitting down they watched him there;[h]

37 And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.[i]

38 Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left.[j]

39 ¶ And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,[k]

40 And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest *it* in three days, save thyself. If thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross.[l]

41 Likewise also the chief priests mocking *him*, with the scribes and elders, said,

42 He saved others; himself he cannot save. If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him.

43 He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.[m]

44 The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.[n]

45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour.[o]

46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?[p]

47 Some of them that stood there, when they heard *that*, said, This *man* calleth for Elias.

48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a spunge, and filled *it* with vinegar, and put *it* on a reed, and gave him to drink.[q]

49 The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elias will come to save him.

50 ¶ Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.[r]

51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;[s]

52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

54 Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.[t]

55 And many women were there beholding afar off, which followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him:[u]

56 Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedee's children.[v]

57 When the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:[w]

58 He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

59 And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

60 And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed.[x]

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a Ps. lxix. 19; Isa. liii. 3.
p Ps. xxii. 1; Heb. v. 7.
b ch. xxvi. 67; Isa. l. 6.
c Isa. liii. 7.
q Ps. lxix. 21; Mark xv. 36; Luke xxiii. 36; John xix. 29.
d Numb. xv. 35; 1 Kings xxi 13; Mark xv. 21; Luke xxiii. 26; Acts vii. 58; Heb. xiii. 12.
e Mark xv 22, Luke xxiii. 33; John xix. 17.
r Mark xv. 37; Luke xxiii. 46.
f ver. 48; Ps. lxix. 21.
s Exod. xxvi 31; 2 Chron. iii 14, Mark xv. 38; Luke xxiii. 45.
g Ps. xxii. 18; Mark xv. 24, Luke xxiii. 34, John xix. 24.
h ver. 54.
t Mark xv. 26; Luke xxiii. 38; John xix. 19.
j Isa. liii. 12; Mark xv 27; Luke xxiii 32, 33, John xix 18.
t ver 36; Mark xv 39; Luke xxiii 47
k Ps xxii 7; cix 25, Mark xv 29, Luke xxiii. 35.
u Luke viii 2, 3
l ch. xxvi. 61, 63; John ii 19.
v. Mark xv. 40.
w Mark xv 42; Luke xxiii. 50, John xix. 38
m Ps. xxii 8.
n Mark xv. 32; Luke xxiii. 39.
o Amos viii 9, Mark xv 33; Luke xxiii 44.
x Isa. liii. 9.

reasoning from Mark xv. 21, it is probable that both he and his family ranged themselves on the side of Christ and Truth.

Cyrene was a province and city of Libya, in which great numbers of Jews resided; and many of the Cyrenians were found among the earlier Christians.

33. "A place called Golgotha:"—this is the same spot which is elsewhere called Calvary. It was not, as some authorities tell us, "a slight elevation," but rather a kind of basin, north of the city, and about half a mile distant from the Temple. It was called the place of a skull, either from its shape, or from the fact that it was the place where criminals were executed. There is a very old tradition that here Adam was buried, and that the cross of Christ, the second Adam, was erected over the first Adam's grave.

34. "Vinegar to drink mingled with gall:"—this wine was nothing but the common sour wine; and the word rendered "gall" is used for bitters of every kind. Now, it is well known that just before crucifixion, the Romans used to present to the criminal a stupefying drink—wine mingled with myrrh—to deaden his physical sensibilities.

37. "This is Jesus the King of the Jews:"—this title was written by Pilate; and when asked by the Jews to alter its form and expression, his reply was, "What I have written, I have written;" as if he were under some restraining power—the Power which prompted him to write it at first. We read of titles being written and suspended from the neck of criminals, on their way to execution; but whether this was a usual practice, there is reason to doubt.

As it regards the title itself, it is not the same in all the Evangelists; nor should we look, in such instances, for verbal or literal exactness. Such minute correspondence of narrative is not the aim of the Evangelists, but simply to set forth the facts which were embodied in the active life and redeeming death of our Lord. These facts are not in the least degree affected by any little difference in the inspired accounts, any more than would be the recorded life of any illustrious man undertaken and published by four independent yet trustworthy writers.

45. "There was darkness over all the land:"—this phenomenon was, in the highest sense of the word, supernatural and divine. "With the sublimity of this moment, Nature herself appears to have been symbolically affected:—the light of the world seems to have been extinguished; and from the sixth to the ninth hour darkness was spread over the whole land—the land of Palestine."

46. "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"—our Lord uttered these mysterious words not in Hebrew, but in the dialect then in common use. As to the depth of their meaning, who can sound it! That this desertion was judicial, and formed the utmost limit of suffering to which even the sinless Redeemer could endure, we do most firmly believe. The final punishment of sin is separation from God, and to this the Saviour was subject during this awfully mysterious moment. Hence his never-to-be-interpreted exclamation—"My God! my God! why hast thou forsaken me?" These words are a quotation from the twenty-second Psalm.

52. "Many bodies of the saints arose:"—the graves opened as the rocks rent, and the earth quaked, and the veil of the Temple was rent; but, as is clear from the words of the next verse, the bodies did not come forth and visibly appear in the city, till the Lord himself had risen from the dead.

54. "Watching Jesus:"—this was, as in all other similar cases of execution, to prevent friends taking away the body.

60. "Laid it in his own new tomb:"—thus was fulfilled the prophecy uttered by Isaiah 745 years before—that the Messiah's death would be in the company of the wicked, but that his burial would be like unto the rich. To inter the bodies of persons crucified was rarely performed; yet our Lord's body found a temporary resting-place in the new and costly tomb of one of the wealthiest of the Jews.

St. Luke tells us that the new tomb was one "wherein never man before was

61 And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.

62 ¶ Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate,

63 Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again.[a]

64 Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.

65 Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch: go your way, make *it* as sure as ye can.

66 So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.[b]

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *Christ's resurrection is declared by an angel to the women.* 9 *He himself appeareth unto them.* 11 *The high priests give the soldiers money to say that he was stolen out of his sepulchre* 16 *Christ appeareth to his disciples,* 19 *and sendeth them to baptize and teach all nations.*



IN the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first *day* of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.[c]

2 And, behold, there [1]was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.[d]

3 His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:[e]

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4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead *men.*

5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.

6 He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.[f]

7 And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.

8 And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word.

9 ¶ And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him.[g]

10 Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.[h]

11 ¶ Now when they were going, behold, some of the watch came into the city, and shewed unto the chief priests all the things that were done.

12 And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave large money unto the soldiers,

13 Saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him *away* while we slept.

14 And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.

15 So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.

16 ¶ Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.[i]

a ch. xii. 40; xvi. 21; xvii. 23; xx. 19; xxvi. 32; Mark xvi. 7.

b Dan. vi 17

c ch. xxvii. 56; Mark xvi 1, Luke xxiv 1, John xx 1

d Mark xvi. 5, Luke xxiv. 4, John xx 12.

e Dan x 6.

f ch. xii. 40; xvi. 21; xvii. 23; xx. 19; xxvi. 32; Mark xvi. 7.

g Mark xvi. 9; John xx. 14.

h John xx 17; Rom. viii. 29, Heb. ii. 11.

i ver 7, ch. xxvi. 32

1 Or, had been.

laid," and therefore when Christ rose it was impossible to deny his identity. His body could be confounded with no other.

"Jesus Christ, the Leader and Guide of life, was placed in the tomb of another!" And why? Clearly "implying that the tomb was something alien and strange for him, the Lord of Life, to be associated with. Therefore he had no tomb of his own"

66 "Sealing the stone"—This was done by carrying a cord across the stone which covered the mouth of the sepulchre, and fastening it at either end to the rock by sealing clay.

What a sublime spectacle does the death of Christ present! "Whilst a Socrates can conquer only so long as he remains in the full possession of his spirit's complete power, the Redeemer triumphed over the whole power of darkness, even when forsaken by God and by the fulness of his own Spirit;" and when he bowed his head in death, it was to redeem the bodies of all men from the grave, and the souls of all believers from eternal death.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

SYNOPSIS.—Matt xxviii 1—15, Mark xvi 1—8, Luke xxiv. 1—12, John xx. 1—10. Matt. xxviii 16—20.

The darkness connected with the cross, and the death of Christ, was followed by a light partaking of the brightness of heaven and immortality. It was not possible that the Saviour of the world could be holden of death. His resurrection was the proof that he was what he professed to be—the Son of God and the Redeemer of man. Now, the fact of his resurrection is beyond all dispute. The testimony of the Gospels is confirmed by the concurrent testimony of both friends and foes. The narratives of the Four Evangelists have in them an independence and a distinctness not to be mistaken. To reconcile every minute point in their several accounts is unnecessary, as the slight variations impart strength to their testimony.

1. "To see the sepulchre:"—in the sixty-first verse of the preceding chapter, we are told that these women followed the body of Jesus to the tomb, and then sat down to witness the final disposing of that body. They then returned home and prepared the materials for the embalming of the Saviour's body; and no sooner does the third day begin to dawn than they hasten to the sepulchre to perform their deed of affectionate love.

2. "Rolled back the stone:"—not that the Saviour might come forth, but that the disciples might enter. Olshausen says beautifully—"The creating energies operated in silence and unobservedly; and for the sublime person of the Lord wove as it were a raiment of celestial light—one worthy of investing the Monarch of the world of light. Hence, accordingly, no human eye beheld at that moment, when the energies of life were influencing it, how the body of the Holy One arose." No; and the writers of the Christian Testament merely make mention of what they themselves saw, when they tell us that the sepulchre was already empty.

4. "The keepers became as dead men:"—they were there when the women arrived, and the arrival of the women may have been the moment of these angelic appearances. The angel left these keepers thus overpowered and helpless, and addressed himself to the faithful, yet sorrowing women, in words replete with life and consolation. Even military daring is changed to awe in the presence of the inhabitants of heaven.

5. "Fear not:"—"an expression," says Bengel, "used at the commencement of visions, which tempers the fear arising from the glorious sight overpowering the hearts of mortals, which promises security, and conciliates attention." One of the most striking examples of this truth is in the case of St. John, when caught up in sublime vision, and favoured with a sight of the glorified Redeemer, at whose feet he fell as dead, and did not recover till the Saviour laid his right hand upon him, and said, "FEAR NOT" There is a power in these words, when thus spoken, which exceeds expression

7. "Tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead:"—it was indeed a pre-eminent honour conferred on these women, that our Lord appeared to them the first after his resurrection, and that through them the fact of his return to life was first announced to his apostles, who were bound, from the frequent and distinct intimations which the Saviour had given them during his intercourse with them, to have believed, without waiting for the evidence of sense. His appearance in Galilee could have been no less interesting than solemn. We may well conceive that "the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord."

8 "They departed quickly:"—the words of the angel fell like sweetest music on their ear, and, full of joyous confidence, they hasten back to assure their fellow-disciples that their Lord and Saviour was risen from the dead.

9. "Jesus met them:"—it would seem that this appearance of the risen Christ to these believing women preceded that to the two disciples on their way to Emmaus. These women were the last at his cross, and the first at his grave, and now, before all others, they were honoured and blessed. They were first permitted to see and know the Saviour who loved him with the greatest ardour, and sought him with the greatest zeal.



"HE IS NOT HERE: FOR HE IS RISEN, AS HE SAID. COME, SEE THE PLACE WHERE THE LORD LAY."—MATTHEW XXVIII. 6.

17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.

18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.[a]

19 ¶ Go ye therefore, and [1]teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:[b]

20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, *even* unto the end of the world. Amen.[c]

ANNO DOMINI 33

a ch xi 27, xvi 28, Dan. vii 13, 14, Luke i 32, x 22, John iii 35, v 22 xiii 3, xvii 2, Acts ii 36; Rom xiv 9; 1 Cor. xv. 27, Eph. i. 10, 21; Philipp ii 9, 10;

Heb i. 2; ii 8, 1 Peter iii 22, Rev. xvii. 14.
1 Or, *make disciples*, or, *Christians, of all nations.*

b Isa liii 10, Luke xxiv 47, Acts ii 38, 39; Rom. x. 18, Col. i. 23.
c Acts ii 42

11—15. These verses supply one of the very strongest proofs in support of Christ's resurrection If he had not risen, why should the soldiers leave their post and thus hazard their lives? Why should the Sanhedrim be in such haste to assemble? Why should they bribe the Roman soldiers, and suggest an untruth for their defence? Why should the soldiers accept the bribe, and tell the falsehood, on the assurance that the Sanhedrim would protect them from all consequences?

16 "Where Jesus had appointed them:"—which mountain in Galilee this was we are not told; but this appearance of the risen Saviour is supposed to be the same as that alluded to by St. Paul in 1 Cor. xv. 6, when five hundred of the brethren were present.

18 "All power is given unto me:"—his resurrection was the pledge of his exaltation and universal empire.

19 "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:"—in this formula we have a distinct revelation of the glorious doctrine of the Trinity. It is the Triune God who is the God of salvation.





THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO S. MARK

CHAPTER I.

1 *The office of John the Baptist* 9 *Jesus is baptized,* 12 *tempted,* 14 *he preacheth.* 16 *calleth Peter, Andrew, James and John* 23 *healeth one that had a devil,* 29 *Peter's mother in law,* 32 *many diseased persons,* 41 *and cleanseth the leper.*

ANNO DOMINI 30

THE beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God ;[a]

2 As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.[b]

3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.[c]

4 John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance [1]for the remission of sins.[d]

5 And there went out unto him all the land of

[a] Matt. xiv. 33. Luke i. 35, John i. 34.

[b] Mal. iii. 1, Matt. xi. 10; Luke vii. 27.

[c] Isa. xl. 3, Matt. iii. 3, Luke iii. 4, John i. 15, 23.

[1] Or, *unto*

[d] Matt. iii. 1, Luke iii. 3, John iii. 23.

CHAPTER I

SYNOPSIS.—Mark i. 1—11, Matt. iii. 1—17; Luke i. 22. Mark i. 12, 13. Matt. iv. 1—11. Luke iv. 1—13. Mark i. 14—28, Matt. iv. 12—22, Luke iv. 14, 15, 31—37. Mark i. 29—38, Matt. viii. 14—17, Luke iv. 38—43. Mark i. 39—45, Matt. viii. 2—4, Luke v. 12—14.

For any knowledge which we have of the Evangelist Mark, we are indebted wholly to the Christian Volume. His mother, who resided in Jerusalem, was the sister of Barnabas, the companion and fellow-labourer of St. Paul, while, from the language employed by Peter, in his First Epistle (v. 13), it has been inferred that he himself was a convert of that Apostle.

Judæa, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins.[a]

6 And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey;[b]

7 And preached, saying, There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose.[c]

8 I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.[d]

9 And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan.[e]

10 And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens [1]opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him:[f]

11 And there came a voice from heaven, *saying*, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.[g]

12 And immediately the spirit driveth him into the wilderness.[h]

13 And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto him.[i]

14 Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God,[j]

15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.[k]

16 Now as he walked by the sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.[l]

17 And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.

18 And straightway they forsook their nets, and followed him.[m]

19 And when he had gone a little farther thence, he saw James the *son* of Zebedee, and John his brother, who also were in the ship mending their nets.[n]

20 And straightway he called them: and they left their father Zebedee in the ship with the hired servants, and went after him.

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a Matt. iii. 5.

o Matt iv. 13; Luke iv. 31.

b Lev. xi 22, Matt. iii. 4.

p Matt. vii. 28.

c Matt iii. 11; John i. 27; Acts xiii. 25.

q Luke iv. 33.

d Isa xliv 3; Joel ii 28; Acts i 5; ii 4; x. 45; xi 15, 16, xix. 4, 1 Cor. xii. 13.

r Matt vui. 29.

e Matt. iii 13, Luke iii 21

s ver 34.

1 Or, *cloven*, or, *rent*.

f Matt iii 16; John i 32.

t ch. ix. 20.

g ch ix 7; Ps. ii. 7; Matt. in 17.

h Matt. iv. 1; Luke iv. 1.

i Matt. iv. 11.

u Matt viii 14, Luke iv 38

j Matt iv 12, 23.

k Dan ix 25, Matt iii 2; iv 17, Eph. i. 10, Gal iv. 4.

l Matt iv 18, Luke v 4

v Matt viii. 16, Luke iv. 40.

m Matt. xix 27, Luke v. 11

2 Or, *to say that they knew him.*

w ch iii 12; Luke iv 41, Acts xvi 17, 18

n Matt iv 21.

x Luke iv. 42.

21 And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught.[o]

22 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.[p]

23 And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out,[q]

24 Saying, Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God.[r]

25 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him.[s]

26 And when the unclean spirit had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him.[t]

27 And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new doctrine *is* this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him.

28 And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region round about Galilee.

29 And forthwith, when they were come out of the synagogue, they entered into the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.[u]

30 But Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever, and anon they tell him of her.

31 And he came and took her by the hand, and lifted her up; and immediately the fever left her, and she ministered unto them.

32 And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with devils.[v]

33 And all the city was gathered together at the door.

34 And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils; and suffered not the devils [2]to speak, because they knew him.[w]

35 And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.[x]

36 And Simon and they that were with him followed after him.

He had the double name of John Mark (Acts xii 12), and sometimes he is called by the one, and sometimes by the other He was chosen as the companion of Paul and Barnabas in their first missionary journey, during which journey his conduct led to a difference between these two holy and devoted men, and to their separation as co-workers in the propagation of Christian Truth For a time Mark travelled with Barnabas, but afterwards he was re-united to Paul, and was of great service to the Apostle in the prosecution of his sublime work He then allied himself with Peter, and co-operated with him in more than one sphere of his labour —see Acts xii. 12, 25; xiii. 5, 13, xv 37–40, Col. iv 10, 2 Tim iv. 11, Philemon 24, 1 Peter v. 13

That Mark wrote his narrative in Greek, there can be no doubt The date of the composition has been fixed A D 63, but not, as some authorities assert, subsequent to the death of Paul and Peter, though before the destruction of Jerusalem.

A portion of Mark's narrative is, no doubt, to be ascribed to his own vivid recollection of the events and of the sayings here recorded, a portion, also, was probably derived from the Apostles during Mark's intercourse and fellowship with them. One thing is certain, that from whatever source he derived his materials, he was, in the act of arranging and recording, under *supernatural, infallible influence.*

That the internal evidence favours the idea of this Gospel having been written for Gentile Christians, is beyond dispute; but no less clear is it, from the whole structure of the narrative, that it was designed especially for the busy, enterprising, warlike Romans; and hence it is that Mark leaves out the genealogy and early history of the Saviour, and enters at once into the active scenes of his unequalled life—a fact which accounts for those peculiarly graphic touches to be found in this Gospel.

1. "The beginning of the gospel."—that is, the commencement of the Evangelical History or Era It began or opened with the entrance of Christ on his public life and ministry, and is, in fact, the narrative of the development and progress of Christ's spiritual kingdom

2, 3 "Written in the prophets"—these words incontrovertibly prove that many of the Old Testament prophecies have an ultimate reference and a final accomplishment, as well as that which is nearer and more immediate.

4. "The baptism of repentance"—why did John connect baptism with the doctrine of repentance? Repentance is a change in our mental and moral convictions, leading to reformation and purity of life, of which the water in baptism was the significant symbol.

5—11. On these verses, see Matt. iii. 1—12, with the Notes and the Commentary thereon.

13. "With the wild beasts:"—this was something more than the mere solitude of the desert. Altogether removed from the interposition and the help of men, and exposed to the attacks of these wild beasts, how beautifully striking is the fact that, in the very depth of his humiliation, he exercised over the lower creation that very dominion which Adam lost by his fall!

15. "The time is fulfilled:"—the predicted and ordained time had now come for the proclamation of mercy to man, through faith in the Redeemer, and for the offer of all the blessings of redemption.

In verses 16—28 we have strikingly brought out the career of our Lord

37 And when they had found him, they said unto him, All *men* seek for thee.

38 And he said unto them, Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also: for therefore came I forth.[a]

39 And he preached in their synagogues throughout all Galilee, and cast out devils.[b]

40 And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.[c]

41 And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth *his* hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean.

42 And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed.

43 And he straitly charged him, and forthwith sent him away;

44 And saith unto him, See thou say nothing to any man: but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing those things which Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.[d]

45 But he went out, and began to publish *it* much, and to blaze abroad the matter, insomuch that Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was without in desert places: and they came to him from every quarter.[e]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Christ healeth one sick of the palsy,* 14 *calleth Matthew from the receipt of custom,* 15 *eateth with publicans and sinners,* 18 *excuseth his disciples for not fasting,* 23 *and for plucking the ears of corn on the sabbath day.*



AND again he entered into Capernaum after *some* days; and it was noised that he was in the house.[f]

2 And straightway many were gathered together, insomuch that there was no room to receive *them*, no, not so much as about the door: and he preached the word unto them.

3 And they come unto him, bringing one sick of the palsy, which was borne of four.

4 And when they could not come nigh unto him for the press, they uncovered the roof where he was: and when they had broken *it* up, they let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay.

5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

6 But there were certain of the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts,

7 Why doth this *man* thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only?[g]

8 And immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts?[h]

9 Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, *Thy* sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk?[i]

10 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy,)

11 I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house.

12 And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went forth before them all; insomuch that they were all amazed, and glorified God, saying, We never saw it on this fashion.

13 And he went forth again by the sea side; and all the multitude resorted unto him, and he taught them.[j]

14 And as he passed by, he saw Levi the *son* of Alphæus sitting [1]at the receipt of custom, and said unto him, Follow me. And he arose and followed him.[k]

15 And it came to pass, that, as Jesus sat at meat in his house, many publicans and sinners sat also together with Jesus and his disciples: for there were many, and they followed him.[l]

16 And when the scribes and Pharisees saw him eat with publicans and sinners, they said unto his disciples, How is it that he eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners?

17 When Jesus heard *it*, he saith unto them, They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.[m]

Anno Domini 31.

a Isa lxi 1, Luke iv. 43, John xvi. 28; xvii. 4.

b Matt. iv. 23; Luke iv. 44.

g Job xiv. 4; Isa. xliii 25

c Matt. viii. 2, Luke v. 12.

h Matt. ix. 4.

i Matt. ix. 5.

d Lev xiv. 3, 4, 10; Luke v. 14

e ch. ii. 13, Luke v 15

j Matt ix 9

1 Or, *at the place where the custom was received*

k Matt ix 9, Luke v. 27.

f Matt. ix 1; Luke v. 18.

l Matt. ix. 10.

m Matt ix 12, 13; xviii 11, Luke v 31, 32, xix 10, 1 Tim i 15

who, in pressing towards the one grand goal of his mission, passed from scene to scene with such swift and sanctified step as most delightfully to impress us with the sinless freedom of his nature.

29–34. Unlimited power had he over disease and every form of human woe. The most striking feature in the Saviour's life is his unceasing beneficent activity. How true is it that "he went about doing good!" And what a sublime embodiment of his own words—"It is more blessed to give than to receive!

35. "There prayed:"—notwithstanding his unparalleled activity, and the brief space in which he must accomplish his mysterious work, he yet found time for retirement and prayer. And so must we. All life is exhaustive; and life can only be replenished at its own uncreated, eternal Source.

45. "Began to publish it much:"—the man had become conscious of the power of new affections—his heart had been drawn to Christ, and out of the abundance of the heart he could not but speak.

Bengel says that Mark exercises especial assiduity in observing the holy movements of feeling, and so the acts and operations of Jesus; and that "whoever will pay marked attention to this characteristic, in reading his Gospel, will derive from it no little delight."

CHAPTER II.

Synopsis:—Mark ii. 1–12; Matt. ix. 2–8; Luke v. 17–26. Mark ii. 13–22; Matt. ix. 9–17; Luke v. 27–39. Mark ii. 23–28; Matt. xii. 1–8; Luke vi. 1–5.

1. "Again he entered into Capernaum:"—in Capernaum, which was a city of renown on the western shore of the Sea of Tiberias, and the metropolis of all Galilee, our Lord had already taught and done some of his wonderful works, and now, no sooner does he reappear in the city, than the people crowd to hear his words and see his deeds

3. "Sick of the palsy:"—this disease has its type with us in paralysis, or the loss of nervous energy.

4. "Uncovered the roof:"—the roof was flat, the house was perhaps low and easy of ascent, and only so much of the roof or canvas was removed as to admit of the descent of the couch.

5. "Their faith."—not only the faith of the sick man, but of those who, at his request, had borne or carried him into the presence of Christ. The higher the faith, the greater and more signal the miracle.

8. "Perceived in his spirit."—that is, in his human mind, immediately and infallibly informed through the omniscience of that Spirit which was given to him without measure, and which was present with him in every act of his life and ministry. From the fact that the Holy Ghost is never called the Spirit of Christ till after the great Pentecostal effusion, there are those who understand "the Spirit of Jesus" as applying to his Divine nature; but we prefer the sense which we have ventured to put upon the words

12. "We never saw it on this fashion:"—the voice of the people was decidedly in his favour; but notwithstanding the irresistible force of the evidence which he gave, by his ministry and miracles, in support of his claims, the Sanhedrim and the higher classes of society were fiercely opposed to the truths taught, and to the Saviour's claims to the Messiahship.

13. "By the sea side:"—that is, on the banks of the Lake of Tiberias, on whose western shore the city of Capernaum stood.

18 And the disciples of John and of the Pharisees used to fast: and they come and say unto him, Why do the disciples of John and of the Pharisees fast, but thy disciples fast not?[a]

19 And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them? as long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast.

20 But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast in those days.

21 No man also seweth a piece of [1]new cloth on an old garment: else the new piece that filled it up taketh away from the old, and the rent is made worse.

22 And no man putteth new wine into old bottles: else the new wine doth burst the bottles, and the wine is spilled, and the bottles will be marred: but new wine must be put into new bottles.

23 And it came to pass, that he went through the corn fields on the sabbath day; and his disciples began, as they went, to pluck the ears of corn.[b]

24 And the Pharisees said unto him, Behold, why do they on the sabbath day that which is not lawful?

25 And he said unto them, Have ye never read what David did, when he had need, and was an hungred, he, and they that were with him?[c]

26 How he went into the house of God in the days of Abiathar the high priest, and did eat the shewbread, which is not lawful to eat but for the priests, and gave also to them which were with him?[d]

27 And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:

28 Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.[e]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

[a] Matt. ix. 14; Luke v. 33

[b] Deut xxiii 25, Matt xii 1, Luke vi 1

[c] 1 Sam xxi. 6

[d] Exod xxix 32, 33; Lev. xxiv 9.

[e] Matt xii. 8.

1 Or, *raw*, or, *unwrought.*

2 Or *Arise*, stand forth *in the midst*

3 Or, *blindness*

CHAPTER III.

1 *Christ healeth the withered hand,* 10 *and many other infirmities:* 11 *rebuketh the unclean spirits:* 13 *chooseth his twelve apostles.* 22 *convinceth the blasphemy of casting out devils by Beelzebub.* 31 *and sheweth who are his brother, sister, and mother.*



AND he entered again into the synagogue; and there was a man there which had a withered hand.[f]

2 And they watched him, whether he would heal him on the sabbath day; that they might accuse him.

3 And he saith unto the man which had the withered hand, [2]Stand forth.

4 And he saith unto them, Is it lawful to do good on the sabbath days, or to do evil? to save life, or to kill? But they held their peace.

5 And when he had looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the [3]hardness of their

[f] Matt xii 9, Luke vi 6

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14 "He saw Levi,"—that this was the same individual as Matthew the Evangelist, we have shown in the Notes on Matt ix 9–17. His father, Alphæus, is not to be confounded with Alphæus, the father of James (Matt x 3), between whom there is no proof that any relationship existed.

From the fact that Jesus found Levi at the sea-side, in the prosecution of his daily calling, it has been fairly inferred that the dues which he collected were derivable from traffic on the water.

"He arose and followed him"—the outward act was but indicative of the inward and spiritual state of the man's heart.

15 "Sat at meat in his house"—that is, in the house of Levi, and not, as Meyer and others would have us believe, in the house of Jesus. The Saviour had no fixed abode, but was everywhere entertained by his disciples and friends.

16 "How is it that he eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners?"—what ignorance does this display of the character of the Messiah, and the object of his mission!

20 "Then shall they fast in those days"—from the reading of the eighteenth verse, it might be inferred not only that fasting was a custom with the disciples of John and of the Pharisees, but that they were at this very time in the act of keeping a fast. Hence the question, "Why do the disciples of John and of the Pharisees fast, but thy disciples fast not?" They were ignorant of the nature of the Christian faith. It was directly opposed to the sour and unyielding severities of other systems, and was designed to introduce man into a freer and nobler life. How, then, could Christ's disciples be sad and sorrowful in his own society? It was not his presence, but his absence, that was to make heavy their hearts.

26 "In the days of Abiathar the high priest"—these words have been shown to be consistent with the historical facts of the case. Bengel says—"Ahimelech was the priest who gave loaves of bread to David, but, on his being put to death for that very act, his son Abiathar presently after succeeded to him, and afterwards the priesthood of Abiathar and the reign of David were contemporary. The series of the priests was very well known among the Hebrews, and so the denomination of the age of David is taken from the priest of that day; and, indeed, the Evangelist mentions Abiathar, in whose time the actions of David seem to have been entered in the Sacred Records, in preference to that of Ahimelech. Not unlike is the phraseology in Genesis ii. 2, 'On the seventh day God ended his work,' in which case we should have said, 'At the close of the sixth day.'"



RUINS OF CAPERNAUM.

CHAP. III.

SYNOPSIS.—Mark iii 1–6, Matt xii 9–21, Luke vi. 6–12. Mark iii. 7–12, 13–19, Matt x 1–4, Luke vi 13–16. Mark iii 20–30, Matt x 1 22–45, Luke xi 14–26, 29–32. Mark iii 31–35, Matt xii 46–50, Luke viii 19–21.

In the two preceding chapters, our Evangelist having grouped together those acts in our Saviour's life to which even his adversaries could take



UNCLEAN SPIRITS FALLING DOWN BEFORE CHRIST.—MARK III. 11.

hearts, he saith unto the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched *it* out: and his hand was restored whole as the other.

6 And the Pharisees went forth, and straightway took counsel with the Herodians against him, how they might destroy him.[a]

7 But Jesus withdrew himself with his disciples to the sea: and a great multitude from Galilee followed him, and from Judæa,[b]

8 And from Jerusalem, and from Idumæa, and *from* beyond Jordan; and they about Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, when they had heard what great things he did, came unto him.

9 And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the multitude, lest they should throng him.

10 For he had healed many; insomuch that they [1]pressed upon him for to touch him, as many as had plagues.

11 And unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, Thou art the Son of God.[c]

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[a] Matt. xii. 14, xxii. 16

[1] Or, *rushed.*

[b] Luke vi. 17.

[c] ch. i. 1, 23, 24, Matt. xiv. 33, Luke iv. 41

no reasonable objection, with those against which they were not slow to reveal their hatred, even up to the point of plotting his death, here alludes, in more general terms, to their malicious intentions. Meek and lowly, gentle and loving, as was the Redeemer of man, he had to enter into conflict with the most determined antagonism, and to urge his way through the most fiery persecution.

1. "He entered again"—this was, as we learn from the next verse, on the Sabbath, and therefore a week after his former appearance in the same synagogue—the Sabbath preceding the Passover.

"A withered hand:"—the man was, doubtless, a paralytic, whose hand had lost all nervous power.

2 "They watched him"—on the preceding Sabbath they had listened to his exposition of the doctrine of the Sabbath, and now they secretly watch him, to see whether he would violate what they deemed the law of the Sabbath.

Grieved for the hardness of their hearts"—how true is it, that "the habitual disposition of the heart renders the perception of the truth, and of its conclusions, either difficult or easy! . . It is blindness not to see, hardness not to perceive." Hence it was that the Saviour's grief was combined with corresponding anger.

6. "Counsel with the Herodians"—the Herodians were of the sect of the Sadducees, attached to the government of Herod, but the reason of these

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12 And he straitly charged them that they should not make him known.[a]

13 And he goeth up into a mountain, and calleth *unto him* whom he would: and they came unto him.[b]

14 And he ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach,

15 And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils:

16 And Simon he surnamed Peter;[c]

17 And James the *son* of Zebedee, and John the brother of James; and he surnamed them Boanerges, which is, The sons of thunder:

18 And Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the *son* of Alphæus, and Thaddæus, and Simon the Canaanite,

19 And Judas Iscariot, which also betrayed him: and they went [1]into an house.

20 And the multitude cometh together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread.[d]

21 And when his [2]friends heard *of it*, they went out to lay hold on him: for they said, He is beside himself.[e]

22 ¶ And the scribes which came down from Jerusalem said, He hath Beelzebub, and by the prince of the devils casteth he out devils.[f]

23 And he called them *unto him*, and said unto them in parables, How can Satan cast out Satan?[g]

24 And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.

25 And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.

26 And if Satan rise up against himself, and be divided, he cannot stand, but hath an end.

27 No man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house.[h]

28 Verily I say unto you, All sins shall be forgiven unto the sons of men, and blasphemies wherewith soever they shall blaspheme:[i]

29 But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation:

30 Because they said, He hath an unclean spirit.

31 ¶ There came then his brethren and his mother, and, standing without, sent unto him, calling him.[j]

32 And the multitude sat about him, and they said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren without seek for thee.

33 And he answered them, saying, Who is my mother, or my brethren?

34 And he looked round about on them which sat about him, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren!

35 For whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother.

a ch. i. 25, 34; Matt. xii. 16.

b Matt. x. 1; Luke vi. 12; ix. 1.

c John i. 42.

1 Or, *home.*

d ch. vi. 31.

2 Or, *kinsmen.*

e John vii. 5; x. 20.

f Matt ix. 34; x. 25; Luke xi 15; John vii. 20; viii. 48, 52; x. 20.

g Matt. xii. 25.

h Matt. xiii. 1; Luke viii. 4.

i ch. xii. 38.

j Isa. xlix 24; Matt. xii 29.

i Matt xii 31; Luke xii. 10, 1 John v. 16.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The parable of the sower,* 14 *and the meaning thereof.* 21 *We must communicate the light of our knowledge to others.* 26 *The parable of the seed growing secretly,* 30 *and of the mustard seed.* 35 *Christ stilleth the tempest on the sea.*



AND he began again to teach by the sea side: and there was gathered unto him a great multitude, so that he entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and the whole multitude was by the sea on the land.[k]

2 And he taught them many things by parables, and said unto them in his doctrine,[l]

3 Hearken; behold, there went out a sower to sow:

4 And it came to pass, as he sowed, some fell by the way side, and the fowls of the air came and devoured it up.

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two opposite sects—the Pharisees and the Herodians—now uniting against our Lord, does not appear.—See Matt. xvi. 6; xxii. 16.

7 "Withdrew himself."—he would not unnecessarily expose himself to their malignant deadly plots.

8. "From Jerusalem;"—"Tyre and Sidon·"—these were Israelites living in or near these various localities. The mention of the places indicates to us the composition of the multitudes who now flocked around the Saviour to hear his words, or feel his power, or see his deeds.

11. "Unclean spirits fell down:"—that is, the persons possessed of such unclean spirits.

13. "Goeth up into a mountain:"—for communion with his Father ere he proceeded to give the Twelve their solemn commission.

14. "Ordained twelve."—"the characteristics of these twelve Apostles were, an immediate and direct call, a continuous intercourse with Christ, the being eye-witnesses, the right of preaching universally, and the gift of miracles;" but this definition of an apostle does not apply to St. Paul, so far as relates to the intercourse with the Saviour, and being an eye-witness.

17. "Surnamed them Boanerges:"—in this our Saviour asserts his supreme authority, since it is declared to be "a mark of lordship to give a surname."

18. "James the son of Alphæus:"—we have two men of the same name, but not related by the ties of nature. James the son of Alphæus resided at Jerusalem, was known as James the Less, and died as a martyr in the year 62, and is often mentioned with distinction.

21. "He is beside himself:"—just as Festus said to Paul while defending himself, "Thou art beside thyself; too much learning doth make thee mad," so here those messengers who reported the Saviour's procedure to his relatives and friends attribute his holy earnestness and sinless activity to mental aberration. Men will justify enthusiasm in everything, except in religion.

22—30. On these verses see the Notes on Matthew xii. 22–32. Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit is, of all offences, the most dishonouring to God and the most pernicious to man; therefore it is the master-snare of Satan, and the climax of sin.

31. "Came his brethren and his mother:"—in consequence, no doubt, of the report which had reached them (verse 21) that he was beside himself.

35. "The same is my brother, and my sister and mother:"—there are ties and relations more intimate than those of kindred—more blessed and more enduring. The union between Christ and the soul is formed for eternity.

CHAPTER IV.

SYNOPSIS:—Mark iv 1—20; Matt. xiii. 1—23; Luke viii. 4—15. Mark iv. 21—29, 30—34; Matt. xiii. 31—35; Luke xiii. 18—21. Mark iv. 35—41; Matt. viii 23—27; Luke viii. 22—25.

The Saviour being the subject of a true humanity, his physical nature was under the same laws of limitation as our own. He needed his seasons of rest, refreshment, and repose; and from the narrative of St. Matthew, it would appear that he had withdrawn for a short time from the public duties which were pressing upon him, and in retirement he sought that invigoration and holy refreshment which were needed in the prosecution of his unparalleled work.

1. "Began again to teach:"—came forth from his retirement. He had perhaps taken up his dwelling in Capernaum; and in order to avoid the pressure of the throng, he went down to the lake, entered a boat which lay there ready in the water, and from which, having thrust a little way from the bank, he taught the people as they crowded the shore.

2. "Taught them by parables:"—a great deal of time has been spent in trying to distinguish between the parable and the proverb. In every instance, as employed by our Lord, the parable is the introduction of some apt and well-chosen illustration, under which to exhibit some higher spiritual truth.

10. "When he was alone, they asked him of the parable:"—from this it appears that the parables were not all delivered at once or in continuous succession, but that intervals of time elapsed between some of them, in one of

5 And some fell on stony ground, where it had not much earth; and immediately it sprang up, because it had no depth of earth:

6 But when the sun was up, it was scorched; and because it had no root, it withered away.

7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit.

8 And other fell on good ground, and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred.[a]

9 And he said unto them, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

10 And when he was alone, they that were about him with the twelve asked of him the parable.[b]

11 And he said unto them, Unto you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them that are without, all *these* things are done in parables:[c]

12 That seeing they may see, and not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and not understand; lest at any time they should be converted, and *their* sins should be forgiven them.[d]

13 And he said unto them, Know ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all parables?

14 ¶ The sower soweth the word.[e]

15 And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.

16 And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness;

17 And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended.

18 And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word,

19 And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful.[f]

20 And these are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive *it*, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.

21 ¶ And he said unto them, Is a candle brought to be put under [1]a bushel, or under a bed? and not to be set on a candlestick?[g]

22 For there is nothing hid, which shall not be manifested; neither was any thing kept secret, but that it should come abroad.[h]

23 If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.[i]

24 And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given.[j]

25 For he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he hath.[k]

26 ¶ And he said, So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground;[l]

27 And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how.

28 For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear.

29 But when the fruit is [2]brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come.[m]

30 ¶ And he said, Whereunto shall we liken the kingdom of God? or with what comparison shall we compare it?[n]

31 *It is* like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown in the earth, is less than all the seeds that be in the earth:

32 But when it is sown, it groweth up, and becometh greater than all herbs, and shooteth out great branches; so that the fowls of the air may lodge under the shadow of it.

33 And with many such parables spake he the word unto them, as they were able to hear *it*.[o]

34 But without a parable spake he not unto them: and when they were alone, he expounded all things to his disciples.

35 And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side.[p]

36 And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships.

37 And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.

38 And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?

39 And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

40 And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?

41 And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

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a ver. 9; Matt. xi. 15.

b Matt. xiii. 10; Luke viii. 9, &c.

c 1 Cor. v 12, Col iv 5; 1 Thess. iv 12, 1 Tim. iii. 7.

d Isa. vi 9; Matt xiii. 14; Luke viii 10, John xii. 40; Acts xxviii. 26, Rom. xi 8.

e Matt. xiii. 19.

f 1 Tim. vi. 9, 17.

g Matt. v. 15; Luke viii 16; xi. 33.

h Matt. x. 26; Luke xii. 2.

i ver. 9; Matt. xi. 15.

j Matt. vii. 2; Luke vi. 38.

k Matt. xiii. 12; xxv. 29; Luke viii. 18; xix. 26.

l Matt. xiii. 24.

m Rev. xiv. 15.

n Matt. xiii 31; Luke xiii. 18, Acts ii. 41, iv. 4, v 14; xix. 20.

o Matt. xiii. 34; John xvi. 12.

p Matt. viii. 18, 23; Luke viii. 22.

1 The word in the original signifieth a less measure, as Matt. v. 15.

2 Or, *ripe*.

which intervals the disciples requested the Saviour to give them an exposition of the parable of the sower. It is one of the few parables of which we have an authentic explanation by our Lord himself, and this renders every other exposition needless.

12. "That seeing they may see:"—they affected not to perceive the meaning and the force of our Lord's teaching. It was a voluntary, wilful blindness; and to this was now to be added judicial blindness. They were to be left in their wilful ignorance—left, therefore, to the perils that follow final impenitence.

13. "Know ye not this parable?"—this parable seems to combine the entire doctrines of Christ; and hence, if they understood not this one, how could they understand any other?

21—25. The connection of these words with what precedes and follows is at first not so clear. We think it to be this: Wherever there is life, as in the seed, there will be development; so wherever there is light—as in the lamp which is put, not under a bushel, nor under a couch, but on a lampbearer—there will be a diffusion of that light. If, therefore, we receive the truth, its power will sooner or later reveal itself in the life and character. But we must take heed what we hear, since in proportion to our reception of the truth, and our diligence in the duties inculcated by the truth, will more be given to us. The misimprovement of our privileges is fatal to our temporal benefit, as well as to our eternal interests.

26—34. These two parables set forth the successive stages of the Divine life in the soul of the individual believer, or the progressive growth and development of the Church or kingdom of Christ in the world.

35—41. On these verses, see Matt. viii. 23—27. In this stupendous miracle of our Lord, we know not whether more to admire his majesty or his benignity—his greatness or his goodness.

CHAPTER V.

1 *Christ delivering the possessed of the legion of devils,* 13 *they enter into the swine.* 25 *He healeth the woman of the bloody issue,* 35 *and raiseth from death Jairus his daughter.*



AND they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes.[a]

2 And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,

3 Who had *his* dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains:

4 Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any *man* tame him.

5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones.

6 But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him,

7 And cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, *thou* Son of the most high God? I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not.

8 For he said unto him, Come out of the man, *thou* unclean spirit.

9 And he asked him, What *is* thy name? And he answered, saying, My name *is* Legion: for we are many.

10 And he besought him much that he would not send them away out of the country.

11 Now there was there nigh unto the mountains a great herd of swine feeding.

12 And all the devils besought him, saying, Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them.

13 And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand;) and were choked in the sea.

14 And they that fed the swine fled, and told *it* in the city, and in the country. And they went out to see what it was that was done.

15 And they come to Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion, sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

16 And they that saw *it* told them how it befell to him that was possessed with the devil, and *also* concerning the swine.

17 And they began to pray him to depart out of their coasts.[b]

18 And when he was come into the ship, he that had been possessed with the devil prayed him that he might be with him.[c]

19 Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him, Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee.

20 And he departed, and began to publish in

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a Matt. viii. 28; Luke viii. 26.

b Matt viii 34, Acts xvi 39.

c Luke viii 38.

CHAPTER V.

SYNOPSIS.—Mark v 1–20, Matt. viii. 28–34; Luke viii 26–39. Mark v 21–43; Matt ix. 18–26; Luke viii. 40–56.

The introduction of evil is one of those mysteries which the human mind is incompetent to deal with. The fact that evil exists is inscribed in the history of man in indelible characters; and it is this fact which furnishes the key to the sublime doctrine of redemption through the mediation of Christ. Sin is in the world, and for sin Christ died. Nor can we fail to be impressed with his power over evil during his life and ministry. Having himself entered into conflict with evil and overcome it, one object of his mission was to set free humanity from its thraldom. Hence his merciful treatment of those possessed ones who came to him imploring his interposition and help. He was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and the benefits conferred are designed to shadow forth the spiritual mercies which Christ is willing to bestow upon those that come to him.



RUINS OF GADARA.

1. "Country of the Gadarenes."—Gadara was one of the cities of Decapolis, in which many Jews dwelt.

3. "No man could bind him:"—that maniacs often put forth a kind of supernatural strength is beyond all question.

"Cutting himself with stones."—the fact of his being possessed is proved by the absence of that love of self-preservation which the Creator has planted within us, and which is so natural and proper to man for his protection.

6. "Ran and worshipped him:"—in spite of the demons who possessed him. Does not this indicate that our Lord was already exerting his power over the unclean spirit?

7. "Torment me not:"—this is the language not of the man, but of the demon, who feared lest he should be cast out. He regarded expulsion as a second torment.

9. "My name is legion:"—of this legion there was one principal leader. Pertinently says Bengel, "If in this unhappy sufferer there were so many, how many must there be throughout the world?"



THE LUNATIC BREAKING HIS CHAINS.—MARK V. 4.

Decapolis how great things Jesus had done for him: and all *men* did marvel.

21 And when Jesus was passed over again by ship unto the other side, much people gathered unto him: and he was nigh unto the sea.[a]

22 And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name; and when he saw him, he fell at his feet,[b]

23 And besought him greatly, saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death: *I pray thee* come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.

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[b] Matt. ix. 18; Luke viii. 41.

[a] Matt. ix. 1; Luke viii. 40.

10—17. On these verses, consult Matt. viii. 28—34, with the Notes and Commentary.

19. "Tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee:"—the Saviour was but little known in Decapolis, and the testimony of such a man as his claims and character could not but be impressive and awakening.

men did marvel:"—miracles will make men marvel, but it is only the Spirit's influence that will make men believe.

22. "One of the rulers of the synagogue:"—each synagogue had several elders, with a moderator, or ruler, over the whole, whose duty it was to convene assemblies, to select or invite the public readers in such assemblies, or the persons on whom the duty devolved; also to preserve order, and regulate the whole proceedings of the synagogue. Jairus was thus the superintendent, or president, of the synagogue at Capernaum.

23. "Lieth at the point of death:"—how expressive is this fact of the

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24 And *Jesus* went with him; and much people followed him, and thronged him.

25 And a certain woman, which had an issue of blood twelve years,[a]

26 And had suffered many things of many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse,

27 When she had heard of Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment.

28 For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.

29 And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in *her* body that she was healed of that plague.

30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him, turned him about in the press, and said, Who touched my clothes?[b]

31 And his disciples said unto him, Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

32 And he looked round about to see her that had done this thing.

33 But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done in her, came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.

34 And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.[c]

35 While he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's *house certain* which said, Thy daughter is dead: why troublest thou the Master any further?[d]

36 As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, he saith unto the ruler of the synagogue, Be not afraid, only believe.

37 And he suffered no man to follow him, save Peter, and James, and John the brother of James.

38 And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly.

39 And when he was come in, he saith unto them, Why make ye this ado, and weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.[e]

40 And they laughed him to scorn. But when he had put them all out, he taketh the father and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him, and entereth in where the damsel was lying.[f]

41 And he took the damsel by the hand, and said unto her, Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted, Damsel, I say unto thee, arise.

42 And straightway the damsel arose, and walked; for she was *of the age* of twelve years. And they were astonished with a great astonishment.

43 And he charged them straitly that no man should know it; and commanded that something should be given her to eat.[g]

[a] Lev. xv. 25; Matt. ix. 20.

[b] Luke vi. 19; viii. 46.

[c] ch x 52; Matt. ix. 22; Acts xiv. 9.

[d] Luke viii. 49.

[e] John xi. 11.

[f] Acts ix. 40.

[g] ch iii. 12; Matt. viii. 4; ix. 30; xii. 16; xvii. 9; Luke v. 14.

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Christ is contemned of his countrymen.* 7 *He giveth the twelve power over unclean spirits.* 14 *Divers opinions of Christ.* 27 *John Baptist is beheaded,* 29 *and buried.* 30 *The apostles return from preaching.* 34 *The miracle of five loaves and two fishes.* 48 *Christ walketh on the sea:* 53 *and healeth all that touch him.*



AND he went out from thence, and came into his own country; and his disciples follow him.[h]

2 And when the sabbath day was come, he began to teach in the synagogue: and many hearing *him* were astonished, saying, From whence hath this *man* these things? and what wisdom *is* this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands?[i]

3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and

[h] Matt. xiii. 54; Luke iv. 16.

[i] John vi. 42.

intensity of his faith! The father leaves his beloved child, who is at the point of death, and hastens to the Saviour. The depth of his parental feeling gave force to his words. Our Lord at once followed the agonised father; and the people accompanied him in such multitudes that they pressed upon him. Eagerness, curiosity, and sympathy were mingled together in the medley crowd; still, Jesus bore with them, and chides none for eagerness, but rebukes many for thoughtlessness and indifference.

25. "A certain woman:"—this afflicted woman, after expending her property, even to the point of impoverishment, on every conceivable expedient to ensure a cure, here appears as "the picture of one despairing of human aid." Not only was her general health greatly impaired, and her life endangered, but according to the Levitical law, she was unclean, which rendered it necessary for her to avoid every public assembly. To elude observation, she came behind Jesus, and hopeless as her condition was pronounced to be, her faith animated her with courage, for she believed that if she could but touch the hem or fringe of Christ's raiment, her recovery would be certain.

29. "She was healed"—the effect was perfect. She was, in one single moment of time, conscious of soundness and health. What an evidence of the Saviour's Divinity!

30. "Knowing in himself that virtue had gone out of him:"—the question of our Lord—"Who touched my clothes?"—does not imply want of knowledge on Christ's part; but is so put as to extort from the woman a fuller confession both of her malady, and of her recovery; and to afford to his disciples, and to those around him, a proof of his knowledge; and also to impress the multitude with the fact that humanity, with its wants and its woes, has but to put itself into contact with him, to be conscious of his healing, saving power. Tradition says, that this woman erected a monument to her deliverer in the front of her own house at Paneas, near the source of the Jordan.

35. "Thy daughter is dead"—some time was occupied with the cure and the confession of the woman whom the Saviour had restored to health, and during this interval a message reached Jairus that his daughter was now dead. This will reconcile the statement of St. Matthew, who introduces the ruler as saying at once that his child was dead, with the assertion of St. Mark, who represents Jairus as having left home before his daughter died.

40. "Had put them all out:"—the reference here is to the hired mourners and minstrels, whose very appearance there indicated that preparations for the funeral had already commenced.

42. "Straightway the damsel arose:"—of her death there was not the shadow of a doubt, and yet, in one single instant, she regained life and consciousness. If all were so satisfied of her death as to laugh the Saviour to scorn, all must have been equally convinced of her restoration to life; for she rose, she walked, she ate, and became visible to the multitude. How powerful, and yet how gracious, does the Saviour appear in all his works and ways!

43. "Commanded that something should be given her to eat:"—no miracle is wrought to produce a result which can be obtained by ordinary means. The Saviour restores the damsel to life, but commands her friends to nourish her with bread. In the resurrection of Lazarus, our Lord recalls to the earth the tenant of the tomb, but he does not remove the stone from the grave; thus exhibiting to mankind that economy of power which distinguishes the Divine acts—displaying also the sovereignty of Almighty God in union with the agency of man, and at the same time teaching men that benefits received must lead to the discharge of the duties belonging to their station, and that which man cannot accomplish God will effect, but that which man can render God commands.

CHAPTER VI.

SYNOPSIS.—Mark vi. 1—6; Matt. xiii. 54—58; Luke iv. 14—30. Mark vi. 7—13; Matt. ... 36—38; x. 1—15; Luke ix 1—5. Mark vi. 14—29; Matt xiv, 1—12; Luke iii. 19, 20; ix. 7—9. Mark vi. 30—44; Matt. xiv. 13—21; Luke ix. 10—17; John vi. 1—15. Mark vi. 45—56; Matt. xiv. 22—36; John vi 16—21.

The older Expositors assume that in the narratives here recorded, the Evangelists refer to distinct visits of Christ to Nazareth at separate periods of time; but Schleiermacher has conclusively proved that the narratives are

Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him.[a]

4 But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, but in his own country, and among his own kin, and in his own house.[b]

5 And he could there do no mighty work, save that he laid his hands upon a few sick folk, and healed *them*.[c]

6 And he marvelled because of their unbelief. And he went round about the villages, teaching.[d]

7 ¶ And he called *unto him* the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and gave them power over unclean spirits;[e]

8 And commanded them that they should take nothing for *their* journey, save a staff only; no scrip, no bread, no [1]money in *their* purse:

9 But *be* shod with sandals; and not put on two coats.[f]

10 And he said unto them, In what place soever ye enter into an house, there abide till ye depart from that place.[g]

11 And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom [2]and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.[h]

12 And they went out, and preached that men should repent.

13 And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed *them*.[i]

14 And king Herod heard *of him;* (for his name was spread abroad:) and he said, That John the Baptist was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.[j]

15 Others said, That it is Elias. And others said, That it is a prophet, or as one of the prophets.[k]

16 But when Herod heard *thereof*, he said, It is John, whom I beheaded: he is risen from the dead.[l]

17 For Herod himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife: for he had married her.

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a Matt. xi. 6; xii. 46; Gal. i. 19.

m Lev. xviii. 16; xx. 21.

3 Or, *an inward grudge.*

b Matt. xiii. 57; John iv. 44.

4 Or, *kept him, or, saved him.*

c ch. ix. 23; Gen. xix. 22; xxxii. 25; Matt. xiii. 58.

n Matt. xiv. 5; xxi. 26.

d Isa. lix. 16; Matt. ix. 35; Luke xiii. 22.

o Gen. xl. 20; Matt. xiv. 6.

e ch. iii. 13, 14; Matt. x. 1; Luke ix. 1.

1 The word signifieth a piece of brass money, in value somewhat less than a *farthing*, Matt. x. 9; but here it is taken in general for *money*, Luke ix. 3.

f Acts xii. 8.

p Esther v. 3, 6; vii. 2.

g Matt. x. 11; Luke ix. 4; x. 7, 8.

2 Gr., *or.*

h Matt. x. 14; Luke x. 10; Acts xiii. 51; xviii. 6.

q Matt. xiv. 9.

5 Or, *one of his guard.*

i James v. 14.

j Matt. xiv. 1; Luke ix. 7.

k ch. viii. 28, Matt xvi. 14.

r Luke ix. 10.

l Matt. xiv. 2, Luke iii. 19.

s ch. iii 20.

t Matt. xiv. 13.

18 For John had said unto Herod, It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife.[m]

19 Therefore Herodias had [3]a quarrel against him, and would have killed him; but she could not:

20 For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and [4]observed him; and when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.[n]

21 And when a convenient day was come, that Herod on his birthday made a supper to his lords, high captains, and chief *estates* of Galilee;[o]

22 And when the daughter of the said Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased Herod and them that sat with him, the king said unto the damsel, Ask of me whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give *it* thee.

23 And he sware unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give *it* thee, unto the half of my kingdom.[p]

24 And she went forth, and said unto her mother, What shall I ask? And she said, The head of John the Baptist.

25 And she came in straightway with haste unto the king, and asked, saying, I will that thou give me by and by in a charger the head of John the Baptist.

26 And the king was exceeding sorry; *yet* for his oath's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him, he would not reject her.[q]

27 And immediately the king sent [5]an executioner, and commanded his head to be brought: and he went and beheaded him in the prison,

28 And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel: and the damsel gave it to her mother.

29 And when his disciples heard *of it*, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb.

30 And the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught.[r]

31 And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.[s]

32 And they departed into a desert place by ship privately.[t]

to be referred to the same occurrences. Here we have the great outlines of the Saviour's conflict with his fellow-citizens. Such was his mission that he could not but come into contact with the antagonisms and the persecutions of an ungodly world.

1. "He went out from thence:"—Jairus dwelt in Capernaum, and it was, therefore, from Capernaum and its surrounding district, in which our Lord had been so actively and beneficially employed, that he now withdrew into his own country, or city of Nazareth, in which the Saviour spent much of his time. Hence it is called "his city."

2. "To teach in the synagogue:"—for his appearance and conduct in the synagogue of Nazareth, see Luke iv. 16—19.

"What wisdom is this which is given unto him?"—his wisdom revealed itself in his teaching, as his power revealed itself in his miracles. The question was put, it may be, in the spirit of contempt; as if they had said, Which of the schools has he attended? At whose feet has he been brought up?

3. "Is not this the carpenter?"—implying that he was not only the son of a carpenter, but himself a carpenter. Amid his earthly connections, and before entering on his public ministry, he undoubtedly followed the calling of Joseph. Our Evangelist makes no mention here of Joseph, which has led to the probable conjecture that Joseph was already dead.

"They were offended at him:"—the inhabitants of Nazareth took offence at him on account of his family connections; they recount the names of his family, and try to work themselves into the belief that he was nothing more than one of them. Those who are denominated the brothers and sisters of Jesus, are supposed to have been his cousins.

5. "Could there do no mighty work:"—the people were not in a state of mind to appreciate his works of mercy, and therefore he would not act. His miraculous power and his benefits were restricted through their own unbelief.

7—12. On these verses, see Matt. x. 1—12, with the Notes and the Commentary.

13. "Anointed with oil"—this anointing differed entirely from the extreme unction of the Romanist. This latter is only administered when there is no hope of recovery. The Apostolic anointing was invariably connected with recovery. From verse 8, it may be inferred that the disciples did not carry this oil with them, but obtained it in the locality in which they happened to be, and used it, not medicinally, but as symbolical of that healing power which had been bestowed upon them.—See James v. 14.

14. "Herod heard of him:"—some conceive that Herod was absent in Rome during the previous part of our Lord's stay in Nazareth, and had just returned from the imperial city; others, that he had been engaged in wars; and others state, with more probability, that he had been wholly absorbed in the gaieties and the pleasures of his court, and therefore not likely to turn his thoughts to Christ and his teaching.

15. "Others said"—human opinion was strangely divided as to the character and the claims of Jesus. And is not human opinion divided still?

16—29. On the conduct of Herod towards the Baptist, see Matt. xiv. 1—12, with the Notes and the Commentary. The only point in our Evangelist's narrative to be noted is, that it was Herodias who persecuted the Baptist, rather than Herod; that Herod held John in reverential awe, acknowledged his character and claims, and, to a certain extent, admired his teaching and complied with his precepts; that it was not of Herod, but of



'DAMSEL, I SAY UNTO THEE, ARISE."—MARK V.

33 And the people saw them departing, and many knew him, and ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came together unto him.

34 And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things.[a]

35 And when the day was now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and said, This is a desert place, and now the time *is* far passed:[b]

36 Send them away, that they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and buy themselves bread: for they have nothing to eat.

37 He answered and said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they say unto him, Shall we go and buy two hundred [1]pennyworth of bread, and give them to eat?[c]

38 He saith unto them, How many loaves have ye? go and see. And when they knew, they say, Five, and two fishes.[d]

39 And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass.

40 And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties.

41 And when he had taken the five loaves and the two fishes, he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and brake the loaves, and gave *them* to his disciples to set before them; and the two fishes divided he among them all.[e]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

1 The Roman penny is sevenpence halfpenny, as Matt. xviii 28.

c Numb xi. 13, 22; 2 Kings iv 43.

d ch. viii 5; Matt. xiv 17; xv 34; Luke ix. 13; John vi 9

a Matt ix. 36; xiv. 14; Luke ix. 11.

b Matt. xiv. 15; Luke ix. 12.

e 1 Sam. ix. 13; Matt. xxvi. 26.

her mother, that the damsel asked counsel as to the form of her request; and that it was with no little reluctance that he complied with the demand of the damsel, and sent to have the Baptist beheaded. Notwithstanding, all were guilty—the mother in advising, Herodias in asking, and Herod in granting.

26 "Yet for his oath's sake"—sin does not consist in the non-performance of a wicked and unlawful oath, but in the making of that oath. Herod, when making the oath, was under a prior obligation to God, which obligation he was not at liberty to set aside, either to gratify others, or to please himself. No man is allowed to bind himself by an oath to commit an act of wickedness.

31. "Come ye yourselves apart"—the Saviour was a true partaker of our humanity, with its feelings and its sympathies.

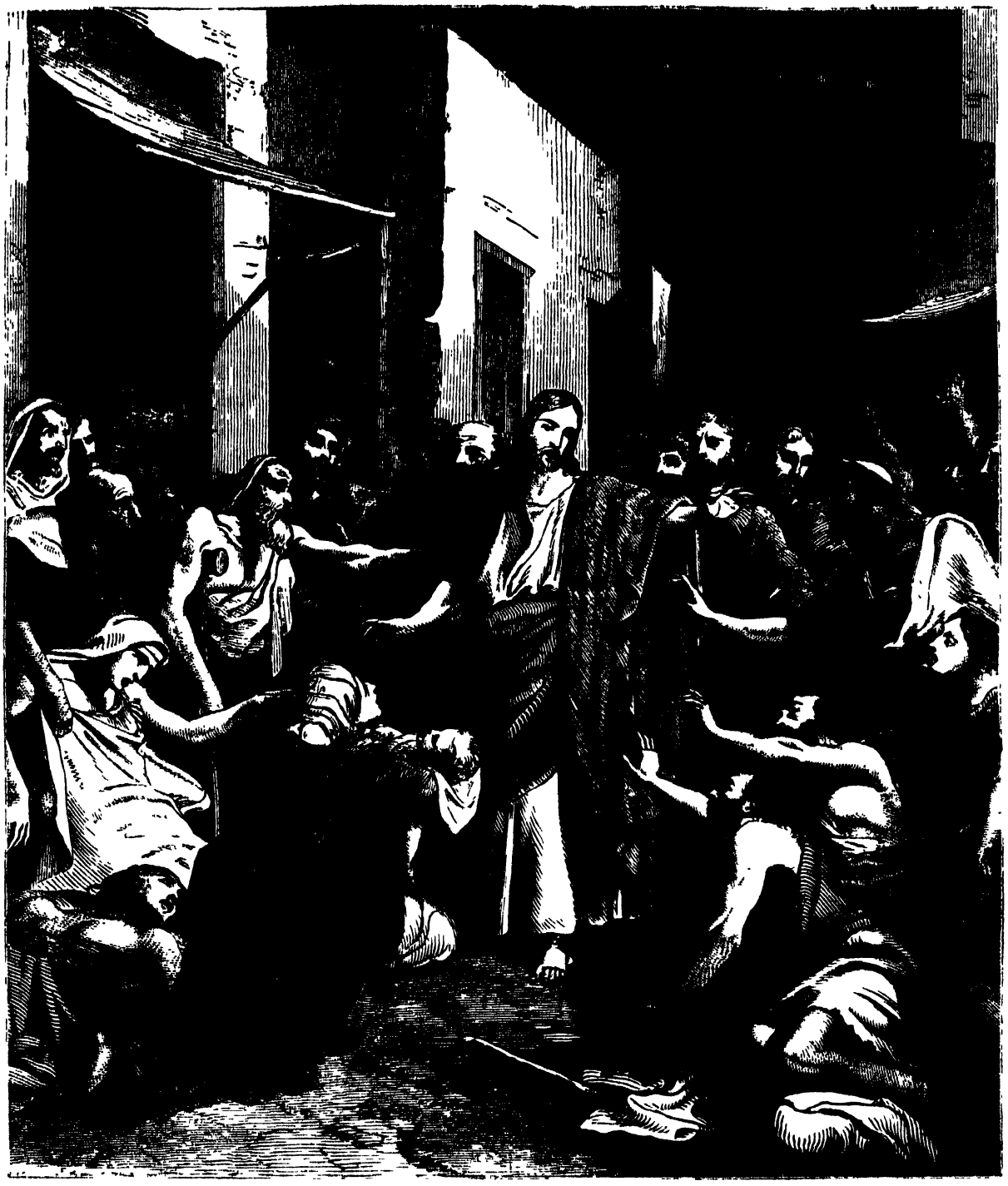
32. "Into a desert place:"—from Luke ix. 10 we learn that this desert spot was in the neighbourhood of Bethsaida—not the Bethsaida of the Apostles, which lay on the western shore of the lake, but the city which was situated on its eastern bank, not far from where the Jordan flows into the lake, and near to which was this desert or wilderness.

33. "Ran afoot thither:"—that is, instead of availing themselves of the lake, they went by land.

34. "When he came out, saw much people:"—that is, according to some interpreters, when he came forth from his solitude; but as there is no decisive proof that he had even reached his place of retirement before the multitudes came up, it is supposed by others that, on his leaving the boat, he ascended a hill facing the lake, and that, on his ascent, he saw the people approaching in gathering numbers. To account for these multitudes, it must be borne in mind that the Feast of the Passover was at hand.

38. "How many loaves have ye?"—as Nature, out of the seed-corn, evolves no new creation, so Christ turns water into wine, and increases the already existing bread; but without a substratum to begin with, he makes neither wine nor bread. A profound truth this, and never to be lost sight of. As in the production of the wine power went forth from the Incarnate Logos, by which the water was converted into real wine, so, in the present case, power went out from him which increased the actual and visible quantity of the bread. Still, no one can deny that He who could thus indefinitely enlarge the qualities inherent in bread, must have been possessed of creative power.

43. "Twelve baskets full of the fragments:"—more by far than the whole of the original provision before it passed under the miraculous special benediction of the Saviour. "The union of this savingness and care with power



THE SICK LAID IN THE STREETS TO BE HEALED.—MARK VI. 56.

ANNO DOMINI 32.

42 And they did all eat, and were filled.

43 And they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments, and of the fishes.

44 And they that did eat of the loaves were about five thousand men.

45 And straightway he constrained his disciples to get into the ship, and to go to the other side before [1]unto Bethsaida, while he sent away the people.[a]

46 And when he had sent them away, he departed into a mountain to pray.

47 And when even was come, the ship was in the midst of the sea, and he alone on the land.[b]

48 And he saw them toiling in rowing; for the wind was contrary unto them: and about the fourth watch of the night he cometh unto them, walking upon the sea, and would have passed by them.[c]

a Matt. xiv. 22; John vi 17

b Matt xiv 23; John vi. 16, 17.

c Luke xxiv. 28

is something so peculiar, that it impresses, beyond all mistake, a heavenly character on the narrative. Never would such a thing have been invented. Nature places before our eyes the same combination of boundless munificence and of truest frugality in imparting her benefits."

44. "And they that did eat were about five thousand men:"—as the women and children in this multitude were probably equal to the men in number, there would be on this occasion ten thousand persons to be fed by five loaves and two fishes—the food provided, no doubt, for the disciples and their Master. Persons, for the most part, form very imperfect conceptions of large numbers; and perhaps few of us consider the fact, that had these guests of a Divine Master seated themselves opposite to one another, after the manner of a feast, the banquet table must have extended beyond two miles.

45. "Go to the other side before unto Bethsaida:"—we are not to under-

49 But when they saw him walking upon the sea, they supposed it had been a spirit, and cried out:

50 For they all saw him, and were troubled. And immediately he talked with them, and saith unto them, Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid.

51 And he went up unto them into the ship; and the wind ceased: and they were sore amazed in themselves beyond measure, and wondered.

52 For they considered not *the miracle* of the loaves: for their heart was hardened.[a]

53 And when they had passed over, they came into the land of Gennesaret, and drew to the shore.

54 And when they were come out of the ship, straightway they knew him,

55 And ran through that whole region round about, and began to carry about in beds those that were sick, where they heard he was.

56 And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country, they laid the sick in the streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of his garment: and as many as touched [1]him were made whole.[b]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *The Pharisees find fault at the disciples for eating with unwashen hands.* 8 *They break the commandment of God by the traditions of men.* 14 *Meat defileth not the man.* 24 *He healeth the Syrophenician woman's daughter of an unclean spirit,* 31 *and one that was deaf, and stammered in his speech.*



THEN came together unto him the Pharisees, and certain of the scribes, which came from Jerusalem.[c]

2 And when they saw some of his disciples eat bread with [2]defiled, that is to say, with unwashen, hands, they found fault.

3 For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash *their* hands [3]oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders.

4 And *when they come* from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, *as* the washing of cups, and [4]pots, brasen vessels, and of [5]tables.

5 Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him, Why walk not thy disciples according to the tradition of the elders, but eat bread with unwashen hands?[d]

6 He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, This people honoureth me with *their* lips, but their heart is far from me.[e]

7 Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men.

8 For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, *as* the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.

9 And he said unto them, Full well ye [6]reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.

10 For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death:[f]

11 But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, *It is* Corban, that is[1] to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; *he shall be free.*[g]

12 And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother;

13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

14 ¶ And when he had called all the people *unto him,* he said unto them, Hearken unto me every one *of you,* and understand:[h]

15 There is nothing from without a man, that entering into him can defile him: but the things which come out of him, those are they that [2]defile the man.

16 If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.[i]

17 And when he was entered into the house from the people, his disciples asked him concerning the parable.[j]

18 And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that what-

ANNO DOMINI 32.

4 Sextarius is about a pint and a half.
5 Or, *beds.*
d Matt. xv. 2.
a ch. iii. 5; viii. 17, 18; xvi. 14; Matt. xiv. 34.
e Isa. xxix. 13; Matt. xv. 8.
6 Or, *frustrate.*
f Exod. xx. 12; xxi. 17; Lev. xx. 9; Deut. v 16; Prov. xx. 20, Matt. xv. 4.
1 Or, *it.*
b ch. v. 27, 28; Matt. ix. 20; Acts xix. 12.
g Matt. xv. 5; xxiii. 18.
h Matt. xv. 10.
c Matt. xv. 1.
2 Or, *common.*
i Matt. xi. 15.
3 Or, *diligently:* in the original, *with the fist:* Theophylact, *up to the elbow.*
j Matt. xv. 15.

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stand this as if the disciples were to cross over immediately and directly to the other side of the lake, but, as is clear from Matthew, only to go before him along the coast, and take him up at some appointed spot; or, as Mark has it, over against Bethsaida, and then they were to cross to the other side—see Note on verse 32.

48. "He cometh unto them, walking upon the sea:"—and yet such was the state of their hearts, that they failed to perceive his glory, and to trust in its Possessor.

49. "When they saw him walking upon the sea:"—an ancient mode of denoting an impossibility was by the emblem of two feet standing upon water.

CHAPTER VII.

SYNOPSIS:—Mark vii. 1—23; Matt. xv. 1—20. Mark vii. 24—30; Matt. xv. 21—30. Mark vii. 31—37.

Having left the eastern bank of the lake, the Saviour and his disciples came into the land of Gennesaret—a spot of great beauty and fertility, which stood on the north-west shore. It is not improbable that they landed on some retired part of the coast, as may be inferred from the fact that Jesus passed through several villages and towns before he appeared in the synagogue at Capernaum, and also from the circumstance that, as soon as the people knew he was in their neighbourhood, they brought the sick and the diseased from the scattered houses of the surrounding district, to receive the benefit of his healing and recovering power.

2. "Unwashen hands:"—the Pharisees were the Separatists of the Jewish Church, and attached unspeakably more importance to outward purity than to inward rectitude. Some members of this self-righteous sect, with a certain number of the Scribes, seem to have been sent as a deputation from the Jewish Sanhedrim in Jerusalem, first to challenge, and then to contradict, both the words and the works of Jesus. A conflict was now opening between him and the supreme ecclesiastical authorities.

They take objection to certain of Christ's followers, because they had sat down to eat with unwashen hands. There is no part of the human body which is not endowed with the power of sensation; but the hand is more frequently brought into immediate contact with things external to itself, and lest these things should have anything like ceremonial defilement upon them—which would defile the hand, and then, through the hand, the food which was eaten—the Jew was in the habit of always washing the hands before eating, and this diligently, or with care. He understood not the words of our Lord, that it is not that which entereth into a man that defiles him, but that which cometh out of him. It was not the hand which needed to be washed and made clean, but the heart. The Saviour did not reject the tradition viewed merely as a custom; he only refused to recognise it as a religious ordinance.

4. "Washing of tables:"—the word rendered table, is in the margin, BED. The reference is, perhaps, to the couch, or rising sofa, on which they reclined at meals, or on which they lounged, and sometimes slept. These were covered with a material which could be removed and washed.

8. "The commandment of God:"—it is spoken of as a unity, and therefore includes the whole revealed will of God. Above this they placed their cumbersome and unr eaning traditions.

9. "Full well ye eject [frustrate] the commandment of God:"—this is not the language of "irony," but of solemn accusation. As if he had said, Ye do this not ignorantly, but wittingly. With a fearful obstinacy ye do this, and yet ye know it to be wrong.

11. "It is Corban:"—if a person merely pronounced the word CORBAN

soever thing from without entereth into the man, *it* cannot defile him;

19 Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?

20 And he said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.

21 For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,[a]

22 Thefts, [1]covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

23 All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

24 ¶ And from thence he arose, and went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house, and would have no man know *it*: but he could not be hid.[b]

25 For a *certain* woman, whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet:

26 The woman was a [2]Greek, a Syrophenician by nation; and she besought him that he would cast forth the devil out of her daughter.

27 But Jesus said unto her, Let the children first be filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to cast *it* unto the dogs.

28 And she answered and said unto him, Yes, Lord: yet the dogs under the table eat of the children's crumbs.

29 And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.

30 And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed.

31 ¶ And again, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, he came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis.[c]

32 And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him.[d]

33 And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue;[e]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

f ch. vi. 41; John xi. 33, 38, 41; xvii. 1.

g Isa. xxxv. 5, 6; Matt. xi. 5.

h ch. v. 43.

a Gen. vi. 5; viii. 21; Matt. xv. 19.

1 Or, *covetousnesses, wickednesses.*

b Matt. xv 21.

2 Or, *Gentile.*

i Matt. xv. 32.

c Matt. xv. 29.

j ch. vi. 38; Matt. xv. 34.

d Matt. ix. 32; Luke xi. 14.

e ch. viii. 23; John ix. 6.

34 And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened.[f]

35 And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain.[g]

36 And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published *it*;[h]

37 And were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well: he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Christ feedeth the people miraculously:* 10 *refuseth to give a sign to the Pharisees:* 14 *admonisheth his disciples to beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and of the leaven of Herod:* 22 *giveth a blind man his sight:* 27 *acknowledgeth that he is the Christ, who should suffer and rise again:* 34 *and exhorteth to patience in persecution for the profession of the gospel.*



IN those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called his disciples *unto him*, and saith unto them,[i]

2 I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat:

3 And if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way: for divers of them came from far.

4 And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these *men* with bread here in the wilderness?

5 And he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven.[j]

6 And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground: and he took the seven loaves, and gave thanks, and brake, and gave to his disciples to set before *them*; and they did set *them* before the people.

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over any possession or property, it was irrevocably dedicated to the Temple, and in this way those hypocrites tried to free themselves from the duties of filial affection. The CORBAN was an offering without a sacrifice—a gift to the Temple.

13. "Making the word of God of none effect:"—not only rejecting, but setting aside entirely the authority of the Written Word, with all its unchange-

15. "Those are they that defile the man:"—our Lord, turning away from the hypocritical Pharisees and Scribes to the multitudes by whom he was surrounded, presents the Levitical idea of impurity in such a light, as to show that the question of cleanness or of uncleanness was to be determined not by the physical state, but by the moral state.

17. "His disciples asked him concerning the parable:"—this shows how slowly the minds of Christ's followers opened to the perception and grasp of spiritual truth.

19. "Entereth not into his heart:"—how true is it, that that which constitutes the true nature of man can only be cleansed in the heart, which is the fountain of thought and feeling, and from which words and actions do proceed! And how needful the prayer—"Create in me a clean heart!"

22. "An evil eye"—is indicative either of envy, or of lust, or both may be included. The human heart is the same in all; and that which ought to be the temple of the Holy Ghost, is naturally the dwelling-place of iniquity.

"Went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon;"—he thus withdrew to escape the fierce opposition and murderous designs of the Pharisees. ——— passed in a north-westerly direction through the mountainous region of Upper Galilee, he came into the border land of Phœnicia, as if "driven into the boundary lands of heathenism by his horror of Jewish hypocrisy." As Langé well says:—"The Jewish world was closed against him, nor had the hour yet come when the heathen world would be open to his word. . . . For a season he seems hemmed up in the narrow border land between Canaan and Phœnicia, there to meditate in deep solitude upon his further movements. But he could not remain unknown."

25—30. "A certain woman—a Greek, a Syrophenician by nation:"—she was therefore a Gentile, and hence our Lord's mode of treatment, for he had not been sent but to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Yet light was breaking on the Gentile mind, and this woman's faith was such that nothing could overcome it.—See Matt. xv. 21—31.

31. "Through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis:"—that is, he proceeded northward through Sidon, then crossed the Jordan, and so approached the lake on its eastern side. The cities of Decapolis were inhabited principally by Greeks in the days of our Lord.

32—37. The many outward acts employed by our Lord in this miracle were simply to awaken attention, and prepare the mind for the grand result. The miracle was complete. The Saviour magnified at once his power and his grace, and the people were filled with wonder and admiration.

CHAPTER VIII.

SYNOPSIS:—Mark viii. 1—10; Matt. xv. 32—39. Mark viii 11—21; Matt. xvi. 1—12. Mark viii. 22—26, 27—38, ix. 1; Matt. xvi. 13—28; Luke ix. 18—27.

The Saviour having passed round the sources of the Jordan, and having arrived at the eastern shore of the lake, and entered the region of Decapolis, great multitudes followed him. His power was not more conspicuous than his love, and it was by the revelations of his love that he sought to draw hearts to himself.

7 And they had a few small fishes: and he blessed, and commanded to set them also before *them*.[a]

8 So they did eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken *meat* that was left seven baskets.

9 And they that had eaten were about four thousand: and he sent them away.

10 ¶ And straightway he entered into a ship with his disciples, and came into the parts of Dalmanutha.[b]

11 And the Pharisees came forth, and began to question with him, seeking of him a sign from heaven, tempting him.[c]

12 And he sighed deeply in his spirit, and saith, Why doth this generation seek after a sign? verily I say unto you, There shall no sign be given unto this generation.

13 And he left them, and entering into the ship again departed to the other side.

14 ¶ Now *the disciples* had forgotten to take bread, neither had they in the ship with them more than one loaf.[d]

15 And he charged them, saying, Take heed, beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, and *of* the leaven of Herod.[e]

16 And they reasoned among themselves, saying, *It is* because we have no bread.[f]

17 And when Jesus knew *it*, he saith unto them, Why reason ye, because ye have no bread? perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart yet hardened?[g]

18 Having eyes, see ye not? and having ears, hear ye not? and do ye not remember?

19 When I brake the five loaves among five thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? They say unto him, Twelve.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a ch. vi. 41; Matt. xiv. 19.

i ver. 8; Matt. xv 37.

j ver. 17; ch. vi. 52.

b Matt. xv. 39.

c Matt xii. 38; xvi. 1; John vi. 30

k ch. vii. 33.

l ch. v. 43; Matt. viii 4.

d Matt xvi 5.

e Matt. xvi 6, Luke xii 1

m Matt xvi 13, Luke ix. 18.

f Matt xvi 7

n Matt xiv 2.

o Matt xvi 16, John vi 69, xi 27

g ch vi 52

p Matt xvi 20

h ch vi 43, Matt xiv 20 Luke ix 17, John vi 13

q Matt xvi 21, xvii. 22, Luke ix 22

20 And when the seven among four thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? And they said, Seven.[i]

21 And he said unto them, How is it that ye do not understand?[j]

22 ¶ And he cometh to Bethsaida; and they bring a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him.

23 And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town; and when he had spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he asked him if he saw ought.[k]

24 And he looked up, and said, I see men as trees, walking.

25 After that he put *his* hands again upon his eyes, and made him look up: and he was restored, and saw every man clearly.

26 And he sent him away to his house, saying, Neither go into the town, nor tell *it* to any in the town.[l]

27 ¶ And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the towns of Cæsarea Philippi: and by the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, Whom do men say that I am?[m]

28 And they answered, John the Baptist: but some *say*, Elias; and others, One of the prophets.[n]

29 And he saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Peter answereth and saith unto him, Thou art the Christ.[o]

30 And he charged them that they should tell no man of him.[p]

31 And he began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders, and *of* the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.[q]

2 "Have nothing to eat"—their provision was exhausted; and as there was no possibility of going into neighbouring towns, or of re-crossing the lake, they had no alternative but to return to their mountain-homes through the passes by which they had followed him, but as they might, after three days' continuance with him, readily faint by the way, the Saviour puts forth his power on their behalf. —See chapter vi 34—44, and Matt. xv. 32—39

10 "Into the parts of Dalmanutha"—there were villages and small towns in the vicinity of the Lake of Tiberias, all of which, with the district lying around, seem included in this phrase.

12. "Sighed deeply in his spirit."—he knew how unsusceptible they were to moral impression, and it grieved his sinless heart. Hence his denying them any sign, and hence his speedy departure from them.

15 "The leaven of the Pharisees, and the leaven of Herod:"—for Herod we have the Sadducees in Matthew. The explanation is, that the Sadducees, as a body, were attached to the government of Herod.

22. "Cometh to Bethsaida,"—that is, the Bethsaida on the north-east shore of the lake. This miracle is as instructive to us as it was beneficial to the sufferer. It encourages us to apply to Christ for others as well as for ourselves, and teaches us that intercession is pleasing to God, as well as beneficial to those for whom we plead. Observe the Saviour's ready acquiescence—he grants the boon the moment it is rightly sought. Mark also his condescension—he took the sufferer by the hand; and then notice the adaptation which accompanies the benefit conferred. As the sight could not receive the evidence of the Saviour's presence, the faculties of hearing and of feeling were employed.

23. "Led him out of the town:"—this was done, in all probability, to avoid publicity.



MODERN BETHSAIDA. FROM A PHOTOGRAPH.



THE TRANSFIGURATION.—MARK IX. 2–4.

32 And he spake that saying openly. And Peter ook him, and began to rebuke him.

33 But when he had turned about and looked on is disciples, he rebuked Peter, saying, Get thee ehind me, Satan: for thou savourest not the things hat be of God, but the things that be of men.

34 ¶ And when he had called the people *unto him* vith his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever vill come after me, let him deny himself, and take p his cross, and follow me.[a]

35 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; ut whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the ospel's, the same shall save it.[b]

36 For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain he whole world, and lose his own soul?

37 Or what shall a man give in exchange for his oul?

38 Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me nd of my words in this adulterous and sinful eneration; of him also shall the Son of man be shamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father vith the holy angels.[c]

CHAPTER IX.

Jesus is transfigured. 11 *He instructeth his disciples concerning the coming of Elias:* 14 *casteth forth a dumb and deaf spirit:* 30 *foretelleth his death and resurrection.* 33 *exhorteth his disciples to humility;* 38 *bidding them not to prohibit such as be not against them, nor to give offence to any of the faithful.*



AND he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That there be some of them that stand here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power.[d]

2 ¶ And after six days Jesus taketh *with him* Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain part by themselves: and he was transfigured before hem.[e]

3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them.[f]

4 And there appeared unto them Elias with Moses: and they were talking with Jesus.

5 And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

6 For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid.

7 And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.

8 And suddenly, when they had looked round about, they saw no man any more, save Jesus only with themselves.

9 And as they came down from the mountain, he charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen, till the Son of man were risen from the dead.[g]

10 And they kept that saying with themselves, questioning one with another what the rising from the dead should mean.

11 ¶ And they asked him, saying, Why say the scribes that Elias must first come?[h]

12 And he answered and told them, Elias verily cometh first, and restoreth all things; and how it is written of the Son of man, that he must suffer many things, and be set at nought.[i]

13 But I say unto you, That Elias is indeed come, and they have done unto him whatsoever they listed, as it is written of him.[j]

14 ¶ And when he came to *his* disciples, he saw a great multitude about them, and the scribes questioning with them.[k]

15 And straightway all the people, when they beheld him, were greatly amazed, and running to *him* saluted him.

16 And he asked the scribes, What question ye [1]with them?

17 And one of the multitude answered and said, Master, I have brought unto thee my son, which hath a dumb spirit;[l]

18 And wheresoever he taketh him, he [2]teareth

ANNO DOMINI 32.

f Dan. vii. 9; Matt. xxviii. 3.

a Matt. x. 38; xvi. 24; Luke ix. 23, xiv. 27.

b John xii. 25.

g Matt. xvii. 9.

c Matt x. 33; Luke ix. 26, xii 9; Rom i. 16, 2 Tim. i. 8, ii. 12.

h Mal iv 5; Matt. xvii. 10.

i Ps. xxii. 6; Isa liii 2, &c, Dan ix 26; Luke xxiii 11, Philip. ii. 7.

j Matt xi 14, xvii. 12, Luke i. 17

k Matt xvii 14, Luke ix 37

d Matt xvi 28, xxiv. 30, xxv 31; Luke ix 27, xxii. 18.

1 Or, *among yourselves?*

e Matt. xvii. 1; Luke ix. 28.

l Matt. xvii. 14; Luke ix 38.

2 Or, *dasheth him.*

31. "The Son of man must suffer:"—it is under this humble designation that he speaks of himself, previous to the sublime fact of his resurrection, in which he was declared to be the Son of God with power, and after which, accordingly, he spoke of himself as the Christ—the Anointed Son of God.

32. "Peter took him, and began to rebuke him:"—the impetuous Apostle had just confessed that he was the Christ, and yet he could not brook the idea of his Master being subjected to suffering and death. The Jewish Sanhedrim did not believe that Jesus was the Christ; and now Peter himself stumbles and errs concerning the end of Christ's mission. If he were the Christ, as Peter had just confessed, then suffer and die he must, to effect the object of his incarnation. Hence the rebuke which the Saviour administered to the Apostle. Peter was under some unholy influence, which influence could be traced to Satan as its source Hence the personal address—"Get thee behind me, Satan." Whatever tends to oppose the spiritual prosperity of man, may be traced to some device of Satan

34. "Take up his cross;"—in reference to the Roman custom by which the persons condemned to be crucified were obliged to carry the very cross on which they were to suffer. Possibly these words were used as a figurative expression, containing a prophetic reference to the death of Christ, and purposely chosen to prepare his disciples for such an event. Certain it is that every Christian must bear his cross. To deny what is earthly forms a great part in the Divine life;—we cannot love Christ if we cherish the love of the world. Our dearest relationships often lead aside from the highest good. It behoves us to be watchful, lest the relationships which were designed for our benefit should become a snare, by leading us to the omission or the defective discharge of some Christian duty.

35—37. "Will save his life . . . . in exchange for his soul:"—in these verses the same Greek word is rendered both LIFE and SOUL. If it had been rendered life throughout, it would have given greater force and significance to our Lord's words. The contrast is between the loss of earthly life and the gain of life eternal. He that finds or gains his earthly life, preserving it by unfaithfulness, shall lose this eternal life; but he that, by faithfulness and persevering constancy, loses the life of the body, shall gain the higher life—the eternal salvation of his soul.

CHAPTER IX.

SYNOPSIS:—Mark ix. 2–13; Matt. xvii 1–13; Luke ix 28–36. Mark ix. 14–29; Matt. xvii. 14–21; Luke ix. 37–43. Mark ix. 30–50; Matt. xvii. 22, 23; xviii. 1–9; Luke ix. 44–50.

The first verse of this chapter is inseparably connected with the concluding verses of the preceding chapter, and in that connection it should stand. At the time when our Lord is represented as speaking, he was surrounded not only by his own immediate followers, but also by a promiscuous multitude of the people, and he says that there are some standing there—some of those who were actually present at the moment—who should not taste death till they had seen the kingdom of God come with power—who should live to see him after his resurrection, to witness the scene on the day of Pentecost, the conversion of thousands to the New Faith, the overthrow of the Jewish polity in the destruction of Jerusalem, the establishment of the Christian Economy, and

him: and he foameth, and gnasheth with his teeth, and pineth away: and I spake to thy disciples that they should cast him out; and they could not.

19 He answereth him, and saith, O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him unto me.

20 And they brought him unto him: and when he saw him, straightway the spirit tare him; and he fell on the ground, and wallowed foaming.[a]

21 And he asked his father, How long is it ago since this came unto him? And he said, Of a child.

22 And ofttimes it hath cast him into the fire, and into the waters, to destroy him: but if thou canst do any thing, have compassion on us, and help us.

23 Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things *are* possible to him that believeth.[b]

24 And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.

25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, he rebuked the foul spirit, saying unto him, *Thou* dumb and deaf spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him.

26 And *the spirit* cried, and rent him sore, and came out of him: and he was as one dead; insomuch that many said, He is dead.

27 But Jesus took him by the hand, and lifted him up; and he arose.

28 And when he was come into the house, his disciples asked him privately, Why could not we cast him out?[c]

29 And he said unto them, This kind can come forth by nothing, but by prayer and fasting.

30 ¶ And they departed thence, and passed through Galilee; and he would not that any man should know *it*.

31 For he taught his disciples, and said unto them, The Son of man is delivered into the hands of men, and they shall kill him; and after that he is killed, he shall rise the third day.[d]

32 But they understood not that saying, and were afraid to ask him.

33 ¶ And he came to Capernaum: and being in the house he asked them, What was it that ye disputed among yourselves by the way?[e]

34 But they held their peace: for by the way they had disputed among themselves, who *should be* the greatest.

35 And he sat down, and called the twelve, and saith unto them, If any man desire to be first, *the same* shall be last of all, and servant of all.[f]

36 And he took a child, and set him in the midst of them: and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto them,[g]

37 Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me.[h]

38 ¶ And John answered him, saying, Master, we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us: and we forbad him, because he followeth not us.[i]

39 But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me.[j]

40 For he that is not against us is on our part.[k]

41 For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.[l]

42 And whosoever shall offend one of *these* little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea.[m]

43 And if thy hand [1]offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:[n]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a ch. i. 26; Luke ix. 42.

b ch xi 23; Matt xvii 20; Luke xvii. 6; John xi 40

c Matt. xvii. 19

d Matt. xvii. 22; Luke ix. 44.

e Matt xviii. 1; Luke ix. 46; xxii. 24.

f ch x. 43, Matt. xx 26, 27.

g ch x. 16; Matt. xviii. 2.

h Matt x 40; Luke ix 48.

i Numb xi. 28, Luke ix. 49.

j 1 Cor xii 3.

k Matt xii. 30.

l Matt. x. 42.

m Matt xviii. 6; Luke xvii 1.

1 Or, *cause thee to offend*, and so vs. 45, 47.

n Deut. xiii. 6, Matt. v 29, xviii 8

in all, the incontrovertible proof that he was what he professed himself to be—the Son of God and the Saviour of man. And possibly to these evidences of regal power there may be added the glories of the Transfiguration, which occurred a few days later, on which occasion the Redeemer was again invested with the glory which he had before time begun. To those privileged to be present, the Saviour appeared arrayed in the Divine Shechinah; to confirm their faith in Christ, these disciples were permitted to behold their Heavenly Master in the indescribable effulgence of celestial splendour, thus beholding the commencement of his glorious kingdom.

2. "Leadeth them up into an high mountain"—the tradition which fixed the scene of the Transfiguration on Tabor's lovely height is now given up and yet there are those who would take it away from the nearer vicinity of Cæsarea Philippi, in which our Lord had been prosecuting his ministry, to some undefined mountain bordering on the lake. We prefer to place it on Hermon, which is a grand, lofty mountain-range between Damascus and the Sea of Tiberias, and forms the northern boundary of the country beyond the Jordan.

"Apart by themselves:"—to the exclusion not only of the multitude, but of the other nine disciples. The three disciples selected to behold the Redeemer's glory on the mount were the same who afterwards were appointed to witness the Saviour's sufferings in the garden. The number three was in compliance with the law, which required that number of persons as witnesses to any statement that was to be confirmed, or of any fact that was to be established. The three apostles were Peter, James, and John; and in these honoured disciples of our Lord we discern the representatives of all that is important to man on earth "to fit him for the skies"—Peter, an emblem of FAITH, James of WORKS, and John of LOVE. In this our day of probation let us ever remember that the faith which benefits the soul of man is that which benefits his fellow-men; it is a faith that works by love.

3. "White as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them:"—the pure production of Nature is thus put in contrast with the utmost effect of Art.

4. "Appeared unto them Elias with Moses:"—these two illustrious men are always regarded as the representatives of the Law and the Prophets; and of these Alford says. "Both had been removed from this world in a mysterious manner—the one without death; the other by death, indeed, but so that his body followed not the lot of the bodies of all, both, like the Greater One with whom they spoke, had endured that supernatural fast of forty days and nights, both had been in the holy mount in the visions of God. And now they came endowed with bodies before the rest of the dead, to hold converse with the Lord on that sublime event which had been the great central subject of all their teaching, and solemnly to consign into his hands, once and for all, in a symbolical and glorious representation, their delegated and expiring power"

10. "What the rising from the dead should mean:"—the theme on the mount had been "the decease which Christ was about to accomplish," and his death implied his resurrection; but whether the disciples identified Christ's resurrection with the resurrection of all the dead, and thus were perplexed and embarrassed in their conceptions, is a point we are unable to determine For further remarks on this unparalleled scene, see Matthew xvii. 1—13, with the Notes

13 "Elias is indeed come."—from the narrative of Matthew, we learn that our Lord's observations at once led the disciples to fix on John the Baptist as the Elias who was to appear, and introduce the Restorer of all things. At first sight, the expectation of Elias as a restorer of all things, and the Scripture concerning the death of the Messiah, might seem irreconcilable, and yet it was through the death of the Incarnate One that the restoration was to come. The latter clause of the twelfth verse should be read thus—"And yet ye should know how that it is written of the Son of man, that he must suffer;" or, "how is it also written of the Son of man that he must suffer"

14. "The Scribes questioning with them."—hoping, no doubt, in the absence of their Master, to defeat them in argument

15. "Were greatly amazed:"—it is not unlikely that the countenance of the Redeemer still retained some traces of the splendour in which his whole humanity was enshrined on the mount. So glorious was the countenance of Moses after his converse with God on the mount, that he was constrained, we are told, to wear a veil, that those to whom he was speaking might

44 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.[a]

45 And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:

46 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

47 And if thine eye [1]offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire:

48 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

49 For every one shall be salted with fire, and every sacrifice shall be salted with salt.[b]

50 Salt *is* good: but if the salt have lost his saltness, wherewith will ye season it? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace one with another.[c]

CHAPTER X.

2 *Christ disputeth with the Pharisees touching divorcement:* 13 *blesseth the children that are brought unto him:* 17 *resolveth a rich man how he may inherit life everlasting* 23 *telleth his disciples of the danger of riches:* 28 *promiseth rewards to them that forsake any thing for the gospel:* 32 *foretelleth his death and resurrection.* 35 *biddeth the two suitors to think rather of suffering with him:* 46 *and restoreth to Bartimæus his sight.*



AND he arose from thence, and cometh into the coasts of Judæa by the farther side of Jordan: and the people resort unto him again; and, as he was wont, he taught them again.[d]

2 ¶ And the Pharisees came to him, and asked him, Is it lawful for a man to put away *his* wife? tempting him.[e]

And he answered and said unto them, What did Moses command you?

4 And they said, Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement, and to put *her* away.[f]

5 And Jesus answered and said unto them, For the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept.

6 But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female.[g]

7 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife;[h]

8 And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh.

9 What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder

10 And in the house his disciples asked him again of the same *matter*.

11 And he saith unto them, Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her.[i]

12 And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.

13 ¶ And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and *his* disciples rebuked those that brought *them*.[j]

14 But when Jesus saw *it*, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.[k]

15 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein.

16 And he took them up in his arms, put *his* hands upon them, and blessed them.

17 ¶ And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?[l]

18 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God.

19 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother.[m]

20 And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth.

21 Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a Isa. lxvi. 24.

g Gen. i. 27; v. 2.

h Gen. ii. 24; 1 Cor. vi. 16; Eph. v. 31.

1 Or, *cause thee to offend.*

i Matt v 32; xix. 9, Luke xvi. 18, Rom. vii 3, 1 Cor. vii 10, 11.

b Lev. ii. 13; Ezek. xliii. 24.

c Matt v. 13, Luke xiv 34, Rom xii 18, xiv. 19, 2 Cor xiii 11, Eph iv. 29, Col. iv. 6; Heb. xii 14

j Matt xix 13, Luke xviii 15

k 1 Cor xiv. 20, 1 Peter ii 2.

A.D. 33.]

l Matt. xix. 16, Luke xviii 18.

d Matt xix 1; John x 40, xi. 7

e Matt xix 3.

m Exod xx Rom

f Deut xxiv 1, Matt v. 31, xix 7

not be overpowered by the brilliancy of his countenance; but this veil was removed when holding communion with God.

17 "I have brought unto thee my son;"—no Scribe having ventured to reply to his question in the previous verse, one of the multitude invoked the aid of his power. This was the day following the transfiguration. This man, therefore, could not have been aware of his absence, and this confirms our opinion, that the mount of transfiguration was not far from Cæsarea Philippi, in which he had been carrying on his ministry

"Hath a dumb spirit"—on the subject of demoniacal possession, consult Matt. viii 28—34, with the Notes.

23. "If thou canst believe"—this is given back in reply to the words of the applicant—"If thou canst do anything" Faith, on the part of man, adapts itself as an instrument to the Divine omnipotence. Where there exists faith in Christ's word, his willingness, and his power, all things are possible. The inability to receive, which existed through unbelief, being by faith removed, and God being willing to impart, blessings must follow. Thus all things can be accomplished in favour of him that believes.

24. "Help thou mine unbelief;"—that is, either by removing his unbelief, or, in the absence of higher faith, by healing his son.

49. "Salted with fire:"—a confessedly difficult phrase; but, after consulting all the first and best authorities in the science of Biblical Interpretation, we conceive the true meaning to be, that just as every sacrifice under the Law was salted with salt, so under the Christian Dispensation every one who allies himself with Christ must be salted with fire. Salt is symbolical of purity and incorruption, and so is fire. It not only has the power to purify, but also the power to preserve, and often preserves by purifying. So were his disciples to be separated, by an internal process of purification, from mere earthly attachments and sensuous delights, if these in any way interfered with the higher claims of God and Truth. Their love of these must be so burnt out as to make them willingly part with a right hand or a right eye, rather than lose their place in the kingdom of God. They could be saved only, as it were, by fire—only by going through the most fiery ordeal, and thus be prepared for any sacrifice and any surrender.

50. "Have salt in yourselves;"—that is, the conservative element of purity; for in the degree of moral purity is the peace to be enjoyed. Perfect purity involves perfect quietude.

CHAPTER X.

SYNOPSIS:—Mark x 1—16; Matt. xix. 1—15; Luke xviii. 16, 17. Mark x. 17—31; Matt. xix. 16—30; xx 1—16; Luke xviii. 18—30. Mark x. 32—45; Matt. xx. 17—28. Mark x. 46—52; Matt. xx. 29—34; Luke xviii. 35—43.

There are certain grand requisites which belong to those who are the followers of Christ. These requisites are not, indeed, set forth in an abstract form, but are rather embodied in the facts which we find in the descriptive discourses of our Lord. Here we have the relation in which Christ's disciples stand to the temptations of the world—the duty of resisting every seductive influence—the humility which rejoices in being able to do service to others—with the rewards which are consequent upon fidelity and perseverance.

1. "Cometh into the coasts of Judæa:"—this was our Lord's last journey from Galilee to Jerusalem. He had retired, as we learn from John x. 40, to the other side of the Jordan, and, on the death of Lazarus, he went to Bethany, and thence proceeded to Jerusalem; so that, in the strictest sense of



JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES GOING TO JERUSALEM.—MARK X. 32.

whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.[a]

22 And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions.

23 ¶ And Jesus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God![b]

24 And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God![c]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Matt. vi 19, 20, xix 21, Luke xii 33, xvi 9

b Matt. xix. 23; Luke xviii 24

d Jer xxxii 17; Matt xix 26; Luke i 37.

e Matt xix 27, Luke xviii 28

c Job xxxi 24, Ps lii 7; lxii. 10, 1 Tim. vi 17

25 It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26 And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved?

27 And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men *it is* impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are possible.[d]

28 ¶ Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee.[e]

29 And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren,

the words, he did come into the coasts or borders of Judea on the other side of the Jordan. Here his activity reveals itself in the form of teaching the multitude that had gathered round him.

12. "A woman shall put away her husband:"—this was allowed by Greek and Roman law, although no such provision existed in the Jewish code.

15. "Receive the kingdom of God as a little child·"—the Saviour sets the children before the disciples as symbols of simplicity and docility, and thus impresses them with the fact, that the child-like feeling is the grand prerequisite for a place in the kingdom of God.

18. "Why callest thou me good?"—the simple and obvious meaning of these words is, according to Stier, "that Christ, without denying his own goodness or his own divinity, seriously corrects the youth, and thus, in the first place, shames his pride by his own humility;" and, instead of favouring the Socinian, who would rob the Saviour of his supreme Deity, the same commentator finds one of the strongest proofs in support of Christ's Godhead—thus·—"None is good but the one God: Christ is good, therefore, Christ is the one God"

21 "Beholding him loved him·"—the love was expressed in the look The benignity and delight which now shone in the Saviour's countenance was designed to allure the youth, who was now standing on the edge of a precipice, from which one single step could save him. But he went away grieved. How much idolatry is there in the heart of man!

or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's,

30 But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.[a]

31 But many *that are* first shall be last; and the last first.[b]

32 ¶ And they were in the way going up to Jerusalem; and Jesus went before them: and they were amazed; and as they followed, they were afraid. And he took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto him,[c]

33 *Saying*, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles:

34 And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and the third day he shall rise again.

35 ¶ And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, come unto him, saying, Master, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire.[d]

36 And he said unto them, What would ye that I should do for you?

37 They said unto him, Grant unto us that we may sit, one on thy right hand, and the other on thy left hand, in thy glory.

38 But Jesus said unto them, Ye know not what ye ask: can ye drink of the cup that I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?

39 And they said unto him, We can. And Jesus said unto them, Ye shall indeed drink of the cup that I drink of; and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized:

40 But to sit on my right hand and on my left hand is not mine to give; but *it shall be given to them* for whom it is prepared.

41 And when the ten heard *it*, they began to be much displeased with James and John.[e]

42 But Jesus called them *to him*, and saith unto them, Ye know that they which [1]are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them.[f]

43 But so shall it not be among you: but whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:[g]

44 And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[h] Matt. xx 28; 1 Tim. ii. 6; Titus ii. 14.

[a] 2 Chron. xxv. 9; Luke xviii. 30.

[i] Matt. xx. 29; Luke xviii. 35.

[b] Matt. xix. 30, xx. 16; Luke xiii. 30.

[c] ch. viii 31, ix 31, Matt. xx. 17; Luke ix. 22; xviii. 31.

[d] Matt xx 20

2 Or, *saved thee.*

[j] ch. v. 34; Matt. ix. 22.

[k] Matt. xxi 1, Luke xix 29, John xii 14.

[e] Matt xx 24.

1 Or, *think good.*

[f] Luke xxii 25.

[g] ch. ix 35, Matt xx. 26, 28, Luke ix 48.

45 For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.[h]

46 ¶ And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimæus, the son of Timæus, sat by the highway side begging.[i]

47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, *thou* son of David, have mercy on me.

48 And many charged him that he should hold his peace: but he cried the more a great deal, *Thou* son of David, have mercy on me.

49 And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee.

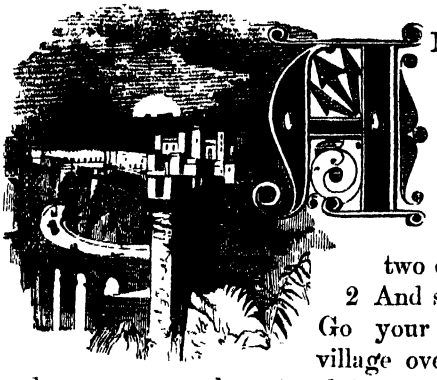
50 And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus.

51 And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight.

52 And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath [2]made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.[j]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Christ rideth with triumph into Jerusalem* · 12 *curseth the fruitless leafy tree:* 15 *purgeth the temple:* 20 *exhorteth his disciples to stedfastness of faith, and to forgive their enemies:* 27 *and defendeth the lawfulness of his actions, by the witness of John, who was a man sent of God.*



AND when they came nigh to Jerusalem, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount of Olives, he sendeth forth two of his disciples,[k]

2 And saith unto them, Go your way into the village over against you: and as soon as ye be entered into it, ye shall find a colt tied, whereon never man sat; loose him, and bring *him*.

3 And if any man say unto you, Why do ye this? say ye that the Lord hath need of him; and straightway he will send him hither.

4 And they went their way, and found the colt tied by the door without in a place where two ways met; and they loose him.

23—31 On these verses, see Matt xix 23—30, with the Notes

32 "They were amazed"—this verse is peculiar to our Evangelist, and embodies the third intimation which our Lord had given to his followers of his approaching sufferings and death He set his face steadfastly to go up to Jerusalem, and it was this undaunted courage which filled them with amazement

34 "Shall kill him"—in Matthew it is, "shall crucify him," which pointed to the mode of his death

35—45 "We would that thou shouldest do for us"—according to Matthew, the request was made by the mother of these two disciples; but it might have been that she was prompted and even urged by her sons to prefer it. On the whole passage, see Matt. xx. 20—28

46. "They came to Jericho"—this was one of the oldest cities in the Holy Land, situated in the tribe of Benjamin, about twenty miles from Jerusalem, and two miles from the Jordan Under the Romans, it was a royal residence, and there Herod the Great died.

Matthew says there were two blind men, while our Evangelist mentions only Bartimæus, in whose case there may have been something more striking or peculiar, which led Mark to fix on it to the omission of the other. It is not with the number of the healed we have to do, but with the fact of the miracle, which is irrespective of numbers.

52. "Go thy way"—such was the height of his faith, and such, therefore, was his capability of receiving the blessing, that Christ had but to speak, and his recovery was perfect. Who can tell the power of faith!

CHAPTER XI.

SYNOPSIS.—Mark xi 1—11, Matt. xxi 1—11; Luke xix 29—44; John xii. 12—36. Mark xi 12—14; 15—18, Matt xxi 12 16, Luke xix 45—48. Mark xi. 19—26; Matt. xxi. 17—22 Mark xi 27—33; Matt xxi. 23—32; Luke xx 1—8.

To the question, Why did our Lord not refrain on this occasion from going up to the feast? it is sufficient to say that, according to the Mosaic law, it was incumbent on the whole of the male adult population to appear in the Temple on such high and solemn occasions. Our Saviour, therefore, was in

5 And certain of them that stood there said unto them, What do ye, loosing the colt?

6 And they said unto them even as Jesus had commanded: and they let them go.

7 And they brought the colt to Jesus, and cast their garments on him; and he sat upon him.

8 And many spread their garments in the way: and others cut down branches off the trees, and strawed *them* in the way.[a]

9 And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord:[b]

10 Blessed *be* the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.[c]

11 And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.[d]

12 ¶ And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry:[e]

13 And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not *yet*.[f]

14 And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard *it*.

15 ¶ And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;[g]

16 And would not suffer that any man should carry *any* vessel through the temple.

17 And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be called [1]of all nations the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of thieves.[h]

18 And the scribes and chief priests heard *it*, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.[i]

19 And when even was come, he went out of the city.

20 ¶ And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.[j]

21 And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.

22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, [2]Have faith in God.

23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.[k]

24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and ye shall have *them*.[l]

25 And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.[m]

26 But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.[n]

27 ¶ And they come again to Jerusalem: and as he was walking in the temple, there come to him the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders,[o]

28 And say unto him, By what authority doest thou these things? and who gave thee this authority to do these things?

29 And Jesus answered and said unto them, I will also ask of you one [3]question, and answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things.

30 The baptism of John, was *it* from heaven, or of men? answer me.

31 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then did ye not believe him?

32 But if we shall say, Of men; they feared the people: for all *men* counted John, that he was a prophet indeed.[p]

33 And they answered and said unto Jesus, We cannot tell. And Jesus answering saith unto them, Neither do I tell you by what authority I do these things.

CHAPTER XII.

1 *In a parable of the vineyard let out to unthankful husbandmen, Christ foretelleth the reprobation of the Jews, and the calling of the Gentiles.* 13 *He avoideth the snare of the Pharisees and Herodians about paying tribute to Cæsar.* 18 *convinceth the error of the Sadducees, who denied the resurrection.* 28 *resolveth the scribe, who questioned of the first commandment.* 35 *refuteth the opinion that the scribes held of Christ:* 38 *bidding the people to beware of their ambition and hypocrisy.* 41 *and commendeth the poor widow for her two mites, above all.*



AND he began to speak unto them by parables. A *certain* man planted a vineyard, and set an hedge about *it*, and digged *a place for* the winefat, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country.[q]

2 And at the season he sent to the husbandmen a servant, that he might receive from the husbandmen of the fruit of the vineyard.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[a] Matt. xvii 20, xxi. 21, Luke xvii. 6

[l] Matt vii 7; Luke xi 9, John xiv. 13; xv. 7, xvi 24, James i. 5, 6.

[a] Matt. xxi. 8.

[m] Matt. vi. 14; Col. iii 13.

[n] Matt. xviii. 35.

[b] Ps. cxviii. 26.

[o] Matt xxi. 23; Luke xx 1.

[c] Ps. cxlviii. 1.

[d] Matt xxi. 12.

3 Or, *thing.*

[e] Matt xxi 18.

[f] Matt xxi. 19.

[p] ch vi. 20, Matt iii. 5, xiv 5

[q] Matt xxi 12, Luke ix. 45, John ii 14.

1 Or, *an house of prayer for all nations*

[h] Isa. lvi 7, Jer. vii. 11.

[i] ch i 22, Matt vii 28 xxi 15, 46, Luke iv 32, xix. 47.

[j] Matt. xxi 19.

[q] Matt xxi 33, Luke xx 9

2 Or, *Have the faith of God.*

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the path of duty He had also a purpose to fulfil, and in fulfilling it, he must face all opposition, all danger.

1. "Came nigh to Jerusalem."—whether our Lord made a double entry into Jerusalem, see Matt xxi. 1—11, with the Notes.

10 "The kingdom of our father David."—this not only expresses the fact, that David, in his regal character, was the father of their nation, but that, in setting up the Messiah's kingdom, there was virtually a restoration of the throne or empire of David

13. "The time of figs was not yet"—it is a peculiarity in the fig-tree, that the fruit appears before the leaf. If there were leaves, there ought to have been fruit, for the time of figs—that is, the time for gathering the fruit—had not yet come. See the parallel passage in Matthew, with the Notes

15 "Sold and bought in the temple"—this traffic was so far connected with the service of the Temple, that the animals bought and sold were to be used in the approaching Passover and its subsequent festivals For such transactions there was a place fitted up and allotted in the spacious outer court, called the Court of the Gentiles, these business transactions were considered justifiable by the Jews; but our Lord looked farther down than man, and he saw, in such dealings, that which was degrading and unjust, and hence his apparently severe mode of procedure.

3 And they caught *him*, and beat him, and sent *him* away empty.

4 And again he sent unto them another servant; and at him they cast stones, and wounded *him* in the head, and sent *him* away shamefully handled.

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7 But those husbandmen said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be our's.

8 And they took him, and killed *him*, and cast *him* out of the vineyard.



MODERN BETHANY FROM A PHOTOGRAPH

5 And again he sent another; and him they killed, and many others; beating some, and killing some.

6 Having yet therefore one son, his wellbeloved, he sent him also last unto them, saying, They will reverence my son.

9 What shall therefore the lord of the vineyard do? he will come and destroy the husbandmen, and will give the vineyard unto others.

10 And have ye not read this scripture; The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner:[a]

[a] Ps cxviii 22

"The money-changers" were those who sat in the Temple to supply the worshippers with half-shekels in exchange for larger money, with which to pay their annual tribute to the House of the Lord, according to the law

Here we have a solemn truth presented to our minds—the sum demanded by the law was the same for the poor as for the rich, no one could do less, no one could do more—to teach us that the services of the Temple are divinely appointed, that the approach to Almighty God, and to the reception of his blessings, can only be in the way which he himself has enjoined; and that the rich man may be humbled, and the poor not depressed, both are taught by the tribute money that their souls are of equal value in the sight of God

16 "Any vessel through the temple,"—any coffer or chest, or any article used in their secular and unjust transactions.

22 "Have faith in God,"—in God, not only as the foundation of all things in the natural world, but as the one only basis of all that exists, or can exist, in the higher domain of the spiritual world.

25. "And when ye stand praying, forgive:"—"to revenge is human, to forgive divine." The duties of forbearance and of forgiveness are too often neglected, even by persons whose conduct in other respects demands our praise. The forgiveness of injuries is one of the essentials of Christianity. To withhold forgiveness, while it shuts out the offending one from our kindness, also shuts us out from the kindness which we desire at the hands of our Heavenly Father, for it stands recorded by an ordinance that can never be repealed—unless we forgive those who trespass against us, neither will our Father which is in heaven forgive us our trespasses. With an unforgiving spirit prayer ceases to prevail; therefore, ere ye approach God in prayer, "forgive." This attitude of standing indicates that the suppliant is prepared for earnest, resolute, unwearied intercession. To lie prostrate bespeaks distress or grief, or is the attitude of one engaged in deprecating evil.

CHAPTER XII.

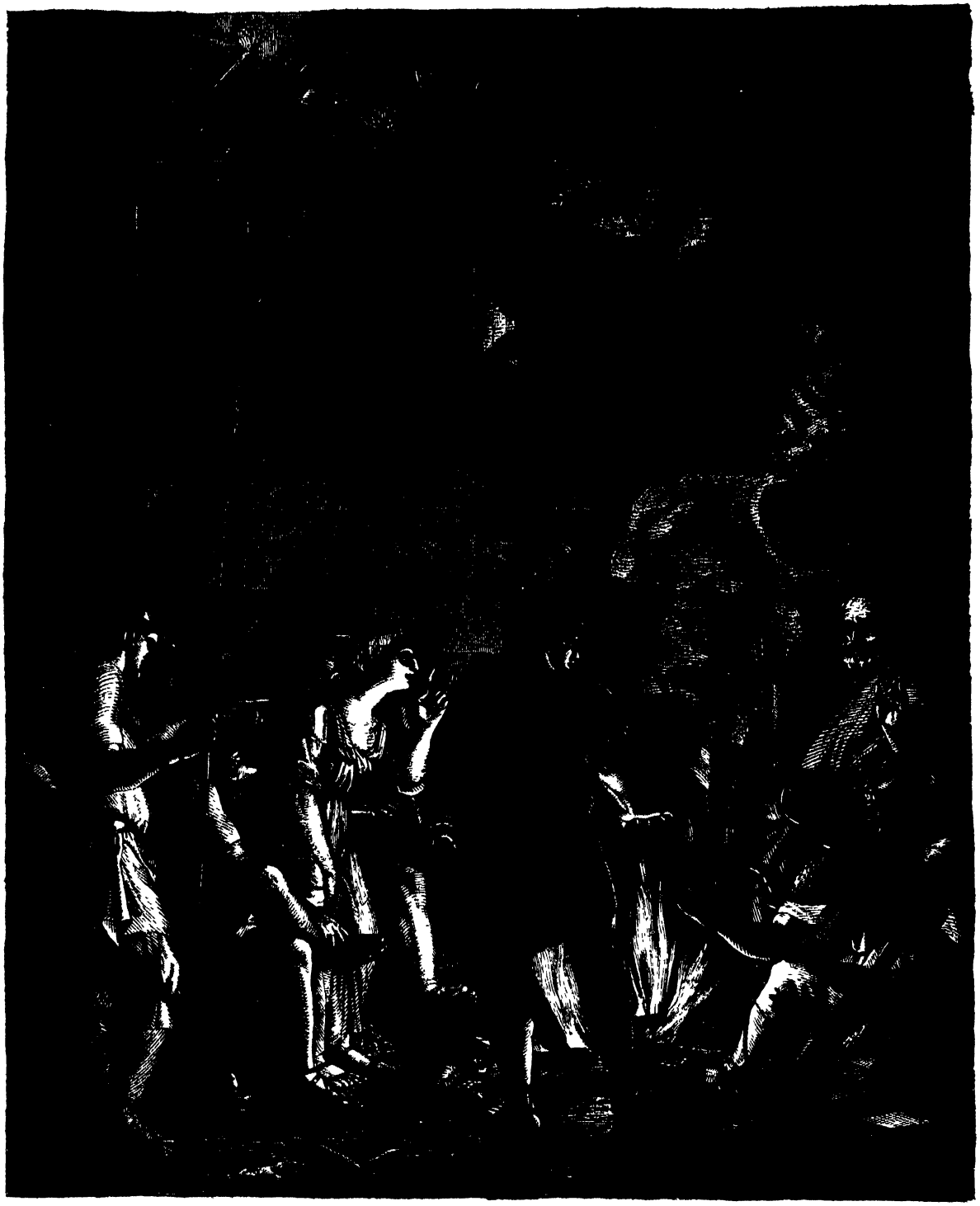
SYNOPSIS.—Mark xii 1—12; Matt. xxi. 33—46. Luke xx 9—19. Mark xii. 13—27; Matt xxii. 15—33. Luke xx 20—44 Mark xii. 28—40; Matt xxii. 34—46; Luke xx. 45—47. Mark xii. 41—44; Luke xxi 1—4.

The hatred of the sacerdotal orders had now risen well nigh to its highest point towards the person of the Saviour, and being by fear restrained from laying violent hands upon him, they sought to catch him by their craft and malice In reporting our Lord's intercourse with these priestly orders, there is a wonderful agreement in the narrative of all the three Synoptical Evangelists. To borrow the words of Olshausen. "Even the verbal agreement is often so great, that we are tempted to suppose one and the same account as lying at the foundation of all the three. But compared with John, the other Evangelists appear to present to our view, as it were, the external life of the Redeemer as exhibited in his public ministrations. That spiritual disciple is the only one who permits us, in these latter seasons of the Lord's earthly life, to look into the quiet circle of his followers, and into the loving heart which now disclosed itself to his own without restraint. It may have been too difficult to comprehend the external and internal parts of the Saviour's life in one representation, especially in the last deeply-agitated circumstances, for this reason each was given separately; but, on that very account, certainly stamped with so much the more genuineness and truth."

1. "Speak unto them by parables;"—that is, by such comparisons as might illustrate truth, and render it more easy of comprehension. Thus any narrative of events, either real or supposed, is made the medium by which the attention is arrested, offence is avoided, conviction is secured, and important truth is brought home with greater power to the conscience and the heart. Our Lord's parables are remarkable for their clearness, simplicity, force, and appropriateness; and in every instance they are employed to convey truths of the first and highest moment; but if to us the parables, either in the Old or in the New Testament, appear obscure, we must remember that in early times, and in Eastern countries, it was universally the mode to convey sacred truths under some mysterious figures and representations. For the exposition and application of this parable of the vineyard let out to husbandmen, see Matt. xxi. 33—46.

2 "At the season,"—at the time of the fruit, which, in certain proportions, was allowed to the husbandmen, and of which the servant was sent to bring a specimen.

9. "He will come and destroy the husbandmen:"—this, it is hardly necessary to say, is not an answer returned to our Lord's question by the Pharisees, but his own solemn warning to those Pharisees; and, to give it



PETER DENYING HIS LORD FROM A PAINTING BY JAMES STELLA.—MARK XIV 66—68.

11 This was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?

12 And they sought to lay hold on him, but feared the people: for they knew that he had spoken the parable against them: and they left him, and went their way.[a]

13 ¶ And they send unto him certain of the Pharisees and of the Herodians, to catch him in *his* words.[b]

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[a] ch. xi 18; Matt xxi. 45, 46; John vii. 25, 30, 44.

[b] Matt xxii 15; Luke xx. 20.

greater sharpness, it might be read interrogatively—"Will he not come and destroy the husbandmen?"

10, 11. "The stone which the builders rejected:"—our Lord applies these verses to himself as the Chosen and Sent of God. The Jews rejected him, but still he was the Head and Lord of humanity.

After these verses comes in Matt. xxi. 43—45.

12. "They knew that he had spoken the parable against them:"—their consciences bore witness to the fact, that the words of Christ had a special reference and application to them, as the rulers of the people.

13—16. See on Matt. xxii. 15—22, with Notes and Commentary.

17. "Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's:"—in dealing with the members of this hypocritical deputation, who had been sent by the equally hypocritical Sanhedrim to entangle and catch the Saviour in his words, our Lord draws the clearest line between legal rights and moral claims. As citizens of this world, men sustain certain relations, out of which spring certain inalienable duties. With these relations and duties the moral claims must not interfere. Such interference would itself be immoral, since such relations and duties are founded on the nature of things, and are according to the will of God. So, on the other hand, legal rights must not intrench on the moral claim. This would be unjust. Justice consists in giving to every

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14 And when they were come, they say unto him, Master, we know that thou art true, and carest for no man: for thou regardest not the person of men, but teachest the way of God in truth: Is it lawful to give tribute to Cæsar, or not?

15 Shall we give, or shall we not give? But he, knowing their hypocrisy, said unto them, Why tempt ye me? bring me a [1]penny, that I may see *it*.

16 And they brought *it*. And he saith unto them, Whose *is* this image and superscription? And they said unto him, Cæsar's.

17 And Jesus answering said unto them, Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's. And they marvelled at him.

18 ¶ Then come unto him the Sadducees, which say there is no resurrection; and they asked him, saying,[a]

19 Master, Moses wrote unto us, If a man's brother die, and leave *his* wife *behind him*, and leave no children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.[b]

20 Now there were seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and dying left no seed.

21 And the second took her, and died, neither left he any seed: and the third likewise.

22 And the seven had her, and left no seed: last of all the woman died also.

23 In the resurrection therefore, when they shall rise, whose wife shall she be of them? for the seven had her to wife.

24 And Jesus answering said unto them, Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?

25 For when they shall rise from the dead, they neither marry, nor are given in marriage; but are as the angels which are in heaven.[c]

26 And as touching the dead, that they rise: have ye not read in the book of Moses, how in the bush God spake unto him, saying, I *am* the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?[d]

[e] Matt. xxii. 35.

[1] Valuing of our money seven pence halfpenny, as Matt. xviii. 28.

[f] Deut. vi. 4; Luke x. 27.

[g] Lev. xix. 18; Matt. xxii. 39; Rom. xiii. 9; Gal. v. 14; James ii. 8.

[a] Matt xxii. 23; Luke xx. 27; Acts xxiii. 8.

[h] Deut iv 39; Isa xlv. 6, 14, xlvi. 9.

[b] Deut. xxv. 5.

[i] 1 Sam xv 22, Hos vi. 6, Micah vi 6—8.

[j] Matt. xxii. 46.

[k] Matt. xxii. 41; Luke xx. 41.

[l] 2 Sam. xxiii. 2; Ps. cx. 1.

[c] 1 Cor. xv. 42, 49, 52.

[m] ch. iv 2; Matt. xxiii 1, &c.; Luke xi. 43; xx. 46.

[d] Exod. iii. 6.

27 He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living: ye therefore do greatly err.

28 ¶ And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all?[e]

29 And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments *is*, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:[f]

30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment.

31 And the second *is* like, *namely* this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.[g]

32 And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but he:[h]

33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love *his* neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.[i]

34 And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And no man after that durst ask him *any question*.[j]

35 ¶ And Jesus answered and said, while he taught in the temple, How say the scribes that Christ is the son of David?[k]

36 For David himself said by the Holy Ghost, The LORD said to my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool.[l]

37 David therefore himself calleth him Lord; and whence is he *then* his son? And the common people heard him gladly.

38 ¶ And he said unto them in his doctrine, Beware of the scribes, which love to go in long clothing, and *love* salutations in the marketplaces,[m]

39 And the chief seats in the synagogues, and the uppermost rooms at feasts:

one his due. It is founded on right; and while it is right to give the civil ruler all that he can justly claim, it is equally imperative to give unto God that to which he alone is entitled.

19—27. "Neither marry, nor are given in marriage:"—while the religion of the Pharisees was made up of the merest formalism, the creed of the Sadducees led them to the denial of everything. They believed neither in the immortality of the soul, nor in the resurrection of the dead, consequently, as error leads to error, they rejected, as unworthy of belief, the doctrine of a future life. Carrying their ideas of the present state into the future, they here came to the Saviour with a question touching the subject of marriage subsequent to the resurrection, in the hope that they might embarrass and perplex him. He might have treated their question with silence or with contempt, but he so disposes of it as to cause them to refute themselves. He shows them that had they known the Scriptures either in their spirit or in their letter, there was sufficient to convince them of the doctrine of a future state, and of an eternal, individual life in man. They pretended to proceed on the assumption that the forms and the relations of the present life would have existence in the life to come; that the life of sense on earth would be renewed and perpetuated in the life of the spirit in heaven. Whereas, in the future, the conditions of our being will be wholly changed. We shall be "as the angels" in mental power and moral existence. If angels partake of the life of God, so shall we as his redeemed children, and perhaps in still fuller measure. Does their spiritual nature link them to the one infinite and ever-perfect Spirit? Our spiritual nature brings us into closer connection with Christ, and in virtue of our joint union we are in deathless relationship to the Son of God. It is this relationship—this union with the absolute and the immutable life—which completes our idea of the moral excellence of the redeemed. The relations and the happiness of the future life will be found to spring not from sex, nor from kindred, nor from earthly associations and friendships, but simply and alone from the oneness of our moral and spiritual nature. Such is the fact in the history and the development of angels, and such will be the fact in our glorified humanity for ever.—See Matt. xxii. 23—33, and the Notes.

28. "Which is the first commandment of all?"—though the Jews had a great many frivolous classifications of the commandments or precepts included in the Law, there is nothing to indicate that this inquirer was speaking in a light or trifling mood, or that he put the question out of enmity; but, charmed and amazed with the answer which Christ had given to the Sadducees on the subject of the resurrection, he is encouraged to prefer this important question. The reply of our Lord favours this conclusion. He makes love to God the very essence of religion, and the proof of this supreme love of God lies in the love of our neighbours, for if we love not our brother whom we have seen, how can we love God whom we have not seen?

34. "Thou art not far from the kingdom of God."—not only was the inquirer satisfied with the answer of our Lord, but he had obtained such clear and sound views of the principle involved in the very existence of Christ's kingdom, that he had but to press forward to the attainment of everlasting life. "Then shall ye know if ye follow on to know the Lord," is the language of Holy Writ.

35—37. For the exposition of these important verses, see Matt. xxii. 41—46.

41. "Sat over against the treasury:"—our Lord had taken his leave of the Temple, and in going out of it seated himself in some part of the court of the women, and watched them as they entered the Temple and deposited their offerings in the treasury. What a commendation does he pronounce on the poor widow! This is her monument through all time, and to have done what she could will be to her joy throughout eternity.

40 Which devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayers: these shall receive greater damnation.[e]

41 ¶ And Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast [1]money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much.[b]

42 And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two [2]mites, which make a farthing.

43 And he called *unto him* his disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury:[c]

44 For all *they* did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, *even* all her living.[d]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Christ foretelleth the destruction of the temple: 9 the persecutions for the gospel: 10 that the gospel must be preached to all nations: 14 that great calamities shall happen to the Jews: 24 and the manner of his coming to judgment: 32 the hour whereof being known to none, every man is to watch and pray, that we be not found unprovided, when he cometh to each one particularly by death.*



AND as he went out of the temple, one of his disciples saith unto him, Master, see what manner of stones and what buildings *are here!*[e]

2 And Jesus answering said unto him, Seest thou these great buildings? there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.[f]

3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives over against the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately,

4 Tell us, when shall these things be? and what *shall be* the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?[g]

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h Jer xxix. 8; Eph. v. 6; 1 Thess. ii. 3.

e Matt. xxiii. 14.

1 *A piece of brass money*; Matt x. 9.

b 2 Kings xii. 9; Luke xxi. 1.

2 It is the seventh part of one piece of that brass money.

3 The word in the original importeth *the pains of a woman in travail.*

i Matt xxiv. 8.

c 2 Cor. viii. 12.

d Deut xxiv 6; 1 John iii. 17.

j Matt x. 17, 18; xxiv. 9; Rev. ii. 10.

k Matt. xxiv. 14.

l Matt x. 19; Luke xii. 11, xxi 14; Acts ii. 4, iv. 8, 31.

m Micah vii 6; Matt x 21, xxiv 10; Luke xxi. 16.

e Matt xxiv. 1; Luke xxi 5

n Dan. xii. 12; Matt x 22, xxiv 9, 13; Luke xxi. 17, Rev ii. 10.

o Dan ix. 27; Matt. xxiv. 15, Luke xxi 21

f Luke xix. 44.

g Matt. xxiv. 3; Luke xxi. 7.

p Luke xxi. 23; xxiii. 29.

5 And Jesus answering them began to say, Take heed lest any *man* deceive you:[h]

6 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am *Christ;* and shall deceive many.

7 And when ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars, be ye not troubled: for *such things* must needs be; but the end *shall* not *be* yet.

8 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be earthquakes in divers places, and there shall be famines and troubles: these *are* the beginnings of [3]sorrows.[i]

9 ¶ But take heed to yourselves: for they shall deliver you up to councils; and in the synagogues ye shall be beaten: and ye shall be brought before rulers and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them.[j]

10 And the gospel must first be published among all nations.[k]

11 But when they shall lead *you,* and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.[l]

12 Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against *their* parents, and shall cause them to be put to death.[m]

13 And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake: but he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.[n]

14 ¶ But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,) then let them that be in Judæa flee to the mountains:[o]

15 And let him that is on the housetop not go down into the house, neither enter *therein,* to take any thing out of his house:

16 And let him that is in the field not turn back again for to take up his garment.

17 But woe to them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days![p]

CHAPTER XIII.

SYNOPSIS.—Mark xiii. 1—37; Matt. xxiv. 1—xxv. 13; Luke xxi. 5—38.

We have now to deal with the great prophetic discourse which our Lord delivered in Jerusalem prior to his sufferings and death. The Redeemer had but a short time longer to remain on the earth, and he seems eager to express, in his teaching and his conduct, all that lay in his loving heart. What a solemnity attaches to these, his last sayings! What an abiding impression should they leave on our spirits!

1. "Went out of the temple:"—he left it never again to enter it; and the moment he withdrew, the presence of God ceased to linger, and the Temple, with all its service, as well as the state with all its institutions—the whole constitution—was given over to destruction.

2. "There shall not be left one stone upon another:"—magnificent as the Temple was as a whole—splendid as was its architecture, and beautiful its symmetry—it was doomed to desolation certain and final. The words are addressed to his own immediate followers, who, as "the appointed leaders of the Church, needed an insight into things that would happen in the future; in order that on the one hand they might not suffer shipwreck in their own faith, and on the other might be enabled to conduct the Church through the rocking sea." For the literal fulfilment of the prophecy, we have the testimony of Josephus and other historians.

3. "He sat upon the mount of Olives:"—the wall of the Temple was rather depressed on the side facing this Mount, and hence the whole of the sacred edifice could be seen from the position now occupied by Christ and his disciples.

4. "Tell us, when shall these things be?"—not merely the overthrow of the Temple, but that series of events, of which this was only one, which were matter of prediction, on which their minds had been more deeply fixed by the Saviour's teaching and conversation, and the near accomplishment of which was indicated by the signs of the times.

"What shall be the sign:"—our Lord answers this question in such a way as to repress their curiosity, by reminding them that the aspect and character of the coming events were such as should not only restrain them from prying into the future, but lead them to turn their thoughts upon themselves, and on their own spiritual and moral fitness for the issue of such events.

7. "The end shall not be yet;" or, "the end is not yet;"—that is, the time for completing these calamities is not imminent, still it is not the less certain.

9. "In the synagogues ye shall be beaten;"—that is, ye shall be condemned to be beaten. Here, by a figure of speech, the result is put for the cause; for it is not likely that the stripes were really inflicted in the synagogues—that is, in the buildings appropriated to worship; but before the synagogues—that is, before or in the presence of the rulers by whom the punishment was decreed, and in the presence of the people.

10. "The gospel must first be published among all nations:"—a Christian Church already existed in Jerusalem. The fire of persecution which broke out against that Church, and scattered its members far and wide, contributed to the diffusion of the truth; and before the destruction of the city and the Temple, St. Paul had visited almost every isle and continent of the then known world.

In thus speaking, both in this place and in our Note upon Matt. xxiv. 14, of the wonderful spread of the Gospel, we must not forget that, in addition to the thirty years' labours of Paul in Asia and in Europe, there are to be added the effects arising from various other causes—namely, that before the destruction of Jerusalem, the four Gospels, the Acts, and sixteen of the Epistles were written, circulated, and read publicly in various parts of the world; also, the soldiers in the Roman army who had embraced Christianity were stationed in divers places; and to these must be added the missionary

18 And pray ye that your flight be not in the winter.

19 For *in* those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.[a]

20 And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days.

21 And then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here *is* Christ; or, lo, *he is* there; believe *him* not:[b]

22 For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if *it were* possible, even the elect.

23 But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.[c]

24 ¶ But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light,[d]

25 And the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken.

26 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.[e]

27 And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.

28 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is near:[f]

29 So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, *even* at the doors.

30 Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done.

31 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.[g]

32 ¶ But of that day and *that* hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.

33 Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.[h]

34 *For the Son of man is* as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.[i]

35 Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning:[j]

36 Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.

37 And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

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i Matt. xxiv. 45; xxv. 14.

a Dan. ix 26; xii 1; Joel ii. 2; Matt. xxiv. 21.

j Matt. xxiv. 42, 44.

b Matt. xxiv. 23; Luke xvii. 23, xxi. 8.

c 2 Peter iii. 17.

d Dan vii 10; Zeph i 15, Matt xxiv 29, &c.; Luke xxi. 25.

e ch xiv 62, Dan vii 13, 14, Matt xvi 27, xxiv 30, Acts i 11, 1 Thess iv 16, 2 Thess i 7, 10 Rev i 7

k Matt. xxvi 2, Luke xxii 1, John xi 55, xiii. 1

f Matt xxiv. 32, Luke xxi 29, &c

1 Or, *pure nard*, or, *liquid nard*

l Matt xxvi 6, John xii. 1, 3, Luke vii 37

g Isa xl 8

m Matt xviii 28

h Matt xxiv 42; xxv. 13, Luke xii 40; xxi 34, Rom. xiii. 11, 1 Thess v 6

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *A conspiracy against Christ.* 3 *Precious ointment is poured on his head by a woman,* 10 *Judas selleth his Master for money.* 12 *Christ himself foretelleth how he shall be betrayed of one of his disciples:* 22 *after the passover prepared, and eaten, instituteth his supper:* 26 *declareth aforehand the flight of all his disciples, and Peter's denial.* 43 *Judas betrayeth him with a kiss.* 46 *He is apprehended in the garden,* 53 *falsely accused, and impiously condemned of the Jews' council* 65 *shamefully abused by them.* 66 *and thrice denied of Peter.*



AFTER two days was *the feast of* the passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put *him* to death.[k]

2 But they said, Not on the feast *day*, lest there be an uproar of the people.

3 ¶ And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of [1]spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured *it* on his head.[l]

4 And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made?

5 For it might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor. And they murmured against her.[m]

6 And Jesus said, Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me.

labours of the other apostles, for we are told that after these holy men had exercised their ministry for twelve years in Palestine, they resolved to disperse themselves in different parts of the world. Peter, therefore, went into Pontus, Galatia, and other provinces of the Lesser Asia, Andrew to Scythia and to Sogdiana; John to Asia; Philip to Upper Asia and Colchis; Bartholomew to Arabia; Matthew to Chaldea, Persia, and Parthia, Thomas to the Hircanians, Bactrians, and Indians, James continued at Jerusalem; Simon proceeded to —t, Cyrene, Libya, and Mauritania; Jude to Syria and Mesopotamia, and Matthias to Cappadocia. These men, with the love of God in their hearts, and their lives in their hands—working miracles, preaching powerfully, and qualified by the gift of many languages—accomplished wonders in the overthrow of heathenism, and the diffusion of the Gospel; and by these combined causes the message of life was made known to men of all nations.

11—31. On these solemn and significant events, see Matt. xxiv, with the Notes and Commentary.

The words in verse 27, "from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven," are a Jewish mode of expressing "from the west even to the east," and "from one end of the world even to the other."

32. "Neither the Son, but the Father;"—a confessedly difficult phrase. Alford asserts that the interpretation which some critics have put upon the words, "he does not know it, so as to *reveal* it to us," is a mere evasion; and yet he himself says that "this is one of those things which the Father *hath put in his power*, and with which *the Son*, in his mediatorial office, is not acquainted!" What is this but to acknowledge that, as Mediator, he had nothing to do with the revelation of the day or the hour? Olshausen is of opinion that "the ignorance of the day and hour here predicted of him cannot be absolute, because the consubstantiality of the Father and the Son does not permit a specific separation between the knowledge of the Father and that of the Son: on the contrary, it must be understood as designating the absence of such knowledge on the part of our Lord in his position of humiliation" More definite is Bengel, who says —"Both the human nature and the state of humiliation in respect to the office of Christ being supposed, his words may be understood to mean, without mental reservation, that he knew not, because he had it not among his instructions to declare that day; as also in order to deter his disciples from requiring to know it." It was no part of his commission as the Son and Sent of God to make it known, and it did not become his followers to seek to know what the Father had thus kept secret.

CHAPTER XIV.

Synopsis:—Mark xiv. 1, 2; Matt. xxvi 1—5; Luke xxii. 1, 2 Mark xiv. 3—9; Matt. xxvi. 6—13; John xii. 1—8; Mark xiv 10, 11, Matt xxvi. 14—16; Luke xxii. 3—6. Mark xiv 12—31; Matt. xxvi 17—35; Luke xxii 7—38; John xiii 21—29. Mark xiv. 32—52; Matt xxvi 36—56, Luke xxii 39—53; John xviii. 1—11 Mark xiv. 53—72; Matt. xxvi. 57—75; Luke xxii. 54—71; John xviii. 12—27.

The events connected with our Lord's approaching death are here crowded together, and presented in the most condensed form. The Evangelist passes from scene to scene with amazing rapidity, as if eager to reach the last act in the mysterious life of the Incarnate Saviour. It is this which gives such vividness to his picture—a picture before which we stand with fixed amazement, and with adoring wonder. Never was such a scene enacted. Never were heaven and earth challenged to profounder thoughts.

1. "The feast of the passover, and of unleavened bread:"—we learn from Exod. xii. 1—20 that the feast of unleavened bread is to be dated from the institution of the Passover, and hence the fact of their being combined in the verse before us.

3. "An alabaster box of ointment:"—the vessel in which the ointment was contained was made of alabaster, as the most appropriate vehicle in which to keep it. But what is meant by "ointment of spikenard," the authorities are not agreed. Some derive the designation, "spikenard," from a Greek word sig-



CHRIST BEFORE PILATE.—MARK XV. 1—5.

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7 For ye have the poor with you always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good: but me ye have not always.[a]

8 She hath done what she could: she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying.

9 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, *this* also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her.

10 ¶ And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests, to betray him unto them.[b]

11 And when they heard *it*, they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him.

12 ¶ And the first day of unleavened bread, when they [1]killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare that thou mayest eat the passover?[c]

13 And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, Go ye into the city, and there shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water: follow him.

14 And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the goodman of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?

15 And he will shew you a large upper room furnished *and* prepared: there make ready for us.

16 And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.

17 And in the evening he cometh with the twelve.[d]

18 And as they sat and did eat, Jesus said, Verily I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me.

19 And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, *Is* it I? and another *said*, *Is* it I?

20 And he answered and said unto them, *It is* one of the twelve, that dippeth with me in the dish.

21 The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! good were it for that man if he had never been born.[e]

22 ¶ And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake *it*, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body.[f]

23 And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave *it* to them: and they all drank of it.

24 And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.

25 Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

26 ¶ And when they had sung an [2]hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.[g]

27 And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered.[h]

28 But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee.[i]

29 But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet *will* not I.[j]

30 And Jesus saith unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this day, *even* in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice.

31 But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all.

32 And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray.[k]

33 And he taketh with him Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy;

34 And saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death: tarry ye here, and watch.[l]

35 And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.

36 And he said, Abba, Father, all things *are* possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.[m]

37 And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? couldest not thou watch one hour?

38 Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly *is* ready, but the flesh *is* weak.[n]

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a Deut. xv. 11.

f Matt. xxvi. 26; Luke xxii. 19; 1 Cor. xi. 23.

b Matt. xxvi. 14; Luke xxii. 3, 4.

2 Or, psalm.

g Matt. xxvi. 30.

1 Or, sacrificed.

h Zech. xiii. 7; Matt. xxvi. 31.

c Matt. xxvi. 17; Luke xxii. 7.

i ch. xvi. 7.

j Matt. xxvi. 33, 34; Luke xxii. 33, 34; John xiii. 37, 38.

k Matt. xxvi. 36; Luke xxii. 39; John xviii. 1.

d Matt xxvi. 20, &c.

l John xii. 27.

m John v. 30; vi. 38; Rom. viii. 15; Gal. iv. 6; Heb. v. 7.

e Matt xxvi. 24; Luke xxii. 22.

n Rom. vii. 23; Gal. v. 17.

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nifying what is liquid or drinkable, and tell us that there was a certain kind of odoriferous preparation used as a beverage. Others derive it from a word which means what is genuine or pure, because the nard oil was often adulterated. Others conceive that it can hardly signify any particular kind of ointment technically so called. But Augustine supposes it to have reference to some place from which the nard was obtained. The place he does not give; but others have ventured to say that the Greek word "PISTIKES" is put by aphæresis (or the dropping of the first letter) for OPISTIKAS, the town of Opis, not far from Babylon, from which the spikenard or perfume came.

13. "Go ye into the city:"—the knowledge here indicated by our Lord is an incontrovertible proof of his omniscience, and, therefore, of his supreme Godhead. "It was in deep humiliation, even like as an ordinary Israelite, that Christ ate the Passover lamb; wherefore he put forth his glory into exercise in the preparation for it."

15. "Furnished and prepared:" it was the duty of every Jewish householder, at the time of the Passover, to have a room in readiness for the observance of the feast, and this room, thus "furnished and prepared," was granted gratuitously. By this plan the vast multitude who came to Jerusalem were accommodated.

17. After this verse comes in John xiii. 1—20, which relates to us the washing of the disciples' feet—a symbolical act, by which our Lord wished to make manifest to his disciples the all-important truth, that self-abasing love is the only true way to elevation in the kingdom of God.

20. "Dippeth with me in the dish:"—in the East, in partaking of anything liquid at table, except what is used for drinking, it is customary to dip the bread in the liquid. Hence the act of Judas, in dipping his morsel in the same dish with Jesus.

22—25. "Jesus took bread:"—this was in the institution of his own sacramental supper—a service in which the traitor had no participation. The words of Olshausen are: "From the intent of the holy supper itself, which should be a meal of the most intimate love and union, it is most probable that so estranged a member as Judas was could not have part in this meal; not to mention that it would have been even contrary to the love and mercy of the Lord to permit the traitor, in his unworthy intent, and to the further augmenting of his guilt, to partake of that holy repast."

26. "When they had sung an hymn:"—this was the usual custom at the close of the Passover meal.

32. "A place which was named Gethsemane:"—this was a retired spot, about a stone's throw from the brook Kidron, containing about half an acre of land, on the western side of the Mount of Olives, and commanding a full view of the city of Jerusalem. It was, in fact, a grove, beautifully laid out, yet well adapted for shade and seclusion.

33—42. On these verses, in which is described that unutterable suffering which without measure now burst upon the Holy One of God, see Matt. xxvi. 36—56, with Heb. v. 7, 8.

44. "Lead him away safely:"—that is, with such precaution as to prevent

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39 And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words.

40 And when he returned, he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither wist they what to answer him.

41 And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take *your* rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.[a]

42 Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand.[b]

43 ¶ And immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.[c]

44 And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; take him, and lead *him* away safely.

45 And as soon as he was come, he goeth straightway to him, and saith, Master, master; and kissed him.

46 ¶ And they laid their hands on him, and took him.

47 And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear.

48 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Are ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and *with* staves to take me?[d]

49 I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but the scriptures must be fulfilled.[e]

50 And they all forsook him, and fled.[f]

51 And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about *his* naked *body;* and the young men laid hold on him:

52 And he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked.

53 ¶ And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes.[g]

54 And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest: and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire.

55 And the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put him to death; and found none.[h]

56 For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together.

57 And there arose certain, and bare false witness against him, saying,

58 We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands.[i]

59 But neither so did their witness agree together.

60 And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what *is it which* these witness against thee?[j]

61 But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?[k]

62 And Jesus said, I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.[l]

63 Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses?

64 Ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death.

65 And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands.

66 ¶ And as Peter was beneath in the palace, there cometh one of the maids of the high priest:[m]

67 And when she saw Peter warming himself, she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth.

68 But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew.

69 And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is *one* of them.[n]

70 And he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art *one* of them: for thou art a Galilæan, and thy speech agreeth *thereto.*[o]

71 But he began to curse and to swear, *saying,* I know not this man of whom ye speak.

72 And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. And [1]when he thought thereon, he wept.[p]

a John xiii. 1.

b Matt. xxvi. 46; John xviii 1, 2.

c Matt. xxvi 47; Luke xxii 47; John xviii. 3.

d Matt xxvi 55, Luke xxii 52

e Ps xxii 6; Isa. liii 7, &c, Luke xxii. 37, xxiv 44.

f ver. 27; Ps. lxxxviii. 8.

g Matt. xxvi. 57; Luke xxii 54, John xviii. 13.

h Matt. xxvi. 59.

i ch. xv. 29; John ii. 19.

j Matt. xxvi. 62.

k Isa liii. 7; Matt. xxvi. 63.

l Matt. xxiv. 30; xxvi 64, Luke xxii. 69.

m Matt. xxvi 58, 59, Luke xxii 55, John xviii 16.

n Matt. xxvi. 71; Luke xxii 58; John xviii. 25.

o Matt xxvi. 73; Luke xxii 59, John xviii 26; Acts ii. 7.

1 Or, *he wept abundantly,* or, *he began to weep.*

p Matt. xxvi. 75.

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the possibility of his escape. "The wretched man was now no longer anxious merely about gaining the thirty pieces of silver, but was hurried along by a deadly hatred against Jesus."

51. "A certain young man:"—but to the question, "Who was he?" we can give no answer. He may have retired to rest, and been aroused by the din of what was taking place without. He was, in all likelihood, an attached disciple of Christ, who having rushed from his couch to the street, was interposing to prevent the taking away of Jesus, and was therefore laid hold of by the men of the crowd, but effected his escape. The disciples who forsook the Saviour and fled, found no impediments to their flight. The world will oppose our following Christ, but not our forsaking him.

53. "Led Jesus away to the high priest:"—he was taken first before Annas, who was (by right) the priest, and then he appeared before Caiaphas, who was (in fact) the priest.

55. "All the council;"—that is, the great Sanhedrim, which had its origin, as we learn from Numb. xi. 16, in the appointment of the seventy elders. Some are of opinion that the Sanhedrim, as a tribunal, was founded by Ezra, though its *name* belongs to the time of the Græco-Syrian dynasty. The president was the officiating high priest.

"Found none:"—by the law, it was indispensable that at least two of the witnesses should agree in their testimony. They could find no such agreement as the law required, although there were many to bear witness.

58—65. For the exposition of these verses, see the Notes on Matt. xxvi. 61—68.

66—72. "And Peter was beneath in the palace:"—the most energetic and the most zealous of the disciples now stands before us in all the acknowledged weakness of our common humanity. How affecting is the simplicity with which the Evangelists relate this deep fall of a chief one amongst them! They do not soften down its harshness. They plainly state that *a damsel* asked him. But as they do not excuse Peter, neither do they criminate him, nor express wonder at him. Without any comment whatever, they state the simple fact. Now when we reflect on this occurrence, we are compelled to propose to ourselves the question, "How was it possible that Peter—this resolute disciple, to whom Christ had expressly foretold his fall—could, even when danger threatened him, deny his Lord so distinctly?" For the answer, we shall be forced to admit the weakness and the sinfulness of our fallen nature, and the unceasing watchfulness of man's bitter foe. "It was the hour of the prince of darkness, which had in so inconceivable a way impaired and obscured the spiritual energy of the disciple, that he could not only deny Christ, but also remained exposed to the danger of repeating his crime, after he had once denied him." On this occasion the Apostle Peter was subjected to more than an ordinary test of his fidelity to his Master; and this trial of his faith was necessary, to free him from his self-confidence and his self-approving delusion. By Christian humility we stand, and by grace we conquer.

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Jesus brought bound, and accused before Pilate* 15 *Upon the clamour of the common people, the murderer Barabbas is loosed, and Jesus delivered up to be crucified* 17 *He is crowned with thorns,* 19 *spit on, and mocked:* 21 *fainteth in bearing his cross.* 27 *hangeth between two thieves* 29 *suffereth the triumphing reproaches of the Jews:* 39 *but confessed by the centurion to be the Son of God:* 43 *and is honourably buried by Joseph.*



AND straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried *him* away, and delivered *him* to Pilate.[a]

2 And Pilate asked him, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answering said unto him, Thou sayest *it*.[b]

3 And the chief priests accused him of many things: but he answered nothing.

4 And Pilate asked him again, saying, Answerest thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against thee.[c]

5 But Jesus yet answered nothing; so that Pilate marvelled.[d]

6 Now at *that* feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired.[e]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

Matt xxvii 20; Acts iii. 14

a Ps. ii 2, Matt xxvii 1, Luke xxii 66, xxiii 1, John xviii 28; Acts iii. 13, iv 26.

b Matt xxvii. 11.

g Matt xxvii 26; John xix 1, 16

c Matt xxvii 13

h Matt xxvii 27

d Isa. liii. 7, John xix 9

e Matt xxvii 15, Luke xxiii 17, John xviii 39

7 And there was *one* named Barabbas, *which lay* bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection.

8 And the multitude crying aloud began to desire *him to do* as he had ever done unto them.

9 But Pilate answered them, saying, Will ye that I release unto you the King of the Jews?

10 For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him for envy.

11 But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them.[f]

12 And Pilate answered and said again unto them, What will ye then that I shall do *unto him* whom ye call the King of the Jews?

13 And they cried out again, Crucify him.

14 Then Pilate said unto them, Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried out the more exceedingly, Crucify him.

15 ¶ And *so* Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged *him*, to be crucified.[g]

16 And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Prætorium, and they call together the whole band.[h]

17 And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his *head*,

18 And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews!

CHAPTER XV.

SYNOPSIS.—Mark xv 1—15, Matt. xxvii. 1—26, Luke xxiii 1—5, 17—25; John xviii 28—40 Mark xv 16—20; Matt xxvii. 27—30, John xix. 1—3. Mark xv 21—41; Matt xxvii. 31—56; Luke xxiii 26—49, John xix 17—30 Mark xv 42—47, Matt xxvii 57—66; Luke xxiii 50—56, John xix. 31—42

The cross, with all its mysterious sufferings, is now engaging the thoughts of the Incarnate One. Just as he had set his face steadfastly to go up to Jerusalem, so now he goes to meet death with a fortitude and a heroism never equalled The weight of a world's redemption now lay upon his heart, and for the spiritual life of man he was now travailing as one whose throes were to give birth to souls in countless multitudes.

1 "Delivered him to Pilate"—the Sanhedrim, it would seem, had sat in judgment on the preceding night, and scarcely had the day began, when they sentenced him to death, and led him away to Pilate.

6, 7 "He released unto them one prisoner"—this was the custom, and the people insisted that there should be no departure from it. Pilate would have released Jesus, but they impiously demanded Barabbas. Now it appears from the narrative of our Evangelist that this man was one of a set of insurrectionists and of murderers. Yet they preferred this blood-stained criminal to the innocent and holy Jesus. What a mystery is the human heart! What an enigma is human conduct! From this mournful view of man by nature let us turn, and, with reverential ear, listen to the Saviour's injunction to the first preachers of his Gospel—"BEGIN AT JERUSALEM."

15. "Willing to content the people:"—here is a man who knew that the chief priests had delivered up Jesus from a spirit of envy and hatred, and yet yields to the clamour of a multitude—a man who is so "bound by worldly regards of every kind, that he sacrifices his conscience to circumstances, for circumstances was his god"

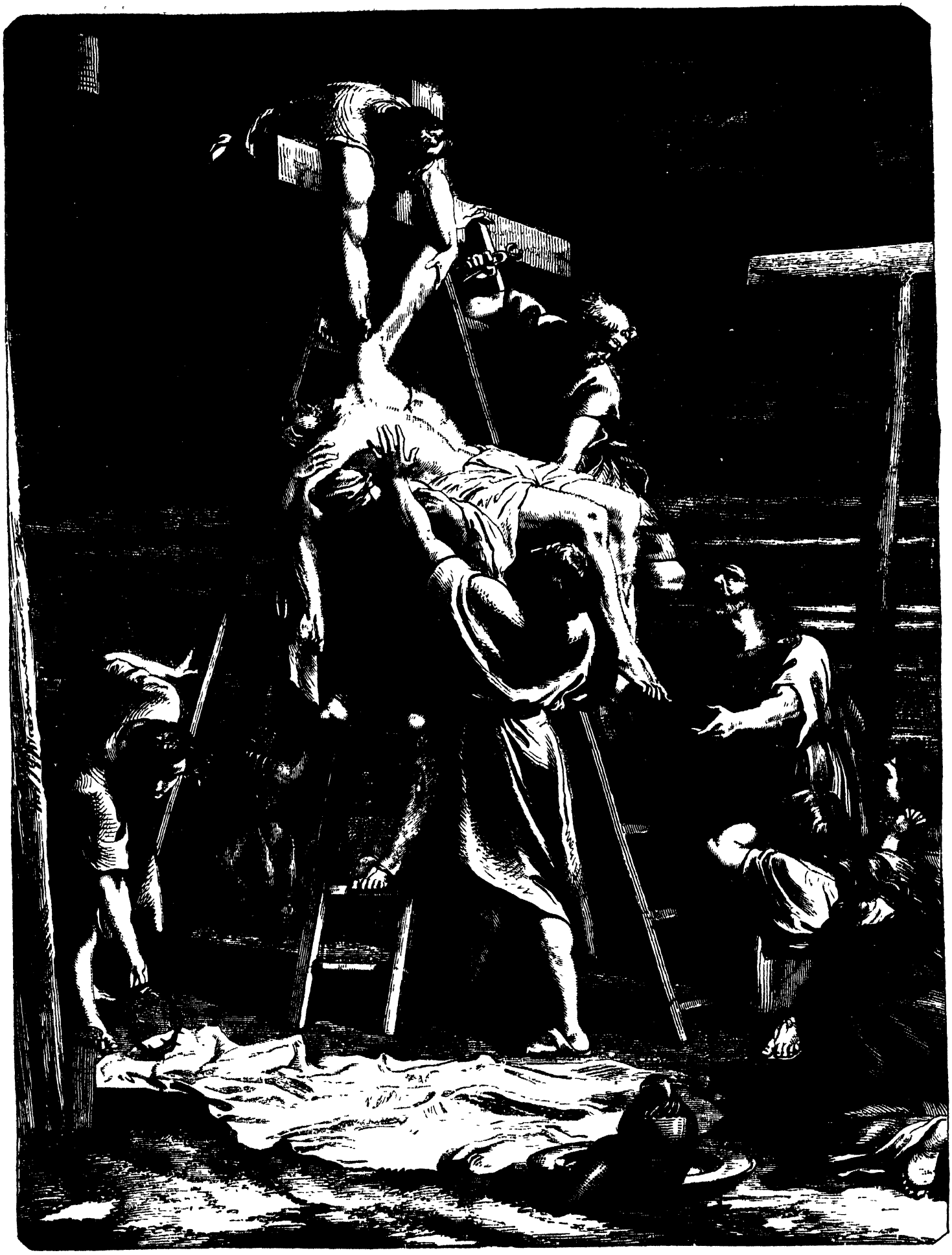


A ROMAN HALL OF JUSTICE.—MARK XV. 16.

16 "The hall, called Prætorium:"—this prætorium was an open hall, or court, in which the Roman prætor administered justice

"The whole band" points to the entire company or cohort of Roman soldiers. A whole cohort to secure one prisoner! Jesus, even in the estimation of his enemies, could have been no common man. Thus the Jews insulted the Messiah as a priest, they mocked him as a prophet, and they derided him as a king, and what followed? Their high priest was put to death, their Temple was burnt, their city destroyed, their priesthood confounded, and their kingdom was overturned. May the day be at hand when the erring sons of Abraham shall look on him whom they pierced, and mourn; and may their sorrow be turned into penitential joy.

17-19. This clothing with purple, this crowning with thorns, this saluting and bowing of the knee, and affected worship, were so many acts of solemn mockery. There is no reason to believe, however, that this mockery was enacted in the presence of Pilate. Though he hoped to repress the wild and tumultuous hatred of the Jews by commanding Jesus to be scourged, it is more than probable that he had retired into the interior of his palace before the soldiers began to



THE TAKING DOWN FROM THE CROSS.—MARK XV. 42—47.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

19 And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing *their* knees worshipped him.

20 And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him.

21 And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross.[a]

22 And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull.[b]

23 And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received *it* not.[c]

24 And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take.[d]

25 And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.[e]

26 And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS.[f]

27 And with him they crucify two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left.[g]

28 And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors.[h]

29 And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest *it* in three days,[i]

30 Save thyself, and come down from the cross.

31 Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save.

32 Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him.[j]

33 And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.[k]

34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?[l]

35 And some of them that stood by, when they heard *it*, said, Behold, he calleth Elias.

36 And one ran and filled a spunge full of vinegar, and put *it* on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down.[m]

37 And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.[n]

38 And the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom.[o]

39 ¶ And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.[p]

40 There were also women looking on afar off: among whom was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the less and of Joses, and Salome;[q]

41 (Who also, when he was in Galilee, followed him, and ministered unto him;) and many other women which came up with him unto Jerusalem.[r]

42 ¶ And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,[s]

43 Joseph of Arimathæa, an honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus.[t]

44 And Pilate marvelled if he were already dead: and calling *unto him* the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead.

45 And when he knew *it* of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph.

46 And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre.[u]

47 And Mary Magdalene and Mary *the mother* of Joses beheld where he was laid.

a Matt. xxvii. 32; Luke xxiii. 26.

b Matt. xxvii. 33; Luke xxiii. 33; John xix. 17.

c Matt. xxvii. 34.

d Ps. xxii 18; Luke xxiii. 34; John xix. 23.

e Matt. xxvii. 45; Luke xxiii. 44; John xix. 14.

f Matt. xxvii. 37; John xix 19.

g Matt. xxvii. 38.

h Isa. liii. 12; Luke xxii. 37.

i ch. xiv 58, Ps. xxii. 7; John ii. 19.

j Matt. xxvii. 44; Luke xxiii. 39.

k Matt. xxvii. 45; Luke xxiii. 44.

l Ps. xxi. 1; Matt. xxvii. 46.

m Ps. lxix. 21; Matt. xxvii. 48; John xix. 29.

n Matt. xxvii. 50; Luke xxiii. 46; John xix. 30.

o Matt. xxvii. 51; Luke xxiii. 45.

p Matt xxvii. 54; Luke xxiii. 47.

q Ps. xxxviii. 11; Matt. xxvii 55, Luke xxiii. 49.

r Luke viii. 2, 3.

s Matt. xxvii. 57; Luke xxiii. 50; John xix. 38.

t Luke ii. 25, 38.

u Matt. xxvii. 59, 60; Luke xxiii. 53, John xix. 40.

inflict such a punishment on the Sinless One. He seems to have been impressed with the majesty of the Saviour's character, and hence he was the more culpable for the line of conduct which he now pursued.

21. "Compel one Simon . . . to bear his cross"—whether Simon was a disciple of Christ at the time he is here introduced to us is uncertain; but that he and his family afterwards attached themselves to the Saviour is placed beyond all controversy by the fact that he is called the father of Alexander and Rufus. This Alexander was in all likelihood the same individual whom we find mentioned in Acts xix. 33, as taking a conspicuous part in the controversy between Paul and the populace of Ephesus; while Rufus and his mother are referred to by St. Paul in Rom. xvi. 13, in terms of affectionate regard.

23. "Wine mingled with myrrh:"—Matthew describes it as *vinegar* mixed with *gall* This difference is easily reconciled, and both are correct. The ordinary drink of the Roman soldiers was vinegar produced from acid wine; this was offered twice to the Saviour—the first time just before the crucifixion; the second time just before the Saviour's death. On the first occasion the wine was medicated by the addition of myrrh, or gall, and other bitter ingredients, and was designed to render the sufferer less conscious of the agony he was about to endure. This customary act of mercy the Saviour would not receive, but the vinegar or sour wine afterwards presented to him for the purpose of alleviating thirst, he tasted and drank.

25. "It was the third hour:"—the day was divided into four sections of three hours each; and the third hour would correspond to our nine o'clock in the morning; but though the work of crucifixion began at so early an hour, it is clear from verses 33—37 that the Saviour did not part with life till the ninth hour, or three in the afternoon, so that he must have been six hours on the cross in the agonies of death. But what he went through during those six hours is a mystery, as we suppose, never to be revealed, the matter being beyond the power of finite minds to comprehend.

28. "He was numbered with the transgressors;"—that is, in the discharge of his sacrificial work, he suffered himself to be numbered with transgressors, although holy, harmless, and undefiled.

32 "Christ the King of Israel:"—the Saviour had claimed to be the Christ—the Anointed of God and the King of Israel, and now the chief priests and the scribes use his high and sacred titles in the way of scorn and contempt. It was in the presence of Caiaphas that he asserted his Messiahship; it was in the audience of Pilate that he avowed his sovereignty.

"They that were crucified with him reviled him."—Luke more precisely tells us that only one of them so acted. The penitent thief, in the words of Olshausen, "must abide perpetually as an undeniable proof that Jesus Christ came to save sinners, and while time endures this penitent must be regarded as a hero of faith; for he believed when faith failed even in those who professed to confide in Christ, the Son of the living God."

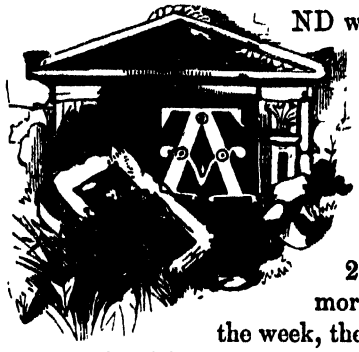
34. "Eloi! Eloi!"—the Saviour, in the intensity of his sufferings as the representative of fallen man, exclaimed not, "Jehovah! Jehovah!" but "Eloi! Eloi!" which being interpreted is, "My God! my God!" May not these words be regarded as the language of one acquiescing in the dispensations of Divine Justice? as if this Sacred One would not presume at that dread moment, and in his representative capacity, to call God by his paternal title of Father, but speaks as if naming the Judge of the world, who was rightfully permitting accumulated sorrows to fall on his own Son. At the same time the language of appropriation implied in the words, "*My* God! *my* God!" seems to intimate that the indwelling presence of Jehovah was not withdrawn, while the word "*forsaken*" denotes the loss of its comforting influence. The words are not the language of complaint, but the language of suffering; and when these sufferings were finished, the Saviour addresses Jehovah in his paternal character: "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit."

37. "Gave up the ghost:"—every act in the Saviour's death, as in his life, was unconstrained and voluntary. He *gave* himself for us; he *gave* up the ghost. What profound mystery! what matchless love! what almighty power!

38—41. On these verses, see Matt. xxvii. 51—56, with the Notes and Commentary; only observe that the Saviour is here represented as receiving

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *An angel declareth the resurrection of Christ to three women.* 9 *Christ himself appeareth to Mary Magdalene:* 12 *to two going into the country:* 14 *then to the apostles,* 15 *whom he sendeth forth to preach the gospel:* 19 *and ascendeth into heaven.*



AND when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the *mother* of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.[a]

2 And very early in the morning the first *day* of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.[b]

3 And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?

4 And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.[c]

6 And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.[d]

7 But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.[e]

8 And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any *man;* for they were afraid.[f]

9 ¶ Now when *Jesus* was risen early the first *day* of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.[g]

10 *And* she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept.[h]

11 And they, when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.[i]

12 ¶ After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.[j]

13 And they went and told *it* unto the residue: neither believed they them.

14 ¶ Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat [1]at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.[k]

15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.[l]

16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.[m]

17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;[n]

18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.[o]

19 ¶ So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.[p]

20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with *them,* and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.[q]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

f Matt. xxviii. 8; Luke xxiv. 9.

g Luke viii. 2; John xx. 14.

h Luke xxiv. 10; John xx. 18.

i Luke xxiv. 11.

j Luke xxiv. 13.

a Matt xxviii. 1; Luke xxiii. 56; xxiv. 1; John xx. 1.

1 Or, *together.*

b Luke xxiv. 1; John xx. 1.

k Luke xxiv. 36; John xx. 19; 1 Cor. xv. 5.

l Matt xxviii 19; John xv. 16, Col. i. 23.

m John iii 18,36, xii. 48, Acts ii 38, xvi 30—32; Rom x. 9; 1 Peter iii. 21.

c Luke xxiv. 3; John xx. 11, 12.

n Luke x. 17; Acts ii. 4; v. 16; viii. 7, x 46; xvi. 18, xix. 6, 12; 1 Cor. xii 10, 28.

o Luke x. 19; Acts v. 15, 16; ix 17; xxviii. 5, 8; James v. 14, 15.

d Matt xxviii. 5—7.

p Ps cx 1; Luke xxiv 51; Acts i. 2, 3, vii 55.

e ch xiv. 28, Matt. xxvi. 32.

q Acts v 12, xiv 3; 1 Cor ii 4, 5, Heb ii. 4.

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the ministrations of the pious women chiefly in Galilee. The reason of this is, that it was in Galilee he spent so large a portion of his time.

43. "An honourable counsellor"—as a member of the Jewish Sanhedrim, he was a distinguished senator—a man of dignity and honour; and the part which he now performed to obtain the body of the Saviour, being attended with great personal risk, bespeaks at once a faith and love which overcame fear.

"Waited for the kingdom of God,"—that is, for some fuller development of God's plan and purpose in behalf of our fallen race.

45. "Gave the body to Joseph:"—from this it appears that the bodies of those who were executed were at the disposal of the judge. Having received from Pilate the precious boon, Joseph "enfolded the body of Jesus in a roll of linen, with a mixture of sweet spices, placed it in a new sepulchre in his garden, and rolled a stone to its front. The fact of the sepulchre having been new and unused previously is rendered prominent as being a mark of honour, and consequently no confusion respecting the identity of the body could arise. Probably it was the vault intended for the interment of his own family that Joseph devoted to the body of Christ. . . . . A few women who had faithfully accompanied their beloved Master from Galilee followed him still, even to his grave, where they sat down, sunk in dejected sorrow, in order to be near at hand, to see how his body would be placed."

CHAPTER XVI.

SYNOPSIS.—Mark xvi. 1—8; Matt xxviii 1—10; Luke xxiv 1—12; John xx. 1—10 Mark xvi 9—14, Luke xxiv. 13—43; John xx. 11—25 16—20, Luke xxiv 44—53, John xx 30, 31.

The death of Christ was necessary to the completion of the great redemptive work. But it was not possible that he could be holden of death, and hence the fact of his resurrection and return to the power of an endless life. This was the grand ultimate proof of his being the Son of God, and the Saviour of man; and on this rests the whole superstructure of Christian truth. Hence, again, the prominence which is given to the fact of the resurrection in the ministry of the Apostles, and by the earlier preachers of the Gospel.

1. "When the sabbath was past;"—that is, the seventh day, or Jewish Sabbath. The day itself was spent by the friends and followers of Jesus in holy quiet and communion, but under the depressing influence of the thought that they had lost him whom their souls loved. Hence they hastened to the tomb with their spices to embalm the body of their Lord.

4. "For it was very great"—these words should form the conclusion of the third verse. The difficulty that suggested itself to the minds of these pious women arose from their knowledge of the largeness of the stone, or fragment of the rock, which had been placed at the mouth of the sepulchre: "for it was very great"

5 "A young man"—a human form, but, as we learn from Matthew, an angelic nature. Christ was the Lord of angels as well as of men, and hence their constant attendance upon him, and the ministrations which they performed.

7. "Tell his disciples and Peter:"—the message was probably sent to Peter after his denial of Christ, as an evidence of forgiveness and of restoration to the Divine favour.

8 "For they were afraid"—this was not terror, but holy amazement. So startling was the announcement that their Lord was alive, that their feelings overpowered them (see Matt. xxviii. 8). They "fled in terror," but only hastened back from the sepulchre to their fellow-disciples; and such were their emotions of joy and fear, that they spake to no one till they came and told to the eleven what they had seen and heard.

12, 13. "In another form:"—it is worthy of remark that each appearance of our Lord after his resurrection was just such as to correspond with the position and circumstances, the faith and susceptibility of those to whom he showed himself alive. See Luke xxiv. 13—35, of which the two verses now before us are an epitome.

14 "Upbraided them with their unbelief:"—this proves that the evidence was not only sufficient, but incontrovertible, in favour of his resurrection.

15—20. In these verses the Evangelist crowds together all that took place from the resurrection to the ascension: the frequent intercourse of the risen Saviour with his chosen followers; the commission which he gave them, accompanied with miraculous powers of the highest order; the conditions on which men were to be partakers of his salvation; the separation of our Lord from his disciples; his ascension to glory; the disciples waiting for the promise of the Father; their going forth on their sublime mission as ambassadors for Christ, with the Divine power working with them and working for them, and rendering their message effectual to the salvation of men.



CHAPTER I.

1 *The preface of Luke to his whole gospel* 5 *The conception of John the Baptist,* 26 *and of Christ* 39 *The prophecy of Elisabeth, and of* **Mary**, *concerning Christ* 57 *The nativity and circumcision of John* 67 *The prophecy of Zacharias, both of Christ,* 76 *and of John*

FORASMUCH as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us,

2 Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the word;[a]

3 It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus,[b]

4 That thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been instructed.[c]

5 ¶ THERE was [1]in the days of Herod, the king of Judæa, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia: and his wife *was* of the daughters of Aaron, and her name *was* Elisabeth.[d]

6 And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.[e]

7 And they had no child, because that Elisabeth was barren, and they both were *now* well stricken in years.

8 And it came to pass, that while he executed the priest's office before God in the order of his course,[f]

9 According to the custom of the priest's office,

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b Acts 1, xi 4, xv 19, 25, 28, 1 Cor vii 40
c John xx 31
1 Before the Common Account called Anno Domini the sixth year
d 1 Chron xxiv 10, 19, Neh xii 4, 17, Matt ii 1
e Gen vii 1 xvii 1, 1 Kings ix 4, 2 Kings xx 3, Job i 1; Acts xxiii 1
f 1 Chron xxiv 19, 2 Chron viii 14, xxxi 2
a Mark i 1, John xv 27; Heb ii 3, 1 Peter v. 1; 2 Peter i 16, 1 John i. 1.

CHAPTER I.

We have seen that Matthew wrote his narrative more immediately for the Jew, who was always asking for a sign, or something which spoke to his senses, and hence he gives us the purely human side of Christ; that Mark wrote for the Romans—a busy, enterprising, warlike people, and hence he represents Christ as at once entering upon the most active scenes of his life; but Luke's narrative is addressed to the Gentile nations, and, though addressed to the Gentiles, breathes the purest love and the most unconfined benevolence. To him belongs the admonitory parable of the good Samaritan, and the instructive parable of the prodigal son. The description of the prodigal's return to his home and his father's reception of the penitent son may be regarded as a little gospel in itself.

From the Epistle to the Colossians we learn that Luke was by profession a physician, and a man greatly beloved by the apostles and the early Church; while from the book of the Acts we find that, not very long after entering on his apostolic work, St. Paul chose Luke for his companion and fellow-labourer; and if Luke became the associate of Paul in his travels and labours, nothing could have been more natural than for Paul to take the first and earliest opportunity of introducing his friend and fellow-worker to the apostles and other leading members of the Jerusalem church, from whom, no doubt, as the immediate followers of Christ, and as eye-witnesses of the Saviour's life, the evangelist obtained a large portion of the materials out of which he composed his narrative, the influence of the Spirit of God guiding him into all truth.

his lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord.[a]

10 And the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense.[b]

11 And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense.[c]

12 And when Zacharias saw *him*, he was troubled, and fear fell upon him.[d]

13 But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.[e]

14 And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth.[f]

15 For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb.[g]

16 And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.[h]

17 And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient [1]to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.[i]

18 And Zacharias said unto the angel, Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years.[j]

19 And the angel answering said unto him, I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God; and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee these glad tidings.[k]

20 And, behold, thou shalt be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed, because thou believest not my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season.[l]

21 And the people waited for Zacharias, and marvelled that he tarried so long in the temple.

22 And when he came out, he could not speak unto them: and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple: for he beckoned unto them, and remained speechless.

23 And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed to his own house.[m]

24 And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months, saying,

25 Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein he looked on *me*, to take away my reproach among men.[n]

26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

27 To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name *was* Mary.[o]

28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, *thou that art* [2]highly favoured, the Lord *is* with thee: blessed *art* thou among women.[p]

29 And when she saw *him*, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.[q]

30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.[r]

32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:[s]

33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.[t]

34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?

35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.[u]

36 And, behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren.

37 For with God nothing shall be impossible.[v]

38 And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

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a Exod. xxx. 7, 8; 1 Sam ii 28; 1 Chron. xxiii. 13; 2 Chron xxix. 11

m 2 Kings xi. 5; 1 Chron. ix 25.

b Lev xvi. 17; Rev. viii 3, 4.

c Exod xxx. 1.

n Gen. xxx. 23; Isa. iv. 1; liv i 4

d ver 29; ch. ii. 9; Judg vi. 22, xiii. 22; Dan. x 8; Acts x. 4, Rev i. 17.

e vs. 60, 63.

o ch ii. 4, 5; Matt i 18

f ver 58

2 Or, *graciously accepted*, or, *much graced*, ver. 30.

p Judg vi 12; Dan. ix. 23, x 19

g ch. vii. 33, Numb vi 3, Judg xiii 4; Jer. i 5, Gal i 15

q ver 12

h Mal. iv. 5, 6

1 Or, *by*.

r ch. ii 21, Isa. vii. 14; Matt i 21

i Mal. iv 5; Matt. xi. 14, Mark ix. 12.

s 2 Sam vii 11, 12, Ps cxxxii 11, Isa ix. 6, 7, xvi 5, Jer xxiii. 5; Mark v. 7; Rev. iii 7

j Gen xvii 17

t Dan ii. 44, vii 14, 27 Obad 21, Micah iv 7, John xii 34, Heb i 8

k Dan viii 16, ix 21—23; Matt xviii 10, Heb i. 14

l Ezek. iii. 26; xxiv 27

u Matt i 20, xiv 33, xxvi 63, 64; Mark i 1, John i 34, xx 31, Acts viii 37, Rom. i 4

v ch xviii. 27, Gen xviii 14, Jer xxxii 17; Zech viii 6, Matt xix 26, Mark x. 27; Rom. iv 21

1. "Many have taken in hand to set forth."—various parties in the early Church had, for their own pleasure and for the use of others, drawn up imperfect narratives of our Lord's life, some of which had got subsequently into circulation; but however truthful they might be, they were all defective, and therefore could not be regarded as representing the life of Christ.

3. "Having had perfect understanding;"—that is, of the things which were most surely believed by himself and others then living—the things which went to make up the life, the character, and the ministry of Christ—of which others had heard, but which he had received immediately from those who from the beginning had been eye-witnesses of the Saviour's life, and ministers of his word. His knowledge was not only full, but correct, and therefore to be relied on. This knowledge reached back to "the very first," or earliest period in the history of the Great Incarnate.

"Most excellent Theophilus:"—who this person was is unknown. It is clear from the designation here given him that he was a man of distinction, and filled some important public office. He was in all likelihood a Greek by birth, and therefore a Gentile by nature, but a convert to Christianity. Nor is it improbable that he and the Evangelist may have been fellow-students; and thus may have formed that early acquaintance which afterwards ripened into the closest and most endeared friendship. Theophilus may have requested from Luke a narrative of our Lord's life; and this request, under the influence of God's Providence, may have been the origin of Luke's Gospel.

4. "Wherein thou hast been instructed:"—whether Theophilus ever saw Christ, or heard his words of wisdom or beheld his miracles, we do not know; but there can be no doubt that so often as he came into contact with this his beloved friend, he made many inquiries into the life and character of that Mysterious One whose fame had spread far and wide, and in meeting those inquiries the Evangelist took the opportunity of fully informing Theophilus, so that he might be said to be so far instructed

5. "Of the course of Abia"—the courses of the priesthood were twenty-four in number, of one week's duration each, and of these courses this was the eighth, which fell to the family of Abia, or Abijah, to which Zacharias belonged

6. "In all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord;"—that is, in a faithful observance of all which the law enjoined and required

8. "In the order of his course:"—it is supposed that was in the month Tisri, which was the first in the civil year, and, according to some, corresponded with our date of from September 2nd to the 9th; but according to others from September 30th to October 6th. It was a week's service.

9 "To burn incense"—Alford says, that "this was the *most honourable office* which was allotted among the priests each day, and the same person could not serve it more than once"

11. "Standing on the right side of the altar of incense:"—this was not the great altar of burnt-offering which stood in the court of the priests, and from which one of the officiating priests brought fire to the altar of incense, with which, on a certain signal being given, he set fire to the incense, but it was the altar of incense itself, which stood close by the veil which divided the Holy place from the most Holy. On the north stood the table of shew-bread; on the south was placed the golden lamp-bearer; and therefore, as Zacharias entered with his face towards the west, the angel would stand on the north, to his right, and not far from the table of shew-bread.

39 And Mary arose in those days, and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Juda;[a]

40 And entered into the house of Zacharias, and saluted Elisabeth.

41 And it came to pass, that, when Elisabeth heard the salutation of Mary, the babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost:

42 And she spake out with a loud voice, and said, Blessed *art* thou among women, and blessed *is* the fruit of thy womb.[b]

43 And whence *is* this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

44 For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy.

45 And blessed *is* she [1]that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.

46 And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord,[c]

47 And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

48 For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.[d]

49 For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy *is* his name.[e]

50 And his mercy *is* on them that fear him from generation to generation.[f]

51 He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.[g]

52 He hath put down the mighty from *their* seats, and exalted them of low degree.[h]

53 He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.[i]

54 He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of *his* mercy;[j]

55 As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.[k]

56 And Mary abode with her about three months, and returned to her own house.

57 Now Elisabeth's full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son.

58 And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her.[l]

59 And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father.[m]

60 And his mother answered and said, Not *so;* but he shall be called John.[n]

61 And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name.

62 And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called.

63 And he asked for a writing table, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marvelled all.[o]

64 And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue *loosed,* and he spake, and praised God.[p]

65 And fear came on all that dwelt round about them: and all these [2]sayings were noised abroad throughout all the hill country of Judæa.[q]

66 And all they that heard *them* laid *them* up in their hearts, saying, What manner of child shall this be! And the hand of the Lord was with him.[r]

67 And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying,[s]

68 Blessed *be* the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people,[t]

69 And hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David:[u]

70 As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began:[v]

71 That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us;

72 To perform the mercy *promised* to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant;[w]

73 The oath which he sware to our father Abraham,[x]

74 That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear,[y]

75 In holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.[z]

76 And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;[a]

77 To give knowledge of salvation unto his people [3]by the remission of their sins,[b]

BEFORE THE ACCOUNT CALLED ANNO DOMINI THE SIXTH YEAR.

a Josh. xxi. 9—11.
l ver. 14.
m Gen. xvii. 12; Lev. xii. 3.
n ver. 13.
b ver. 28; Judg. v. 24.
o ver. 13.
p ver. 20.
1 Or, *which believed that there.*
2 Or, *things.*
q ver. 39.
c 1 Sam. ii. 1; Ps. xxxiv. 2, 3; xxxv. 9; Hab. iii. 18.
r ch. ii. 19, 51; Gen. xxxix. 2; Ps. lxxx. 17; lxxxix. 21; Acts xi. 21.
s Joel ii. 28.
d ch. xi. 27, 1 Sam. i. 11; Ps. cxxxviii. 6; Mal. iii. 12.
t ch. vii. 16; Exod. iii. 16, iv. 31; 1 Kings i. 48; Ps. xli. 13; lxxii. 18; cvi. 48; cxi. 9.
e Ps. lxxi. 19; cxi. 9, cxxvi. 2, 3.
u Ps. cxxxii. 17.
f Gen. xvii. 7; Exod. xx. 6; Ps. ciii. 17, 18
v Jer. xxiii. 5, 6; xxx. 10, Dan. ix. 24; Acts iii. 21; Rom. i. 2.
g Ps. xxxiii. 10; xcviii. 1, cxviii. 15; Isa. xl. 10; li. 9; lii. 10, 1 Peter v. 5.
w ver. 54; Lev. xxvi. 42; Ps. xcviii. 3; cv. 8, 9, cvi. 45; Ezek. xvi. 60.
h 1 Sam. ii. 6, &c.; Job v. 11, Ps. cxiii. 6
x Gen. xii. 3; xvii. 4; xxii. 16, 17, Heb. vi. 13, 17.
i 1 Sam. ii. 5; Ps. xxxiv. 10
j Ps. xcviii. 3; Jer. xxxi. 3, 30
y Rom. vi. 18, 22; Heb. ix. 14.
k Gen. xvii. 19; Ps. cxxxii. 11; Rom. xi. 28; Gal. iii. 16.
z Jer. xxxii. 39, 40; Eph. iv. 24, 2 Thess. ii. 13, 2 Tim. i. 9, Titus ii. 12, 1 Peter i. 15; 2 Peter i. 4
a ver. 17; Isa. xl. 3, Mal. iii. 1, iv. 5; Matt. xi. 10.
3 Or, *for.*
b ch. iii. 3; Mark i. 4.

13. "Thy prayer is heard;"—for the coming of God's kingdom, and the personal appearance of the promised Messiah.

17. "He shall go before him;"—before whom? The immediate antecedent is, "the Lord their God," and therefore the conclusion is inevitable that He before whom John was to go was no other than the Lord God of Israel.

"Turn the hearts of the fathers to the children:"—these verses are thought to point to that reconciliation of discordant sects, and political feuds, and even domestic divisions, by a common repentance and reformation, and general cultivation of good-will and brotherly love, which it is the purpose of Christianity to teach and enforce.

22. "He could not speak unto them:"—his being unable to speak not only stirred up the people to serious thought, but was designed as the prelude to the termination of the whole Levitical system, now that the Saviour's advent was at hand.

32. "The throne of his father David:"—the empire of David could find its completion and consummation only in the wider reign of the Messiah. The promises made to the fathers ran through all time, and embraced all nations; and it is in Christ only that all the nations of the earth are to be blessed. As to Christ's descent from David, see Matt. i. 1—17.

39. "Went into the hill country:"—this is supposed to be Hebron, or some other locality not far from it.

41. "Was filled with the Holy Ghost;"—that is, supernaturally; and hence the beautiful and prophetic utterances which follow.

45. "Blessed is she that believed:"—by referring back to verse 38, we see that Mary's faith arose to the highest confidence and to the holiest expectation.

46. "And Mary said:"—the spirit of inspiration now came upon Mary, and hence the lofty train of thought and sentiment which follows.

51. "He hath scattered the proud:"—to borrow the words of another, the Almighty perplexes the schemes of the proud, disturbs their politics, frustrates their measures, sets those things far asunder which they had united in one system, and so disperses the broken pieces of it that they can never be again united. And by this he turns their wisdom into folly, their imaginary greatness into contempt, and their glory into shame.

63. "Asked for a writing table:"—this was either the small square writing board, whitened over, and on which they still write in the East, or the tablet of wax on which they wrote with the style.

69. "An horn of salvation:"—we are told that this is a metaphor taken from horned cattle, which are weak and defenceless without, but formidable with, their horns. The fact is, that in many languages the horn is used as the symbol of authority or dominion; and is here applied to the Saviour as possessing all power in heaven and earth.

78. "The dayspring from on high:"—the long-predicted light had now begun to dawn—the morning rays were fringing the horizon, and announcing the approach of a bright and blessed day.

80. "The child grew;"—that is, physically fulfilling the laws of a gradual

78 Through the [1]tender mercy of our God; whereby the [2]dayspring from on high hath visited us,

79 To give light to them that sit in darkness and *in* the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.[a]

80 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel.[b]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Augustus taxeth all the Roman empire.* 6 *The nativity of Christ.* 8 *One angel relateth it to the shepherds:* 13 *many sing praises to God for it.* 21 *Christ is circumcised.* 22 *Mary purified.* 28 *Simeon and Anna prophesy of Christ:* 40 *who increaseth in wisdom,* 46 *questioneth in the temple with the doctors,* 51 *and is obedient to his parents.*



AND it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Cæsar Augustus, that all the world should be [3]taxed.

2 (*And* this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)[c]

3 And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judæa, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)[d]

5 To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.[e]

6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.[f]

8 And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping [4]watch over their flock by night.

9 And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.[g]

10 And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.[h]

11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.[i]

12 And this *shall be* a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,[j]

14 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.[k]

15 And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, [5]the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

17 And when they had seen *it*, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

18 And all they that heard *it* wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered *them* in her heart.[l]

20 And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

21 And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.[m]

22 And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present *him* to the Lord;[n]

23 (As it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;)[o]

24 And to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.[p]

25 And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name *was* Simeon; and the same man *was* just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.[q]

26 And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ.[r]

BEFORE THE ACCOUNT CALLED ANNO DOMINI THE SIXTH YEAR.

1 Or, *bowels of the mercy.*

2 Or, *sunrising*, or, *branch*; Numb. xxiv 17; Isa. xi. 1; Zech. iii. 8; vi. 12; Mal. iv. 2.

a ch. i 43; Isa. ix. 6; Matt i. 16, 21; xvi. 16, Acts ii. 36; x. 36; Philipp. ii. 11.

a Isa. ix. 2; xlii. 7; xlix 9; Matt. iv. 16; Acts xxvi. 18.

b ch. ii. 40; Matt. iii. 1; xi. 7.

j Gen. xxviii. 12; xxxii 1, 2; Ps ciii. 20, 21; cxlviii 2; Dan. vii. 10, Heb. i. 14, Rev v. 11.

Before the Account called Anno Domini the Fifth Year.

k ch i 79, xix 38; Isa. lvii. 19, John iii 16; Rom v. 1; Eph i 6, ii. 4, 7, 17, iii 10, 21; Col. i 20, 2 Thess ii. 16, 1 John iv. 9, 10, Rev v 13.

5 Gr *the men the shepherds.*

3 Or, *enrolled.*

c Acts v 37

l ver 51; ch. i. 66; Gen. xxxvii. 11.

d ch i 27; 1 Sam xvi. 1, 4, Matt. i 16, John vii 42

Before the Account called Anno Domini the Fourth Year.

m ch i 31, 59, Gen. xvii 12, Lev xii 3, 4, 6, Matt i 21, 25

e ch. i 27, Matt i 18

n Lev xii. 2, 3, 4, 6

o Exod xiii 2, xxii 29, xxxiv 19; Numb iii 13, viii. 17; xviii. 15.

f Matt i. 28

4 Or, *the night watches*

p Lev xii 2, 6, 8.

g ch i. 12

q ver 38, Isa xl 1, Mark xv 43

h vs 31, 32; ch xxiv 47, Gen xii 3, Matt xxviii 19, Mark i 15, Col. i. 23

r Ps lxxxix. 48; Heb xi. 5.

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development, he also "waxed strong in spirit," or became intellectually and morally powerful; and "was in the deserts;" thus, by solitude and separation from the world, privacy was secured until the Saviour entered upon his public ministry.

CHAPTER II.

One of the most interesting and impressive scenes ever witnessed on earth here opens before us. The WORD has become flesh,—God has clothed himself with human nature, "not by the conversion of the Godhead into flesh, but by taking of the manhood into God," and has come into the world to redeem our fallen race. In poverty is the Saviour born, and yet over the manger in which he is laid all heaven bends with heightened interest and unutterable joy. To the shepherds, watching their flocks on the plains of Bethlehem, there appear a multitude of the heavenly host, and all-enraptured is their song of praise. The shepherds hasten into the town to behold the infant Christ, and do him homage. The child, at the appointed time, is taken to the Temple to be circumcised; there the devout Simeon sees in the child the expected Redeemer, and, realising his final salvation, prays that he may be allowed now to depart in peace. A new series of events are seen on earth; and a new song is heard in heaven.

1. "That all the world should be taxed:"—the word "world" here points to the Roman empire, and the enrolment or taking of the census was with a view to taxation.

2. "When Cyrenius was governor of Syria:"—it was long objected to this passage that Quirinus was not appointed governor of Syria till A.D. 6, which was some six or seven years subsequent to the time here indicated, but it is now known that Quirinus was twice governor of Syria, and that he first filled that office from four years to one year before the advent of Christ. Then it was that the enrolment was *first* commenced, or that the census began to be taken.

3—5. In the Roman census it was imperative that men, women, and children should all be enrolled, but this portion of the Roman territories being under Herod, the Jewish monarch, each person was enrolled according to Jewish genealogical custom, not at his own place of abode, but at his place of extraction.

35. "A sword shall pierce through thine own soul:"—these words are supposed by the best commentators to refer to the deep mental distress of Mary in connection with the sufferings of her Son.

36. "One Anna, a prophetess:"—of this excellent woman we know nothing more than that she was pre-eminent for her piety, and was in possession of some higher supernatural endowments. Having heard the

27 And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,[a]

28 Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said,

29 Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word:[b]

30 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,[c]

31 Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

32 A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.[d]

33 And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him.

34 And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this *child* is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against;[e]

35 (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.[f]

36 And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity;

37 And she *was* a widow of about fourscore and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served *God* with fastings and prayers night and day.[g]

38 And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in [1]Jerusalem.[h]

39 And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.

40 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.[i]

41 Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.[j]

42 And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast.

43 And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not *of it*.

BEFORE THE ACCOUNT CALLED ANNO DOMINI THE FOURTH YEAR.

a Matt. iv. i.

b Gen xlvi. 30; Philipp i 23.

c ch. iii. 6; Isa. lii. 10.

k ch. iv 22, 32; Matt vii 28; Mark i 22, John vii. 15, 46

xlix 6, lx 1, 2, 3, Matt iv 16; Acts xiii. 47, xxviii 28.

e Isa viii. 14; Hos xiv 9, Matt xxi. 44, Acts xxviii. 22; Rom ix 32, 33, 1 Cor i 23, 24, 2 Cor ii. 16; 1 Peter ii 7, 8

l John ii. 16.

m ch ix 45, xviii 34

f Ps xlii 10; 25

n ver. 19, Dan. vii 28

2 Or, *age*

o ver 40, 1 Sam ii 26

g Acts xxvi 7, 1 Tim v 5

[A.D. 26

1 Or, *Israel*

h ver 25, ch xxiv 21, Mark xv 43

i ver 52; ch i 80

j Exod xxiii 15, 17, xxxiv 23, Deut xvi 1, 16

A.D 8]

John xi. 49, 51, xviii 13, Acts iv 6

44 But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among *their* kinsfolk and acquaintance.

45 And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.

46 And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions.

47 And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.[k]

48 And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing.

49 And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?[l]

50 And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.[m]

51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.[n]

52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and [2]stature, and in favour with God and man.[o]

CHAPTER III.

The preaching and baptism of John: 15 his testimony of Christ. 20 Herod imprisoneth John 21 Christ baptized, receiveth testimony from heaven. 23 The age, and genealogy of Christ from Joseph upwards.



NOW in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Cæsar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judæa, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituræa and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene,

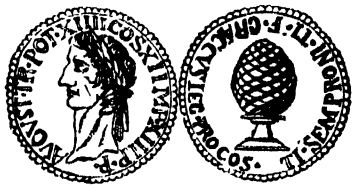
2 Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness.[p]

living words which fell from the lips of the venerable Simeon, she most heartily joined in his ardent expressions of love and of gratitude

38 "Spake of him to all."—If it were at the hour of prayer that this scene took place in the Temple, the numbers then convened would be very great, and thus afford to Anna a large assemblage of persons to whom to speak about her incarnate Lord, the Redeemer of his people Israel.

wisdom, to his increase of knowledge, and his being enriched with the grace of God, to the fact of spiritual life and consciousness

41. "His parents went to Jerusalem every year;"—that is, at the time when the passover was to be celebrated they went up to the capital; and, according to the school of Hillel, women were bound to go up once a year to the passover.



GOLD COIN OF AUGUSTUS.



BRASS COIN OF AUGUSTUS



SILVER COIN OF TIBERIUS.

COINS OF ROMAN EMPERORS OF THE TIME OF OUR LORD

39. "Returned into Galilee"—it is to be kept in mind that the Evangelist Luke takes no notice here of the flight into Egypt, any more than of the visit of the Magi and the murder of the innocents. He keeps himself to the facts which he deemed essential to his narrative.

40. "The child grew:"—this refers to physical development; while his waxing strong in spirit points to intellectual vigour; his being filled with

42. "When he was twelve years old:"—this was the age at which a boy became "a son of the law," and became subject to legal obligation.

44. "To have been in the company;"—that is, among the caravans, or band of travellers, who had come from the same district, and who were now returning together in company, not only for society, but for safety. On the evening of the first day, when they came to halt and rest for the night, he



SIMEON IN THE TEMPLE.

LUKE II



"BEHOLD, I BRING YOU GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY, WHICH SHALL BE TO ALL PEOPLE."—LUKE II. 10.

ANNO DOMINI 26.

3 And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins;[a]

4 As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.[b]

5 Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain

[a] ch i 77; Matt. iii. 1; Mark i. 4.

[b] Isa. xl. 3; Matt iii. 3; Mark i. 3; John i 23.

was not to be found, and hence the search that was made for him among the caravans or companies of travellers returning home.

49. "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?"—and if so, where could they expect to find him but in the Temple, as his Father's house?

There is a striking contrast between Mary's "thy father" and the "my Father" of her incarnate Son. What a depth of self-consciousness is expressed in the words of the Holy Child! What a realisation of his future mission! What a full union with God in nature, purpose, and design!

50. "Understood not the saying:"—they could not comprehend its import, or reach to the depth of its meaning. The mystery was too profound for Mary—too profound for any one.

CHAPTER III.

SYNOPSIS:—Luke iii. 1—22; Matt. iii. 1—17; Mark i. 4—11; John i. 32—34. Luke iii. 23—38.

In his whole ministry, the forerunner of our Lord appears in the spirit and power of Elias. He represents THE LAW—that law which demands holiness and righteousness, but which offers or affords no power. The external form of his appearance corresponds with the external character of his person: he presents himself in an aspect rough and severe, separated from the world, and

and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways *shall be* made smooth;

6 And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.[a]

7 Then said he to the multitude that came forth to be baptized of him, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?[b]

8 Bring forth therefore fruits[1] worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto you, That God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

9 And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: every tree therefore which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.[c]

10 And the people asked him, saying, What shall we do then?[d]

11 He answereth and saith unto them, He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise.[e]

12 Then came also publicans to be baptized, and said unto him, Master, what shall we do?[f]

13 And he said unto them, Exact no more than that which is appointed you.[g]

14 And the soldiers likewise demanded of him, saying, And what shall we do? And he said unto them, [2]Do violence to no man, neither accuse *any* falsely; and be content with your [3]wages.[h]

15 And as the people were [4]in expectation, and all men [5]mused in their hearts of John, whether he were the Christ, or not;

16 John answered, saying unto *them* all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:[i]

17 Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.[j]

18 And many other things in his exhortation preached he unto the people.

ANNO DOMINI 26—30.

[A.D. 30.

[a] Matt. xiv. 3; Mark vi. 17.

[a] ch. ii. 10; Ps. xcviii. 2; Isa. lii. 10.

[A.D. 27.

[b] Matt. iii. 7.

1 Or, *meet for.*

[c] Matt. iii. 13; John i. 32.

[A.D. 26.

[c] Matt. vii. 19.

[m] Numb. iv. 3, 35, 39, 43, 47; Matt. xiii. 55; John vi. 42.

[d] Acts ii. 37.

[e] ch. xi. 41; 2 Cor. viii. 14; James ii. 15, 16; 1 John iii. 17; iv. 20.

[f] ch. vii. 29; Matt. xxi. 32.

[g] ch. xix. 8.

2 Or, *Put no man in fear.*

3 Or, *allowance.*

[h] Exod. xxiii. 1; Lev. xix. 11.

4 Or, *in suspense.*

5 Or, *reasoned or debated.*

[i] Matt. iii. 11.

[n] 2 Sam. v. 14; 1 Chron. iii. 5, Zech. xii. 12.

[j] Micah iv. 13; Matt. xiii. 30.

[o] Ruth iv. 18, &c.; 1 Chron. ii. 10, &c.

19 But Herod the tetrarch, being reproved by him for Herodias his brother Philip's wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done,[k]

20 Added yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison.

21 Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,[l]

22 And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.

23 And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was *the son* of Heli,[m]

24 Which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi, which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Janna, which was *the son* of Joseph,

25 Which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Amos, which was *the son* of Naum, which was *the son* of Esli, which was *the son* of Nagge,

26 Which was *the son* of Maath, which was *the son* of Mattathias, which was *the son* of Semei, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Juda,

27 Which was *the son* of Joanna, which was *the son* of Rhesa, which was *the son* of Zorobabel, which was *the son* of Salathiel, which was *the son* of Neri,

28 Which was *the son* of Melchi, which was *the son* of Addi, which was *the son* of Cosam, which was *the son* of Elmodam, which was *the son* of Er,

29 Which was *the son* of Jose, which was *the son* of Eliezer, which was *the son* of Jorim, which was *the son* of Matthat, which was *the son* of Levi,

30 Which was *the son* of Simeon, which was *the son* of Juda, which was *the son* of Joseph, which was *the son* of Jonan, which was *the son* of Eliakim,

31 Which was *the son* of Melea, which was *the son* of Menan, which was *the son* of Mattatha, which was *the son* of Nathan, which was *the son* of David,[n]

32 Which was *the son* of Jesse, which was *the son* of Obed, which was *the son* of Booz, which was *the son* of Salmon, which was *the son* of Naasson,[o]

revealing to it the sternness of the Divine Judge. It was his mission to awaken slumbering minds, to call forth the feeling of the necessity for redemption, in order that the Saviour might find hearts that were capable of receiving that fulness of blessing which he came to bestow; wherefore also it is that Jesus begins his invitations by immediately addressing himself to the poor and the afflicted.

1. "In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius:"—there are those who would place the birth of our Lord as early as U.C. 747; others place it in 749; others in 750, others in 751; others in 754. But as Herod the Great died in the beginning of the year U.C. 750, the Saviour's birth must have taken place at least some months before that event.

"Pilate being governor of Judæa;"—that is, he was procurator, and was the sixth who had been raised to that dignity since the deposition of Archelaus. He held the office for ten years.

Herod became tetrarch of Galilee after the death of his father, which, we have just seen, took place in the 750th year from the building of the city of Rome. Philip was a son of Herod the Great by Cleopatra; was brought up at Rome; and after his father's death was made tetrarch of Batanea, Trachonitis, and other places. He built Cæsarea Philippi, and, we are told, "was by far the best of Herod's sons" He is not to be confounded with his half-brother Philip, whose wife Herod Antipas seduced.

Lysanias, whose origin is very uncertain, ruled over the district lying around Ahila, some eighteen miles distant from Damascus. There was one Lysanias who ruled over this region some thirty years before, and the probability, therefore, is that Augustus had conferred upon one of his descendants, having the same name, the office of tetrarch.

2. "Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests:"—it appears that Caiaphas, the high priest, was advanced by Valerius Gratus, the governor who preceded Pilate, and was divested of his office by Vitellius after Pilate had been deposed from the procuratorship. Caiaphas married a daughter of Annas, who is here called the high priest, because he had long enjoyed that dignity, and the Jews looked upon him as invested with all the functions of that high office; and such was the power which he possessed and exercised, that even after his deposition he obtained the high priesthood for five of his sons. But while he retained the influence, Caiaphas no doubt discharged the duties of the sacred office. Hence the combination of the two in the passage now before us.

"The word of God . . . in the wilderness:"—in his solitude and separation in the desert the forerunner of our Lord doubtless had frequent and intimate communion with a higher world, but ultimately there came a distinct revelation or message from God; and when he received that Divine message he withdrew from his solitude, and began among his countrymen his ministry of repentance and reformation.

4. "Prepare ye the way of the Lord:"—just as an Eastern monarch was in his progress preceded by a herald who announced his approach, so John appears as the forerunner of our Lord. He visibly and externally prepared the way of the Lord, but the grand preparation that influenced the *hearts* of men was not until the descent of the Spirit on the day of Pentecost. In order to account for the baptism of John, we are told by Olshausen that "no particular historical record is required; that as lustrations were common in the Jewish form of worship, hence it was necessary to represent through or express by a symbolic rite the 'repentance' which he preached; that this he did not perform according to his own will, but as led by the Spirit of God. We are told he was *sent* to baptise with water." Again, speaking of the object of John's ministry, he says:—"The expression *repentance* here describes the result of the law in its operation upon the mind. Owing to its

33 Which was *the son* of Aminadab, which was *the son* of Aram, which was *the son* of Esrom, which was *the son* of Phares, which was *the son* of Juda,

34 Which was *the son* of Jacob, which was *the son* of Isaac, which was *the son* of Abraham, which was *the son* of Thara, which was *the son* of Nachor,[a]

35 Which was *the son* of Saruch, which was *the son* of Ragau, which was *the son* of Phalec, which was *the son* of Heber, which was *the son* of Sala,

36 Which was *the son* of Cainan, which was *the son* of Arphaxad, which was *the son* of Sem, which was *the son* of Noe, which was *the son* of Lamech,[b]

37 Which was *the son* of Mathusala, which was *the son* of Enoch, which was *the son* of Jared, which was *the son* of Maleleel, which was *the son* of Cainan,

38 Which was *the son* of Enos, which was *the son* of Seth, which was *the son* of Adam, which was *the son* of God.[c]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The temptation and fasting of Christ.* 13 *He overcometh the devil:* 14 *beginneth to preach.* 16 *The people of Nazareth admire his gracious words.* 33 *He cureth one possessed of a devil,* 38 *Peter's mother in law,* 40 *and divers other sick persons.* 41 *The devils acknowledge Christ, and are reproved for it.* 43 *He preacheth through the cities.*



AND Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,[d]

2 Being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered.[e]

3 And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread.

4 And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.[f]

5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.[g]

7 If thou therefore wilt [1]worship me, all shall be thine.

8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.[h]

9 And he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence:[i]

10 For it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee:[j]

11 And in *their* hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

12 And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.[k]

13 And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season.[l]

14 ¶ And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about.[m]

15 And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all.

16 ¶ And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read.[n]

17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written,

ANNO DOMINI 26—31.

[a] Gen. xi. 24, 26.

[b] Gen v. 6, &c.; xi. 10—12, &c.

[c] Gen v. 1, 2.

[d] Matt. iv 5.

[e] Ps. xci. 11

A.D 26.]

[f] Deut. viii. 3.

[g] John xii 31, xiv 30, Rev xiii. 2, 7

[1] Or, *fall down before me.*

[h] Deut. vi. 13; x. 20.

[i] Deut vi. 16

[j] John xiv 30, Heb. iv 15

[A D 30

[k] ver 14, ch ii 27, Matt iv 1, Mark i 12

[l] ver 1, Matt iv 12, John iv 43; Acts x. 37.

[A D 31

[m] Exod xxxiv 28; 1 Kings xix. 8

[n] Matt. ii 23; xiii 54; Mark vi. 1; Acts xiii 14; xvii. 2.

unrelenting and exacting power, it awakens in man the knowledge of his inferiority, and the longing for a power that is capable of satisfying it: hence it is, in fact, a change of mind taking place in the deepest recesses of human life; but considered in itself, of course, it is something purely negative, which stands in need of something positive in order to complete it—namely, the Spirit which came by Christ, and which man receives through faith"

5. "Every valley shall be filled."—in reference to the coming of Christ, these words are to be understood not literally, but metaphorically, and point to the removal of every obstacle, whether physical or moral, geographical or political, to the progress and final triumph of his kingdom.

7. "O generation of vipers."—this faithful representation of a sinful and depraved generation was addressed by the Baptist to the multitude after their reception of his baptism and their public confession of sin; and the words must be regarded not as the language o. prohibition, but as the language of amazement that men so devoted to their own sinful pursuits had been influenced by any motive to present themselves as persons desirous of preparing for the presence of that Holy One whose approaching advent the Baptist was appointed to proclaim. To the words expressive of astonishment, this teacher in the wilderness adds his admonition that his hearers confide not for safety to their descent from a pious progenitor; and he also cautions them not to bring to this religious ordinance that spirit of insincerity which they manifested in their ordinary duties, but, on the contrary, that they evince the reality of their profession by actions befitting men who professed themselves to be waiting for the appearance of the Messiah.

10, 14. "What shall we do then?"—to this question, John exhorts the various classes by whom he was surrounded to do whatever lay within the province of an external righteousness, as evidence of an internal repentance and change. Into the sphere of faith and love he did not penetrate, but pointed to the Redeemer as the only object of trust.

23. "Began to be about thirty years of age:"— rather, "Jesus was about thirty years of age when he began his ministry." The priests were to be of this age before commencing to discharge the duties of their office.

CHAPTER IV.

SYNOPSIS.—Luke iv 1—13; Matt. iv. 1—11; Mark i. 12, 13 Luke iv 14, 15; Matt. iv 12—17, Mark i 14, 15 Luke iv 16—32 Luke iv 33—37, Mark i 21—28 Luke iv. 38—41, Matt viii 14—17; Mark i. 29—34 Luke iv. 42—44; Mark i. 35—39

That the temptation of our Lord cannot be resolved into a mere inward struggle with his own human will, but must be referred to his personal conflict with the very personification and embodiment of all evil, is placed beyond dispute by the very style and structure of the narrative. Olshausen says that "the mode of viewing the Gospel narrative of the temptation of Christ depends upon the position of the expounder relative to the doctrine of the devil, and of evil angels in general. Exposition can divest itself of the doctrine of the existence of evil spiritual beings only through the highest degree of arbitrariness, inasmuch as we are taught even by the Old Testament —although for wise reasons in a mystical manner—that man did not produce evil from within himself (in which case the idea of a redemption, which presupposes a subjection to a foreign—that is an external—power, would be utterly destroyed), but that he was beguiled by an evil power, whereby he became exposed to its influence. In the New Testament this doctrine is confirmed by Christ, partly by the pre-supposition which is manifest in innumerable discourses of his, that the kingdom of the good is opposed by a kingdom of the evil; and partly by express declarations concerning this doctrine which admit to an unbiassed commentator no other mode of explanation whatever." So Neander conceives that while the individual features of the account furnished by the Evangelist are not to be taken literally, yet "the principles which triumph so plainly in its course bear the evident stamp of that wisdom which everywhere shines forth from the life of Christ—its veracity is undeniably confirmed by the period which it occupies between the baptism of Christ and his entrance on his public ministry—the silent, solitary preparation was a natural transition from the one to the other."

1—13. After these introductory remarks, it is only needful to refer for the exposition of these verses to Matt. iv. 1—11, with the Notes.

14. "In the power of the Spirit;"—that is, by the influence or direction

18 The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,[a]

19 To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

20 And he closed the book, and he gave *it* again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

21 And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

22 And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?[b]

23 And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.[c]

24 And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is accepted in his own country.[d]

25 But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land;[e]

26 But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto Sarepta, *a city* of Sidon, unto a woman *that was* a widow.

27 And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.[f]

28 And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath,

29 And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the [1]brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong.

30 But he passing through the midst of them went his way,[g]

31 And came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days.[h]

32 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his word was with power.[i]

33 ¶ And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice,[j]

34 Saying, [2]Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, *thou* Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God.[k]

35 And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not.

36 And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word *is* this! for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out.

37 And the fame of him went out into every place of the country round about.

38 ¶ And he arose out of the synagogue, and entered into Simon's house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with a great fever; and they besought him for her.[l]

39 And he stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she arose and ministered unto them.

40 ¶ Now when the sun was setting, all they that had any sick with divers diseases brought them unto him; and he laid his hands on every one of them, and healed them.[m]

41 And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, Thou art Christ the Son of God. And he rebuking *them* suffered them not [3]to speak: for they knew that he was Christ.[n]

42 And when it was day, he departed and went into a desert place: and the people sought him, and came unto him, and stayed him, that he should not depart from them.[o]

43 And he said unto them, I must preach the kingdom of God to other cities also: for therefore am I sent.

44 And he preached in the synagogues of Galilee.[p]

Anno Domini 31.

a Isa. lxi. 1.

b ch. ii. 47; Ps. xlv. 2; Matt. xiii 54, Mark vi. 2; John vi. 42

c Matt iv 13; xi. 23; xiii 54; Mark vi 1

d Matt xiii 57; Mark vi 4, John iv 44.

e 1 Kings xvii 9, xviii 1; James v 17

f 2 Kings v 14.

g John viii 59; x. 39

h Matt iv 13; Mark i 21

i Matt vii 28, 29; Titus ii 15

j Mark i 23.

k ver. 41; ch. i. 35; Ps. xvi. 10; Dan. ix. 24.

l Matt. viii. 14; Mark i. 29.

m Matt viii 16; Mark i. 32.

n vs 34, 35; Mark i. 25, 34, iii. 11

o Mark i 35.

p Mark i 39

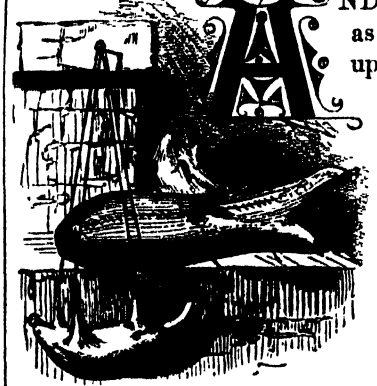
1 Or, *edge.*

2 Or, *Away.*

3 Or, *to say that they knew him to be Christ*

CHAPTER V.

1 *Christ teacheth the people out of Peter's ship: 4 in a miraculous taking of fishes, sheweth how he will make him and his partners fishers of men: 12 cleanseth the leper: 16 prayeth in the wilderness: 18 healeth one sick of the palsy: 27 calleth Matthew the publican: 29 eateth with sinners, as being the physician of souls: 34 foretelleth the fastings and afflictions of the apostles after his ascension: 36 and likeneth faint-hearted and weak disciples to old bottles and worn garments.*



AND it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,[q]

2 And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing *their* nets.

3 And he entered into one of the ships, which was

q Matt iv 18; Mark i. 16

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of the Spirit, in order to commence his course of miracles and his mighty works.

16. "Went into the synagogue . . . . stood up for to read:"—this was, in all likelihood, his first appearance in Nazareth as a public teacher. The fact that the ruler of the synagogue had it in his power to call on any one present to read and explain, will at once account for our Lord's procedure.

20. "And sat down:"—it was the custom in the synagogue to *stand* while reading the law, and to sit in expounding it.

28. "Were filled with wrath:"—they had demanded of Christ that he should exert the same power in their midst as he had done in Capernaum; to which Christ replies—"No prophet is accepted in his own country," and justifies his refusal by a reference to Old Testament facts, where Elijah and Elisha were sent neither to the widows nor the lepers of Israel, but to strangers. The idea of others being preferred to them now enraged these Nazarenes.

31. "Came down to Capernaum:"—as Nazareth stood on high ground, it was literally a descent to Capernaum, which lay on the sea-coast of Galilee.

33. "A spirit of an unclean devil:"—the demon led the party possessed to deeds of uncleanness.

38—41. See, for the exposition of these verses, the Notes on Matt. viii. 14—17, with Mark i. 29—34.

CHAPTER V.

Synopsis:—Luke v. 1—11. Luke v. 12—16; Matt. viii. 1—4; Mark i. 40—45. Luke v. 17—26; Matt. ix. 1—8; Mark ii. 1—12. Luke v. 27—39; Matt. ix. 9—17; Mark ii. 13—22.

In the close of the preceding chapter we are told our Lord "departed and went into a desert place;" and who can doubt that he sought this retirement in order to pour out his soul in prayer, and hold communion with his Father in heaven? Such seasons were to him not only periods of devotion and



THE JEWS LEADING CHRIST TO THE BROW OF THE HILL, TO CAST HIM DOWN HEADLONG.—LUKE IV 28—30.

Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.

4 Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.[a]

5 And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.

6 And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.

7 And they beckoned unto *their* partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.

ANNO DOMINI 31

b 2 Sam vi 9. 1 Kings xvii. 18.

a John xxi 6.

c Matt. iv. 19. Mark i. 17.

d ch xviii 28; Matt iv. 20; xix. 27. Mark i. 18.

8 When Simon Peter saw *it*, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.[b]

9 For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:

10 And so *was* also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.[c]

11 And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.[d]

12 ¶ And it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on *his* face, and besought him,

times of strengthening from above, but also "periods in which he gave himself up to the contemplation of the exalted purposes for which he was destined by the Father, and in which he contemplated the vastness of the Divine love, in order to devote himself more and more to the perfect consummation of his work."

1—11. "The lake of Gennesaret:"—Matthew calls it the sea of Galilee; John speaks of it as the sea of Tiberias; and sometimes it is spoken of as "the lake," and at other times as "the sea." This lake was the scene of some of the Redeemer's sacred works, both before and after his resurrection. Its waters were renowned for their fish, and consequently there were many persons employed as fishermen; and from these the Saviour selected his disciples. There was a ferry across the lake which united the roads from the

saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.[a]

13 And he put forth *his* hand, and touched him, saying, I will: be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

14 And he charged him to tell no man: but go, and shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing, according as Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.[b]

15 But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.[c]

16 ¶ And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed.[d]

17 And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judæa, and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was *present* to heal them.

18 ¶ And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they sought *means* to bring him in, and to lay *him* before him.[e]

19 And when they could not find by what *way* they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon the housetop, and let him down through the tiling with *his* couch into the midst before Jesus.

20 And when he saw their faith, he said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.

21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone?[f]

22 But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, What reason ye in your hearts?

23 Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Rise up and walk?

24 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.

25 And immediately he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and departed to his own house, glorifying God.

26 And they were all amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying, We have seen strange things to day.

27 ¶ And after these things he went forth, and saw a publican, named Levi, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he said unto him, Follow me.[g]

28 And he left all, rose up, and followed him.

29 And Levi made him a great feast in his own house: and there was a great company of publicans and of others that sat down with them.[h]

30 But their scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners?

31 And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick.

32 I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.[i]

33 ¶ And they said unto him, Why do the disciples of John fast often, and make prayers, and likewise *the disciples* of the Pharisees; but thine eat and drink?[j]

34 And he said unto them, Can ye make the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them?

35 But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast in those days.

36 ¶ And he spake also a parable unto them; No man putteth a piece of a new garment upon an old; if otherwise, then both the new maketh a rent, and the piece that was *taken* out of the new agreeth not with the old.[k]

37 And no man putteth new wine into old bottles; else the new wine will burst the bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish.

38 But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved.

39 No man also having drunk old *wine* straightway desireth new: for he saith, The old is better.

ANNO DOMINI 31.

[a] Matt. viii. 2; Mark i. 40.

[b] Lev. xiv. 4, 10, 21, 22; Matt. viii. 4.

[c] Matt. iv. 25; Mark iii. 7; John vi. 2.

[d] Ch. xv. 1; Matt ix. 10; Mark ii 15

[e] Matt. xiv. 23; Mark vi. 46.

[f] Matt. ix. 2; Mark ii 3.

[g] Ps xxxii 5, Isa. xliii 25, Matt ix. 3, Mark ii. 6, 7.

[h] Matt. ix. 9, Mark ii. 13, 14.

[i] Matt ix 14, Mark ii. 18.

[j] Matt ix 16, 17; Mark ii. 21, 22.

[k] Matt. ix. 13, 1 Tim. i. 15.

Mediterranean coast to Damascus, Arabia, and other portions of the East. The lake was about eighteen miles long, and nearly six miles broad. The Jordan flowed in near Bethsaida, and quitted it at a place called Gamala In the maps of Palestine at the present time, the Lake of Gennesaret is called the Lake of Tabaria

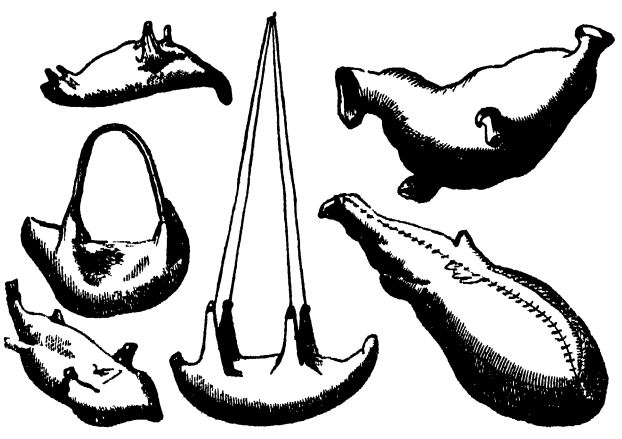
12—15 "Full of leprosy:"—these words not only denote the fact of the disease having spread over the whole man, but its aggravated type and character. See further remarks on Matt. viii 2—4, and Mark i. 40—45

17 "The power of the Lord was present to heal them"—the Saviour perceived their faith, and his Divine power moved in the direction of miraculous healing.

18—26. For the miracle here recorded, see the Notes on Matt. ix. 1—8, and Mark ii 1—12. How gloriously does the Divine power reveal itself in the miracles which our Lord performed! and yet in most of them the mercy equalled the power. The faith of these men was such that they suffered no obstacles to keep them away from the Saviour; and when Jesus saw their faith, he at once gave the blessing.

29. "Made him a great feast in his own house."—the record of this fact is peculiar to Luke, though it might be inferred from the other two Evangelists. On the call of Levi, and its accompanying incidents, see Matt. ix. 9—17, and Mark ii. 13—22, with the Notes and Commentary.

36—39. "He spake a parable unto them:"—the design of the parable is to show that any attempt to engraft the new dispensation upon the old legal economy would not only be a failure, but would tend to mar and destroy both. The new would suffer in its completeness, and the old would lose in consistency and character.



BOTTLES FORMED OF THE SKINS OF ANIMALS.

As travellers in the East are compelled to carry water with them, and as the bottles containing the water are constantly exposed to injury, it is necessary that the bottles should be made of yielding materials, and therefore the skins of animals are employed, as being soft, pliable, and easily extended, and when empty very portable. These bottles vary greatly in size; some being as small as a kid, and others the size of an ox. Bruce, the African traveller, describes bottles made of the skins of animals which were so large as to be capable of containing sixty gallons each; and when filled, two of them, he tells us, were considered a sufficient load for a camel.

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Christ reproveth the Pharisees' blindness about the observation of the sabbath, by scripture, reason, and miracle:* 13 *chooseth twelve apostles:* 17 *healeth the diseased:* 20 *preacheth to his disciples before the people of blessings and curses:* 27 *how we must love our enemies:* 46 *and join the obedience of good works to the hearing of the word: lest in the evil day of temptation we fall like an house built upon the face of the earth, without any foundation.*



AND it came to pass on the second sabbath after the first, that he went through the corn fields; and his disciples plucked the ears of corn, and did eat, rubbing *them* in *their* hands.[a]

2 And certain of the Pharisees said unto them, Why do ye that which is not lawful to do on the sabbath days?[b]

3 And Jesus answering them said, Have ye not read so much as this, what David did, when himself was an hungred, and they which were with him;[c]

4 How he went into the house of God, and did take and eat the shewbread, and gave also to them that were with him; which it is not lawful to eat but for the priests alone?[d]

5 And he said unto them, That the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

6 And it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and there was a man whose right hand was withered.[e]

7 And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him.

8 But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth.

9 Then said Jesus unto them, I will ask you one thing; Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy *it*?

10 And looking round about upon them all, he said unto the man, Stretch forth thy hand. And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other.

11 And they were filled with madness; and communed one with another what they might do to Jesus.

12 And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and continued all night in prayer to God.[f]

13 ¶ And when it was day, he called *unto him* his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;[g]

14 Simon, (whom he also named Peter,) and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew,[h]

15 Matthew and Thomas, James the *son* of Alphæus, and Simon called Zelotes,

16 And Judas *the brother* of James, and Judas Iscariot, which also was the traitor.[i]

17 ¶ And he came down with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of his disciples, and a great multitude of people out of all Judæa and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon, which came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases;[j]

18 And they that were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed.

19 And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed *them* all.[k]

20 ¶ And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, Blessed *be ye* poor: for your's is the kingdom of God.[l]

21 Blessed *are ye* that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed *are ye* that weep now: for ye shall laugh.[m]

22 Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you *from their company*, and shall reproach *you*, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake.[n]

23 Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward *is* great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.[o]

24 But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation.[p]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

f Matt. xiv. 23.

g Matt. x. 1.

h John i. 42.

a Matt xii. 1; Mark ii. 23.

i Jude 1.

b Exod. xx. 10.

c 1 Sam. xxi. 6.

j Matt. iv. 25; Mark iii. 7.

d Lev. xxiv. 9.

k ch vi. 46, Matt. xiv. 36, Mark v. 30.

l Matt. v. 3, xi. 5; James ii. 5.

e ch. xiii. 14, xiv. 3; Matt xii. 9, Mark iii 1; John ix. 16.

m Isa. lv. 1; lxi 3; lxv 13, Matt. v. 4, 6.

n Matt. v. 11; John xvi. 2, 1 Peter ii. 19, iii 14, iv. 14.

o Matt v 12, Acts v 41, vii 51, Col. i 24, James i. 2

p ch xii 21, xvi 25, Amos vi 1, Matt vi 2, 5, 16, James v 1

CHAPTER VI.

SYNOPSIS:—Luke vi. 1—5; Matt xii 1—8, Mark ii 23—28 Luke vi 6—11 Matt xii 9—14; Mark iii 1—6. Luke vi 12—19, Matt. xii. 15—21, Mark iii. 7—19. Luke vi. 20—40, Matt. v.—vii.

Between the discourse embodied in the preceding chapter and the incident with which the present chapter begins, St. Matthew records several occurrences which our Evangelist omits—the raising of Jairus' daughter; the restoring of sight to two blind men, and of speech to one who was dumb, the mission of the twelve, and the message of John to Jesus The object of the Evangelists is not so much to adhere to any exact order of the individual occurrences, as to give the life of the Saviour in its various aspects and developments. Blessed are they who read and understand.

1. "The second sabbath after the first:"—that is, say some, the first Sabbath after the second day from the Passover; but others are of opinion that it denotes the first Sabbath in the second cycle of seven years. Seven years completed the Sabbatical cycle or period: these seven years were reckoned as the first, second, third, and so on; so that this would be the first Sabbath in the second Sabbatical period.

9. "Is it lawful on the sabbath days to do good?"—to this question, Mark tells us, they gave no reply. Their answer must have condemned themselves; and hence the same Evangelist tells us that the Saviour looked round about on them with anger, being grieved for the hardness of their hearts. We may say, with St. Austin, "Thou," at one and the same moment, "bendest Thy awful brow in reproof of their perverseness, and grievest with hearty sorrow in pity of their miseries: every way Thou takest to convert us to thy truth, every means Thou usest to guide us unto wisdom."

11. "They were filled with madness"—this madness denotes rather their folly and wickedness as the consequence of their moral insensibility

13. "Of them he chose twelve."—of the fact of this election, Matthew says nothing, but satisfies himself with the giving of the names of the parties so chosen. According to Mark and Luke, the election took place immediately after the cure which Christ had effected on the Sabbath-day in behalf of the man with the withered hand Still the precise time is not given.

17 "He came down with them;"—that is, down from the mountain on which he had been engaged in contemplation and prayer, and now occupied the plain or level country at the base of the mount

"The sea coast of Tyre and Sidon:"—the famous city of Tyre, which stood about ninety miles north-west of Jerusalem, and about eighteen miles south-west of Sidon, once had the entire control of the trade with Judea, and into her lap were poured the treasures of the known world Sidon, from its position on the shore of the Mediterranean, the superior character of its timber, the skill of its workmen, and its higher knowledge of many of the useful arts, has a conspicuous page in ancient history. From these places, as well as from Judea and Jerusalem, did the people crowd to hear the Saviour's words, and to feel the healing virtue which was ever going forth from him as the Healer and the Restorer of our sin-stricken humanity.

20—49. "Blessed be ye poor:"—in these verses we have a summary of the Sermon on the Mount; and in this abridged form it is peculiar to the Evan-

25 Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep.[e]

26 Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.[h]

27 ¶ But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,[c]

28 Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.[d]

29 And unto him that smiteth thee on the *one* cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloke forbid not *to take thy* coat also.[e]

30 Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask *them* not again.[f]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

j vs. 27, 30; Ps. xxxvii. 26; Matt. v. 45.

a Prov. xiv. 13; Isa. lxv. 13.

k Matt. v. 48.

b John xv. 19; 1 John iv 5.

c ver 35; Exod. xxiii. 4; Prov xxv. 21, Matt. v. 44; Rom xii. 20.

l Matt vii. 1.

d ch xxiii. 34; Acts vii. 60.

e Matt. v 39; 1 Cor. vi 7.

m Ps lxxix 12; Prov xix. 17, Matt vii. 2; Mark iv. 24, James ii 13.

f Deut xv 7, 8, 10; Prov xxi. 26; Matt. v. 42

n Matt. xv. 14.

Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and *to* the evil.[j]

36 Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.[k]

37 Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:[l]

38 Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.[m]

39 And he spake a parable unto them, Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch?[n]



THE LAKE OF GENNESARET, OR SEA OF GALILEE, FROM THE NORTH-WEST.

31 And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.[g]

32 For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them.[h]

33 And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same.

34 And if ye lend *to them* of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again.[i]

35 But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the

g Matt vii 12.

1 Or, *shall be perfected as his master.*

o Matt. x. 24; John xiii 16; xv. 20.

h Matt. v 46

p Matt. vii. 3.

i Matt. v 42.

q Prov. xviii. 17.

40 The disciple is not above his master: but every one [1]that is perfect shall be as his master.[o]

41 And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye?[p]

42 Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.[q]

43 For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt

gelist St. Luke. Its subject, we are told, "is the state and duties of a disciple of Christ." This in a certain sense is true, but the idea comes far short of the reality. The Sermon on the Mount is the old law of Sinai transfigured and glorified in the hand of Christ. He shows how far it reaches and what it involves. Having done this, he then, by the very interpretation which he puts on the law, causes us to discover how utterly insufficient we are to keep it, and how totally unable we are to claim life on the ground of our own personal obedience. What, then, is to be done? The law cannot be set aside—its claims are immutable—its penalties are irrevocable. The Saviour himself meets the difficulty. He tells us that he came not to destroy or set aside the law, but to fulfil it. What we could not do, he did; and in his perfect obedience we must for ever rest; and to HIM, in his moral excellence, we are to be conformed, and to manifest this conformity in the uprightness of our conduct and in the purity of our lives.

22. "Cast out your name;"—that is, treat their distinctive designation as Christians, or followers of Christ, with scorn and contempt.



"YOUNG MAN, I SAY UNTO THEE, ARISE."—LUKE VII. 14.

fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.[a]

44 For every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they [1]grapes.[b]

45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.[c]

46 ¶ And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?[d]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a Matt. vii. 16, 17.
c Matt. vii. 24.

1 Gr. a grape.
b Matt. xii. 33.

c Matt. xii. 34, 35.

d ch. xiii. 25; Mal. i. 6; Matt. vii. 21; xxv. 11

47 Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like:[e]

48 He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

49 But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.

24. "Woe unto you:"—these four woes, it is true, are not to be found in the larger discourse, as given by Matthew; but it does not follow that they were never uttered by our Lord. Matthew may have had sufficient reason for their omission, and Luke may have had equally sufficient reason for their insertion; and they seem to come in very naturally in contrast with the preceding beatitudes.

29. "Unto him that smiteth thee on the one cheek:"—our Saviour is treating here of what the law prescribed. There is to be no slavish adherence to the mere letter of the injunction; but we are to observe it in its spirit, just like the Saviour himself, who, "when he was reviled, reviled not again."

40. "Every one that is perfect:"—the word "perfect" here, as in numerous other instances in the Christian volume, denotes one who is well-instructed; and hence, one who makes a right use of his knowledge in fulfilling the duties of life. Here the disciples are cautioned against any hasty judgment in reference to the conduct of others.

49. "Built an house upon the earth:"—in the East, many of the houses are built with mud walls, reeds, and rushes, and sometimes with only stakes plastered with clay. Hence, they were so frail, that the only security for them was the unyielding foundation which a rock would afford. Such houses, unless built on a rock, and consequently above the reach of the periodical torrents of rain, were strikingly emblematical of weakness, fragility, and decay.

CHAPTER VII.

1 Christ findeth greater faith in the centurion a Gentile, than in any of the Jews: 10 healeth his servant being absent: 11 raiseth from death the widow's son at Nain: 19 answereth John's messengers with the declaration of his miracles: 24 testifieth to the people what opinion he held of John: 30 inveigheth against the Jews, who with neither the manner of John nor of Jesus could be won: 36 and sheweth by occasion of Mary Magdalene, how he is a friend to sinners, not to maintain them in sins, but to forgive them their sins, upon their faith and repentance.



NOW when he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the people, he entered into Capernaum.[a]

2 And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die.

3 And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching him that he would come and heal his servant.

4 And when they came to Jesus, they besought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this:

5 For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.

6 Then Jesus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself: for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof:

7 Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.

8 For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto [1]one, Go, and he goeth, and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth *it*.

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a Matt. viii. 5.

1 Gr *this man.*

9 When Jesus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.

10 And they that were sent, returning to the house, found the servant whole that had been sick.

11 ¶ And it came to pass the day after, that he went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people.

12 Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her.

13 And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not.

14 And he came and touched the [2]bier: and they that bare *him* stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise.[b]

15 And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother.

16 And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That God hath visited his people.[c]

17 And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judæa, and throughout all the region round about.

18 And the disciples of John shewed him of all these things.[d]

19 ¶ And John calling *unto him* two of his disciples sent *them* to Jesus, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

20 When the men were come unto him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saying, Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

21 And in that same hour he cured many of *their* infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many *that were* blind he gave sight.

22 Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the

2 Or, *coffin.*

b ch. viii. 54; John xi. 43; Acts ix. 40, Rom. iv. 17.

c ch. i. 65, 68; xxiv. 19, John iv. 19, vi. 14; ix. 17.

d Matt. xi. 2.

CHAPTER VII.

SYNOPSIS.—Luke vii. 1—10. Matt. viii. 5—13. Luke vii. 11—17. Luke vii. 18—35, Matt. xi. 1—30. Luke vii. 36—50.

Both Matthew and Luke record the healing of the centurion's servant, but our Evangelist gives us a more enlarged exhibition of outward events and attendant circumstances. We agree with Olshausen: "This narrative is one of the many little gems which form in themselves a united whole, and which adorn the Gospel history. It presents to us a religious soul in the most lively—the most childlike form, which reveals freely its life of faith without any dogmatical colouring whatever. The centurion—probably one of the Roman garrison of Capernaum, brought up in the elements of Pagan life, but living among the Jews—had become inclined to the Old Testament way of life. . . . But fervent as was his faith, equally profound and pure was his humility. He considered himself unworthy of the honour that the Wielder of heavenly powers should enter his house. As such, he acknowledged Jesus." And though his views of Christ were defective, yet his belief in the activity and efficiency of Divine power was not only strengthened, but perfected.

1. "He entered into Capernaum."—in this city, which stood on the western shore of the Lake of Tiberias, our Lord not only performed some of his most stupendous deeds, but delivered some of his most pointed discourses, and yet it was the subject of the most fearful denunciations. The prediction of its downfall has long since been fulfilled, and in the ruins of this once exalted and peculiarly favoured city there is to be seen nothing but a few Arab huts, and these untenanted.

2. "Dear unto him;"—that is, not dear to Christ, but to the centurion, his master. He was, no doubt, a devoted and faithful servant.

3. "The elders of the Jews"—not members of the Sanhedrim, but rather the heads of the synagogue; though some are of opinion that neither of these are intended, but the elders or rulers of the people.

6. "Sent friends to him"—but St. Matthew represents the centurion as having come to Christ in his own proper person. The probability is, that he both sent and came. How immediate and how rich was the reward of his faith!

11—16. The record of raising the widow's son to life is peculiar to St. Luke; but it is one of the most touching and impressive scenes in the life of that mysterious and ever-loving One who went about doing good.

"Into a city called Nain."—this little city, which is nowhere else mentioned in Scripture, was in Galilee, a few miles south of Mount Tabor, and not far from Capernaum; it stood on the northern slope of the rugged and barren ridge of Little Hermon. It is now a poor Turkish village, inhabited chiefly by Jews and Mohammedans.

"Nigh to the gate of the city."—the Jews had their places of sepulture outside the gates of their towns and cities. The members of the royal house of David were buried in Jerusalem itself, but this was an exception in favour of royalty only.

"Touched the bier;"—which was, in fact, a kind of trestle on which the body was placed, open to the view and borne on the shoulders of the friends. Christ's whole manner and demeanour so struck those who were bearing it, that they could not do otherwise than stand still. He wrought no miracle on them.

"Young man, I say unto thee, Arise"—whether this resuscitation of physical life was connected with the communication of spiritual life to the soul of the youth himself, as a still higher ingredient in the joy of the widowed mother, we are not in a position to say.

18—23. "The disciples of John showed him of all these things:"—in Matthew this incident of the Baptist sending certain messengers to Jesus comes in after the giving to the twelve their high commission; but still we are left in uncertainty as to the exact date. For the reasons which induced John to send and make the inquiry here recorded, see Matt. xi. 1—30, with the Notes.

29. "Justified God."—this verse and the following form no part of our Lord's address to the people respecting the character and mission of his distinguished forerunner, but are introduced parenthetically by the Evangelist

lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.[a]

23 And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

24 ¶ And when the messengers of John were departed, he began to speak unto the people concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness for to see? A reed shaken with the wind?[b]

25 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously apparelled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts.

26 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet.

27 This is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.[c]

28 For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.

29 And all the people that heard *him*, and the publicans, justified God, being baptized with the baptism of John.[d]

30 But the Pharisees and lawyers [1]rejected the counsel of God [2]against themselves, being not baptized of him.[e]

31 ¶ And the Lord said, Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation? and to what are they like?

32 They are like unto children sitting in the marketplace, and calling one to another, and saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned to you, and ye have not wept.

33 For John the Baptist came neither eating bread nor drinking wine; and ye say, He hath a devil.[f]

34 The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a wine-bibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!

35 But wisdom is justified of all her children.[g]

36 ¶ And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat.[h]

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a ch. iv 18; Isa. xxxv. 5; Matt. xi. 4.

b Matt. xi. 7.

c Mal iii 1.

d ch. iii. 12; Matt iii. 5.

1 Or, *frustrated*

2 Or, *within themselves.*

e Acts xx. 27.

f ch i 15, Matt. iii. 4, Mark i. 6

l 1 Tim i 14

m Matt ix 2, Mark ii 5

g Matt xi. 19

n Matt ix 3, Mark ii 7.

h Matt xxvi 6, Mark xiv 3, John xi. 2.

o ch viii 48; xviii 42, Matt ix 22, Mark v 34, x. 52.

37 And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that *Jesus* sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment,

38 And stood at his feet behind *him* weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe *them* with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed *them* with the ointment.

39 Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw *it*, he spake within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman *this is* that toucheth him: for she is a sinner.[i]

40 And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on.

41 There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty.[j]

42 And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?

43 Simon answered and said, I suppose that *he*, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged.

44 And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped *them* with the hairs of her head.

45 Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet.

46 My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.[k]

47 Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, *the same* loveth little.[l]

48 And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.[m]

49 And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also?[n]

50 And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace.[o]

i ch. xv. 2.

j Matt. xviii. 28.

k Ps. xxiii. 5.

himself, to express the effect of our Lord's testimony on the then assembled multitude. *They* justified God—that is, vindicated his character in the mission and work of his servant John, who spoke and acted in his name.

31–35. On these verses, see Matt. xi. 16–19, with the Notes.

36. "One of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him:"—this incident is recorded only by our Evangelist, and is not to be confounded with the anointing mentioned in Matt. xxvi. 7; Mark xiv. 3; John xii. 3. This woman was not Mary Magdalene, but a woman who was known in the city to live a life of sin. It may be that this now distressed and penitent spirit had formerly come into contact with the Saviour, and received some divine, self-subduing impression. And how ineffably loving is the conduct of the Redeemer towards her! "With what power must he have attracted the burdened soul, when a woman, goaded by conscience, could come to him with so sure a hope of obtaining balm for her wounded heart!"

39. "This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth him:"—the Pharisee, who was incapable of appreciating the Saviour's character, and had no idea of the sublime end of his mission, was perfectly astonished that Christ should have anything to do with such a woman, and seems to call in question the knowledge and discernment of his illustrious guest. But, "looking at the disposition of the heart, Jesus prefers the woman—guilty, indeed, but for that reason now longing earnestly for salvation, and penetrated with holy love—to the cold, haughty, self-righteous Pharisee, who, with all his outside show of observing the law, was destitute of that love which is the essential principle of a genuine divine life. It is love, according to Jesus, which gives to religion and its duties their true import. The *faith* of the woman proved itself genuine, because it produced love—love springing from faith, and faith invigorated by love. . . . Her desire for salvation led her to Jesus; her trust guided her in finding a Saviour in HIM. With ardent gratitude she embraced him as such, even *before* he pronounced the pardon of her sins;" her experience of the Saviour's mercy preceded the declaration of forgiveness.

44. "Seest thou this woman?"—it pleased the Searcher of all hearts to honour this woman, and to make her a teacher of the Gospel to the Church. We know not who was thus favoured—her name is little to us, her actions everything. She is "unknown and yet well known." The actions recorded of her become an example, teaching us to sympathise with the Redeemer, and to own him before men. From the behaviour of this woman, we are taught that the penitent will deem no sacrifice too great to be made for the honour of God; and, as Bishop Hall pithily expresses it, "Everything we have is too good for us, if we think anything we have too good for him." We are told she wept: at the remembrance of sin the penitent may mourn, but it will be at the Saviour's feet; and sorrow like this is ever blended with joy. The penitent oft weeps, not that he may be forgiven, but because he has been forgiven, and although in mercy forgiven, the penitent, in his love to God, does never forgive himself. This grateful woman kissed the Saviour's feet. The kiss was a mode by which the Jews testified reverence for a superior; it was also with them a token of affection—a profession of obedience—and was employed to denote allegiance to their king. The contrite, from the fulness of his love, will be ready in his homage to Christ, to combine these acts, and joyfully will tender to his liege Lord reverence, affection, obedience, and allegiance, as becomes one who has vowed to be Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end.

CHAPTER VIII.

3 Women minister unto Christ of their substance. 4 Christ, after he had preached from place to place, attended with his apostles, propoundeth the parable of the sower, 16 and of the candle: 21 declareth who are his mother, and brethren: 22 rebuketh the winds: 26 casteth the legion of devils out of the man unto the herd of swine: 37 is rejected of the Gadarenes 43 healeth the woman of her bloody issue, 49 and raiseth from death Jairus' daughter.



AND it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve *were* with him,

2 And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils,[a]

3 And Joanna the wife of Chuza Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.

4 ¶ And when much people were gathered together, and were come to him out of every city, he spake by a parable:[b]

5 A sower went out to sow his seed: and as he sowed, some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down, and the fowls of the air devoured it.

6 And some fell upon a rock; and as soon as it was sprung up, it withered away, because it lacked moisture.

7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprang up with it, and choked it.

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[a] Matt. xxvii. 55, 56; Mark xvi. 9.

[b] Matt. xiii. 2; Mark iv. 1

8 And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

9 And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be?[c]

[c] Matt. xiii. 10; Mark iv. 10.

10 And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.[d]

[d] Isa. vi. 9; Mark iv. 12.

11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.[e]

[e] Matt. xiii. 18; Mark iv. 14.

12 Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

13 They on the rock *are they*, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.

14 And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep *it*, and bring forth fruit with patience.

16 ¶ No man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth it with a vessel, or putteth *it* under a bed; but setteth *it* on a candlestick, that they which enter in may see the light.[f]

[f] ch xi 33, Matt. v 15, Mark iv 21

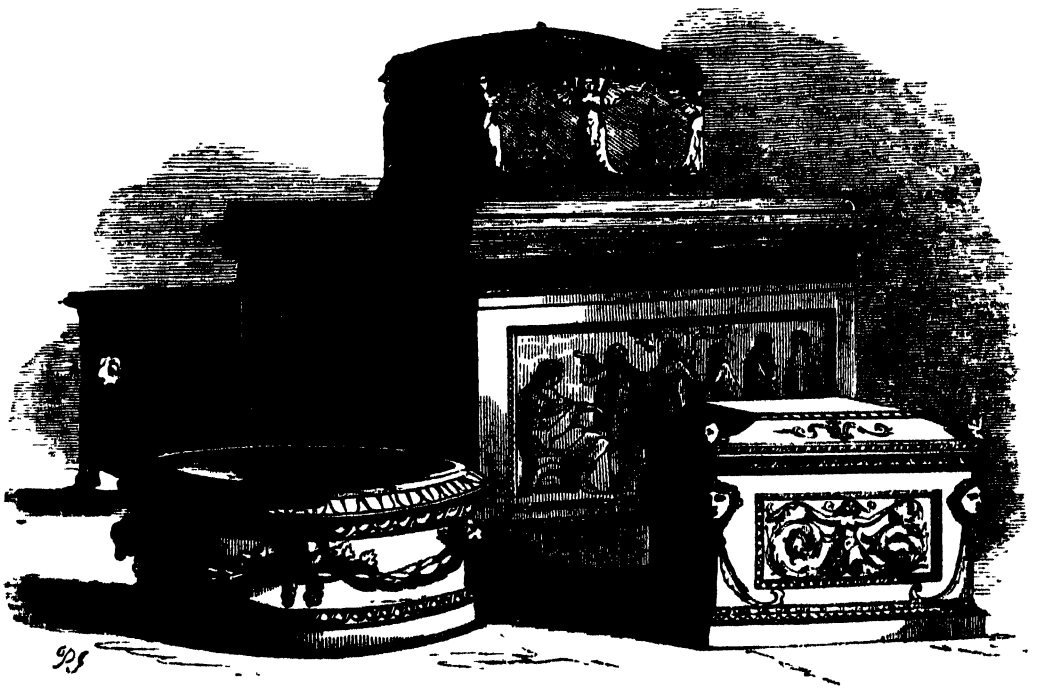
17 For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither *any thing* hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.[g]

[g] ch xii 2, Matt x 26

CHAPTER VIII.

Synopsis.—Luke viii 1–15, Matt xiii 1–8, 18–23, Mark iv 1–21. Luke viii 16–18, Mark iv. 21–25 Luke viii 19–21, Matt. xii 46–50, Mark iii 31–35 Luke viii 22–39; Matt. viii. 18–34; Mark iv. 35—v. 20. Luke viii. 40–56, Matt. ix 18–26, Mark v. 21–43.

The first three verses of this chapter ought to have formed the conclusion of the preceding chapter. The record of this circuit of the Saviour with his twelve disciples is peculiar to our Evangelist; nor can we fail to notice his introduction of those women who attended on the Redeemer, and ministered to him, as the partaker of a true humanity, with all its necessities and all its weaknesses. Beautifully says Olshausen. "He who was the support of the spiritual life of his people disdained not to be supported by them in the body. In the Saviour's earthly life he was not ashamed to penetrate the depths of poverty, nor did he decline to receive the ministrations of his loving followers. He fed others in a miraculous manner; for himself, he lived upon the love of his people Hence he loved with a pure and perfect love, and so permitted himself to be loved He gave all things to men, his brethren, and received all things from them, and enjoyed thereby the pure blessings of love, which is perfect only when it is at the same time both giving and receiving What a feature in this picture of the Messiah! Who would invent things such as these? He who feeds thousands by *one* word of his mouth lives himself upon the bread of the poor! It was necessary to live in this manner, in order that it might be so recorded."



ANCIENT GREEK AND ROMAN ALABASTER BOXES. FROM VARIOUS COLLECTIONS.—LUKE VII. 37.

1. "Went throughout every city and village:" — these labours of our Lord were being prosecuted in Galilee.

2, 3. "Certain women . . . . ministered unto him of their substance:"—it is very noticeable that women only are here named; and with great truth and force has it been said, that "the weaker half of the human race were the first to arrive at the knowledge of the strength that they possessed in Christ." Hence their close and abiding devotion to him.

4. "When much people were come



"AND THE PEOPLE, WHEN THEY KNEW IT, FOLLOWED HIM: AND HE RECEIVED THEM, AND SPAKE UNTO THEM OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD."—LUKE IX. 11.

18 Take heed therefore how ye hear: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have.[a]

19 ¶ Then came to him *his* mother and his brethren, and could not come at him for the press.[b]

20 And it was told him *by certain* which said, Thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to see thee.

21 And he answered and said unto them, My mother and my brethren are these which hear the word of God, and do it.

22 ¶ Now it came to pass on a certain day, that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said

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1 Or, *thinketh that he hath.*

a ch. xix. 26; Matt. xiii. 12; xxv. 29

b Matt xii 46; Mark iii. 31.

to him:"—we must now think of our Lord as in Capernaum, the metropolis of Galilee; and thither the multitude flocked to hear his words and see his deeds. There were no doubt many earnest and inquiring minds among those who now came together.

15. "Keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience;"—that is, hold fast the truth, perseveringly and consistently, in the midst of life's duties, temptations, and conflicts; and, in maintaining that truth, have the power to endure.

The different effects here described, in connection with the hearing of the truth, are to be resolved into the various subjective conditions of those to whom that truth is addressed.

For the exposition and application of the parable itself, see Matt. xiii. 1—8, 18—23; Mark iv. 1—20.

16—18. "No man, when he hath lighted a candle:"—in all his teaching our Lord never overlooks that law of moral development according to which further communications are made in the degree in which the mind apprehends and appropriates. "It is his law that choice must be made by the

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unto them, Let us go over unto the other side of the lake. And they launched forth.[a]

23 But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake; and they were filled *with water*, and were in jeopardy.

24 And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. Then he arose, and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm.

25 And he said unto them, Where is your faith? And they being afraid wondered, saying one to another, What manner of man is this! for he commandeth even the winds and water, and they obey him.

26 ¶ And they arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, which is over against Galilee.[b]

27 And when he went forth to land, there met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time, and ware no clothes, neither abode in *any* house, but in the tombs.

28 When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, *thou* Son of God most high? I beseech thee, torment me not.

29 (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For oftentimes it had caught him: and he was kept bound with chains and in fetters; and he brake the bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)

30 And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him.

31 And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep.[c]

32 And there was there an herd of many swine feeding on the mountain: and they besought him that he would suffer them to enter into them. And he suffered them.

33 Then went the devils out of the man, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the lake, and were choked.

34 When they that fed *them* saw what was done, they fled, and went and told *it* in the city and in the country.

35 Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

36 They also which saw *it* told them by what means he that was possessed of the devils was healed.

37 ¶ Then the whole multitude of the country of the Gadarenes round about besought him to depart from them; for they were taken with great fear: and he went up into the ship, and returned back again.[d]

38 Now the man out of whom the devils were departed besought him that he might be with him: but Jesus sent him away, saying,[e]

39 Return to thine own house, and shew how great things God hath done unto thee. And he went his way, and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done unto him.

40 And it came to pass, that, when Jesus was returned, the people *gladly* received him: for they were all waiting for him.

41 ¶ And, behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and besought him that he would come into his house:[f]

42 For he had one only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she lay a dying. But as he went the people thronged him.

43 ¶ And a woman having an issue of blood twelve years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any,

44 Came behind *him*, and touched the border of his garment: and immediately her issue of blood stanched.

45 And Jesus said, Who touched me? When all denied, Peter and they that were with him said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press *thee*, and sayest thou, Who touched me?

46 And Jesus said, Somebody hath touched me: for I perceive that virtue is gone out of me.[g]

47 And when the woman saw that she was not hid, she came trembling, and falling down before him, she declared unto him before all the people for what cause she had touched him, and how she was healed immediately.

48 And he said unto her, Daughter, be of good comfort: thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace.

49 ¶ While he yet spake, there cometh one from the ruler of the synagogue's *house*, saying to him, Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master.[h]

50 But when Jesus heard *it*, he answered him, saying, Fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole.

51 And when he came into the house, he suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James, and John, and the father and the mother of the maiden.

52 And all wept, and bewailed her: but he said, Weep not; she is not dead, but sleepeth.[i]

[a] Matt. viii. 23; Mark iv. 35.

[b] Matt. viii. 28; Mark v. 1.

[c] Rev. xx. 3.

[d] Matt. viii. 34; Acts xvi. 39.

[e] Mark v. 18.

[f] Matt. ix. 18; Mark v. 22.

[g] ch. vi. 19; Mark v. 30.

[h] Mark v. 35.

[i] John xi. 11, 13.

free determination of the will, between God and the world, before the susceptibility for divine things can arise in the human heart. The heart, divinely enlightened, tends to the point from whence it seeks its highest good. . . . The divine light streams forth in vain, if the light-perceiving eye of the soul is darkened." Or, as Pascal has it, "It is necessary to love divine things to know them." Hence the exhortation embodied in these verses. (See Matt. vi. 22, 23.)

19—21. For the connection of these words, and for the circumstances connected with their delivery, consult Matt. xii. 46—50; Mark iii. 31—35, with the Notes and Commentary.

22—25. "It came to pass on a certain day:"—this "certain day" is determined by St. Mark, who says, "And the same day when the even was come"—that is, in the evening of the same day that the parables were delivered. The miracle of stilling the storm is one of the most sublime and impressive in the whole life of Christ. It is for us that Jesus sleeps—it is for us that Jesus awakes. Mark the nature of true prayer. "It is," says an eminent writer, "the application of want to Him who alone can relieve it; the voice of sin to Him who alone can pardon it. It is not eloquence, but earnestness. It is the cry of faith to the ear of mercy."

26—39. "There met him out of the city a certain man, which had devils long time:"—Matthew says there were *two* men. The fact here involved is not whether one or two experienced the delivering power of Christ, or whether they came out from the city or from among the tombs, but did the Saviour perform such a miracle? Did the miracle here recorded form one of the

53 And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead.

54 And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, Maid, arise.[a]

55 And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat.

56 And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man what was done.[b]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Christ sendeth his apostles to work miracles, and to preach.* 7 *Herod desired to see Christ.* 17 *Christ feedeth five thousand:* 18 *enquireth what opinion the world had of him: foretelleth his passion:* 23 *proposeth to all the pattern of his patience.* 28 *The transfiguration.* 37 *He healeth the lunatick:* 43 *again forewarneth his disciples of his passion:* 46 *commendeth humility:* 51 *biddeth them to shew mildness towards all, without desire of revenge.* 57 *Divers would follow him, but upon conditions.*



THEN he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases.[c]

2 And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick.[d]

3 And he said unto them, Take nothing for *your* journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece.[e]

4 And whatsoever house ye enter into, there abide, and thence depart.[f]

5 And whosoever will not receive you, when ye go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet for a testimony against them.[g]

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[h] Mark vi. 12.

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[a] ch. vii. 14; John xi. 43.

[i] Matt. xiv. 1; Mark vi. 14.

[b] Matt. viii 4; ix. 30; Mark v. 43.

[j] ch. xxiii. 8.

[k] Matt. xiv. 13; Mark vi. 30.

[c] Matt x. 1; Mark iii 13, vi. 7.

[l] Matt. xiv 15, Mark vi 35; John vi. 1, 5.

[d] ch. x 1, 9; Matt. x. 7, 8; Mark vi. 12.

[e] ch. x. 4; xxii. 35; Matt. x. 9; Mark vi 8.

[f] Matt. x. 11; Mark vi. 10

[g] Matt x. 14; Acts xiii. 51

6 And they departed, and went through the towns, preaching the gospel, and healing every where.[h]

7 ¶ Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by him: and he was perplexed, because that it was said of some, that John was risen from the dead;[i]

8 And of some, that Elias had appeared; and of others, that one of the old prophets was risen again.

9 And Herod said, John have I beheaded: but who is this, of whom I hear such things? And he desired to see him.[j]

10 ¶ And the apostles, when they were returned, told him all that they had done. And he took them, and went aside privately into a desert place belonging to the city called Bethsaida.[k]

11 And the people, when they knew *it*, followed him: and he received them, and spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and healed them that had need of healing.

12 And when the day began to wear away, then came the twelve, and said unto him, Send the multitude away, that they may go into the towns and country round about, and lodge, and get victuals: for we are here in a desert place.[l]

13 But he said unto them, Give ye them to eat. And they said, We have no more but five loaves and two fishes; except we should go and buy meat for all this people.

14 For they were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, Make them sit down by fifties in a company.

15 And they did so, and made them all sit down.

16 Then he took the five loaves and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed them, and brake, and gave to the disciples to set before the multitude.

17 And they did eat, and were all filled: and there was taken up of fragments that remained to them twelve baskets.

18 ¶ And it came to pass, as he was alone praying,

events in his sublime and ever active life? See Matt. viii. 28—34; Mark v. 1—20; with Notes and Commentary.

40—56. In these two miracles, for remarks on which consult Matt. ix. 18—26; Mark v. 21—43, the Redeemer comes before us in the very character of all others most adapted to meet the longings and the yearnings of suffering and sorrowing humanity. "With the most holy and most pure will of God, he combines a fulness of divine, life-bestowing power. Raised far above the miseries and sinfulness of this earthly life, he does not withdraw his blessed presence therefrom; but, on the contrary, he mercifully descends into the lowest regions of misery, that he may, in the fulness of time, exalt his followers to a participation in his felicity."

CHAPTER IX.

SYNOPSIS.—Luke ix. 1—5; Matt. x. 1—14; Mark vi. 7—13. Luke ix. 7—9; Matt xiv. 1—12; Mark vi. 14—29 Luke ix 10—17; Matt xiv. 13—21; Mark vi. 30—44; John vi. 1—14. Luke ix. 18—27; Matt xvi 13—28; Mark viii 27—ix. 1. Luke ix 28—36, Matt xvii. 1—13; Mark ix. 2—13. Luke ix. 37—45; Matt. xvii. 14—23; Mark ix 14—32. Luke ix. 46—56; Matt. xviii. 1—35; Mark ix. 33—50. Luke ix. 51—62; Matt. vui 19—22.

There can be no doubt that the lengthened period which the Saviour passed in Galilee was partly employed in the education and training of his disciples for their future work as ministers of his word, and missionaries to the benighted nations around. At first they accompanied him in the prosecution of his matchless work; "but, in order to accustom them to independent labours, and to test their qualifications for the work, he sent them forth on a trial mission. . . . He by no means sent them to proclaim the whole truth of salvation—they were as yet incapable of this; and it was at a later period only that he promised the gift of the Spirit to qualify them for it. So long as he remained upon the earth, HE was the sole Teacher. *They* were only to proclaim everywhere that the kingdom of God—the object of all men's desire—had come. . . . Their present work was to be a type of their future labours when the great work *within* them should be accomplished. As they were to become bearers of the word, the Spirit, and the powers of Christ, so preparation was already to be made for this, though as yet incompletely."

1. "Gave them power and authority over all devils:"—it is never to be forgotten that the Saviour, in communicating these supernatural powers to his disciples, designed that they should be employed by them, as those who professed to be devoted to his service, as organs to fulfil his will. "As these powers emanated from the source of divine life in him, may we not conclude that the degree in which they were imparted to others depended upon the degree in which they had imbibed that life from him?"

7—9. "Herod was perplexed:"—he no doubt conceived that the man who could wield such powers over matter and mind must have in him something supernatural and divine. His conscience was roused from its slumber, his guilt stared him in the face, and he was afraid. It was not that he apprehended the loss of his temporal power; but he could not endure himself. His conscience became his accuser, and the guilty man stood self-condemned.

10. "Went aside privately into a desert place."—the other three Evangelists inform us that he went not by land, as we might suppose from the words of Luke, but in a ship by water The Bethsaida in whose vicinity was this desert place is not to be confounded with the well-known Bethsaida, on the western bank of the lake, not far from Capernaum: this stood at the head of the lake, on the Jordan. Thither the multitudes followed him, and arrived there before him; and he, coming forth from his solitude, not only gave them renewed instruction, but exerted his healing power in behalf of those who were afflicted and diseased.

18. "It came to pass, as he was alone:"—from the Evangelists Matthew and Mark, we learn that the Saviour had gone into the neighbourhood of Cæsarea Philippi. The question which he proposes for solution to the twelve was designed to bring into view the faith of his professed followers.

21. "Commanded them to tell no man:"—it may be, as Neander says, that this prohibition was given with a view to prevent his disciples, whose minds were still tinctured with the ordinary ideas and expectations of a visible kingdom to be founded by the Messiah, from diffusing the ideas which they thus entertained, and thus leading the people to political undertakings, in opposition to the one sublime design of the Saviour himself.

23—27. There is almost a verbal agreement among all the three Evangelists respecting these solemn and awakening words. (See Matt. xvi. 24—28, and Mark viii. 34—ix. 1.)

his disciples were with him: and he asked them, saying, Whom say the people that I am?[a]

19 They answering said, John the Baptist; but some *say*, Elias; and others *say*, that one of the old prophets is risen again.[b]

20 He said unto them, But whom say ye that I am? Peter answering said, The Christ of God.[c]

21 And he straitly charged them, and commanded *them* to tell no man that thing;[d]

22 Saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.[e]

23 ¶ And he said to *them* all, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.[f]

24 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it.

25 For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away?[g]

26 For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and *in his* Father's, and of the holy angels.[h]

27 But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the kingdom of God.[i]

28 ¶ And it came to pass about an eight days after these [1]sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray.[j]

29 And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment *was* white *and* glistering.

30 And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias:

31 Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.

32 But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him.[k]

33 And it came to pass, as they departed from him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias: not knowing what he said.

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a Matt. xvi. 13; Mark viii. 27.

b ver. 7, 8; Matt. xiv. 2. l Matt. iii. 17; Acts iii. 22.

c Matt. xvi. 16; John vi. 69.

d Matt. xvi. 20.

m Matt. xvii. 9.

n Matt. xvii. 14; Mark ix. 14, 17.

e Matt. xvi. 21; xvii. 22.

f ch. xiv. 27; Matt. x. 38; xvi. 24; Mark viii. 34.

g Matt. xvi. 26; Mark viii. 36.

h Matt. x. 33; Mark viii 38; 2 Tim. ii. 12.

i Matt. xvi. 28; Mark ix. 1.

1 Or, *things*.

j Matt. xvii. 1; Mark ix. 2

o Matt xvii 22.

p ch ii 50; xviii 34, Mark ix 32

q Matt xviii 1; Mark ix 34

k Dan. viii. 18; x. 9

r Matt x. 40, xviii. 5; xxiii. 11, 12; Mark ix. 37; John xii. 44; xiii. 20.

34 While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud.

35 And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.[l]

36 And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone. And they kept *it* close, and told no man in those days any of those things which they had seen.[m]

37 ¶ And it came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the hill, much people met him.[n]

38 And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying, Master, I beseech thee, look upon my son: for he is mine only child.

39 And, lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he foameth again, and bruising him hardly departeth from him.

40 And I besought thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not.

41 And Jesus answering said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither.

42 And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare *him*. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father.

43 ¶ And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God. But while they wondered every one at all things which Jesus did, he said unto his disciples,

44 Let these sayings sink down into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered into the hands of men.[o]

45 But they understood not this saying, and it was hid from them, that they perceived it not: and they feared to ask him of that saying.[p]

46 ¶ Then there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be greatest.[q]

47 And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by him,

48 And said unto them, Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me: for he that is least among you all, the same shall be great.[r]

49 ¶ And John answered and said, Master, we

28—36. In St. Luke's account of the Transfiguration, there is one feature which has been omitted by the other two Evangelists, and that is, the theme which occupied this select and favoured circle in the glory-crowned height—"they spake of his decease:" not the simple fact of his dying, but the nature of his death as an atonement for sin, with all its bearings, immediate and remote, in the redemption of his people, the establishment of his kingdom, and the manifestation of his own and of his Father's glory.

36. "They kept it close:"—both Matthew and Mark state, as the reason for this silence, that the Saviour had forbidden them to speak of the scene which they had just witnessed. Nor is it at all improbable that "Christ's conversations with them, and the pressure of duties, withdrew their attention from this event until after the resurrection, when, as the several incidents of their later intercourse with Christ were brought to mind, this transfiguration was vividly recalled, and then was assigned to it its proper place in the epoch which preceded and prepared the way for the sufferings of the Redeemer. That the scene, and all connected with it, left a deep impression on the minds of the three disciples, may be inferred from the fact, that it was fresh in the memory of Peter even in the later years of his life, and that he has given it a place in one of his apostolic letters. (See 2 Pet. i. 17, 18.)

37. "Much people met him:"—this was the multitude who gathered round the other disciples at the foot of the mount, while Christ with Peter, James, and John were on its height; and among the throng was a loving and anxious father interceding with these disciples on behalf of an afflicted child. Of the peculiar malady of the child we are not informed, but through that malady some evil spirit so acted as to lead the sufferer to inflict injuries upon himself. The failure of the disciples in effecting the cure of the child is to be traced to the fact, that they lacked an implicit reliance on the Saviour, as the source of their power; and that in proportion as they attempted anything in their own strength, were they disqualified for the exercise of their wonder-working but delegated power.

42. "The devil threw him down, and tare him:"—this new and yet intenser paroxysm to which the child became subject through the opposition of the indwelling demoniac, and which took place in the presence of the whole multitude, rendered the recovery all the more striking, and all the more incontrovertible. It was at the height of the malady the Saviour interposed; and while the child lay before him exhausted, and more resembling a corpse than a living creature, Jesus takes him by the hand, and immediately he is made whole. It is the sublime prerogative of God to speak, and it is done.

44. "Let these sayings sink down into your ears:"—these sayings are not to be referred to the foregoing discourses, which were uttered to the multitudes in connection with the wondrous deeds performed by our Lord, nor to anything which he was about to utter to the throng by which he was surrounded on the present occasion; but to the clear and repeated intimations which he had given to his own immediate followers as to his approaching sufferings and death.



THE SAMARITAN AND THE WOUNDED MAN AT THE WAYSIDE.—LUKE X. 30–35.

saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbad him, because he followeth not with us.[a]

50 And Jesus said unto him, Forbid *him* not: for he that is not against us is for us.[b]

51 ¶ And it came to pass, when the time was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem,[c]

52 And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him.

53 And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem.[d]

54 And when his disciples James and John saw *this*, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did?[e]

55 But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of.

56 For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save *them*. And they went to another village.[f]

57 ¶ And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain *man* said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.[g]

58 And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air *have* nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay *his* head.

59 And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.[h]

60 Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God.

61 And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.[i]

62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a Numb. xi. 28; Mark ix. 38.

b ch. xi. 23; Matt. xii. 30.

c Mark xvi. 19; Acts i. 2.

d John iv. 4, 9.

e 2 Kings i. 10, 12.

f Matt. ix. 37, 38; John iv. 35; 2 Thess. iii. 1.

g Matt. viii. 19.

h Matt. viii. 21.

i 1 Kings xix. 20.

CHAPTER X.

1 *Christ sendeth out at once seventy disciples to work miracles, and to preach:* 17 *admonisheth them to be humble, and wherein to rejoice:* 21 *thanketh his Father for his grace:* 23 *magnifieth the happy estate of his church:* 25 *teacheth the lawyer how to attain eternal life, and to take every one for his neighbour that needeth his mercy:* 41 *reprehendeth Martha, and commendeth Mary her sister.*



AFTER these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.[j]

2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly *is* great, but the labourers *are* few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.[k]

3 Go your ways: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.[l]

4 Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.[m]

5 And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace *be* to this house.[n]

6 And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.

7 And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house.[o]

8 And into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you:

9 And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.[p]

10 But into whatsoever city ye enter, and they receive you not, go your ways out into the streets of the same, and say,

11 Even the very dust of your city, which cleaveth

j Matt. x. 1; Mark vi. 7.

k Matt. ix. 37, 38; John iv. 35; 2 Thess. iii. 1.

l Matt. x. 16.

m ch. ix. 3; 2 Kings iv. 29; Matt. x. 9, 10; Mark vi. 8.

n Matt. x. 12.

o Matt. x. 10, 11; 1 Cor. ix. 4, &c.; x. 27; 1 Tim. v. 18.

p ver. 11; ch. ix. 2; Matt iii. 2; iv. 17; v 7.

45. "It was hid from them:"—not only was it "the Divine purpose that they should not at present be aware of the full significancy of these words," but what they involved was hid from their mental and moral perception; otherwise, in their imperfect state of faith and fortitude, they would have been dispirited and wholly unfit for the work which lay before them anterior to the death of their Master.

48. "Whosoever shall receive this child in my name:"—either as a follower of mine, or for my sake shall show kindness to this child, it shall be as though it were rendered unto me; and those who resemble that child most in humility and self-forgetfulness, will most nearly approach to the spirit of the Gospel.

51. "Set his face to go to Jerusalem:"—he went, internally strong, and full of sublime resolution, to meet death; and "in this expression death, resurrection, and ascension are included all in one."

52. "Entered into a village of the Samaritans:"—the road taken by our Lord through Samaria was generally avoided by travellers to the feasts. He sent messengers before him, to insure his being received and entertained by some family. The Samaritans were but ill-affected towards him and his followers, and hence the language of James and John which follows. There can be no doubt that the intention of these two disciples was good, and their faith, doubtless, was strong, but their conduct was in violation of that love which beareth all things, and whose office it is not to destroy, but to save and bless.

62. "Having put his hand to the plough:"—this figure is borrowed from agricultural pursuits, and points to labour, perseverance, and fidelity. No man can plough without effort and exertion; and no man, in ploughing, can make straight furrows who does not keep his eye on the plough. Solemn lesson this to the ministers of Christ, and to every private believer, in doing the work of their Lord.

CHAPTER X.

SYNOPSIS:—This and the eight following chapters are peculiar to the Evangelist St. Luke, and peculiar, also, in the form in which he gives them.

This mission of the seventy is not to be confounded with the sending out the twelve. The discourse in both instances is much the same in substance, but still the occasions and the circumstances are different. Stier is right in saying that "the discourse in Matt. x., in its three great divisions, speaks plainly of an office founded, and a ministry ordained, which involved a work and embraced consequences co-extensive both in space and duration with the world;" but "here we have no such prospective view unfolded." Between the two missions—the mission of the twelve, as recorded in chap. ix. 1—6, and the mission of the seventy, as narrated in the present chapter—there may have been an interval of a year, and that year the final one, in which the opposition to Christ and his kingdom had gathered strength.

1. "Sent them two and two:"—the social principle belongs to humanity as an inherent element. No creature can live and act in a state of isolation, and therefore our Lord here lays hold of this principle, and sanctifies it to the highest uses in connection with the progress of his kingdom in the world.

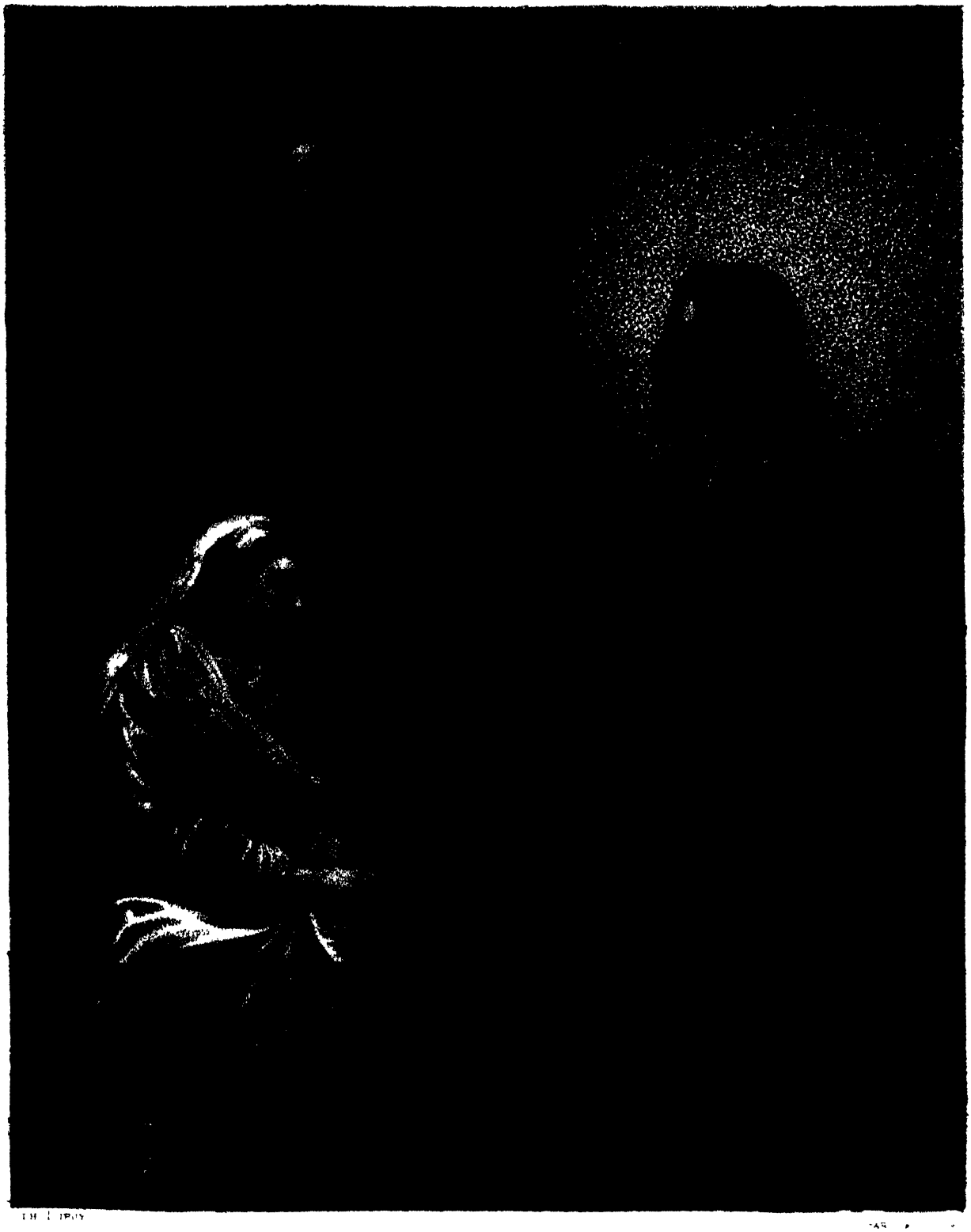
2. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest:"—prayer would fix their thoughts on the extent and the destitution of the field to be occupied, and with such impressions they would feel their own insufficiency to overtake the work to be done; and hence their zeal would increase, and their consecration be all the more devoted.

3. "Lambs among wolves:"—this points to "the simplicity of the disciples, along with their defencelessness; the simplicity of faith in the call, and their abiding faithfulness to the work assigned to them of proclaiming the message of peace."

4. "Neither purse, nor scrip:"—the obvious design of this injunction is, to keep the disciples from taking anything on their journey which was not really necessary—anything which would interfere with promptitude and dispatch in the discharge of duty.

9. "Heal the sick that are therein:"—it is a question whether their miraculous power was to be confined within this narrower limit. If so, it must have arisen from the fact that they had no time to spare to this department of labour. Their immediate work was to proclaim the advent of the New Dispensation, and to press home its claims upon the hearts of men; and for this every moment was infinitely precious.

11. "We do wipe off against you:"—this symbolical act of wiping off the dust of the city from the feet of the disciples denoted that Divine judgments were impending over the place; and the servants of Christ would not so much as carry away a single particle of the dust of a city exposed to the anger of God.



CHRIST IN THE HOUSE OF MARTHA AND MARY.

LUKE X

on us, we do wipe off against you: notwithstanding be ye sure of this, that the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.[a]

12 But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom, than for that city.[b]

13 Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.[c]

14 But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment, than for you.

15 And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell.[d]

16 He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth me; and he that despiseth me despiseth him that sent me.[e]

17 ¶ And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.[f]

18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.[g]

19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.[h]

20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.[i]

21 ¶ In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.[j]

22 [1]All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and *he* to whom the Son will reveal *him*.[k]

23 ¶ And he turned him unto *his* disciples, and said privately, Blessed *are* the eyes which see the things that ye see:[l]

24 For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen *them;* and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard *them*.[m]

25 ¶ And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?[n]

26 He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

27 And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.[o]

28 And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.

29 But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour?[p]

30 And Jesus answering said, A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead.

31 And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.[q]

32 And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked *on him*, and passed by on the other side.

33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion *on him*,[r]

34 And went to *him*, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

35 And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave *them* to the host, and said

ANNO DOMINI 32.

[l] Matt. xiii. 16.

[a] ch. ix 5; Matt. x. 14; Acts xiii. 51; xviii. 6.

[b] Matt. x. 15; Mark vi. 11.

[m] 1 Peter i. 10.

[n] Matt. xix. 16; xxii. 35.

[c] Ezek. iii. 6; Matt. xi. 21.

[d] Gen. xi. 4; Deut. i. 28; Isa. xiv. 13; Jer. li. 53; Ezek. xxvi. 20; xxxii. 18; Matt. xi. 23.

[o] Lev xix. 18; Deut. vi. 5.

[e] Matt. x. 40; Mark ix. 37, John v 23; xiii 20; 1 Thess. iv. 8.

[p] ch. xvi 15; Lev. xviii. 5; Neh. ix. 29, Ezek xx. 11, 13, 21; Rom. x. 5.

[f] ver. 1.

[g] John xii 31; xvi 11, Rev. ix. 1, xii. 8, 9.

[h] Mark xvi. 18; Acts xxviii 5

[q] Ps. xxxviii. 11.

[i] Exod. xxxii. 32; Ps. lxix. 28, Isa iv 3; Dan xii 1, Philip iv. 3, Heb xii 23, Rev. xiii. 8, xx. 12; xxi. 27.

[r] John iv. 9.

[j] Matt. xi. 25

1 Many ancient copies add these words, *And turning to his disciples, he said,*

[k] Matt. xxviii 18; John i 18; iii 35; v. 27, vi 44, 46; xvii. 2.

12—16. For the application of these most solemn verses, see Matt. xi. 20—24, with the Notes.

17. "The devils are subject unto us:"—of the effects of their ministry they say nothing, but only of their miraculous powers. These effects filled them with wonder, elation, and pride. Yet how limited were the results which they had witnessed. Hence says our Lord, "I beheld Satan fall," in which saying Satan must be taken as the personification of all evil; and the Son of God having been manifested to destroy the works of the devil, his first appearance in the flesh was virtually and in effect the overthrow of all the powers of darkness. What wonder, then, that these his disciples should have so far succeeded in their mission! It is possible, however, that our Lord here refers to the future, and informs these his servants that these results were but the precursors of the triumphs which the Gospel would achieve in its contests against sin and Satan.

20. "Rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you:"—the idea is, that personal religion, or the life of God in the soul, is something to be preferred to the most distinguished supernatural gifts and endowments. "What is necessary above all other things is that humility and simple-mindedness which, notwithstanding the performance of great things, remains humble and undisturbed by earthly scenes and earthly influences, and constantly looks to heaven."

22. "No man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father"—if it be true that we cannot know and see the Father, except in the revelation of the Son, it is just as true that it is only in the knowledge of the Father that we can have the knowledge of the Son; and "to see the Son with the open eye of faith, this, and this alone, is, and remains, the true cause and object of joy."

24. "Many prophets and kings:"—to prophets and to princes had God revealed his will of old, and in proportion as these men of rank and office perceived the truth and made it their own, did they become conscious of enlarged desire and expectation. They were eager and earnest to obtain still further disclosures; but they died without this enlarged knowledge—the privileges desired were not vouchsafed to them; and therefore how much more favoured were these his followers, who could lay no claim to prophetic office or real dignity, to whom he vouchsafes that greater revelation of which he himself was the embodiment and the perfection.

25. "Behold, a certain lawyer"—this narrative is not to be confounded with that of Matt. xix. 16, which Luke also introduces. This lawyer was a sort of scribe, whose office it was to interpret and teach the law. There is no evidence that he was actuated by any hostile or unfriendly feeling; but having heard some of the profounder sayings of our Lord, and being impressed with his unwonted method of teaching, he puts the Saviour to the test by the question, "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" It is true that he was an unbeliever, but it is not true that he speaks of Christ in the language of envy. There is an element of earnestness in his question, and hence the patience and the love with which the Saviour proceeds to teach him.

28. "This do, and thou shalt live"—obedience to the revealed and perfect law of God is the one condition of life. This the lawyer admitted by his answer to the question, "How readest thou?"—which embodied far more than he intended, and touched his conscience. He begins to add sophistical questions relating to the commandments, in order to escape the condemnation which he vaguely sees must follow as the consequence of not doing. In this question Christ adds a special explanation of the commandment of love to our neighbour, by which our love to God is to be tried and to become manifest; but this principle of love, this motive power to action, fallen man can only attain by grace from on high.

29. "Who is my neighbour?"—a certain man. There is no mention made of nation, tribe, rank, character, or the like: it is a man in distress requiring help—that is enough. True love, which always manifests itself in corresponding activity, will hasten to his relief, whoever and whatever he may be

30. "A certain man:"—the design of our Lord in this beautiful and touching parable is to give an exposition of the law of love. It is "a parable of convincing force, which strikes down every self-justification of the disputer who has not experienced this love." The parable itself, to which is added a practical application, portrays, in a most touching manner, that ACTIVE LOVE which benefits our neighbour. The picture held up to view would prove to the lawyer how destitute he was of such love, and would show, in the distant background, the merciful love of God, that causes men to be blessed through the instrumentality of men.

unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.[a]

36 Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

37 And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

38 ¶ Now it came to pass, as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house.[b]

39 And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.[c]

40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.

41 And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things:

42 But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.[d]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Christ teacheth to pray, and that instantly:* 11 *assuring that God so will give us good things.* 14 *He, casting out a dumb devil, rebuketh the blasphemous Pharisees:* 28 *and sheweth who are blessed:* 29 *preacheth to the people,* 37 *and reprehendeth the outward shew of holiness in the Pharisees, scribes, and lawyers.*



AND it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

2 And he said unto them, When ye pray, say, Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.[e]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

1 Or, *for the day.*

a Matt. xx. 2.

2 Or, *out of his way.*

b John xi. 1; xii. 2, 3.

c ch. viii. 35; Acts xxii. 3; 1 Cor. vii. 32, &c.

f ch. xviii. 1, &c

g Matt vii 7; xxi. 22, Mark xi 24, John xv 7, James i. 6, 1 John iii. 22

d Ps. xxvii. 4.

h Matt. vii. 9.

3 Gr. *give.*

A.D 33.]

i Matt ix. 32, xii. 22.

4 Gr *Beelzebul*, and so vs 18, 19

j Matt ix 34, xii 24

k Matt. xii. 38, xvi 1

e Matt vi 9

l Matt xii 25; Mark iii. 24, John ii 25.

3 Give us [1]day by day our daily bread.

4 And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.[e]

5 And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

6 For a friend of mine [2]in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

7 And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee.

8 I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him, because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.[f]

9 And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.[g]

10 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

11 If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if *he ask* a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent?[h]

12 Or if he shall ask an egg, will he [3]offer him a scorpion?

13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

14 ¶ And he was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered.[i]

15 But some of them said, He casteth out devils through [4]Beelzebub the chief of the devils.[j]

16 And others, tempting *him*, sought of him a sign from heaven.[k]

17 But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house *divided* against a house falleth.[l]

"Went down from Jerusalem."—Jerusalem, the capital, stood on higher ground than Jericho, and the road from Jerusalem to Jericho was notorious for the robberies committed there, and so infamous for murders as to be named the RED, or BLOODY WAY, and which, in the time of Jerome, required a fort garrisoned by Roman soldiers to protect travellers.

31. "There came down a priest:"—Jericho was one of the cities which pertained to the priesthood, and if this man were returning from fulfilling his appointed course of service in the Temple, then all the more imperative was it on him to act towards this injured traveller as the law enjoined. See Exod. xxiii. 4, 5, Deut. xxii. 1—4.

33. "A certain Samaritan"—if love to our neighbour be the rule of action, then a Gentile, by his act of pure and active love, places himself far, very far, above both the priest and the Levite.

34. "Pouring in oil and wine"—these remedial agencies are in general use in the East, and were often prescribed for wounds and other external injuries.

35. "Two pence:"—that is, about fifteen pence of our English money; a liberal gift, if the difference in the value of money at that time be taken into account.

37. "Go, and do thou likewise:"—truly "it is not *place*, but *love*, which makes neighbourhood;" and "love is the fulfilling of the law."

38. "Entered into a certain village"—notwithstanding what certain critics and harmonists say to the contrary, we believe this village to have been Bethany, and these two women to have been no other than the sisters of Lazarus. The place which our Evangelist has here given to this quiet visit to Bethany may not be in the chronological order of events, but he has inserted it here as suiting best his own immediate purpose. Langé supposes that the visit was paid by our Lord about the time of the second Passover feast.

42. "One thing is needful:"—the one inward and spiritual good is here put in contrast with the many outward, temporal, perishing things with which Martha, out of pure love to Christ, was now so busy. By his reiterated call of "Martha! Martha!" our blessed Lord seeks to arouse her out of "her busy confusion;" and then addresses such incomparably deep and clear words to her, that they have become inexhaustible and effective up to our day for all Martha-like souls, by directing them to that truth which is able to make them diligent and discreet in duty, but at the same time fervent in spirit, seeking and serving the Lord.

CHAPTER XI.

1. "In a certain place:"—the Evangelist gives no date, and always prefers the places, scenes, and facts connected with our Lord's life to any dates. Still he does not, in this present instance, specify even the place.

"As John taught his disciples"—the disciples of John stood on much lower ground than those of Jesus, and needed information and guidance on every point. The followers of Christ had been the disciples of John, and now the Spirit of Life, which they had received in and through Christ, ought to have set them free from their former limitations of light and knowledge, and lifted them up into higher devotion.

2—4. The prayer is given in its perfection in Matt. vi. 9—13. Many efforts have been made to account for the omissions in the form as given by Luke, but in vain. Meyer says that our Evangelist's abridgment "is a proof that the Apostolic Church did not use the Lord's Prayer as a form;" to whom Alford puts the question, "If the Apostolic Church did not use the Lord's Prayer as a form, *when* did its use begin, which we find in every known liturgy?"

5. "Go unto him at midnight:"—in the East it is customary to choose



"MARY HATH CHOSEN THAT GOOD PART, WHICH SHALL NOT BE TAKEN AWAY FROM HER."—LUKE X. 42.

18 If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub.

19 And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast *them* out? therefore shall they be your judges.

20 But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you.[a]

21 When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace:[b]

22 But when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils.[c]

23 He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth.[d]

24 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out.[e]

25 And when he cometh, he findeth *it* swept and garnished.

26 Then goeth he, and taketh *to him* seven other

ANNO DOMINI 33

c Isa. liii. 12; Col. ii. 15.

d Matt. xii. 30.

a Exod viii. 19.

e Matt. xii. 43.

b Matt. xii. 29; Mark iii. 27.

the coolness of the night for travelling. Hence the arrival of the friend at this late hour.

13. "Give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him:"—a father is more than a friend; and yet an earthly father, with all his tenderness and love, is infinitely less willing to bless his children than the ever-blessed God is to benefit those who seek him. "If *selfish man* can be won, by prayer and importunity, to give, and *unjust man* to do right, much more certainly shall the *bountiful* Lord bestow, and the *righteous* Lord do justice." The Spirit is here as the sum and perfection of all gifts.

14—26. For the charge of Christ casting out devils by Beelzebub, see Matt. xii. 22—32, with the Notes; and for the victory of Christ, as the stronger than the strong man, and gaining his victory over Satan and all the powers of darkness, see 1 John iii. 8; Col. ii. 15; Rev. xx. 1—4.

27, 28. "Blessed is the womb that bare thee"—there are those who regard this exclamation as something coming in very affectionately between the malicious blasphemy and the less malicious demand of a sign, while others regard it as nothing better than a "most artlessly unintelligent exclamation of mere womanly feeling." Some regard it as expressive of the woman's devout attention to our Lord's solemn discourse, and her appreciation of his doctrine; while others look upon it as mere unenlightened, empty praise bestowed on the mother who had given birth to such a son and such a teacher. But the Saviour, in his reply, clearly intimates that the blessedness of Mary consisted not in the fact of being his mother, but in the higher reality of her having personally received the truth of God, and embodied its holy requirements in her life and character. Peculiar honour belonged to her as his mother; but far higher honour belonged to her as one of his followers.

spirits more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there: and the last *state* of that man is worse than the first.[a]

27 ¶ And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed *is* the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked.[b]

28 But he said, Yea rather, blessed *are* they that hear the word of God, and keep it.[c]

29 ¶ And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say, This is an evil generation: they seek a sign; and there shall no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet.[d]

30 For as Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall also the Son of man be to this generation.[e]

31 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon *is* here.[f]

32 The men of Nineve shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here.[g]

33 No man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth *it* in a secret place, neither under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light.[h]

34 The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when *thine eye* is evil, thy body also *is* full of darkness.[i]

35 Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness.

36 If thy whole body therefore *be* full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when [1]the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.

37 ¶ And as he spake, a certain Pharisee besought him to dine with him: and he went in, and sat down to meat.

38 And when the Pharisee saw *it*, he marvelled that he had not first washed before dinner.[j]

39 And the Lord said unto him, Now do ye Pharisees make clean the outside of the cup and the platter; but your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a John v. 14; Heb. vi. 4; x. 26; 2 Peter ii. 20.

2 Or, *as you are able.*

l ch. xii. 33; Isa. lviii. 7; Dan. iv. 27.

b ch. i. 28, 48.

m Matt. xxiii. 23.

c ch. viii. 21; Matt. vii. 21; James i. 25.

n Matt. xxiii. 6; Mark xii. 38, 39.

d Matt. xii. 38, 39.

o Ps. v. 9; Matt. xxiii. 27.

e Jonah i. 17; ii. 10.

f 1 Kings x. 1.

p Matt. xxiii. 4

q Matt. xxiii. 29.

g Jonah iii. 5.

h ch. viii. 16; Matt. v. 15; Mark iv. 21.

r Matt. xxiii. 34.

i Matt. vi. 22.

1 Gr *a candle by its bright shining.*

s Gen. iv. 8, 2 Chron. xxiv 20, 21.

3 Or, *forbad.*

t Matt. xxiii. 13.

j Mark vii. 3

k Matt. xxiii. 25; Titus i. 15.

u Mark xii. 13.

40 *Ye* fools, did not he that made that which is without make that which is within also?

41 But rather give alms [2]of such things as ye have; and, behold, all things are clean unto you.[l]

42 But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.[m]

43 Woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues, and greetings in the markets.[n]

44 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over *them* are not aware *of them.*[o]

45 ¶ Then answered one of the lawyers, and said unto him, Master, thus saying thou reproachest us also.

46 And he said, Woe unto you also, *ye* lawyers! for ye lade men with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers.[p]

47 Woe unto you! for ye build the sepulchres of the prophets, and your fathers killed them.[q]

48 Truly ye bear witness that ye allow the deeds of your fathers: for they indeed killed them, and ye build their sepulchres.

49 Therefore also said the wisdom of God, I will send them prophets and apostles, and *some* of them they shall slay and persecute:[r]

50 That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation;

51 From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of this generation.[s]

52 Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye [3]hindered.[t]

53 And as he said these things unto them, the scribes and the Pharisees began to urge *him* vehemently, and to provoke him to speak of many things:

54 Laying wait for him, and seeking to catch something out of his mouth, that they might accuse him.[u]

29—32 "As Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites:"—his miraculous preservation and his subsequent preaching was a sign to the people of Nineveh.—See Matt. xii. 38—42.

33—36 These verses are very similar to what we find in the Sermon on the Mount.—See Matt. v. 15, vi. 22, 23.

37—39 "Make clean the outside"—nothing was more offensive to the holy Saviour than the conceit and hypocrisy of the Pharisees; and if this Pharisee ventured to call in question the propriety of our Lord's conduct in sitting down to eat with unwashen hands, then the Saviour was fully justified in pointing out to him—host as he was, and Jesus only a guest at his table—the deeper defilement of his heart and life.

41. "Rather give alms"—there are those who take this to be the language of irony, as if our Lord had said, "Ye give alms, and, lo! all things are clean unto you!" But others are unwilling to attribute irony to Christ, and we think they are right. These persons take it as a solemn reproof of the selfish, covetous spirit of the Pharisee. "Ye give alms out of that which you get by injustice and extortion, and you then imagine that your charity will atone for your guilt." Hence the woes which follow, and which ring like the knell of death in the ear.

45. "One of the lawyers:"—that is, a scribe, or teacher of the law.

47—51. As the basis of this passage, see 2 Chron. xxiv. 18—22; and for the exposition, see Matt. xxiii. 23—36.

52. "The key of knowledge:"—that is, they kept back the true interpretation of the law and the prophets.

53. "To urge him vehemently:"—pressed him with questions on every hand, in the hope of finding in his answers some weak and assailable point. How disappointed! how mortified! His speech and his silence were alike their condemnation.

CHAPTER XII.

The sayings embodied in the first twelve verses of this chapter were uttered by our Lord on various occasions, and in earlier periods of his ministry; and in Matthew they stand in different connection. Some of them are separated by our own Evangelist. They are all of the most weighty and momentous character.

1. "In the mean time"—that is, while Our Lord was engaged in the house of the Pharisee, the people without gathered in such throngs as to press upon him up to the point of their own danger and hurt. It is in the hearing of this immense and eager multitude that he utters this discourse, which seems more immediately directed to his own disciples, and is designed to warn them against every form of hypocrisy.

2, 3. "Nothing covered, that shall not be revealed:"—hypocrisy may be practised for a time; but eventually the mask will be torn off by an irresistible hand, and the true character of every man stand revealed in the light of day. Speak as honest men, true in heart and faithful in word, and if it be

CHAPTER XII.

1 Christ preacheth to his disciples to avoid hypocrisy, and fearfulness in publishing his doctrine: 13 warneth the people to beware of covetousness, by the parable of the rich man who set up greater barns. 22 We must not be over careful of earthly things, 31 but seek the kingdom of God, 33 give alms, 36 be ready at a knock to open to our Lord whensoever he cometh. 41 Christ's ministers are to see to their charge, 49 and look for persecution. 54 The people must take this time of grace, 58 because it is a fearful thing to die without reconciliation.



IN the mean time, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another, he began to say unto his disciples first of all, Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy.[a]

2 For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known.[b]

3 Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.

4 And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.[c]

5 But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

6 Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?[d]

7 But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows.

8 Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God:[e]

9 But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

10 And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be forgiven him: but unto him that blasphemeth against the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.[f]

11 And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and *unto* magistrates, and powers, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say:[g]

12 For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.

13 ¶ And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me.

14 And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?[h]

15 And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.[i]

16 And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:

17 And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?

18 And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.

19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, *and* be merry.[j]

20 But God said unto him, *Thou* fool, this night [1]thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?[k]

21 So *is* he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.[l]

22 ¶ And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on.[m]

23 The life is more than meat, and the body *is more* than raiment.

24 Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls?[n]

25 And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit?

26 If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest?

27 Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

g ch. xxi. 14; Matt. x. 19; Mark xiii. 11.

h John xviii. 36.

i 1 Tim. vi. 7, &c.

a Matt. xvi. 6, 12; Mark viii. 15.

b ch. viii. 17, Matt. x. 26, Mark iv. 22.

j Eccles. xi. 9; 1 Cor. xv. 32, James v. 5

1 Or, *do they require thy soul*

c Isa. li. 7, 8, 12, 13, Jer. i. 8, Matt. x. 28, John xv. 14, 15.

k Job xx. 22, xxvii. 8, Ps. xxxix. 6, lii. 7; Jer. xvii. 11; James iv. 14

l ver. 33 Matt. vi. 20, 1 Tim. vi. 18, 19, James ii. 5.

d Matt. x. 29.

m Matt. vi. 25.

e Matt. x. 32; Mark viii. 38; 2 Tim. ii. 12, 1 John ii. 23.

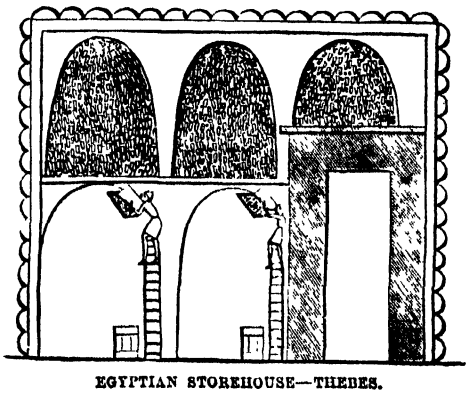
n Job xxxviii. 41, Ps. cxlvii. 9.

f Matt. xii. 31, 32; Mark iii. 28, 1 John v. 16

proclaimed on the housetop, you shall have nothing to be ashamed of. Nor fear man: only be faithful to me and my truth, and the God who cares for the sparrow, and who numbers the hairs of your head, will shield, and preserve, and bless you.—Matt. x. 24—31, xvi. 6.

8—12. For the exposition of these verses, see Matt. x. 19, 20; x. 32, 33; xii. 31, 32.

13—22. "Master, speak to my brother."—here is a man who professedly is listening to our Lord, while he discourses solemnly and with infinite solicitude for the salvation of men, but whose every thought is absorbed in the things of time, and how he may aggrandise himself for this world. He interrupts our Lord, and calls upon him to interfere and settle some strife which had arisen between himself and his brother relative to some property to which each laid equal claim. The man had no doubt been impressed with the mode of the Saviour's treatment of the Pharisees, and therefore asks him to become arbiter in this dispute. The Saviour, to show the unreasonableness and the folly of such attachment to present, earthly things, employs a parable whose application was immediate and manifest.



EGYPTIAN STOREHOUSE—THEBES.

"Much goods laid up for many years"—the produce of his fields, which had yielded abundantly, perhaps for a series of years. This he laid up, and for this purpose pulled down his barns, and replaced them by greater and larger. These barns were, in fact, storehouses, corresponding in some degree to those which Joseph erected in the various cities of Egypt, and in which he laid up the seven years' corn which the land yielded in the time of plenty. These granaries were good, substantial buildings, admirably adapted both for the reception and the preservation of grain. Our engraving, representing one of these storehouses, is taken from a painting discovered at Thebes. That the idea of safety was present to the rich man in the parable when he proposed these new erections, there can be little doubt. He flattered himself not only that he had abundance, but that it was secure. The character of the building and the strength of the structure would indicate this.

22—31. Another section of the Sermon on the Mount, in which our Lord seeks to inspire his own disciples with a simple, loving, child-like trust in God, who is in himself the sum of all conceivable good. Nature reveals his unwearied care and ex-

28 If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven; how much more *will he clothe* you, O ye of little faith?

29 And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, [1]neither be ye of doubtful mind.

30 For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.

31 ¶ But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.[a]

32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.[b]

33 Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth.[c]

34 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

35 Let your loins be girded about, and *your* lights burning;[d]

36 And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.

37 Blessed *are* those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.[e]

38 And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find *them* so, blessed are those servants.

39 And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.[f]

40 Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not.[g]

41 ¶ Then Peter said unto him, Lord, speakest thou this parable unto us, or even to all?

42 And the Lord said, Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom *his* lord shall make ruler over his houshold, to give *them their* portion of meat in due season?[h]

43 Blessed *is* that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

44 Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him a ruler over all that he hath.[i]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

j Matt. xxiv. 48

1 Or, live not in careful suspense.

2 Or, cut him off, Matt. xxiv. 51.

a Matt. vi. 33.

b Matt. xi. 25, 26.

k Numb xv. 30; Deut xxv 2; John ix 41, xv 22, Acts xvii. 30, James iv. 17.

c ch xvi 9, Matt vi 20, xix 21; Acts ii 45; iv 34; 1 Tim. vi. 19

l Lev v. 17; 1 Tim. i 13.

m ver 51

d Matt xxv 1, &c.; Eph. vi. 14, 1 Peter i 13

3 Or, pained

n Matt xx. 22, Mark x 38

o ver 49, Micah vii 6, Matt x 34, John vii. 43, ix 16; x. 19.

p Matt x. 35.

e Matt. xxiv. 46

q Matt. xvi 2

f Matt xxiv 43, 1 Thess v 2, 2 Peter iii 10, Rev iii 3, xvi 15

g ch xxi 34, 36, Matt xxiv 44, xxv 13; Mark xiii 33, 1 Thess. v. 6, 2 Peter iii. 12

h Matt xxiv 45; xxv. 21, 1 Cor iv 2.

r Ps xxxii 6 Prov xxv 8, Isa lv 6, Matt v 25.

i Matt xxiv 47.

s Mark xii 42.

45 But and if that servant say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming; and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidens, and to eat and drink, and to be drunken;[j]

46 The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will [2]cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers.

47 And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*.[k]

48 But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few *stripes*. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.[l]

49 ¶ I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?[m]

50 But I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I [3]straitened till it be accomplished![n]

51 Suppose ye that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, Nay; but rather division:[o]

52 For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three.[p]

53 The father shall be divided against the son, and the son against the father; the mother against the daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

54 ¶ And he said also to the people, When ye see a cloud rise out of the west, straightway ye say, There cometh a shower; and so it is.[q]

55 And when *ye see* the south wind blow, ye say, There will be heat; and it cometh to pass.

56 *Ye* hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky and of the earth; but how is it that ye do not discern this time?

57 Yea, and why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right?

58 ¶ When thou goest with thine adversary to the magistrate, *as thou art* in the way, give diligence that thou mayest be delivered from him; lest he hale thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and the officer cast thee into prison.[r]

59 I tell thee, thou shalt not depart thence, till thou hast paid the very last mite.[s]

haustless bounty, and if he can lavish so much on Nature, what will he not do for the children of his grace and the heirs of his kingdom? The man who finds God in all things cannot fail to find all things in God; and with God as his portion, he may let this world of shadows pass unheeded.

57. "Why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right?"—does this mean, "that which they might know of themselves *from within*, in contrast to the signs of the times from without?" So says Schleiermacher; but the idea seems rather to be that from the signs of the times they could be at no loss to determine the design of Christ's mission, and therefore to decide for themselves what line of conduct they ought to pursue so as to escape the impending judgments of God.

58. "When thou goest with thine adversary"—it is not the design of the Saviour to represent himself in these words as the enemy of the Jewish people They stood in opposition to him and his truth; but what would be suitable for them to do were they in the hands of a righteous creditor, it now became them to do in reference to the Messiah—that is, to agree with him while he was still with them on the earth, "since he would otherwise become their accuser before God, and make it impossible for them to escape the penalty they so justly deserved." He knew the terrible doom which befell the Jewish nation on the ground of their rejection of Jesus as the Son of God and the Saviour of man—a doom drawn down by their own sins.

CHAPTER XIII.

Olshausen looks upon this chapter as "a sermon on repentance, addressed to the people; and an admonition calling for entire decision on the part of the disciples: only this sermon on repentance bears a character of peculiar strength, it being his last, inasmuch as the period of Jesus' public ministry was now drawing to a close" Nor let the fact be overlooked, that our Lord is not here treating so much of sin in the individual man, as of sin in the race to which he as an individual belongs. And hence, to adopt the words of the same commentator, "The Saviour is at pains to awaken equally *in all* the consciousness of guilt, so as to prevent them from regarding those on whom some special suffering was inflicted as more guilty than themselves, or than the rest of the community. By this mode of explanation the feeling of sympathy for all kinds of sufferers was awakened, and true repentance called forth for sin, not only in our own individual case, but that of the human race, with which the Saviour specially had to do. For that feeling is nothing more than the consciousness of our need of an atonement; and forms, consequently, an indispensable requisite to our receiving those



"I WILL ARISE AND GO TO MY FATHER, AND WILL SAY UNTO HIM, FATHER, I HAVE SINNED."—LUKE XV. 18.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Christ preacheth repentance upon the punishment of the Galilæans, and others.* 6 *The fruitless fig tree may not stand* 11 *He healeth the crooked woman:* 18 *sheweth the powerful working of the word in the hearts of his chosen, by the parable of the grain of mustard seed, and of leaven:* 24 *exhorteth to enter in at the strait gate,* 31 *and reproveth Herod and Jerusalem.*



THERE were present at season some

læans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.

2 And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these

, because they suffered such things?

3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

1 Or, debtors, ch xi 4; Matt. xviii 24.

4 Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were [1]sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem?

5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

6 ¶ He spake also this parable; A certain *man* had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.[a]

a Isa. v 2, Matt. xxi. 19

7 Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground?

8 And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung *it:*

9 And if it bear fruit, *well:* and if not, *then* after that thou shalt cut it down.

10 And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.

11 ¶ And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was

bowed together, and could in no wise lift up *herself*.

12 And when Jesus saw her, he called *her to him*, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.

13 And he laid *his* hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.[a]

14 And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day.[b]

15 The Lord then answered him, and said, *Thou* hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or *his* ass from the stall, and lead *him* away to watering?[c]

16 And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?[d]

17 And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.

18 ¶ Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it?[e]

19 It is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great tree; and the fowls of the air lodged in the branches of it.

20 And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God?

21 It is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened.[f]

22 And he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem.[g]

23 Then said one unto him, Lord, are there few that be saved? And he said unto them,

24 ¶ Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 33

i ch. vi 46; vii. 20; Ps xxxii 6; Isa. lv. 6; Matt. vii. 23; xxv. 10, 12.

a Mark xvi. 18; Acts ix. 17.

j ver. 25; Ps vi 8; Matt. vii. 23; xxv. 41.

b ch vi 7; xiv 3; Exod. xx 9; Matt xii. 10, Mark iii. 2

k Matt. viii 11, 12; xiii. 42; xxiv. 51.

c ch. xiv. 5.

d ch xix. 9.

l Matt xix. 30; xx. 16; Mark x. 31.

e Matt xiii 31; Mark iv 30.

m Heb ii. 10.

f Matt xiii 33.

g Matt. ix. 35; Mark vi 6.

n Matt. xxiii 37

h Matt. vii 13; John vii. 34, viii 21; xiii. 33, Rom ix. 31.

o ch. xix. 38; Lev xxvi 31, 32; Ps lxix. 25, cxviii. 26; Isa. i 7, Dan ix. 27; Micah iii 12, Matt xxi 9, Mark xi 10. John xii. 13.

25 When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:[i]

26 Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.

27 But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all *ye* workers of iniquity.[j]

28 There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you *yourselves* thrust out.[k]

29 And they shall come from the east, and *from* the west, and from the north, and *from* the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

30 And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last.[l]

31 ¶ The same day there came certain of the Pharisees, saying unto him, Get thee out, and depart hence: for Herod will kill thee.

32 And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third *day* I shall be perfected.[m]

33 Nevertheless I must walk to day, and to morrow, and the *day* following: for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of Jerusalem.

34 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, as a hen *doth gather* her brood under *her* wings, and ye would not![n]

35 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until *the time* come when ye shall say, Blessed *is* he that cometh in the name of the Lord.[o]

communications of spiritual strength which Jesus came into the world to procure by his death, and to impart through the instrumentality of the Spirit

1. "Whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices."—to what event our Lord here refers it is impossible to say, because of the fact there is no historical record. On the authority of Josephus, we learn that the Galilœans were known as a turbulent and most seditious people, being ready on all occasions to disturb the Roman authority. If they were, as is supposed, the followers of Judas Gaulonitis, who opposed paying tribute to Cæsar, and submitting to the Roman government, then it is not at all unlikely that a party of them having come to Jerusalem during one of the great national festivals, and whilst engaged in the outer court of the Temple in presenting their oblations, Pilate may have sent a company of soldiers, who slew them, and thus mingled their blood with their sacrifices. Such slaughters, we are told, were not unfrequent, and hence we are not to be surprised that the fact is not recorded.

3. "Ye shall all likewise perish,"—a solemn prediction, which was literally fulfilled. It was the Roman power that overthrew Jerusalem, and it was the sword of the Roman which was bathed in the blood of her children.

4. "Upon whom the tower in Siloam fell;"—another example of sudden destruction which had overtaken a certain number of Jews on some occasion, but of which history gives us no further information. But as the building here is described as situated near to the rivulet Siloah, and to the lovely spot irrigated by its waters, it may have been the garden-house of some distinguished man.

6—9. The one grand design of this parable was to impress upon the people to whom our Lord was now speaking the delightful fact that the season of grace was still prolonged to them, in which they might repent and be saved; but that this being the third and closing year of his ministry among them, their continued impenitence and unbelief might be fatal to them, and plunge them into all the sorrows of eternal death. The various points of the parable must not be too closely pressed, such as who is meant by the fig-tree, the proprietor, the dresser, the intercessor, and such like minutiæ.

15. "Thou hypocrite,"—another example of Pharisaic hypocrisy. Here is a man who takes objection to the loving conduct of Jesus in healing an afflicted child of humanity, who would yet justify an inferior act in favour of a dumb animal. The example chosen by our Lord is most apt and fitting. A beast *tied* to the manger is bound, as was this poor woman; and if they were justified in loosing the animal and leading him to the water, surely he was justified in setting free this poor sufferer. The ruler does not venture to address Jesus, nor yet the woman, but turns as if to admonish the whole innocent multitude, though they had nothing at all to do with the woman's sufferings, nor with her miraculous healing on the Sabbath day.

16 "A daughter of Abraham;"—an appellation highly esteemed among the Jews. As her infirmity did not keep her from attending the synagogue, we must regard this attendance under suffering as an evidence of her piety; and the honourable term used by our Lord when speaking of her, leads us to imagine that this "daughter of Abraham" was a person of a devotional spirit. It is not easy, therefore, to perceive on what ground some writers venture to question her faith

18—21. The design of these two little yet significant parables is to show the silent yet certain progress of the reign of grace in the world and in the heart—a reign here denominated "the kingdom of God," because in the New Economy we have all the principles and all the elements of a heavenly life.

24. "Shall not be able"—by putting a full stop after these words, the sense of the passage is rendered obscure. This and the following verse should run into one, thus: "and shall not be able, when once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door." They cannot enter because the door is shut; and the door is shut when the period granted for the dispensation of mercy is at an end.

26. "We have eaten and drunk in thy presence:"—there might have been present some of those whom he had miraculously fed, or who had sat with him at the table of a common hospitality.—See Matt. vii. 13, 14, 21—23; viii. 11, 12; xx. 16.

CHAPTER XIV.

2 Christ healeth the dropsy on the sabbath: 7 teacheth humility: 12 to feast the poor: 15 under the parable of the great supper, sheweth how worldly minded men, who contemn the word of God, shall be shut out of heaven. 25 Those who will be his disciples, to bear their cross must make their accounts aforehand, lest with shame they revolt from him afterward, 34 and become altogether unprofitable, like salt that hath lost his savour.



AND it came to pass, as he went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath day, that they watched him.

2 And, behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy.

3 And Jesus answering spake unto the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?[a]

4 And they held their peace. And he took *him*, and healed him, and let him go;

5 And answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath day?[b]

6 And they could not answer him again to these things.

7 ¶ And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief rooms; saying unto them,

8 When thou art bidden of any *man* to a wedding, sit not down in the highest room; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him;

9 And he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest room.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

c Prov. xxv. 6, 7.

d ch. xviii. 14; Job xxii. 29; Ps xviii 27; Prov. xxix. 23; Matt. xxiii. 12; James iv. 6; 1 Peter v. 5.

e Neh. viii. 10, 12.

f Rev. xix. 9.

a Matt. xii. 10.

g Matt. xxii. 2.

h Prov. ix. 2, 5.

b ch xiii 15; Exod. xxiii. 5, Deut. xxii. 4.

10 But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest room; that when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have worship in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee.[c]

11 For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.[d]

12 ¶ Then said he also to him that bade him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor *thy* rich neighbours; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompence be made thee.

13 But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind:[e]

14 And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

15 ¶ And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed *is* he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.[f]

16 Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many:[g]

17 And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.[h]

18 And they all with one *consent* began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.

19 And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused.

20 And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

21 So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and

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31. "Herod will kill thee:"—at chapter ix 9, we read that "Herod desired to see Jesus;" and, therefore, some change must have come over the man to lead him to adopt this or any other scheme for the putting of Christ to death. "It must be remembered," says Wordsworth, "that Herod was ruler of Perœa as well as of Galilee, and that John the Baptist had been put to death at Machærus, where Herod had a palace, about ten miles east of Jericho, and thirty east of Jerusalem." St. Matthew (xix 1) and St. Mark (x 1, 46) speak of our Lord being in Perœa, whence he passed over the river Jordan, and so came to Jericho, and thence to Bethany and Jerusalem for his passion. Herod had put John to death, not in Galilee, but in Perœa; and if our Lord was now, as seems probable, in Perœa, or near it, it was very likely that the Pharisees should endeavour to intimidate him with a threat of Herod's anger.

34, 35 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem!"—the Son of God weeping over the impenitent city! What a spectacle this for heaven and earth—for men and angels! Here we see "the tenderness of his lamenting love preserved down to the very end of his toiling, long-suffering life."

CHAPTER XIV.

"Whether this second conflict of our Lord with the Pharisees on occasion of his healing on the Sabbath—a conflict which exhibits a deportment on his part very similar to that maintained on other occasions, but which bears essential marks of being a distinct occurrence—is to be placed in chronological sequence after the denunciatory discourses in chapters xi, xii, is a question still open to discussion. . . . Even after such rigorous denunciations—so rigorous that they might have seemed to be an anticipation of his final renunciation of them all—the Lord is seen to be still ready to accept the invitation of these worse than publicans to their tables; and when they exhibit their malignity he can all the more unrestrainedly confront and correct them with the simplicity of truth and love"

1. "One of the chief Pharisees."—though the Pharisees had, as a body, no heads or leaders, yet there were among them men of pre-eminence; to which class this man no doubt belonged.

2. "A certain man before him which had the dropsy"—we imagine that at the approach to the house, perhaps in the fore-court, the man had presented himself as a petitioner, and had thus engaged the attention and the sympathy of Jesus before he sat down to eat.

3. "The lawyers;"—or scribes, who interpreted the Law, and should, therefore, have been able to answer the Saviour's question.

6 "They could not answer him;"—on which Stier says very pointedly—"No man among them was shameless or irrational enough to reply."

7. "He marked how they chose out the chief rooms."—nothing could more emphatically express the proud and selfish spirit of these Pharisees than their present deportment in taking their places as guests at the wedding-table. "Thus unworthily to be seeking their own honour on the Sabbath day, and that, too, in the presence of the Holy One of God, whom it had been their design to entrap and abase, at once lays these crafty assailants open to his censure, exhibits their character precisely as he denounced it, and gives him a vantage-point for beginning the attack in a manner which would be likely to disconcert their plans." A consummate pride lay at the foundation of their external behaviour; and against this pride our Lord directs his discourse.

10 "Then shalt thou have worship."—the word *worship* here is to be taken in the sense of honour or reverence. The very fact of his being removed by the host to a higher and more conspicuous seat, would fix every eye upon him, and lead to the inference that there was a reason for this marked distinction.

14. "Recompensed at the resurrection of the just"—it is by no means unlikely that this Pharisee, inflated with pride, had given his entertainment to parties moving in the same rank and station with himself, with the view of building up a name and reputation for a grander hospitality, and this the Saviour condemns The very soul and essence of true piety is the principle of self-sacrificing love—a love which had its first and sublimest embodiment in the Incarnate One; and whatever is done from this principle, down to the giving of a cup of cold water only to one of the Saviour's followers for the Saviour's sake, will be acknowledged and rewarded amid the solemnities and the distributions of the last great day.

It has been said that the *first* resurrection (1 Thess. iv. 16) is here distinctly asserted by our Lord; otherwise, the phrase, "resurrection *of the just*," would be unmeaning. Doubtless the resurrection of the just is the first resurrection, but as our Lord had been inculcating the lesson of a self-denying

lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.

22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel *them* to come in, that my house may be filled.

24 For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.[a]

25 ¶ And there went great multitudes with him: and he turned, and said unto them,

26 If any *man* come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.[b]

27 And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be my disciple.[c]

28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have *sufficient* to finish *it*?[d]

29 Lest haply, after he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish *it*, all that behold *it* begin to mock him,

30 Saying, This man began to build, and was not able to finish.

31 Or what king, going to make war against another king, sitteth not down first, and consulteth whether he be able with ten thousand to meet him that cometh against him with twenty thousand?

32 Or else, while the other is yet a great way off, he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of peace.

33 So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.

34 ¶ Salt *is* good: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned?[e]

35 It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill: *but* men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[a] Matt. xxi. 43; xxii. 8; Acts xiii. 46.

[b] Deut xiii 6, xxxiii. 9, Matt x 37, Rom ix. 13, Rev xii. 11.

[c] ch ix 23, Matt. xvi 24, Mark viii. 34, 2 Tim. iii. 12.

[d] Prov xxiv 27.

[e] Matt. v 13; Mark ix 50.

[f] Matt. ix. 10.

[g] Acts xi. 3, Gal. ii. 12.

[h] Matt. xviii. 12

[i] ch v 32, 1 Peter iv. 10, 25

[1] *Drachma*, here translated *a piece of silver*, is the eighth part of an ounce, which cometh to sevenpence-halfpenny, and is equal to the Roman penny, Matt xviii 28

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The parable of the lost sheep:* 8 *of the piece of silver:* 11 *of the prodigal son.*



THEN drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.[f]

2 And the Pharisees and scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth sinners, and eateth with them.[g]

3 ¶ And he spake this parable unto them, saying,

4 What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and go after that which is lost, until he find it?[h]

5 And when he hath found *it*, he layeth *it* on his shoulders, rejoicing.

6 And when he cometh home, he calleth together *his* friends and neighbours, saying unto them, Rejoice with me; for I have found my sheep which was lost.[i]

7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

8 ¶ Either what woman having ten [1]pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find *it*?

9 And when she hath found *it*, she calleth *her* friends and *her* neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.

10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

love, which is to find its full reward in a future life, he could in such a connection only speak of the resurrection of the just

15—20 "Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God:"—the man who uttered these words was a Jew, and a guest at the same table with our Lord He therefore connected the words of Jesus with the introduction and establishment of Messiah's kingdom, for which, in common with his countrymen, he was looking The parable that follows assumes that that kingdom was already set up, with all its rich and everlasting immunities, but that those who were invited to enter in and partake its provisions were so sunk in worldly-mindedness, and so devoted to earthly enjoyments, that they formed every possible excuse for their conduct in neglecting its claims and refusing its blessings

21—24 The invitation which had been first addressed to the higher classes is now addressed to the lower. Nor this only—"from the poor dwellers in the city the parable passes over even to the despised Gentile inhabitants of the country. This inviting of new guests, that the house might be filled, sets forth the grace of God, which embraces all, even the most distant and lowly."

25—33. "Hate not his father and mother:"—the pure love of THE DIVINE necessarily involves the pure hatred of the sinful. It follows, therefore, that every disciple of Jesus must be prepared so to free himself from all the *attachment and dependence of feeling, which is implied in the tender and endearing ties of this present life*, as to be capable, through the enlightening, discriminating power of God's Spirit, of purely hating *what is sinful in them*; and so to count the cost as to be prepared to sacrifice these ties rather than endanger the soul and lose eternal life. Such is the import of all the similitudes here employed by our Lord.

34, 35. "Salt is good:"—salt is, in Scripture symbolism, "the whole life-retaining, purifying influence of the Spirit of God," which, working in and through the disciples of Jesus, penetrates the mind of the godly, and conserves the world.—See Matt. v. 13; Mark ix. 50, with the Notes.

CHAPTER XV.

How the Evangelist became possessed of this inimitable parable does not appear: whether from the memory of any of the immediate followers of Christ, or from existing documents in the possession of the early Church, or by immediate revelation, we are not in a position to affirm. Neither can we determine when or where the parable was uttered. It was, no doubt, during this the Saviour's last journey, and must, from its very genius and character, have produced the most powerful impression.

The parable is a gospel within the Gospel, bringing into the strongest light the redeeming love of God in seeking and saving those who have strayed far from their Father's house, and who, in far-off distance, are exposed to endless ruin.

2. "This man receiveth sinners:"—this testimony from the mouth of his enemies is of more value than volumes of elaborate argument in favour of the character and claims of the Saviour. Nor less true is it of him now than then, that he receiveth sinners. His name is love, and he proffers pardon and love to all who desire to partake of that love, and to share in that pardon, and who seek after these blessings in Christ's appointed way.

3—10. "What man of you, having an hundred sheep; . . . either what woman having ten pieces of silver:"—the question has been put once and again, Whom do the hundred sheep really represent? and so the ten pieces of silver? Because, till we determine this, we can determine nothing about the one sheep which went astray, or the one piece of silver which was lost. If the former be representative of the saved and sanctified, then the latter must point to some backslider or apostate from the faith. There are those, however, who take the ninety and nine that did not err to denote *the worlds* that have not fallen, and the one that strayed to indicate our race in its lost estate. The error in both these cases is, that our attention is made to rest on the ninety and nine sheep instead of the one; and on the ten pieces of silver rather than on the one lost piece, which mode of viewing the subject defeats the very design of the parable. If the shepherd could leave the



"THERE ARE NOT FOUND THAT RETURNED TO GIVE GLORY TO GOD, SAVE THIS STRANGER."—LUKE XVII. 18.

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11 ¶ And he said, A certain man had two sons:

12 And the younger of them said to *his* father, Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth *to me*. And he divided unto them *his* living.[a]

13 And not many days after the younger son gathered all together, and took his journey into a far country, and there wasted his substance with riotous living.

14 And when he had spent all, there arose a mighty famine in that land; and he began to be in want.

15 And he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed swine.

16 And he would fain have filled his belly with the husks that the swine did eat: and no man gave unto him.

17 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger!

18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee,

19 And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

[a] Matt. xii. 44.

ninety and nine sheep for the sake of one, or the woman forget for the moment the ten pieces of silver in her solicitude to find the one lost piece, is it not in the very nature of God, whose nature is love, to leave the small Jewish nation gathered into a chosen people, and go in search of the myriads of the Gentile world who are perishing in their sins, and make known to them also the way of life, that the two classes may form one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ, the Saviour of Jew and Gentile? Thus, these two little parables prepare us for that of the Prodigal Son, which describes inimitably the conduct of God towards both Jew and Gentile.

"More than over ninety and nine . . . who need no repentance:"—just as the astronomer would rejoice more over one newly discovered star than over whole firmaments of suns and systems revealing their glory to his eye.

12. "Divided unto them his living:"—according to Deut. xxi. 17, two-thirds of the property were given to the first-born, over which, as we learn from this parable, the father reserved to himself the power during his life. See verse 31.

16. "He would fain have filled his belly with the husks."—he has spent his all; his companions have abandoned him; he is reduced to actual want; he would fain eat the food of swine! Where is his manhood now? What has the world done for him? He has put it to the test; and where is he

20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.[a]

21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.[b]

22 But the father said to his servants, Bring forth the best robe, and put *it* on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on *his* feet:

23 And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill *it;* and let us eat, and be merry:

24 For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found. And they began to be merry.[c]

25 Now his elder son was in the field: and as he came and drew nigh to the house, he heard musick and dancing.

26 And he called one of the servants, and asked what these things meant.

27 And he said unto him, Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound.

28 And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him.

29 And he answering said to *his* father, Lo, these many years do I serve thee, neither transgressed I at any time thy commandment: and yet thou never gavest me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends:

30 But as soon as this thy son was come, which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou hast killed for him the fatted calf.

31 And he said unto him, Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.

32 It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.[d]

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[a] Acts ii. 39; Eph. ii. 13, 17.

[b] Ps. li. 4.

[c] ver 32; Eph. ii. 1; v. 14; Rev. iii. 1.

[d] ver 24.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *The parable of the unjust steward.* 14 *Christ reproveth the hypocrisy of the covetous Pharisees.* 19 *The rich glutton, and Lazarus the beggar.*



AND he said also unto his disciples, There was a certain rich man, which had a steward; and the same was accused unto him that he had wasted his goods.

2 And he called him, and said unto him, How is it that I hear this of thee? give an account of thy stewardship; for thou mayest be no longer steward.

3 Then the steward said within himself, What shall I do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed.

4 I am resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.

5 So he called every one of his lord's debtors *unto him*, and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord?

6 And he said, An hundred [1]measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty.

7 Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred [2]measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore.

8 And the lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this

1 The word *Batus* in the original denoteth a vessel containing nine gallons three quarts, Ezek. xlv. 10, 11, 14

2 The word here interpreted *a measure*, in the original meaneth a vessel which containeth about fourteen bushels and a pottle.

now, and what is he? He is an outcast—no man gave unto him: his very manhood is trampled in the dust. How true is it that "the wages of sin is death!"

The husk was the fruit of the carob tree, in shape resembling a bean pod, though larger and more curved, with a hard, dark outside, and a dull sweet taste. The pod only was eaten.

22. "Bring forth the best robe"—the robe was the attire of a child in contrast with that of a servant, the ring was the token of freedom and distinction, so the shoe or sandal, for slaves went barefoot; the fatted calf the symbol of festivity and rejoicing.

25—31. "The elder son . . . asked what these things meant:"—what a type this of the proud, selfish, exclusive Jew, who looked upon the Gentile as a dog, and as worthy of no better treatment! How striking the contrast in the father's conduct! Oh! the transcendent love of God in Christ in thus shadowing forth his willingness to forgive the penitent, and to restore lost sinners to his friendship!

CHAPTER XVI.

Here we have a series of parables affecting our intercourse and procedure with our follow-man.

1. "A certain rich man:"—this has been deemed the most difficult of all our Lord's parables, from the effort to apply it to God as the Sovereign Proprietor of all things, and to man as holding a trust from him. The simple object of our Lord is to teach us how to use our position and our property here, so as to insure the favour of God and the benediction of man. Both the rich man and his steward were men of this world, and in this light the conduct of both must be viewed and interpreted.

2. "Give an account of thy stewardship:"—the servant had been accused of wasting his master's property; his master, therefore, calls upon him to produce an account of how or in what manner he had used the property intrusted to his care.

4. "I am resolved what to do:"—the steward was conscious that he could give no satisfactory account of his master's property; and seeing nothing before him but poverty and ruin, he resolves to rectify his former acts of injustice and of oppression by a more equitable stipulation with his lord's tenants, as to their future payments. The tenants were therefore instructed to erase from their leases, or bills of agreement, the oppressive terms, and to insert terms so modified as to be not only just towards the owner of the estate, but also merciful to the cultivators of the land.

6. "An hundred measures of oil:"—the articles here specified, we may presume, were the produce of the farms belonging to the lord of the steward, and of which these men were the tenants. The rent appears to have been paid in kind, and it is reasonable to suppose that the amount of produce to be yearly rendered had been fixed by the steward; and from the appellation of "unjust" which is assigned to him, we may easily believe that the man would be as oppressive to the tenants as he had been unfaithful to his master. By rectifying his previous injustice, the tenants would become his friends, and be willing to provide a home and support when his present advantages and power were withdrawn.

8. "The lord commended the unjust steward:"—is it not allowable to assume that his lord commended the unjust steward from his own love of equity, and that he applauded conduct which removed unjust burdens from those who were unable to protect themselves, and which displayed a prudent preparation for the future?

9. "Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness:"—if such be the procedure of men of this world, then let the children of God so use their property, as when that property fails them (not as in the English Bible, "when ye fail"), they whom you have benefited and blessed by an enlightened and sanctified appropriation of that property, may receive or welcome you into everlasting habitations for, says good Richard Baxter, "Is there joy in heaven at thy conversion, and will there be none at thy glorification?"

12. "Who shall give you that which is your own?"—if they were unfaithful in the use of mere material property, how could they expect to fill those higher positions in the Church of God, or be] intrusted with its spiritual interests? And yet to these they were entitled as his professed followers.

14—18. See Matt. xi. 12, v. 17, 18, 32.

19. "There was a certain rich man:"—the object of this parable is to set forth the selfishness and the wretchedness of the man who applies all his wealth or possessions to his own personal aggrandisement or pleasure.

world are in their generation wiser than the children of light.[a]

9 And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the [1]mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.[b]

10 He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much.[c]

11 If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous [2]mammon, who will commit to your trust the true *riches?*

12 And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?

13 ¶ No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.[d]

14 And the Pharisees also, who were covetous, heard all these things: and they derided him.[e]

15 And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.[f]

16 The law and the prophets *were* until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presseth into it.[g]

17 And it is easier for heaven and earth to pass, than one tittle of the law to fail.[h]

18 Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery: and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from *her* husband committeth adultery.[i]

19 ¶ There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day:

20 And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores,

21 And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried,

23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.[j]

25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.[k]

26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that *would come* from thence.

27 Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house:

28 For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.

29 Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.[l]

30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.[m]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Christ teacheth to avoid occasions of offence.* 3 *One to forgive another.* 6 *The power of faith.* 7 *How we are bound to God, and not he to us.* 11 *He healeth ten lepers.* 22 *Of the kingdom of God, and the coming of the Son of man.*



THEN said he unto the disciples, It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe *unto him,* through whom they come![n]

2 It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones.

3 ¶ Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.[o]

4 And if he trespass against thee seven times in a

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a John xii. 36; Eph. v. 8; 1 Thess. v. 5.

1 Or, *riches.*

b ch. xi. 41; Dan. iv. 27; Matt vi. 19; xix. 21; 1 Tim. vi. 17—19.

j Isa. lxvi. 24; Zech. xiv. 12; Mark ix. 41, &c.

c ch. xix. 17; Matt. xxv. 21.

k ch. vi 24; Job xxi. 13.

2 Or, *riches.*

d Matt. vi. 24.

e Matt. xxiii. 14.

l Isa. viii. 20; xxxiv. 16; John v 39, 45; Acts xv 21, xvii. 11.

f ch x. 29; 1 Sam. xvi 7; Ps. vii. 9.

m John xii. 10, 11.

g ch vii 29; Matt. iv. 17; xi. 12, 13.

h Ps. cii. 26, 27, Isa. xl. 8, li 6; Matt. v. 18; 1 Peter i. 25.

i Matt v. 32; xix. 9; Mark x. 11; 1 Cor. vii. 10, 11.

n Matt xviii. 6, 7; Mark ix 42, 1 Cor. xviii. 15, 21; James xi. 19.

o Lev. xix. 17; Prov. xvii. 10; Matt. v. 19.

Alexander sat weeping on the throne of the world, and Dives went from his purple and his fine linen into everlasting flame!

22. "Carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom:"—the *burial* of Lazarus is not mentioned: the rich man was buried; that is, with all the pomp and splendour becoming his station in life.

23. "In hell he lift up his eyes:"—the proof, in this passage, of a state of conscious being after death is incontrovertible.

31. "If they hear not Moses and the prophets:"—if a written revelation from God will not lead men to life and heaven, not all the supernatural phenomena which could be produced will do it. Solemn thought this, and truly awakening!

CHAPTER XVII.

The opening sentences of this chapter form a sequel to the reproof which had been addressed to the Pharisees in chapter xvi. 14. It is they who are represented as giving offence, from the fact of their preventing many from entering the kingdom of God: against them is the woe denounced, and against their spirit and conduct Jesus warns all his followers.

1. "Offences will come:"—it is impossible for any man to range himself on the side of truth and God, and meet nothing to offend him. The servant is not above his Master. We must drink of his cup. Still, a heavy woe rests on those who give the offence.

2. "A millstone were hanged about his neck:"—this was one of the modes of inflicting capital punishment among the Greeks, Syrians, Romans, and some other nations. Better die than incur the anger of God by offending even the least and the humblest of Christ's disciples.

5, 6. "Increase our faith:"—having to live and act in a world in which offences must come, and in which they were called to walk worthily of their high calling, the disciples required in no common degree that principle of the inner and Divine life by which alone they could withstand the force of evil, rise above many species of offence, and fulfil their high destiny in the kingdom of Christ. Hence their prayer, "Increase our faith." It implies that they already possessed the living principle, but not in perfection. There is all the difference between a grain of mustard seed and a grain of sand. In the latter there is no vital element, and therefore no development. In the former life reveals itself in growth and strength, till it becomes a perfect plant. The Greek word translated "mustard" occurs in Matt xiii. 31; xvii. 20; Mark iv. 31; Luke xiii. 19; xvii. 6. It has often troubled many to understand how the common mustard plant could be called a tree, and one in whose branches the birds of the air come to lodge. We now know that there is a mustard tree as well as a mustard plant. This tree or shrub is the one of which a portion is shown in the engraving. It is called by botanists the *Salvadora Persica,* and by the Arabs *Khardal,* or mustard. We are told that it will reach the height of twenty or twenty-five feet, that its leaves taste like cresses, that its seed is bruised and used for mustard, and that an application of the bark

day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

5 And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.

6 And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.[a]

7 But which of you, having a servant plowing or feeding cattle, will say unto him by and by, when he is come from the field, Go and sit down to meat?

8 And will not rather say unto him, Make ready wherewith I may sup, and gird thyself, and serve me, till I have eaten and drunken; and afterward thou shalt eat and drink?[b]

9 Doth he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I trow not.

10 So likewise ye, when ye shall have done all those things which are commanded you, say, We are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was our duty to do.[c]

11 ¶ And it came to pass, as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee.[d]

12 And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off:[e]

13 And they lifted up *their* voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.

14 And when he saw *them*, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.[f]

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a Matt. xvii. 20; xxi. 21; Mark ix. 23, xi. 23.

g ch. vii. 50; viii 48; xviii 42, Matt ix 22. Mark v 34, x 52

1 Or, *with outward shew.*

b ch. xii 37.

h ver 23 Rom. xiv 17

2 Or, *among you,* John i 26

i Matt ix 15; John xvii 12

c Job xxii 3, xxxv 7, Ps xvi 2, Matt xxv 30, Rom iii 12, xi 35, 1 Cor. ix. 16, 17; Phil ii.

j ch. xxi 8, Matt xxiv 23, Mark xiii 21

d Luke ix. 51, 52; John iv 4.

k Matt. xxiv. 27.

e Lev xiii 46.

l ch ix 22; Mark viii. 31, ix 31, x 38.

m Gen. vii; Matt xxiv 37

f ch v 14, Lev xiii 2, xiv 2, Matt viii 4

15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God,

16 And fell down on *his* face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan.

17 And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where *are* the nine?

18 There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.

19 And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.[g]

20 ¶ And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not [1]with observation:[h]

21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is [2]within you.

22 And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see *it*.[i]

23 And they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after *them*, nor follow *them*.[j]

24 For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one *part* under heaven, shineth unto the other *part* under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day.[k]

25 But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation.[l]

26 And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.[m]

27 They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe

will raise blisters The seed is considerably smaller than the black peppercorn The Salvadora Persica is found in various Eastern countries; it grows not far from Jerusalem, along the banks of the Jordan, and on the shores of the Sea of Tiberias, where our Lord addressed to the people the parable of the grain of mustard seed.

The "sycamine tree" is common in Egypt, and in its general appearance resembles our mulberry tree. Though not common in Palestine, we may conceive that there was one in sight at the moment our Lord was speaking. What a marvellous power is here given to faith! But how seldom is the faith exercised!

7—10. The following paraphrase of Stier is not more correct than appropriate —"Ye are, in all your influence and acting, no more than *servants* of God: now, how stands among yourselves the relation between servant and lord? The servant is not at once treated as a master, but must perfectly serve till his time of rest comes; and that is his duty as a servant, for which he is entitled to no praise *So likewise ye*· all those things which are commanded you, ye must do; that is your *obligation*, and in doing all *ye* are, over and above, no more than *unprofitable* servants; that is, ye cannot place God under any obligation, or do him any service of yourselves. *Worthless* in yourselves, God must first give you and preserve in you whatever capability ye possess"

11. "Passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee:"—our Lord was now on his last journey to Jerusalem; but instead of going, like others, directly through Samaria to attend the Passover, he proceeded by a route which bordered both on Samaria and Galilee, or which lay between them.

12. "Entered into a certain village·"—lepers were not permitted to come very near the gates of the city, and at some distance these lepers met the Saviour, and, the moment they beheld him, appealed to his compassion and healing power.

For the nature of leprosy, and the law affecting those who were the subjects of it, see Lev. xiii., with the Notes.

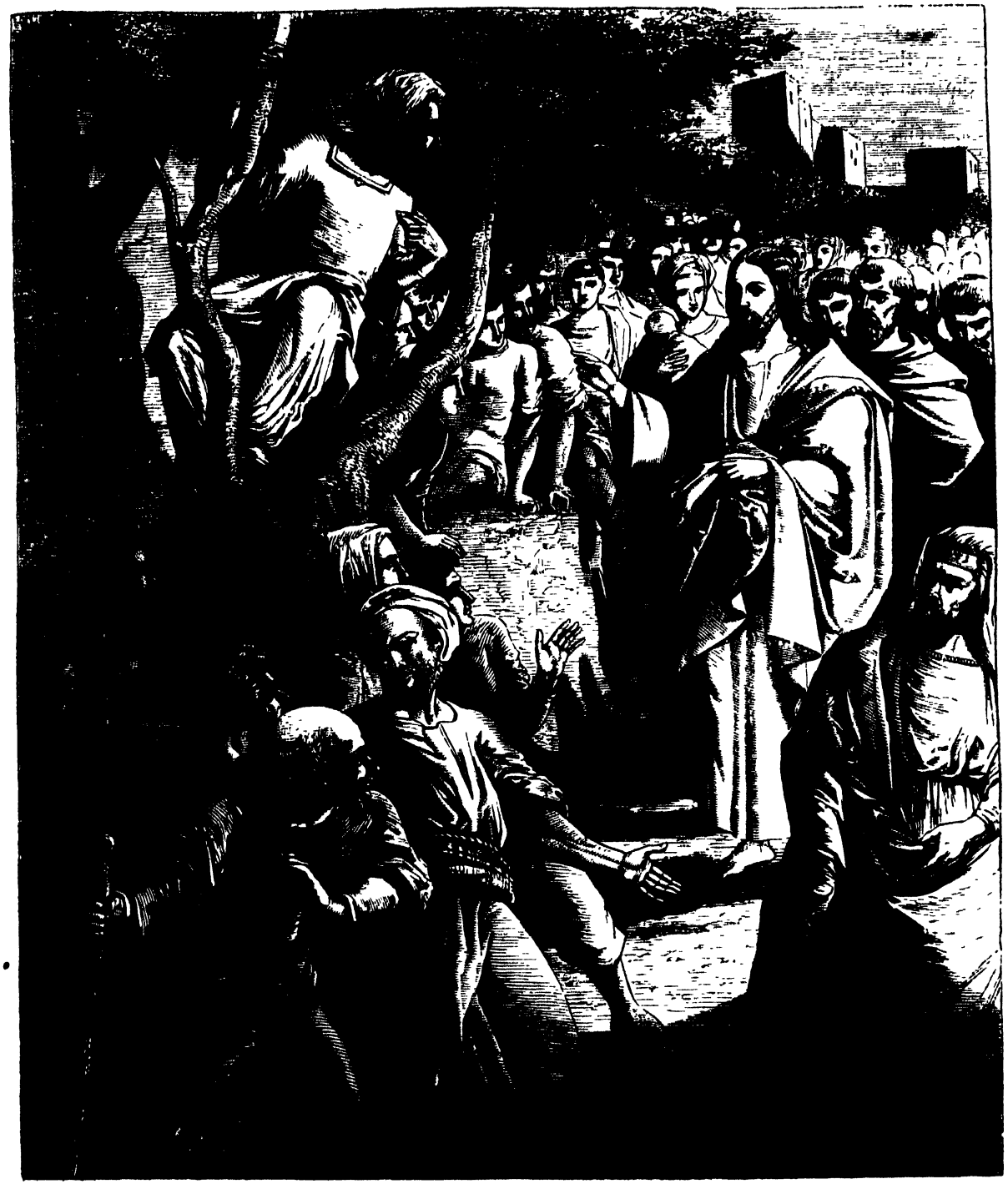
14. "Shew yourselves unto the priests."—the Saviour in every instance deferred to the existing ordinances of God. "From *the law* upon this subject, we must perceive that this requisition to show themselves to the priests would redound to the honour of Jesus. Not only must his enemies be constrained to admit that the law was not dishonoured or abrogated, but rather vindicated by him, while its impotence to do anything for the healing of man was established."

17. "Where are the nine?"—all the ten had faith to go in obedience to the command of Jesus, and on their way thither they are all cleansed, nay, healed in the absence of Jesus; but their faith did not work by love, and hence the absence of that gratitude which ought to have filled their hearts. Only one heart out of ten appreciated the gift bestowed, and beat true to God. What an affecting revelation this of poor human nature!

20, 21. "When the kingdom of God should come:"—the Pharisees, in common with the whole Jewish nation, looked for some grand outward mani-



SALVADORA PERSICA, THE MUSTARD OF SCRIPTURE.



ZACCHEUS CALLED BY CHRIST.—LUKE XIX. 5.

entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.

28 Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;[a]

29 But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed *them* all.[b]

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30 Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.[c]

31 In that day, he which shall be upon the house-top, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back.[d]

32 Remember Lot's wife.[e]

33 Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall

c 2 Thess. i. 7.

a Gen. xix.

d Matt. xxiv. 17; Mark xiii. 15.

e Gen. xix. 26.

b Gen. xix. 16, 24.

festation in connection with the setting-up of the Messiah's kingdom. The Saviour at once strikes at the root of this expectation, and declares that "the kingdom of God cometh not with observation," with no outward splendour or display. It is not material, but spiritual, and therefore not so much without as within the man. Without the inward principle, the outward relation is nothing. Alford says that the fact of these words being addressed to Pharisees, in whose hearts there was nothing of this new kingdom, should prevent us from taking them in a spiritual sense; and instead of reading "within you," he would read "is already among you." The kingdom of the Messiah which you expect is even now commenced among you, though, influenced as you are by prejudice, you do not observe it, and your actions prove that you do not believe it, yet, I say unto you, it is already among you.

22. "Ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man;"—that is, to have my personal presence with you again; but that cannot be, and there-

lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.[a]

34 I tell you, in that night there shall be two *men* in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left.[b]

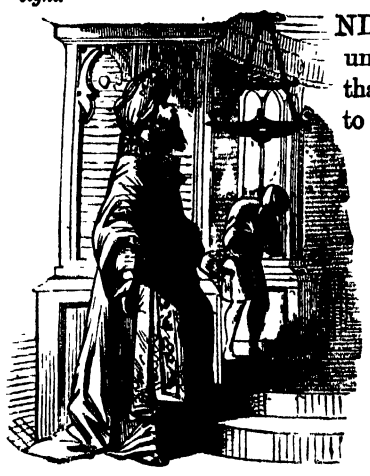
35 Two *women* shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

36 Two *men* shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

37 And they answered and said unto him, Where, Lord? And he said unto them, Wheresoever the body *is*, thither will the eagles be gathered together.[c]

CHAPTER XVIII.

3 *Of the importunate widow.* 9 *Of the Pharisee and the publican.* 15 *Children brought to Christ.* 18 *A ruler that would follow Christ, but is hindered by his riches* 28 *The reward of them that leave all for his sake.* 31 *He foreshoweth his death,* 35 *and restoreth a blind man to his sight.*



AND he spake a parable unto them *to this end*, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;[d]

2 Saying, There was [1]in a city a judge, which feared not God, neither regarded man:

3 And there was a widow in that city; and she came unto him, saying, Avenge me of mine adversary.

4 And he would not for a while: but afterward he said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man;

5 Yet because this widow troubleth me, I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.[e]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch. ix. 24; Matt. x. 39; xvi. 25; Mark viii. 35; John xii. 25.

b Matt. xxiv. 40, 41; 1 Thess. iv. 17.

c Job xxxix. 30; Matt. xxiv. 23

d ch. xi. 5; xxi. 36; Rom. xii. 12, Eph. vi. 18; Col. iv. 2; 1 Thess. v. 17.

1 Gr. *in a certain city.*

e ch. xi. 8.

6 And the Lord said, Hear what the unjust judge saith.

7 And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?[f]

8 I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?[g]

9 And he spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves [2]that they were righteous, and despised others:[h]

10 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican.

11 The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men *are*, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.[i]

12 I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess.

13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

14 I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.[j]

15 And they brought unto him also infants, that he would touch them: but when *his* disciples saw *it*, they rebuked them.[k]

16 But Jesus called them *unto him*, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.[l]

17 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein.[m]

18 And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?[n]

f Rev. vi. 10.

g Heb. x. 37; 2 Peter iii. 8, 9.

2 Or, *as being righteous.*

h ch. x. 29; xvi. 15.

i Ps. cxxxv. 2; Isa. i. 15; lviii. 2, Rev. iii. 17.

j ch. xiv. 11; Job xxii. 29; Matt. xxiii. 12; James iv 6; 1 Peter v. 5, 6

k Matt. xix. 13; Mark x. 13.

l 1 Cor xiv. 20; 1 Peter ii. 2.

m Mark x. 15.

n Matt. xix. 16; Mark x. 17.

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fore do not run after false reports of my coming.—See further, on Matt. xxiv. 23—27.

35. "Two women shall be grinding together:"—the mill which was in use among the Hebrews resembled that which is still common in Western Asia. It was formed of two circular stones, about six inches thick and two feet in diameter. These stones were placed one upon the other, and were the upper and nether millstones of which we read in the Old Testament. The upper stone was slightly hollowed underneath, to fit upon the slightly rounded surface of the nether stone. In the centre of the upper stone there was a hole, into which the corn was put by the hand; and a little on one side was a handle to turn the upper stone, the lower one being stationary. The mill was, and still is, commonly turned by two women, who sit opposite each other, and seize the handle by turns, so as to keep up the requisite motion. The operation is a daily one in every house, so that each family grinds its own corn and makes its own bread daily. Sir John Chardin says, "In the East they grind their corn at break of day, and when one goes out in a morning, one hears everywhere the noise of the mill." This peculiar noise, often spoken of by travellers, is alluded to in Jer. xxv. 10; Eccles. xii. 4; and Rev. xviii. 22. The grinding is, as we said, usually performed by women, and it is regarded as a very menial employment. After being ground, the flour is sifted, and the bran is ground over again.



WOMEN GRINDING CORN.—LUKE XVII. 35

37. "Where, Lord?"—no distinct reference having been made to Judea or Jerusalem by our Lord, the question, "Where should all this take place?" was very appropriate in the minds of his startled and astonished disciples. His answer "leads them back to what is of general application, inasmuch as he assigns their moral and religious state of decay (expressed by the word *carcase*, or *body*) as the ground of the coming destruction. Only that which is living continues in union with the fountain of life, and is capable, for this reason, of being elevated into the higher sphere of existence which is prepared for it."

CHAPTER XVIII.

The following parable, which belongs to our Evangelist exclusively, has an intimate connection with the preceding discourse, but we must be very careful as to our mode of exegesis or interpretation. Justly says Olshausen, "The Saviour's parables are sometimes set forth not from a standing-point absolutely true, but from one merely relative. From the former, God could never be compared to 'an unjust judge,' however much man may attempt to soften the severity of the expression. When regarded, however, from an inferior, human standing-point, the comparison has a depth of truth adapted to man's experience when struggling with the difficulties of this earthly life. Inasmuch, therefore, as the Saviour lets himself down to this standing-point, this parabolic representation contains what is fitted to move the mind to active exertion."

19 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? none *is* good, save one, *that is*, God.

20 Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honour thy father and thy mother.[a]

21 And he said, All these have I kept from my youth up.

22 Now when Jesus heard these things, he said unto him, Yet lackest thou one thing: sell all that thou hast, and distribute unto the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, follow me.[b]

23 And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich.

24 And when Jesus saw that he was very sorrowful, he said, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God![c]

25 For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26 And they that heard *it* said, Who then can be saved?

27 And he said, The things which are impossible with men are possible with God.[d]

28 Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee.[e]

29 And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake,[f]

30 Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.[g]

31 ¶ Then he took *unto him* the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished.[h]

32 For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on:[i]

33 And they shall scourge *him*, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again.

34 And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.[j]

35 ¶ And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging:[k]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Exod. xx. 12, 16; Deut. v. 16—20; Rom. xiii 9; Eph. vi. 2; Col. iii. 20.

b Matt. vi. 19, 20; xix. 21; 1 Tim. vi. 19.

c Prov xi 28; Matt. xix. 23; Mark x 23.

l ch. xvii. 19.

m ch v. 26; Acts iv. 21; xi. 18.

d ch. i. 37; Jer xxxii 17; Zech viii. 6, Matt. xix 26.

e Matt. xix. 27.

f Deut. xxxiii. 9.

g Job xlii. 10

h Ps xxii; Isa liii.; Matt xvi 21; xvii. 22, xx. 17, Mark x. 32.

i ch xviii. 1, Matt xxvii 2, John xviii. 28, Acts iii. 13.

j ch. ii 50; ix 45; Mark ix 32; John x. 6; xii. 16.

k Matt. xx. 29; Mark x. 46.

36 And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant.

37 And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by.

38 And he cried, saying, Jesus, *thou* son of David, have mercy on me.

39 And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, *Thou* son of David, have mercy on me.

40 And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him,

41 Saying, What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight.

42 And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.[l]

43 And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw *it*, gave praise unto God.[m]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *Of Zacchæus a publican.* 11 *The ten pieces of money.* 28 *Christ rideth into Jerusalem with triumph:* 41 *weepeth over it:* 45 *driveth the buyers and sellers out of the temple:* 47 *teaching daily in it. The rulers would have destroyed him, but for the fear of the people.*



AND *Jesus* entered and passed through Jericho.

2 And, behold, *there was* a man named Zacchæus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich.

3 And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature.

4 And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycomore tree to see him: for he was to pass that *way*.

5 And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchæus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house.

6 And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully.

1. "Ought always to pray:"—this refers rather to the inward state and attitude of the soul than to the outward. The desire of the heart, if in harmony with the will of God, is prayer, and this desire nothing should be allowed to overcome.

5—7. "I will avenge her:"—if such "be the power of earnest entreaty, that it can win right even from a man sunk in selfishness, and fearing neither God nor man, how much more will this right be done by the just and holy God in answer to the continual prayer of his elect?"

8. "Shall he find faith on the earth?"—it may be, as Meyer says, "that the painful thought suddenly occurs to the Lord, how many there will be even at his coming, who will not have received him as the Messiah!" but the question of the Saviour rather points to the *character* of the faith. Will there be such faith as this in the prospect of those events which I have described, and which are coming on the land?

9—14. This parable was not addressed to the Pharisees, but to his disciples and the people in general. The "two men" are to be taken as the types of two distinct classes everywhere, and at every successive stage of the Church's development to be found among men. The design of the parable is to show that the relative position of a man to his fellow-men is often completely reversed when he is brought into the presence of God. What men reject, God accepts; and what men approve and commend, God condemns. Humility is the grand, pre-eminent characteristic of true piety; but self-righteousness is that which men give up last, and with most difficulty.

18—30. "A certain ruler asked him:"—the fact that he was "a ruler," it may be, of one of the synagogues, is the only additional point brought out in the character of this young man.—See Matt. xix. 16—30; Mark x. 17—31, with the Notes.

34. "This saying was hid from them:"—that is, they had no corresponding idea of the import of his words. The whole truth affecting his sufferings and death was not yet allowed to flash its conviction across their minds, as it would have paralysed all their power, and disqualified them for the scenes still before them.

35—43. "A certain blind man:"—this seems to have been the same miracle recorded by Matthew (xx. 29-34) and by Mark (x. 46—52), only Matthew says there were *two* men, while Luke and Mark confine the cure to one. Our Evangelist may have had some specific reason for selecting one case out of the two, which does not appear on the face of his narrative. These "very differences on such immaterial points show the genuine historical character of the Gospels; and so far from detracting from their character in a higher point of view, they exalt it."

7 And when they saw *it*, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner.[a]

8 And Zacchæus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore *him* fourfold.[b]

9 And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham.[c]

10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.[d]

11 And as they heard these things, he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.[e]

12 He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return.[f]

13 And he called his ten servants, and delivered them [1]ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.

14 But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this *man* to reign over us.[g]

15 And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the [2]money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading.

16 Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds.

17 And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.[h]

18 And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds.

19 And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch. v. 30, Matt. ix. 11.

b ch iii. 14; Exod. xxii. 1, 1 Sam. xii. 3, 2 Sam xii. 6.

c ch. xiii. 16, Rom iv. 11, 12, 16; Gal. iii. 7.

d Matt. x. 6; xv. 24; xviii. 11.

e Acts i. 6.

f Matt. xxv. 14; Mark xiii. 34.

g John i 11.

h ch xvi 10, Matt. xxv 21

i Matt. xxv. 24.

k ch. viii. 18; Matt xiii. 12; xxv 29; Mark iv 25.

l Mina, here translated a pound, is twelve ounces and a half, which, according to five shillings the ounce, is three pounds two shillings and sixpence.

l Mark x 32.

m Matt. xxi. 1; Mark xi 1

2 Gr. silver, and so ver. 23.

20 And another came, saying, Lord, behold, *here is* thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin:

21 For I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up that thou layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow.[i]

22 And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, *thou* wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow:[k]

23 Wherefore then gavest not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I might have required mine own with usury?

24 And he said unto them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give *it* to him that hath ten pounds.

25 (And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.)

26 For I say unto you, That unto every one which hath shall be given; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him.[k]

27 But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay *them* before me.

28 ¶ And when he had thus spoken, he went before, ascending up to Jerusalem.[l]

29 And it came to pass, when he was come nigh to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called *the mount* of Olives, he sent two of his disciples,[m]

30 Saying, Go ye into the village over against *you*; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring *him hither*.

31 And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose *him?* thus shall ye say unto him, Because the Lord hath need of him.

32 And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them.

33 And as they were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them, Why loose ye the colt?

34 And they said, The Lord hath need of him.

CHAPTER XIX.

The cure effected on behalf of the blind man was performed as the Saviour entered Jericho; now he passes through the city, and another incident of a pleasingly interesting character takes place. A publican, despised by the proud, supercilious Pharisees, becomes the object of the Saviour's special attention and solicitude; while the rich, unconfined grace of the Redeemer so impresses his heart as to result in the moral renovation of the man.

1. "Passed through Jericho:"—this city was distant from Jerusalem only about one hundred and fifty stadia, or fifteen English miles; was very ancient, having been in existence when the Hebrews, under Joshua, took possession of the land of Canaan

2. "Chief among the publicans:"—the palms and balsam gardens of Jericho brought to its inhabitants considerable trade and traffic, and it is supposed that Zacchæus held the office of an administrator of the revenue derived from these products.

4. "Climbed up into a sycomore tree"—the sycomore of the Bible is the fig-tree of the Egyptians, whose fruit was much esteemed, and the gathering of which was intrusted to a special body of officers. It grows abundantly, and its wood, though much less valuable than the cedar, was used not only for building, but was manufactured into mummy cases; and it is said that coffins made of this wood, some three thousand years ago, have been found in a perfectly sound condition.

5. "To day I must abide at thy house."—there is reason to believe that Zacchæus, notwithstanding his admiration of Christ, had no personal knowledge of the Saviour; but, owing to the established laws of hospitality in the East, this mode of address would not surprise him.

7. "A man that is a sinner:"—judging from his own confession in the following verse, it is not unlikely that he had been guilty of an unprincipled exercise of his power, and therefore was known as an unrighteous exactor; but now repentance leads to confession and restoration. The man's heart is subdued, he is in the attitude to appreciate the grace of the Saviour, and hence the words of Jesus, "This day is salvation come to this house."

11 "The kingdom of God should immediately appear;"—that is, the whole nation was looking for some outward, visible empire, and it was their earnest hope that the time had come for the setting up of this material, earthly kingdom in the world.

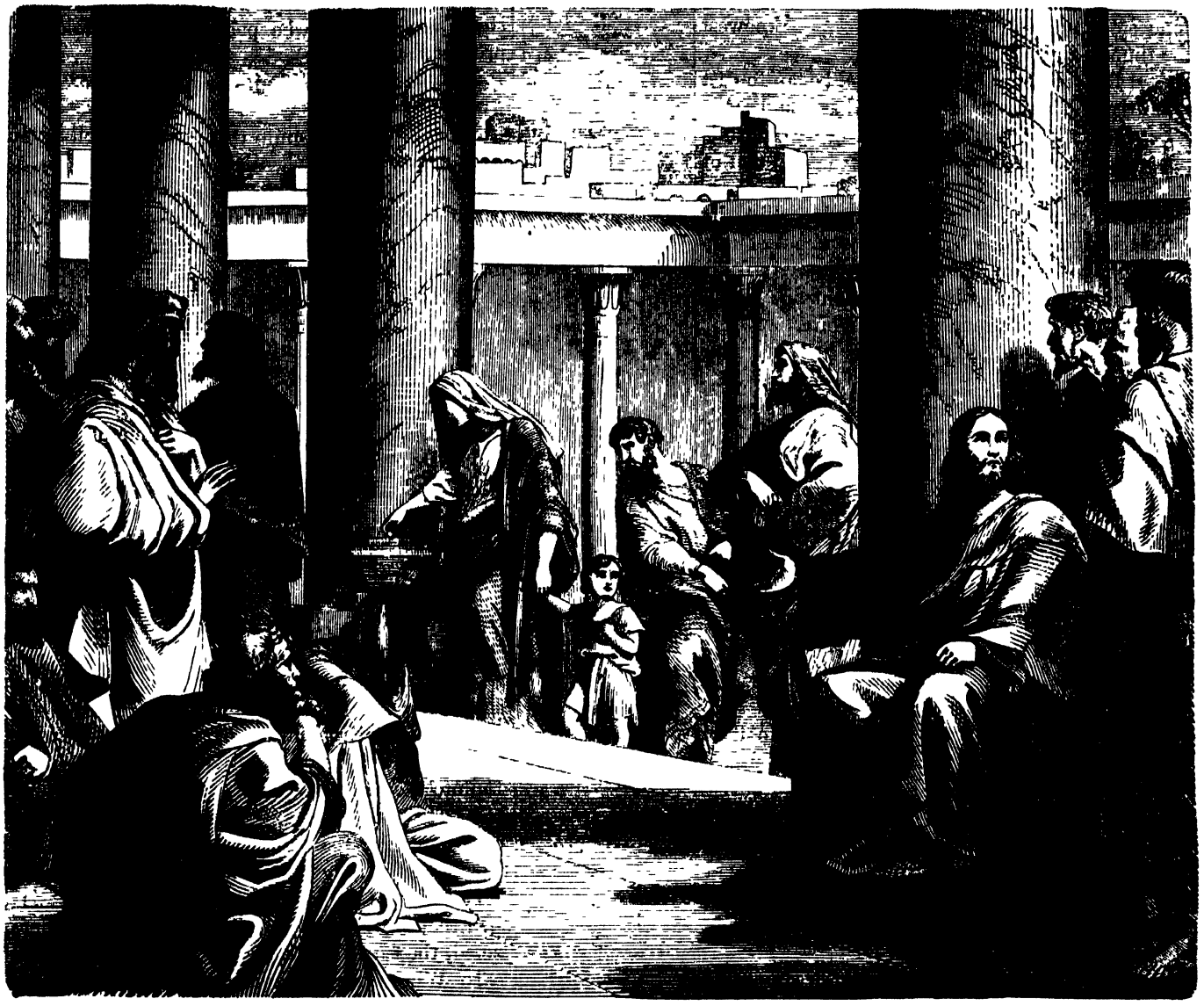
12. "A certain nobleman."—this parable is not to be confounded with that embodied in Matt. xxv. 14—30; for there are points in both which render them distinct and separate. The comparison of the nobleman going into a far country to receive a kingdom is supposed to be founded on the history of Archelaus, son of Herod the Great, who had built a most magnificent palace at Jericho. The kings of the Herodian family made journeys to Rome, to receive their office and dominion, and from which they returned in possession of their regal investiture.

13. "Ten pounds:"—OR, TEN MINÆ. The mina was one-sixtieth of a talent, equal to about £3 2s. 6d. of our English money. Let it be observed that each of the ten servants received exactly the same amount—one mina each.

14. "We will not have this man to reign over us."—Josephus tells us that when Archelaus set out for Rome, to receive his appointment to regal dominion, the Jews sent after him a solemn protest, of which Augustus, however, took no notice. Nor would the Jews have Jesus to reign over them; but Christ was God's anointed, and no one could wrest the sceptre from his hand.

20. "Laid up in a napkin:"—the word rendered *napkin* points to a sort of handkerchief in which the Jews were wont to wrap up and keep their money. Here it was, of course, perfectly unproductive.

27. "Slay them before me:"—these solemn words may refer to the condition of the rebellious and the wicked, first in the events connected with the impending doom of Jerusalem, and then in the transactions of that day when all who have rejected the Saviour's grace and rule, and who are therefore "enemies of the cross of Christ," shall be "punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power."



"I SAY UNTO YOU, THAT THIS POOR WIDOW HATH CAST IN MORE THAN THEY ALL."—LUKE XXI. 3.

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35 And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.[a]

36 And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way.[b]

37 And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen;

38 Saying, Blessed *be* the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.[c]

39 And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples.

40 And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.[d]

41 ¶ And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,[e]

42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things *which belong* unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.

43 For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side,[f]

44 And shall lay thee even with the ground, and

a 2 Kings ix. 13; Matt. xxi. 7; Mark xi. 7; John xii. 14.

b Matt. xxi. 8

c ch. ii. 14; xiii. 35; Ps. cxviii. 26; Eph. ii. 14.

d Hab. ii. 11.

e John xi. 35.

f ch. xxi. 20; Isa. xxix. 3, 4; Jer. vi. 3, 6.

28. "Ascending up to Jerusalem:"—on which occasion he made his triumphant entry into this city, and then hastened on to the final scene of his humiliation and suffering.—See Matt. xxi. 1—9; Mark xi. 1—10.

29. "Bethphage and Bethany:"—the small village of Bethphage stood on the south-east of the Mount of Olives, and adjoining Bethany on the west.

37. "At the descent of the mount:"—this does not mean so much the base or declivity of the mount itself, as the fact that they had reached the point from which they were about to make their descent from the mount.

40. "The stones would immediately cry out:"—this was a proverbial expression, and proves, as used by our Lord, that no ascription of greatness and glory addressed to him by men could exceed his claim

41. "He beheld the city:"—in his descent from the Mount of Olives, the whole city lay under his eye, embosomed in beauty. But, oh! what a spectacle did that city present to his holy mind, in its moral elements! In what striking contrast do we here see his infinite love and their deep-rooted enmity! How unutterable his compassion! How inexplicable their rebellion and hardness of heart! When he grieved, it was for the hardness of men's hearts, and when he wept over the condemned city, it was because he foresaw the direful penalties which sin would entail.

thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.[a]

45 And he went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold therein, and them that bought;[b]

46 Saying unto them, It is written, My house is the house of prayer: but ye have made it a den of thieves.[c]

47 And he taught daily in the temple. But the chief priests and the scribes and the chief of the people sought to destroy him,[d]

48 And could not find what they might do: for all the people [1]were very attentive to hear him.

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Christ avoucheth his authority by a question of John's baptism.* 9 *The parable of the vineyard.* 19 *Of giving tribute to Cæsar.* 27 *He convinceth the Sadducees that denied the resurrection.* 41 *How Christ is the son of David.* 45 *He warneth his disciples to beware of the scribes.*



AND it came to pass, *that* on one of those days, as he taught the people in the temple, and preached the gospel, the chief priests and the scribes came upon *him* with the elders,[e]

2 And spake unto him, saying, Tell us, by what authority doest thou these things? or who is he that gave thee this authority?[f]

3 And he answered and said unto them, I will also ask you one thing; and answer me:

4 The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men?

5 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then believed ye him not?

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch. i. 63, 78; xxi. 6; 1 Kings ix. 7, 8; Dan. ix. 24; Micah iii. 12; Matt. xxiv. 2; Mark xiii. 2; 1 Peter ii. 12.

b Matt. xxi. 12; Mark xi. 11, 15; John ii. 14, 15.

c Isa. lvi. 7; Jer. vii. 11.

d Mark xi. 18; John vii. 19; viii. 37.

1 Or, *hanged on him*, Acts xvi. 14.

e Matt. xxi. 23.

f Acts iv. 7, vii. 27.

6 But and if we say, Of men; all the people will stone us: for they be persuaded that John was a prophet.[g]

7 And they answered, that they could not tell whence *it was*.

8 And Jesus said unto them, Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.

9 Then began he to speak to the people this parable; A certain man planted a vineyard, and let it forth to husbandmen, and went into a far country for a long time.[h]

10 And at the season he sent a servant to the husbandmen, that they should give him of the fruit of the vineyard: but the husbandmen beat him, and sent *him* away empty.

11 And again he sent another servant: and they beat him also, and entreated *him* shamefully, and sent *him* away empty.

12 And again he sent a third: and they wounded him also, and cast *him* out.

13 Then said the lord of the vineyard, What shall I do? I will send my beloved son: it may be they will reverence *him* when they see him.

14 But when the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned among themselves, saying, This is the heir: come, let us kill him, that the inheritance may be our's.

15 So they cast him out of the vineyard, and killed *him*. What therefore shall the lord of the vineyard do unto them?

16 He shall come and destroy these husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to others. And when they heard *it*, they said, God forbid.

17 And he beheld them, and said, What is this then that is written, The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner?[i]

18 Whosoever shall fall upon that stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.[j]

g ch vii. 29; Matt. xiv. 5; xxi. 26.

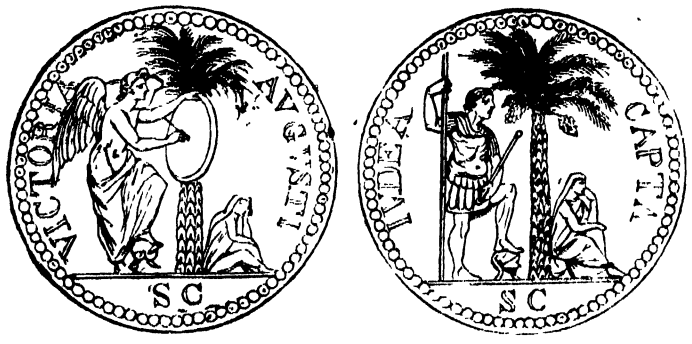
h Matt. xxi. 33; Mark xii. 1.

i Ps. cxviii. 22; Matt. xxi. 42.

j Dan ii 34, 35, Matt xxi 44.

43. "A trench about thee."—Josephus gives an account of the construction of this mound, and when the Jews succeeded in throwing this down, then Titus built a wall round, which kept them in on every side

44 "Shall not leave one stone upon another."—after the captivity, Jerusalem was restored in some degree to its former importance, and so it remained for nearly six hundred years, when it was finally destroyed by Titus, A D 70, and though Julian the Apostate, with the view, if possible, of giving the lie to prophecy, assembled the Jews at Jerusalem, and endeavoured to incite them to the work of rebuilding the Temple, he was signally defeated in his end by an earthquake, and this was accompanied with fiery eruptions from the earth, which entirely destroyed the work, and killed not a few of those who were engaged in the undertaking Various coins were struck by the Roman Emperor to commemorate the destruction of Jerusalem and the conquest of Judea. One of these we have engraved.



COIN STRUCK BY THE EMPEROR VESPASIAN, COMMEMORATING THE CONQUEST OF JUDEA.

CHAPTER XX.

SYNOPSIS.—Luke xx 1—8, Matt xxi 23—27; Mark xi. 27—33. Luke xx 9—19 Matt xxi 33—46; Mark xii 1—12 Luke xx 20—26; Matt xxii 15—22, Mark xii 13—17 Luke xx 27—40, Matt xxii 23—33; Mark xii. 18—27. Luke xx. 41—47; Matt. xxii. 41—46, xxiii 6, 7, 13, Mark xii. 35—40.

The preceding chapter closed with the intimation that the chief priests and the scribes were held in check by the popular feeling, which had given expression to itself in favour of the Saviour in the prosecution of his sublime work. In the present chapter we have the record of several interviews between the Redeemer and the sacerdotal orders of the Jewish Church. The hatred of these orders "towards the person of the Saviour, and their concern on account of the number of adherents that he had gained among the people, had now risen to the highest degree. But the Spirit of truth and wisdom enabled him to put all their malice to shame. . . . The accurate harmony of all three Evangelists in these statements is undoubtedly a very important argument for the correctness of their description. Everything seems to have transpired in the order in which the history runs, the only difference being that Matthew relates more particulars than the others"

1 The chief priests and the scribes pressed round about him, and began to ply him with numerous questions, if by any chance they might entangle him, or catch him by craft and cunning.

7. "They answered, that they could not tell"—if they were honest and earnest men, in putting the question to Jesus as to the authority he had for his line of action, they would certainly have let the question reach its proper issue; but when they perceived that the Saviour was placing them on the horns of a dilemma, they immediately had recourse to a falsehood to escape from their difficulty. They well knew whence John received his mission and his ministry, and the inference was inevitable, that if the Baptist had held his commission from God, much more did he, the Son and Sent of God, whom they persecuted even unto death.

9. "Speak to the people this parable:"—though the Saviour addressed

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19 ¶ And the chief priests and the scribes the same hour sought to lay hands on him; and they feared the people: for they perceived that he had spoken this parable against them.

20 And they watched *him*, and sent forth spies, which should feign themselves just men, that they might take hold of his words, that so they might deliver him unto the power and authority of the governor.[a]

21 And they asked him, saying, Master, we know that thou sayest and teachest rightly, neither acceptest thou the person *of any*, but teachest the way of God [1]truly:[b]

22 Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Cæsar, or no?

23 But he perceived their craftiness, and said unto them, Why tempt ye me?

24 Shew me a penny. Whose image and superscription hath it? They answered and said, Cæsar's.[c]

25 And he said unto them, Render therefore unto Cæsar the things which be Cæsar's, and unto God the things which be God's.

26 And they could not take hold of his words before the people: and they marvelled at his answer, and held their peace.

27 ¶ Then came to *him* certain of the Sadducees, which deny that there is any resurrection; and they asked him,[d]

28 Saying, Master, Moses wrote unto us, If any man's brother die, having a wife, and he die without children, that his brother should take his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.[e]

29 There were therefore seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children.

30 And the second took her to wife, and he died childless.

31 And the third took her; and in like manner the seven also: and they left no children, and died.

32 Last of all the woman died also.

33 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife of them is she? for seven had her to wife.

34 And Jesus answering said unto them, The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage:

35 But they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage:

36 Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.[f]

37 Now that the dead are raised, even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.[g]

38 For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living: for all live unto him.[h]

39 ¶ Then certain of the scribes answering said, Master, thou hast well said.

40 And after that they durst not ask him any *question at all.*

41 And he said unto them, How say they that Christ is David's son?[i]

42 And David himself saith in the book of Psalms, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,[j]

43 Till I make thine enemies thy footstool.

44 David therefore calleth him Lord, how is he then his son?

45 ¶ Then in the audience of all the people he said unto his disciples,[k]

46 Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts;[l]

47 Which devour widows' houses, and for a shew make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.[m]

a Matt. xxii. 15.

f Rom viii 23, 1 Cor xv. 42, 49, 52, 1 John iii. 2

1 Or, *of a truth.*

b Matt xxii. 16; Mark xii. 14.

g Exod. iii. 6.

h Rom. vi. 10, 11.

c Matt. xviii. 28.

i Matt xxii 42; Mark xii 35.

j Ps cx. 1, Acts ii. 34

d Matt xxii. 23, Mark xii 18, Acts xxiii. 6, 8.

k Matt. xxiii. 1; Mark xii 38

e Deut. xxv 5.

l ch xi. 43; Matt. xxiii. 5.

m Matt. xxiii. 14.

himself immediately to the people, there can be no doubt that the parable, in its spirit and application, points to the chief priests and the scribes, but whether, as Bengel suggests, the Saviour adopted this mode to prevent the interruption of these sacerdotal orders, does not so clearly appear.

The vineyard represents the Theocratic kingdom; the husbandmen, the Jewish people; the servants, the prophets and the co-workers; the son of the proprietor, no other than the incarnate Redeemer. The Jews were the chosen nation, but we know how they treated the messengers and servants of the Most High God, and how, when he sent his own Son to reveal to them the fulness of eternal life, and receive from them as a people the fruits of faith and love, they took him and with wicked hands put him to death. The design of the parable, therefore, is to expose their dissimulation and abuse of power, and to unveil its atrocious results.

17. "The stone which the builders rejected"—the psalm from which these words are a quotation describes a victorious prince, who, in the power of the Infinite One, subdues and triumphs over his enemies. The Jews applied the psalm to the Messiah, and here the Saviour applies it to himself. The corner-stone is the support and the connecting point of the whole building; and so the Saviour and his work lie at the basis of the new dispensation—the union of both Jew and Gentile in one sacred edifice; and that which, as the corner-stone of the edifice, is refused and rejected by man, is chosen by God, and set forth by him as pre-eminently suitable to his great design. Thus writes this great evangelical prophet—"Thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste," or shall not be confounded.

18. "Whosoever shall fall upon that stone:"—it is to be observed that "in the first part of the verse, the stone appears as occasioning the fall, and the destruction thence resulting, through the act of him who falls upon it; while in the second part, inversely, the stone is represented as destroying by its own movement." Nor is this striking image unknown to the ancient prophets. "Under the figure of a piece of rock, which, without being touched, loosens itself and hurls itself down, shattering everything which it encounters, Daniel describes the destroying power of the kingdom of God, and its representative—the Messiah—put forth against the world of evil."

20 "Sent forth spies, who should feign themselves just men."—the course of action now adopted by the chief priests and the scribes reveals the mortification from which they had suffered during this penetrating, piercing address of our Lord; the spirit of dissimulation of which they were the subjects; and the deep-rooted enmity which they cherished against the Holy One of God. Instead of the Saviour's words leading them to repentance and conversion, they only excited their most bitter anger, but so long as the people adhered to Christ and looked upon him as a prophet, these men dared not lay violent hands upon him.

21—26. "Is it lawful for us to give tribute unto Cæsar?"—this question was, no doubt, put to Christ by the spies who had been sent by the Pharisees to watch his words as well as his conduct. There were two parties—the Pharisees and the Herodians. The latter were rather a political than a religious party, whose greatest care was to preserve the public quiet, and avoid, if possible, all occasion of offence to the Romans. Both parties here combine against Christ. A question is proposed to him, apparently out of respect to his authority as a teacher, but really with the view to draw out such an answer from him as would offend either the sacred orders or the politicians. Had he pronounced against the paying of tribute to Cæsar, it would have exposed him to the charge of rebellion, while to allow that such an obligation was binding on them, might have laid him open to the accusation of degrading the Theocracy, which was the distinctive glory of the Jewish nation. His answer struck them dumb, as if death had stilled their tongue.

27—40. On the Saviour's reply to the question of the Sadducees on the doctrine of the resurrection, see Matt. xxii. 23—33, and the Notes.

41. "He said unto them"—not to the Sadducees only, but rather to the Pharisees and the Scribes, for his question refers to a point on which they entertained similar opinions, as to the person of the Messiah.

45—47. "Shall receive greater damnation."—what a fearful denunciation! what an awakening prospect! what a tremendous doom!

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Christ commendeth the poor widow.* 5 *He foretelleth the destruction of the temple, and of the city Jerusalem:* 25 *the signs also which shall be before the last day.* 34 *He exhorteth them to be watchful.*



AND he looked up, and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury.[a]

2 And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites.[b]

3 And he said, Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all:[c]

4 For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had.

5 ¶ And as some spake of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said,[d]

6 *As for* these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.[e]

7 And they asked him, saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign *will there be* when these things shall come to pass?

8 And he said, Take heed that ye be not deceived: for many shall come in my name, saying, I am *Christ;* [1]and the time draweth near: go ye not therefore after them.[f]

9 But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end *is* not by and by.

10 Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:[g]

11 And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.

12 But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute *you*, delivering *you* up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.[h]

13 And it shall turn to you for a testimony.[i]

14 Settle *it* therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:[j]

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1 Or, and, The time, Matt. iii 2; iv. 17.

f Matt xxiv. 4, Mark xiii. 5; Eph vi. 6; 2 Thess. ii. 3.

a Mark xii 41.

g Matt. xxiv. 7.

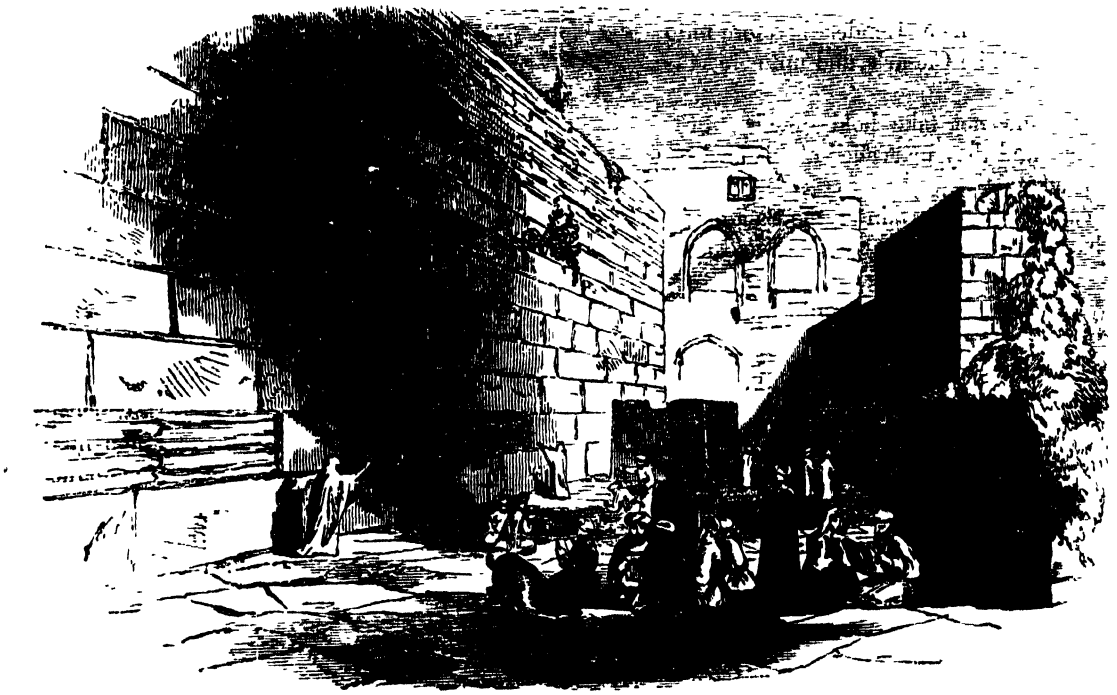
b Mark xii. 42.

h Mark xiii 9, Acts iv 3, v 18, xii 4, xvi. 24, xxv. 23; 1 Peter ii. 13; Rev ii. 10.

i Philip. i. 28, 2 Thess i. 5.

c 2 Cor. viii. 12.

j ch xii. 11; Matt. x. 19; Mark xiii 11



JEWS' PLACE OF WAILING AT JERUSALEM.

15 For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.[k]

16 And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and *some* of you shall they cause to be put to death.[l]

17 And ye shall be hated of all *men* for my name's sake.[m]

18 But there shall not an hair of your head perish.[n]

19 In your patience possess ye your souls.

20 And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed

k Acts vi. 10.

d Matt xxiv. 1; Mark xiii 1.

l Micah vii. 6; Mark xiii. 12, Acts vii. 59, xii. 2.

e ch. xix 44.

m Matt x 22.

n Matt. x 30.

CHAPTER XXI.

SYNOPSIS.—Luke xxi. 1—4; Mark xii. 41—44 Luke xxi 5—36; Matt. xxiv 1—51; xxv. 1—13, Mark xiii. 1—37. Luke xxi. 37, 38.

Our Lord had occupied the sacred floor of the Temple for the last time, and was about leaving the holy place for ever Hence this great prophetic discourse touching the destruction of Jerusalem. He had already wept over the city. His voice had died away in the ear of the people, in the plaintive and thrilling tone—a tone which had left its impression on the mind of his own disciples—"Behold, your house is left unto you desolate!" and on his leaving the Temple, they call his attention to the magnificence of the building, which leads him to utter the solemn predictions contained in the present chapter. "He that hath ears to hear, let him hear."

1. "And he looked up:"—hitherto he had been absorbed in discourse; but suddenly raising his eyes and looking in the direction of the treasury, he was struck with the spectacle which now presented itself, in connection with the offerings being deposited in the sacred chest. St. Mark tells us that the Saviour beheld how *the people* cast into the treasury; but our Evangelist speaks only of *the rich*, just because he wished to bring into bolder relief this poor widow, as presenting the most striking contrast in word and deed.

5. "Goodly stones and gifts:"—we are told that there were foundation-



JERUSALEM IN THE TIME OF OUR LORD.

with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.[a]

21 Then let them which are in Judæa flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

22 For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.[b]

23 But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.[c]

24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.[d]

25 ¶ And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;[e]

26 Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.[f]

27 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.[g]

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a Matt. xxiv. 15, Mark xiii 14.

d Dan. ix. 27, xii. 7; Rom. xi. 25.

e Matt. xxiv 29; Mark xiii 24, 2 Pet. iii 10, 12

b Dan ix 26, 27, Zech. xi 1

f Matt xxiv 29

c Matt. xxiv 19

g Matt. xxiv. 30; Rev i. 7; xiv. 14

stones in the Temple one hundred and twenty feet broad, and one hundred and thirty-four feet in length, of the whitest marble; while the building was enriched with a great variety of consecrated gifts—the offerings of a sanctified reverence, or, as in the case of Cæsar Augustus, who presented some costly vessels as a gift of honour, as a mark of regal acknowledgment

The disciples referred to the magnificent stones of which the Temple walls were built, and to the ornaments with which it was decorated. Our Lord foretells their utter overthrow. This prophecy has been completely fulfilled, and the sacred edifice has long since been levelled with the dust. As if to illustrate the terrible character of the destruction, God's providence has ordained the preservation of one portion of the lower courses of the Temple wall. This is shown in the engraving on the preceding page. The large stones represented on the left are the only evidences now visible of the "goodly stones" of which the Temple was built. They form one side of a court one hundred and twenty feet long, and known as the Jews' wailing-place. Here every day, and more especially on Fridays, the Jews come to weep over the ruin of their Temple and nation, and to pray for their restoration. This privilege they purchase of the Turkish Government. All strangers in Jerusalem visit the spot, and every day Jews may be found there lamenting and praying over the fallen glory of Zion Though it was not to this part of the wall that the disciples referred, yet as the whole wall was no doubt similar, it shows the propriety of their words, and the force of the Lord's prediction.

6. "There shall not be left one stone upon another:"—we learn from the page of history that after the Jews were conquered, Titus commanded his

28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.[a]

29 And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees;[b]

30 When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand.

31 So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.

32 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.

33 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.[c]

34 ¶ And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and *so* that day come upon you unawares.[d]

35 For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.[e]

36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.[f]

37 And in the day time he was teaching in the temple; and at night he went out, and abode in the mount that is called *the mount* of Olives.[g]

38 And all the people came early in the morning to him in the temple, for to hear him.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Rom. viii. 19, 23.

b Matt. xxiv. 32; Mark xiii. 28.

c Matt. xxiv. 35

d Rom xiii. 13; 1 Thess. v. 6; 1 Pet. iv. 7.

e 1 Thess. v 2; 2 Pet. iii. 10; Rev. iii. 3; xvi. 15.

f ch. xviii. 1; Ps. l. 5; Matt. xxiv. 42; xxv. 13; Mark xiii. 33; Eph. vi. 13.

g ch. xxii. 39; John viii. 1, 2.

CHAPTER XXII.

1 The Jews conspire against Christ. 3 Satan prepareth Judas to betray him. 7 The apostles prepare the passover. 19 Christ instituteth his holy supper, 21 covertly foretelleth of the traitor, 24 deterreth the rest of his apostles from ambition, 31 assureth Peter his faith should not fail: 34 and yet he should deny him thrice. 39 He prayeth in the mount, and sweateth blood, 47 is betrayed with a kiss: 50 he healeth Malchus' ear, 54 he is thrice denied of Peter, 63 shamefully abused, 66 and confesseth himself to be the Son of God.



NOW the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover.[h]

2 And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people.[i]

3 ¶ Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.[j]

4 And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them.

5 And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money.[k]

6 And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them [1]in the absence of the multitude.

7 ¶ Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed.[l]

8 And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat.

h Matt. xxvi 2; Mark xiv. 1.

i Ps. ii. 2; John xi. 47; Acts iv. 27.

j Matt. xxvi. 14; Mark xiv. 10; John xiii. 2, 27.

k Zech. xi. 12.

1 Or, *with tumult.*

l Matt. xxvi. 17; Mark xiv. 12.

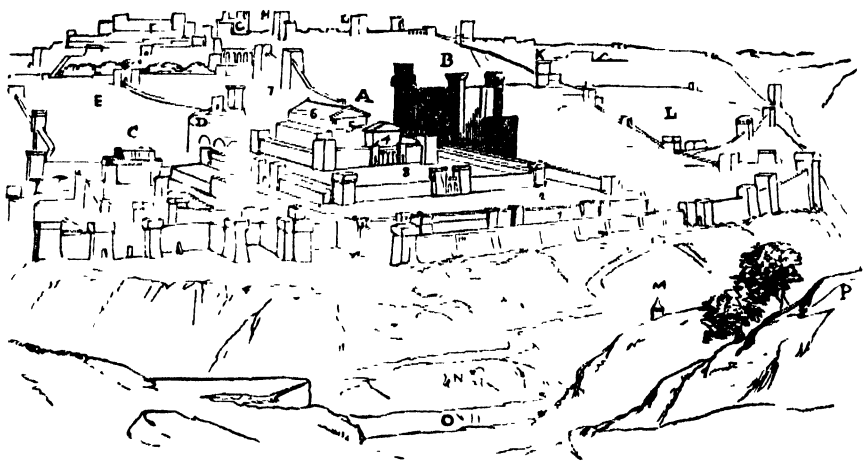
soldiers to dig up and around the foundations of the whole city, and also of the Temple, although previous to this command he used every means to preserve the sacred edifice. Afterwards Terentius Rufus tore up the foundations of the city with ploughshares, and thus invested the words of prophecy with an emphasis not to be misunderstood.—Hagg. ii. 15; Micah iii. 12.

7—36. "When shall these things be?"—to this question of his disciples, the following prophetic discourse is the solemn reply. For the exposition, see Matt. xxiv. 1—51, xxv. 1—13

When our Lord says, in verse 32, that "this generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled," the question naturally arises, Did he mean to limit the word "generation" to the men then actually living, or does he use it in a much wider and more extended sense? The authorities are greatly divided. There are those who think that our Lord used the word "generation" in a double sense, as if he had said, "All that has regard to Jerusalem and its overthrow shall come to pass even in this generation of living men; while the generation of the Jews as a people, or collective whole, shall not pass away until everything included in these predictions is fulfilled." Others maintain that the phrase "this generation" does not at all mean a generation of men in general, but what Christ has everywhere before designated by this—THE CORRUPT ISRAEL—and understand the meaning to be, "This generation will, as it were, not die, but will propagate itself in children and children's children, as a generation ever the same as the present; this generation which rejects me will so remain until it again cries 'Hosannah!' to me in truth. . . . Thus we have in the words of Christ a most significant reference to the historical miracle of the hand of God upon Israel, whose continued separate existence, ever maintaining the same nature and character of one race, even under the curse, mocks the power and cunning of all nations, and contradicts all the usual order of history."—See Numb. xxiii. 9.

It is reported of Frederick the Great, who was a man of great learning and attainments, that he once asked a preacher to furnish in one single word the most convincing argument for the truth of the Bible; and the striking answer was, "THE JEWS!" And it is the recorded opinion of Dean Alford, that "never were a nation so completely *one generation*, in all accuracy of meaning, as the Jewish people."

How affectingly has the prediction of our Lord been fulfilled in relation to the holy city! It is a fact written on the page of history, that no other city has experienced such a fate. Thirty-four times has Jerusalem been taken and pillaged, and millions of men have been slaughtered within her walls. Can we wonder that Incarnate Love should have wept over it?



KEY TO VIEW OF JERUSALEM.

A The Temple built by Herod
B The Fortress and Palace of Antonia
C The Old Palace of Solomon, and the King's Gardens
D Herod's Bridge over the Valley of the Tyropœon
E Mount Zion, or The Upper City.
F Herod's Palace and Gardens.
G Tower of Hippicus
H Tower of Phasælus.
I Tower of Mariamne
K Tower of Hananeel and of Hezekiah.
L Bezetha
M Tomb of Absalom.
N Valley of Jehoshaphat.
O The Brook Kidron.
P Mount of Olives.

TEMPLE.

1. The Outermost Court.
2. The Second Court, or Sanctuary and Court of the Women
3. The Altars of Burnt Sacrifice
4. The Gate called Beautiful
5. The Court of the Priests
6. The Holy of Holies.
7. The Valley of the Tyropœon, dividing Zion from Acra, or the Lower City.

37, 38. "He was teaching in the temple:"—these two verses are peculiar to Luke, and seem here to be somewhat suppose that our Lord ever taught in the Temple after the delivery of his great prophetic discourse. Previously to its delivery he had been for some time resident in Jerusalem. The day he spent in the Temple, and the night he in all likelihood passed at Bethany. It was during *this* time that the people sought eagerly to hear him; but from the moment that he took his final leave of the Temple as his Father's house, and uttered the prophecy of Jerusalem's impending doom, his voice was never more heard within its sacred walls. The prophecy did, in fact, close our Lord's public teaching in Jerusalem. Her children knew not the day of their visitation, and hence made light of the immense and everlasting

9 And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare?

10 And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in.

11 And ye shall say unto the goodman of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?

12 And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished: there make ready.

13 And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.

14 And when the hour was come, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.[a]

15 And he said unto them, [1]With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer:

16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.[b]

17 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide *it* among yourselves:

18 For I say unto you, I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, until the kingdom of God shall come.[c]

19 ¶ And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake *it*, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me.[d]

20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup *is* the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.[e]

21 ¶ But, behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me *is* with me on the table.[f]

22 And truly the Son of man goeth, as it was determined: but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed![g]

23 And they began to enquire among themselves which of them it was that should do this thing.[h]

24 ¶ And there was also a strife among them which of them should be accounted the greatest.[i]

25 And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors.[j]

26 But ye *shall* not *be* so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.[k]

27 For whether *is* greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? *is* not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth.[l]

28 Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations.[m]

29 And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me;[n]

30 That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.[o]

31 ¶ And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired *to have* you, that he may sift *you* as wheat:[p]

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e 1 Cor. x. 16.

f Ps. xli. 9; Matt. xxvi 21, 23, Mark xiv 18; John xiii 21, 26.

g Matt. xxvi. 24, Acts ii 23, iv. 28

h Matt. xxvi. 22, John xiii 22, 25.

i ch. ix. 46, Mark ix. 34.

j Matt. xx. 25; Mark x. 42.

a Matt xxvi. 20, Mark xiv. 17.

1 Or, *I have heartily desired.*

k ch. ix. 48, Matt xx 26, 1 Pet. v 3.

b ch xiv 15; Acts x. 41, Rev. xix. 9

l ch xii 37; Matt xx 28, John xiii 13, 14; Philipp. ii. 7

m Heb iv. 15

n ch xii 32; Matt xxiv 47, 2 Cor i 7, 2 Tim ii 12

c Matt. xxvi 29, Mark xiv 25.

o ch. xiv 15, Ps xlix 14, Matt viii. 11, xix 28, 1 Cor vi. 2, Rev iii 21; xix. 9

d Matt xxvi 26; Mark xiv 22, 1 Cor xi. 24.

p Amos ix. 9; 1 Pet. v 8

interests of their soul. To them the ministry of Christ was the savour of death unto death.

CHAPTER XXII.

SYNOPSIS:—Luke xxii 1, 2, Matt. xxvi 1—5; Mark xiv 1, 2 Luke xxii 3—6; Matt. xxvi 14—16, 19—25, Mark xiv 10—21, Luke xxii 21—23, Matt. xxvi 29—35, Mark xiv 24—31. Luke xxii 35—38 (peculiar to Luke); 39, 46; Matt xxvi 36—46, Mark xiv. 32—42, John xviii. 1. Luke xxii. 47—53; Matt. xxvi. 47—56; Mark xiv. 43—52; John xviii 2—11 Luke xxii 54—62; Matt. xxvi. 57, 69—75, Mark xiv. 53, 66—72; John xviii. 13, 17, 18, 25—27. Luke xxii. 63—71, Matt xxvi. 59—66; Mark xiv. 55—64.

Our Lord has closed his public ministry, and there now lay before him the deeper scenes of the garden and the cross. "His discourses, which even in the immediately preceding days had so powerfully flowed forth in warnings, reproofs, exhortations, prophecies, were now ended. The obduracy of the Pharisees, and the unbelief of the people, had limited the operation of his ministry. But no obduracy, no unbelief, could retard the sublime work of Christ. With the firm persuasion of his death being near, the Saviour had come to Jerusalem to the feast, and with firm resolve he advanced to meet this death—wherewith from his fall should spring forth new life for a sinful world, and whereby the Comforter, the Holy Ghost, might come, who should remind the disciples of all that their Lord had spoken, in order that they might be placed in a condition to catch up again his effective, thrilling announcements, and, through the Scriptures, to establish their signification and power for ages and for millions."



ANCIENT EARTHEN VESSELS.—LUKE XXII 10. FROM THE EGYPTIAN COLLECTION IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

1. "Called the Passover:"—this festival, which was founded upon the exodus from Egypt, was one of the principal feasts among the Jews. But the question is often raised, Was it a mere thank-offering in memory of God's sparing mercy, or did it partake of the character of a propitiation? There can be no doubt that the Passover was connected with the feeling and the highest joy and thanksgiving, but it is just as unquestionable that it had in it the true nature of an offering, in which lies the idea of sacrifice or expiation. All the best expositors are agreed that "every offering, even the thank-offering, was regarded as expiatory, if the offence stood in need of expiation, the expiation being in all offerings the essentially fundamental idea."

3. "Then entered Satan into Judas Iscariot:" with a strange forgetfulness of those moral elements which went to make up the character of the traitor, Dean Alford says:—"Satan had not yet entered into Judas, but only put it into his heart to betray our Lord;" whereas the import of the phrase clearly is, that Satan took full possession of the man, and converted him into his willing slave.

4 "Chief priests and captains:"—these captains were the leaders or officers of the Temple guard, to whom, as Jews, our Lord and his teaching could not but be obnoxious.

6 "In the absence of the multitude:"—how much is embodied in these words! While the authorities, ecclesiastical and civil, conspired together against the sinless Redeemer, the people were rather disposed to range themselves on his side, and to espouse his cause. At all events, it was in the absence of the people that the dark-souled Judas sought to carry out his diabolical design.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.[a]

33 And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.

34 And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me.[b]

35 And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.[c]

36 Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take *it*, and likewise *his* scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one.

37 For I say unto you, that this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end.[d]

38 And they said, Lord, behold, here *are* two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough.

39 ¶ And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.[e]

40 And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation.[f]

41 And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed,[g]

42 Saying, Father, if thou be [1]willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be [h].

43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him.[i]

44 And being in an agony he prayed more carnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.[j]

45 And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow,

46 And said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.[k]

47 ¶ And while he yet spake, behold a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him.[l]

48 But Jesus said unto him, Judas, betrayest thou the Son of man with a kiss?

49 When they which were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord, shall we smite with the sword?

50 ¶ And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear.[m]

51 And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far. And he touched his ear, and healed him.

52 Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders, which were come to him, Be ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and staves?[n]

53 When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness.[o]

54 ¶ Then took they him, and led *him*, and brought him into the high priest's house. And Peter followed afar off.[p]

55 And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among

a Ps. li. 13; John xvii. 9, 11, 15. xxi 15—17. 1 John xii. 27; Heb. v. 7.

b Matt xxvi 34; Mark xiv 30, John xiii. 38.

c ch ix 3, x. 4, Matt x 9

d Isa. liii. 12; Mark 28

e ch xxi 37, Matt xxvi 36, Mark xiv. 32, John xviii 1

f ver 46, Matt vi 13; xxvi 41, Mark xiv 38.

g Matt xxvi 39, Mark xiv. 35.

1 Gr. *willing to remove*

h John v 30, vi. 38.

i Matt iv 11

j ver 46, Matt vi 13; xxvi 41, Mark xiv 38.

k ver 40.

l Matt xxvi 47;

m Matt xxvi 51, Mark xiv 47, John xviii 10.

n Matt xxvi 55, Mark xiv 48.

o John xii 27.

p Matt xxvi 57, 58, John xviii 15

7. "Then came the day of unleavened bread,"—that is, the actual advent of the day, or the legal time for the sacrifice of the paschal lamb.

10 "There shall a man meet you"—we must here take with us the fact of our Lord's omniscience. Within his superhuman foresight lay the whole course of things. The man bearing the pitcher was not the proprietor of the house, but his servant, whom they met towards evening, which was the usual time of fetching in water They were commanded simply to follow him, and on reaching the house to address themselves to the proprietor, who doubtless was a man of some means and influence

11 "Where is the guestchamber?"—persons residing in Jerusalem were wont at this holy and festive season to set apart certain portions of their houses, in which parties coming from the country might eat the passover. The question put by the two disciples could not, therefore, excite any surprise.

14 "When the hour was come,"—that is, the hour in the evening appointed for the eating of the paschal supper.

15. "I have desired to eat this passover:"—Bengel says, "He had desired it for the sake of his disciples, to whom he wished now at last to manifest himself more openly in his very act of bidding them farewell. He had desired it for his own sake also, because he was about forthwith after it to enter into his glory" But there is, we think, another and a profounder reason. With this act on his part came the virtual and everlasting abrogation of the whole Jewish system, and the introduction of that new economy, whose provisions of grace extend to all the life and blessedness of a glorified immortality. Hence his own words in the sixteenth verse —"I will not any more eat thereof. . . . . I will not drink of the fruit of the vine" It was his last passover, and the last true passover to all; for he immediately instituted his own supper, and thus inaugurated the reign of grace on earth.

19, 20. "He took bread, and gave thanks"—the Saviour has now passed from the paschal celebration to the affecting memorial of his own mysterious death, as the one only and all-sufficient atonement for sin. The cup is put for the wine in it; the wine was the symbol of atoning blood, and it was by his blood of atonement that he ratified that new covenant which insures to every believer all the blessings of eternal life.

21—23. Judging from the narrative of John (xiii 1—3), these three verses ought to have come before the two preceding verses, which refer to the institution of the Lord's Supper, at which we have no reason to believe Judas was present.

—27. On this dispute about pre-eminence among the disciples of our Lord, see Matt. xx. 20—28, with the Notes.

28. "Continued with me in my temptations:"—the word *temptations* here is to be taken in the wider sense of trials and conflicts of every kind to which he was subject as a partaker of our common humanity, and in the prosecution of his sublime yet self-denying work

29, 30 "I appoint unto you a kingdom"—the present is the time for severer work, conflict, suffering; but there is a glorious future of rest, and reward, and glory Humiliation will lead to exaltation, and the cross will be followed by the crown. If ye suffer with me here, ye shall reign with me hereafter. "I appoint you a kingdom"—regal dignity, and more than princely festivity. Here you serve—there you will take your place at the table, and eat and drink in MY kingdom. The contrast is between their present circumstances and their future glorified position.

31—34. This sudden address to Peter was in all likelihood occasioned by some remark which that ever forward, ever impetuous apostle had interposed. Simon must follow his Lord through temptation and trial, and now comes his turn to be tested. As the process of winnowing separates the chaff from the wheat, and reveals the nature of both, so the integrity or otherwise of the apostle's character was now to be made manifest.

The word "converted," in the thirty-second verse, would be better rendered "restored," or "confirmed." Self-confidence is always indicative of corresponding internal weakness. The more confident we are in ourselves, the nearer we are to the point of falling.

35—38. "When I sent you without purse."—a much disputed passage; but its evident design is to forewarn his followers of those opposing forces which they would have to encounter in fulfilling their sublime mission as his ambassadors and apostles. So long as he was with them, they had nothing to provide, and nothing to fear; but now he was about to leave them as his representatives in the world, and deep would be their conflict with the enemies of his kingdom. For this reason he not only permits them to avail themselves of the ordinary helps which minister to the supply of food and the means of self-defence, but he enjoins it as something necessary and indispensable in the new and altered circumstances in which they were sure to be placed. They are henceforth to provide for their own support and self-preservation. The use of the sword was to be confined to those occasions when they might be put on the defensive.

The thirty-sixth verse would read better thus:—"He that hath a purse, let him take it; and likewise his scrip (or wallet); and he that hath no purse, let him sell his garment, and buy a sword."

39—46. In this account of our Lord's agony, we are indebted exclusively to our Evangelist for our knowledge of the incidents mentioned in verses 43, 44. The strengthening of which Christ now became conscious, through the ministration of an angel, was both physical and moral. The sweat which oozed from every pore in his body, under the pressure of mental anguish and

56 But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him.

57 And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not.

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60 And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew.

61 And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.[c]



JOSEPH OF ARIMATHÆA BEARING AWAY THE BODY OF JESUS.—LUKE XXIII.

58 And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not.[a]

59 And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this *fellow* also was with him: for he is a Galilæan.[b]

62 And Peter went out, and wept bitterly.

63 ¶ And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote *him*.[d]

64 And when they had blindfolded him, they struck

c Matt. xxvi. 34, 75; Mark xiv. 72; John xiii. 38

a Matt. xxvi. 71; Mark xiv. 69; John xviii. 25

d Matt. xxvi. 67; Mark xiv. 65

b Matt. xxvi. 73; Mark xiv. 70; John xviii. 26

distress, not only fell like drops of blood, but was itself mingled with blood; a fact not unknown in medical science.

That our Lord's prayer was confined to his present agony, and did not include the sufferings of the cross, and that his prayer was both heard and answered, is placed beyond all dispute by Heb. v. 7.

47—53. In this account of the betrayal and apprehension of Jesus we are struck with the address of Christ to Judas, the naming of the traitor, the revelation of Judas' crime, the zeal of the disciples on behalf of their Lord, and the unparalleled patience and love of the Saviour.

"Lord, shall we smite with the sword?"—the Saviour had just instructed them to provide themselves with the means of defence, and now they think an occasion has arisen for the use of the sword. The act of striking the servant of the high priest was indicative of zeal without knowledge.

"Suffer ye thus far:"—Alford takes this in the sense of "Permit me thus far;" that is, to touch the ear; for his hands, he says, were held. But this is wholly to mistake the meaning of the Evangelist. The Saviour speaks to the wounded man and to the people in general: "Suffer ye thus far"—forbear to avenge this wrong. And as they forbore, he touched the ear, and

him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee?

65 And many other things blasphemously spake they against him.

66 ¶ And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and led him into their council, saying,[a]

67 Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe:[b]

68 And if I also ask *you*, ye will not answer me, nor let *me* go.

69 Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God.[c]

70 Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am.[d]

71 And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.[e]

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *Jesus is accused before Pilate, and sent to Herod.* 8 *Herod mocketh him* 12 *Herod and Pilate are made friends.* 13 *Barabbas is desired of the people, and is loosed by Pilate, and Jesus is given to be crucified.* 27 *He telleth the women, that lament him, the destruction of Jerusalem:* 34 *prayeth for his enemies.* 39 *Two evildoers are crucified with him* 46 *His death* 50 *His burial.*



AND the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate.[f]

2 And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this *fellow* perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar, saying that he himself is Christ a King.[g]

3 And Pilate asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answered him and said, Thou sayest *it*.[h]

4 Then said Pilate to the chief priests and *to* the people, I find no fault in this man.[i]

5 And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching throughout all Jewry, beginning from Galilee to this place.

6 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilæan.

7 And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.[j]

8 ¶ And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long *season*, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Matt. xxvii. 1; Acts iv. 26; xxii. 5.

i Isa. liii 3.

b Matt. xxvi. 63; Mark xiv. 61.

m Acts iv. 27.

n Matt. xxvii. 23; Mark xv. 14; John xviii. 38; xix. 4.

c Matt. xxvi. 64; Mark xiv. 62, Heb. i. 3; viii. 1.

d Matt. xxvi. 64; Mark xiv. 62.

o vers. 1, 2, 4.

e Matt. xxvi. 65; Mark xiv. 63.

p Matt. xvii. 26; John xix. 1.

q Matt xxvii 15; Mark xv. 6; John xviii. 39.

r Acts iii. 14.

f Matt xxvii 2; Mark xv 1; John xviii. 28.

g Matt. xvii 27; xxii. 21; Mark xii 17, John xix 12; Acts xvii 7.

h Matt xxvii. 11; 1 Tim. vi 13

1 Or, *assented*, Exod xxiii 2

s Matt. xxvii 26; Mark xv. 15, John xix 16.

i 1 Pet. ii. 22.

t Matt. xxvii. 32; Mark xv. 21; John xix. 17.

j ch. iii. 1.

k ch ix. 9; Matt xiv. 1; Mark vi 14.

9 Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing.

10 And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him.

11 And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked *him*, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate.[l]

12 ¶ And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves.[m]

13 ¶ And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people,[n]

14 Said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverteth the people: and, behold, I, having examined *him* before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him:[o]

15 No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him; and, lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him.

16 I will therefore chastise him, and release *him*.[p]

17 (For of necessity he must release one unto them at the feast.)[q]

18 And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this *man*, and release unto us Barabbas:[r]

19 (Who for a certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.)

20 Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them.

21 But they cried, saying, Crucify *him*, crucify him.

22 And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let *him* go.

23 And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed.

24 And Pilate [1]gave sentence that it should be as they required.[s]

25 And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will.

26 And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear *it* after Jesus.[t]

27 ¶ And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him.

28 But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.

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healed the man.—See Matt. xxvi. 47—56; Mark xiv. 43—52; John xviii. 2—11.

CHAPTER XXIII.

SYNOPSIS:—Luke xxiii. 1—5; Matt xxvii 11—14; Mark xv 1—5; John xviii. 28—38. Luke xxiii. 6—16 (peculiar to Luke) Luke xxiii 17—25; Matt. xxvii. 15—26; Mark xv 6—15; John xviii. 39, 40. Luke xxiii 26—46 Matt xxvii 31—50; Mark xv. 20—37; John xviii. 16—30. Luke xxiii 47—56, Matt. xxvii. 57—61; Mark xv. 42—47; John xix 38—42.

It would appear that the sitting of the Sanhedrim was held on the night of Christ's arrest, and that next morning judgment was passed upon him; and with the sentence of death upon him, he was led away to Pilate, for the Jews themselves had been divested of the right of jurisdiction in all questions of life and death. Everything in these last moments of our Saviour's history gathers intensity and force, and all is to be consummated in a scene of unutterable suffering and sorrow. He had still a baptism to be baptised with, and he was straitened until it was accomplished.

1. "Led him unto Pilate"—Pontius Pilate was the Roman procurator or governor of Judea at this time. His proper residence was at Cæsarea, but he had a palace or government house in Jerusalem, whither he went up at stated periods, and where he exercised judicial authority.

2. "Forbidding to give tribute to Cæsar:"—for the falsehood involved in this charge, see chap. xx. 21—25.

6—16. These verses are peculiar to our Evangelist. Pilate was not sorry to get rid of the matter now in hand by sending his prisoner to Herod (Antipas), who was tetrarch of Galilee and Perea, but who, being a Jew, was now in Jerusalem during the Passover. The character of Herod induced our Lord to maintain a perfect silence while he was in his presence.

29 For, behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed *are* the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.[a]

30 Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us.[b]

31 For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?[c]

32 And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death.[d]

33 And when they were come to the place, which is called [1]Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.[e]

34 ¶ Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.[f]

35 And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided *him*, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God.[g]

36 And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar,

37 And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.

38 And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.[h]

39 ¶ And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.[i]

40 But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?

41 And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.

42 And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.

43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

44 And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the [2]earth until the ninth hour.[j]

45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.[k]

46 ¶ And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

m Matt. xxvii. 54; Mark xv. 39.

a ch. xxi. 23; Matt. xxiv. 19.

b Isa. ii. 19; Hos. x. 8, Rev. vi. 16; ix. 6.

c Prov. xi. 31; Jer. xxv 29; Ezek. xx 47; xxi 3, 4; 1 Pet. iv 17.

n Ps. xxxviii. 11, Matt. xxvii. 55, Mark xv 40; John xix. 25.

d Isa. liii. 12; Matt. xxvii. 38.

o Matt. xxvii 57; Mark xv. 42; John xix. 38.

1 Or, *the place of a skull*

e Matt xxvii. 33; Mark xv. 22, John xix 17, 18

p ch. ii. 25, 38; Mark xv. 43.

f Matt. v. 44; xxvii. 35, Mark xv. 24; John xix 23, Acts iii. 17; vii. 60; 1 Cor. iv. 12.

q Matt xxvii. 59; Mark xv. 46.

g Ps. xxii. 17; Zech xii 10; Matt. xxvii 39; Mark xv. 29

r Matt. xxvii. 62.

s ch viii. 2; Mark xv. 47.

h Matt. xxvii. 37; Mark xv. 26; John xix. 19

t Exod. xx. 10; Mark xvi. 1.

i Matt. xxvii. 44; Mark xv 32.

u ch xxiii. 56; Matt. xxviii. 1; Mark xvi 1, John xx 1.

2 Or, *land.*

j Matt xxvii. 45; Mark xv 33.

k Matt. xxvii. 51; Mark xv. 38.

v Matt. xxviii. 2; Mark xvi. 4.

l Ps. xxxi. 5; Matt. xxvii. 50; Mark xv 37; John xix. 30; 1 Peter ii. 23.

w ver. 23; Mark xvi. 5.

47 Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man.[m]

48 And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things which were done, smote their breasts, and returned.

49 And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.[n]

50 ¶ And, behold, *there was* a man named Joseph, a counsellor; *and he was* a good man, and a just:[o]

51 (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) *he was* of Arimathæa, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God.[p]

52 This *man* went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.

53 And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.[q]

54 And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.[r]

55 And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.[s]

56 And they returned, and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the sabbath day according to the commandment.[t]

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Christ's resurrection is declared by two angels to the women that come to the sepulchre.* 9 *These report it to others.* 13 *Christ himself appeareth to the two disciples that went to Emmaus.* 36 *afterwards he appeareth to the apostles, and reproveth their unbelief:* 47 *giveth them a charge:* 49 *promiseth the Holy Ghost:* 51 *and so ascendeth into heaven.*



NOW upon the first *day* of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain *others* with them.[u]

2 And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.[v]

3 And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.[w]

18. "Release unto us Barabbas:"—if Jesus were really innocent, why did Pilate speak of scourging him? He thus gave the Jews an advantage over him, for they naturally concluded that if he is to be chastised, he must be worthy of punishment. Hence they cry, "Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas."

27. "There followed him a great company of people;"—among whom, as a matter of course, there were a number of women, whose more tender and affectionate nature was moved even to tears as they saw Jesus being led to crucifixion. These women are not to be confounded with those whose faith in him and devotedness to him remained unshaken even up to death itself, and who were emphatically his followers. There might be some believing women in the present throng, or those who had received some special favour at his hands.

28—31. "Blessed are the barren:"—Alford says, "Many of those who now bewailed him perished in the siege of Jerusalem. Those who now were young wives would not be more than *sixty* when (A.D. 70) the city was taken. But to *their children* more especially belonged the miseries of which the Lord here speaks. Between this and then would be time for *that effectual weeping* which might save both themselves and their children (see Acts ii. 37, 38), but of which few availed themselves."

39—43. These verses, in the form and structure in which they are here found, are peculiar to our Evangelist. The penitent malefactor believed, in common with the Jewish nation, in the approach of the Messianic kingdom; and now realising in the Crucified One the promised Messiah and Saviour, he prefers the prayer, "Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom." What "is really astounding is, the power and strength of that faith which, amidst shame, and pain, and mockery, could thus lift itself to the apprehension of the Crucified as his King."

44—49. On the facts and incidents here recorded, see the parallel passages in Matthew and Mark.

CHAPTER XXIV.

SYNOPSIS:—Luke xxiv. 1—12; Matt. xxviii. 1—10; Mark xvi. 1—8, John xx. 1—10. Luke xxiv. 13—35 (peculiar to Luke). Luke xxiv. 36—49; Mark xvi. 14; John xx. 19—24. Luke xxiv. 50—53.

The grave has now closed upon the Incarnate Redeemer, but only to render the more illustrious his victory over death by his return to the power of an endless life, and thus bringing life and incorruption to light. His resurrection as the great final argument in favour of his mission and claims, rests on the most incontrovertible evidence; and this it is which gives

15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed *together* and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.[a]

16 But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.[b]

17 And he said unto them, What manner of communications *are* these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?

18 And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?[c]

19 And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:[d]

20 And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him.[e]

21 But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done.[f]

22 Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre;[g]

23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive.

24 And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found *it* even so as the women had said: but him they saw not.[h]

25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:

26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?[i]

27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.[j]

28 And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further.[k]

29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them.[l]

30 And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake, and gave to them.[m]

31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he [1]vanished out of their sight.

32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them,

34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.[n]

35 And they told what things *were done* in the

ANNO DOMINI 33.

h ver 12.

a ver. 36; Matt. xviii. 20.

b John xx. 14; xxi. 4.

i ver 46; Acts xvii. 3; 1 Pet. i. 11.

j ver 45; Gen. iii. 15, xxii. 18; xxvi. 4, xlix. 10; Numb. xxi 9, Deut xviii. 15, Ps xvi 9, 10; xxii., cxxxii. 11; Isa vii. 14; ix. 6, xl. 11; l. 6; liii; Jer. xxiii 5; xxxiii. 14,15; Ezek. xxxiv. 23; xxxvii. 25; Dan. ix. 24; Micah vii. 20; Mal. iii. 1; iv. 2; John i. 45.

c John xix. 25.

k Gen xxxii 26, xlii. 7; Mark vi. 48.

l Gen. xix. 3; Acts xvi. 15.

d ch. vii. 16; Matt. xxi. 11; John iii. 2; iv. 19; vi. 14; Acts ii. 22, vii. 22.

m Matt. xiv. 19.

e ch xxiii. 1; Acts xiii 27, 28.

1 Or, *ceased to be seen of them*, ch. iv. 30, John viii. 59.

f ch. i. 68, ii. 38; Acts i. 6.

g vs. 9, 10; Matt. xxviii 8, Mark xvi. 10, John xx. 18.

n 1 Cor. xv. 5.

posed upon, and therefore we have strong presumptive proof that they would not deceive others.

13—35. This section of the history is peculiar to our Evangelist, and is replete with interest to every believer.

It may seem strange that these two disciples should have been favoured with this interview and manifestation, even before any one of the Apostles. Olshausen says —"The Lord, according to his promise, would probably have showed himself to his disciples only in quiet Galilee, if they, with a lively faith in his resurrection, had immediately proceeded thither. But the statements of the women who were first privileged to behold the Saviour did not satisfy them. They were unable, on the strength of these statements, to rise above their earthly views to the sublime elevation of an unwavering faith" It may be that John, but he only, was convinced of the truth of Mary's report, so that while all the eleven had previously enjoyed the freest and the fullest intercourse with the Saviour, and had received from his own lips the repeated assurance of his resurrection, it was yet needful that he should give, by personal manifestation, the final completion and consecration of that intercourse, in order that they might be fully qualified for their work in the kingdom of God. And "hence the Lord, after his resurrection, showed himself to them only upon peculiarly sacred occasions, and in ways most impressive and mysterious. . . . Still, they evidently knew that they had now the privilege of association with him in a different manner from what formerly was the case. Hence when, in his ascension to heaven, the Saviour withdrew altogether from them, they were filled with joy. They in no way indulged in their former sorrows, for they knew that Christ would remain in spirit with them, and yet he himself be personally exalted, to sit at the right hand of God"

13. "Two of them went that same day:"—two of whom? Not of the Apostles, but of those who were associated with the Apostles in holy faith and fellowship. In the ninth verse we read, "unto the eleven, and to all the rest;" and of the rest, or included in their number, were these two disciples.

"To a village called Emmaus."—there was a place of this name which was situated about twenty-two Roman miles west of Jerusalem, and which was afterwards called Nicopolis; but the usual opinion is that the Emmaus of our Evangelist was at Kubeibeh, eight or nine miles from Jerusalem. The true Emmaus, however, was distant only sixty stadia, or seven miles and a half. Two centuries ago Kubeibeh was visited by the traveller D'Arvieux, who says. "Emmaus was not worth the trouble of having come out of our way to view. Ruins, indeed, we saw on all sides, and fables we heard from every quarter, though under the guise of traditions, such as the notion of the house of Cleopas, on the site of which a great church was erected, and of which a few masses of the thick wall remain, but nothing else." "It seems, by the ruins which surround the village," says the same traveller, "that it was formerly larger than it was in our Saviour's time." Tobler says the remains of a convent and of a church are still to be seen at Kubeibeh. After all, the true site of Emmaus is very uncertain.

16. "Their eyes were holden:"—was the cause in themselves, or in the form of the risen Saviour? There are those who think that the form of Christ had been changed since his death, and that this change was the commencement of his glorified humanity, and which, probably, the disciples were only permitted to behold in a very minor degree. Christ's human nature veiled his divinity, and so, in like manner, we may reasonably assume that his divine power veiled the splendour of his glorified body—out of tenderness to his disciples, who were unable, with mortal powers, to endure the indescribable effulgence radiating from his divine nature, and his lustrous human form But though for a season "their eyes were holden," they were assured that in the fulness of time they should dwell with him, and behold the glory of his person and the glory of his kingdom—in perpetual accomplishment of the declaration, "Father, I will that they whom thou hast given me be with me where I am, that they may behold my glory."

18. "One of them, whose name was Cleopas:"—who the other was, it is vain to conjecture. Nor are the authorities agreed as to the exact individuality of Cleopas. The reason why our Evangelist mentions him may be that from him he received the materials out of which he has constructed this part of his narrative.

25. "O fools, and slow of heart to believe."—the word here rendered "fool" signifies one who is void of understanding, and hence slow of believing. If his words regarding his sufferings and death had been literally fulfilled, then the simplest reasoning should have forced upon them the conclusion that his resurrection must follow as a consequence, since he had told them repeatedly that he should rise again on the third day

30. "He took bread, and blessed it, and brake."—there is no reference here to his own Holy Supper; it was nothing more than a social meal, and whenever *three* ate together they were bound to give thanks. Jesus performed this office, and distributed the provision, in order, no doubt, to prepare the minds of these disciples for a still higher revelation of himself.

32. "Did not our heart burn within us?"—the words of Stier are very appropriate here: "This burning speaks not only of new life in the joy and hope of faith, but especially of an internal impulse of *love* to the Lord, and to this marvellous stranger, for the Lord's sake. When Christ, after his ascension, begins to teach, the sincere and receiving heart begins at once to burn. Did not our hearts more and more burn within us when he talked with us, or, rather, to us, and when he opened to us the Scriptures?" He had touched their hearts; and it would indeed have been strange if, under HIS touch, these hearts were not at once on fire. "The expression, *a burning heart*, was not coined in the school of human wisdom: these disciples had not found it in the treasure-house of the Divine Word. It is a new word, which was given them in connection with a new and hitherto unfelt experience. How surely and how swiftly does internal experience find the right word for its emotions!"

36. "Jesus himself stood in the midst of them:"—the disciples had here the visible and incontrovertible proof that Jesus lived bodily; and yet his body was not bound and confined as before. The doors of the room in which his disciples were assembled were shut. It is nowhere said that he opened

way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

36 ¶ And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.[a]

37 But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit.[b]

38 And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?

39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.[c]

40 And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them *his* hands and *his* feet.

41 And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat?[d]

42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb.

43 And he took *it*, and did eat before them.[e]

44 And he said unto them, These *are* the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and *in* the prophets, and *in* the psalms, concerning me.[f]

45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,[g]

46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:[h]

47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.[i]

48 And ye are witnesses of these things.[j]

49 ¶ And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.[k]

50 ¶ And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them.[l]

51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.[m]

52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:[n]

53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.[o]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

f ver. 6; ch. ix. 22; xviii. 31; Matt. xvi. 21; xvii. 22; xx. 18; Mark viii. 31.

g Acts xvi. 14.

a Mark xvi. 14; John xx. 19; 1 Cor. xv. 5.

b Mark vi. 49.

h ver. 26; Ps. xxii.; Isa. l. 6; liii. 3, &c.; Acts xvii. 3.

i Gen. xii. 3; Ps. xxii. 27; Isa. xlix. 6, 22; Jer. xxxi. 34; Dan. ix. 24; Hos. ii. 23; Micah iv. 2; Mal. i. 11; Acts xiii 38, 46; 1 John ii. 12.

j John xv. 27; Acts i. 8, 22; ii. 32; iii. 15.

c John xx. 20, 27.

k Isa. xliv. 3; Joel ii. 28; John xiv 16, 26, xv. 26; xvi. 7; Acts i 4; ii 1, &c.

l Acts i. 12.

d Gen. xlv. 26; John xxi. 5.

m 2 Kings ii. 11; Mark xvi. 19; John xx 17; Acts i. 9; Eph. iv. 8.

e Acts x. 41.

n Matt. xxviii. 9, 17.

o Acts ii. 46; v 42.

them, or that they were opened for him; and yet he appears in the midst of his anxious and perplexed followers. The appearance was sudden and unexpected; and hence their amazement and their fear. All attempts to define the power which our Lord now possessed over his body are presumptuous and vain. Beautifully says Stier. "Thus does the Bringer of peace penetrate all the bolts of fear and weakness in the hearts of his disciples, and he comes with his blessing when they are assembled as a company of his own! Doors hinder him not like closed hearts." Let us listen to his own loving and entreating voice "Behold, I stand at the door and knock if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."

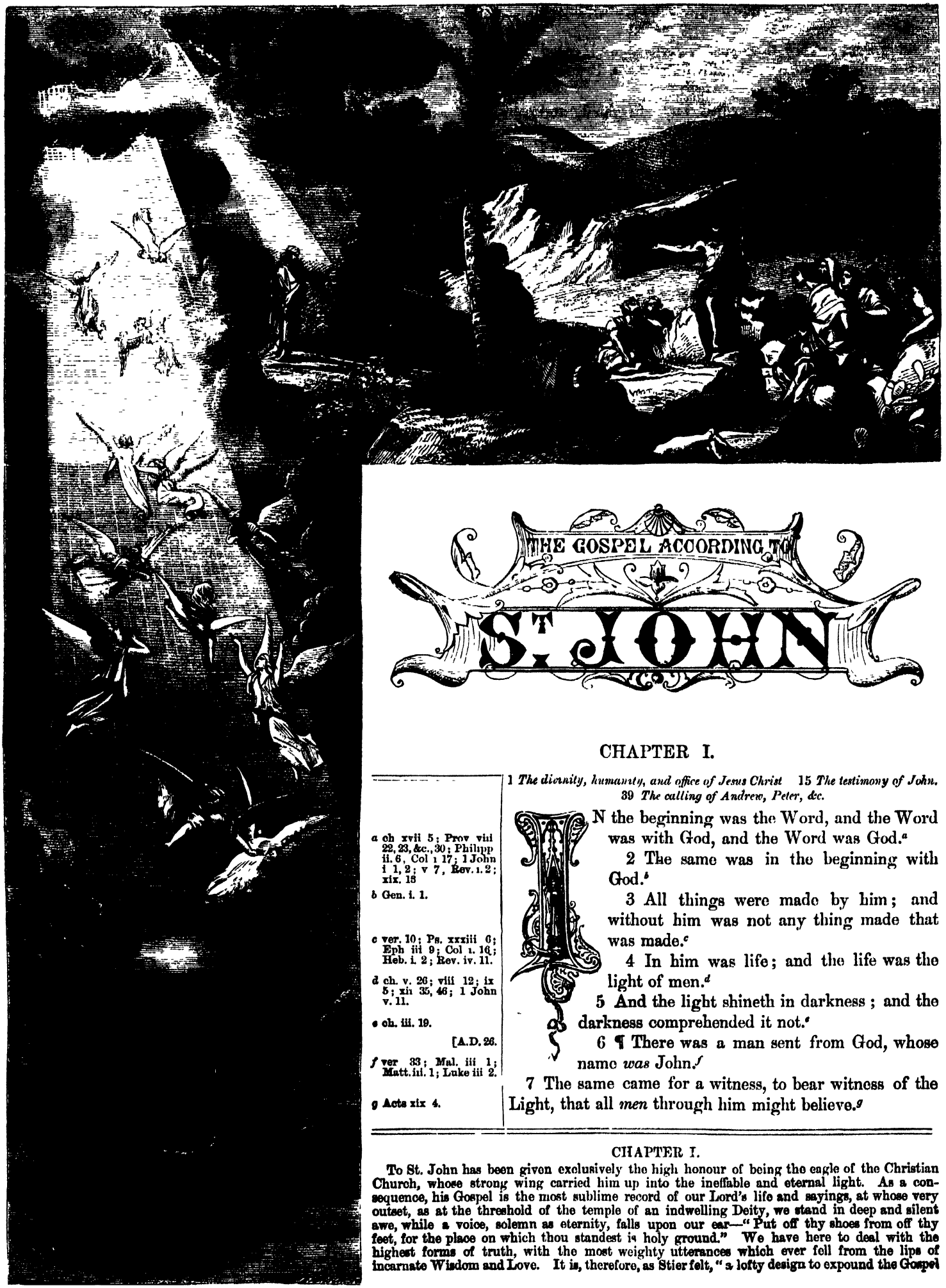
43. "And did eat before them."—although he had such power over his body as to be able to appear and disappear in a moment of time, he continued in possession of a true corporeal nature, even after he rose from the dead, till the day on which he ascended, and re-assumed the glory which he had with the Father before the world began. Hence the fact of his eating and drinking with his disciples.

49 "The promise of my Father."—this was the gift of the Spirit in all his plenitude of light, and life, and power, to qualify them for their work as witnesses for him, and teachers of his truth.—See Acts i. 4, 8, ii. 1—4.

It is a simple fact in the history and ministry of our Lord, that as his course of instruction drew to a close, and as the hour approached for his separation and departure from his disciples, he began to fix their thoughts more intensely and exclusively on the mission and work of the Spirit. They had long enjoyed his personal presence—had been permitted the most familiar and uninterrupted intercourse, and by a gradual process of mental illumination and moral training, had been lifted up to a higher point of spiritual life and consciousness. But their Master was about to be withdrawn; and the simple disclosure of this fact filled their hearts with sorrow. To assuage their grief, the Saviour gave them the promise of another Comforter—even the Spirit of truth—who should not only be *with* them as a Teacher to guide them into all truth, but should be *in* them as a new and still higher principle of life, penetrating their whole nature, and taking up his abode in the innermost centre of their being. For the fulfilment of this promise they were to wait till after his ascension; and hence the command which we find embodied in the text—"Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high." They waited for ten days in solemn prayer and holy expectation, and on the day of Pentecost the Spirit was given in all the plenitude of his light, and life, and power; nor has he ever been withdrawn from the Church or the world. It is as true as it is startling that the apostles and the early Church, believing in his actual presence, never, subsequently to that day, offered up any prayer for his mission or descent;—that as Christ was once offered for all, so the Spirit was given to remain with the Church for ever;—that this is emphatically the dispensation of the Spirit; that he is the last and highest manifestation of the Godhead;—that while the Son came to reveal, the Spirit came to dwell;—that as the Spirit of truth, he only imparts the truth in that he imparts himself;—that his indwelling involves the true idea of life;—for as the Spirit is not something distinct and separate from the truth, but truth itself, so the truth is life itself. "It is the Spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing." Spiritual life comes not by any external relation or connection, but by the indwelling of the Holy Ghost. And unless we conceive of the Spirit as ever present and ever active in all the means which Infinite Love has revealed for the salvation of man, we mistake his operations. The same mistake is committed in the world of mind as in the world of matter—in the domain of morals as in the domain of physics. We speak of the great material universe being governed by certain laws—of being preserved in all the order and harmony of its beautiful mechanism by the force of gravitation. Now what is meant by this force? Whence do we get our idea of power? Is it something distinct from the will of God, and independent of it?—something which God evoked from the silence and the depth of eternity apart from himself? Just as certainly as the same Divine agency is required to uphold the harmonies and the beauties of the external creation, as that which at first brought creation into existence, so the provisions, arrangements, and laws of the Christian Economy are not something distinct and separate from the Spirit, but rather the Spirit himself, in and through these, acting on the inner and spiritual nature of man.

50. "As far as to Bethany:"—the ascension did not take place from the village of Bethany itself, but from the descent of the Mount of Olives towards the village.

We believe not only in a risen and living Saviour, but in a Saviour who is also glorified. That he ascended to the right hand of God, and now reigns in sublimest majesty as Head over all things to his body, the Church, is one of the articles of our faith. His sovereignty is not only a glorious doctrine, but a source of unspeakable consolation and joy. It is his voice which we hear in those bright, beautiful, inspiring words:"—"I am the First and the Last, and the Living One; and I was dead, and behold I am alive for evermore, and have the keys of the unseen world and of death." The whole Church doth acknowledge Thee to be THE LORD. Thou, O Christ, art the King of Glory!



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN

CHAPTER I.

1 *The divinity, humanity, and office of Jesus Christ* 15 *The testimony of John.* 39 *The calling of Andrew, Peter, &c.*

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.[a]

2 The same was in the beginning with God.[b]

3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.[c]

4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.[d]

5 And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.[e]

6 ¶ There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John.[f]

7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all *men* through him might believe.[g]

[A.D. 26.

a ch xvii 5; Prov viii 22, 23, &c., 30; Philipp ii. 6, Col i 17; 1 John i 1, 2; v 7, Rev. i. 2; xix. 13

b Gen. i. 1.

c ver. 10; Ps. xxxiii 6; Eph iii 9; Col i. 16; Heb. i. 2; Rev. iv. 11.

d ch. v. 26; viii 12; ix 5; xii 35, 46; 1 John v. 11.

e ch. iii. 19.

f ver 33; Mal. iii 1; Matt. iii. 1; Luke iii 2.

g Acts xix 4.

CHAPTER I.

To St. John has been given exclusively the high honour of being the eagle of the Christian Church, whose strong wing carried him up into the ineffable and eternal light. As a consequence, his Gospel is the most sublime record of our Lord's life and sayings, at whose very outset, as at the threshold of the temple of an indwelling Deity, we stand in deep and silent awe, while a voice, solemn as eternity, falls upon our ear—"Put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place on which thou standest is holy ground." We have here to deal with the highest forms of truth, with the most weighty utterances which ever fell from the lips of incarnate Wisdom and Love. It is, therefore, as Stier felt, "a lofty design to expound the Gospel

8 He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light.

9 *That* was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.[a]

10 He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.[b]

11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.[c]

12 But as many as received him, to them gave he [1]power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:[d]

13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.[e]

14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.[f]

15 ¶ John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me.[g]

16 And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.[h]

17 For the law was given by Moses, *but* grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.[i]

18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared *him*.[j]

19 ¶ And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?[k]

20 And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ.[l]

21 And they asked him, What then? Art thou

ANNO DOMINI 26.

2 Or, *a prophet?*
m Deut. xviii. 15, 18; Mal. iv. 5; Matt. xvii. 10.
a ver. 4; Isa. xlix. 6; 1 John ii. 8
b ver. 3; Heb. i. 2; xi. 3.
c Luke xix. 14; Acts iii. 26, xiii 46.
n ch iii. 28; Isa. xl. 3; Matt. iii. 3; Mark i 3; Luke iii 4.
1 Or, *the right*, or, *privilege.*
d Isa. lvi. 5; Rom. viii. 15; Gal. iii. 26, 2 Peter i 4; 1 John iii. 1
e ch. iii 5; James i 18, 1 Peter i. 23
o Matt iii 11, Mal. iii 1.
f ch. ii 11, xi 40, Isa xl. 5, Matt i 16, 20, xvii 2; Luke i 31, 35, ii 7; Rom i 3; Gal iv 4, Col i 19, ii. 3, 9; Heb ii 11, 14, 16, 17, 1 Tim iii 16, 2 Peter i. 17.
p Acts xix 4
g vs 27, 30, 32; ch iii. 31, 32, v 33, viii 58, Matt iii 11; Mark i 7, Luke iii 16, Col i 17
q ch x. 40, Judge vii 24
h ch iii 34; Eph. i 6-8, Col i 19, ii 9, 10
i ch viii. 22, xiv 6, Exod. xx 1, &c, Deut iv 44, v 1, xxxiii. 4; Rom iii 24, v 21.
3 Or, *beareth*
r Exod xii 3, Isa. liii. 7, 11, Acts viii 32, Heb i 3, ii 17, ix 28, 1 Peter i 19, ii 24, iii 18, 1 John ii 2, iii 5, iv 10, Rev i 5, v 6, &c.

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j Exod. xxxiii 20, Deut iv 12, Matt xi 27, Luke x 22, 1 Tim. i. 17, vi 16, 1 John iv 9, 12, 20.
k ch v 33
s Mal iii 1, Matt iii 6, Luke i 17, 76, 77, iii 3, 4
l Luke iii 15, Acts xiii 25
t Matt. iii 16, Mark i 10, Luke iii. 22.

Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou [2]that prophet? And he answered, No.[m]

22 Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?

23 He said, I *am* the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias.[n]

24 And they which were sent were of the Pharisees.

25 And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ, nor Elias, neither that prophet?

26 John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not;[o]

27 He it is, who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose.[p]

28 These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.[q]

29 ¶ The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which [3]taketh away the sin of the world.[r]

30 This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me.

31 And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water.[s]

32 And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him.[t]

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of that Evangelist who has enshrined in Scripture that which the Incarnate Logos, the only begotten of the Father, testified to the world concerning the mysteries of his person and redeeming work, as well as all that he finally poured out of the depths of his own heart into the amazed hearts of his first disciples, for the future interpretation of the Spirit of Truth, when HE should bring his words to their remembrance." It is in this Gospel most emphatically that "Christ bears witness to himself through John, and gives to his servant the pen of a marvellous writer, and the power to sink deep into his Lord's word, and work, and life, and person, and heart."

As to the genuineness of John's narrative, it is on all hands allowed to possess stronger testimonials in history than other writings of the New Testament; while the chief object of the Evangelist is "to place before the eyes of the world the life of Christ, the Son of God, neither for the Jews alone, as Matthew, nor for the Gentiles alone, as Mark and Luke did, but for all those, among Jews and Gentiles, who possessed the ability and the disposition to engage in deeper meditations respecting divine things." It is supposed that he had especially in view the Mystics and the Gnostics of his own day, who professed an inward *direct* apprehension of the truth in its own purity, but whose deepest apprehensions came infinitely short of what he taught as coming immediately from God. It has been objected that "the Saviour, according to the representation of the fourth Gospel, appears to be a perfectly different person from that which he is described to be in the three other Gospels;" but this arises simply from the fact that, while Matthew presents rather the human side of Christ, to meet the predilection of the sensuous and the sign-seeking Jew, and while Mark exhibits the active side of his character, to meet the view of the busy, enterprising Roman, and while Luke sets forth the benevolent aspect of his character, to meet the wants and expectations of the Gentile nations, John addresses himself to the spiritual and inquiring mind, and hence he brings out the DIVINE side of the Saviour's character, and gives to that all the distinctness and all the prominence which it demanded.

As to the Evangelist himself, he was the son of Zebedee and Salome, and brother of James. His father was a Galilean, and by occupation a fisherman. He is supposed to have resided at Bethsaida, but this is uncertain. John's family seems to have belonged to what we should call the middle class of society; and from chapter xviii. 15 we may infer that he was personally known to Caiaphas, the high priest. His mother, Salome, was one of those women who came with Jesus from Galilee, and ministered unto him; and she was one of the party who brought sweet spices and ointments wherewith to embalm the body of Jesus after his death. Nor is it at all unlikely that, by this pious woman and loving mother, the first germs of religion may have been dropped into the heart of the son, and which we afterwards find developing themselves in corresponding life and loveliness. He was one of the two disciples to whom John the Baptist addressed the awakening and heart-captivating words—"Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world!" and hence his acquaintance with the Saviour dates from the very beginning of our Lord's ministry. He was afterwards taken into the honoured circle of the Twelve; was nearest to the person of Jesus during the whole period of his ministry, accompanied him in many of his journeys, and was admitted to the sublimest scenes in his life. To him did our Lord, when dying on the cross, give his own mother in solemn charge; while the affection and devotedness of the disciple corresponded with the love of the Master. He is supposed, after the death of Mary, to have removed to Ephesus, where he fixed his residence, and exercised his apostolic office. In the reign of Domitian he was banished to the isle of Patmos, where he wrote the Book of Revelation, from which island he returned, under Nerva, to Ephesus, where he is said to have written this Gospel, and to have died in extreme old age.

1. "In the beginning was the Word."—the Greek term, LOGOS, here rendered WORD, has given birth to much serious discussion. It is used by John without any explanation, as if it conveyed an obvious meaning to its readers; and yet, on this one term depends the interpretation and the understanding of the most momentous utterances to be found in this Gospel. The word is never used to express what we understand by Mind or Reason, whether created or uncreated; it cannot be resolved into an abstraction or an attribute, for it here carries with it the idea of personality and active energy: not a personification, but a person, who is identical with Jesus Christ, as the pre-existing Son of God; and who, though manifested in time and space, possessed a pre-existent nature, independent both of space and time. The WORD became flesh, and therefore must have had a previous existence; and in tracing back this existence, we can find no resting-point short of eternity itself. In this his pre-existence the Word was now revealing himself to our race, till the fulness of the time arrived, and he, clothing himself with our nature, appeared in our world as full of grace and truth—the very perfection of all his revelation, and the very embodiment of all love. And hence the use of the word LOGOS by our Evangelist; and hence, too, the absence of all explanation of that term, since he uses it as the final manifestation, or completing revelation, of God to man in the PERSON of his incarnate Son.

3. "All things were made by him:"—then he existed before all things. Nor can he be included in the things which were made by him; otherwise, he made himself, which would be a flat contradiction.

4. "The life was the light of men:"—spiritual light is an essential condition

33 And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.[a]

34 And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.

35 ¶ Again the next day after John stood, and two of his disciples;

36 And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God![b]

37 And the two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus.

38 Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and saith unto them, What seek ye? They said unto him, Rabbi, (which is to say, being interpreted, Master,) where [1]dwellest thou?

39 He saith unto them, Come and see. They came and saw where he dwelt, and abode with him that day: for it was [2]about the tenth hour.

40 One of the two which heard John *speak*, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother.[c]

41 He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messias, which is, being interpreted, [3]the Christ.

42 And he brought him to Jesus. And when Jesus beheld him, he said, Thou art Simon the son of Jona: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, [4]A stone.[d]

43 ¶ The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him, Follow me.

44 Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.[e]

45 Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.[f]

46 And Nathanael said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip saith unto him, Come and see.[g]

ANNO DOMINI 30.

h ch. viii. 39; Ps xxxii. 2; lxxiii. 1; Rom ii. 28, 29, ix. 6

a Matt. iii. 11; Acts i. 5; ii. 4; x. 44, xix. 6.

i ch. xviii. 37; xix. 3; Matt. xiv. 33; xxi 5; xxvii. 11, 42.

b ver. 29.

1 Or, *abidest.*

j Gen xxviii 12; Matt. iv 11; Luke ii 9, 13; xxii 43; xxiv 4; Acts i 10.

2 *That was two hours before night.*

c Matt. iv 18.

3 Or, *the Anointed.*

k Josh. xix. 28.

4 Or, *Peter.*

d Matt. xvi 18.

e ch. xi 21.

f ch xxi 2; Gen. iii 15; xlix 10, Deut xviii 18; Isa. iv. 2; vii 14; ix. 6, lii 2, Micah v 2, Zech. vi. 12, ix 9, Matt ii 23, Luke ii. 4, xxiv. 27.

l ch vii 6; xix 26; 2 Sam. xvi. 10, xix. 22.

g ch. vii 41, 42, 52.

47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and saith of him, Behold an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile![h]

48 Nathanael saith unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him, Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee.

49 Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel.[i]

50 Jesus answered and said unto him, Because I said unto thee, I saw thee under the fig tree, believest thou? thou shalt see greater things than these.

51 And he saith unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Hereafter ye shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.[j]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Christ turneth water into wine, 12 departeth into Capernaum, and to Jerusalem, 14 where he purgeth the temple of buyers and sellers. 19 He foretelleth his death and resurrection 23 Many believed because of his miracles, but he would not trust himself with them.*



AND the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:[k]

2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.

3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.

4 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come.[l]

5 His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do *it*.

6 And there were set there six waterpots of

Hence he who gives life communicates with the life the element in which it develops and reveals itself.

9. "Which lighteth every man that cometh into the world."—a better rendering of this verse, and involving a truer sense, would be—"That was the true light which, coming into the world, lighteth every man."

14. "The glory as of the only begotten of the Father:"—he was not a mere representative image or reflection of the Father's glory, but the very brightness of that glory, and therefore the rendering here should be—"the glory *truly* of the only begotten of the Father."

16. "Grace for grace;"—or rather, grace in addition to grace; that is, successive and ever-increasing communications of spiritual blessing.

19–27. For the mission and ministry of John the Baptist, see the Notes on Matt. iii. 1—12, Mark i. 1—8.

28. "In Bethabara beyond Jordan:"—this ford of Jordan was about thirty miles north of Jericho.

29. "Behold the Lamb of God."—the question has been asked, "Whence did John derive the designation of the Incarnate One, and in what sense did he use it?" Was it suggested to him by the paschal lamb, or by the lamb offered in the daily morning and evening sacrifice; or by the words of the great evangelical prophet, "He was led as a lamb to the slaughter?" Opinion is divided; but why restrict ourselves to any one of these senses? As a Jew, the mind of John was penetrated and filled with the idea of sacrifice; and the moment he beheld the incarnate Jesus, the Spirit of Revelation unveiled to him the sublime truth that in the Christ now before him all sacrifice was to be consummated, and the grand end of oblation and propitiation effected—the taking away of sin.

40. "One of the two which heard John was Andrew;"—and the other was, no doubt, our own Evangelist, on whose calm, loving, unfading spirit

the words, "Behold the Lamb of God," fell with such an emphasis and effect, that he never lost the impression; and hence the phrase, "THE LAMB OF GOD," is exclusively found in this Evangelist.

44. "Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter:"—this place, which was situated on the western bank of the Lake of Gennesareth, is not to be confounded with another Bethsaida, which stood at the top of the lake, on the Jordan.

51. "Hereafter ye shall see heaven open:"—when the Saviour ascended to heaven with a glorified humanity, some portion of the hitherto unseen stood revealed.

CHAPTER II.

The Saviour, having drawn around him a select circle of disciples, is at once introduced by our Evangelist as in the midst of the sublime activities of his ministry. His activity corresponded with the perfection of his character and the love of his heart.

1. "And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee:"—the journey to Galilee, mentioned in chap. i. 43, is here supposed to be accomplished, and Jesus appears in Cana, the birthplace of Nathanael, who may have accompanied him with John to Galilee. Cana lay about half a day's journey from the Sea of Gennesareth, not far from Capernaum. Leaving the shores of the Jordan, the Redeemer spent the first day in travelling; the second day he may have passed in Nazareth, from which Cana lay distant only some three or four hours' journey, which he performed on the third day. Cana of Galilee, we are told, stood in a fine position, commanding a wide and rich view over the green plain and picturesque hills around Nazareth.

2. "Jesus was called."—as his mother was also there, the likelihood is that the families were related. The disciples were invited out of deference and respect to Christ.

stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.[a]

7 Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim.

8 And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare *it.*

9 When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom,[b]

10 And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: *but* thou hast kept the good wine until now.

11 This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.[c]

12 ¶ After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples: and they continued there not many days.[d]

13 ¶ And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem,[e]

14 And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting:[f]

15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;

16 And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise.[g]

17 And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.[h]

18 ¶ Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things?[i]

19 Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.[j]

20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?

ANNO DOMINI 30.

k 1 Cor. iii 16; vi. 19; 2 Cor. vi 16; Col ii. 9; Heb. viii. 2.

a Mark vii. 3.

l Luke xxiv. 8.

b ch. iv. 46.

m ch. vi. 64; xvi. 30; 1 Sam. xvi. 7; 1 Chron xxviii. 9; Matt. ix. 4; Mark ii. 8; Acts i. 24; Rev ii 23.

c ch. i. 14.

d Matt. xii 46.

e ver 23; ch v 1; vi 4; xi 55, Exod. xii. 14, Deut xvi 1, 16.

f Matt xxi 12; Mark xi. 15, Luke xix 45.

n ch. vii 50; ix 16, 33; xix. 39, Acts ii. 22, x. 38.

g Luke ii. 49.

1 Or, *from above.*

h Ps lxix 9.

o ch i 13; Gal vi. 15, Titus iii 5, James i. 18, 1 Peter i. 23, 1 John iii 9

i ch. vi. 30, Matt xii 38.

j Matt xxvi 61; xxvii 40; Mark xiv. 58, xv 29.

p Mark xvi 16; Acts ii. 38.

21 But he spake of the temple of his body.[k]

22 When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.[l]

23 ¶ Now when he was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast *day,* many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles which he did.

24 But Jesus did not commit himself unto them, because he knew all *men,*

25 And needed not that any should testify of man: for he knew what was in man.[m]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Christ teacheth Nicodemus the necessity of regeneration.* 14 *Of faith in his death.* 16 *The great love of God towards the world.* 18 *Condemnation for unbelief.* 23 *The baptism, witness, and doctrine of John concerning Christ.*



THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:

2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.[n]

3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born [1]again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.[o]

4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?

5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and *of* the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.[p]

6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

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4 "Woman, what have I to do with thee?"—as we have before remarked, there was nothing unsuitable or unfilial in this address to his mother "Woman" was a designation of honour, and was applied to those of the highest rank. That our Lord here administered a gentle admonition to his mother is beyond all contradiction; for, as Olshausen says, "after the Redeemer was introduced to his sacred office, the relation to his parents, so far as his work was concerned, must be regarded as dissolved The Son had now become the LORD also of the mother, who could secure her own happiness only by believing obedience to him."

"Mine hour is not yet come:"—he was not to be moved by any merely human suggestion, or any worldly exigency, but only by his inward and divine power, which determined each action in his life, and also its time and its mode.

11. "Manifested forth his glory:"—the miracle was such as could be resolved into nothing less than the power of God, and thus it established his claim to be what he professed himself to be—the Son and the Sent of God.

13–22. "Jesus went up to Jerusalem:"—this was his first official visit to Jerusalem, during which he undertook to cleanse the Temple—an act which he had afterwards to repeat towards the close of his ministry.—See Matt. xxi. 12, 13; Luke xix. 45, 46.

25. "For he knew what was in man:"—what an incontrovertible proof this of our Lord's omniscience, and hence of his Godhead!

CHAPTER III.

The miracles wrought by Christ during his stay in Cana produced an impression on the mind or the imagination of not a few; but their assent or belief was not the faith "which discerned in the miracles of Christ the glory of his grace and truth, nor such as gave them power to become the sons of God."

1 "A ruler of the Jews:"—he was a member of the Sanhedrim, or superior ecclesiastical council of his nation.

2. "The same came to Jesus by night:"—the common belief is that Nicodemus came to Jesus by night out of fear, and to escape notice. This may be the correct view, but of this we have no evidence. It is not unlikely that he chose so late an hour that he might find the Saviour free from the duties and engagements of the day, and so enjoy with him a season of quietude in the pursuit of truth.

3. "He cannot see the kingdom of God:"—the reference here is primarily to the new dispensation of grace, and ultimately to the state of future glory.

5. "Born of water and of the Spirit"—not of water only, but "of water and of the Spirit;" in other words, the outward and visible sign united with the inward and spiritual grace

12. "If I have told you earthly things:"—to what things does our Lord here refer? If the heavenly things about which Jesus spoke to Nicodemus refer to regeneration and entrance into his spiritual kingdom, then "the earthly things" must refer to that worldly sanctuary and those initiatory elements which were characteristic of the old Jewish Economy, from which, in all probability, our Lord began to explain and unfold his own higher and superior Dispensation.

22. "Into the land of Judæa:"—that is, into the rural district, and there baptized—not, as we learn from chap. iv. 2, personally, but through the ministry of his disciples.

23. "Ænon near to Salim:"—Ænon was distant some six miles north-east of Jerusalem, and Salim is supposed to have been to the west of Ænon; but

7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born [1]again.

8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.[a]

9 Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be?[b]

10 Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?

11 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.[c]

12 If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you *of* heavenly things?

13 And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, *even* the Son of man which is in heaven.[d]

14 ¶ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:[e]

15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.[f]

16 ¶ For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.[g]

17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.[h]

18 ¶ He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.[i]

19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.[j]

20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be [2]reproved.[k]

21 But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

22 ¶ After these things came Jesus and his disciples into the land of Judæa; and there he tarried with them, and baptized.[l]

23 ¶ And John also was baptizing in Ænon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, and were baptized.[m]

24 For John was not yet cast into prison.[n]

25 ¶ Then there arose a question between *some* of John's disciples and the Jews about purifying.

26 And they came unto John, and said unto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Jordan, to whom thou barest witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all *men* come to him.[o]

27 John answered and said, A man can [3]receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven.[p]

28 Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before him.[q]

29 He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.[r]

30 He must increase, but I *must* decrease.

31 He that cometh from above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all.[s]

32 And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony.[t]

33 He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.[u]

34 For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure *unto him.*[v]

35 The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.[w]

36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.[x]

ANNO DOMINI 30.

1 Or, *from above.*

l ch iv 2.

a Eccles. xi 5; 1 Cor. ii 11.

b ch vi. 52, 60.

m 1 Sam ix 4; Matt. iii. 5, 6.

n Matt xiv 3.

c ver 32, ch i. 18; vii. 16, viii 28, xii 49, xiv 24, Matt. xi. 27

o ch i 7, 15, 27, 34.

3 Or, *take unto himself.*

p 1 Cor. iv 7; Heb. v 4, James i 17

d ch vi 33, 38, 51, 62, xvi 28, Prov. xxx 4, Acts ii 34; 1 Cor. xv. 47, Eph. iv 9, 10

q ch i 20, 27, Mal. iii 1, Mark i 2, Luke i 17

e ch viii 28, xii 32, Numb xxi 9

f ver 36, ch vi 47.

r Cant v. 1, Matt xxii 2, 2 Cor xi 2, Eph v 25, 27, Rev xxi 9.

g Rom v 8, 1 John iv 9

s ver 13, ch i 15, 27, vi 33, viii 23, Matt xxviii 18, Rom ix 5, 1 Cor xv 47, Eph i 21, Philipp ii 9

h ch v 45, viii 15, xii 47, Luke ix. 56, 1 John iv 11

t ver 11, ch viii 26, xv 15

u Rom iii 4, 1 John v 10

i ch. v 24, vi. 40, 47, xx 31

v ch i 16, vii 16

j ch i 4, 9, 10, 11, viii 12

w ch v 20, 22, xiii 3, xvii 2; Matt xi 27, xxviii 18, Luke x 22, Heb ii 8

2 Or, *discovered*

k Job xxiv 13, 17; Eph v 13

x vs 15, 16, ch i 12, vi 47, Hab ii 4, Rom i. 17, 1 John v 10

their exact geographical position is uncertain, although both were in Judah, and west of the Jordan.

31. "He that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth"—here the Baptist speaks of his intermediate dispensation between the Jewish and the Christian as comparatively earthly in contrast with the purely spiritual or heavenly Economy of Him who was coming after him; and this confirms our interpretation of the twelfth verse.

33. "Hath set to his seal that God is true:"—that is, any one who receives Christ and his doctrine asserts the fact of God's faithfulness in fulfilling his promise by sending his Son to be the Redeemer of man. The experience of each believer is proof of the reality of Christ's person and doctrine.

CHAPTER IV.

There is a beautiful simplicity in this chapter, which well harmonises with the avowed design of the whole Gospel, which is to set forth the Messiah in all the attractions of his grace and love. We are far from agreeing with those critics and expositors who can speak of the woman of Samaria here introduced as representing the Samaritan people, and her five husbands as representing the five races from which, according to 2 Kings xvii. 24, the Samaritans sprung; or who adopt the hypothesis that the Samaritan woman, and with her the inhabitants of Shechem, were employed as a medium whereby to symbolise a sentiment, but by no means intended to produce any result either upon the woman or the people of Samaria. On the contrary, the whole chapter is admirably adapted to the readers of John, and places the Messiah in the most gracious and attractive attitude.

1. "When the Lord knew:"—the opposition of the Pharisees was directed, not so much against the Baptist as against his Divine Master; and our Lord, who knew what was in man, withdrew from the immediate sphere of their influence, and returned to Galilee through Samaria.

2. "Jesus himself baptized not:"—why our Lord deputed the work of baptism to his disciples we are not informed, and it is vain to conjecture. One thing is certain, that Christ placed his teaching above any external rite

4. "Must needs go through Samaria."—it was his most direct way to Galilee. Still, there may have been a design in this journey; for, as he made a day's stay on the way, he could not have taken this route merely for expedition.

5. "Which is called Sychar"—better known in the Old Testament by the name of Sychem, or Shechem It stood on the range of Mount Ephraim, in a narrow valley between Mount Ebal and Mount Gerizim.

"Near to the parcel of ground:"—see Genesis xxxiii. 19 and Joshua xxiv. 32.

6. "Jacob's well was there:"—Jacob's well is now sometimes called "Bir-es-Samiriyeh," or, "Well of the Samaritan Woman." It lies at the base of Mount Gerizim, and not far from Nablous, which is the ancient Shechem, or Sychar. In ancient times a church was built over it, and at a more recent period it was covered with a stone vault. The well is about seventy-five feet deep, and is sometimes now without water. Dr. Robinson calls it "dry and deserted," and says that "adjacent to the well are the ruins of an ancient church, forming mounds of rubbish," among which he observed three granite columns. Even he remarks, "I think we may rest with confidence in the opinion that this is Jacob's well, and here the parcel of ground which Jacob gave to his son Joseph." The accompanying engraving will give a correct idea of the present condition of the well.

6. "About the sixth hour;"—corresponding with our twelve o'clock, or mid-day. For a woman to come and draw water at such a time was something unusual; and that it was not common is clear from the fact that she was alone.

10. "If thou knewest the gift of God:"—are these words to be referred to our Lord himself, as God's unspeakable gift? We think not, for the

CHAPTER IV.

1 *Christ talketh with a woman of Samaria, and revealeth himself unto her.* 27 *His disciples marvel.* 31 *He declareth to them his zeal to God's glory.* 39 *Many Samaritans believe on him.* 43 *He departeth into Galilee, and healeth the ruler's son that lay sick at Capernaum.*



WHEN therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John,[a]

2 (Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples,)

3 He left Judæa, and departed again into Galilee.

4 And he must needs go through Samaria.

ANNO DOMINI 30.

c 2 Kings xvii. 24, Luke ix. 52, 53, Acts x. 28.

d Isa. xii. 3; xliv. 3; Jer. ii. 13; Zech. xiii 1; xiv. 8.

a ch. iii. 22, 26.

9 Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.[c]

10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.[d]

11 The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water?

12 Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?

13 Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.[e]



JACOB'S WELL, NEAR NABLOUS.

5 Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph.[b]

6 Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied with *his* journey, sat thus on the well: *and* it was about the sixth hour.

7 There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

8 (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)

e ch. vi. 35, 58; vii. 38

b Gen xxxiii 19; xlviii 22; Josh xxiv 32.

f ch. vi 34, xvii. 2, 3; Rom vi 23; 1 John v. 20.

15 The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw.[f]

16 Jesus saith unto her, Go, call thy husband, and come hither.

17 The woman answered and said, I have no husband. Jesus said unto her, Thou hast well said, I have no husband:

Saviour clearly distinguishes between the gift and himself. Are they to be referred to the Holy Spirit? We doubt this. The Saviour came to give life, and to give it more abundantly; and if she could but have realised this sublime fact in him, she might even then have become the conscious possessor of this unspeakable, everlasting boon. The "living water" is here put for life itself, with all its plenitude of joy and happiness.

16. "Go, call thy husband, and come hither:"—the Saviour has startled and surprised the woman by his conversation, so profound, yet so interesting. And having gained access to her mind, he now begins to reveal his supernatural character by laying before her what may be called her personal history. His word was with power. She already felt that she was in the presence of one who could read her heart, and she shrinks from falsehood. Hence her reply, "I have no husband," and hence her conviction, "I perceive that thou art a prophet." Here was the first awakening to a sense of her sin, and of that state of the heart which is essential to conversion.

20 "Our fathers worshipped in this mountain"—having acknowledged the prophetic character and claims of the Redeemer, it was natural that the woman should look to him for some higher and more certain information respecting THE OBJECT of worship; and therefore we concur with Stier in thinking that the fact of her passing so suddenly and immediately to another

18 For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband: in that saidst thou truly.

19 The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet.[a]

20 Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.[b]

21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.[c]

22 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.[d]

23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.[e]

24 God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth.[f]

25 The woman saith unto him, I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things.[g]

26 Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am *he*.[h]

27 ¶ And upon this came his disciples, and marvelled that he talked with the woman: yet no man said, What seekest thou? or, Why talkest thou with her?

28 The woman then left her waterpot, and went her way into the city, and saith to the men,

29 Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?[i]

30 Then they went out of the city, and came unto him.

31 ¶ In the mean while his disciples prayed him, saying, Master, eat.

32 But he said unto them, I have meat to eat that ye know not of.

33 Therefore said the disciples one to another, Hath any man brought him *ought* to eat?

34 Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.[j]

35 Say not ye, There are yet four months, and *then* cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.[k]

36 And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.[l]

37 And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth.

38 I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours.

39 ¶ And many of the Samaritans of that city believed on him for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did.[m]

40 So when the Samaritans were come unto him, they besought him that he would tarry with them: and he abode there two days.

41 And many more believed because of his own word;

42 And said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard *him* ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world.[n]

43 ¶ Now after two days he departed thence, and went into Galilee.

44 For Jesus himself testified, that a prophet hath no honour in his own country.[o]

45 Then when he was come into Galilee, the Galilæans received him, having seen all the things that he did at Jerusalem at the feast: for they also went unto the feast.[p]

46 So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine. And there was a certain [1]nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum.[q]

47 When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judæa into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down, and heal his son: for he was at the point of death.

48 Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.[r]

49 The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die.

50 Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way; thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way.

ANNO DOMINI 30.

k Matt ix. 37; Luke x. 2.

a ch vi 14; vii. 40; Luke vii 16.
l Dan. xii. 3.

b Deut. xii. 5, 11; Judg ix 7, 1 Kings ix. 3; 2 Chron. vii. 12.

c Mal. i. 11; 1 Tim. ii. 8.

d 2 Kings xvii. 29; Isa. xi 3; Luke xxiv. 47; Rom ix 4, 5.
m ver 29.

e ch i. 17; Philipp. iii. 3

f 2 Cor iii 17.

g vs. 29, 39.
n ch xvii. 8; 1 John iv. 14

h ch. ix. 37; Matt xxvi. 63, 64, Mark xiv. 61, 62

o Matt. xiii 57, Mark vi 4, Luke iv 24

p ch. ii 23; iii. 2, Deut. xvi. 16
i ver. 25.

1 Or, *courtier*, or, *ruler*.
q ch. ii. 1, 11.

r 1 Cor. i. 22.

j ch vi 38, xvii 4; xix. 30; Job xxiii 12.

subject than her own sinful course of life arose, not so much from a wish to turn the conversation from a topic so unsatisfactory to her, as from a real desire to obtain from this Prophet those lessons which would instruct her as to the true and acceptable worship of God. She feels that she is a sinner, and to God alone must she look for mercy. But *how* is she to approach him? The Saviour gives the answer to this question.

"This mountain,"—that is, Mount Gerizim, on which stood the temple of the Samaritan race. Josephus tells us that the grandson of Eliashil, who was son-in-law to Sanballat, and whom Nehemiah sent into banishment, was made high priest by Sanballat of the temple which he built on Mount Gerizim. It was destroyed B.C 129; but the Samaritans still used it as a place of prayer and sacrifice; and to this day the few Samaritans in Shechem, or Nablous as it is now called, speak of it as the holy mountain, and turn their faces to it in prayer. The ruins on the top of the hill are supposed by some to be the ruins of the temple, but by others the remains of a Roman fortress.

22. "Ye worship ye know not what"—in the temple on Mount Gerizim there was no oracle to reveal the will of God, and there was no prophetic voice to teach and instruct the people. The consequence was that they had no correct idea of the one true God, or of his relations to man, or of his purposes of love on behalf of the race. The OBJECT of their worship was an abstraction. But the Saviour carries her far beyond the limits of her question when he tells her that in the coming Dispensation the true worship would be confined to neither time nor place, that all national distinctions were to give way, and that God would be worshipped by men of every clime as the Father of spirits and the Redeemer of man.

35. "Say not ye"—it is difficult to account for this form of expression here, unless we take it, with Alford, as a kind of proverbial saying which the Jews, and especially the inhabitants of Galilee, were in the habit of using. There may have been in that locality—west of the Lake of Tiberias—*some fixed period* in the year—the end of the sowing, or some religious anniversary, when it was a common saying, *that it wanted four months to harvest*; but in the moral field which was now being sown by the Son of God, there was no need to wait for the fruit. The seed is no sooner sown, as in the present case among the Samaritans, than it springs up, and promises a corresponding harvest. Hence our Lord says, "Look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

48. "Except ye see signs and wonders"—this is the language of reproof, not addressed so much to the nobleman, as to the people in general for their want of faith, notwithstanding all that they had seen and heard in Jerusalem. In the officer the Redeemer beheld a humble and an earnest suppliant; and hence the cure which was effected in saving the life of his child. The miracle is indeed "a notable instance of our Lord not quenching the smoking flax, just as his reproof of the Samaritan woman was of his not breaking the bruised reed. The little spark of faith in the breast of this nobleman is by him lit up into a clear and enduring flame, for the light and comfort of himself and his house."

54. "This is again the second miracle;"—that is, clearly, the second miracle in Galilee, and not the second miracle performed by our Lord.

51 And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told *him*, saying, Thy son liveth.

52 Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.

53 So the father knew that *it was* at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house.

54 This *is* again the second miracle *that* Jesus did, when he was come out of Judæa into Galilee.

CHAPTER V.

1 *Jesus on the sabbath day cureth him that was diseased eight and thirty years.* 10 *The Jews therefore cavil, and persecute him for it.* 17 *He answereth for himself, and reproveth them, shewing by the testimony of his Father,* 32 *of John,* 36 *of his works,* 39 *and of the scriptures, who he is.*



AFTER this there was a feast of the Jews; and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.[a]

2 Now there is at Jerusalem by the sheep [1]*market* a pool, which is called in the Hebrew tongue Bethesda, having five porches.[b]

3 In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk, of blind, halt, withered, waiting for the moving of the water.

4 For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had.

5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years.

6 When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time *in that case*, he saith unto him, Wilt thou be made whole?

7 The impotent man answered him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.

8 Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.[c]

9 And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the sabbath.[d]

10 ¶ The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured, It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful for thee to carry *thy* bed.[e]

11 He answered them, He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up thy bed, and walk.

12 Then asked they him, What man is that which said unto thee, Take up thy bed, and walk?

13 And he that was healed wist not who it was: for Jesus had conveyed himself away, [2]a multitude being in *that* place.

14 Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.[f]

15 The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus, which had made him whole.

16 And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on the sabbath day.

17 ¶ But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.[g]

18 Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken the sabbath, but said also that God was his Father, making himself equal with God.[h]

19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father

ANNO DOMINI 30.

A.D. 31]

[a] ch. ii. 13; Lev. xxiii. 2, Deut. xvi. 1.

[b] Neh. iii. 1; xii 39.

[c] Matt. ix. 6; Mark ii. 11; Luke v. 24.

[d] ch. ix. 14.

[e] Exod. xx 10; Neh xiii 19, Jer. xvii. 21, &c.; Matt. xii. 2, Mark ii. 24; iii 4, Luke vi. 2; xiii. 14.

[f] ch viii 11.; Matt xii 45.

[g] ch. ix. 4; xiv 10.

[h] ch vii. 19; x 30, 33, Philipp. ii. 6.

[1] Or, *gate.*

[2] Or, *from the multitude that was.*

CHAPTER V.

"The following account of the cure of a man who had been afflicted for thirty-eight years (says Olshausen) is evidently inserted, not for its own sake, but only as the historical basis of the Redeemer's great discourse which follows. In this discourse Jesus speaks of his relation to the Father in such a manner that the peculiar dignity of Christ is rendered specially distinct; and thus the entire section sustains the most decided connection with the whole design of the Evangelist."

1. "After this there was a feast"—what interval elapsed between the cure of the nobleman's son and the present act of miraculous power it is impossible to say; but there is no reason to believe that the one followed the other immediately.

There has been a great deal of fruitless controversy as to what feast is here intended. It is thought to be the Second Passover of our Lord's ministry—the Pentecost—the Feast of Tabernacles—the Feast of Dedication—and the Feast of Purim; while there are those who think we cannot with any probability gather what festival it was. At the same time, it is but right to say that the weight of authority is in favour of the opinion which makes it the Feast of Purim. The name is derived from PUR, a word which signifies *a lot;* and the feast, which was celebrated about the middle of the twelfth month, was instituted in commemoration of the deliverance of the Jews from the power and malice of Haman, in the days of Mordecai and Esther (see Esther iii. 6, 7; ix. 24—32). The festival was not far removed from that of the Passover. There is no evidence that our Lord went up to Jerusalem at the Passover next following; at the same time, there is no evidence that he did not attend the feast; and of this we are assured, that our Lord, as a pious Jew, observed the law, and was, in all the ordinances of God's house, blameless.

2. "By the sheep market a pool:"—this sheep market was analogous to the sheep gate mentioned by Nehemiah, iii. 1—32; xii. 39. The pool is not mentioned by Josephus; but modern travellers have tried to trace its connection, in some subterranean channel, with the pool of Siloam. Bethesda signifies "the House of Mercy." It is identified with a reservoir close to the northern wall of the Harem; of which we give an engraving.

4. "An angel went down at a certain season."—the periodic agitation of the spring was attributed to angelic influence. Just as all evil was traced to the presence and influence of evil spirits, so all good was traced up to the ministry and action of those blessed spirits who stand in the presence of God, ever ready and willing to fulfil his will.

6. "Wilt thou be made whole?"—this question was designed to awaken in the man the consciousness of his need, his dependence on a Power above himself, and to centre his faith in the person and work of that loving One who now spoke to him. The answer of the impotent man proves that he was longing for recovery, and that he believed in the possibility of being restored, but he knew not where or how to find a friend and helper. Taking cognisance of this his inward state, the Saviour at once put forth his healing power; and to show the completeness of the recovery, which he had effected by a simple application of his will, he said to the man, "Rise, take up thy bed, and walk."

The bed of the poorer classes in the East was nothing more than a skin, or a piece of coarse cloth, so that it could be easily taken up and carried, and some part of the bodily clothing worn during the day was used for a covering by night.

12. "What man is that?"—the Jewish authorities could not deny the fact of the man's recovery. He is seen by them in the very act of walking and carrying his bed. But it was the Sabbath; and they affect that his conduct is a desecration of the sacred day. The restored man vindicates himself by a reference to the Saviour's authority. "He that made me whole, the same said unto me, Take up thy bed, and walk." The loving power which effected such a cure would bid me do nothing at variance with the law and design of the Sabbath. The Jews were struck dumb. They now pretend to be ignorant of the very person of Jesus—as if any other then living had wrought such miracles. It was sheer hypocrisy on their part.

15. "The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus:"—not, as some have said, out of opposition to Jesus, or to obtain favour from the Jews. They had put the question to him, "What man is that?" He knew not then who it was that had effected his cure; but when he afterwards came to the possession of this knowledge, by our Lord's intercourse with him,

do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.[a]

20 For the Father loveth the Son, and sheweth him all things that himself doeth: and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.[b]

21 For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth *them;* even so the Son quickeneth whom he will.[c]

22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:[d]

23 That all *men* should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.[e]

24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a ver. 30; ch. viii. 28; ix. 4, xii. 49; xiv. 10.

b ver 22, Dan. vii. 13, 14; Acts x. 42; xvii. 31.

b ch iii 35; Matt. iii. 17; 2 Peter i. 17

c ch. xi. 25, 43; Luke vii 14; viii. 54.

c Isa. xxvi. 19; Dan xii. 2; Matt. xxv 32, 33, 46; 1 Cor. xv 52; 1 Thess. iv. 16.

d ver. 27; ch. iii. 35, xvii 2, Matt. xi 27; xxviii 18; Acts xvii. 31, 1 Peter iv 5.

j ver. 19, ch. iv. 34; vi 38; Matt. xxvi. 39.

e 1 John ii. 23.

k ch viii. 14; Rev. iii. 14.

27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.[k]

28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.[i]

30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.[j]

31 If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true.[k]

32 ¶ There is another that beareth witness of me;



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everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.[f]

25 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.[g]

26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;

f ch iii 16, 18; vi. 40, 47; viii. 51; xx. 31, 1 John iii. 14.

l ch. viii 18, Matt iii 17, xvii. 5, 1 John v. 6, 7, 9.

m ch i. 15, 19, 27, 32.

g ver 28, Eph. ii. 1, 5; v 14; Col. ii. 13.

n Matt. xiii. 20; xxi. 26, Mark vi. 20; 2 Peter i. 19.

and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true.[l]

33 Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth.[m]

34 But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved.

35 He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.[n]

he, ignorant of the opposition of the Jewish Sanhedrim to this Divine Restorer, went and told them that it was Jesus who had made him whole.

17. "My Father worketh:"—you seek to injure me for an act of mercy rendered to an afflicted man on the Sabbath day, but "where is the evil? for what I have done involves no real breach of the Sabbatic law; for although God ceased from his work of creation on the Sabbath day, and therefore commanded it to be observed as a day of rest, his works of providence, goodness, and mercy have never been suspended; and I, in performing works of mercy on the Sabbath day, only imitate the example of my Father. I and my Father are one. I have an equal right to work on the Sabbath; therefore, in condemning me for doing these things on the Sabbath day, you are not justified."

19. "The Son can do nothing of himself"—Alford says, "The Son *cannot* work of himself, because *he is* the Son. his very person pre-supposes the Father's will and counsel as *his* will and counsel, and his perfect *knowledge* of that will and counsel." The interpretation of Olshausen is that "Christ asserts the complete *unity of operation* between the Father and himself: this he states, *negatively* denying an action of his own will in detachment from God, as well as *positively* the act of the Son being the act of the Father." Scripture is oft the best interpreter of Scripture, and, in the Divine wisdom, the records of the early Church are made to shed their hallowed light upon other portions of the sacred history. In our judgment, the introductory verse of the first chapter in Genesis elucidates our Saviour's words; for when "GOD" is mentioned, the noun in the Hebrew is *plural*, but the verb connected with the noun is *singular;* thus, at the very outset of Holy Scripture, the Almighty is exhibited to man in a *plurality* of persons, but with a *oneness* or *unity* of action. In this sense we can comprehend the Saviour's words, without questioning the Saviour's divinity, when he declares, "The Son can do nothing of himself."

The Saviour having claimed a oneness of *nature* with the Father, he now shows that there must necessarily be a oneness of *will;* and, consequently, whatever he did could only be in conformity with his Father's procedure.



THE IMPOTENT FOLK AT THE POOL OF BETHESDA.—JOHN V. 2—6.

36 ¶ But I have greater witness than *that* of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.[a]

37 And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.[b]

38 And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not.

39 ¶ Search the scriptures; for in them ye think

ANNO DOMINI 31.

[b] ch. i 18; vi 27; viii 18; Deut iv. 12, Matt. iii 17; xvii 5; 1 Tim. i. 17; 1 John iv 12.

[a] ch. iii. 2; x. 25; xv. 24; 1 John v. 9.

21. "The Son quickeneth whom he will:"—we think that Alford has here got the true idea when he says that it "does not imply any selection out of mankind; nor is it said merely to remove the Jewish prejudice, that their own nation alone should rise from the dead; but that in every instance when *his will is to vivify*, the result necessarily follows." The quickening of which the text speaks refers not only to bodily resurrection, but also to the communication of spiritual life to those who are morally dead. This is placed beyond all dispute by the words of the twenty-fourth verse: "He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but *is passed from death unto life*."

27. "Given him authority to execute judgment:"—it is in the office of the final Judge of the world, that the exaltation, dignity, and glory of Christ, as Mediator and Redeemer, are to be manifested to the assembled universe.

32. "There is another that beareth witness:"—who? Doubtless the Saviour here refers to the repeated testimony borne by the Father to the Son, during his life and ministry on the earth.

ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.[a]

40 And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.[b]

41 I receive not honour from men.[c]

42 But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you.

43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

44 How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that *cometh* from God only?[d]

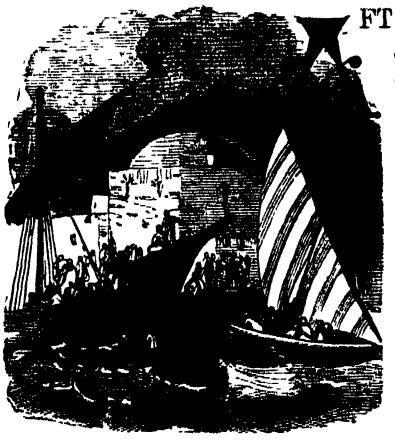
45 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is *one* that accuseth you, *even* Moses, in whom ye trust.[e]

46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me.[f]

47 But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Christ feedeth five thousand men with five loaves and two fishes.* 15 *Thereupon the people would have made him king.* 16 *But withdrawing himself, he walked on the sea to his disciples:* 26 *reproveth the people flocking after him, and all the fleshly hearers of his word:* 32 *declareth himself to be the bread of life to believers.* 66 *Many disciples depart from him.* 68 *Peter confesseth him.* 70 *Judas is a devil.*



AFTER these things Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is *the sea* of Tiberias.[g]

2 And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his miracles which he did on them that were diseased.

3 And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples.

4 And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 31.

a ver. 46; ch. i. 45; Deut. xviii. 15, 18; Isa. viii. 20; xxxiv. 16; Luke xvi. 29; xxiv. 27; Acts xvii. 11.

b ch. i. 11, iii. 19.

c Matt. xiv. 14; Mark vi. 35; Luke ix. 12.

c ver. 34; 1 Thess. ii. 6.

f Numb. xi. 21, 22.

d ch xii. 43, Rom. ii. 29.

k 2 Kings iv 43.

e Rom. ii. 12.

f ch i 45; Gen. iii 15; xii. 3; xviii. 18; xxii. 18, xlix. 10; Deut. xviii 15, 18; Acts xxvi. 22.

A D 32.]

g Matt xiv. 15; Mark vi. 35, Luke ix. 10, 12.

l ch i 21, iv. 19, 25; vii 40, Gen. xlix. 10, Deut. xviii. 15, 18; Matt. xi 3

m Matt xiv 23; Mark vi. 47.

h ch ii 13, v 1; Lev. xxiii 5, 7, Deut xvi 1

5 ¶ When Jesus then lifted up *his* eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat?[i]

6 And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do.

7 Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little.[j]

8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him,

9 There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many?[k]

10 And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand.

11 And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

12 When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost.

13 Therefore they gathered *them* together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.

14 Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.[l]

15 ¶ When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.

16 And when even was *now* come, his disciples went down unto the sea,[m]

17 And entered into a ship, and went over the sea toward Capernaum. And it was now dark, and Jesus was not come to them.

18 And the sea arose by reason of a great wind that blew.

39, 10 "Search the Scriptures."—there are those who read these words in the imperative mood, according to our English version, and think that the first clause of the fortieth verse is a species of refined irony; but we are not willing to admit that our Lord ever resorts to an ironical mode of speaking. Others take the words in the indicative mood, and read thus—"Ye do search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me, YET ye will not come unto me that ye might have life." He had referred to the testimony of the Baptist in his favour, to the witness borne by his Father, and to his own stupendous deeds—all of which had failed to impress now he commands them to go to their own Scriptures, and search for their testimony, but adds—"YET ye will not come unto me." Ye will not become my disciples, although these Scriptures of the Old Testament, which ye admit to be of Divine authority, testify of me.

CHAPTER VI.

SYNOPSIS:—John vi 1—15, Matt xiv 13—21, Mark vi. 30—44; Luke ix. 10—17. John vi. 16—21, Matt. xiv 22—33, Mark vi 45—52 John vi. 22—59.

Our Evangelist introduces the miracle of the miraculous feeding of the five thousand simply as the groundwork of one of the most profoundly spiritual and interesting discourses of our Lord. From the narrative of St. Luke, we are led to infer that Herod Antipas was taking measures to bring about a personal interview with Jesus, but the Saviour, having a perfect knowledge of his character and conduct, determined immediately to leave the place where he then was, and seek some safe retreat.

If Christ now manifests himself as the High Priest, then we have, first, "the priestly office of the Lord in the wilderness, as shown in this miraculous feeding of the multitude;" and we have, secondly, "the *kingly* sway of the Lord amid the terrors of the night at sea," when he is seen in the calm dignity of power walking on the disturbed waters of the ocean lake.

1. "Which is the Sea of Tiberias:"—this may have been added by our Evangelist for the sake of his Gentile readers, among whom the lake was better known by this name. It was also called the Lake of Gennesaret, from a town and district of that name on the north or north-west; and the Sea of Galilee, because it lay adjacent to that province.

3. "Went up into a mountain:"—the other Evangelists tell us that it was a desert place, situated, no doubt, on the hill country on the shore of the lake. The Saviour ascended this mount for separation and retirement.

5. "He saith unto Philip:"—here the question comes from our Lord as to how the multitude were to be fed, whereas the other three Evangelists represent the disciples as coming to their Lord after he had been exerting his healing power on their behalf, and asking him to send the people away, that they might have the opportunity of providing themselves with food. Dean Alford justly says that "the very difference in detail among so many independent witnesses makes their accordance in the great central truth so much the more weighty. On every point of importance here, the sacred historians are entirely and absolutely agreed. That every minor detail related by them had its ground in historical fact, we fully believe; it is the *tracking it* to this ground in each case which is now *beyond our power*; and here comes in the simplicity and reliance of faith, and the justification of those who believe and receive each Gospel as they find it written."

10. "There was much grass in the place:"—we are told that spring commences in Palestine in the month of February; and the feast of Purim, which preceded the Passover, being in March, this miraculous increase of food took place, in all likelihood, in the latter half of that month, or during the middle of spring.

14. "That prophet that should come:"—from Deut. xviii. 15—18, the Jews were led to expect some particular prophet to arise, distinct from the Messiah, yet intimately connected with his advent.

19 So when they had rowed about five and twenty or thirty furlongs, they see Jesus walking on the sea, and drawing nigh unto the ship: and they were afraid.

20 But he saith unto them, It is I; be not afraid.

21 Then they willingly received him into the ship: and immediately the ship was at the land whither they went.

22 ¶ The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was none other boat there, save that one whereinto his disciples were entered, and that Jesus went not with his disciples into the boat, but *that* his disciples were gone away alone;

23 (Howbeit there came other boats from Tiberias nigh unto the place where they did eat bread, after that the Lord had given thanks:)

24 When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither his disciples, they also took shipping, and came to Capernaum, seeking for Jesus.

25 And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, Rabbi, when camest thou hither?

26 Jesus answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled.

27 [1]Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.[a]

28 Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?

29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.[b]

30 They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou[c] work?

31 Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat.[d]

32 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven.

ANNO DOMINI 32

e ch. iv. 15.

f vs. 48, 58; ch. iv. 14; vii. 37.

g vs. 26, 64.

h ver 45; ch. x. 28, 29; Matt. xxiv. 24, 2 Tim. ii 19; 1 John ii. 19.

i ch iv. 34; v 30, Matt. xxvi. 39.

j ch x 28, xvii. 12; xviii. 9.

k vs. 27, 47, 54; ch. iii. 15, 16; iv. 14.

l Matt xiii. 55; Mark vi. 3; Luke iv. 22.

1 Or, *Work not.*

a ver 54; ch i. 33; iv. 14, v 37, viii. 18; Matt. iii 17; xvii 5; Mark i 11, ix 7, Luke iii. 22, ix 35, Acts ii 22, 2 Peter i 17.

m ver. 65, Cant i 4.

n ver. 37; Isa. liv. 13; Jer xxxi 34; Micah iv. 2; Heb. viii. 10; x. 16.

b 1 John iii. 23.

o ch. i. 18; v 37; vi 29; viii 19; Matt xi 27; Luke x. 22.

c Matt xii 38, xvi 1; Mark viii. 11; 1 Cor. i 22

p ver 40, ch. iii. 16; xviii 36

q vs 33, 35

d Exod xvi 15; Numb xi 7; Neh ix 15, Ps. lxxviii 24, 25, 1 Cor. x. 3

r ver 31.

s vs 51, 58

33 For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world.

34 Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread.[e]

35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.[f]

36 But I said unto you, That ye also have seen me, and believe not.[g]

37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.[h]

38 For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.[i]

39 And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.[j]

40 And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.[k]

41 The Jews then murmured at him, because he said, I am the bread which came down from heaven.

42 And they said, Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? how is it then that he saith, I came down from heaven?[l]

43 Jesus therefore answered and said unto them, Murmur not among yourselves.

44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.[m]

45 It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.[n]

46 Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father.[o]

47 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.[p]

48 I am that bread of life.[q]

49 Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead.[r]

50 This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die.[s]

51 I am the living bread which came down from

15. "To make him a king:"—this was on the part of the people, who were now on their way to the capital, and who very naturally concluded that one who had such transcendent power at his command would be the fit monarch to rule over them.

16—21. For the exposition of these verses, and for the right understanding of this sublime miracle, see Matt. xiv. 22—33; Mark vi. 45—52, and the Notes.

22. "The people which stood on the other side"—not the entire multitude who had been fed, but only such of them as had lingered on this coast during the night.

27. "Labour not:"—the word here rendered "Labour not" rather means, not to be concerned or engaged—do not be so concerned or taken up—as to busy yourselves about a mere perishing, material thing.

32. "Moses gave you not that bread:"—the manna was not given by Moses, nor was the manna the bread of spiritual life. Christ himself was the bread of life. There are those who make the manna a type of the true bread—a type of Christ himself; but types are not mere conformities, and resemblance only is not sufficient to constitute a type. Our Lord draws a comparison and a contrast between the manna and himself; but never hints at the manna being typical of himself.

40. "Every one which seeth the Son:"—this term *see* here is to be taken in the sense not of bodily vision, but of spiritual perception, which spiritual perception is always preceded by faith; and faith in the Saviour carries with it a well-grounded hope of a glorious resurrection and everlasting life.

47—58. "He that believeth on me hath everlasting life:"—in connection with this transcendently important passage, two questions suggest themselves—first, does our Lord here point forward to his approaching death as the one only true and all-sufficient propitiation for sin? And, secondly, has he any reference to the institution and observance of his own sacramental supper, as founded on the fact of a perfect atonement? It is only by a culpable departure from all the recognised and received principles of New Testament exegesis that any man can get away, in his interpretation of these profound words, from the sacrificial death of Christ. The Saviour says, "I am the bread of life;" but that we may be left in no uncertainty regarding the meaning of the word "bread," he adds—"And the bread that I will give you is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world" Now, the term "flesh," as applied to our Lord, expresses the whole of his humanity—"the Word was made *flesh*, and dwelt among us"—"put to death in the *flesh*." These two passages alone are sufficient to prove that the designation "flesh" is inclusive of the entire human nature of our Lord; so that the phrase, "my *flesh*, which I will give for the life of the world," is tantamount to the offering up of himself, which he did once for all, and by which he "hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified." The eating of his flesh, and the drinking of his blood, are terms denoting the soul's acceptance of Christ in his person and work as her Redeemer. We must first receive him—the whole Christ—as the propitiation for our sins, before we can look up to him, and rejoice in him as our glorified Head and Lord. And it is to the former fact, and not the latter, except by inference, that Christ here alludes.

But is there no reference in this passage to the sacramental supper? We answer emphatically, NONE. We are quite aware that many good and learned names can be brought forward in favour of an opposite opinion. But by far

heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.[a]

52 The Jews therefore strove among themselves, saying, How can this man give us *his* flesh to eat?[b]

53 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.[c]

54 Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.[d]

55 For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

56 He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.[e]

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[a] ch. iii. 13; Heb. x. 5, 10
[b] ch. iii. 9, vii. 43; ix. 16; x. 19.
[c] 2 Cor. iii. 6.
[c] Matt. xxvi. 26, 28.
[d] ver. 36; ch. ii. 24, 25; xiii. 11.
[d] vs. 27, 40, 63; ch. iv. 14.
[e] vs. 44, 45.
[e] 1 John iii. 24; iv. 15, 16
[f] ver. 60.

57 As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me.

58 This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever.[f]

59 These things said he in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum.

60 Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard *this*, said, This is an hard saying; who can hear it?[g]

61 When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said unto them, Doth this offend you?

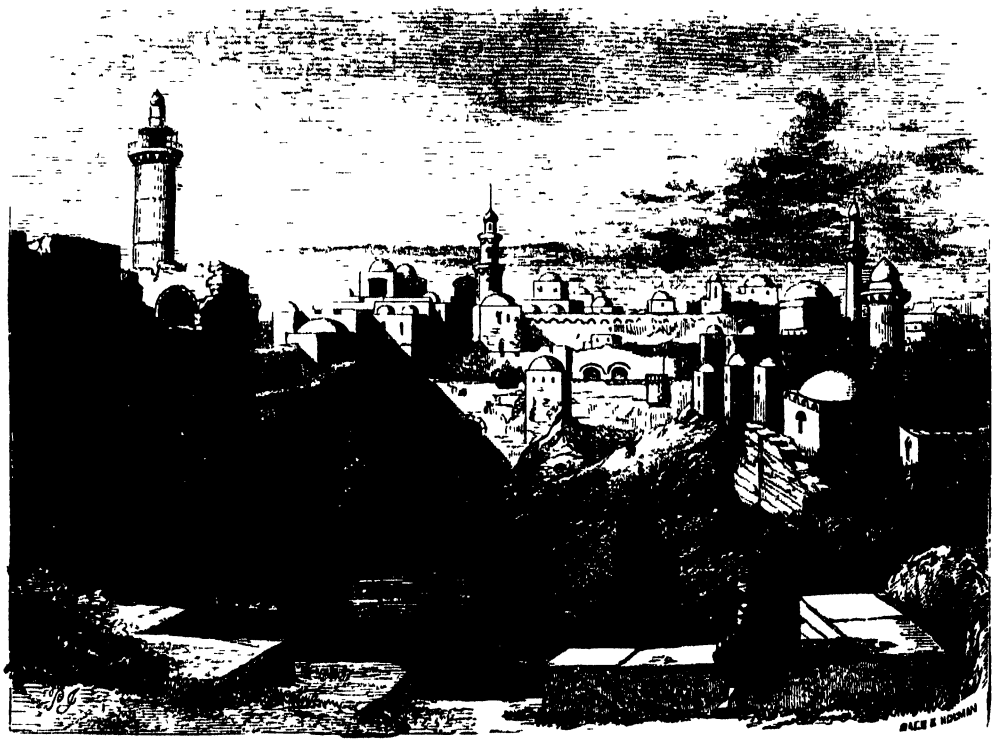
62 *What* and if ye shall see the Son of man ascend up where he was before?[h]

63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, *they* are spirit, and *they* are life.[i]

64 But there are some of you that believe not. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray him.[j]

65 And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.[k]

66 ¶ From that *time* many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.[l]



THE POOL OF BETHESDA: BIRKET-ES-SERAIN.

67 Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?

68 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.[m]

69 And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.[n]

70 Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?[o]

71 He spake of Judas Iscariot *the son* of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve.

[m] Acts v 20.
[f] vs. 49—51
[n] ch i 49, xi. 27; Matt xvi 16; Mark viii. 29; Luke ix 20.
[o] ch xiii 27; Luke vi. 13
[g] ver. 66; Matt. xi. 6.

the greater number of modern commentators, both British and foreign, altogether reject the reference to the Lord's Supper. There are those, however, who take a sort of modified view, or middle path, between these two classes. Their idea is, that while there is no reference to the ordinance itself (nor could there well have been any such reference), yet the grand spiritual verity which underlies the ordinance is one and the same with that here insisted on. In the words of Bengel, who takes this middle course—"Jesus framed his words so skilfully, that immediately at the time, and at all times subsequently, they would indeed apply, in their strict literal sense, to the spiritual enjoyment of himself; and yet that afterwards the same words should, by consequence, be appropriate to express the most august mystery of the holy supper when that should be instituted. . . . . The whole of these words concerning his flesh and blood have in view the passion of Jesus Christ, and along with it the holy supper. Hence arises the separate mention *of the flesh* and *of the blood* so invariably; for in his passion the blood was drawn out of his body, and the Lamb was thus slain." No one will deny that the fact of Christ's death as an atonement for sin underlies the ordinance of the supper, just because there could have been no Lord's table apart from the Lord's death; but it does not follow that in speaking of his death, our Lord must necessarily allude to his last supper.



'IN THE LAST DAY, THAT GREAT DAY OF THE FEAST, JESUS STOOD AND CRIED, SAYING, IF ANY MAN THIRST, LET HIM COME UNTO ME, AND DRINK.'—JOHN VII. 37.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Jesus reproveth the ambition and boldness of his kinsmen:* 10 *goeth up from Galilee to the feast of tabernacles:* 14 *teacheth in the temple* 40 *Divers opinions of him among the people.* 45 *The Pharisees are angry that their officers took him not, and chide with Nicodemus for taking his part.*



AFTER these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill him.[a]

2 Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand.[b]

3 His brethren therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judæa, that thy disciples also may see the works that thou doest.[c]

4 For *there is* no man *that* doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly. If thou do these things, shew thyself to the world.

For neither did his brethren believe in him.[d]

6 Then Jesus said unto them, My time is not yet come: but your time is alway ready.[e]

7 The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil.[f]

8 Go ye up unto this feast: I go not up yet unto this feast; for my time is not yet full come.[g]

9 When he had said these words unto them, he abode *still* in Galilee.

10 ¶ But when his brethren were gone up, then went he also up unto the feast, not openly, but as it were in secret.

11 Then the Jews sought him at the feast, and said, Where is he?[h]

12 And there was much murmuring among the people concerning him: for some said, He is a good man: others said, Nay; but he deceiveth the people.[i]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a ch. v. 16, 18.

b Lev. xxiii. 5

c Matt. xii. 46; Mark iii. 31; Acts i. 14.

d Mark iii 21.

e ver. 8, 30; ch. ii. 4; viii. 20.

f ch. iii. 19; xv. 19.

g ver. 6; ch. viii. 20.

h ch. xi. 56.

i ver. 40; ch. vi. 14; ix. 16; x. 19; Matt. xxi. 46; Luke vii. 16.

13 Howbeit no man spake openly of him for fear of the Jews.[a]

14 ¶ Now about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught.

15 And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man [1]letters, having never learned?[b]

16 Jesus answered them, and said, My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.[c]

17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or *whether* I speak of myself.[d]

18 He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.[e]

19 Did not Moses give you the law, and *yet* none of you keepeth the law? Why go ye about to kill me?[f]

20 The people answered and said, Thou hast a devil: who goeth about to kill thee?[g]

21 Jesus answered and said unto them, I have done one work, and ye all marvel.

22 Moses therefore gave unto you circumcision; (not because it is of Moses, but of the fathers;) and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man.[h]

23 If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision, [2]that the law of Moses should not be broken; are ye angry at me, because I have made a man every whit whole on the sabbath day?[i]

24 Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.[j]

25 Then said some of them of Jerusalem, Is not this he, whom they seek to kill?

26 But, lo, he speaketh boldly, and they say nothing unto him. Do the rulers know indeed that this is the very Christ?[k]

27 Howbeit we know this man whence he is: but when Christ cometh, no man knoweth whence he is.[l]

28 Then cried Jesus in the temple as he taught, saying, Ye both know me, and ye know whence I am: and I am not come of myself, but he that sent me is true, whom ye know not.[m]

29 But I know him: for I am from him, and he hath sent me.[n]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a ch. ix. 22; xii. 42; xix. 38.

o vs. 19, 44; ch. viii. 20, 37; Mark xi 18; Luke xix. 47; xx. 17.

p ch iii 2; viii. 30; Matt. xii. 23.

1 Or, *learning.*

b Matt. xiii. 54; Mark vi. 2; Luke iv. 22, Acts ii. 7.

c ch. iii. 11; viii. 28; xii. 49; xiv. 10, 24.

q ch. xiii. 33; xvi. 16.

d ch. viii. 43.

r ch. viii. 21; xiii. 33; Hos. v. 6.

e ch v. 41; viii 50.

3 Or, *Greeks.*

s Isa. xi 12; James i 1; 1 Peter i. 1.

f ch. i. 17; v. 16, 18; x. 31, 39; xi 53; Exod. xxiv. 3; Deut. xxxiii 4; Matt xii. 14; Mark iii. 6; Acts vii. 38.

g ch. viii. 48, 52; x. 20.

t ch. vi. 35; Lev. xxiii 36; Isa. lv. 1; Rev. xxii. 17

h Gen. xvii. 10; Lev. xii. 3.

u ch iv. 14, Deut. xviii. 15; Prov. xviii. 4, Isa. xii 3; xliv. 3.

2 Or, *without breaking the law of Moses.*

i ch. v. 8, 9, 16.

v ch xii. 16; xvi. 7; Isa. xliv. 3, Joel ii 28; Acts ii. 17, 33, 38.

j ch. viii. 15; Deut i. 16, 17; Prov xxiv. 23; James ii 1.

w ch i. 21; vi 14; Deut xviii. 15, 18

x ver 52; ch. i. 46; iv 42, vi. 69.

k ver 48.

y 1 Sam. xvi. 1, 4; Ps cxxxii 11, Jer. xxiii 5, Micah v 2, Matt ii. 5, Luke ii. 4.

l Matt. xiii 55; Mark vi 3, Luke iv 22

z ver. 12, ch. ix. 16; x. 19

a ver 30.

m ch i 18; v 32, 43; viii. 14, 20, 42, 55, Rom iii 4.

n ch. x. 15, Matt. xi. 27

30 Then they sought to take him: but no man laid hands on him, because his hour was not yet come.[o]

31 And many of the people believed on him, and said, When Christ cometh, will he do more miracles than these which this *man* hath done?[p]

32 ¶ The Pharisees heard that the people murmured such things concerning him; and the Pharisees and the chief priests sent officers to take him.

33 Then said Jesus unto them, Yet a little while am I with you, and *then* I go unto him that sent me.[q]

34 Ye shall seek me, and shall not find *me:* and where I am, *thither* ye cannot come.[r]

35 Then said the Jews among themselves, Whither will he go, that we shall not find him? will he go unto the dispersed among the [3]Gentiles, and teach the Gentiles?[s]

36 What *manner of* saying is this that he said, Ye shall seek me, and shall not find *me:* and where I am, *thither* ye cannot come?

37 In the last day, that great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.[t]

38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.[u]

39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet *given;* because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)[v]

40 ¶ Many of the people therefore, when they heard this saying, said, Of a truth this is the Prophet.[w]

41 Others said, This is the Christ. But some said, Shall Christ come out of Galilee?[x]

42 Hath not the scripture said, That Christ cometh of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was?[y]

43 So there was a division among the people because of him.[z]

44 And some of them would have taken him; but no man laid hands on him.[a]

45 ¶ Then came the officers to the chief priests and Pharisees; and they said unto them, Why have ye not brought him?

CHAPTER VII.

The conflict between the Jews and the Saviour of the world is now reaching its height "So long, however, as his hour was not yet come, Jesus avoided their snares, and on this account refrained for a long time from going into Judæa Nevertheless, the Feast of Tabernacles induced the Redeemer to visit Jerusalem, probably because, being faithfully obedient to the law of the Old Testament, he carefully fulfilled the command to appear thrice before the Lord without being disturbed by the possible consequences"

2. "The feast of tabernacles "—for an account of this Jewish festival, which was celebrated from the fifteenth to the twenty-third day of the seventh month, which corresponded with the first month of the civil year, see Exod. xxiii. 16, Lev xxiii 39—44; Numb. xxix. 12—38; Deut. xvi. 13—15.

4. "That doeth any thing in secret;"—that is, every man who doeth anything which he desires to be known, doeth it not in secret, but rather in such a way that he and his work may be known openly.

6. "My time . . . . your time "—in Christ's life every act had its own time and place, out of which it could not be done; they were under no such law of limitation, because there were no such ends involved in their procedure.

11. "The Jews sought him at the feast "—though he went up in no caravan, and formed no member of any such party, but alone and privately, his arrival in the city was soon known, and the Jewish council were eager in their pursuit of him, that they might put him to death.

13. "For fear of the Jews:"—these words show what a fearful influence the Jewish authorities had over the minds and the sentiments of the people. Some of those who came from Galilee, and who were rather in favour of the Saviour's character and claims, found the spirit of opposition such that they were afraid to utter a word in his behalf, or to express their sympathy with him.

32 "The Pharisees and the chief priests:"—it is supposed that the Pharisees are placed first, as they were more bitter in their enmity and more determined in their opposition, and that it was by them the chief priests were instigated to their peculiar line of conduct

33. "I go unto him that sent me;"—but they did not believe that he was the Sent of God; and hence when he speaks of his death and subsequent return to the Father, they are wholly unable to comprehend his meaning.

37. "In the last day, that great day of the feast."—there are those who will have this to have been the seventh day, which was an especially solemn one in the Feast of Tabernacles, and not the eighth day, which was a holy convocation, and in which the people offered an offering made by fire unto the Lord; others, however, maintain that it was the eighth day, and not the seventh, because Christ is here alluding to what *had* taken place on the previous day. The reference is to the custom of a priest bringing water in a golden vessel from the pool of Siloam, with a jubilant procession, to the Temple, and standing near the altar, pouring out the water mixed with wine, while THE HALLEL, which was composed of Psalms cxiii.—cxviii., was sung by the people. This took place on the seventh day; but whether it was the seventh or the eighth day on which our Lord availed himself of this practice to point to the higher blessings of his own spiritual dispensation, we cannot determine.

46 The officers answered, Never man spake like this man.[a]

47 Then answered them the Pharisees, Are ye also deceived?

48 Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on him?[b]

49 But this people who knoweth not the law are cursed.

50 Nicodemus saith unto them, (he that came [1]to Jesus by night, being one of them,)[c]

51 Doth our law judge *any* man, before it hear him, and know what he doeth?[d]

52 They answered and said unto him, Art thou also of Galilee? Search, and look: for out of Galilee ariseth no prophet.[e]

53 And every man went unto his own house.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *Christ delivereth the woman taken in adultery.* 12 *He preacheth himself the light of the world, and justifieth his doctrine:* 33 *answereth the Jews that boasted of Abraham,* 59 *and conveyeth himself from their cruelty.*



JESUS went unto the mount of Olives.

2 And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto him; and he sat down, and taught them.

3 And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst,

4 They say unto him, Master, this woman was taken in adultery, in the very act.

5 Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou?[f]

6 This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with *his* finger wrote on the ground, *as though he heard them not.*

7 So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.[g]

8 And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground.

ANNO DOMINI 32.

[a] Matt. vii. 29.

[b] ch. xii 42; Acts vi. 7; 1 Cor. i. 20, 26, ii. 8.

[1] Gr *to him.*

[c] ch. iii 2.

[d] ch. iii. 17, v. 14; Luke ix. 56, xii. 14.

[e] Deut. i. 17; xvii 8, &c; xix. 15.

[f] ver 41; ch i 46; Isa ix. 1, 2, Matt iv. 15

[g] ch i 4, 5, 9, iii. 19; ix 5; xii. 35, 36, 46.

[h] ch. v. 31.

[i] ch. vii. 28, ix. 29.

[k] ch iii. 17, vii 24, xii. 47, xviii. 36.

[l] ver. 29; ch. xvi 32.

[m] Deut. xvii. 6, xix. 15; Matt xviii 16; 2 Cor. xiii. 1, Heb. x. 28.

[n] ch. v. 37.

[o] ver. 55; ch. xiv 7, xvi. 3.

[p] ch. vii 8, 30; Mark xii. 41.

[q] ver. 24; ch. vii. 34, xiii. 33.

[r] Lev xx. 10; Deut. xxii 22

[s] ch. iii. 31; xv 19, xvii 16, 1 John iv 5.

[t] ver. 21; Mark xvi. 16

[u] Deut. xvii. 7; Rom. ii. 1.

9 And they which heard *it,* being convicted by *their own* conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, *even* unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.[h]

10 When Jesus had lifted up himself, and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee?

11 She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.[i]

12 ¶ Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.[k]

13 The Pharisees therefore said unto him, Thou bearest record of thyself; thy record is not true.[l]

14 Jesus answered and said unto them, Though I bear record of myself, *yet* my record is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go; but ye cannot tell whence I come, and whither I go.[m]

15 Ye judge after the flesh; I judge no man.[n]

16 And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Father that sent me.[o]

17 It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true.[p]

18 I am one that bear witness of myself, and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me.[q]

19 Then said they unto him, Where is thy Father? Jesus answered, Ye neither know me, nor my Father: if ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also.[r]

20 These words spake Jesus in the treasury, as he taught in the temple: and no man laid hands on him; for his hour was not yet come.[s]

21 Then said Jesus again unto them, I go my way, and ye shall seek me, and shall die in your sins: whither I go, ye cannot come.[t]

22 Then said the Jews, Will he kill himself? because he saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come.

23 And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world.[u]

24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am *he,* ye shall die in your sins.[v]

25 Then said they unto him, Who art thou? And Jesus saith unto them, Even *the same* that I said unto you from the beginning.

52 "Out of Galilee ariseth no prophet"—this proverb was historically incorrect, for Galilee could claim Elijah the Tishbite, and Jonah of Gath-hepher, if not also Nahum and Hosea.

53 "Went unto his own house:"—the Jewish authorities dispersed, and left the Saviour still free to speak and act; but he went to the Mount of Olives—his favourite retreat—for retirement and devotion.

CHAPTER VIII.

The history of the woman taken in adultery, instead of giving any countenance to sin, reveals every human being as a transgressor of the law, and therefore worthy of death; but what the law could not do for the offender, the mercy of God could effect by drawing the sinner as a penitent to the feet of the Saviour; and while proclaiming to the penitent a free and full forgiveness, yet insisting on personal holiness as the evidence of salvation.

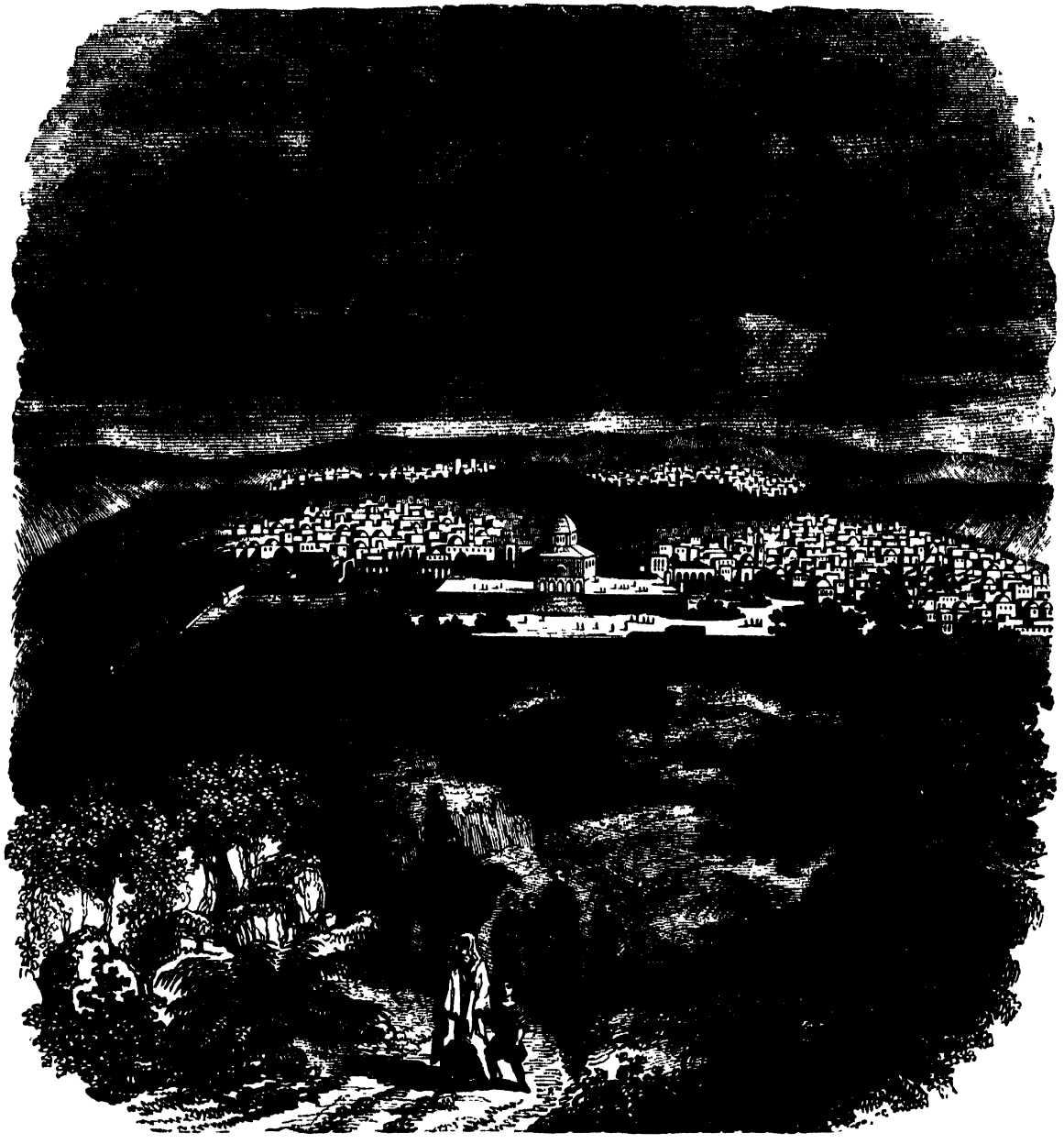
5. "That such should be stoned:"—the punishment, according to the law, was death; but the manner of inflicting the death is not mentioned—whether by stoning or otherwise.—Exod. xxxi. 14; xxxv. 2; Numb. xv. 35, 36. To have been consistent, they ought to have brought the man also (Lev. xx. 10; Deut. xxii. 22). They tempted Jesus to pronounce a judgment, hoping to find in the tenor or provisions of that judgment some ground of accusation.

7. "He that is without sin;"—not he that is sinless, or is free from the sin of uncleanness; but who is free from blameworthiness, even if tried by that very law which condemned this unhappy adulteress.

20. "In the treasury;"—that is, in the court of the women, into which the accused had been brought.

28. "Then shall ye know that I am he:"—this conviction would be brought home to them after his death and resurrection in various ways:—by the operation of his Spirit, as on the day of Pentecost; or by Divine judgments, as in the destruction of Jerusalem.

33. "Never in bondage to any man:"—the meaning may be that they were never as a people so reduced by any foreign power as to lose their distinct and exclusive nationality. The Saviour's words, however, went far deeper than this. From the 35th verse it is evident that our Lord clearly



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26 I have many things to say and to judge of you: but he that sent me is true; and I speak to the world those things which I have heard of him.[a]

27 They understood not that he spake to them of the Father.

28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am *he*, and *that* I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.[b]

29 And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.[c]

30 As he spake these words, many believed on him.[d]

31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, *then* are ye my disciples indeed;

32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.[e]

ANNO DOMINI 32

a ch iii 32, vii 28, xv 15.

f ver 39; Lev xxv. 42, Matt. iii 9

g Rom vi 16, 20; 2 Peter ii 19.

h Gal. iv 30

b ch. iii. 11, 14; v. 19, 30, xii 32, Rom. i. 4.

i Rom viii. 2, Gal. v. 1

c ver 16; ch iv. 34; v 30; vi 38, xiv 10, 11

j ver. 40; ch. vii 19.

d ch. vii. 31; x. 42; xi. 45.

k ch iii. 32; v. 19, 30; xiv. 10, 24.

e Rom. vi. 14, 18, 22; viii. 2; James i. 25; ii. 12.

l ver. 33; Matt. iii 9; Rom. ii. 28, ix. 7; Gal. iii. 7, 29.

33 ¶ They answered him, We be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free?[f]

34 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin.[g]

35 And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: *but* the Son abideth ever.[h]

36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.[i]

37 I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you.[j]

38 I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye have seen with your father.[k]

39 They answered and said unto him, Abraham is our father. Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.[l]

40 But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God: this did not Abraham.[a]

41 Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, *even* God.[b]

42 Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me: for I proceeded forth and came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.[c]

43 Why do ye not understand my speech? *even* because ye cannot hear my word.[d]

44 Ye are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.[e]

45 And because I tell *you* the truth, ye believe me not.

46 Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?

47 He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear *them* not, because ye are not of God.[f]

48 Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil?[g]

49 Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me.

ANNO DOMINI 32

[h] ch. v. 41; vii. 18.

[a] vs. 26, 37.

[i] ch. v. 24; xi. 26.

[b] Isa. lxiii 16, lxiv. 8, Mal. i. 6.

[j] Zech. i. 5; Heb. xi. 13

[c] ch. v 43; vii. 28, 29; xvi 27, xvii. 8, 25; 1 John v. 1.

[d] ch. vii 17.

[k] ch v. 31, 41; xvi 14, xvii. 1, Acts iii. 13

[e] Matt xiii 38, 1 John iii 8, Jude 6.

[l] ch. vii. 28, 29.

[m] Luke x. 24; Heb xi. 13.

[f] ch. x 26, 27, 1 John iv 6

[n] ch. xvii 5, 24, Exod iii 14, Isa xlvi 13, Col i 17, Rev i 8

[g] ver. 52, ch vii 20, x. 20.

[o] ch x 31, 39, xi 8; Luke iv. 30

50 And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth.[h]

51 Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.[i]

52 Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death.[j]

53 Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself?

54 Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God:[k]

55 Yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you: but I know him, and keep his saying.[l]

56 Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw *it*, and was glad.[m]

57 Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham?

58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.[n]

59 Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.[o]

distinguishes between the spiritual seed of Abraham who have come into the liberty of the children of God, and those who are still carnal, and who, being in bondage to the flesh, are really enthralled or enslaved — "The servant (or slave) abideth not in the house for ever," for such is not his right; but the child, the freeborn son, can claim this as his inalienable position.

37. "I know that ye are Abraham's seed:"—there is no contradiction between this verse and those which precede it. While our Lord makes a distinction in the seed of Abraham between the spiritually free and the morally enslaved, he does not deny that they all have derived their natural descent from Abraham. that many of them altogether lacked the faith of their great progenitor was affectingly demonstrated by the fact that they went about to kill him in whom the faith of the patriarch reposed with unwavering confidence.

44. "Ye are of your father the devil:"—the following reading is to be preferred:—"Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye love to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not, or did not stand fast, in the truth; and now there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own; that is, according to his own fallen nature and evil disposition, or out of his own false and wicked designs; for he is a liar, and the father of lies." Thus our Lord first charges upon these opposing Jews the sin of falsehood, and then shows that their lying proved their relation to the devil, the first utterer of lies, just as certainly as the truth which he uttered and pressed home upon them proved his relation to God as his Father, from whom, and according to whose will and purpose, he had come into the world.

46. "Which of you convinceth me of sin?"—the word "convince" would be better rendered "convict," and hence the Saviour appeals to all, and challenges them to produce a single sin, either of omission or of commission, in his life and teaching.

51. "He shall never see death." this was an insurmountable obstacle to these unbelieving Jews. They knew not that Jesus had come to swallow up death in victory, and that in the case of all his followers death is but a prelude to a higher, purer, diviner life. The Christian never sees death. The moment of dissolution is the moment of greater vivification and of incipient glorification He leaves the worn-out garment of the flesh behind, and only waits for his final clothing till that day when the whole Church is to be perfected at once and for ever.

58 "Before Abraham was, I am·"—to deny the essential pre-existence of Christ in the face of these words, betrays a perversity of view and a state of mind that are painful to contemplate. Our Lord here lays claim to eternal, independent, and immutable Godhead; and that the Jews so understood him is placed beyond all controversy by their subsequent conduct.

It is to the unutterable delight of the whole Christian Church that her Redeemer is no other than "God over all, blessed for evermore."



THE POOL OF SILOAM, OR SELWAN.

CHAPTER IX.

The narrative of the cure effected on a man that had been born blind, as here recorded, is not to be viewed as standing alone or by itself; for it is closely related to what follows, and is, in fact, the historical foundation of those living utterances which are embodied in the subsequent chapter

1. "As Jesus passed by."—it appears that a great number of sufferers were located in the neighbourhood of the Temple, among whom was this blind man. Blindness from the birth was, perhaps, a rare disaster, and hence it was that the disciples so eagerly inquired into its

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The man that was born blind restored to sight.* 8 *He is brought to the Pharisees.* 13 *They are offended at it, and excommunicate him.* 35 *but he is received of Jesus, and confesseth him.* 39 *Who they are whom Christ enlighteneth.*



AND as *Jesus* passed by, he saw a man which was blind from *his* birth.

2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?[a]

3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.[b]

4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.[c]

5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.[d]

6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he [1]anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,[e]

7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.[f]

8 ¶ The neighbours therefore, and they which before had seen him that he was blind, said, Is not this he that sat and begged?

9 Some said, This is he: others *said*, He is like him: *but* he said, I am *he*.

10 Therefore said they unto him, How were thine eyes opened?

11 He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight.[g]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a ver. 34.

b ver. 33; ch iii 2; vii. 12, 43; x. 19.

c ch. iv. 19, vi. 14.

d ch. xi. 4.

e ch. iv 34; v 19, 36; xi. 9; xii. 35; xvii 4.

1 Or, *spread the clay upon the eyes of the blind man*

e Mark vii 33; viii 23.

f 2 Kings v 14; Neh iii 15.

g vs. 6, 7.

h ver. 33; ch iii 2; vii. 12, 43; x. 19.

i ch. iv. 19, vi. 14.

j ver. 34; ch. vii 13; xii. 42, xvi 2, xix. 38; Acts v. 13.

k ver. 16, Josh vii. 19; 1 Sam. vi. 5.

12 Then said they unto him, Where is he? He said, I know not.

13 ¶ They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind.

14 And it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.

15 Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.

16 Therefore said some of the Pharisees, This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the sabbath day. Others said, How can a man that is a sinner do such miracles? And there was a division among them.[h]

17 They say unto the blind man again, What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine eyes? He said, He is a prophet.[i]

18 But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he ha dbeen blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight.

19 And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see?

20 His parents answered them and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind:

21 But by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself.

22 These *words* spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue.[j]

23 Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

24 Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.[k]

25 He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner *or no*, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.

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cause, as they, in common with their nation, believed every affliction, whether physical or mental, to be the punishment of some peculiar sin. "Who did sin? This man, or"—seeing that a man could not sin before he was born—"his parents?" The question in either case rested on a false basis, and hence the reply of our Lord. In the words of Alford—"In the economy of God's providence, this man's suffering had its place and aim, and this was, to bring out the works of God in his being healed by the Redeemer."

5 "I am the light of the world"—this metaphor includes a double meaning—first, that he who restored sight to the blind could also illumine the whole region of the soul, and could introduce man into the marvellous light of life, for, in conformity with the prophecy of Isaiah, he was to open the eyes of the blind, literally and spiritually. The time for work is only while the light continues.

6. "Spat on the ground, and made clay:"—the use of saliva, and even of clay, in diseases of the eye was not unknown to the ancients; but where can we find on record one single case in which the application of these two agents to the outward organ, followed by washing in a pool of water, at once and immediately resulted in a cure? Here is the miracle—not in the application and use of certain external agents, but in the exercise of a power which, acting through these media, results in instantaneous recovery. The healing art has never effected this. But why did our Lord use these agents at all? Alford has given the true answer.—"The conductor of the miraculous power was generally the *faith* of the recipient, and if such means served to awaken that faith, their use would be accounted for."

The Pool of Siloam, otherwise called Siloah, and by the Arabs Selwan, is a fountain in the valley beneath the south-eastern angle of the wall of Jerusalem, near the foot of Mount Zion, with Moriah on the north. The water now issues from an arched basin, at twenty feet below the surface, and flows into a lower basin, which is supposed to be the one to which our Lord sent the blind man. The water is said to be of a rather disagreeable taste. The fountain of Siloam is a considerable distance further up the valley, and is called the Fountain of the Virgin. From this point the water runs through a subterraneous channel, until it finds its way into the pool, which is fifty-three feet long by eighteen wide. There is a flight of steps down to the pool, which is faced with stones, and has several columns at the side. The water from the pool flows through a channel in the rock out into the gardens beyond. It is very curious that the water of Siloam ebbs and flows, but not at regular intervals. Dr. Robinson and a friend traversed the whole distance of the subterraneous channel between the fountain and the pool. There is not the smallest reason to doubt the identity of the present Siloam with that referred to in the text. The only question that can be asked is, whether our Lord sent the man to the *pool*, or to what is called the *fountain*. To this we cannot give a decided reply, but we are inclined to believe the pool is meant.

13. "Brought to the Pharisees:"—these Pharisees may have been one of the inferior courts of the Sanhedrim, and who sat as a court of inquiry into all such cases.

30. "Herein is a marvellous thing"—the man seems to have had no very clear idea of the character and work of our Lord. Having received his sight at the hand of Jesus, he naturally inferred that he was a supernaturally endowed man, and therefore he spake of him as a prophet. The Pharisees called Jesus a sinner, by which they meant a man of impious character and an impostor: this raised a question which he was not prepared to debate; but he adhered to the simple fact of his cure; and then, on being pressed to decide on the character of the great Healer, he accuses them of shutting their eyes to the clearest and most convincing evidence.

34. "They cast him out:"—Bengel says, "from that place in which they were met together;" but we believe that nothing short of ecclesiastical excom-

26 Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?

27 He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear *it* again? will ye also be his disciples?

28 Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; but we are Moses' disciples.

29 We know that God spake unto Moses: *as for* this *fellow*, we know not from whence he is.[a]

30 The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and *yet* he hath opened mine eyes.[b]

31 Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.[c]

32 Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.

33 If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.[d]

34 They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they [1]cast him out.[e]

35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?[f]

36 He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?

37 And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.[g]

38 And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.

39 ¶ And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.[h]

40 And *some* of the Pharisees which were with him heard these words, and said unto him, Are we blind also?[i]

41 Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth.[j]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

[a] ch. viii. 14.

[b] ch. iii. 10.

[c] Job xxvii 9; xxxv. 12; Ps. xviii 41; xxxiv. 15; lxvi 18, Prov i. 28; xv. 29; xxviii 9, Isa. i. 15; Jer xi. 11, xiv. 12; Ezek viii 18, Micah iii. 4; Zech. vii. 13.

[d] ver. 16.

[1] Or, *excommunicated him*, ver. 22.

[e] ver. 2.

[f] ch x. 36, Matt. xiv 33; xvi 16; Mark i. 1, 1 John v. 13.

[g] ch. iv. 26.

[h] ch. iii. 17; v. 22, 27; xii. 47, Matt xxi. 13.

[k] ch xiv. 6; Eph. ii. 18.

[i] Rom. ii 19.

[j] ch. xv. 22, 24

[l] Isa xl 11; Ezek. xxxiv. 12, 23, xxxvii 24, Heb xiii 20; 1 Peter ii 25, v 4

CHAPTER X.

1 *Christ is the door, and the good shepherd.* 19 *Divers opinions of him.* 24 *He proveth by his works that he is Christ the Son of God.* 39 *escapeth the Jews,* 40 *and went again beyond Jordan, where many believed on him.*



VERILY, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.

4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.

5 And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.

6 This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them.

7 Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.

8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.[k]

10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have *it* more abundantly.

11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.[l]

munication is meant. Among the Jews there were three kinds of excommunication, of which this casting out may probably have been the lowest. A person so excommunicated was "separated from the congregation." If during thirty days he repented of his error or wickedness, he was re-admitted; but if he persisted, he was at the end of that time subjected to a more solemn and penal excommunication.

38. "Lord, I believe."—he discovered that Jesus, who now spoke to him, was no other than he who had given him sight, his faith rises to a higher point; and cut off from his former relation to his synagogue and his nation, he more implicitly, and probably all the more gladly, was led to accept the Saviour, and rest on him alone for all future grace and succour. In gratitude and faith he worshipped him—not only gave him the honour due to a prophet, but that homage and love of the heart which are due only to God.

39. "For judgment I am come."—it is the province of judgment to discriminate and distinguish; and hence our Lord, in carrying out the will and purpose of his Father, makes a difference, and according to that difference does he proceed. Wherever he finds the desiring and the willing mind, he readily bestows his blessings. Hence he gave sight to this man who was born blind, and followed this with the richer blessing of inward and spiritual enlightenment, while he left those proud and self-sufficient Jews, who boasted of their light and knowledge, in all the darkness and ignorance of a spiritual blindness.

41. "If ye were blind:"—if you had no means of inward illumination, and if your blindness were not self-induced, "ye should have no sin." They would not have been guilty. But with the Scriptures in their hands, and with every possible means of reaching the truth, they were without excuse. How needful the prayer—"From hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word, good Lord, deliver us!"

CHAPTER X.

This chapter has an immediate connection with the preceding. The conduct of the Pharisees, who professed to be the teachers and guides of the people, had furnished sufficient ground on which to rest the comparison between a good and a bad shepherd. We may suppose there was some little pause, during which the thoughts of the Saviour were occupied with the unfaithfulness of those professed pastors, and hence the comparison which he here institutes. We say *comparison*, for the passage does not reach the character of a *parable*, in the full meaning of that word.

1. "He that entereth not by the door."—these words, and, indeed, the whole verse, must be taken in the most general sense, and are applicable to every one who undertakes to teach and lead the Church of God. Only one legitimate way of access lies open into the sheepfold. All others are forbidden; and whoever will not enter by the one door, or in the spirit of submission and obedience to Christ, as the Chief Shepherd of the sheep, but will force his way in through any other medium, must be looked upon as actuated by no pure motive, and having in view no good design.

2. "Is the shepherd of the sheep;"—that is, of that particular fold The sheep are to be intrusted to the faithful exclusively—the true servants of Christ

3. "To him the porter openeth."—here the comparison is not to be too closely pressed. The idea is, that just as the porter who taketh charge of the flock during the temporary absence of the shepherd will welcome his return, and at once admit him to the fold, so the Spirit will open a door into the spiritual fold to every one who comes as an under shepherd, in the name of Christ, to feed his flock and promote his glory.

"Calleth his own sheep by name:"—it is a fact that in the East each sheep had its name; that each recognised the shepherd's voice when he called; and that the flock were not driven by the shepherd, but followed him as their

12 But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep.[a]

13 The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.

14 I am the good shepherd, and know my *sheep*, and am known of mine.[b]

15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.[c]

16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, *and* one shepherd.[d]

17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.[e]

18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.[f]

19 ¶ There was a division therefore again among the Jews for these sayings.[g]

20 And many of them said, He hath a devil, and is mad; why hear ye him?[h]

21 Others said, These are not the words of him that hath a devil. Can a devil open the eyes of the blind?[i]

22 ¶ And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter.

23 And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch.[j]

24 Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou [1]make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly.

25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.[k]

26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.[l]

27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:[m]

28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand.[n]

29 My Father, which gave *them* me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand.[o]

30 I and *my* Father are one.[p]

31 Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him.[q]

32 Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

33 The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.[r]

34 Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?[s]

35 If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;[t]

36 Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?[u]

37 If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.[v]

38 But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father *is* in me, and I in him.[w]

39 Therefore they sought again to take him: but he escaped out of their hand,[x]

40 And went away again beyond Jordan into the place where John at first baptized; and there he abode.[y]

41 And many resorted unto him, and said, John did no miracle: but all things that John spake of this man were true.[z]

42 And many believed on him there.[a]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Christ raiseth Lazarus, four days buried.* 45 *Many Jews believe.* 47 *The high priests and Pharisees gather a council against Christ.* 49 *Caiaphas prophesieth.* 54 *Jesus hid himself.* 55 *At the passover they enquire after him, and lay wait for him.*



NOW a certain *man* was sick, *named* Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.[b]

2 (It was *that* Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.)[c]

3 Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.

4 When Jesus heard *that*, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.[d]

ANNO DOMINI 32.

a Zech. xi. 16, 17.

r ch v 18.

b 2 Tim. ii. 19.
s Ps lxxxii. 6.

c ch. xv. 13; Matt. xi. 27.
t Rom. xiii. 1

u ver. 30; ch. iii. 17; v 17, 18, 36, 37; vi 27; viii. 42; ix. 35, 37; Luke i. 35.

d Isa. lvi 8; Ezek. xxxvii 22, Eph. ii. 14; 1 Peter ii. 25.
v ch. xv. 24.

e Isa. liii. 7, 8, 12; Heb. ii 9.
w ch. v 36; xiv. 10, 11, xvii. 21.

f ch. ii 19; vi 38; xv 10, Acts ii. 24, 32
x ch. vii. 30, 44, viii. 59.

g ch. vii. 43; ix. 16.
y ch. i 28

h ch vii. 20, viii 48, 52.
z ch. iii. 30

i ch ix 6, 7, 32, 33; Exod iv. 11, Ps. xciv. 9, cxlvi 8.

A.D 33]
a ch viii. 30, xi. 45

j Acts iii 11, v. 12.

1 Or, *hold us in suspense?*

k ver 38, ch. iii 2; v. 36
b Luke x 38, 39.

l ch. viii 47; 1 John iv 6

m vs. 4, 14.

n ch vi 37; xvii. 11, 12; xviii 9.
c ch xii 3; Matt. xxvi. 7; Mark xiv. 3

o ch xiv. 28; xvii. 2, 6, &c.

p ch xvii 11, 22.

q ch viii. 59.
d ver 40, ch. ix. 3.

leader. So every teacher must precede his flock in teaching, in example, in faith, and in work.

14. "I know my sheep"—this is not to be resolved into mere knowledge, by which he could discriminate between the true and the false—the sheep and the goat; but into that complacency which he had in them as his redeemed and sanctified followers It means both approval and delight. And so their knowledge of him is that which is inseparable from the confidence of the heart—from supreme and undivided love

16. "Other sheep I have:"—these other sheep are not to be referred to the Jews who were scattered among other nations, but to the Gentiles, who were to be brought in through the proclamation of his Gospel by the Apostles and teachers of Christianity.

17, 18. "Because I lay down my life"—here is the grand mystery of our holy faith—the love of the Father in the Son whom he has sent; and the love of the Son to the Father as shown in the scheme of redemption.

22 "The feast of the dedication:"—this national festival was instituted at the latter end of the second century before Christ, in memory of the purification of the Temple after it had been most wantonly profaned by Antiochus. It was held in the month Chisleu, which corresponds with our December, and lasted in all seven days.

23. "In Solomon's porch:"—according to Josephus, this was an original work of Solomon's, which remained from the former building; but other writers do not hesitate to describe it as a magnificent porch of more modern date erected on the same spot as Solomon's porch, and therefore bearing the same name.

30. "I and my Father are one:"—not only one in counsel and purpose, but, as the exigencies of the case require, one in power; and if one in power, necessarily one in nature also.

40. "The place where John at first baptized:"—see for this locality chapter i. 28, and the Notes thereon.



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5 Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.

6 When he had heard therefore that he was sick, he abode two days still in the same place where he was.[a]

7 Then after that saith he to *his* disciples, Let us go into Judæa again.

8 *His* disciples say unto him, Master, the Jews of late sought to stone thee; and goest thou thither again?[b]

9 Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.[c]

10 But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.[d]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[e] Deut. xxxi. 16; Dan. xii. 2; Matt. ix. 24; Acts vii. 60; 1 Cor. xv. 18, 51.

[a] ch. x. 40.

[b] ch. x. 31.

[c] ch. ix. 4.

[d] ch. xii. 35.

11 These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.[e]

12 Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.

13 Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken of taking of rest in sleep.

14 Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.

15 And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him.

16 Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellowdisciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him.

CHAPTER XI.

The closing verses of the preceding chapter form the transition point to the following touching and heart-revealing narrative. "The Lord left Jerusalem, but did not return to Galilee. He went to the other side of Jordan, into the neighbourhood which John the Baptist had consecrated by the commencement of his ministry. Many old friends of the Baptist had collected around Christ, and found the words of the Baptist confirmed in him. Although John had not appeared as a worker of miracles, yet they were convinced that a prophetic spirit dwelt and operated in him. Hence they believed in Jesus, to whom John professed to be only a forerunner."

1. "Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha:"—this village stood on the south-east side of the Mount of Olives, and was about ten miles distant from Jerusalem. From the mention of Mary and Martha, it would seem that they were well known within the circle of our Evangelist's friends and readers.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

17 Then when Jesus came, he found that he had *lain* in the grave four days already.

18 Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, [1]about fifteen furlongs off:

19 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.

20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat *still* in the house.

21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

22 But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give *it* thee.[a]

23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.[b]

25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:[c]

26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.[d]

28 And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.

29 As soon as she heard *that*, she arose quickly, and came unto him.

30 Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him.

31 The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there.[e]

32 Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.[f]

33 When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and [2]was troubled.

1 That is, about two miles.

g Luke xix. 41.

h ch. ix. 6.

a ch. ix. 31.

b ch. v. 29; Luke xiv. 14.

i vs. 4, 23.

c ch. i. 4; iii. 36; v. 21; vi. 35, 39, 40, 44; xiv. 6; Col. iii. 4; 1 John i. 1, 2; v. 10, &c.

j ch. xii. 30.

d ch. iv. 42; vi. 14, 69; Matt. xvi. 16.

k ch. xx. 7.

l ch. ii. 23; x. 42; xii. 11, 18.

e ver. 19.

m ch. xii. 19; Ps. ii. 2; Matt. xxvi. 3, Mark xiv. 1; Luke xxii. 2, Acts iv. 16.

f ver. 21.

n ch. xviii. 14; Luke iii. 2, Acts iv. 6

2 Gr *he troubled himself*

34 And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

35 Jesus wept.[g]

36 Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him!

37 And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?[h]

38 Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.

39 Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been *dead* four days.

40 Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?[i]

41 Then they took away the stone *from the place* where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up *his* eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.

42 And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said *it*, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.[j]

43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.[k]

45 Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him.[l]

46 But some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done.

47 ¶ Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this man doeth many miracles.[m]

48 If we let him thus alone, all *men* will believe on him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation.

49 And one of them, *named* Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, Ye know nothing at all,[n]

50 Nor consider that it is expedient for us, that

4—11 "This sickness is not unto death. . . . Lazarus is dead"—there is an apparent contradiction here, but it is only apparent. The disciples could not understand what he meant by "Lazarus sleepeth," and therefore he had to say to them plainly, "Lazarus is dead." His soul had doubtless left the body, but still it had not entered the world of life and glory. It was for the time being in a trance, or state of ecstatic enjoyment, from which our Lord was about to recall it, that it might again take possession of the body which it had left, and, therefore, the sickness of Lazarus was not so unto death that he was not again to live and move in this earthly sphere, yet he was so far removed out of the sphere of earthly life, as that nothing short of Omnipotent power could overcome the law of decomposition now at work on his physical nature, or bring the soul into union with the body.

16. "That we may die with him,"—not to die with Lazarus, but with Jesus, whose life was in imminent danger, arising out of the deep-rooted enmity of the Jews; and Thomas preferred to go with Jesus and share his fate, than be left alone in the world, with all its temptations, conflicts, and dangers.

19. "Came to comfort them"—these, no doubt, were some of their female friends, or the women who came to mourn with them. There were thirty days spent in the ceremonies of grief connected with death and bereavement.

20. "Mary sat still in the house."—Trench and others think that Mary did not know of the approach of the Saviour, and hence her present attitude; but that attitude rather corresponds with all that we know of her character.

25. "I am the resurrection:"—in these words, which form the central point of the history, we have embodied one of the most profound and animating truths of our holy faith—namely, that He who came to redeem men from sin and all its consequences had in himself the fulness of all life, and that this life was to reveal itself in the vivification and glorification of both soul and body. "He that believeth in me, though he were dead (or though he die), yet shall he live (in a future state, and live for ever): and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die" (*i.e.*, shall not die for ever, but he shall have the conquest over temporal death, by a glorious resurrection to eternal life). Such is the deep and penetrating sense of these words.

33. "He groaned in the spirit"—by a severer effort of the mind, Jesus at first restrained his tears; so that when he afterwards did weep, his tears produced all the greater effect upon the bystanders. When it is said that he groaned and was troubled, let it be borne in mind that though he was at this moment the subject of deep inward agitation, "the affections of his mind were not passions, but voluntary emotions, which he had altogether in his control; accordingly, this troubling of himself was fully consonant with order and the highest reason."

38. "Again groaning in himself"—this arose from the fearful unbelief which was then revealing itself in those by whom he was surrounded. He then proceeds to work the miracle, by which he rebukes their unbelief and refutes their false reasoning.

48. "The Romans shall come"—they affected to believe that the adhesion of the people to Jesus would be looked upon by the Romans as sedition, the consequence of which would be the loss of a local habitation, of their territorial possessions, and of their national existence. And yet this state of things they afterwards brought upon themselves.

49. "Caiaphas being the high priest:"—it is said that he sustained this office during the whole eleven years of the procuratorship of Pontius Pilate; but whether there was anything memorable in this, as the year in which Jesus

one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not.[a]

51 And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation;

52 And not for that nation only, but that also he should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad.[b]

53 Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death.

54 Jesus therefore walked no more openly among the Jews; but went thence unto a country near to the wilderness, into a city called Ephraim, and there continued with his disciples.[c]

55 ¶ And the Jews' passover was nigh at hand: and many went out of the country up to Jerusalem before the passover, to purify themselves.[d]

56 Then sought they for Jesus, and spake among themselves, as they stood in the temple, What think ye, that he will not come to the feast?[e]

57 Now both the chief priests and the Pharisees had given a commandment, that, if any man knew where he were, he should shew *it*, that they might take him.

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Jesus excuseth Mary anointing his feet.* 9 *The people flock to see Lazarus.* 10 *The high priests consult to kill him.* 12 *Christ rideth into Jerusalem.* 20 *Greeks desire to see Jesus.* 23 *He foretelleth his death.* 37 *The Jews are generally blinded* 42 *yet many chief rulers believe, but do not confess him.* 44 *therefore Jesus calleth earnestly for confession of faith.*



THEN Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom he raised from the dead.[f]

2 There they made him a supper; and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with him.[g]

3 Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the ointment.[h]

4 Then saith one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, which should betray him,

5 Why was not this ointment sold for three hundred pence, and given to the poor?

6 This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and had the bag, and bare what was put therein.[i]

7 Then said Jesus, Let her alone: against the day of my burying hath she kept this.

8 For the poor always ye have with you; but me ye have not always.[j]

9 Much people of the Jews therefore knew that he was there: and they came not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might see Lazarus also, whom he had raised from the dead.[k]

10 ¶ But the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death;[l]

11 Because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus.[m]

12 ¶ On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,[n]

13 Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed *is* the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.[o]

14 And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written,[p]

15 Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt.[q]

16 These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and *that* they had done these things unto him.[r]

17 The people therefore that was with him when he called Lazarus out of his grave, and raised him from the dead, bare record.

18 For this cause the people also met him, for that they heard that he had done this miracle.[s]

19 The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, Perceive ye how ye prevail nothing? behold, the world is gone after him.[t]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch. xviii. 14.

b ch. x. 16; Isa. xlix. 6; Eph. ii. 14—17; 1 John ii. 2

c ch iv. 1, 3; vii. 1; 2 Chron. xiii. 19.

d ch ii. 13; v 1; vi. 4

e ch vii 11.

f ch. xi. 1, 43.

g Matt. xxvi 6, Mark xiv 3.

h ch. xi. 2; Luke x. 38, 39.

i ch. xiii. 29.

j Matt xxvi. 11; Mark xiv. 7.

k ch. xi. 43, 44.

l Luke xvi. 31.

m ver. 18; ch. xi. 45.

n Matt. xxi 8; Mark xi 8, Luke xix 35, 36, &c

o Ps. cxviii. 25, 26.

p Matt. xxi. 7.

q Zech. ix. 9

r ch vii 39; xiv 26, Luke xviii. 34.

s ver 11.

t ch. xi 47, 48.

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was to die, or as being the last year in the seventy weeks predicted by Daniel as preceding the destruction of Jerusalem; or whether there was something peculiar in his holding the office that year in contradistinction from Annas, who was high priest by right, it is impossible to say. One thing is certain, as Alford has it, that "it pleased God to make him, as high priest, the special though involuntary organ of the Holy Spirit, and thus to utter by him a prophecy of the death of Christ and its effects."

54. "A city called Ephraim:"—it is supposed that this town is the same with that of Ophrah and Ephrain, mentioned in 2 Chron. xiii. 19, and was situated about eight miles north of Jerusalem, on the way to Jericho, and within the bounds of the tribe of Benjamin.

55. "To purify themselves:"—that is, from any ceremonial uncleanness, that so they might be able to keep the Passover according to the law of the institution. (See Numb. ix. 10; 2 Chron. xxx. 17.) To engage in any spiritual service, we must have "our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water."

CHAPTER XII.

We left our Lord with his disciples at Ephraim. From Ephraim his way to Jerusalem is through Jericho, where he heals the blind man, and enters the house of Zacchæus. It is probable that he arrived at Bethany in the evening of the sixth day; that he there spent the Sabbath in holy quiet; and that the anointing here referred to took place six days before the Passover. The death of Christ was now at hand. With great desire he desires to eat the paschal lamb with his followers before he suffers; and with that act was to close his life of humiliation and sorrow. In dying, he was to gain the victory over death; in rising, bring life and immortality to light; and in ascending, open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

2 "Made him a supper,"—that is, the disciples of Bethany. Not that they invited him; but he being come, they, to express their regard, prepared this festal repast. "It needs no explanation that Martha finds means to serve even in a strange house, where she might serve HIM; but Mary, in her placid frame of mind, shows herself in all her greatness. She honours and anoints him, as her heart prompts, with all the magnificence and costly tribute which is in her power."

3. "A pound of ointment:"—on the nature and value of this precious unguent, see Matt. xxvi. 6—13; Mark xiv. 3—9.

6. "Was a thief, and had the bag:"—the word rendered "bag" means any kind of pouch, coffer, or money-chest; and from the fact of Judas being called "a thief," it has been not unfairly inferred that he may have been guilty of purloining the money intrusted to his keeping.

8. "The poor always ye have with you:"—according to the law (Deut. xv. 11), the Hebrew was under solemn obligation to open his hand to the poor of the land; and here, in a manner almost marvellous, the Saviour, to whom all actions of thanksgiving and love are due, "places himself in parallel with the poor on whom we bestow benefactions; and by him, in his human tenderness, is keenly felt the separation from the earthly fellowship of his own disciples." The fact that he was to be but a little while longer with them is the reason which he gives why their immediate and special attentions should be all directed to himself—"ME ye have not always."

20 ¶ And there were certain Greeks among them that came up to worship at the feast:[a]

21 The same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying, Sir, we would see Jesus.[b]

22 Philip cometh and telleth Andrew: and again Andrew and Philip tell Jesus.

23 ¶ And Jesus answered them, saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified.[c]

24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.[d]

25 He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.[e]

26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will *my* Father honour.[f]

27 Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour.[g]

28 Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, *saying*, I have both glorified *it*, and will glorify *it* again.[h]

29 The people therefore, that stood by, and heard *it*, said that it thundered: others said, An angel spake to him.

30 Jesus answered and said, This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes.[i]

31 Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out.[j]

32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all *men* unto me.[k]

33 This he said, signifying what death he should die.[l]

34 The people answered him, We have heard out of the law that Christ abideth for ever: and how sayest thou, The Son of man must be lifted up? who is this Son of man?[m]

35 Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.[n]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a 1 Kings viii 41,42; Acts viii. 27; xvii. 4.

o ch viii. 59; xi. 10, 54; Luke xvi. 8; Eph v. 8; 1 Thess. v. 5; 1 John ii. 9—11.

b ch. i. 44.

c ch. xiii. 32; xvii. 1.

p Isa. liii. 1; Rom. x. 16.

d 1 Cor. xv. 36.

e Matt. x. 39; xvi 25. Mark viii. 35; Luke ix. 24, xvii. 33.

q Isa. vi 9, 10; Matt. xiii. 14; Luke viii. 10; Acts xxviii 26, 27; Rom. xi. 8

f ch. xiv 3, xvii. 24; 1 Thess. iv 17.

r Isa. vi. 1.

g ch. xiii 21; xviii. 37; Matt xxvi. 38, 39; Luke xii 50; xxii. 53.

s ch. vii 13; ix 22.

h Matt. iii. 17

t ch. v 44

u Mark ix 37, 1 Peter i. 21

v ch. xiv 9.

i ch. xi. 42.

w vs 35, 36, ch iii. 19; viii 12, ix 5, 39.

j ch xiv. 30, xvi 11, Matt. xii 29, Luke x 18; Acts xxvi 18, 2 Cor. iv 4, Eph. ii 2, vi 12.

x ch. iii 17, v 45, viii. 15, 26.

k ch iii 14, viii 28, Rom v 18, Heb ii 9.

l ch xviii 32.

y Deut xviii. 19, Mark xvi 16, Luke x 16

m Ps. lxxxix. 36, 37, cx. 4, Isa ix 7, liii 8, Ezek. xxxvii 25; Dan ii 44, vii. 14, 27, Micah iv 7

z ch viii 38; xiv 10; Deut xviii 18

n ver 46; ch i 9; viii 12, ix. 5, xi. 10, Jer xiii 16, Eph v. 8, 1 John ii 11.

36 While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.[o]

37 ¶ But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:

38 That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Lord, who hath believed our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed?[p]

39 Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again,

40 He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with *their* eyes, nor understand with *their* heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.[q]

41 These things said Esaias, when he saw his glory, and spake of him.[r]

42 ¶ Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess *him*, lest they should be put out of the synagogue:[s]

43 For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.[t]

44 ¶ Jesus cried and said, He that believeth on me, believeth not on me, but on him that sent me.[u]

45 And he that seeth me seeth him that sent me.[v]

46 I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.[w]

47 And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.[x]

48 He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.[y]

49 For I have not spoken of myself; but the Father which sent me, he gave me a commandment, what I should say, and what I should speak.[z]

50 And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me, so I speak.

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11. "By reason of him many of the Jews went away:"—it is worthy of note how Lazarus, who, for a long time after being restored to life, remained "silent, and solemn, and self-involved," became such an inciting cause among the Jews of that enmity which reached its sad climax in putting the Saviour to death so much so, that even the life of Lazarus is in danger. What depth of hatred! what malignant determination! And yet the Incarnate Son did pray, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do!"

12—19. For a farther account of this triumphal entry into Jerusalem, see Matt. xxi. 1—17, Mark xi 1—11; Luke xix. 29—44, with the Notes.

"The Pharisees said, Perceive ye how ye prevail nothing?"—here the rulers of the people are forced to admit that they were losing their hold of the popular mind and feeling; and had the people been left to freedom of action, it is impossible to say in what numbers they would have ranged themselves on the side of Christ and truth.

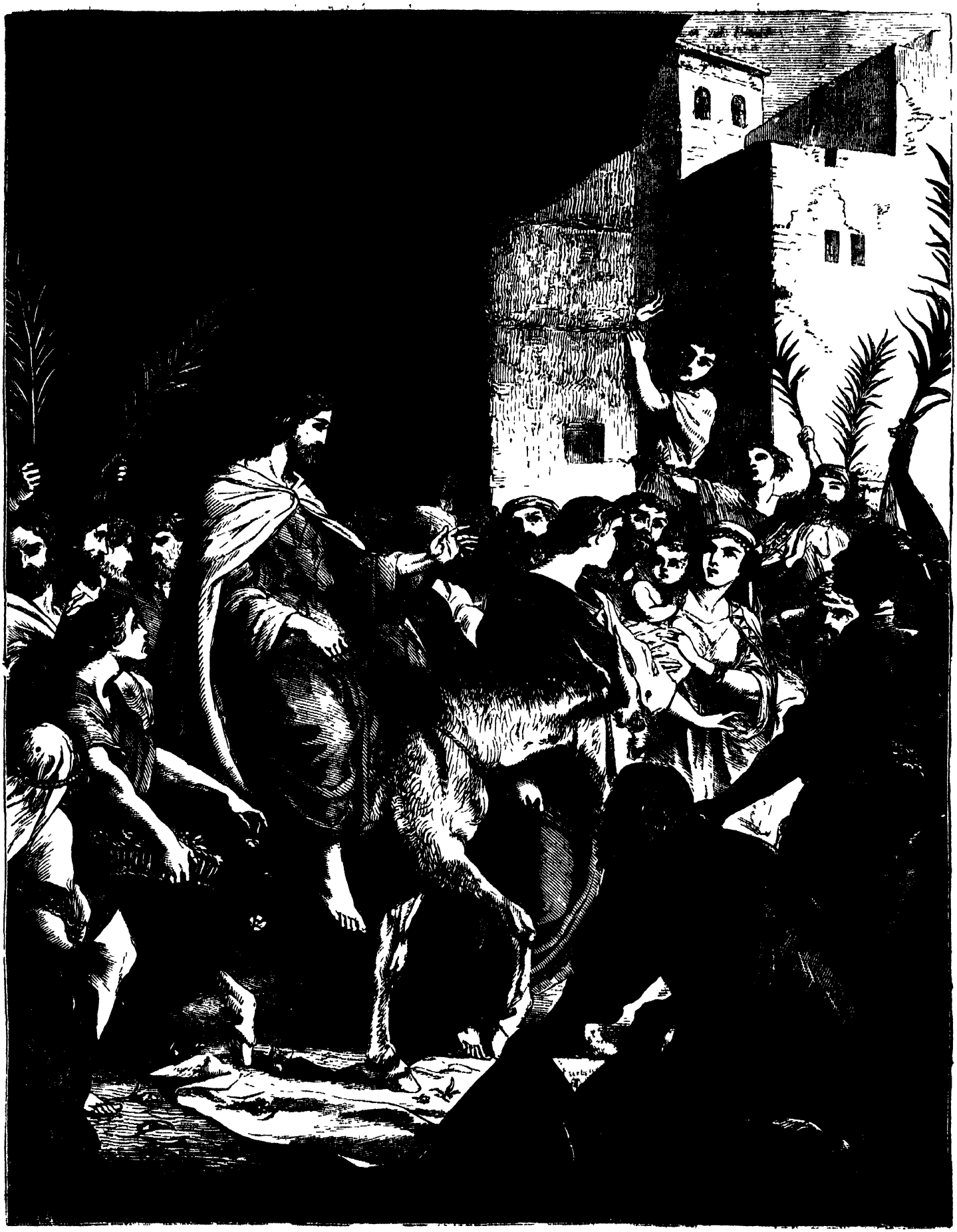
21. "Bethsaida of Galilee"—this town, which must be distinguished from another Bethsaida which stood on the east bank of the Jordan, was situated on the west of the Jordan, near the Sea of Tiberias. It was the birthplace of Andrew, Peter, and Philip. (Mark xiv. 70; John i. 44.)

24. "Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone:"—this is a well-known physiological fact. The vital principle may be in the seed, but unless the seed is brought into contact with the soil and its surrounding elements, and decompose, it yields nothing. Everything must die to live, and the life which comes through death is yet more fruitful. "These wise men from the West represent at the end of Christ's life that which the wise men from the East represented at its beginning; but these come to the cross of the King, even as those came to his manger, and receive presently fuller intelligence." This fuller intelligence is, that it is necessary for Christ to die, that the Divine love might be manifested by the accomplishment of the work which his Father gave him to do, and that he might thereby bring life and immortality to light, and open the kingdom of heaven to all believers; and that every one who would be Christ's disciple must be prepared for the self-denying service of his Divine Master, if he desired hereafter to dwell with his risen Lord, and to behold his glory.

27. "What shall I say?"—there are those who would change the punctuation of this verse, and read it thus:—"Now is my soul troubled; and what! shall I say, Father! save me from this hour? But for this cause came I unto this hour." Others, however, object to this proposed change in the punctuation. It makes no important difference which reading is adopted, for in both there comes out the perfect submission of the Saviour's will to the will of his Father. Truly "it must have been more than a mere mortal apprehension of death—it must have been a conflict and agitation of a peculiar and unshared kind which could thus disturb the Son of God as the Son of man, in the midst of his testimony to his own and to his Father's glory." This is a mystery which we can never fathom.

31. "Now is the judgment of this world:"—the crisis, the era has arrived in which the work of discrimination and judgment is to come into view, in dethroning Satan as the prince of this world, and in opening a way for the recovery of fallen man from Satan's grasp. This is to be done through my cross and passion, so that I, if I be lifted up, will draw both Jews and Gentiles unto me—men of all languages and of all climes.

39. "They could not believe:"—simply because from the beginning they *would not*, in spite of all the overwhelming evidence by which they were surrounded; and this, as Stier says, "is the predicted judicial hardening, by the fulfilment of which unbelief itself receives a direful admonition, and the visitation becomes only a new argument urging men to embrace the faith of Christ."



"HOSANNA: BLESSED IS THE KING OF ISRAEL THAT COMETH IN THE NAME OF THE LORD."—JOHN XII. 13.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Jesus washeth the disciples' feet; exhorteth them to humility and charity.* 18 *He foretelleth, and discovereth to John by a token, that Judas should betray him* 31 *commandeth them to love one another,* 36 *and forewarneth Peter of his denial.*



NOW before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.[a]

2 And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's *son*, to betray him;[b]

3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;[c]

4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.[d]

5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe *them* with the towel wherewith he was girded.

6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and [1]Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet?[e]

7 Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.[f]

8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.[g]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

h ch. xv. 3.

i ch. vi. 64.

j Matt. xxiii. 8, 10; Luke vi. 46; 1 Cor. viii. 6; xii. 3; Philipp. ii. 11.

k Luke xxii. 27; Rom xii. 10; Gal. vi 1, 2; 1 Pet. v. 5.

a ch xii 23; xvii. 1, 11; Matt. xxvi. 2.

l Matt xi.29, Philipp. ii 5, 1 Peter ii. 21; 1 John ii. 6.

m ch. xv 20; Matt. x 24, Luke vi 40

b ver 27; Luke xxii. 3.

n James i. 25.

c ch iii 35, viii. 42; xvi. 28, xvii. 2; Matt xi. 27, xxviii. 18; Acts ii 36; 1 Cor. xv 27, Heb. ii. 8

d Luke xxii. 27; Philipp. ii. 7, 8.

o ver. 21; Ps xli. 9, Matt xxvi 23.

2 Or, *From henceforth.*

p ch. xiv. 29; xvi. 4.

1 Gr. *he.*

e Matt. iii. 14.

q Matt. x 40; xxv 40; Luke x. 16.

f ver. 12.

r ch. xii 27; Matt xxvi 21, Mark xiv. 18, Luke xxii 21; Acts i. 17, 1 John ii. 19

g ch iii 5; 1 Cor vi 11; Eph v 26, Titus iii. 5, Heb x 22.

9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also *my* hands and *my* head.

10 Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash *his* feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.[h]

11 For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.[i]

12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well: for *so* I am.[j]

14 If I then, *your* Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.[k]

15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.[l]

16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.[m]

17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.[n]

18 ¶ I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.[o]

19 [2]Now I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe that I am *he*.[p]

20 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth me; and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.[q]

21 When Jesus had thus said, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.[r]

22 Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he spake.

42 "Among the chief rulers;"—that is, among the members of the Jewish council, such as Nicodemus and others; but still the other portion of the council retained their opposition to Christ and his doctrine, and so far acted as a restraint on those who had embraced his truth.

49 "He gave me a commandment:"—the word "commandment" is to be taken in the sense of "commission;" and this commission in its tendency is no other than life everlasting for all who believe. It is the will of God that all who receive the Son should in due time receive life eternal.

CHAPTER XIII.

The Redeemer, having closed his public ministry, now gathers round him the narrow circle of his own immediate followers, who had courageously confessed their faith in him as their Saviour and their Lord, and who were solemnly pledged to the interests of his kingdom, and makes known to them the most loving thoughts of his heart; he addresses to them words of richest consolation, and, in a strain of sublime devotion never before attained, commends them to the grace and care of his Father.

That this last meal of Jesus with his disciples was no other than the Passover is now all but universally admitted. This was followed by the institution of his own supper, but of which John gives us no account; simply because the other Evangelists had given the narration with such minuteness and precision as to render any further reference to it unnecessary to John's main design. What the other Evangelists omit, he here takes up—the washing of the disciples' feet, which act forms an historical basis for the discourses which follow.

A question has been raised as to the day on which our Lord ate his last Passover. Was it on the evening of the Thursday or the Friday? It was on the evening of the Friday that the Jews kept the sacred feast; and yet the great majority of critics and commentators incline to the opinion that our Lord kept it on the evening of Thursday. It is argued that in the computation of time, as in many other things, an interruption or derangement had crept in among the Jews. From Exod. xii 6 we learn that the paschal lamb was to be killed in the evening of the fourteenth day of the first month; but the phrase "in the evening" is thought by some, even among the Jews, to mean after the going down of the sun till entire darkness; while others of them maintain that it points only to the decline of the day before the going down of the sun. The reckoning of the day thus became subject to diversity; but our Lord kept to the proper and legal day, which had been displaced by the dominant party in the Jewish Church. If the paschal lamb was slain after the going down of the sun, then our Lord was put to death on the same day—the one sacrifice for sin.

1 "Before the feast:"—it is impossible to determine the exact time, but it was in all likelihood on the day preceding.

2. "Supper being ended:"—this rendering is just the reverse of what the original expresses. It should read, "While supper was being served," and just as they had taken their seats at the table.

"Having now put into the heart of Judas."—but Judas had before this entered into covenant with the Sanhedrim to betray the Saviour; and therefore the meaning must be, that the traitor became at this moment the subject of such Satanic influence that he could no longer conceal the deep, dark design of his heart.

5. "Began to wash the disciples' feet:"—this was the office of the meanest slave; and yet our Lord, laying aside such articles of his dress as would have encumbered him in performing such a service, washed the feet of his disciples; and while in the very act of doing it, his glory and his humility appear in marvellous combination.

8. "If I wash thee not:"—taking the outward washing as symbolical of inward moral purity, it was most solemnly true that without spiritual purification there could be neither union nor fellowship with Christ; but it does not follow from this that submission to the outward rite was any evidence of the inward and spiritual grace. The Saviour washed the feet of Judas, and yet Judas betrayed him. In the spiritual sense, whoever is washed by Jesus is brought into union with him; but if not so washed, we can have no part with him.

16. "The servant is not greater than his lord:"—the occasion which gave rise to this act of humility and of condescension on the part of our Lord, as we learn from Luke xxii. 24—27, was a strife among his disciples for the pre-eminence; and in what more forcible manner could he, the Lord of all, have taught them the lesson of humility than by this act of deepest self-humiliation, in which he stooped to render a service to his disciples that custom was wont to regard as the duty of the hireling or of the slave?

19—21. "That when it is come to pass:"—the correspondence between his words and the future event would powerfully confirm his claim to be the Messiah, and therefore present another ground for their faith and confidence.

23 Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved.[a]

24 Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him, that he should ask who it should be of whom he spake.

25 He then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto him, Lord, who is it?

26 Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a [1]sop, when I have dipped *it*. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave *it* to Judas Iscariot, *the son* of Simon.

27 And after the sop Satan entered into him. Then said Jesus unto him, That thou doest, do quickly.[b]

28 Now no man at the table knew for what intent he spake this unto him.

29 For some *of them* thought, because Judas had the bag, that Jesus had said unto him, Buy *those things* that we have need of against the feast; or, that he should give something to the poor.[c]

30 He then having received the sop went immediately out: and it was night.

31 ¶ Therefore, when he was gone out, Jesus said, Now is the Son of man glorified, and God is glorified in him.[d]

32 If God be glorified in him, God shall also glorify him in himself, and shall straightway glorify him.[e]

33 Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek me: and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come; so now I say to you.[f]

34 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.[g]

35 By this shall all *men* know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.[h]

36 ¶ Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, whither goest thou? Jesus answered him, Whither I go, thou canst not follow me now; but thou shalt follow me afterwards.[i]

37 Peter said unto him, Lord, why cannot I follow thee now? I will lay down my life for thy sake.[j]

38 Jesus answered him, Wilt thou lay down thy life for my sake? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, The cock shall not crow, till thou hast denied me thrice.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[a] ch. xix. 26; xx. 2; xxi. 7, 20, 24.

[1] Or, *morsel.*

[k] ver 27; ch. xvi. 22, 23.

[b] ch. vi. 70; Luke xxii. 3.

[l] ch. xiii. 33, 36.

[c] ch. xii. 6.

[m] vs 18, 28; ch. xii 26, xvii 24, Acts i. 11, 1 Thess iv 17.

[d] ch xii. 23; xiv. 13; 1 Peter iv. 11.

[e] ch. xii. 23; xvii. 1, 4—6.

[n] ch. i. 4, 17; viii 32, x 9, xi. 25; Heb. ix 8.

[f] ch. vii. 34; viii. 21.

[o] ch. viii. 19.

[g] ch xv 12, 17; Lev xix 18, Eph v 2, 1 Thess iv 9, James ii 8, 1 Peter i 22, 1 John ii 7, 8; iii. 11, 23, iv. 21

[h] 1 John ii. 5; iv. 20.

[p] ch. xii 45; Col. i 15, Heb i. 3.

[i] ch xxi. 18, 2 Peter i 14.

[j] Matt. xxvi. 33—35, Mark xiv 29—31; Luke xxii. 33, 34

[q] ver 20; ch v. 19; vii. 16, viii 28, x 38, xii. 49, xvii. 21, 23.

[r] ch. v. 36; x. 38.

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Christ comforteth his disciples with the hope of heaven: 6 professeth himself the way, the truth, and the life, and one with the Father. 13 assureth their prayers in his name to be effectual. 15 requireth love and obedience, 16 promiseth the Holy Ghost the Comforter, 27 and leaveth his peace with them.*



LET not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.[k]

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not *so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.[l]

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, *there* ye may be also.[m]

4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

5 Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.[n]

7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.[o]

8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.

9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou *then*, Shew us the Father?[p]

10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.[q]

11 Believe me that I *am* in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.[r]

The connection of this with the verse following is rather difficult, except we conceive of the Saviour as now contemplating the mission of his followers as his representatives in the world, and the expositors of his truth, when suddenly his thoughts revert to the traitor, and then he becomes troubled in spirit; therefore, we may suppose that the Saviour was influenced by one of those deep mental agitations which disturbed his sinless nature where guilt and ruin were foreseen.

26. "To whom I shall give a sop."—this sop was a piece of unleavened bread dipped in a certain sauce, and in itself was the symbolical expression of friendly affection, though, in the case of Judas, "the affecting sign of a heretofore relation." Taken as a token of friendship, the other disciples might at first think that Judas was highly favoured—it was the last appeal of Infinite Love to the heart of the traitor. Judas might have perceived that he was known, and the love with which he was still in contact might now at the last moment have availed for his salvation. As Bengel beautifully says, "How very near to Jesus was Judas on this occasion! But in a short while after, by what a wide gulf did glory separate Jesus from Judas, and destruction separate Judas from Jesus!"

27. "That thou doest, do quickly:"—when it is said that Satan entered into Judas, the meaning is that the man was wholly under the dominion and subject to the will of the Evil One; and therefore the Saviour, knowing that he was bent on fulfilling his dark design, bids him away from his own presence, and from the more purified circle of his disciples.

34. "A new commandment:"—a great deal has been said as to what this new commandment is; but the opinions are too numerous to be inserted here. If the Saviour uttered these words in connection with the institution of his own supper, in which was set forth his self-sacrificing love in all its fulness, then he thus gave his followers a new standard for the degree or measure of their love—a love which goes so far as to part with life itself for its chosen object. "Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren." It was not a new injunction, for the Saviour had already taught that every one was bound to love his neighbour as himself; but here the former precepts of justice, and the more recent precept of love, are condensed into a command, enforced by new motives; and as the fellowship of the Gospel embraces all that bears in it the seed and germ of the Divine life, so the New Testament injunction of brotherly love for Christ's sake comprehends every Christian duty that we can render to others.

CHAPTER XIV.

In this farewell address of our Lord to his chosen followers, we are introduced into the very Holy of Holies in our Christian Revelation. For, in the words of Stier, "what the departing Saviour here poured forth for future remembrance remains still inexhaustible for our poor understanding, and far transcends the common laws of our so-called logical order of thought." The consolations, disclosures, predictions, and promises of the Son of God to his faithful followers, are blessings that none can adequately estimate.

1. "Let not your heart be troubled:"—the disciples were filled with grief arising from the prospect of their Lord's departure, and he seeks to calm and tranquillise their spirits by enjoining upon them a firm faith in what God had revealed concerning him as his Son and their Redeemer, and an equal faith in himself and in all which he had said concerning his mission, work, and future glory. "Believe in God, and believe in me."

2. "Are many mansions:"—the common idea attached to these words is,

12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.[a]

13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.[b]

14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.

15 ¶ If ye love me, keep my commandments.[c]

16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;[d]

17 *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.[e]

18 I will not leave you [1]comfortless: I will come to you.[f]

19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.[g]

20 At that day ye shall know that I *am* in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.[h]

21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.[i]

22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?[j]

23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.[k]

24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.[l]

25 These things have I spoken unto you, being *yet* present with you.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Matt. xxi. 21; Mark xvi. 17, Luke x. 17.

m ver. 16; ch. ii. 22; xii. 16; xv. 26; xvi. 7, 13; Luke xxiv. 49; 1 John ii. 20, 27.

b ch. xv. 7, 16; xvi. 23, 24; Matt. vii. 7; xxi. 22; Mark xi. 24; Luke xi. 9; James i. 5; 1 John iii. 22; v. 14.

n ver 1; Philipp. iv. 7; Col. iii. 15.

c vs. 21, 23; ch. xv. 10, 14; 1 John v. 3.

o vs 3, 12, 18; ch v. 18, x 30, xvi 16, xx 17; Philipp. ii 6.

d ch xv 26; xvi 7, Rom. viii. 15, 26.

p ch. xiii. 19; xvi. 4.

e ch xv 26; xvi. 13, 1 Cor. ii 14; 1 John ii. 27, iv. 6.

q ch xii. 31; xvi 11.

1 Or, *orphans*.

f vs. 3, 28, Matt. xxviii. 20.

r ch. x 18; Philipp. ii 8; Heb v. 8

g ch xvi. 16; 1 Cor xv 20

h ver 10; ch x. 38; xvii. 21, 23, 26

i vs. 15, 23; 1 John ii. 5; v. 3.

j Luke vi 16.

s Matt. xv. 13.

k ver 15; 1 John ii. 24, Rev iii 20

t ch xiii 10, xvii 17, Eph v. 26, 1 Peter i. 22.

l ver 10, ch. v. 19, 38; viii. 16, viii. 28, xii. 49

u Col. i. 23, 1 John ii. 6.

26 But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.[m]

27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.[n]

28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come *again* unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.[o]

29 And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.[p]

30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.[q]

31 But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.[r]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The consolation and mutual love between Christ and his members, under the parable of the vine.* 18 *A comfort in the hatred and persecution of the world.* 26 *The office of the Holy Ghost, and of the apostles.*



AM the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every *branch* that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.[s]

3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.[t]

4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.[u]

5 I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that

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the amplitude of heaven, as if Christ were desirous of assuring his followers that there is room enough for them in the glorified world—a truth we readily admit. But we can conceive of no such ordinary expression falling from the lips of Incarnate Wisdom. He had spoken of his departure; now he tells them that he is only going to another department of his Father's house. "In that house are many mansions this is one mansion, and here I leave you for a time; I go to another mansion, and ere long I will come and take you to myself, that where I am there ye may be also; for in that higher mansion there is no separation."

6. "I am the way:"—this is an answer to Thomas's question, only the Saviour inverts the order. Thomas was confessedly ignorant both of the end and of the way to that end. Christ, therefore, begins with the latter; and to the question concerning the way, he says, "I am the way;" to the question, "How can we know?" he replies, "I am the truth;" to the question, "Whither?" he answers, "I am the life." The term WAY is used metaphorically to denote that Christ is the only medium through which we can find access to God, either here or hereafter; and, therefore, to the metaphorical declaration, I AM THE WAY, there is subjoined a more literal declaration—I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE. He who moves onward by this way, he, and he alone, truly avails himself of the right path; and he who steadfastly holds to this way, he has life for ever: therefore, if we desire present comfort and future safety, we must come to Christ, and regard him as the Author of the way, the Teacher of the truth, and the Giver of life.

9. "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father:"—Philip and the other disciples were asking for some outward and visible manifestation; but the Saviour reminds them that God is not to be *seen*, but only perceived; and that, if their spiritual perception had been rightly exercised, they might have discovered the essentially divine beneath and behind the veil of that humanity which was visible in him to their outward eye. All which God could reveal of himself to man was revealed in Christ; and therefore he that had seen or had the true perception of who and what Christ was, had seen the Father.

12. "Greater works than these:"—this was to result from the completion of his one work of mediation, together with the mission and operation of the Holy Spirit, and no sooner was the Spirit poured out on his disciples than we see the most wondrous results—as, for example, on the day of Pentecost, and as the fruit of a single discourse.

16. "Another Comforter"—the word "Comforter" is peculiar to John, and is not to be found in any other of the New Testament writers. Its meaning is best expressed by our word ADVOCATE; that is, one who is called in to render help—a counsellor, defender, patron—one who speaks in another's behalf, and suggests to him what he ought to say.

27. "Peace I leave with you:"—the common salutation among the Jews was, SHALOM, SHALOM—"Peace, peace"—which, in but too many cases, was both empty and unmeaning; but here our Lord promises to his followers the actual enjoyment of that inward quiet and repose which pervaded his own ineffable nature, and which would yield them the most abiding happiness, hush the tumult of their spirit, and fill them with that peace which passeth all understanding.

30. "Hath nothing in me:"—the Saviour began his public life by entering into conflict with the Evil One, and now, at the close of his life, the attack is to be renewed on the part of Satan; but there was nothing, even after thirty-three years of personal contact with our sinful humanity, in the Incarnate One on which the devil could successfully act. Such a High Priest became us, who, though tempted, was holy, harmless, and undefiled.

CHAPTER XV.

To express the bond of love which existed between himself and his disciples, our Lord chooses the similitude of a vine; but for this selection it is not needful to suppose that our Lord's eye was now resting on a plantation of vines, with fires burning in the midst of it; nor that vines were clustering round the windows of the chamber in which he sat; nor that the chamber was decorated with vine foliage. No; for nothing was more natural than the similitude here employed, if we remember that it was used by Christ immediately after the institution of the supper, in which the highest consecration



JESUS BETRAYED BY JUDAS ISCARIOT.—JOHN XVIII. 3—5; MATTHEW XXVI. 47—49.

abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for [1]without me ye can do nothing.[a]

6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast *them* into the fire, and they are burned.[b]

7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.[c]

8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.[d]

9 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.[e]

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1 Or, *severed from me*, Acts iv 12

a Hos xiv 8, Philipp i 11; iv 13

f ch. xvi 24, xvii. 13, 1 John i. 4

b Matt iii. 10, vii 19.

g ch. xiii 34; 1 Thess iv 9, 1 Peter iv. 8; 1 John iii. 11; iv. 21

h ch x 11, 15, Rom v 7, 8, Eph v 2, 1 John iii. 16

c ver. 16, ch xiv. 13, 14, xvi 23.

i ch. xiv 15, 23; Matt. xii 50.

d ch. viii 31; xiii 35, Matt v. 16; Philipp. i 11.

j ch xvii 26; Gen xviii. 17; Acts xx 27.

e ch xiv. 15, 21, 23.

11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and *that* your joy might be full.[f]

12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.[g]

13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.[h]

14 Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.[i]

15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.[j]

16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring

had been given to the symbol of the vine, and while the cup of communion was still before him on the table.

9. "Continue ye in my love:"—by holy obedience to his will, they would be increasingly conscious of his love; for as the Father loved him, so he loved them; but their conscious enjoyment of this love depended on that holiness of life which led to obedience.

11. "That my joy might remain in you:"—it has been a question, whether the Saviour here refers to his joy in his disciples, or to their joy flowing from him. Alford is very decided on this point, and makes it the joy of the Son in the consciousness of the love of God—of his unity with the Father, and his desire that their joy might, by the indwelling of that HIS joy, be uplifted and ennobled, even to fulness—to the extreme of their capability of enjoyment—and that this joy might remain with them.

13. "Greater love hath no man than this:"—there are those who affect to have found a contradiction between this verse and Rom. v. 8, where we read that "God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet

forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.[a]

17 These things I command you, that ye love one another.[b]

18 If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before *it hated* you.[c]

19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.[d]

20 Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep your's also.[e]

21 But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.[f]

22 If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no [1]cloke for their sin.[g]

23 He that hateth me hateth my Father also.[h]

24 If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.[i]

25 But *this cometh to pass*, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.[j]

26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, *even* the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:[k]

27 And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ver 7; ch. vi. 70; xiii. 18; xiv. 13; Matt. xxviii. 19; Mark xvi. 15; Col. i. 6; 1 John iv. 10, 19.

b ver. 12.

c 1 John iii. 1, 13.

m Matt. xi. 6; xxiv. 10; xxvi. 31.

d ch. xvii. 14; 1 John iv. 5.

e ch. xiii 16; Ezek. iii. 7; Matt. x. 24; Luke vi. 40

n ch. ix. 22, 34; xii. 42; Acts viii. 1; ix. 1; xxvi 9—11.

f ch. xvi 3; Matt. x. 22; xxiv. 9.

o ch xv. 21; Rom. x 2; 1 Cor ii. 8; 1 Tim. i. 13.

1 Or, *excuse.*

g ch. ix. 41; Rom. i. 20; James iv. 17.

h 1 John ii. 23.

p ch. xiii 19; xiv 29; Matt. ix. 15

q vs. 10, 16; ch vii. 33; xiii. 3; xiv. 28

i ch. iii. 2; vii 31; ix 32

r ver 22; ch. xiv. 1

j Ps. xxxv. 19; lxix. 4.

s ch. vi 39, xiv 16, 26; xv. 26; Acts ii. 33; Eph iv. 8

2 Or, *convince.*

k ch xiv. 17, 26; xvi 7, 13; Luke xxiv. 49, Acts ii. 33; 1 John v. 6.

t Acts ii. 22-37.

l Luke i 2; xxiv. 48; Acts i 8, 21, 22; ii 32; iii 15, iv 20, 33, v 32; x 39; xiii 31; 1 Peter v 1; 2 Peter i. 16, 1 John i 1, 2

u ch. xi 14; v. 32; Acts ii 32.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Christ comforteth his disciples against tribulation by the promise of the Holy Ghost, and by his resurrection and ascension:* 23 *assureth their prayers made in his name to be acceptable to his Father.* 33 *Peace in Christ, and in the world affliction.*



THESE things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.[m]

2 They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.[n]

3 And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.[o]

4 But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.[p]

5 But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?[q]

6 But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart.[r]

7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.[s]

8 And when he is come, he will [2]reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

9 Of sin, because they believe not on me;[t]

10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;[u]

sinners, Christ died for us." To die for an enemy is conceived to be a greater act and expression of love than to die for a friend. But the fact is overlooked that those disciples had once been enemies; and though they were friends, their salvation still depended on his death and surely the law of friendship could go no further than to die for those whom we love. The two texts are thus in perfect harmony.

22 "They had not had sin"—according to some expositors, the crime here referred to consisted in a deep-rooted hatred to the person and office of the Saviour, but according to others, it is to be resolved into the sin of unbelief, as being the last, complete, and ruining sin of the Jewish people. The truth is, that both these elements of guilt and culpability are included in the charge preferred by our Lord against his own nation. In their present unbelief all former sin was included, and in proportion to their unbelief was the strength and the intensity of their hatred. In rejecting him, in spite of all evidence supplied, and all remedies employed, they rendered their salvation impracticable.

CHAPTER XVI.

The Saviour, to represent the union subsisting between himself and his followers, chose the vine as one of the most significant emblems in Nature; for although its stock and stem be not sightly, yet in its foliage it is vigorous, beautiful, and richly-spreading, and bears the most generous of all fruits. But here the Redeemer reminds his disciples that union with him would not exempt them from the opposition—the fiercest and most fiery persecution—of the world. On the contrary, in the degree in which they were faithful to him would be the conflict which they would have to maintain This fact our Lord for a season withheld, out of compassion to his disciples, till the minds of his followers were established in the truth, and they had learned to repose their faith in that truth in the face of all opposition, and under the pressure of all suffering. Now he no longer withholds the communication, and thus prepares them for the contest which was before them, animating them to fortitude and fidelity.

1 "That ye should not be offended."—to be forewarned is to be forearmed · with the intimation of coming suffering, he assures them of the abiding presence and all-sufficient grace of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.

2 "Think that he doeth God service"—the Rabbins designated the murder of those whom they deemed ungodly a sacrifice acceptable to God.

4. "These things I said not:"—his presence with them rendered it unnecessary that he should dwell very largely, in his intercourse with them, either on the sufferings which they would have to endure in the world, or on the consolations which he had provided for them under those sufferings.

5. "None of you asketh me:"—the stress is not to be laid on the fact of his departure, for that, as we learn from chapter xiii. 36, xiv. 5, had occupied their thoughts more than once; but on the NATURE of his departure—what it involved, or what were to be its effects. The idea of his withdrawal from them filled their hearts with such grief as to exclude all deeper, calmer thought about the object to be accomplished, and the means by which it was to be effected

8—11. "He will reprove;"—rather, he will convert through your ministry, and so convince of sin; and he who is thus convinced of sin will either pass over to the righteousness of Christ, or have his share in the judgment that shall be passed upon the wicked. A man convinced of sin, in the evangelical sense of that word, feels his need of a righteousness independent of himself—even the righteousness of Christ, while the man who has the conviction of sin, and neither repents nor believes, must eventually perish.

13. "He will guide you into all truth:"—these words must not be confined in their application to the Apostles to them first the Spirit revealed the deep things of God, and through their teaching and writings the same Divine Spirit leads us, by his enlightening and sanctifying influence, into all truth as it is revealed in the pages of Holy Writ.

22. "I will see you again"—the primary reference, no doubt, is to his appearance after his resurrection, when we are told that their sorrow was turned into joy; but there can be no question, we think, that our Lord here intended to fix their thoughts on the sublime and all-inspiring fact of his future triumphant presence with them and with the whole Church, and which, as they were filled with his Spirit, they would be enabled mentally to realise, and be led earnestly to long for the day when this blissful scene shall become the portion of the redeemed.

30. "Needest not that any man should ask thee:"—he had just expressed himself with such freedom and clearness that they were no longer in doubt as to whither he was going; and hence the corresponding conviction which they had of whence he came.

33. "In the world ye shall have tribulation:"—the opposition of the world,

11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.[a]

12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.[b]

13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.[c]

14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.

15 All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.[d]

16 A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.[e]

17 Then said *some* of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father?

18 They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while? we cannot tell what he saith.

19 Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me?

20 Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

21 A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.[f]

22 And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.[g]

23 And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give *it* you.[h]

24 Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.[i]

25 These things have I spoken unto you in [1]proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in [2]proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father.

26 At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:[j]

27 For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God.[k]

28 I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.[l]

29 His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no [3]proverb.

30 Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.[m]

31 Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe?

32 Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered, every man to [4]his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.[n]

33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.[o]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Christ prayeth to his Father to glorify him, 6 to preserve his apostles, 11 in unity, 17 and truth, 20 to glorify them, and all other believers with him in heaven.*



THESE words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:[p]

2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him.[q]

3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.[r]

4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.[s]

5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.[t]

6 I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.[u]

7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.

8 For I have given unto them the words which

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a ch. xii. 31; Luke x. 18; Acts xxvi. 18; Eph. ii. 2; Col. ii. 15; Heb. ii. 14.

k ver. 30; ch. iii. 13; xiv. 21, 23; xvii. 8.

b Mark iv. 33; 1 Cor. iii. 2; Heb. v. 12.

l ch. xiii. 3.

3 Or, *parable.*

c ch. xiv. 17, 26; xv. 26, 1 John ii. 20, 27.

m ver. 27; ch. xvii. 8; xxi. 17.

d ch. iii 35; xiii 3; xvii. 10; Matt xi. 27.

4 Or, *his own home*

n ch. viii 29; xiv. 10, 11; xx. 10; Matt xxvi. 31, Mark xiv 27

e vs 10, 28; ch. vii 33; xiii 3, 33, xiv 19.

o ch. xiv 1, 27, xv. 19—21, Isa. ix. 6, Rom v. 1; viii 37; Eph ii 14; Col i 20 2 Tim iii 12; 1 John iv 4; v. 4.

p ch xii 23, xiii. 32

f Isa xxvi 17

q vs 6, 9, 24; ch iii 35, v 27, vi 37, Dan vii 14, Matt xi 27; xxviii 18, 1 Cor xv. 25, 27, Philipp ii. 10, Heb ii 8

g ver 6; ch xiv 1, 27; xv 16, xx 20, Luke xxiv 41, 52, Acts ii 46, xiii 52, 1 Peter i 8

r ch iii 34, v 36, 37, vi 29, 57, vii 29, x 36, xi 42 Isa liii 11, Jer ix 24, 1 Cor viii 4, 1 Thess i 9.

h ch xiv 13, xv 16, Matt vii 7

s ch iv 34, v 36, ix 3, xiii 31, xiv. 13, 31, xv 10 xix 30.

i ch xv 11

1 Or, *parables*

t ch i 1, 2, x 30, xiv 9, Philipp ii 6, Col i 15, 17, Heb i. 3, 10

2 Or, *parables.*

u vs. 2, 9, 11, 26, ch. vi. 37, 39, x 29, xv 19, Ps xxii 22

j ver 23

like the storm from the bosom of some darker cloud, was about to burst upon them in the prosecution of their sublime mission; and he therefore fortifies their minds, and assures them of a participation in the rest and quiet possessed by him in his own ineffable nature. With Christ in the vessel, we may smile at the storm.

CHAPTER XVII.

We have seen that during the last moments spent by our Lord in the midst of his chosen disciples before he suffered, "words full of heavenly thought flowed from his lips. all that his heart, which glowed with love, had yet to say to his friends, was compressed into this short season." We have discovered, moreover, how rich in truth and consolation were these last farewell words. And now we see him, like a consecrated High Priest, passing into the holiest of all, and there breathing out the deepest feelings of his soul on behalf of his Church, in a prayer which stands unparalleled; for, as Luther justly says, "plain and artless as it sounds, it is so deep, and rich, and wide, that no one can find its bottom or extent"

It has been a question—In what does the intercession of our Lord consist? Is it the fact that he has, like the high priest under the law, taken the blood of atonement into heaven, as the true Holy of Holies, and there, in oral language, made intercession on behalf of his Church? Or does his intercession consist in the existence and presentation of his entire humanity before the throne of God? We have nothing whatever to do with the mode in which the intercession is carried on, but simply with the fact; and of this we have abundant testimony in the statements and representations of the

thou gavest me; and they have received *them*, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.[a]

9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.[b]

10 And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.[c]

11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we *are*.[d]

12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.[e]

13 And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

14 I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.[f]

15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.[g]

16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.[h]

18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.[i]

19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be [1]sanctified through the truth.[j]

20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

21 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.[k]

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:[l]

23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.[m]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[a] ver. 25; ch. viii. 28; xii 49; xiv. 10; xvi. 27, 30.

[b] 1 John v. 19.

[n] ver. 5; ch. xii. 26; xiv. 3; 1 Thess. iv. 17.

[c] ch. xvi. 15.

[o] ver. 8, ch. vii. 29; viii. 55; x. 15; xv. 21, xvi. 3, 27.

[d] ver. 21, &c.; ch x 30; xiii 1, xvi 28, 1 Peter i 5, Jude 1

[p] ver 6, ch. xv. 9, 15

[e] ch vi 39, 70; x. 28, xiii 18, xviii. 9, Ps cix 8, Acts i. 20, Heb. ii 13, 1 John ii. 19.

[f] vs 8, 16; ch viii. 23; xv. 18, 19; 1 John iii 13

[g] Matt vi 13, Gal i 4, 2 Thess. iii 3, 1 John v 18

[q] 2 Sam xv 23; Matt xxvi 36, Mark xiv 32, Luke xxii 39.

[h] ch viii 40, xv 3, 2 Sam vii 28, Ps cxix 142, 151 Acts xv 9, Eph v 26, 1 Peter i. 22

[i] ch xx 21.

[r] Luke xxi 37, xxii 39

1 Or, *truly sanctified*

[j] 1 Cor i 2, 30, 1 Thess iv 7, Heb x 10

[s] Matt xxvi 47, Mark xiv 43, Luke xxii 47, Acts i 16

[k] vs 11, 22, 23, ch x 16, 38, xiv 11, Rom xii 5, Gal iv 28

[l] ch xiv 20, 1 John i. 3; iii. 24

[m] Col iii 14.

24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.[n]

25 O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.[o]

26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare *it:* that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.[p]

CHAPTER XVIII.

1 *Judas betrayeth Jesus.* 6 *The officers fall to the ground.* 10 *Peter smiteth off Malchus' ear.* 12 *Jesus is taken, and led unto Annas and Caiaphas.* 15 *Peter's denial.* 19 *Jesus examined before Caiaphas.* 28 *His arraignment before Pilate.* 36 *His kingdom.* 40 *The Jews ask Barabbas to be let loose.*



WHEN Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples over the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples.[q]

2 And Judas also, which betrayed him, knew the place: for Jesus ofttimes resorted thither with his disciples.[r]

3 Judas then, having received a band *of men* and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons.[s]

4 Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye?

5 They answered him, Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus saith unto them, I am *he*. And Judas also, which betrayed him, stood with them.

6 As soon then as he had said unto them, I am *he*, they went backward, and fell to the ground.

7 Then asked he them again, Whom seek ye? And they said, Jesus of Nazareth.

Christian Testament.—"Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us." "We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the majesty in the heavens, a minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man." With these fresh and ever-living words of inspiration before us, how true is it that "he bears in the sanctuary the precious name of his people upon his breast as the true High Priest, and that his prayer is supported by his almighty power, for his glorified humanity sits in its perfect tabernacle."

4. "I have finished the work"—the Saviour here speaks by anticipation So certain was he of being borne up by his Father in the extreme depth of his sorrow, and of completing all for which he had assumed our nature, that he confidently speaks of his work as done yet the garden and the cross were still before him. He had honoured the law of God *actively* by obeying, and was now proceeding to honour its claims *passively* by submitting. To accomplish willingly whatever God has enjoined, and to endure patiently whatever he has appointed, "is to finish the work which he gave us to do"

10. "And thine are mine"—any creature can say, "All mine are thine"—that is, everything which we possess has God for its Source and its Proprietor; but what creature dare say, "All thine are mine?" This includes an eternity and independence of being, with the absolute possession of whatever exists throughout the universe. Such language could come from the lips of Him only who could say, "I and my Father are one."

22. "The glory which thou gavest me I have given them:"—the glory which the Father bestowed upon the Son was the taking of him as the Son, clothed in our nature, into such endearing union with himself, and also through the Son revealing himself to the world so Christ gives this glory to his disciples by taking them into deathless union with himself as their Redeemer, and through them revealing himself to an unbelieving world.

CHAPTER XVIII.

The glorification of renewed humanity in God is the sublime thought with which our great High Priest closes his intercessory prayer in behalf of his disciples, and, in fact, in behalf of his Church throughout all ages. As Olshausen beautifully says, "He has compressed in the last moments of his conversation with his own the most sublime and glorious sentiments ever uttered by human lips. But hardly has the sound of the last word died away, when Jesus passes with his disciples over the brook Cedron to Gethsemane, and the bitter conflict draws on"

1 "Over the brook Cedron"—this mountain stream, which emptied itself into the Dead Sea, ran through the valley which separated Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, and formed the eastern boundary of the ancient and of the modern city. We are told that the stream was some nine feet in width, and that, when swollen by the rains, its current was deep and rapid. For about nine months in the year the channel or bed of the stream is dry.

"Where was a garden"—this was Gethsemane, a grove thickly planted with olives, and only about a stone's throw from the brook Kedron, or Cedron, as it is often called. It lay on the western side of the Mount of Olives, and commanded a full view of Jerusalem.

2. "And Judas . . . . . knew the place:"—this by some annotators is regarded as a proof that the traitor had left the holy circle of the disciples



"THEN CAME JESUS FORTH, WEARING THE CROWN OF THORNS, AND THE PURPLE ROBE."—JOHN XIX. 5.

8 Jesus answered, I have told you that I am *he:* if therefore ye seek me, let these go their way:

9 That the saying might be fulfilled, which he spake, Of them which thou gavest me have I lost none.[a]

10 Then Simon Peter having a sword drew it, and smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear. The servant's name was Malchus.[b]

11 Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath: the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?[c]

ANNO DOMINI 33

a ch. xvii. 12.

1 *And Annas sent Christ bound unto Caiaphas the high priest,* ver. 24

d Matt. xxvi. 57; Luke iii. 2.

b Matt. xxvi. 51; Mark xiv. 47; Luke xxii. 49, 50.

e ch. xi. 50.

c Matt. xx. 22; xxvi. 39, 42.

12 Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him,

13 And led him away to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, which was the high priest that same [1]year.[d]

14 Now Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.[e]

15 ¶ And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and *so did* another disciple: that disciple was known unto the

before the Saviour had addressed to them his farewell discourse (chapters xiv.—xvii.); and therefore of his not being present at the Lord's Supper.

8. "With lanterns and torches:"—we learn from chapter xiii. 30 that "it was night," and hence these lights. The weapons, no doubt, belonged to the band or cohort of Roman soldiers which, with the officers of the Jewish authorities, went in search of Christ.

8. "Let these go their way:"—how intense the love of the Saviour for his followers! In the immediate prospect of the most overwhelming suffering and death, he forgets himself in his solicitude for them. The soldiers had in all likelihood threatened the life of his followers, and therefore he at once gives himself up, that they might escape.

9. "That the saying might be fulfilled:"—the words, as originally employed by our Lord, were not a prophecy, but a simple declaration, and in the present instance were again, though in a far inferior sense, verified. The words had unquestionably a much deeper meaning than what belonged to this occasion. Nor should the principles laid down by Alford on the fulfilment of prophecy ever be overlooked—"that to *fulfil* a prophecy is not to *exhaust* its capability of being again and again fulfilled; that the words of the Lord have many stages of unfolding; and that the temporal deliverance of the Apostles now was doubtless but a part in the great spiritual safe-keeping which the Lord asserted by anticipation in these words."

10. "Then Simon Peter . . . . . The servant's name was Malchus:"—nowhere else is the name of Peter given in connection with this act, nor is the name of Malchus given by the other Evangelists. It is not improbable, as Bengel thinks, that this man, for a long time after, continued to be well known among both Jews and Christians.—See Matt. xxvi. 51.

13. "Led him away to Annas:"—it appears that although this office was in reality filled by Caiaphas, yet the statement in the inspired narrative is confirmed by historic testimony. Whether this hearing before Annas is to be taken as entirely distinct from that which is recorded in the other Gospels, is a question on which the authorities are undecided.

15. "So did another disciple:"—from the uniform practice of John, in

high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest.[a]

16 But Peter stood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple, which was known unto the high priest, and spake unto her that kept the door, and brought in Peter.[b]

17 Then saith the damsel that kept the door unto Peter, Art not thou also *one* of this man's disciples? He saith, I am not.

18 And the servants and officers stood there, who had made a fire of coals; for it was cold: and they warmed themselves: and Peter stood with them, and warmed himself.

19 ¶ The high priest then asked Jesus of his disciples, and of his doctrine.

20 Jesus answered him, I spake openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither the Jews always resort; and in secret have I said nothing.[c]

21 Why askest thou me? ask them which heard me, what I have said unto them: behold, they know what I said.

22 And when he had thus spoken, one of the officers which stood by struck Jesus [1]with the palm of his hand, saying, Answerest thou the high priest so?[d]

23 Jesus answered him, If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil: but if well, why smitest thou me?

24 Now Annas had sent him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest.[e]

25 And Simon Peter stood and warmed himself. They said therefore unto him, Art not thou also *one* of his disciples? He denied *it*, and said, I am not.[f]

26 One of the servants of the high priest, being *his* kinsman whose ear Peter cut off, saith, Did not I see thee in the garden with him?

27 Peter then denied again: and immediately the cock crew.[g]

28 ¶ Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the [2]hall of judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover.[h]

29 Pilate then went out unto them, and said, What accusation bring ye against this man?

30 They answered and said unto him, If he were not a malefactor, we would not have delivered him up unto thee.

31 Then said Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:

32 That the saying of Jesus might be fulfilled, which he spake, signifying what death he should die.[i]

33 Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews?[j]

34 Jesus answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of me?

35 Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast thou done?

36 Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.[k]

37 Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.[l]

38 Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault *at all*.[m]

39 But ye have a custom, that I should release unto you one at the passover: will ye therefore that I release unto you the King of the Jews?[n]

40 Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.[o]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Matt. xxvi. 58; Mark xiv. 54; Luke xxii. 54.

b Matt. xxvii. 2; Mark xv. 1; Luke xxiii. 1; Acts iii. 13; x. 28; xi. 3.

c ch. xii. 32, 33; Matt. xx. 19.

d Jer xx. 2; Acts xxiii. 2

e Matt. xxvi. 57.

f Matt. xxvi. 69, 71; Mark xiv. 69; Luke xxii. 58.

g ch. xiii. 38; Matt. xxvi. 74, Mark xiv. 72; Luke xxii 60.

h Matt. xxvii. 15; Mark xv. 6; Luke xxiii 17.

i ch. xii. 32, 33; Matt. xx. 19.

j Matt. xxvii. 11.

k ch vi 15; viii. 15; Dan ii. 44; vii. 14, Luke xii. 14; 1 Tim. vi. 13.

l ch. viii. 47, 1 John iii. 19; iv. 6.

m ch. xix. 4, 6; Matt. xxvii. 24; Luke xxiii 4.

n Matt. xxvii. 15; Mark xv. 6; Luke xxiii 17.

o Luke xxiii. 19; Acts iii. 14.

1 Or, *with a rod.*

2 Or, *Pilate's house*, Matt. xxvii. 27.

omitting his own name in every scene in which he was himself conspicuous, we have not a doubt that the reference here is to the beloved disciple himself How he was known to the high priest does not appear.

16. "Spake unto her that kept the door."—whether Annas and Caiaphas occupied one and the same palace, we cannot tell; but it is well known that women were employed among the Jews in the capacity of door-keepers, as here described.

19. "Asked Jesus . . . . . of his doctrine"—it may be that this inquiry was instituted in the hope that the Saviour might criminate himself, and thus furnish matter of accusation before the Sanhedrim.

22. "One of the officers."—not one of the Roman cohort, but some one in the service of the Sanhedrim The Saviour had simply referred to those who had listened to his teaching as to independent testimony; and hence this was a most unjustifiable act

24. "Sent him bound unto Caiaphas:"—from verse 12 we learn that he had been bound, and, so bound, was brought before Annas: now, Annas does not set him free, but transfers him, still bound, to the judgment-seat of Caiaphas, which was, perhaps, under the same roof. John does not relate the hearing before Caiaphas, for the simple reason that he never gives the preliminary proceedings where he has already, by anticipation, substantially given its result.

25—27. On the denial of Peter, and its attendant circumstances, see Matt. xxvi. 71—74.

28. "Lest they should be defiled:"—Pilate, as a Roman consul, was, of course, a Gentile; but the entrance of a Jew into the house of a Gentile made him unclean until the evening. Hence these Jews would not enter the Prætorium, lest by defilement they should be excluded from the Paschal Feast.

31. "It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:"—Pilate would not proceed to try the case till the Jews had preferred a formal accusation against the Saviour. They assert that he is a malefactor, but of this Pilate had yet no proof; and hence he tells them that if they had a law by which he stood accused and condemned, then it was for them to carry out that law, for he could not be the penal officer of the Sanhedrim. Here they were involved in a difficulty. It was not lawful for them to put any man to death. From the time that Archelaus was deposed, in A.D 6–7, and Judea became a Roman province, it followed as a consequence that the Roman law deprived them of the power of putting any man to death.

32 "What death he should die."—in chap. xii. 32 Jesus had said, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." Had he been condemned by Jewish law, he would have been stoned; but capital punishment, by Roman law, was crucifixion.

37. "That I should bear witness unto the truth:"—Jesus did not come into the world to recommend by his testimony truth in general, but the truth of the Gospel; and every one who is desirous of acquiring true religion "hears his voice," and gives heed to his instructions.

CHAPTER XIX.

1. "Pilate took Jesus, and scourged him:"—Olshausen thinks this was an act of lenity on the part of the Roman procurator, who imagined that he might thus overcome the hatred of the Jews, and save the life of his prisoner; and certainly Luke xxiii. 16, 22 favours this view: and yet the very life which, with his convictions of Christ's innocence, he should have shielded as his own, and even with his own, he, in his weakness, sacrificed to popular fury.

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *Christ is scourged, crowned with thorns, and beaten.* 4 *Pilate is desirous to release him, but being overcome with the outrage of the Jews, he delivered him to be crucified.* 23 *They cast lots for his garments.* 26 *He commendeth his mother to John.* 28 *He dieth.* 31 *His side is pierced.* 38 *He is buried by Joseph and Nicodemus.*



THEN Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged *him.*[a]

2 And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put *it* on his head, and they put on him a purple robe,

3 And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.

4 Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.[b]

5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And *Pilate* saith unto them, Behold the man!

6 When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify *him*, crucify *him*. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify *him:* for I find no fault in him.[c]

7 The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.[d]

8 ¶ When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;

9 And went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer.[e]

10 Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?

11 Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power *at all* against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin.[f]

12 And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Cæsar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Cæsar.[g]

13 ¶ When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha.

14 And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King![h]

15 But they cried out, Away with *him*, away with *him*, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Cæsar.[i]

16 Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led *him* away.[j]

17 And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called *the place* of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:[k]

18 Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Isa. liii. 7; Matt. xxvii. 12, 14.

a Matt. xx. 19; xxvii 26; Mark xv 15; Luke xviii. 33.

f ch. vii. 30; Luke xxii. 53.

g Luke xxiii. 2; Acts xvii. 7.

b ver. 6; ch. xviii. 38.

h Matt. xxvii. 62

i Gen. xlix 10.

c Acts iii 13.

j Matt xxvii. 26, 31, Mark xv 15; Luke xxiii. 24.

d ch. v 18; x 33; Lev. xxiv 16, Matt xxvi. 65.

k Numb. xv. 36, Matt. xxvii. 31, 33; Mark xv. 21, 22, Luke xxiii 26, 33; Heb. xiii 12.

2. "Platted a crown of thorns:"—we cannot conceive that this act of mockery took place in the presence of Pilate; it is more probable that while the soldiers were engaged in scourging Jesus, he had retired into the interior of his own dwelling with a burdened heart and an accusing conscience. In his absence, the soldiers, encouraged and excited by the Jews, indulged themselves in these acts of solemn mockery.

5. "Behold the man!"—was this the language of scorn, or of deep feeling and corresponding solicitude? We are inclined to believe with those who think that "the only true interpretation of this expression is that according to which it is regarded as the efflux of the Roman's utmost sympathy with the fate of the Being who had exercised on him so mighty an influence." But "whilst the stubborn Roman, who had grown up amid the din of battle, and had familiarised himself with hardship and suffering, was seized with a feeling of tender sympathy upon beholding in his thorn-crown the King in whom so wondrously commingled heavenly dignity with the deepest humiliation, they who were accustomed to what is holy—who their life long had employed themselves about the sacred law, and the prophecies relating to this very Being—these men could only vociferate their merciless cry, 'Crucify him! crucify him!'"

9. "Jesus gave him no answer:"—on what principle did the Redeemer of the world, at such a moment, maintain this entire silence? His very silence was an answer; but apart from this, Pilate had heard enough from the lips of Jesus to lead him to decision. It was, therefore, unnecessary for our Lord to reiterate his replies in the ears of a man who was so unprepared to act according to his own deep convictions; and in the sublime silence of the Saviour he not only discovers the majesty of our Lord's bearing, but is furnished with a reply to his own question which nothing could evade or weaken.

13. "In a place that is called the Pavement:"—the seat of judgment was outside the prætorium, or hall, and stood on an elevation, like the bench of our judges in modern times. The floor of this platform, and perhaps the whole area of the apartment, was paved with stone. Here, in the presence of the Roman procurator, "the highest passion and the most dignified repose once more are seen confronting each other!"

17. "Golgotha:"—another name for Calvary, which was north of the ancient city of Jerusalem, and about half a mile distant from the Temple. It was called "Golgotha, or the place of a skull," as we have before remarked, either from its natural shape or from the fact that it was the spot selected for the execution of criminals.

The engraving represents a portion of the street along which tradition states that our Saviour passed on his way to crucifixion. An archway across the street is called the *Ecce Homo*—Behold the Man!—because it is supposed that there Pilate brought forth Jesus, and stood himself when he uttered these words to the people. The designation *Via Dolorosa*, or "The Sorrowful Way," is not very ancient, but the monks have succeeded in marking along it quite a multitude of places where they say particular events took place. Dr. Robinson says that here "monkish tradition has brought together the scenes of all the events, historical or legendary, connected with the crucifixion. Along this way, they say, our Saviour bore his cross. Here one may see, if he pleases, the place where the Saviour, fainting under his burden, leaned against the wall of a house, and the impression of his shoulder remains unto this day. Near by are also pointed out the houses of the rich man and Lazarus in the parable. To judge from present appearances, the beggar was quite as well lodged as his opulent neighbour." It is lamentable to think how deceit and fraud traffic in human credulity and superstition.



VIA DOLOROSA.

19 ¶ And Pilate wrote a title, and put *it* on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.[a]

20 This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, *and* Greek, *and* Latin.

21 Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews.

22 Pilate answered, What I have written I have written.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

2 Or, *Clopas*, Luke xxiv 18.

d Matt. xxvii 55; Mark xv. 40; Luke xxiii 49

a Matt xxvii 37; Mark xv 26; Luke xxiii 38

e ch ii. 4; xiii. 23, xx. 2; xxi. 7, 20, 24.

f ch. i. 11; xvi. 32

g Ps. lxix. 21.

mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the *wife* of [2]Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.[d]

26 When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son![e]

27 Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own *home*.[f]

28 ¶ After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.[g]

29 Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and



RAMPH ON THE SUPPOSED SITE OF ARIMATHEA.

23 ¶ Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also *his* coat: now the coat was without seam, [1]woven from the top throughout.[b]

24 They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.[c]

25 ¶ Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his

h Matt xxvii 48

1 Or, *wrought*

b Matt xxvii 35, Mark xv. 24; Luke xxiii 34

i ch. xvii. 4.

c Ps. xxii 18.

j ver. 42, Deut xxi. 23, Mark xv. 42.

they filled a spunge with vinegar, and put *it* upon hyssop, and put *it* to his mouth.[h]

30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.[i]

31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and *that* they might be taken away.[j]

32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of

22. "What I have written I have written:"—one of the charges preferred by the Jews against Jesus was, that he had set himself up for a king: and by urging this point, they had prevailed on Pilate to condemn him; and now Pilate, possibly in derision, reminds them of it by writing a title which assumed the truth of the Saviour's claim. Hence their complaint, "Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews:" and hence his answer, "What I have written I have written." Whatever import Pilate attached to the title when he first wrote it out, certain it is that just as he perceived it to be unacceptable to the chief priests and other Jewish authorities, whom he utterly detested, the more tenaciously did he adhere to it, and would admit of no alteration. The title was written in three different languages—in Hebrew, or Aramaic, the language of the common people; in Greek, as more generally spoken; and in Latin, as more official.

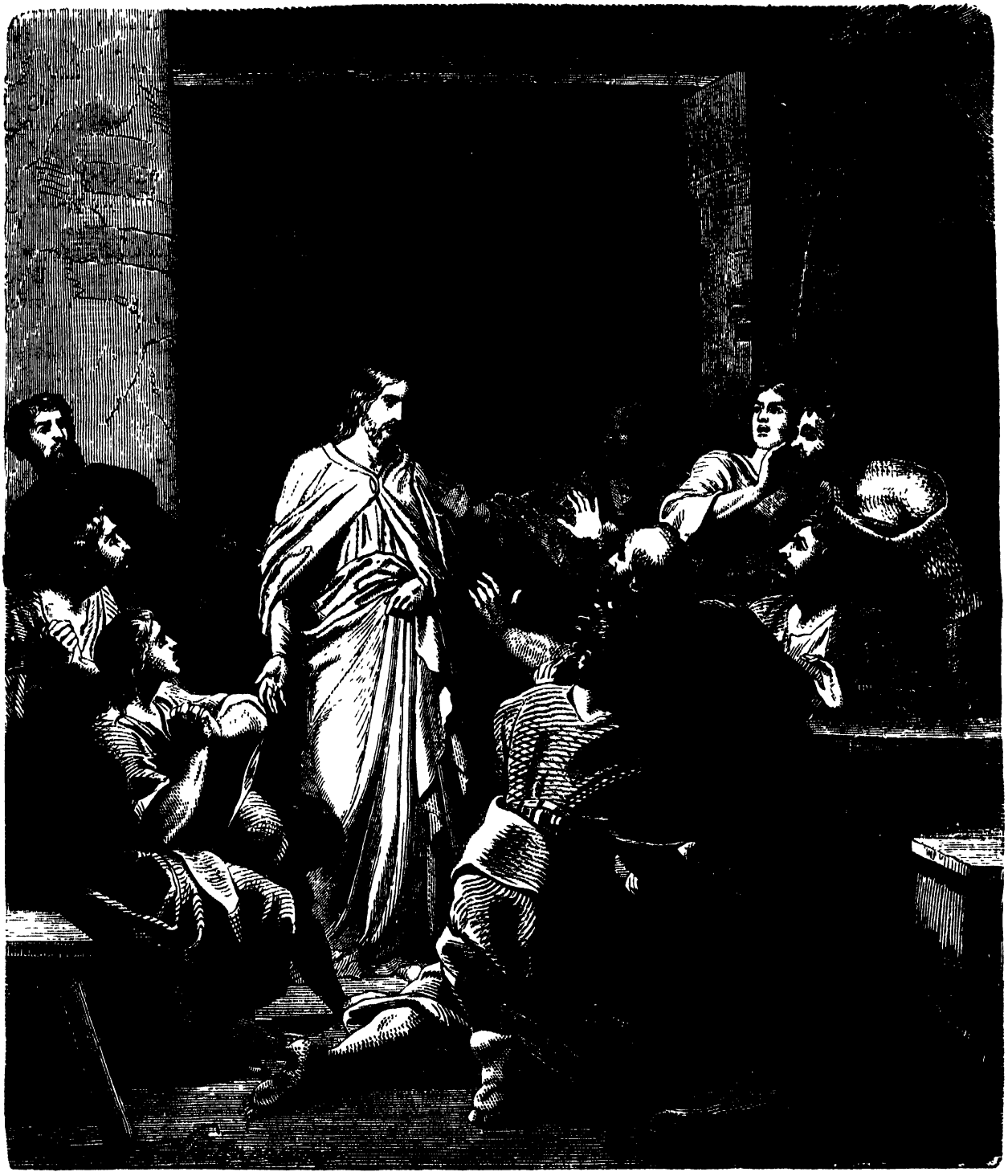
23. "Made four parts, to every soldier a part"—there were four soldiers and a centurion, and the garments of those who were executed became by law the perquisite of the soldiers on duty. The "coat," or tunic, was properly a priestly vestment, woven of linen or wool, which reached from the neck to the feet, and was fastened round the throat with a clasp.

27. "That disciple took her unto his own home:"—how intense is the love of Jesus for his mother, even in the article of death, and how unlimited his confidence in the beloved disciple! The feeling of abandonment would have been too violent to her; hence Jesus presents to her a second son, instead of the beloved one she deemed herself to have lost.

31. "That sabbath day was an high day:"—a kind of double Sabbath—the first day of unleavened bread coinciding with an ordinary Sabbath. According to the law in Deut. xxi 23, the body of a criminal who was executed was to be taken down and buried on the same day.

"That their legs might be broken:"—this was sometimes added to the punishment of crucifixion, as an additional penalty; but on this occasion it was probably done to hasten the death of the criminals, that their bodies might be removed from the cross by the time which the law prescribed.

34. "Pierced his side:"—as the soldiers had already satisfied themselves



JESUS APPEARING TO HIS DISCIPLES AFTER HIS RESURRECTION.—JOHN XX. 19, 20.

the first, and of the other which was crucified with him.

33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs:

34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.[a]

35 And he that saw *it* bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.

36 For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.[b]

37 And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.[c]

38 ¶ And after this Joseph of Arimathæa, being a

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[b] Exod xii. 46, Numb. ix. 12, Ps xxxiv. 20.

[a] 1 John v 6, 8.

[c] Ps xxii 16, 17, Zech xii 10, Rev. i. 7.

of the death of Jesus, we know not what could prompt any one of them to this act; but the act itself was in perfect accordance with ancient and received prophecy.

38. There were two or three places named Arimathea, or Ramah, in Palestine. The one mentioned in the text is supposed by some to have been situated upon the borders of Ephraim and Benjamin. In 1 Sam. i. 1, it is called Ramathaim-Zophim, and was the birthplace of the prophet Samuel. Some have supposed that Arimathea was at Ramleh, not far from Lydda. Others, again, have sought for it at Rentieh, or Renthieh, a ruin on the Damascus road, north of Lydda. In the opinion of Dr Robinson, the true Arimathea remains to be discovered. The engraving represents one of the places which has been fixed upon as the probable site of the Arimathea of

disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave *him* leave. He came therefore, and took the body of Jesus.[a]

39 And there came also Nicodemus, which at the first came to Jesus by night, and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound *weight*.[b]

40 Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury.[c]

41 Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid.

42 There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation *day;* for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.[d]

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Mary cometh to the sepulchre:* 3 *so do Peter and John, ignorant of the resurrection.* 11 *Jesus appeareth to Mary Magdalene,* 19 *and to his disciples.* 24 *The incredulity, and confession of Thomas.* 30 *The scripture is sufficient to salvation.*



THE first *day* of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.[e]

2 Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.[f]

3 Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.[g]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch. ix. 22; xii. 42; Matt. xxvii. 57; Mark xv. 43; Luke xxiii. 50.
h ch. xix. 40.

b ch. iii. 1, 2; vii. 50.

c Acts v. 6.
i ch. xi. 44.

j Ps. xvi. 10; Acts ii. 25—31; xiii. 34, 35.

d ver. 31; Isa. liii. 9.

k Mark xvi. 5.

e Matt xxviii. 1; Mark xvi. 1; Luke xxiv. 1.
l ch. xxi. 4; Matt xxviii. 9; Mark xvi. 9; Luke xxiv 16, 31.

f ch. xiii 23; xix 26; xxi. 7, 20, 24.

g Luke xxiv. 12.

4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.

5 And he stooping down, *and looking in,* saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.[h]

6 Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,

7 And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.[i]

8 Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.

9 For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.[j]

10 Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

11 ¶ But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, *and looked* into the sepulchre,[k]

12 And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.

13 And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

14 And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.[l]

15 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

16 Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.

17 Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my

Joseph, whose generous courage in seeking to secure an honourable burial for Christ, is recorded by the Evangelists with so much minuteness.

39 "Nicodemus . . . . . brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes:"—of this fact John alone has taken any note. The love of both Joseph and Nicodemus to Christ, as evinced by their deeds, was called forth by the love of Christ to them. His death is the power which constrains men; and thus this act of love on the part of both these men is a testimony for Jesus, and an example of the future effect to be produced in the hearts of Christ's disciples by the remembrance of his death. The Evangelist mentions the weight of the spices as a proof of the greatness of their love, as it was usual to employ large quantities of spices in embalming, when men desired to show particular respect to the deceased.

CHAPTER XX.

1. "Cometh Mary Magdalene:"—we learn from the other Evangelists that she was not alone in her visit to the tomb.

2. "We know not where they have laid him:"—she here speaks in the name of her companions, and perhaps in that of all those who she thought might be equally affected as herself. She may have conjectured that Joseph had laid the body of Jesus in his own sepulchre, only for a time, until he should find another place for it.

3—8. These verses are full of little, yet most characteristic incidents. Luke speaks of Peter going to the sepulchre, but makes no mention of "the other disciple." Greater speed was appropriate in John, who was the younger of the two; greater gravity or sedateness was appropriate in Peter, the elder. In Peter, we have faith; in John, we have love. John outruns Peter; comes first to the sepulchre; but, when there, reverently abstains from going in. Peter hastens after him; but when he arrives, he at once rushes in: then John follows, and believes. "What can exceed the powerful simplicity of this description? And what is *not* related is as full of truth as that which is. From verses 6 and 7 we seem to hear the very voice of Peter describing to his companion the inner state of the tomb." "John saw, and believed." Did not Peter believe? The answer is not given. What, then, did John believe? Not simply that they had taken the body of Jesus, as Mary had said, but, in the words of Alford, "he believed that Jesus was risen from the dead: he received into his mind, embraced with his assent, THE FACT OF THE RESURRECTION for the first time." And let us add, that in believing this his faith grasped tenaciously all those sublime truths which the Saviour taught during his life and ministry, and which his resurrection verified.

11. "Mary stood without:"—she had followed, at a slower pace, Peter and John, when they set out for the sepulchre.

12. "Seeth two angels:"—the interest of these holy spirits in this our world and for our race is a revealed fact. They were the willing ministers and attendants of our Lord during his sojourn on earth; and if they announced his incarnation to the shepherds on the plains of Bethlehem, how fitting was it that they should convey the glad intelligence to his redeemed followers that he had now risen to the power of an endless life! The two angels seen by Mary are in *white,* because from the world of light; they *sit,* as not defending, but peacefully *watching the body*—at the *head* and the *feet;* possibly to denote that the body of the Lord was from head to foot in the charge of his Father and of his servants.

14. "Knew not that it was Jesus"—she was absorbed in grief; nor had it even entered her mind that she was to see Jesus alive at that moment. "Her tears wove the veil which concealed him who stands before her." And how true is it that "seeking after the dead prevents us from seeing the living."

17. "Touch me not."—it is difficult to say how many interpretations have been given to these words. The difficulty has been found not so much in the prohibition, "Touch me not," as in the reason given for it—"for I am not yet ascended to my Father" Without attempting to examine the opinions of others, we think it better to confine ourselves to what we consider to be the true idea embodied in the words. There could be nothing wrong in the mere act of Mary in touching the body of the Risen One, for we find him afterwards saying to his own disciples, "Handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have;" but the act revealed a certain state of mind and feeling. Mary, in all likelihood, embraced the

brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and *to* my God, and your God.[a]

18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and *that* he had spoken these things unto her.[b]

19 ¶ Then the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.[c]

20 And when he had so said, he shewed unto them *his* hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.[d]

21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace *be* unto you: as *my* Father hath sent me, even so send I you.[e]

22 And when he had said this, he breathed on *them*, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

23 Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; *and* whose soever *sins* ye retain, they are retained.[f]

24 ¶ But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.[g]

25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

26 ¶ And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: *then* came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace *be* unto you.

27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust *it* into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.[h]

28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

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a ch. xvi. 28; Ps. xxii. 22; Matt. xxviii. 10; Rom. viii. 29; Eph. i. 17; Heb. ii. 11.
i 2 Cor. v. 7; 1 Peter i. 8.
b Matt. xxviii. 10; Luke xxiv. 10.
j ch. xxi. 25.
k ch iii. 15,16, v. 24; Luke i. 4, 1 Peter i. 8, 9
c Mark xvi. 14; Luke xxiv. 36; 1 Cor. xv. 5
d ch xvi. 22.
e ch. xvii 18, 19; Matt. xxviii 18; 2 Tim ii. 2, Heb. iii. 1.
f Matt. xvi. 19; xviii. 18.
g ch. xi. 16.
l ch. i. 45; Matt. iv 21.
h 1 John i. 1.
m ch. xx. 14.
1 Or, *Sirs.*
n Luke xxiv. 41.

29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed *are* they that have not seen, and *yet* have believed.[i]

30 ¶ And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:[j]

31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.[k]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Christ appearing again to his disciples was known of them by the great draught of fishes.* 12 *He dineth with them:* 15 *earnestly commandeth Peter to feed his lambs and sheep:* 18 *foretelleth him of his death.* 22 *rebuketh his curiosity touching John.* 25 *The conclusion.*



AFTER these things Jesus shewed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and on this wise shewed he *himself.*

2 There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus, and Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, and the *sons* of Zebedee, and two other of his disciples.[l]

3 Simon Peter saith unto them, I go a fishing. They say unto him, We also go with thee. They went forth, and entered into a ship immediately; and that night they caught nothing.

4 But when the morning was now come, Jesus stood on the shore: but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus.[m]

5 Then Jesus saith unto them, [1]Children, have ye any meat? They answered him, No.[n]

Saviour under the impression that he had come back to perpetuate his stay on earth, and to resume with his followers his former intercourse and fellowship. To set her mind free from this false impression, he tells her that he has yet to ascend to his Father, and that in his state of supreme exaltation they were to enjoy with him the most intimate and conscious communion. Hence the prohibition, "Touch me not," do not hold me, as if I had come to make a permanent stay on earth. The object of my present manifestation is to give you the evidences of my resurrection, but having thus risen from the dead, I must leave this earth soon; therefore go and tell my brethren that I ascend—that I am alive and on the earth; but my testimony as their Redeemer is on high. "I ascend to my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God." for thus only can our union and fellowship be perfected.

22, 23. "He breathed on them . . . Whose soever sins ye remit."—the sense of this passage has been greatly controverted On the whole, we think that no gifts of apostleship were now formally conferred, as Thomas was not present, who yet was an apostle in the same sense in which the rest were. The words, closely considered, amount to this: that with this gift and real participation of the Holy Spirit comes the conviction, and therefore the knowledge, of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment; and this knowledge becomes more perfect the more men are filled with the Holy Ghost. Since this is so, they who were pre-eminently filled with his presence were pre-eminently gifted with the discernment of sin and repentance in others; hence the apostles were divinely qualified and authorised to pronounce pardon of sin and the contrary. As the apostles received this power by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, they were enabled to discern the hearts of men, and to give sentence on that discernment (see Acts v. 1–11; viii. 21; xiii. 9). The power here given to the apostles was given to them in their official capacity as the founders and rulers of the first churches, with whom it rested to deal with all offences affecting the members of those churches, and to lay down the law with Divine authority regarding the treatment of offenders: whose sins they retained, they were retained; and whose sins they remitted, they were remitted, as in the case of the incestuous member in the church at Corinth. The Apostle Paul, convinced of his guilt, held him as guilty, and treated him as such by an act of excommunication; but when the man repented of his sin, and gave practical proof of his repentance, the apostle enjoined that he should be freely forgiven, and restored to the fellowship of the faithful. In our reflections upon this subject we must distinguish between pronouncing a man pardoned, and assuring him that he will be pardoned if he repent and believe. The latter power belongs to any individual Christian; the former belongs to no man, but is the exclusive prerogative of the Most High. Thus the declarative act belongs to man—the judicial act belongs to God.

CHAPTER XXI.

The authenticity of this last chapter has been called in question; that is to say, there are those who maintain that John is not the author of it. But if we except the last two verses, there is nothing in the chapter itself to make it improbable that it is the production of the same hand that wrote the preceding narrative; and though the two excepted verses partake more of the epistolary form than that of narrative, yet they singularly resemble in style the Epistles of John. Some have supposed that the Evangelist added this chapter as a kind of supplement to his narrative, and that it did not come from his pen till some years later. Supplement though it be, its contents are rich in matter, and bring into view two or three incidents of intense interest to the student of sacred history, and especially to those who believe in the life of Christ no less than in his death—in his resurrection no less than in his crucifixion.

1. "After these things."—the reference here is not to the immediately preceding context. The last two verses of the twentieth chapter stand as a sort of conclusion to the whole narrative; and therefore we must connect this verse with verses 19—29, in which we have recorded the appearance of our Lord to his followers on the evening of the first day of the week, and of what took place in connection with that appearance.

"The sea of Tiberias:"—the town of Tiberias is supposed to be the same with that of Cinneroth or Chinneroth, which stood on the western shore of the lake, near the borders of Zebulon and Naphtali. This lake formerly abounded in fish; and though it was not more than twenty miles long by six or eight wide, it was subject to sudden squalls and violent storms. Most of the time of our Lord's ministry was spent on these shores, and there many of

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6 And he said unto them, Cast the net on the right side of the ship, and ye shall find. They cast therefore, and now they were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes.[e]

7 Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter, It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt *his* fisher's coat *unto him,* (for he was naked,) and did cast himself into the sea.[b]

8 And the other disciples came in a little ship; (for they were not far from land, but as it were two hundred cubits,) dragging the net with fishes.

9 As soon then as they were come to land, they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon, and bread.

10 Jesus saith unto them, Bring of the fish which ye have now caught.

11 Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three: and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken.

12 Jesus saith unto them, Come *and* dine. And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord.[c]

13 Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise.

14 This is now the third time that Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead.[d]

15 ¶ So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

16 He saith to him again the second time, Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.[e]

17 He saith unto him the third time, Simon, *son* of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.[f]

18 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry *thee* whither thou wouldest not.[g]

19 This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him, Follow me.[h]

20 Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee?[i]

21 Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what *shall* this man *do?*

22 Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what *is that* to thee? follow thou me.[j]

23 Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what *is that* to thee?

24 This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his testimony is true.[k]

25 And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.[l]

e Acts xx. 28; Heb. xiii. 20; 1 Peter ii. 25; v. 2, 4.

a Luke v. 4, 6, 7.

f ch. ii. 24, 25; xvi. 30.

b ch xiii. 23; xx. 2.

g ch. xiii. 36; Acts xii. 3, 4.

h 2 Peter i. 14.

i ch. xiii. 23, 25, xx. 2.

c Acts x. 41.

j Matt. xvi 27, 28; xxv. 31, 1 Cor iv. 5; xi. 26, Rev ii 25, iii. 11, xxii. 7, 20.

d ch. xx. 19, 26.

k ch. xix. 35; 3 John 12.

l ch. xx. 30; Amos vii. 10.

his most wonderful works were done. Moreover, it was pre-eminently consecrated by the Saviour's glorious manifestation of himself after his resurrection from the dead.

6. "On the right side of the ship."—we presume that the side of the vessel was named by our Lord, that the locality of the miracle might be one of Divine appointment, and not one arising from their own selection. The miracle was in no way to depend upon their practical knowledge—the command was founded on the omniscience and unlimited power of the Saviour.

7. "He was naked:"—not literally so, but had stripped himself of his outer or upper garment in the prosecution of his calling.

8. "Two hundred cubits:"—the cubit was equal to eighteen inches: this would give us one hundred yards, or three hundred feet

12. "Come and dine:"—the Greek verb used is applied to the morning's meal. The apostles had been fishing all night, and it was now morning. How long this manifestation lasted, or what was the conversation carried on between Christ and his followers during this meal, we are not told.

15. "Lovest thou me more than these?"—to understand the question, and see its pertinence and its force, we have but to remember the words of Peter to his Lord, "Though all men be offended because of thee, yet will I never be offended," "I will lay down my life for thy sake." Now the hour of trial is at hand; his faith and his fortitude must be put to the test; and hence, as he had been the first to profess his willingness to die for Christ, the Saviour puts the question, "Lovest thou me more than these?"—art thou prepared first to suffer and first to die? Is thy love likely, in such circumstances, to transcend the love of thy fellow-disciples? And hence it was that Jesus afterwards gave him a prophetic intimation of his death as a martyr.

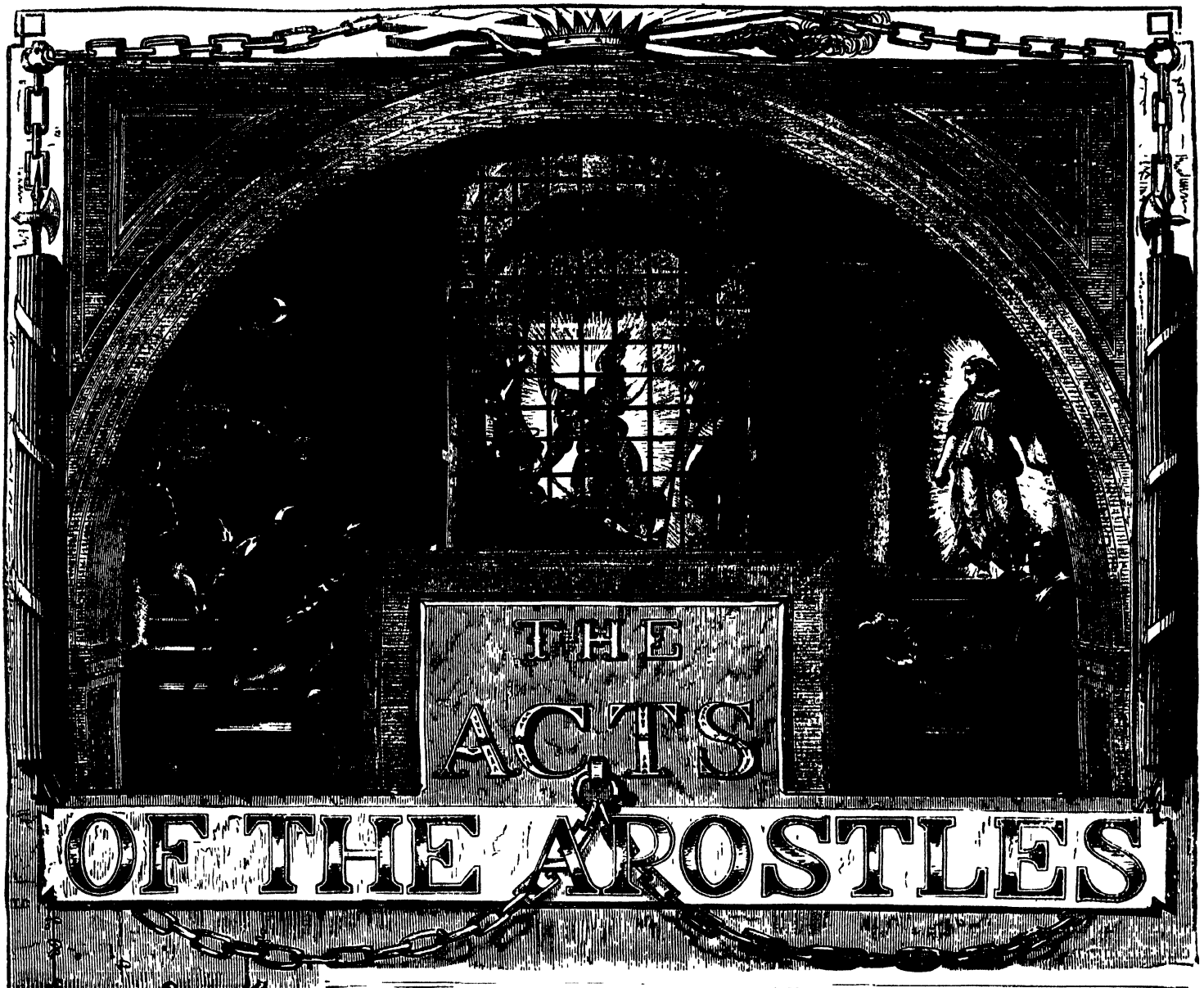
17. "Peter was grieved:"—thrice had Peter denied the Saviour, and three different times does the Saviour put the question to Peter, "Lovest thou me?" Peter was overwhelmed with grief to think that he had given occasion to his Lord to suspect his professed love and attachment, or to seem to call in question the soundness and sincerity of his trust. He therefore makes his appeal to the infallible omniscience of the Saviour—lays open to his infinite and unerring knowledge his inmost soul—"Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee." It is enough. Peter, the man of rock, is again himself: and hence the commission given to him to feed the Church of God—old and young—all, from the youngest and most tender lamb in the fold, up to the most nurtured and matured in the flock.

18 "Another shall gird thee"—the former part of the verse refers to the freedom of action which Peter enjoyed in the every-day walks and duties of life, before he entered on his sublime work of an ambassador and apostle of Christ; but now he should find it far different. He was to be hedged in by circumstances and influences which would impede his course, and through which he would have to urge his way; and though his life might be spared even to comparative old age, there was yet a martyr's death before him. Such is the prophetic intimation embodied in this latter clause. It is tolerably certain that Peter did suffer martyrdom, but when or where is not clearly ascertained. Some of the ancient historians affect to relate the circumstances connected with his arrest, imprisonment, and crucifixion—the kind of death indicated in the text, but we cannot place implicit dependence in their narrative. The general belief is, that Peter was put to death in the time of Nero, A.D. 65.

21. "What shall this man do?"—the question brings into the strongest light the distinguishing characteristic of this ever forward, ever impetuous apostle. His curiosity was excited, but our Lord does not gratify it. He rather reminds Peter, in the words which follow, that the appointed lot of his fellow-disciples was in no way connected with his onward course, and that his immediate and only duty was to follow his Master even to death itself.

22. "He tarry till I come:"—it is maintained by Lightfoot, Hammond, and a numerous body of divines, that the coming of Christ refers to his appearing at the destruction of Jerusalem, with which was connected the entire overthrow of the Jewish polity and worship, and the complete establishment of his own spiritual and everlasting kingdom in the world.

In the words of Olshausen, "Here closes our consideration of the history of the Lord's hallowed life—a life which, issuing from the mystery of divinity, planting itself in the depths of humanity, reveals an incomparable lustre, glory, and beauty, even in its humiliation—a lustre that transcends that of any other living revelation. As the complete result of this life, the glorified Saviour returns to the bosom of the Father, from which the impulses of love had sent him forth as the Eternal Word. But yet Christ leaves after him in the world the impress of his own appearance, and also leaves for its welfare a little circle of friends, in whose hearts his Spirit had found its abode. This little company was the nucleus of a new world—the embryo of an unanticipated future." And now that he occupies the throne of unbounded empire, how full of promise to his Church are his sublime words, "BEHOLD, I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW!"



CHAPTER 1.

1 *Christ, his apostles to the beholding of his ascension, gathereth them together unto the mount Olivet, then Jerusalem the sending down of the Holy Ghost, promiseth after few days to send it by virtue whereof they should be witnesses unto him, even to the utmost parts of the earth* 9 *After his ascension they are warned by two angels to depart, and to set their minds upon his second coming* 12 *They accordingly return, and, giving themselves to prayer, choose Matthias apostle in the place of Judas.*

THE former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,[a]

2 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:[b]

3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:[c]

4 And, being assembled together with *them*, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, *saith he*, ye have heard of me.[d]

5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.[e]

6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?[f]

7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

8 But ye shall receive [1]power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.[h]

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.[i]

10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;[j]

11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand

[1] Or, upon you.

a Luke i. 3.
b Mark xvi. 14; Luke xxiv. 36; John xx. 19, 26; xxi. 1, 14; 1 Cor. xv. 5.
c ver 22, ch. ii. 1, 4; 32, Luke xxiv 48, 49; John xv 27
d ver 9, ch x 41, 42; Matt. xxviii. 19; Mark xvi. 15, 19; Luke ix 51; xxiv. 51; John xx 21; 1 Tim. iii. 16.
e ver. 2; Luke xxiv. 51; John vi. 62.
f ch. x. 3, 30; Matt. xxviii. 3; Mark xvi. 5; Luke xxiv. 4; John xx. 12.

ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.[a]

12 Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a sabbath day's journey.[b]

13 And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew, James *the son* of Alphæus, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas *the brother* of James.[c]

14 These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.[d]

15 ¶ And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of names together were about an hundred and twenty,)[e]

16 Men *and* brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus.[f]

17 For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry.[g]

18 Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out.[h]

19 And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem; insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood.

20 For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and his [1]bishoprick let another take.[i]

21 Wherefore of these men which have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us,

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a ch. ii. 7; xiii. 31; Dan. vii. 13; Matt. xxiv. 30; Mark xiii. 26; Luke xxi. 27; John xiv. 3; 1 Thess. i. 10; iv. 16; 2 Thess. i. 10; Rev. i. 7.

j vs. 8, 9; ch. iv. 33; Mark i. 1; John xv. 27.

b Luke xxiv 52.

k ch. xv. 22.

l ch. xv. 8; 1 Sam. xvi. 7; 1 Chron. xxviii. 9, xxix. 17; Jer. xi. 20, xvii. 10; Rev. ii. 23.

c ch. ix. 37, 39; xx. 8; Matt. x. 2—4; Luke vi. 15; Jude 1.

m ver. 17.

d ch. ii. 1, 46; Matt. xiii. 55, Luke xxiii. 49, 55; xxiv. 10.

e Rev. iii. 4.

f Ps. xli. 9; Luke xxii 47; John xiii 18, xviii. 3.

g ver 25; ch. xii 25; xx 24; xxi. 19; Matt. x. 4, Luke vi. 16.

h Matt xxvi. 15; xxvii. 5, 7, 8, 2 Peter ii 15

n ch. i. 14; xx. 16; Lev. xxvi. 15; Deut. xv. 9.

o ch. iv. 31.

1 Or, *office*, or, *charge*.

i Ps. lxix. 25; cix 8.

22 Beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that he was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection.[j]

23 And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.[k]

24 And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all *men*, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen,[l]

25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.[m]

26 And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

CHAPTER II.

1 *The apostles, filled with the Holy Ghost, and speaking divers languages, are admired by some, and derided by others.* 14 *Whom Peter disproving, and shewing that the apostles spake by the power of the Holy Ghost, that Jesus was risen from the dead, ascended into heaven, had poured down the same Holy Ghost, and was the Messias, a man known to them to be approved of God by his miracles, wonders, and signs, and not crucified without his determinate counsel and foreknowledge:* 37 *he baptizeth a great number that were converted.* 41 *Who afterwards devoutly and charitably converse together: the apostles working many miracles, and God daily increasing his church.*

AND when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.[n]

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.[o]

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost,

CHAPTER I.

The following record of apostolic life and labour is invaluable in connection with the history of Christianity and the founding of the Saviour's spiritual kingdom in the world. "THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES embrace that portion of the history of the Church which contains the canonical beginnings whose ecclesiastical continuations and developments are proceeding even in our own days. And the history brings these canonical principles in so authentic a manner before us, that not only may their onward course be distinctly traced, but also their normal value for all relations and conditions of the Church, which are comprised within that period, may with certainty be inferred."

Some writers have complained that this Book of the Acts is devoid of an object. The objections taken to this book, on the ground that it has neither plan nor purpose, might with equal justice be urged against the outward and material world. "He who contemplates Nature in her exterior aspects, discerns nothing but the life and motion of a mass of objects apparently without plan or method; he, however, whose glance penetrates into her internal economy, cannot fail to discover in them her final cause of order and law. And is not our experience the same in the case of those original works in which the mind of man displays its creative genius? The first impression which the works of Homer or Milton make upon us is that of a wild luxuriance of Nature, and commentators have not yet found a limit to the discovery of leading thoughts pervading and running through the whole. And are we to think less than this of the Holy Ghost, who prepares and sanctifies for himself his human instruments for the production of the Scriptures, which, in all ages of the Church, are to lend to every holy thought, and to every spiritual impulse, the support of a Divine certainty?"

That St. Luke was the author of this book has never been doubted, except by a few writers, who have gone in the face of the most abundant and conclusive evidence. The record is addressed to the same distinguished personage as the third Gospel, and the narrative in the Acts begins just where that Gospel leaves off—THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD. The reason for this is obvious, as it ushers the reader at once to that great event, the effusion of the Holy Spirit, as the sequence of the Saviour's exaltation and universal supremacy. "The *visible* ascension, as the last historical circumstance that the eyes of men witnessed in connection with Christ (except the view of Christ granted to Stephen)—this, we say, is the most fitting and naturally to be expected attestation of his heavenly origin; for what could more clearly, sensibly, and decisively testify that this MAN, who thus miraculously ascended to God, was also miraculously born into the world? It was the final and most evident (for the first witnesses, indispensable) exhibition of the truth, that the kingdom of Jesus should be established by the Spirit from heaven, and through this same Jesus. And finally, it is even to us the most assuring guarantee and pledge of his heavenly power, of his heavenly being, and of the certainty of his return to perfect the happiness of his people, and to establish his kingdom upon earth; for he who ascended above all heavens in the highest power, *can*, when it pleaseth him, come down to this earth again."

1. "Of all that Jesus began to do and teach:"—that is to say, he had already traced the life and ministry of Christ from its beginning to its close in his former treatise, and, therefore, it was not needful to go over that ground now. The present record was written, it is supposed, during the two years in which St. Paul was a prisoner at Rome, when Luke was with him as his companion and friend—See chap. xxviii. 30, 31.

2 "Had given commandments:"—that is, given them all needful instruction as to their future course; and with all power given unto him in heaven and earth, he gave them their sublime commission to go and preach the Gospel to every creature.

3. For these proofs we have only to go back to the two closing chapters of John, and the last chapter in the Gospel of Luke himself. Alford thinks that between the resurrection and ascension the apostles received from our Lord the whole substance of the doctrine of the kingdom of God.

4. "The promise of the Father:"—this was the gift of the Holy Ghost, without whose presence and power their mission would have been entirely fruitless.

6. "Restore again the kingdom:"—their minds were not yet wholly freed from the idea of an immediate outward earthly empire with Christ as its reigning Head. In wisdom the Saviour leaves a veil over the future, and reminds them of present duty and solemn obligation. "Ye shall be witnesses unto me." They were to represent his life and make known his truth,

and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.[a]

5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

6 Now [1]when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were [2]confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

7 And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilæans?[b]

8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?

9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,

10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

11 Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?

13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.

14 ¶ But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judæa, and all *ye* that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words:

15 For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is *but* the third hour of the day.[c]

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:[d]

18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:[e]

19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke:[f]

20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:[g]

21 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.[h]

22 Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:[i]

23 Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:[j]

24 Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.[k]

25 For David speaketh concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:[l]

26 Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:

27 Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

28 Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

29 Men *and* brethren, [3]let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.[m]

30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;[n]

31 He seeing this before spake of the resurrection

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a ch. i. 5; x. 46; xix 6; Mark xvi. 17; 1 Cor. xii 10, 28, 30; xiii. 1; xiv. 2, &c.

e ch xxi. 4, 9, 10; 1 Cor. xii. 10, 28; xiv. 1, &c.

1 Gr *when this voice was made.*

f Joel ii. 30, 31.

2 Or, *troubled in mind.*

g Matt. xxiv. 29; Mark xiii. 24; Luke xxi. 25.

b ch. i. 11.

h Rom. x. 13.

i ch. x. 38; John iii. 2; xiv. 10, 11; Heb. ii. 4.

j ch iii. 18; iv. 28; v 30; Matt xxvi. 24; Luke xxii. 22; xxiv. 44.

k ver 32; ch. iii. 15; iv 10; x. 40, xiii. 30, 34, xvii. 31; Rom. iv. 24; viii. 11, 1 Cor vi 14; xv. 15; 2 Cor iv. 14; Gal i. 1; Eph i 20; Col ii 12; 1 Thess. i 10; Heb xiii. 20; 1 Peter i. 21.

l Ps. xvi. 8.

c 1 Thess. v. 7.

3 Or, *I may.*

m ch. xiii 36; 1 Kings ii. 10.

d ch. x. 45; xxi. 9; Isa. xliv. 3; Ezek. xi 19; xxxvi 27; Joel ii 28, 29, Zech xii 10; John vii. 38.

n 2 Sam. vii 12, 13; Ps. cxxxii 11, Luke i. 32, 69; Rom. i. 3; 2 Tim. ii. 8.

and they were to begin their ministry in Jerusalem; to testify the love of that Saviour who prayed for his murderers, and died that he might become the Redeemer of both Jew and Gentile.

11. "Shall so come in like manner."—in the clouds, and in glory, and then shall he be attended by myriads of angelic spirits There was a propriety in the address, "Ye men of Galilee," which at once served to remind them of their origin, their call to be his disciples, and the duty of obedience to him resting on them in consequence.

19. Aceldama, or "The Field of Blood," is a plot of ground lying in the Valley of Hinnom, to the south of Jerusalem. It would seem that it had previously been called the Potter's Field (see Matt. xxvii. 10), and the purchase of it with the thirty pieces of silver is clearly predicted by the prophet Zechariah (chap. xi 12, 13). Helena, the mother of Constantine the Great, covered over a portion of this ground, we are told, as a place of burial. In fact, almost from the time named in the text, it seems to have been a burial place for strangers and foreigners. The Armenian Christians of Mount Zion long used it as a cemetery There still exist there the ruins of an ancient charnel-house, consisting of a long massive stone building with an arched roof. The place is now deserted. It was formerly believed that the soil would consume dead bodies in twenty-four hours, and shiploads of it were exported. Not far from Aceldama was the Potter's Gate, which, of course, was named after the Potter's Field, and both owe their designation to a bed of clay which was used in the making of pottery (see Jer. xix. 2)

20. "Let his habitation be desolate."—the psalm from which these words are taken has reference to the Messiah, still, the words were not primarily meant to be applied to Judas, the betrayer. They were applied first to the enemies of David, and then, as a prophecy, they pointed forward to the traitor.

26. "The lot fell upon Matthias:"—this act on the part of Peter and his fellow-apostles is thought by some persons (but, as we think, very erroneously) to be in opposition to the express command of their risen Lord, to wait until they were endued with power from on high. If they were not qualified to preach till they had received the Spirit, far less were they qualified to choose an apostle. Nay, such a choice rested solely with Christ himself, and the man must hold his commission immediately from Christ. Hence our Lord, it is said, set aside this election by choosing Paul to fill the vacant office—a statement of which we have no evidence, and therefore reject. That, nevertheless, this honoured apostle was divinely commissioned the Scriptures clearly prove; and to the fact of his DIVINE appointment Paul refers in his Epistles: "An apostle, not of man, nor of the will of man, but of God."

CHAPTER II.

1. "When the day of Pentecost was fully come."—according to the law in Lev. xxiii 15, Deut xvi 9, this festival, which was the same as the Feast of Weeks, and the Feast of Harvest, was kept at the distance of seven weeks, or forty-nine days, from the second day of the Passover—the day on which the firstfruits were offered, or when the sickle was first put into the corn The following or fiftieth day was Pentecost, and this festival was confined to that one day. When this day was fully come—that is, while the day was being kept, and its sacred hours were gliding away—there happened the supernatural scene which the writer describes. A more glorious harvest than could be reaped from the material earth was to be realised in this New Dispensation in the salvation of countless thousands of otherwise ruined souls.

3 "And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire."—in what "the sound from heaven" consisted, we know not. The tongues of fire were the symbol of the Divine glory.

5. "Out of every nation."—the nations are specified in verses 9—11, and the Jews from these various countries were now in Jerusalem attending the Feast of Pentecost, as one of the three great festivals, when all the male Hebrews were required to appear in Jerusalem

9—11. Parthia was originally a province of Media, on its eastern side, between the Persian Gulf and the Tigris. Media was west of Parthia and Hyrcania, south of the Caspian Sea, east of Armenia, and north of Persia. Elam was a province of Persia. Mesopotamia lay between the Euphrates and the Tigris. Judæa lay to the south of the path from Mesopotamia to Cappadocia, which latter was a Roman province, and embraced Armenia Minor. Pontus lay along the south coast of the Euxine, and was separated

of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.[a]

32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.[b]

33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.[c]

34 For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,[d]

35 Until I make thy foes thy footstool.

36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.[e]

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a ch. xiii 35; Ps. xvi. 10.

b ch iii. 25; x. 45, xi. 15, 18; xiv. 27, xv. 3, 8, 14; Eph. ii 13, 17.

b ver. 24; ch. i. 8.

c ch i 4; v 31; x. 45; John xiv 26; xv. 26; xvi 7, 13; Eph iv 8; Philipp. ii. 9; Heb. x. 12

d Ps cx. 1; Matt. xxii 44; 1 Cor. xv 25, Eph i. 20; Heb i. 13

e ver 46, ch. i. 14, Rom xii 12, Eph. vi 18; Col. iv. 2; Heb. x. 25.

f ch iv. 33, v. 12, Mark xvi. 17.

e ch v. 31.

f ch. iv. 32, 34.

children, and to all that are afar off, *even* as many as the Lord our God shall call.[k]

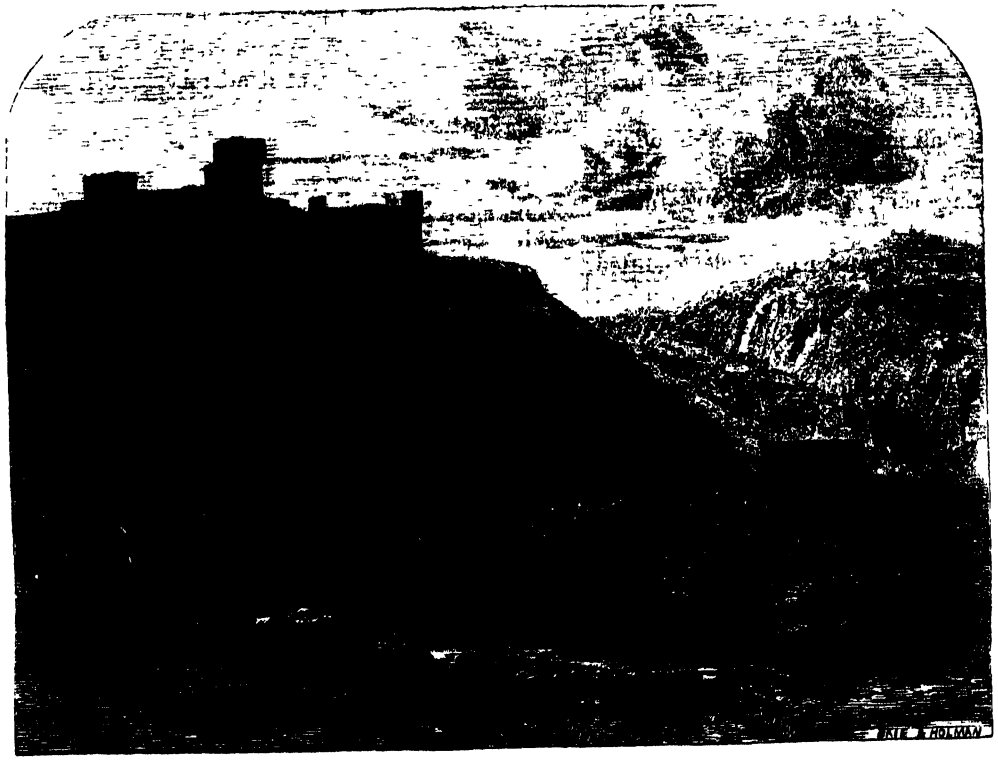
40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

41 ¶ Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added *unto them* about three thousand souls.

42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.[l]

43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.[j]

44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common;[k]



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37 ¶ Now when they heard *this*, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?[f]

38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.[g]

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your

l Isa lviii 7.

f ch ix 6; xvi 30, Zech xii 10, Luke iii 10

1 Or, *at home*

m ch i 14; v 42; xx 7, Luke xxiv. 53.

g ch iii. 19, Luke xxiv. 47.

n ch iv 33, v 14, xi 24, Luke ii 52,

45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all *men*, as every man had need.[l]

46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread [1]from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,[m]

47 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.[n]

from Cappadocia on the south by a mountain range. Asia is to be taken as Asia Proper. Phrygia was part of the Roman province of Asia. Pamphylia extended along the coast from Olbia to Ptolemais. Egypt had a large Jewish population. Libya about Cyrene, may point to Pentapolis, in which Jews in great numbers resided. Crete was an island of the Mediterranean. Arabia belongs to Western Asia.

19, 20. "Wonders . . . signs:"—these are to be taken not in the sense of devastation and ruin, but of supernatural appearances, or even prodigies.

27. "My soul in hell:"—the word translated "hell" in this verse, and in the 31st, would be better rendered *hades*, or "the unseen world."

38. "In the name:"—literally, "on the name;" that is, in confessing what that one name implies.

47. "Such as should be saved;"—or rather, who were in the way of attaining salvation.

CHAPTER III.

The apostles having received power from on high by the descent of the Spirit, in conformity with the promise of their Lord, were fully qualified to enter on their sublime mission. Hence Peter began to preach at once to the multitude assembled in Jerusalem at the Feast of Harvest; and he reaped fruit in the conversion of three thousand souls. But his mission must have the confirmation which is involved in the power of working miracles; and hence the deed and the cure which we have recorded in the present chapter. Now took place "the practical confirmation of the first preaching of Peter, in which he showed that the name which in Jerusalem must be called upon for deliverance and salvation is no other than the name of Jesus Christ;" and that this name "is not only powerful over the spiritual, but also over the external world."

1. "The hour of prayer:"—there were three hours of prayer—morning,



'HIS NAME THROUGH FAITH IN HIS NAME HATH MADE THIS MAN STRONG, WHOM YE SEE AND KNOW."—ACTS III. 16.

CHAPTER III.

1 *Peter preaching to the people that came to see a lame man restored to his feet,* 12 *professeth the cure not to have been wrought by his or John's own power, or holiness, but by God, and his Son Jesus, and through faith in his name.* 13 *withal reprehending them for crucifying Jesus.* 17 *Which because they did it through ignorance, and that thereby were fulfilled God's determinate counsel, and the scriptures:* 19 *he exhorteth them by repentance and faith to seek remission of their sins, and salvation in the same Jesus.*

NOW Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, *being* the ninth *hour.*[a]

2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple;[b]

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c ch. iv. 10.

a ch. ii. 46; Ps. lv. 17.

d Isa. xxxv. 6.

b ch. xiv. 8; John ix. 8.
e ch. iv. 16, 21.

3 Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms.

4 And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us.

5 And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them.

6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.[c]

7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted *him* up: and immediately his feet and ancle bones received strength.

8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.[d]

9 And all the people saw him walking and praising God:[e]

evening, and noon. The morning and evening were the third and ninth hours, or the hours of morning and evening sacrifice.

6. "In the name of Jesus Christ:"—it is worthy of remark that in all the miracles wrought by our Lord he never referred farther back than himself for the power; whereas the apostles never attempted anything supernatural in their own name, or in their own strength.

16. "And his name:"—on his exaltation the Saviour received a name which is above every name; and this name implies both the power and the grace

10 And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him.[a]

11 And as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.[b]

12 ¶ And when Peter saw *it*, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?

13 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go.[c]

14 But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;[d]

15 And killed the [1]Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.[e]

16 And his name through faith in his name hath made this man strong, whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.[f]

17 And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did *it*, as *did* also your rulers.[g]

18 But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.[h]

19 ¶ Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;[i]

20 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:

21 Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.[j]

22 For Moses truly said unto the fathers, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Like John ix. 8.

b ch. v. 12; John x. 23.

l ch. ii. 39; Gen. xii. 3; xviii. 18; xxii. 18; xxvi. 4; xxviii. 14; Rom. ix. 4, 8; xv. 8; Gal. iii. 8, 26

m ver. 22, ch. xiii. 32, 34, 46; Matt. i. 21, x. 5, xv. 24; Luke xxiv. 47.

c ch. v. 30; xiii. 28; Matt. xxvii. 2, 20; Mark xv. 11; Luke xxiii. 18, 20, 21; John vii. 39; xii. 16; xvi. 1; xviii. 40; xix. 15.

d ch. ii. 27; iv. 27; vii. 52, xxii. 14; Ps. xvi. 10; Mark i. 24; Luke i. 35.

1 Or, *Author*, Heb. ii. 10; v. 9, 1 John v. 11.

e ch. ii. 24, 32

f ch. iv. 10; xiv. 9; Matt. ix. 22

2 Or, *ruler*, ch. v. 24; Luke xxii. 4.

g ch. xiii. 27; Luke xxiii. 34; John xvi. 3; 1 Cor. ii. 8; 1 Tim. i. 13.

h ch. xxvi. 22; Ps. xxii.; Isa. l. 6, liii. 5, &c.; Dan. ix. 26, Luke xxiv. 44; 1 Peter i. 10, 11.

n Matt. xxii. 23; Acts xxiii. 8.

i ch. ii. 38.

j ch. i. 11; Matt. xvii. 11; Luke i. 70.

o Luke iii. 2; John xi. 49; xviii. 13

k ch. vii. 37; Deut. xviii. 15, 18, 19

p ch. vii. 27; Exod. ii. 14, Matt. xxi. 23

23 And it shall come to pass, *that* every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among the people.

24 Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.

25 Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.[l]

26 Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.[m]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The rulers of the Jews offended with Peter's sermon,* 4 *(though thousands of the people were converted that heard the word,) imprison him and John.* 5 *After, upon examination Peter boldly avouching the lame man to be healed by the name of Jesus, and that by the same Jesus only we must be eternally saved,* 13 *they command him and John to preach no more in that name, adding also threatening,* 23 *whereupon the church fleeth to prayer.* 31 *And God, by moving the place where they were assembled, testified that he heard their prayer: confirming the church with the gift of the Holy Ghost, and with mutual love and charity.*

AND as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the [2]captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them,

2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.[n]

3 And they laid hands on them, and put *them* in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.

4 Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand.

5 ¶ And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,

6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.[o]

7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this?[p]

which were the efficient causes of the present cure. But to whom does Peter refer when he says, "through faith in his name?" Does he refer to the faith of the man, or to the faith of himself and his fellow-apostles as the witnesses of Christ's death and resurrection? Alford refers it to the apostles. There can be no doubt that they have faith in their risen Lord, and in his power to effect the cure; but we think Peter here speaks of the faith of the man as the great pre-requisite for the reception of the benefit about to be bestowed upon him.

19. "When the times of refreshing shall come;"—that is, until the time that all things are restored or set in order, he is to remain in heaven; and only when he has made all things new is he to appear to gather all things into one.

CHAPTER IV.

That eminent German commentator, Olshausen, says:—"The auspicious opening of the young Church of Christ could not fail speedily to attract the attention of those who occupied the seat of Moses. But as they were themselves the murderers of the Son of God, and would not humble themselves before him to receive even the pardon of their sins, which was offered to them by the preaching of the Apostles in their presence, they fell in consequence into the new sin of seeking to resist the Spirit."

1. "Captain of the temple:"—this officer was not, as has sometimes been supposed, a Roman soldier, but one of the Levitical guard, whose duty it was to preserve order in the Temple, and tranquillity in its neighbourhood. The pretence that the Apostles were disturbing the peace was made the ground of their arrest. The priests again took offence because that men who had proceeded from none of their schools dared to take upon themselves the office of public teaching; while the Sadducees, who could not deny the fact of Christ's resurrection, wished to put that conflicting testimony to silence.

3. "In hold unto the next day:"—it was now too late to institute an inquiry into the conduct of the Apostles, and therefore they were kept in custody till the following day.

4. "The number of the men was about five thousand:"—not in addition to the three thousand on the day of Pentecost, but all together.

6. "Annas the high priest:"—on Annas and Caiaphas as both sustaining this distinguished office at the same time, compare Matt. xxvi. 57 and Luke iii. 2. As to who John and Alexander were, nothing is certainly known. Even the conjectures which have been published are improbable.

7. "They asked, By what power?"—the Sanhedrim were quite competent to ask the Apostles by what authority they undertook to teach publicly. Peter replies by referring to the miracle which had been wrought on the impotent man, and leaves the inference to be drawn by the Jewish council that the same power by which they had effected so signal a cure gave them their commission to teach and preach.

11. "This is the stone which was set at nought:"—this one only foundation the Jews rejected, and, as there is no other name given under heaven whereby they could be saved, by their own act of rejection they reduced their salvation to an impossibility. If not saved by Christ, they could not be saved at all.

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,[a]

9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, *even* by him doth this man stand here before you whole.[b]

11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.[c]

12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.[d]

13 ¶ Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.[e]

14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.[f]

15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,

16 Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them *is* manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny *it*.[g]

17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.

18 And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.[h]

19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.[i]

20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.[j]

21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all *men* glorified God for that which was done.[k]

22 For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.

23 ¶ And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them.[l]

24 And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou *art* God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is:[m]

25 Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?[n]

26 The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

27 For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,[o]

28 For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.[p]

29 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word,[q]

30 By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.[r]

31 ¶ And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.[s]

32 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any *of them* that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.[t]

33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.[u]

34 Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold,[v]

35 And laid *them* down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need.[w]

36 And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, *and* of the country of Cyprus,

37 Having land, sold *it*, and brought the money, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.[x]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[a] ch. xii. 12.
[b] Luke xii. 11, 12.
[c] m 2 Kings xix. 15.
[d] n Ps. ii. 1.
[e] b ch. ii. 24; iii. 6, 16.
[f] o Ps. cxviii. 22; Isa xxviii. 16; Matt. xxi. 42.
[g] o Matt xxvi. 3; Luke i 35; iv. 18; xxii 2; xxiii. 1, 8, John x. 36
[h] d ch. x. 43. Matt. i. 21; 1 Tim ii. 5, 6.
[i] p ch ii. 23, iii. 18.
[j] e Matt. xi 25, 1 Cor. i. 27.
[k] q ver 13, 31, ch ix. 27, xiii 46, xiv 3, xix 8, xxvi 26 xxviii 31, Eph. vi 19
[l] f ch iii 11.
[m] r ver 27, ch ii 43, iii 6, 16, v 12.
[n] s ver. 29; ch ii. 2, 4; xvi. 26.
[o] g ch. iii. 9, 10; John xi. 47.
[p] t ch ii. 44; v. 12; Rom. xv 5, 6; 2 Cor xiii 11; Philipp i. 27; ii. 2; 1 Peter iii. 8.
[q] h Again, ch v 40.
[r] u ch. i. 8, 22, ii 47.
[s] i ch. v. 29.
[t] v ch. ii. 45.
[u] j ch. i. 8, ii 32; xxvi 15; 1 John i. 1, 3.
[v] w ver. 37; ch. ii. 45, v 2, vi 1.
[w] k ch iii 7, 8; v 26; Matt xxi 26, Luke xx 6, 19, xxii. 2.
[x] x vs 34, 35; ch. v. 1, 2.

13—18. What an attestation to the truth of the Gospel do these verses embody! The Sanhedrim could not deny the miracle—could not gainsay the fact of the Saviour's resurrection—could not refute the teaching of those "unlearned and ignorant men;" they could do no more than charge the Apostles not to teach any more in the name of Jesus.

19. "Whether it be right in the sight of God:"—silence was imposed upon them; but silent they could not be. The power from which they held their commission was far above all human authority, and to obey God was their duty at all hazards. Here is a principle of universal application. Nothing must be allowed to contravene the will of God; we must obey to the last possible point of sacrifice and suffering, not counting life itself dear unto us.

21. "All men glorified God:"—the people believed, while their rulers threatened.

23—31. "Being let go, they went to their own company:"—on their release, the Apostles hastened to join their friends, who, on hearing how God had interposed on behalf of his servants, burst out into strains of joyous thanksgiving, in which they bring conspicuously into view the truth that —— who had created all things, had, by his servant David, foretold the opposition of the worldly authorities to the kingdom of his Son; that in their opposition they were free agents, but still were subject to Divine control; that what they had done in putting his Son to death was according to his own previous counsel, who causes the deeds of wicked men to serve him; and that now vain and fruitless would be all their attempts to impede the progress of that truth which they boldly and faithfully taught. To render their success yet more they pray for an increase of miraculous power in connection with their ry of the word, not to exalt and glorify themselves in the eyes of men, but to insure attention to their sublime and saving message, and to lead the sinner to the Saviour. In the act of presenting the prayers, they received the answer, for they were endued with special gifts of God's Holy Spirit.

32. "Ought of the things which he possessed was his own"—of this community of goods in the Apostolic Church we have an intimation in chap. ii. 45. As these first believers were cut off from their families and their friends, and the powers of the world and of the Jewish Church were opposed to them, this state of things, in conjunction with their love for their Christian brethren, must be regarded as the reason for the practice. It was an exigency to them and to their position; and hence the practice never existed in other places or at any other period.

36. "Barnabas, a Levite, of the country of Cyprus:"—from Jer. xxxii. 7 we learn that the Levites began to possess land even before the captivity, and therefore much more extensively after the return from exile. Barnabas,

CHAPTER V.

1 *After that Ananias and Sapphira his wife for their hypocrisy at Peter's rebuke had fallen down dead,* 12 *and that the rest of the apostles had wrought many miracles,* 14 *to the increase of the faith:* 17 *the apostles are again imprisoned,* 19 *but delivered by an angel bidding them to preach openly to all* 21 *when, after their teaching accordingly in the temple,* 29 *and before the council,* 33 *they are in danger to be killed, through the advice of Gamaliel, a great counsellor among the Jews, they be kept alive,* 40 *and are but beaten: for which they glorify God, and cease no day from preaching.*

BUT a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession,

2 And kept back *part* of the price, his wife also being privy *to it*, and brought a certain part, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.[a]

3 But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart [1]to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back *part* of the price of the land?[b]

4 Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

5 And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things.[c]

6 And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried *him* out, and buried *him*.[d]

7 And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in.

8 And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much.

9 Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband *are* at the door, and shall carry thee out.[e]

10 Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying *her* forth, buried *her* by her husband.[f]

11 And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.[g]

12 ¶ And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

h ch. ii. 47; iv. 21; John ix. 22; xii. 42; xix. 38.

2 Or, *in every street.*

j ch. xix. 12; Matt. ix. 21, xiv. 36.

k Mark xvi. 17, 18; John xiv. 12.

3 Or, *envy.*

l ch. iv. 1, 2, 6.

a ch. iv. 37

m Luke xxi. 12.

1 Or, *to deceive*, ver. 9.

n ch. xii. 7; xvi. 26.

b Numb. xxx. 2; Deut. xxiii. 21; Eccles. v. 4, Luke xxii. 3.

xvii. 11.

c vs. 10, 11.

p ch. iv. 5, 6.

d John xix. 40.

ch. iv. 1; Luke xxii. 4

e ver. 3, Matt. iv. 7.

f ver. 5

r Matt. xxi. 26.

g ver. 5; ch. ii. 43, xix. 17.

h ch. ii. 43; iii. 11; iv. 32, xiv. 3; xix. 11; Rom. xv. 19; 2 Cor. xii. 12; Heb. ii. 4

13 And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them.[i]

14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.)

15 Insomuch that they brought forth the sick [2]into the streets, and laid *them* on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.[j]

16 There came also a multitude *out* of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.[k]

17 ¶ Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with [3]indignation,[l]

18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.

19 But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said,[m]

20 Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.[n]

21 And when they heard *that*, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought.[o]

22 But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned, and told,

23 Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within.

24 Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these things, they doubted of them whereunto this would grow.[p]

25 Then came one and told them, saying, Behold, the men whom ye put in prison are standing in the temple, and teaching the people.

26 Then went the captain with the officers, and brought them without violence: for they feared the people, lest they should have been stoned.[r]

27 And when they had brought them, they set *them* before the council: and the high priest asked them,

28 Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye

whose original name was Joses, was an early convert to the Christian faith; and it was from his remarkable powers of speaking and of administering comfort to the afflicted that he was surnamed Barnabas, which is Syriac, and signifies "the son of consolation." He was a Levite. His native place was the island of Cyprus, in the Mediterranean, whose chief productions were wines, oil, honey, and wool. Barnabas was probably a man of considerable wealth, and one of the first to sell his property for the common good; and hence the place which has been assigned to him in the sacred history.

No power or plan can supply the place of that faith which works by love. The Gospel establishes, in a kind and Christian spirit, an interest in each other's welfare: the rich man bears a portion of the poor man's poverty, and the poor man receives a portion of the rich man's wealth; and this is effected without changing anything externally, but by awakening that benevolence which teaches us to regard and to treat the need of a brother as our own.

CHAPTER V.

This is a continuation of the narrative touching the community of goods in the Church at Jerusalem. Barnabas has been introduced as a type of that pure, self-sacrificing love which is the very essence of the Christian faith; and now Ananias and Sapphira come before us as a most affecting example of the abuse which the selfish and the sordid were tempted to make of this original and peculiar institute. "This is the first trace of a shade which falls upon the pure, bright form of the young Church; a member of the Christian body misguidedly attempts, along with his wife, to deceive the Apostles. Hypocrisy and falsehood were their sin, and death was their punishment."

2. "Kept back part of the price:"—their sin lay in openly professing to give the whole of what they had realised by the sale of their property, "as a gift of brotherly love to the common stock; but their aim was to obtain for themselves the credit of pre-eminent love and zeal, by contributing only a *portion* of the price, while they professed to give up the whole, and thus secure for themselves a maintenance from the common stock. They wished to serve *two* masters, but to appear to serve only *One*."

3. "Peter said:"—the Apostle might know, and others might know, that the property had been sold for more; or the deceit of the parties might have been made known to him by supernatural intimation.

4. "Was it not thine own?"—these words clearly indicate that no one was compelled to part with his property, or to devote it to the common good; but having vowed, they were bound to perform.

It is to be observed that the Apostle speaks of Ananias as lying to the Holy Ghost, and at the same time as lying unto God, while in this verse he



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have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.[a]

29 ¶ Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.[b]

30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.[c]

31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand *to be* a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.[d]

32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and *so is* also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.[e]

33 ¶ When they heard *that*, they were cut *to the heart*, and took counsel to slay them.[f]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch. ii. 23, 26, iii. 15; iv. 18; vii. 52, Matt. xxiii. 25; xxvii. 25.

b ch. iv. 19
g ch. xxii. 3.

c ch. iii. 13, 15; x. 39; xiii. 29; xxi. 14; Gal. iii. 13; 1 Peter ii. 24.

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d ch. ii. 33, 38; iii. 15, 26; xiii. 38; Matt. i. 21; Luke xxiv. 47; Eph. i. 7; Philipp. ii. 9; Col. i. 14; Heb. ii. 10; xii. 2.

1 Or, believed.

e ch. ii. 4; x. 44; John xv. 26, 27.

f ch. ii. 37; vii. 54.

34 Then stood there up one in the council, a Pharisee, named Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, had in reputation among all the people, and commanded to put the apostles forth a little space;[g]

35 And said unto them, Ye men of Israel, take heed to yourselves what ye intend to do as touching these men.

36 For before these days rose up Theudas, boasting himself to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about four hundred, joined themselves: who was slain; and all, as many as [1]obeyed him, were scattered, and brought to nought.

37 After this man rose up Judas of Galilee in the days of the taxing, and drew away much people after

represents both Ananias and Sapphira as tempting the Spirit of the Lord. It follows that the Holy Ghost must have a distinct personal existence, and yet be essentially the same with God. The Apostle's words clearly establish the personality of the Holy Spirit.

13. "And of the rest durst no man join himself to them." According to Alford, none, whether believer or not, dared to join himself to the Apostles, as being one of them, or equal to them; but Baumgarten says, "No one who did not belong to the Christian body dared, from a feeling of reverential awe, to intrude himself among them;" that is, among the Apostles and believers.

17. "The high priest . . . they that were with him"—this was Annas, and the Sadducees were those who ranged themselves on his side, to carry out the counsel of the Sanhedrim. The teaching of the Apostles struck at the very root of the Sadducean belief, and its tendency was to undermine the whole Jewish system. Hence the activity of these two parties.

him: he also perished; and all, *even* as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.

38 And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or this work be of men, it will come to nought:[a]

39 But if it be of God, ye cannot overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God.[b]

40 And to him they agreed: and when they had called the apostles, and beaten *them*, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.[c]

41 ¶ And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.[d]

42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.[e]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The apostles, desirous to have the poor regarded for their bodily sustenance, as also careful themselves to dispense the word of God, the food of the soul, 3 appoint the office of deaconship to seven chosen men. 5 Of whom Stephen, a man full of faith, and of the Holy Ghost, is one. 12 Who is taken of those, whom he confounded in disputing, 13 and after falsely accused of blasphemy against the law and the temple.*

AND in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration.[f]

2 Then

ciples *un* and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables.[g]

3 Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.[h]

4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.[i]

5 ¶ And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch:[j]

6 Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid *their* hands on them.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

[l] ch. xii. 24; xix. 20; John xii. 42; Col. i. 6.

[a] Prov. xxi. 30; Isa. viii. 10; Matt. xv. 13.

[b] ch. vii. 51; ix. 5; xxiii. 9; Luke xxi. 15; 1 Cor. i. 25.

[c] ch. iv. 18; Matt. x. 17; xxiii. 34; Mark xiii. 9.

[m] ch. v. 39; Exod. iv. 12; Isa. liv. 17; Luke xxi. 15.

[d] Matt. v. 12; Rom. v 3; 2 Cor. xii. 10; Philipp. i. 29; Heb. x 34; James i. 2; 1 Peter iv. 13, 16.

[n] 1 Kings xxi. 10, 13; Matt. xxvi. 59, 60.

[e] ch. ii. 46; iv. 20, 29.

1 Or, *rites*.

[o] ch. xxv. 8; Dan ix. 26.

7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.[l]

8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.

9 ¶ Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called *the synagogue* of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.

10 And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.[m]

11 Then they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and *against* God.[n]

12 And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon *him*, and caught him, and brought *him* to the council,

13 And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:

14 For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the [1]customs which Moses delivered us.[o]

15 And all that sat in the council, looking stedfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Stephen, permitted to answer to the accusation of blasphemy, 2 sheweth that Abraham worshipped God rightly, and how God chose the fathers 20 before Moses was born, and before the tabernacle and temple were built. 37 that Moses himself witnessed of Christ. 44 and that all outward ceremonies were ordained according to the heavenly pattern, to last but for a time. 51 reprehending their rebellion, and murdering of Christ, the Just One, whom the prophets foretold should come into the world. 54 Whereupon they stone him to death, who commendeth his soul to Jesus, and humbly prayeth for them.*

THEN said the high priest, Are these things so?

, brethren, and fathers, hearken; The God of glory appeared unto our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran,[p]

3 And said unto him, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and come into the land which I shall shew thee.[q]

4 Then came he out of the land of the Chaldæans, and dwelt in Charran: and from thence, when his

[f] ver. 7; ch. ii. 41; iv. 4, 35; v. 14; ix. 29; xi. 20.

[g] Exod. xviii. 17.

[h] ch i 21; xvi 2; Deut 1:, 1 Tim iii. 7.

ch. ii. 42.

[p] ch. xxii 1.

[j] ch. viii. 5, 26; xi 24; xxi. 8, Rev ii. 6, 15.

[q] Gen. xii. 1.

[k] ch i. 24; viii. 17, ix. 17; xiii 3, 1 Tim. iv. 14; v. 22; 2 Tim. i. 6.

21 "Called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel."—these were not two separate bodies, but one judicature; both the nouns, according to a well-known canon, referring to one and the same thing. The reading should be, "called together the council, even all the senate," or all the elders of the children of Israel, this clause being intended to explain to foreigners the true meaning of the preceding word—"the council," or, as the Greek expresses it, "the Sanhedrim."

34. "Then stood there up one in the council."—Gamaliel—supposed to be the same with Rabban Gamaliel, one of the seven to whom, among the Rabbis, the Jews gave the title of Rabban, and the preceptor of Saul of Tarsus—tries to moderate the storm which was now raging, by recommending a delay, so as to leave the future to disclose the proper line of action.

36 "Before these days rose up Theudas."—the name was common with the Jews, and there were several insurrections

37. "Rose up Judas:"—this was Judas Galilæus, who appeared in the days of Cæsar Augustus, and who, on the occasion of the census under Quirinus, raised a disturbance by avowing that the Jews, as the people of God, ought not to pay taxes to the Romans, the payment of tribute being a mark of slavery. His followers remained till the great Jewish war under Titus.

41. "Suffer shame for his name:"—this influence of "the holy name, which could transmute shame and suffering endured for its sake into honour and rejoicing, greatly transcends all that the name of any created being had ever accomplished. Here, therefore, we have actual demonstration that the name of Jesus is THE NAME OF GOD."

CHAPTER VI.

Olshausen asserts that "the whole complexion of this narrative makes it certain that it could only be designed for an introduction to the history of Stephen," and that Luke wished "to inform his readers shortly of the occasion on which this celebrated martyr received office in the Church, and thus to introduce him to them as a distinguished member of the body."

1. "The Grecians against the Hebrews:"—great accessions were made to the Church through the ministry of the Apostles. These converts were composed of two classes: on the one side stood the Jews, who, being natives of Palestine, and speaking in the Hebrew, or rather in the Aramaic, tongue, were called Hebrews; while on the other side were all such as had been in the provinces of the Roman empire, and who, as making use of the Greek tongue, were called Greeks, or Hellenists. The Hebrews, no doubt, were the chief element

father was dead, he removed him into this land, wherein ye now dwell.[a]

5 And he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not *so much as* to set his foot on: yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when *as yet* he had no child.[b]

6 And God spake on this wise, That his seed should sojourn in a strange land; and that they should bring them into bondage, and entreat *them* evil four hundred years.[c]

7 And the nation to whom they shall be in bondage will I judge, said God: and after that shall they come forth, and serve me in this place.[d]

8 And he gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so *Abraham* begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac *begat* Jacob; and Jacob *begat* the twelve patriarchs.[e]

9 And the patriarchs, moved with envy, sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him,[f]

10 And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.[g]

11 Now there came a dearth over all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance.[h]

12 But when Jacob heard that there was corn in Egypt, he sent out our fathers first.[i]

13 And at the second *time* Joseph was made known to his brethren; and Joseph's kindred was made known unto Pharaoh.[j]

14 Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to *him*, and all his kindred, threescore and fifteen souls.[k]

15 So Jacob went down into Egypt, and died, he, and our fathers,[l]

16 And were[*] carried over into Sychem, and laid in the sepulchre that Abraham bought for a sum of money of the sons of Emmor *the father* of Sychem.[m]

17 But when the time of the promise drew nigh, which God had sworn to Abraham, the people grew and multiplied in Egypt,[n]

18 Till another king arose, which knew not Joseph.

19 The same dealt subtilly with our kindred, and evil entreated our fathers, so that they cast out their young children, to the end they might not live.[o]

20 In which time Moses was born, and was [1]exceeding fair, and nourished up in his father's house three months:[p]

21 And when he was cast out, Pharaoh's daughter took him up, and nourished him for her own son.[q]

22 And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds.[r]

23 And when he was full forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the children of Israel.[s]

24 And seeing one *of them* suffer wrong, he defended *him*, and avenged him that was oppressed, and smote the Egyptian:

25 [2]For he supposed his brethren would have understood how that God by his hand would deliver them: but they understood not.

26 And the next day he shewed himself unto them as they strove, and would have set them at one again, saying, Sirs, ye are brethren; why do ye wrong one to another?[t]

27 But he that did his neighbour wrong thrust him away, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us?[u]

28 Wilt thou kill me, as thou diddest the Egyptian yesterday?

29 Then fled Moses at this saying, and was a stranger in the land of Madian, where he begat two sons.[v]

30 And when forty years were expired, there appeared to him in the wilderness of mount Sina an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire in a bush.[w]

31 When Moses saw *it*, he wondered at the sight: and as he drew near to behold *it*, the voice of the Lord came unto him,

32 *Saying*, I *am* the God of thy fathers, the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Then Moses trembled, and durst not behold.[x]

33 Then said the Lord to him, Put off thy shoes from thy feet: for the place where thou standest is holy ground.[y]

34 I have seen, I have seen the affliction of my people which is in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them. And now come, I will send thee into Egypt.[z]

35 This Moses whom they refused, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge? the same did God send *to be* a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel which appeared to him in the bush.[a]

36 He brought them out, after that he had shewed wonders and signs in the land of Egypt, and in the Red sea, and in the wilderness forty years.[b]

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a Gen. xi. 31; xii. 4, 5.

q Exod. ii 3—10.

r Luke xxiv. 19.

s Exod. ii. 11, 12.

c Gen. xv. 13, 16; Exod. xii. 40; Gal. iii 17.

2 Or, *Now.*

d Exod iii. 12.

31, &c.; xxx. 5, &c. xxxv. 18, 23.

t Exod. ii 13.

Ps cv. 17.

u ch. iv. 7; Luke xii.

g Gen. xli. 37; xlii. 6.

h Gen. xli. 54.

v Exod ii 15, 22; iv. 20, xviii. 3, 4.

i Gen. xlii. 1.

w Exod. iii. 2.

j Gen. xlv. 4, 13.

k Gen xlv 9, 27; xlvi. 27, Deut. x. 22.

x Matt. xxii. 32 Heb xi. 26.

l Gen. xlvi. 5; xlix. 33; Exod. i. 6.

y Exod. iii. 5; Josh. v. 15.

m Gen. xxiii. 16; xxxiii. 19. Exod. xiii. 19; Josh. xxiv. 32.

n ver. 6; Gen xv. 13; Exod, i. 7—9; Ps. cv. 24, 25.

z Exod. iii. 7.

o Exod. i 22.

a Exod. xiv. 19; Numb. xx. 16

1 Or, *fair to God.*

p Exod. ii. 2; Heb. xi 23.

b Exod. vii.—xi.; xiv, &c; xii. 41; xvi. 1, 35, xxxiii. 1; Ps. cv. 27.

in the Church; and hence the complaint of the Hellenists, that their widows were not equally cared for.

4. "Give ourselves continually to prayer:"—there was a higher sphere than that in which the evil now complained of was said to exist; and therefore it was not right that they should come down to this lower ground, to the neglect or omission of more sacred duties. At first they undertook to attend to the poor, but afterwards deputed this office to some of the Hebrew members of the Church.

5. "They chose:"—with the exception of Stephen and Philip, the others are unknown to us beyond their names. All the names are Greek; but there is no proof that all these seven men were **Hellenists**. It is also worthy of remark that the title DEACON is nowhere applied to these seven men in Scripture; nor does the word occur in the **Book of the Acts** at all. Still, the universal consent of Christian writers, in all ages, in regarding this as the institution of the office of deacons is not to be overlooked.

9. "The synagogue of the Libertines:"—these Libertines were the descendants of Jewish "freedmen" at Rome, who had been expelled by Tiberius.

15. "His face as it had been the face of an angel:"—the general interpretation put upon these words is, that the face of Stephen was lighted up with a Divine radiance, as if it were something external to himself; whereas it was but the inward illumination of which he was the conscious and happy subject.

CHAPTER VII.

This chapter is intimately connected with the preceding one. The address of Stephen is not at first sight such as we should naturally look for from a man in his peculiar position, it cannot, properly speaking, be called a defence, for it is largely made up of a review of the Jewish history. But then he connects this history with the person, life, ministry, and death of Christ, and thus comes to vindicate his attachment to the Christian Church, and his belief in the Christian faith.

2. "Before he dwelt in Charran:"—it is taken as an objection to the genuineness of Stephen's address, that its historical statement does not harmonise with the original sources; that the appearance which is here said

37 ¶ This is that Moses, which said unto the children of Israel, A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren, [1]like unto me; him shall ye hear.[a]

38 This is he, that was in the church in the wilderness with the angel which spake to him in the mount Sina, and *with* our fathers: who received the lively oracles to give unto us:[b]

39 To whom our fathers would not obey, but thrust *him* from them, and in their hearts turned back again into Egypt,

40 Saying unto Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: for *as for* this Moses, which brought us out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.[c]

41 And they made a calf in those days, and offered sacrifice unto the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their own hands.[d]

42 Then God turned, and gave them up to worship the host of heaven; as it is written in the book of the prophets, O ye house of Israel, have ye offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices *by the space of* forty years in the wilderness?[e]

43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.

ANNO DOMINI 33.

2 Or, *who spake.*
1 Or, *as myself.*
a ch. iii. 22; Deut. xviii. 15, 18; Matt xvii. 5.
f Exod. xxv. 40; xxvi 30; Heb. viii. 5.
3 Or, *having received.*
b Exod. xix. 3, 17; xxi. 1; Deut. v. 27, 31; xxxiii. 4, Isa. lxiii. 9; John i. 17; Rom. iii. 2; Gal. iii. 19; Heb. ii. 2.
g ch. xiii. 19; Josh. iii. 14, Neh. ix. 24; Ps. xliv. 2; lxxviii. 55
h ch. xiii. 22; 1 Sam. xvi 1, 2 Sam vii. 1; 1 Kings viii 17; 1 Chron. xxii. 7; Ps. lxxxix. 19; cxxxii. 4, 5.
i 1 Kings vi. 1; viii. 20; 1 Chron. xvii. 12, 2 Chron iii. 1.
j ch xvii. 24; 1 Kings viii. 27; 2 Chron ii. 6; vi. 18
c Exod. xxxii 1.
k Isa. lxvi 1, 2; Matt. v 34, 35; xxiii. 22.
d Deut. ix. 16; Ps cvi. 19.
l Exod. xxxii. 9; xxxiii. 3; Lev xxvi 41; Deut. x 16; Isa. xlviii. 4, Jer iv. 4; vi. 10, ix. 26; Ezek xliv.9
e Deut. iv. 19; xvii 3, 2 Kings xvii. 16; xxi 3; Ps lxxxi. 12; Jer. xix 13; Ezek. xx 25, 29, Amos v 25, 26, Rom i 24; 2 Thess ii 11
m ch. iii 14, 2 Chron xxxvi 16, Matt. xxi. 35, xxiii 34, 37, 1 Thess ii 15.
n Exod xx 1, Gal iii. 19; Heb. ii 2.

44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the wilderness, as he had appointed, [2]speaking unto Moses, that he should make it according to the fashion that he had seen.[f]

45 Which also our fathers [3]that came after brought in with Jesus into the possession of the Gentiles, whom God drave out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of David;[g]

46 Who found favour before God, and desired to find a tabernacle for the God of Jacob.[h]

47 But Solomon built him an house.[i]

48 Howbeit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands; as saith the prophet,[j]

49 Heaven *is* my throne, and earth *is* my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the Lord: or what *is* the place of my rest?[k]

50 Hath not my hand made all these things?

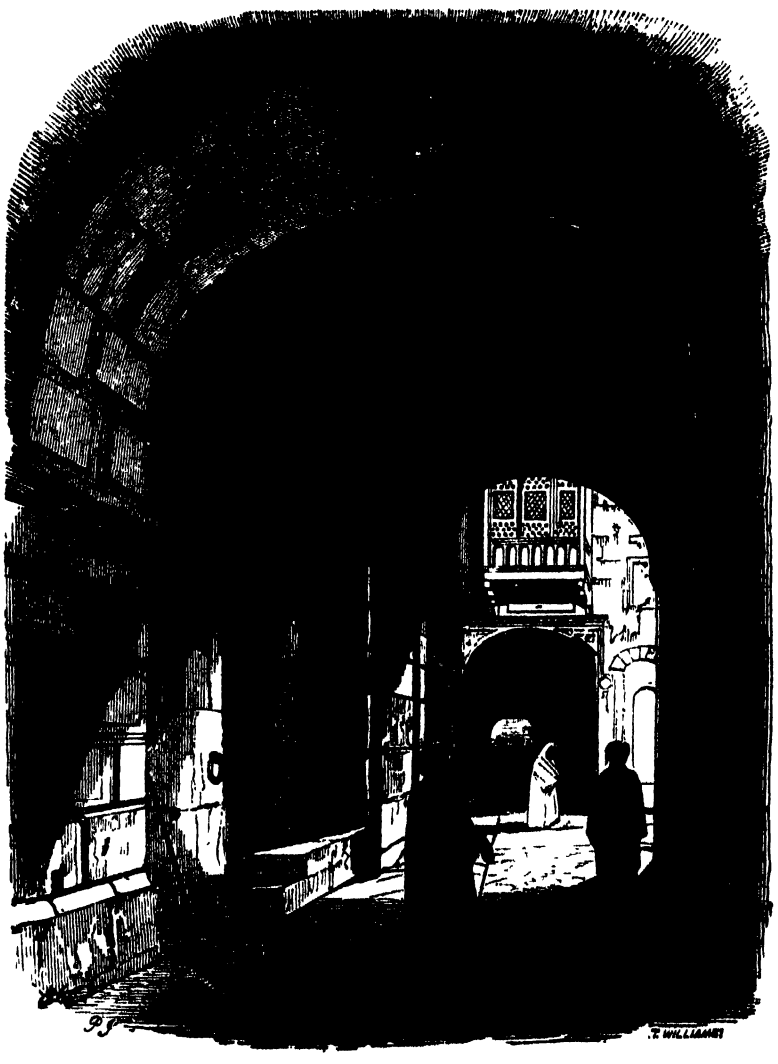
51 ¶ Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers *did*, so *do* ye.[l]

52 Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers:[m]

53 Who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not kept *it*.[n]

to have taken place *before* he dwelt in Charran is described in the book of Genesis as having taken place *after* his arrival in Haran; that Abraham's migration from Haran to Canaan is here alleged to have been *after* the death of Terah the father of Abraham; whereas we learn from Gen. xi. 32 that Terah reached the age of two hundred and five years, and therefore lived nearly sixty years after the period in question; for he was seventy years old before he begat Abraham, and Abraham was seventy-five when he removed to Canaan. To obviate this difficulty, recourse is had to tradition. There are so many references to Rabbinical tradition in the address of Stephen, as not only to justify the supposition that he had received a thoroughly Rabbinical education, but to show that these references to tradition render it highly probable that ancient genuine statements were preserved traditionally among the Jews, which received their higher confirmation by admission into the New Testament. Taking this for granted, we may accept the traditional belief that Abraham had some supernatural appearance, even in Ur of the Chaldees, *before* he dwelt in Charran. Of Mesopotamia, whose northern part was inhabited by Chaldeans, Ur was, in a somewhat wider sense of the word, a city; and therefore mention might be made of Abraham's residence in Mesopotamia before his arrival in Haran.

6. "Four hundred years:"—in Exodus and in Galatians the period is said to have been four hundred and thirty years. The various modes of reconciling this discrepancy are too long and too elaborate to be introduced here; but reckoning from Abraham's departure from Ur, twenty-five years before the birth of Isaac, to the exodus from Egypt, the whole period of the sojourning of the children of Israel was four hundred and thirty years. Stephen gives the round number.



ST. STEPHEN'S GATE, AT JERUSALEM.

8. "The covenant of circumcision;"—or rather, he gave circumcision as the sign of the covenant or arrangement into which he had entered with his servant Abraham.

14. "Threescore and fifteen souls."—in Gen xlvi. 27, and other parts of the Old Testament, the number is seventy. Stephen doubtless includes the five sons of Ephraim and Manasseh, as being of the posterity of Jacob.

18. "Knew not Joseph;"—did not appreciate Joseph's character and merits, and acted independently of him altogether.

22. "Learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians:"—of this there is no mention in the Old Testament history, and therefore Stephen speaks according to tradition. So we may say of the age of Moses, and of the inference to be drawn from his defending his brother Hebrew from the oppression of the Egyptian.

45. "Brought in with Jesus;"—or rather, with Joshua in his conquest of the nations.

51. "Ye do always resist the Holy Ghost:"—they had had the highest demonstration of his presence and power in the ministry and the miracles of the Apostles.

55. "Saw the glory of God;"—by the term "glory of God" we understand the Shekinah, or symbol of the Divine presence. God was pleased to vouchsafe to the martyr Stephen a sight of Jesus in his exaltation and glory.

58. The gate represented in the illustration is the one by which it is traditionally said that Stephen was taken out of Jerusalem to be stoned. Out of this gate you pass into the valley of Jehoshaphat, where the road branches off



THE STONING OF STEPHEN.

Acts vii



THE CONVERSION OF SAUL.—ACTS IX. 3—7.

54 ¶ When they heard these things, they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed on him with *their* teeth.[a]

55 But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,[b]

56 And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.[c]

57 Then they cried out with a loud voice, and

ANNO DOMINI 33.

a ch. v. 33.
d ch. viii. 1; xxii. 20; Lev. xxiv. 16; Deut. xiii. 9, 10; xvii. 7, 1 Kings xxi. 13; Luke iv. 29; Heb. xiii. 12.
b ch. vi. 5
c ch. ix. 14; Ps. xxxi. 5; Luke xxiii. 46. x. 11; Ezek. i. 1; Dan. vii. 13; Matt. iii. 16.
Luke vi. 28, xxiii. 34.

stopped their ears, and ran upon him with one accord,

58 And cast *him* out of the city, and stoned *him:* and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was Saul.[d]

59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon *God,* and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.[e]

60 And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.[f]

into different directions, one of which leads to Bethany and Jericho. St. Stephen's Gate is supposed to be the same as that called the sheep gate in Neh. iii. 1; and the high gate of Benjamin, in Jer. xx. 2. Mr. Lewis says, "It is remarkable that to this day the Bedouins bring their sheep to market in this quarter of the city." The same gate used to be regarded as the Valley gate referred to in Neh. iii. 13; but this opinion must be erroneous.

59. "Calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus:"—here is a prayer addressed by the dying Stephen immediately to Jesus. Christ is therefore true God.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *By occasion of the persecution in Jerusalem, the church being planted in Samaria, 5 by Philip the deacon, who preached, did miracles, and baptized many, among the rest Simon the sorcerer, a great seducer of the people:* 14 *Peter and John come to confirm and enlarge the church: where, by prayer and imposition of hands giving the Holy Ghost,* 18 *when Simon would have bought the like power of them,* 20 *Peter sharply reproving his hypocrisy, and covetousness, and exhorting him to repentance, together with John preaching the word of the Lord, return to Jerusalem.* 26 *But the angel sendeth Philip to teach, and baptize the Ethiopian eunuch.*

AND Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judæa and Samaria, except the apostles.[a]

2 And devout men carried Stephen *to his burial*, and made great lamentation over him.[b]

3 As for Saul, he made havock of the church, entering into every house, and haling men and women committed *them* to prison.[c]

4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.[d]

5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.[e]

6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.

7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed *with them:* and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.[f]

8 And there was great joy in that city.

9 But there was a certain man, called Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and bewitched the people of Samaria, giving out that himself was some great one:[g]

10 To whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, This man is the great power of God.

ANNO DOMINI 34.

h ch. i. 3.

1 Gr. *signs and great miracles.*

i ch. ii. 38.

a ch. vii. 58; xi. 19; xxii. 20.

j ch ii. 38; x. 48; xix. 2, 5; Matt. xxviii 19.

b Gen. xxiii 2; l. 10; 2 Sam. iii. 31.

k ch. vi. 6; xix. 6; Heb. vi. 2.

c ch vii. 58, ix. 1, 13, 21; xxii. 4, xxvi. 10, 11; 1 Cor xv. 9; Gal. i. 13; Philipp. iii 6; 1 Tim. i 13

d ch xi 19; Matt x. 23.

e ch. vi. 5.

l ch. ii 38; x. 45; xi 17; 2 Kings v. 16; Matt. x. 8.

f Mark xvi 17.

m Dan. iv. 27; 2 Tim ii. 25.

n Heb. xii. 15.

g ch. v. 36; xiii. 6.

o Gen. xx. 7, 17; Exod. viii. 8; Numb. xxi. 7; 1 Kings xiii 6; Job xlii. 8; James v. 16.

11 And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.

12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.[h]

13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the [1]miracles and signs which were done.

14 Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John:

15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost:[i]

16 (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)[j]

17 Then laid they *their* hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.[k]

18 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money,

19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost.

20 But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money.[l]

21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God.

22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.[m]

23 For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and *in* the bond of iniquity.[n]

24 Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me.[o]

25 And they, when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and

CHAPTER VIII.

"The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church." The persecution which dispersed the members of the Church at Jerusalem had the effect of spreading the Gospel through various regions, both near and remote. The wrath of man works the righteousness of God thus the positive and the negative statement are alike true

1. "Saul was consenting"—he regarded the murder of Stephen as a deed well pleasing to God. The Apostle of the nations comes before us a furious persecutor!

"The regions of Judæa and Samaria."—these are specially named, as having not a few of the followers of Christ living there; but it is thought that Christianity now found its way into Phœnicia, and Cyprus, and Antioch.

2. "Devout men:"—these, we are told, are not to be viewed as believers, but pious Jews who regarded Stephen as innocent. We think both may have been intended.

9. "Used sorcery, and bewitched the people"—with such deceivers the country was overrun in the days of the Apostles. It is said that Simon Magus was worshipped at Rome as a god, on account of his wondrous magical power, and had a statue, on the island in the Tiber, erected to his memory; but the history partakes more of fable than of truth. The ancient fathers considered Simon Magus as the founder of the sect called Gnostics.

18 "He offered them money"—though it is said in the thirteenth verse that "Simon himself believed," it is yet clear that his belief amounted to nothing more than an outward conformity to the requirements of Christianity. Hence the pointed words of Peter which follow.

23 "Gall of bitterness . . . bond of iniquity:"—gall is the very essence of bitterness; while the poison of the serpent was conceived to be seated in the gall. The idea, therefore, is, that Simon was under the bitterest and most deadly influence, and, notwithstanding his profession of faith, that he was still "tied and bound with the chain of his sins." How fearful his condition! How imperative his repentance and reformation!

25. The ambassadors of the Cross were on their way back to Jerusalem; and as their journey took them through several Samaritan villages, they everywhere pressed upon their hearers the claims of the new faith. On their way home, Philip was addressed by an angel from heaven, from whom he received a special commission, in which were involved interests of incalculable moment, and which the evangelist delayed not to fulfil.

26. "The angel of the Lord spake unto Philip"—it is supposed that this angelic appearance took place in Samaria, after Peter and John had taken leave of their companion; but of this we have no intimation.

"Go toward the south:"—instead of going through Jerusalem, he probably followed the high road for a time, and thence struck across the country in a south-west direction, to gain at some given point the road leading from Jerusalem to Gaza. This Gaza was situated on the exterior side of Canaan, in the tribe of Judah, from which tribe it was taken by the Philistines, and formed one of their five principal cities. It was once subject to Egypt; but Alexander the Great took it, after a siege of five months. It was destroyed by the Jewish king, Alexander Jannæus, but rebuilt by the Roman general, Gabinius; and then was given by Augustus to Herod, on whose death it was attached to the province of Syria. The city, which is large, and contains at the present day a population of some 15,000 souls, stands on an elevation, while the scenery around is varied and beautiful.

"Which is desert."—this cannot apply to the city itself, but to *the way* which the angel instructed Philip to take. Robinson found an ancient road leading direct from Jerusalem to Gaza, which at the present time is desert, or thinly peopled, and might have been at that earlier period.

preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

26 And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert.

27 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,[a]

28 Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.

29 Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

30 And Philip ran thither to *him*, and heard him read the prophet Esaias, and said, Understandest thou what thou readest?

31 And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? And he desired Philip that he would come up and sit with him.

32 The place of the scripture which he read was this, He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth:[b]

33 In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.

34 And the eunuch answered Philip, and said, I pray thee, of whom speaketh the prophet this? of himself, or of some other man?

35 Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.[c]

36 And as they went on *their* way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, *here is* water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?[d]

37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.[e]

38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.[f]

40 But Philip was found at Azotus: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Cæsarea.

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[a] Zeph iii. 10; John xii. 20.

[b] Isa. liii. 7, 8.

[c] ch. xviii 28; Luke xxiv. 27.

[d] ch. x. 47.

[e] ch ix 20; Matt xvi. 16, xxviii 19, Mark xvi 16, John vi 69, ix 35, 38, xi 27, 1 John iv 5, v. 5, 13.

[f] 1 Kings xviii. 12; 2 Kings ii. 16; Ezek. iii. 12, 14.

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Saul, going towards Damascus, 4 is stricken down to the earth, 10 is called to the apostleship, 18 and is baptized by Ananias. 20 He preacheth Christ boldly. 23 The Jews lay wait to kill him. 29 so do the Grecians, but he escapeth both. 31 The church having rest, Peter healeth Æneas of the palsy, 36 and restoreth Tabitha to life.*

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AND Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,[g]

2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any [1]of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:[h]

4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?[i]

5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: *it is* hard for thee to kick against the pricks.[j]

6 And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord *said* unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.[k]

7 And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.[l]

[g] ch viii 3; Gal. i 13; 1 Tim i. 13.

[1] Gr. *of the way* So ch. xix 9, 23.

[h] ch. xxii. 6; xxvi. 12; 1 Cor. xv. 8.

[i] Matt. xxv. 40, &c

[j] ch. v. 39.

[k] ch. ii 37, xvi. 30; Luke iii. 10.

[l] ch xxii. 9, xxvi. 13, Dan x 7

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27 "A man of Ethiopia."—this was Ethiopia Proper, a mountainous and well-watered country, lying south of Egypt, and including the western countries of Nubia and Abyssinia. During his visit to Jerusalem, this man's attention, no doubt, had been drawn to the controversy respecting Jesus as the promised Messiah, or he may have been a proselyte of the gate, which will account for his reading the Jewish Scriptures

As among the Egyptians Pharaoh was the name given to their kings, so among the Ethiopians Candace was given to all their queens. This queen reigned in Meroe, the chief city of Ethiopia Proper, or Upper Egypt.

29. "The Spirit said unto Philip"—that is, by some mode of communication which the evangelist at once understood and obeyed.

33. "His judgment was taken away:"—in Hebrew, the literal reading of this clause is, "He was taken away by distress and judgment;" which Lowth renders, "by an oppressive judgment." But we conceive the idea to be, that "in his humiliation he was denied the most common justice."

"His generation."—the character of the age in which he lived, say some; his eternal Sonship and his miraculous incarnation, say others. But why should it not refer to his posterity? He was to see his seed, and prolong his days.

39. "The Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip:"—it is impossible, we think, to regard this as anything less than a miraculous disappearance.

40. "At Azotus . . . . . till he came to Cæsarea:"—Azotus is the same with Ashdod, one of the five principal cities of the Philistines, situated on the Mediterranean, some fifteen or twenty miles north of Gaza. Here was the temple of Dagon, in which the Philistines placed the ark of the Lord. Though it formerly withstood the siege of Psammetichus, King of Egypt, for twenty-five years, it is now a village of mud houses, yet having a beautiful site and abundance of olives.

Cæsarea:—this important place is not to be confounded with Cæsarea Philippi. It was one of the largest towns in Palestine, with a seaport, and stores between Joppa and Carmel, about seventy miles from Jerusalem. It was greatly enlarged and beautified by Herod the Great, and was named Cæsarea, in honour of Cæsar Augustus. It was the Roman capital of Palestine, was called Cæsarea Palestinæ, and before the destruction of Jerusalem was the seat of the Roman procurators. It was inhabited chiefly by Gentiles. It is now in ruins. An engraving on another page shows the present condition of the ruins

The Abyssinians have a tradition which ascribes their conversion to Christianity to the influence of the distinguished courtier to whom Philip preached the Gospel.

CHAPTER IX

Here we enter on the Second Part of this Apostolic Record, and have to trace one of the most interesting and eventful lives in the whole history of our humanity. The character of the Apostle Paul stands forth so prominently, that it engrosses all attention to itself. The ground of this fact, that Paul occupies so conspicuous a place in the Apostolic Church, is to be sought not alone in the greatness of his intellect, and in his zeal and faithfulness, but in the circumstance that the Twelve were primarily destined for the people of Israel. Paul's destination, however, was to be a messenger to the Gentile world.

1. "Unto the high priest:"—this is said to have been Theophilus, brother and successor to Jonathan, who succeeded Caiaphas.

2. "Desired of him letters:"—these letters of authorisation were written by the high priest in the name of the whole Sanhedrim.

Damascus is one of the oldest cities in the world It was the capital of Ancient Syria, and for three centuries the residence of the Syrian kings. It is beautifully situated at the foot of Mount Hermon, in a large and well-watered plain. Its history, from the days of Abraham down to the conversion of Saul of Tarsus, is full of stirring incident. At present it is a large city, with 250,000 inhabitants, of whom some 70,000 are said to be Christians.

"The synagogues:"—that is, to the presidents of the synagogues, who would recognise the authority of the Sanhedrim, and carry out its instructions.

8 And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought *him* into Damascus.

9 And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.

10 ¶ And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I *am here*, Lord.[a]

11 And the Lord *said* unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for *one* called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth,[b]

ANNO DOMINI 35.

g ch. ii. 4; iv. 31; viii. 17; xiii. 52; xxii. 12, 13.

a ch. xxii 12.

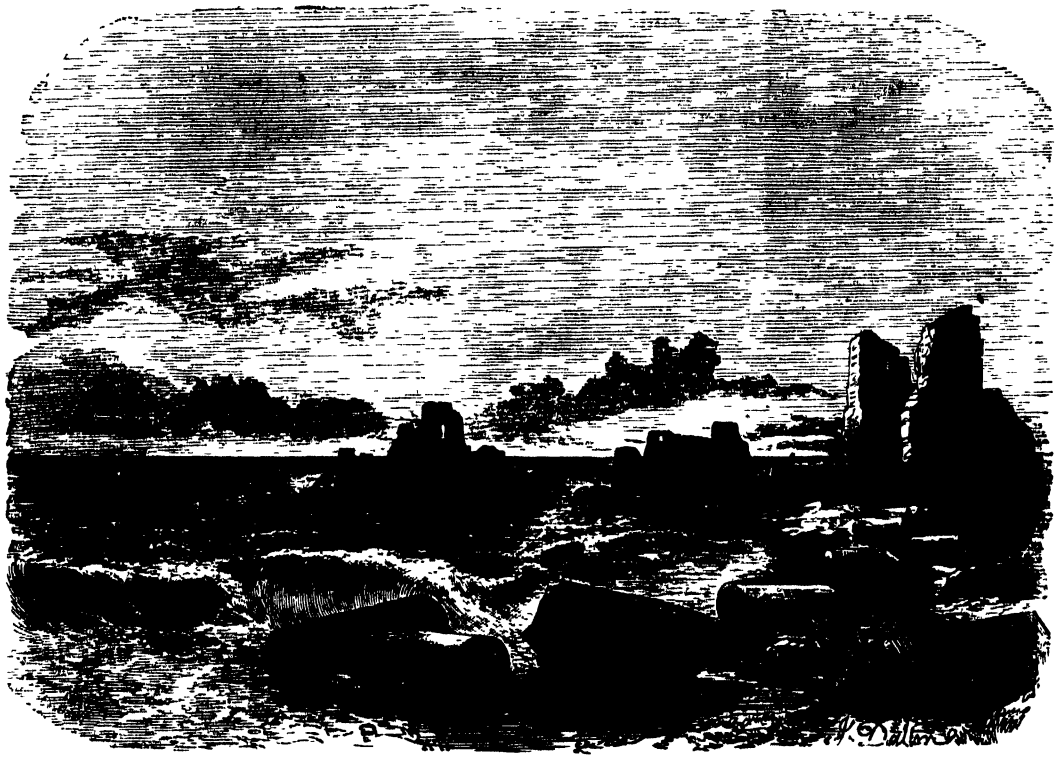
b ch. xxi 39, xxii. 3.

h ch. xxvi. 20.

17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, the Lord, *even* Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.[g]

18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.[h]



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12 And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting *his* hand on him, that he might receive his sight.

13 Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem:[c]

14 And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name.[d]

15 But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:[e]

16 For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.[f]

i ch. viii 37

c ver 1.

j ver 1; ch. viii 3; Gal. i 13, 23.

d ver. 21; ch. vii 59, xxi 16; 1 Cor. i 2, 2 Tim ii 22.

k ch. xviii. 28

e ch xiii 2; xxii 21; xxv 22, 23; xxvi. 1, &c., 17, Rom. i. 1, 5; xi 13; 1 Cor xv. 10; Gal. i. 15, ii. 7, 8; Eph iii 7, 8; 1 Tim. ii. 7; 2 Tim. i 11

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l ch. xxiii. 12; xxv 3, 2 Cor xi 26.

f ch xx 23; xxi. 11; 2 Cor. xi. 23.

20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.[i]

21 But all that heard *him* were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?[j]

22 But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.[k]

23 ¶ And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him:[l]

24 But their laying await was known of Saul.

The journey to Damascus presupposes the existence of Christians in that city, and who were, perhaps, some of the fruit reaped on the day of Pentecost.

"THIS WAY," or "THE WAY," had become a well-known designation for the Christian faith. The expression was sometimes varied. In chap. xvi. 17 it is called "the way of salvation," and in chap. xviii. 25 it is termed "the way of the Lord"

5. "To kick against the pricks"—this is a proverbial expression, and points to the fact that restive oxen would often kick against the very goad which was employed to lead or drive them, and thus wound themselves the more deeply. Opposition to higher power is the idea involved.

7. "Stood speechless:"—there is an apparent discrepancy between this account and that given by Paul himself in a subsequent chapter. Here it is said that the men "stood speechless;" there it is said, "they fell to the ground:" here, that they heard a voice, but saw no man; there, that "they saw the light, but heard not the voice." They might see the light or effulgence which now surrounded them, and yet discern no bodily form; and they might hear a voice, and yet not be able to understand what was said. In their alarm, the words uttered might be to them as a terrific sound.

11. "The street which is called Straight"—there is still in Damascus a street which extends through it in long perspective; and this may be the street here referred to.

Tarsus was the capital of Cilicia, situated in a fruitful plain on the river Cydnus, and distinguished as the birthplace of many eminent men. It was, though subject to Rome, a free city, having its own laws and liberties. From the number of its schools and learned men, it was ranked by the side of Athens and Alexandria. Its present condition is wretched in the extreme,

And they watched the gates day and night to kill him.[a]

25 Then the disciples took him by night, and let *him* down by the wall in a basket.[b]

26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem, he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him, and believed not that he was a disciple.[c]

27 But Barnabas took him, and brought *him* to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus.[d]

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a 2 Cor. xi. 32.
h ch. viii. 14.
b Josh. ii. 15; 1 Sam. xix. 12.
c ch. xxii. 17; Gal. i. 17, 18.
i ch. iii. 6, 16; iv. 10.
j ch. xi. 21; 1 Chron. v. 16.
d vs. 20, 22; ch. iv. 36; xiii. 2.

32 ¶ And it came to pass, as Peter passed throughout all *quarters*, he came down also to the saints which dwelt at Lydda.[h]

33 And there he found a certain man named Æneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and was sick of the palsy.

34 And Peter said unto him, Æneas, Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed. And he arose immediately.[i]

35 And all that dwelt at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.[j]

36 ¶ Now there was at Joppa a certain disciple named Tabitha, which by interpretation is called



THE MODERN TOWN OF YAFFA, OR JAFFA, ANCIENT JOPPA.

28 And he was with them coming in and going out at Jerusalem.[e]

29 And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians: but they went about to slay him.[f]

30 *Which* when the brethren knew, they brought him down to Cæsarea, and sent him forth to Tarsus.

31 Then had the churches rest throughout all Judæa and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.[g]

1 Or, *Doe*, or, *Roe*.
e Gal. i. 18.
k 1 Tim. ii 10; Titus iii. 8
f ver. 23; ch. vi. 1; xi. 20, 2 Cor. xi. 26.
l ch. i. 13.
2 Or, *be grieved*.
g ch. viii. 1.

[1]Dorcas: this woman was full of good works and almsdeeds which she did.[k]

37 And it came to pass in those days, that she was sick, and died: whom when they had washed, they laid *her* in an upper chamber.[l]

38 And forasmuch as Lydda was nigh to Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent unto him two men, desiring *him* that he would not [2]delay to come to them.

39 Then Peter arose and went with them. When he was come, they brought him into the upper chamber: and all the widows stood by him weeping,

14. "Here he hath authority:"—it could hardly fail to be notified to Ananias and the Christians at Damascus, by their brethren at Jerusalem, that Saul was on his way to persecute them.

23. "After that many days were fulfilled:"—it is probable that previous to this Paul took his journey into Arabia, of which he makes mention in his Epistle to the Galatians; and after receiving in the desert of Arabia the highest revelations of truth from his exalted Lord, he returned to Damascus; and it was not till the lapse of three whole years that he went up to Jerusalem, and sought an introduction to the Apostles.

27. "Barnabas took him:"—they were probably brought up in the same school at Tarsus.

30. "Down to Cæsarea:"—not Cæsarea Philippi, but Cæsarea of Palestine.

32. "Peter passed throughout all quarters:"—this journey was undertaken after Saul's conversion, but before he went up to Jerusalem, where he saw Peter. It was a time of peace, of which Peter availed himself.

35. "Lydda and Saron:"—Lydda, or Lod, was a large village on the Mediterranean, not far from Joppa, and just one day's distance from Jerusalem. Saron may have been the village between Lydda and Arsef, on the celebrated plain extending along the coast from Cæsarea to Joppa.

36. "At Joppa:"—Joppa is a celebrated and very ancient city and seaport on the shore of the Mediterranean, and at the extremity of a high road to Jerusalem. The place is mentioned in Josh. xix. 46, as Japho, and it is still called Jaffa or Yaffa. It was the principal if not the only port of Palestine, and hence Hiram, king of Tyre, sent hither the materials for the temple, which had then to be conveyed by land forty miles to Jerusalem. The harbour has never been either safe or commodious. Here Jonah embarked

and shewing the coats and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them.

40 But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed; and turning *him* to the body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.[a]

41 And he gave her *his* hand, and lifted her up, and when he had called the saints and widows, presented her alive.

42 And it was known throughout all Joppa; and many believed in the Lord.[b]

43 And it came to pass, that he tarried many days in Joppa with one Simon a tanner.[c]

CHAPTER X.

1 *Cornelius, a devout man, 5 being commanded by an angel, sendeth for Peter.* 11 *who by a vision* 15, 20 *is taught not to despise the Gentiles.* 34 *As he preacheth Christ to Cornelius and his company,* 44 *the Holy Ghost falleth on them,* 48 *and they are baptized.*

THERE was a certain man in Cæsarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian *band,*

2 *A* devout *man,* and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway.[d]

3 He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius.[e]

4 And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God.

5 And now send men to Joppa, and call for *one* Simon, whose surname is Peter:

6 He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side: he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do.[f]

7 And when the angel which spake unto Cornelius was departed, he called two of his houshold servants, and a devout soldier of them that waited on him continually;

8 And when he had declared all *these* things unto them, he sent them to Joppa.

9 ¶ On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:[g]

10 And he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready, he fell into a trance,

11 And saw heaven opened, and a certain vessel descending unto him, as it had been a great sheet knit at the four corners, and let down to the earth:[h]

12 Wherein were all manner of fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

13 And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.

14 But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean.[i]

15 And the voice *spake* unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, *that* call not thou common.[j]

16 This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into heaven.

17 Now while Peter doubted in himself what this vision which he had seen should mean, behold, the men which were sent from Cornelius had made enquiry for Simon's house, and stood before the gate,

18 And called, and asked whether Simon, which was surnamed Peter, were lodged there.

19 ¶ While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said unto him, Behold, three men seek thee.[k]

20 Arise therefore, and get thee down, and go with them, doubting nothing: for I have sent them.[l]

21 Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and said, Behold, I am he whom ye seek: what *is* the cause wherefore ye are come?

22 And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and one that feareth God, and of good report among all the nation of the Jews, was warned from God by an holy angel to send for thee into his house, and to hear words of thee.[m]

23 Then called he them in, and lodged *them.* And on the morrow Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.[n]

24 And the morrow after they entered into Cæsarea. And Cornelius waited for them, and had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

25 And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met

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[a] ch. vii 60; Matt. ix. 25; Mark v. 41, 42, John xi. 43.

[b] ch. vii. 56; Rev. xix. 11.

[c] John xi. 45; xii. 11.

[d] ch. x. 6.

[e] ver. 30; ch. xi. 13.

[f] Lev. xi. 4; xx. 25; Deut. xiv. 3, 7; Ezek. iv. 14

[g] ver 28; Matt xv. 11; Rom. xiv. 14, 17, 20; 1 Cor. x. 25; 1 Tim. iv. 4; Titus i. 15.

[h] vs. 22, 35; ch. viii. 2; xxii. 12.

[i] ch. xi. 12.

[j] ch. ix. 43; xi 14.

[k] ver. 30; ch. xi. 13.

[l] ch. xv. 7.

[m] vs 1, 2, &c.; ch xxii 12.

[n] ver. 45; ch. xi. 12.

for Tarshish, and here Peter lodged when he raised Dorcas to life, and when he was sent for by Cornelius. Joppa stands on a rocky hill of an oblong shape, and the houses and streets rise upon it in tiers, presenting an imposing and picturesque appearance. The market is well supplied, but travellers differ considerably as to the cleanliness and comfort of the town, the condition of which seems to vary with the season. Joppa has been often sacked and destroyed; at present it is a walled town, containing four or five thousand inhabitants, one-fourth of whom may profess the Christian religion.

Tabitha is the Aramaic form, and Dorcas the Greek form of the name.

43. "Simon a tanner"—the fact that Peter took up his abode with him shows that Jewish practices were already disregarded by him.

CHAPTER X.

It may be that Peter was in no uncertainty as to the fact that the Gentiles were to be received into the Christian Church, but only whether they could be admitted without being circumcised, and taking upon themselves the obligation of the law. On this he stood in need of further instruction.

1. "A centurion of the band:"—an officer commanding the sixth part of a cohort. The Italian band was the cohort levied in Italy, and not in Syria.

2. "A devout man:"—by what influence he had been induced to abandon idolatry, and become a worshipper of the true God, we are not told, or whether he had become a proselyte of the gate. Still, the testimony to his faith and piety is explicit and satisfactory.

3. "The ninth hour:"—as this was one of the Jewish hours of prayer—three in the afternoon—we may infer that Cornelius was a Jewish proselyte.

9. "Upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour:"—this was on the flat roof, which was used for retirement, devotion, and religious celebrations. The hour of prayer was also the hour of the mid-day meal; and hence the fact of Peter being the subject of hunger.

10. "Fell into a trance."—or was in an ecstacy—in such a state of supernatural elevation as to be unconscious of present objects, and of anything external. All that now was present to him was purely internal and mental.

17. "Peter doubted in himself:"—he was not yet able to realise the truth shadowed forth in the vision, that men from all parts of the world were now to be received into the kingdom of God, without reference to the law, and were to be regarded as possessed of equal moral purity with the Jew himself.

23. "Called he them in, and lodged them:"—Gentiles as these messengers were, he takes them under the same roof, and, it may be, gave them a place at the same table with himself.

him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped *him*.

26 But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man.[a]

27 And as he talked with him, he went in, and found many that were come together.

28 And he said unto them, Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing for a man that is a Jew to keep company, or come unto one of another nation; but God hath shewed me that I should not call any man common or unclean.[b]

29 Therefore came I *unto you* without gainsaying, as soon as I was sent for: I ask therefore for what intent ye have sent for me?

30 And Cornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,[c]

31 And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God.[d]

32 Send therefore to Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is Peter; he is lodged in the house of *one* Simon a tanner by the sea side: who, when he cometh, shall speak unto thee.

33 Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come. Now therefore are we all here present before God, to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

34 ¶ Then Peter opened *his* mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:[e]

35 But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.[f]

36 The word which *God* sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:)[g]

37 That word, *I say*, ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached;

38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.[h]

39 And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree:[i]

ANNO DOMINI 41.

f ch. ii. 24.

a ch. xiv. 14, 15; Rev. xix. 10; xxii. 9.

k ch xiii. 31; Luke xxiv. 30, 43; John xiv. 17, 22; xxi. 13.

l ch. i. 8; xvii. 31; Matt xxviii 19, 20; John v 22, 27, Rom xiv 9, 10; 2 Cor. v 10, 2 Tim. iv. 1; 1 Peter iv. 5.

b ch. xi. 3; xv. 8, 9; John iv. 9; xviii 28; Eph. iii. 6; Gal. ii 12, 14.

m ch. xv. 9; xxvi. 18, 22, Isa. liii. 11, Jer xxxi. 34; Dan ix. 24; Micah vii 18; Zech xiii. 1; Mal. iv. 2; Rom x. 11; Gal. iii. 22

n ch. iv. 31; viii. 15—17; xi. 15.

o ver 23; ch. xi. 18; Gal. iii. 14.

c ch i. 10; Matt xxviii. 3; Mark xvi. 5; Luke xxiv. 4.

d ver. 4, &c.; Dan. x. 12; Heb. vi. 10.

p ch. xi. 17; xv. 8, 9; Rom. x. 12.

q ch. ii 38; viii. 16; 1 Cor. i. 17.

e Deut. x. 17; 2 Chron. xix. 7; Job xxxiv. 19; Rom. ii. 11; Gal. ii. 6; Eph. vi. 9; Col. iii. 25; 1 Peter i. 17.

f ch. xv. 9; Rom. ii. 13, 27; iii 22, 29; x. 12, 13, 1 Cor xii 13; Gal. iii 28, Eph. ii. 13, 18, iii. 6.

g Isa lvii 19, Matt. xxviii. 18; Rom x 12, 1 Cor xv 27, Eph i 20, 22; ii 14, 16, 17; Col. i. 20, 1 Peter iii. 22, Rev. xvii. 14, xix. 16.

r ch. x 45; Gal. ii. 12.

s ch x 28; Gal. ii. 12

t Luke i. 3.

h ch ii 22, iv 27; Luke iv. 18, Heb. i 9; John iii. 2.

i ch. ii 32; v. 30.

u ch x 9, &c

40 Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;[j]

41 Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, *even* to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead.[k]

42 And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God *to be* the Judge of quick and dead.[l]

43 To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.[m]

44 ¶ While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.[n]

45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.[o]

46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,

47 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?[p]

48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.[q]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Peter, being accused for going in to the Gentiles, 5 maketh his defence, 18 which is accepted.* 19 *The gospel being spread into Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, Barnabas is sent to confirm them.* 26 *The disciples there are first called Christians.* 27 *They send relief to the brethren in Judæa in time of famine.*

AND the apostles and brethren that were in Judæa heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God.

2 And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision contended with him,[r]

3 Saying, Thou wentest in to men uncircumcised, and didst eat with them.[s]

4 But Peter rehearsed *the matter* from the beginning, and expounded *it* by order unto them, saying,[t]

5 I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, A certain vessel descend, as it had been a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came even to me:[u]

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24. "His kinsmen and near friends;"—who, in all probability, were, like himself, worshippers of the true God, and were solicitous to hear what the servant of God might have to say to them in connection with Cornelius.

28. "Ye know . . . but God hath showed:"—this rendering destroys the beauty and the force of this passage. The Apostle's idea is this:—Ye Gentiles know full well that we Jews keep ourselves, as a general rule, separate from the uncircumcised heathen; and to me God hath shewed that I should not henceforth call the heathen common or unclean. We all, therefore, occupy one ground before him.

35. "He that feareth him:"—the Apostle does not mean to say that merely on the standing of unaided human nature—that is, apart from the mediation and the grace of Christ—it is possible to gain the favour of God. The fear and the righteousness of which Cornelius was the subject, being the result of a Divine principle, would, by virtue of the Saviour's merits, lead to the world of perfect light and life.

37. "That word, I say, ye know:"—as Cæsarea was near to Galilee, in which so many of our Lord's disciples dwelt, Cornelius and his friends could not have failed to have heard of the new faith, and what it professed to be, although they had yet no spiritual perception and appreciation of its truths. And this is all that is implied in the words now before us.

It is something worthy of remark in this apostolic address, that the first proposition advanced concerning Jesus Christ should assert his universal dominion—"HE IS LORD OF ALL."

CHAPTER XI.

By the supernatural and miraculous gift of the Spirit, God has now placed the Gentiles on an equality with the believing Jews; in proof of which the Apostle at once proposed that they should be baptised, to denote their incorporation into Christ's holy family. The necessity of this supernatural gift, and the admission of the first fruits of the Gentile world into the Church of Christ, becomes yet more apparent when we reflect upon the effects which the whole transaction produced on the Church at Jerusalem. This is the subject of the present chapter.

1. "That were in Judæa;"—that is, throughout the land of Judea.

3. "To men uncircumcised:"—Peter having returned to Jerusalem, he is called upon to explain his conduct in reference to the course which he had adopted at Cæsarea. We must limit the phrase to those Jewish converts who laid great stress on circumcision, and on that account had no sympathy with the Gentile world.

4. "Expounded it by order;"—that is, he gave them a connected account of all the circumstances, just as they took place, in reference to Cornelius and his friends.

6 Upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and saw fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.

7 And I heard a voice saying unto me, Arise, Peter; slay and eat.

8 But I said, Not so, Lord: for nothing common or unclean hath at any time entered into my mouth.

9 But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, *that* call not thou common.

10 And this was done three times: and all were drawn up again into heaven.

ANNO DOMINI 41.

c ch. ii. 4.

d ch. i. 5; xix. 4; Isa. xliv. 3; Joel ii. 28; iii. 18; Matt. iii. 11; John i. 26, 33.

e ch. x. 47; xv. 8, 9.

f Rom. x. 12, 13, xv. 9, 16.

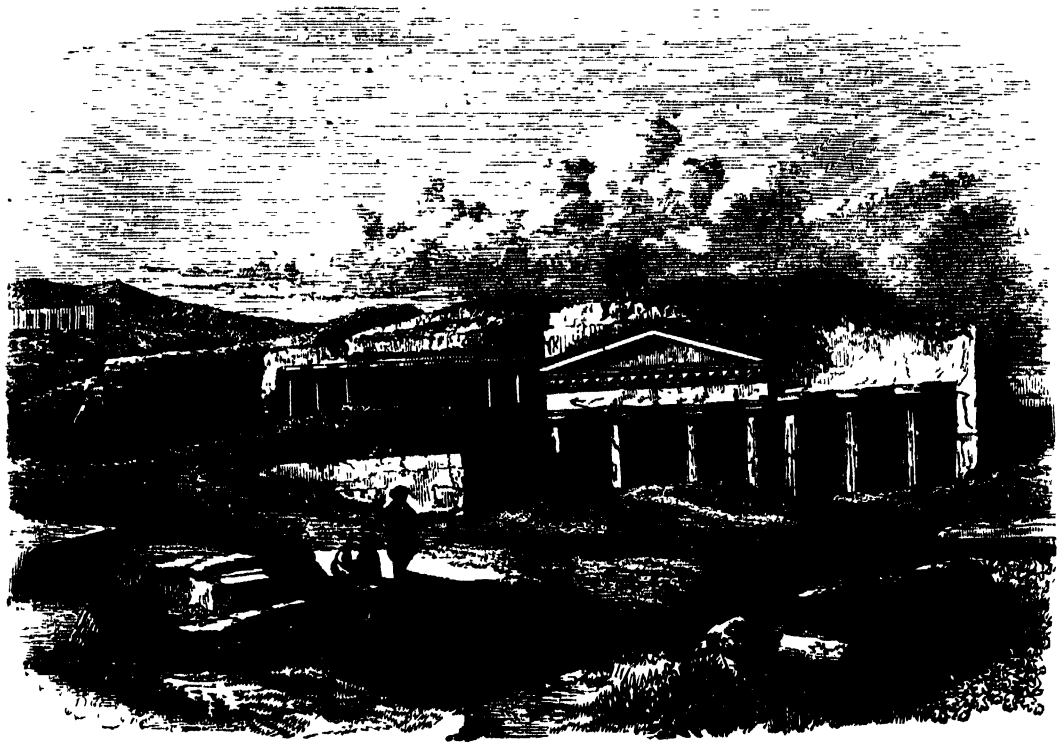
15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning.[c]

16 Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.[d]

17 Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as *he did* unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?[e]

18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.[f]

19 ¶ Now they which were scattered abroad upon



RUINS OF THE NECROPOLIS OF CYRENE.

11 And, behold, immediately there were three men already come unto the house where I was, sent from Cæsarea unto me.

12 And the spirit bade me go with them, nothing doubting. Moreover these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house:[a]

13 And he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter;[b]

14 Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved.

g ch. viii. 1.

a ch. x. 19, 23; xv. 7; John xvi. 13

h ch. vi. 1; ix. 29.

b ch. x. 30

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i ch. ii. 47; ix. 35; Luke i. 16.

the persecution that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to none but unto the Jews only.[g]

20 And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which, when they were come to Antioch, spake unto the Grecians, preaching the Lord Jesus.[h]

21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.[i]

22 ¶ Then tidings of these things came unto the ears of the church which was in Jerusalem: and they

12. "These six brethren accompanied me:"—as they had gone with him to Cæsarea, and had been eye and ear-witnesses of all that had taken place, so they returned with him to Jerusalem, were present now when he was called to defend his conduct, and could therefore either confirm or contradict his statements. His recital once finished, and their conviction is irresistible that it was the Lord's doing, and therefore could not be but marvellous in their sight.

"Entered into the man's house:"—it is somewhat singular that Peter never once names Cornelius in the progress of his address. It may be, as Alford suggests, "because he (Cornelius), his character and person, was absorbed in the category to which he belonged—that of men uncircumcised."

19—21. Here the Evangelist resumes his narrative from chap. viii. 4, and now describes the effect produced by the persecution of the Church, after the death of Stephen, in the wider diffusion of the Gospel. The dispersed followers of the Saviour everywhere became witnesses of his truth.

PHENICE was that sea-coast strip north of Palestine, about 120 miles long, extending from the river Eleutherus to a little south of Tyre, and which at this time belonged to the province of Syria. It is sometimes called the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. CYPRUS was a large island in the Mediterranean, intimately connected by commerce with Phenice. It contained many Jews. ANTIOCH was founded by Seleucus Nicator, who called it after his father, Antiochus. It was situated on the river Orontes, in a large and well-watered plain, about 120 stadia (or furlongs) from the sea. It was a great and populous city, the Asiatic capital of the Roman empire, and is second only to Jerusalem in the history of Christianity and her first missions. CYRENE was a city of Northern Africa, and at one time a populous and important place. It stood in a fair and fruitful plain, some miles away from the Mediterranean Sea, and it was the metropolis of Pentapolis, or Libya Cyrenaica. Its builder lived about 650 B.C., and it had been under Roman rule since 97 B.C. The Jews resorted in great numbers to Cyrene, because



"BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND THOU SHALT BE SAVED, AND THY HOUSE."—ACTS XVI 31.

sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.[a]

23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord.[b]

24 For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.[c]

25 Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul:[d]

26 And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves [1]with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

27 ¶ And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch.[e]

28 And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar.[f]

29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa:[g]

30 Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 42.

a ch. ix. 27.

c ch. ii. 17; xiii. 1; xv. 32; xxi. 9; 1 Cor. xii. 28; Eph. iv. 11.

b ch. xiii. 43; xiv. 22.

c ver. 21; ch. v. 14; vi. 5.

f ch. xxi. 10.

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d ch. ix. 30.

g Rom. xv. 26; 1 Cor. xvi. 1; 2 Cor. ix. 1.

1 Or, *in the church.*

h ch. xii. 25.

the rulers protected and favoured them. Some of these Jews were at Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost. Simon, a Cyrenian, was compelled to carry the cross of our Lord. Stephen disputed with Cyrenian Jews. Cyrenian converts proclaimed the Gospel at Antioch, and one of them, at least, is called a prophet. (See Matt. xxvii. 32; Acts ii. 10; vi. 9; xi. 20; xiii. 1.) At the present day, Cyrene is a scene of desolation, but the ruins have recently been explored by some of our own countrymen, with very successful results. The traveller, Paul Lucas, who visited the place a century and a half since, represents the necropolis and other remains as very extraordinary, and clearly much more extensive than at present. After many changes, Cyrene became a ruin under the Saracen domination.

25. "Departed Barnabas to Tarsus"—Barnabas found that the work at Antioch was more than he could accomplish, and therefore goes to Tarsus, to secure the co-operation of this new and distinguished convert to the faith.

CHAPTER XII.

1 King Herod persecuteth the Christians, killeth James, and imprisoneth Peter; whom an angel deliverath upon the prayers of the church. 20 In his pride taking to himself the honour due to God, he is stricken by an angel, and dieth miserably. 24 After his death, the word of God prospereth.

NOW about that time Herod the king [1]stretched forth *his* hands to vex certain of the church.

2 And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.[a]

3 And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.)[b]

4 And when he had apprehended him, he put *him* in prison, and delivered *him* to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.[c]

5 Peter therefore was kept in prison: but [2]prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.[d]

6 And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the prison.

7 And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon *him*, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from *his* hands.[e]

8 And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.

9 And he went out, and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision.[f]

10 When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him.[g]

11 And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and *from* all the expectation of the people of the Jews.[h]

12 And when he had considered *the thing*, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together praying.[i]

13 And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came [3]to hearken, named Rhoda.

14 And when she knew Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate.

15 And they said unto her, Thou art mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so. Then said they, It is his angel.[j]

16 But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened *the door*, and saw him, they were astonished.

17 But he, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go shew these things unto James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went into another place.[k]

18 Now as soon as it was day, there was no small stir among the soldiers, what was become of Peter.

19 And when Herod had sought for him, and found him not, he examined the keepers, and commanded that *they* should be put to death. And he went down from Judæa to Cæsarea, and *there* abode.

20 ¶ And Herod [4]was highly displeased with them of Tyre and Sidon: but they came with one accord to him, and, having made Blastus [5]the king's chamberlain their friend, desired peace; because their country was nourished by the king's *country*.[l]

21 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them.

22 And the people gave a shout, *saying*, *It is* the voice of a god, and not of a man.

23 And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.[m]

24 ¶ But the word of God grew and multiplied.[n]

25 And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem, when they had fulfilled *their* [6]ministry, and took with them John, whose surname was Mark.[o]

ANNO DOMINI 44.

[h] Job v. 19; Ps. xxxiii. 15, 19; xxxiv. 7, 22; xli. 2; xcvii. 10, Dan. iii. 28; vi. 22; 2 Cor. i. 10; 2 Peter ii. 9; Heb. i. 14.

1 Or, *began.*

[i] ver. 5; ch. iv. 23; xv. 37.

3 Or, *to ask who was there.*

[a] Matt. iv. 21; xx. 23.

[j] Gen. xlviii. 16; Matt. xviii. 10.

[b] Exod. xii. 14, 15; xxiii. 15.

[c] John xxi. 18.

2 Or, *instant and earnest prayer was made.*

[k] ch. xiii. 16; xix. 33; xxi. 40.

[d] 2 Cor. i. 11; Eph. vi. 18; 1 Thess. v. 17.

4 Or, *bare an hostile mind, intending war.*

[e] ch. v. 19.

5 Gr. *that was over the king's bedchamber.*

[l] 1 Kings v. 9, 11; Ezek. xxvii. 17.

[f] ch x. 3, 17; xi. 5; Ps. cxxvi. 1.

[m] 1 Sam. xxv. 38; 2 Sam xxiv. 17; Ps. cxv 1.

[n] ch. vi. 7; xix. 20; Isa. lv. 11; Col. i. 6.

[g] ch. xvi 26.

6 Or, *charge*, ch. xi. 29, 30.

[o] ver 12; ch. xiii. 5, 13; xv. 37.

CHAPTER XII.

These are the words of Baumgarten:—"The universal importance of the rise of the Church in the Gentile city of Antioch is exhibited still more distinctly by the fact that about the same time the hostility to the Gospel which prevailed in Jerusalem became still more bitter. Nothing could well be added to the intensity of hatred which, in the preceding narrative, had already risen to the height of deadly animosity to the disciples of Jesus; but still the power and the authority which this enmity hitherto could command were extremely limited. But now all that up to this time had been wanting to the malice of the Jews against the Christians—the power to carry its resolves into execution—was furnished to it; and, in fact, we hereafter see it succeeding in Jerusalem to the full extent of its malignity."

1. "Herod the king:"—this was Herod Agrippa, grandson of Herod the Great, to whom, for some important services which he had rendered to the Empire, Claudius gave Samaria and Judæa, so that he now ruled all the kingdom of his grandfather, Herod the Great.

4. "Four quaternions of soldiers:"—the Romans divided the night into four watches, and each watch was committed to four soldiers, to two of whom the prisoner was chained, while the other two kept watch before the doors of the prison.

"After Easter:"—for Herod, who was a rigid observer of the Jewish rites, would not execute a prisoner during the feast. But that over, it was his intention to bring him out and pass sentence upon him in the audience, and even in the sight of the people.

12. "John, whose surname was Mark:"—supposed to be one and the same with Mark the Evangelist, whose mother, Mary, was aunt to Barnabas (Col. iv. 10).

17. "Unto James:"—whether this was James the brother of our Lord, or James the son of Alphæus, is disputed.

20. "Nourished by the king's country:"—some quarrel had arisen on commercial grounds between Herod and the parties here named, and in his royal displeasure he even threatened to break off all commerce with them for the future. This would have deprived them of corn and other articles so necessary for their subsistence and comfort: and therefore they employed his own chamberlain, a Roman, to intercede for them. Herod replied in person; but the man usurped the place of God, by allowing language to be addressed to himself which belongs alone to God, and hence the judgment which was inflicted on him. To be eaten up of worms is mentioned by more than one writer as the termination of the Divine judgment.

25. "Had fulfilled their ministry;"—that is, of conveying to the elders, or presbyters, or bishops of the Church at Jerusalem, the bounty of the Church at Antioch for the relief of the suffering saints.—See chap. xi. 30.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 Paul and Barnabas are chosen to go to the Gentiles. 7 Of Sergius Paulus, and Elymas the sorcerer. 14 Paul preacheth at Antioch, that Jesus is Christ. 42 The Gentiles believe: 45 but the Jews gainsay and blaspheme: 46 whereupon they turn to the Gentiles. 48 As many as were ordained to life believed.

NOW there were in the church that was at Antioch certain prophets and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, [1]which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul.[a]

2 As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.[b]

3 And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid *their* hands on them, they sent *them* away.[c]

4 ¶ So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed unto Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to Cyprus.[d]

5 And when they were at Salamis, they preached the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews: and they had also John to *their* minister.[e]

6 And when they had gone through the isle unto Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew, whose name *was* Bar-jesus:[f]

7 Which was with the deputy of the country, Sergius Paulus, a prudent man; who called for Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word of God.

8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for so is his name by interpretation) withstood them, seeking to turn away the deputy from the faith.[g]

9 Then Saul, (who also *is called* Paul,) filled with the Holy Ghost, set his eyes on him,[h]

10 And said, O full of all subtilty and all mischief, *thou* child of the devil, *thou* enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord?[i]

11 And now, behold, the hand of the Lord *is* upon thee, and thou shalt be blind, not seeing the sun for a season. And immediately there fell on him a mist and a darkness; and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.[j]

12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

13 Now when Paul and his company loosed from Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and John departing from them returned to Jerusalem.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 45.

1 ch. xvi. 18; xvii. 2; xviii. 4.

m ver. 27; Luke iv. 16; Heb. xiii. 22.

n vs. 26, 42, 43; ch. x. 35; xii. 17.

1 Or, *Herod's foster-brother.*

a ch. xi. 22—27; xiv. 26; xv. 35; Rom. xvi. 21.

o ch. vii. 17; Exod. i. 1; vi. 6; xiii. 14, 16; Deut. vii. 6, 7; Ps. cv. 23, 24.

2 Gr. ἐτροποφόρησεν, perhaps for ἐτροφοφόρησεν, *bore, or, fed them, as a nurse beareth,* or, *feedeth her child,* Deut i. 31; according to the LXX.; and so Chrysostom.

p ch. vii. 36; Exod. xvi. 35; Numb. xiv. 33, 34; Ps. xcv. 9, 10.

b ch. ix. 15; xiv. 26; xxii. 21; Numb. viii. 14; Matt. ix. 38; Rom. i. 1; x. 15; Gal. i. 15; ii. 9; Eph. iii. 7, 8; 1 Tim. ii. 7; 2 Tim. i. 11; Heb. v. 4.

c ch. vi. 6.

q Deut. vii. 1; Josh. xiv. 1, 2; Ps. lxxviii. 55.

d ch. iv. 36.

r Judg. ii 16; 1 Sam. iii. 20.

e ver. 46; ch xii. 25; xv 37.

s 1 Sam. viii. 5; x. 1.

f ch. viii. 9.

t ch. vii. 46; 1 Sam. xiii. 14; xv. 23, 26, 28; xvi. 1, 13; 2 Sam. ii. 4; v. 3; Ps. lxxxix. 20.

u ch. ii. 30; 2 Sam. vii. 12; Ps. cxxxii. 11; Isa. xi. 1; Matt. i 21; Luke i. 32, 69; Rom. i. 3; xi. 26.

g Exod. vii. 11; 2 Tim. iii. 8.

v Matt. iii. 1; Luke iii. 3.

h ch. iv. 8.

w Matt. iii 11; Mark i 7; Luke iii. 16; John i. 20, 27.

i Matt. xiii. 38; John viii. 44; 1 John iii. 8

x ver. 46; ch. iii. 26; Matt. x. 6; Luke xxiv. 47.

j Exod. ix 3; 1 Sam. v. 6.

y vs. 14, 15; ch. iii. 17; xv. 21; xxvi. 22; xxviii. 23; Luke xxiii. 34, xxiv. 20, 44; 1 Cor. ii. 8.

z ch. iii. 13, 14; Matt. xxvii. 22; Mark xv 13, 14; Luke xxiii 21, 22; John xix. 6, 15.

k ch. xv. 38.

a Matt. xxvii. 59; Mark xv. 46; Luke xviii. 31; xxiii. 53; xxiv. 44; John xix. 28, 30, 36—38.

14 ¶ But when they departed from Perga, they came to Antioch in Pisidia, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and sat down.[l]

15 And after the reading of the law and the prophets the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying, *Ye* men *and* brethren, if ye have any word of exhortation for the people, say on.[m]

16 Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with *his* hand said, Men of Israel, and ye that fear God, give audience.[n]

17 The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with an high arm brought he them out of it.[o]

18 And about the time of forty years [2]suffered he their manners in the wilderness.[p]

19 And when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan, he divided the land to them by lot.[q]

20 And after that he gave *unto them* judges about the space of four hundred and fifty years, until Samuel the prophet.[r]

21 And afterward they desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years.[s]

22 And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also he gave testimony, and said, I have found David the *son* of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.[t]

23 Of this man's seed hath God according to *his* promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus:[u]

24 When John had first preached before his coming the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel.[v]

25 And as John fulfilled his course, he said, Whom think ye that I am? I am not *he.* But, behold, there cometh one after me, whose shoes of *his* feet I am not worthy to loose.[w]

26 Men *and* brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent.[x]

27 For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath day, they have fulfilled *them* in condemning *him.*[y]

28 And though they found no cause of death *in him,* yet desired they Pilate that he should be slain.[z]

29 And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took *him* down from the tree, and laid *him* in a sepulchre.[a]

CHAPTER XIII.

2. "Separate me:"—an incontrovertible proof of the personality and Godhead of the Holy Spirit.

4. "Seleucia:"—a strong, fortified city of Syria, on the shores of the Mediterranean, some fifteen miles west of Antioch, and about five miles from the mouth of the Orontes.

5. "John to their minister;"—that is, John Mark, in whose mother's house the disciples were assembled when Peter, on his release from prison, to their surprise, made his appearance.

6. "Had gone through the isle unto Paphos;"—that is, from its eastern to its western extremity, where stood Paphos, the capital of the whole island, and the residence of the Roman proconsul, and representative of the great imperial power of the world. A Jew, of the name of Bar-jesus, who, in connection with his vocation as a professed teacher, practised sorcery, being in the service of Sergius Paulus, the proconsul, endeavoured to destroy the impression which the truth, as uttered by Paul and Barnabas, had produced on the mind of the Roman representative. In attestation of their Divine mission, the Apostle put forth his miraculous power, which owned no source but God, and struck blind the man. The miracle reassured the deputy that Paul and Barnabas held their commission from heaven, and he held fast the truth which he had received. Opposition to the truth is frequently overruled, and made to promote the glory of God.

That this sorcerer had not the prophetic spirit, and could not foretell the future, is clear by Luke speaking of him as "a false prophet," and from the fact that the Apostle calls him a "child of the devil."

It is to be remarked that it is in connection with the conversion of Sergius that Saul first took the Roman name of PAUL. This he may have done from the fact of looking upon that conversion as truly significant of the whole of

30 But God raised him from the dead :[a]

31 And he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people.[b]

32 And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers,[c]

33 God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again ; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.[d]

34 And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, *now* no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure [1]mercies of David.[e]

35 Wherefore he saith also in another *psalm*, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.[f]

36 For David, [2]after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption :[g]

37 But he, whom God raised again, saw no corruption.

38 ¶ Be it known unto you therefore, men *and* brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins :[h]

39 And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.[i]

40 Beware therefore, lest that come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets ;[j]

41 Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish : for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.

42 And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue, the Gentiles besought that these words might be preached to them [3]the next sabbath.

43 Now when the congregation was broken up, many of the Jews and religious proselytes followed Paul and Barnabas : who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God.[k]

44 ¶ And the next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God.

45 But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.[l]

46 Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you : but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles.[m]

47 For so hath the Lord commanded us, *saying*, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.[n]

48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord : and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.[o]

49 And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.

50 But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women, and the chief men of the city, and raised persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their coasts.[p]

51 But they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came unto Iconium.[q]

52 And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost.[r]

ANNO DOMINI 45.

a ch. ii. 24; iii. 13, 15, 26, v. 30; Matt. xxviii. 6.

3 Gr. *in the week between*, or, *in the sabbath between.*

b ch. i. 3, 8, 11; ii. 32; iii. 15, v 32; Matt. xxviii. 16; 1 Cor. xv. 5-7.

c ch. xxvi. 6; Gen. iii. 15; xii. 3; xxii. 18; Rom. iv. 13; Gal. iii. 16.

k ch xi. 23; xiv. 22; Titus ii. 11; Heb xii. 15; 1 Peter v. 12.

d Ps. ii. 7; Heb. i. 5; v 5.

l ch xviii 6; 1 Peter iv. 4; Jude 10.

1 Gr. τὰ ὅσια, *holy*, or, *just things* which word the LXX., both in the place of Isa. lv 3, and in many others, use for that which is in the Hebrew, *mercies.*

e Isa. lv 3.

f ch ii. 31; Ps. xvi. 10.

2 Or, *after he had in his own age served the will of God*, ver 22; Ps. lxxviii. 72.

m ver 26; ch iii 26; xviii 6; xxviii. 23, Exod. xxxii 10, Deut. xxxii 21; Isa. lv 5, Matt x 6, xxi 43; Rom i 16, x. 19

g ch. ii 29, 1 Kings ii 10

n Isa xlii. 6; xlix 6, Luke ii 32

h Jer xxxi. 34, Dan ix 24, Luke xxiv. 47, 1 John ii. 12.

o ch. ii 47.

i Isa liii 11; Rom. iii. 28, viii. 3; Heb. vii. 19.

j Isa. xxix. 14; Hab i. 5.

p 2 Tim. iii. 11.

q ch. xviii. 6; Matt. x 14; Mark vi. 11; Luke ix. 5.

r ch. ii. 46; Matt. v. 12; John xvi 22.

his future labours: it at once designated his own new character, and his divinely-appointed destination for the Roman Gentile world.

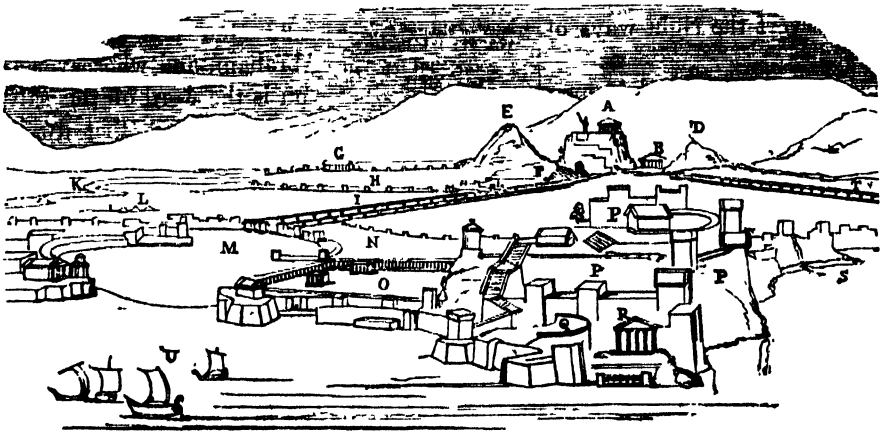
14 "Antioch in Pisidia "—they now went inland from Perga. The Antioch to which they now came is to be distinguished from Antioch in Syria, from which they originally set out. This was the capital of the province of Pisidia, in Asia Minor. Pisidia lay north of Pamphylia The reason why the Apostles took this direction may have been that in this city there was a large community of Jews, and therefore presenting a very inviting field of labour; for though his mission was to the Gentiles, he never failed, whithersoever he went, to put himself first in contact with his own nation and people. It was the first city in which the preaching of Paul and Barnabas led to the formation of a Christian Church; and hence it is that the narrator here enters so fully on the doings of both of these illustrious ambassadors of Christ.

15. "Reading of the law and the prophets :"—in the synagogue the writings of Moses were so divided and arranged, as to be read through on the Sabbaths at least once every year. The reading of the prophets was introduced at a later period, and afterwards retained. To each synagogue there was a head or ruler, but here there seems to have been a plurality of elders or rulers. Any Jew might address the assembly on or from the lesson of the day. The address of Paul on the present occasion is truly characteristic of the man and the Christian—the teacher and the Apostle.

33. "In the second Psalm :"—these words have been generally applied to the Saviour's incarnation; but here the Apostle gives them their true application, since the fact of Christ's sonship depended on his resurrection from the dead, as did also the fulfilment of God's promises to the faithful; and hence the application of the words addressed to the Church, "I will give you the sure mercies of David."

39. "Could not be justified by the law of Moses :"—the law was "only a shadow of good things to come;" it made nothing perfect—it could not; and hence it was only as the mind and the faith reached forth to the promised Redeemer, that any moral or spiritual good was realised. But the Saviour, by his perfect obedience, became the end of the law for righteousness unto every one that believeth, and thus insured for the believer what it was not and is not in the nature of law to hold out.

51. "Came unto Iconium :"—this was a populous city east of Antioch in Pisidia, near the foot of Mount Taurus. The Apostle deemed it necessary to continue for some time in this city, confiding in the protecting hand of God. It was at this time the capital of Lycaonia. It is now called Conia or Cogni, and has a population of some 15,000.



KEY TO VIEW OF ATHENS RESTORED.

A The Acropolis or Citadel of Athens, on which stood the Parthenon, or Temple of Minerva, the Temples of Erectheus and Cecrops, and the Pandrosium, and the colossal statue of Minerva, or Athene-Promachus.
B The Temple of Jupiter Olympius.
C The Mountains of Hymettus and Pentelicus: the first noted for its honey, the second for its marble.
D The Hill of the Museum, with the Monument of Philopappus.
E Mount Anchesmus.
F The Areopagus, or the Hill of Mars.
G Temple of Theseus.
H The Astu, or City of Athens.
I The long walls uniting the city with the port of Piræus.
K The river Cephissus.
L The Necropolis.
M The port or harbour of the Piræus, defended by a chain stretched across the entrance.
N The Town of Piræus
O The Agora, or Market Place.
P P P The Fortress of Munichia.
Q Theatre.
R Temple of Neptune.
S Bay of Phalerum.
T The Phaleric Walls.
U Greek Armed Ships.



ANCIENT ATHENS AND ITS PORTS RESTORED.

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Paul and Barnabas are persecuted from Iconium.* 8 *At Lystra Paul healeth a cripple, whereupon they are reputed as gods.* 19 *Paul is stoned.* 21 *They pass through divers churches, confirming the disciples in faith and patience.* 26 *Returning to Antioch, they report what God had done with them.*

AND it came to pass in Iconium, that they went both together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spake, that a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed.

2 But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and made their minds evil affected against the brethren.

3 Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.[a]

ANNO DOMINI 45.

[a] Mark xvi. 20, Heb ii. 4.

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4 But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held with the Jews, and part with the apostles.[b]

[b] ch. xiii. 3.

5 And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles, and also of the Jews with their rulers, to use *them* despitefully, and to stone them,[c]

[c] 2 Tim. iii. 11.

6 They were ware of *it*, and fled unto Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the region that lieth round about:[d]

[d] Matt. x. 23.

7 And there they preached the gospel.

8 ¶ And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:[e]

[e] ch. iii. 2.

9 The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly be-

CHAPTER XIV.

The recital of Paul's labours at Antioch, with their saving results, and of the persecution to which he was subjected on the part of his own Jewish brethren, furnishes a key to the whole of his future apostolic labours; and therefore the sacred historian passes quickly over the ground, ever opening before us a new scene, but in each scene exhibiting on the one hand the same Divine and redeeming energy, and on the other the same deep-rooted human opposition.

holding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,[a]

10 Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.[b]

11 And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.[c]

12 And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker.

13 Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people.[d]

14 *Which* when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard *of*, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,[e]

15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:[f]

16 Who in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own ways.[g]

17 Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.[h]

18 And with these sayings scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done sacrifice unto them.

19 ¶ And there came thither *certain* Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and, having stoned Paul, drew *him* out of the city, supposing he had been dead.[i]

20 Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

21 And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and [1]had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and *to* Iconium, and Antioch,[j]

22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, *and* exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.[k]

23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.[l]

24 And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

ANNO DOMINI 46.

a Matt. viii. 10; ix. 28, 29.

b Isa. xxxv. 6.

m ch. xiii. 1, 3; xv. 40.

c ch. viii. 10; xxviii. 6.

n ch. xv. 4, 12; xxi. 19; 1 Cor. xvi. 9; 2 Cor. ii. 12; Col. iv. 3; Rev. iii. 8.

d Dan. ii. 46.

e Matt. xxvi. 65.

[A.D. 51.

o ver. 5; Gen. xvii. 10; Lev. xii. 3; John vii. 22; Gal. ii 12; v. 2; Philipp. iii. 2; Col. ii. 8, 11, 16.

f ch. x. 26; Gen. i. 1; 1 Sam. xii. 21; 1 Kings xvi. 13; Ps. xxxiii. 6; cxlvi. 6; Jer. xiv. 22; Amos ii. 4; 1 Cor. viii. 4; 1 Thess. i. 9; James v. 17; Rev. xiv. 7; xix. 10.

g ch. xvii. 30; Ps. lxxxi. 12; 1 Peter iv. 3.

[A.D. 52.

h ch. xvii. 27; Lev. xxvi. 4; Deut. xi. 14; xxviii. 12; Job v. 10; Ps. lxv. 10; lxviii. 9; cxlvii. 8; Jer. xiv. 22; Matt. v. 45; Rom. i. 20.

p Gal. ii. 1.

q ch. xiv. 27; Rom. xv. 24; 1 Cor. xvi. 6, 11.

i ch. xiii. 45; 2 Cor. xi. 25; 2 Tim. iii. 11.

r ver. 12; ch. xiv. 27; xxi. 19.

2 Or, *rose up, said they, certain.*

1 Gr. *had made many disciples.*

s ver. 1.

j Matt. xxviii. 19.

k ch. xi. 23; xiii. 43; Matt. x. 38; xvi. 24; Luke xxii. 28, 29; Rom viii 17; 2 Tim. ii 11, 12, iii. 12.

t ch. x. 20; xi 12.

l Titus i. 5

u ch i. 24; x. 44; 1 Chron. xxviii. 9.

25 And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:

26 And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which they fulfilled.[m]

27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.[n]

28 And there they abode long time with the disciples.

CHAPTER XV.

1 *Great dissension ariseth touching circumcision.* 6 *The apostles consult about it,* 22 *and send their determination by letters to the churches.* 36 *Paul and Barnabas, thinking to visit the brethren together, fall at strife, and depart asunder.*

AND certain men which came down from Judæa taught the brethren, *and said,* Except ye be circumcised after the manner of Moses, ye cannot be saved.[o]

2 When therefore Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and disputation with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas, and certain other of them, should go up to Jerusalem unto the apostles and elders about this question.[p]

3 And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.[q]

4 And when they were come to Jerusalem, they were received of the church, and *of* the apostles and elders, and they declared all things that God had done with them.[r]

5 But there [2]rose up certain of the sect of the Pharisees which believed, saying, That it was needful to circumcise them, and to command *them* to keep the law of Moses.[s]

6 ¶ And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter.

7 And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men *and* brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.[t]

8 And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as *he did* unto us;[u]

1. "Also of the Greeks:"—the fact of their being present in the synagogue seems to imply that they had some predilection for the Jewish worship and religion.

3. "Gave testimony unto the word."—this refers not to the signs and wonders done by the hands of the Apostles, but to the positively moral and spiritual effect produced on the heart and life of those who believed the truth—an effect which could be resolved only into the power of God.

6. "Lystra and Derbe."—these towns lay south and south-east of Iconium, but their sites are very uncertain.

8. "Sat at Lystra;"—that is, plainly, in some place of public resort, or near to it.

11 "The speech of Lycaonia:"—their language or dialect is supposed to have been the old Assyrian, or a corruption of the Greek, but it is impossible to determine.

19. "Supposing he had been dead."—if struck with a stone, he might be so stunned as to become unconscious, and present the appearance of one dead.

26. "Thence sailed to Antioch;"—that is, to Antioch in Syria, where they met the Church in solemn assembly, and related to them their grand missionary tour.

CHAPTER XV.

"The first Church of the Gentiles arose in Antioch; but no Apostle was present or took part in forming it. Its very institution cannot record the name of its author. And it is from this community that the mission is sent forth to the Gentiles without any intervention of Apostles, or even of the Church at Jerusalem."

1. "Certain men which came down from Judæa:"—they professed to have embraced the Christian faith, for they were members of the Church at Jerusalem; but such was the strength of their former prejudices, and so unyielding were they in their Jewish tendencies, that they insisted on the necessity, in every instance, of conformity to the law of Moses. Paul was in direct antagonism with them, and hence his disputation with them, which resulted in the Church at Antioch deputing Paul and Barnabas to go to Jerusalem and confer with the Apostles and presbyters.

3. "Through Phenice and Samaria:"—for the introduction of Christianity

9 And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.[a]

10 Now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a yoke upon the neck of the disciples, which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?[b]

11 But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.[c]

12 ¶ Then all the multitude kept silence, and gave audience to Barnabas and Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.[d]

13 ¶ And after they had held their peace, James answered, saying, Men *and* brethren, hearken unto me:[e]

14 Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name.[f]

15 And to this agree the words of the prophets; as it is written,

16 After this I will return, and will build again the tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:[g]

17 That the residue of men might seek after the Lord, and all the Gentiles, upon whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth all these things.

18 Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.

19 Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them, which from among the Gentiles are turned to God:[h]

20 But that we write unto them, that they abstain from pollutions of idols, and *from* fornication, and *from* things strangled, and *from* blood.[i]

21 For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath day.[j]

22 Then pleased it the apostles and elders, with the whole church, to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; *namely*, Judas surnamed Barsabas, and Silas, chief men among the brethren:[k]

23 And they wrote *letters* by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren *send* greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia:

24 Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have troubled you with words, subverting your souls, saying, *Ye must* be circumcised, and keep the law: to whom we gave no *such* commandment:[l]

25 It seemed good unto us, being assembled with one accord, to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,

26 Men that have hazarded their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.[m]

27 We have sent therefore Judas and Silas, who shall also tell *you* the same things by [1]mouth.

28 For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things;

29 That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication: from which if ye keep yourselves, ye shall do well. Fare ye well.[n]

30 So when they were dismissed, they came to Antioch: and when they had gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle:

31 *Which* when they had read, they rejoiced for the [2]consolation.

32 And Judas and Silas, being prophets also themselves, exhorted the brethren with many words, and confirmed *them*.[o]

33 And after they had tarried *there* a space, they were let go in peace from the brethren unto the apostles.[p]

34 Notwithstanding it pleased Silas to abide there still.

35 Paul also and Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.[q]

36 ¶ And some days after Paul said unto Barnabas, Let us go again and visit our brethren in every city where we have preached the word of the Lord, *and see* how they do.[r]

37 And Barnabas determined to take with them John, whose surname was Mark.[s]

38 But Paul thought not good to take him with them, who departed from them from Pamphylia, and went not with them to the work.[t]

39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus;

40 And Paul chose Silas, and departed, being recommended by the brethren unto the grace of God.[u]

41 And he went through Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches.[v]

ANNO DOMINI 52.

[a] ch. x. 15, 28, 43; Rom. x. 11; 1 Cor. i. 2; 1 Peter i. 22.

[l] ver. 1; Gal. ii. 4; v. 12; Titus i. 10, 11.

[b] Matt. xxiii. 4; Gal. v. 1.

[c] Rom. iii. 24; Eph. ii. 8; Titus ii. 11; iii. 4, 5.

[m] ch. xiii. 50; xiv. 19; 1 Cor. xv. 30; 2 Cor. xi. 23, 26.

1 Gr. *word.*

[d] ch. xiv. 27.

[e] ch. xii. 17.

[n] ver. 20; ch. xxi. 25, Lev. xvii. 14; Rev. ii. 14, 20.

[f] ver. 7.

2 Or, *exhortation.*

[g] Amos ix. 11, 12.

[o] ch. xiv. 22; xviii. 23.

[p] 1 Cor. xvi. 11; Heb. xi. 31.

[h] ver. 28; 1 Thess. i. 9

[q] ch. xiii. 1.

[A D. 53.

[i] Gen. ix. 4; xxxv. 2; Exod. xx. 3, 23, Lev. iii. 17, Deut. xii. 16, 23; Ezek. xx. 30; 1 Cor. vi. 9, 18; viii. 1; x. 20, 28; Gal. v. 19; Eph. v. 3; Col. iii. 5; 1 Thess. iv. 3, 1 Peter iv. 3; Rev. ii. 14, 20.

[r] ch. xiii. 4, 13, 14, 51, xiv. 1, 6, 24, 25.

[j] ch. xiii. 15, 27.

[s] ch. xii. 12, 25, xiii 5, Col. iv. 10, 2 Tim. iv. 11; Phil. 24

[t] ch. xiii. 13.

[k] ch. i. 23.

[u] ch. xiv. 26.

[v] ch. xvi. 5.

into these places, and for an account of the places themselves, see chap. viii. 4—25, xi. 19—21.

5. "Certain of the sect of the Pharisees:"—these men did not call in question the mission and ministry of Paul and Barnabas, nor did they doubt the fact that many of the Gentiles had been converted to the Christian faith, of which faith they themselves were professed believers; but they were so attached to the law in its very letter, that they deemed it impossible for a man to be saved independently of fulfilling its requirements.

6. "The apostles and elders came together:"—though these only are named, it is clear from verse 12 that the whole Church was either present or largely represented in this deliberative assembly.

7. "A good while ago:"—eleven years or more had rolled away since the conversion of Cornelius.

16, 17. "I will return:"—this citation is from the prophet Amos. As to the prophecy itself, Alford says that it regards that glorious restitution of the kingdom to (the spiritual) David, which began by the incarnation of the Lord, and shall be perfected by his reign over all nations.

18. "Known unto God:"—his whole procedure presupposes a fixed and definite plan, according to which all events transpire; and those events are inseparable from the salvation of the Church.

20. "Pollutions of idols:"—not the gross and debasing rites of idolatry, but from eating those things which were offered in sacrifice to idols.—See verse 29.

"Things strangled:"—because these retained the blood, and blood in any form was forbidden by the law, as being the life of the creature.

22. "Judas and Silas:"—of this Judas nothing more is known than, as we learn from verse 32, that he was a prophet, or superior teacher, in the primitive Church; although there are those who would make him the brother of Joseph Barsabas, who is named in chap. i. 23. Silas is the Silvanus of Paul's Epistles. He, too, was a prophet, or eminent teacher, and accompanied the great Apostle of the nations in his second missionary journey through Asia Minor to Macedonia; he remained behind in Berea, and joined Paul again at Corinth, where he laboured with him and Timothy.—See chap. xvii. 4, 10, 14; xviii. 5; 1 Thess. i. 1; 2 Thess. i. 1; 2 Cor. i. 19.

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *Paul having circumcised Timothy, 7 and being called by the Spirit from one country to another, 14 converteth Lydia, 16 casteth out a spirit of divination. 19 For which cause he and Silas are whipped and imprisoned. 26 The prison doors are opened. 31 The jailor is converted, 37 and they are delivered.*

THEN came he to Derbe and Lystra: and, behold, a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus, the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father *was* a Greek:[a]

2 Which was well reported of by the brethren that were at Lystra and Iconium.[b]

3 Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and took and circumcised him because of the Jews which were in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.[c]

4 And as they went through the cities, they delivered them the decrees for to keep, that were ordained of the apostles and elders which were at Jerusalem.[d]

5 And so were the churches established in the faith, and increased in number daily.[e]

6 Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia,

7 After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not.

8 And they passing by Mysia came down to Troas.[f]

9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.[g]

10 And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.[h]

11 Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia, and the next *day* to Neapolis;

12 And from thence to Philippi, which is [1]the chief city of that part of Macedonia, *and* a colony: and we were in that city abiding certain days.[i]

13 And on the [2]sabbath we went out of the city by a river side, where prayer was wont to be made; and we sat down, and spake unto the women which resorted *thither.*

14 ¶ And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard *us:* whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul.[j]

15 And when she was baptized, and her houshold, she besought *us,* saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide *there.* And she constrained us.[k]

16 ¶ And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit [3]of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying:[l]

17 The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.

18 And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.[m]

19 ¶ And when her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Silas, and drew *them* into the [4]marketplace unto the rulers,[n]

20 And brought them to the magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city,[o]

21 And teach customs, which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being Romans.

22 And the multitude rose up together against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and commanded to beat *them.*[p]

23 And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast *them* into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely:

24 Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.

25 ¶ And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

26 And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.[q]

27 And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and seeing the prison doors open, he drew out his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing that the prisoners had been fled.

28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, saying, Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.

29 Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and fell down before Paul and Silas,

30 And brought them out, and said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?[r]

31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

32 And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.[s]

ANNO DOMINI 53.

a ch. xix. 3; xxviii. 11; Judg. xix. 21; Luke xxiv. 49; Heb. xiii. 2.

3 Or, *of Python.*

l ch xix. 24; 1 Sam. xxviii. 7.

a ch. xiv 6, xix. 22; Rom. xvi 21; 1 Cor iv 17; Philipp. ii 19; 1 Thess. iii 2, 1 Tim. i. 2; 2 Tim. i. 2, 5.

b ch. vi 3

m Mark i. 25, 34; xvi. 17.

4 Or, *court.*

n ch. xix 25, 26; Matt. x. 18; 2 Cor vi. 5.

c 1 Cor ix. 20; Gal. ii. 3, v. 2.

o ch. xvii. 6; 1 Kings xviii. 17

d ch. xv. 28, 29.

e ch. xv. 41.

p 2 Cor vi 5; xi 23, 25, 1 Thess. ii 2

f 2 Cor. ii 12, 2 Tim. iv. 13.

g ch x 30.

h 2 Cor ii 13

q ch xx 31; v. 19, xxi. 7, 10.

1 Or, *the first.*

i Philipp i 1.

2 Gr *sabbath day.*

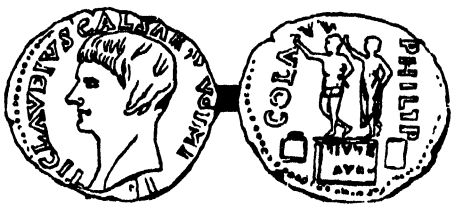
r ch ii 37; ix. 6; Luke iii. 10.

j Luke xxiv. 45

s John iii 16, 36; vi 47, 1 John v. 10.

CHAPTER XVI.

In this and the preceding chapter we have the details of Paul's second missionary tour through Asia Minor to Macedonia and Greece; thence by sea, touching at Ephesus, to Jerusalem, and back again to Antioch. In this fresh enterprise he is not accompanied by Barnabas, his friend and fellow-labourer. A serious difference of opinion sprung up between these two holy and devoted men regarding the conduct of John Mark (who was nephew to Barnabas) during their former journey (chap. xiii. 13; xv. 36—41). Their separation, although the result of human infirmity, led to two missions instead of one. This is the last time in the book of the Acts of the Apostles that mention is made of Barnabas; but we find from the Epistles that Barnabas and Paul, and Mark and Paul, were afterwards reconciled, and became fellow-labourers in the work of evangelising the world.



COIN OF PHILIPPI, IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

4. "The decrees:"—these were embodied in the written judgment delivered in the Council held at Jerusalem, and sent to the Church in Antioch, in reference to the observance of Jewish rites.

6. "In Asia:"—the Asia of the New Testament is always taken for Asia Minor.

12. The course of St. Paul to Philippi is very distinctly indicated. He was at Troas, in Mysia, when he saw the vision recorded in ver. 9. Sailing from Troas, he proceeded in a north-westerly direction



"WHOM THEREFORE YE IGNORANTLY WORSHIP, HIM DECLARE I UNTO YOU."—ACTS XVII. 23.

33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed *their* stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.[a]

35 And when it was day, the magistrates sent the serjeants, saying, Let those men go.

36 And the keeper of the prison told this saying to Paul, The magistrates have sent to let you go: now therefore depart, and go in peace.

ANNO DOMINI 53

b ch. xxii. 25.

a Luke v. 29; xix. 6.

c Matt. viii. 34.

37 But Paul said unto them, They have beaten us openly uncondemned, being Romans, and have cast *us* into prison; and now do they thrust us out privily? nay verily; but let them come themselves and fetch us out.[b]

38 And the serjeants told these words unto the magistrates: and they feared, when they heard that they were Romans.

39 And they came and besought them, and brought *them* out, and desired *them* to depart out of the city.[c]

past the island of Samothracia, and thence to Neapolis, on the coast of Macedonia. He was now in Europe. From Neapolis he went overland to Philippi, an ancient city which owed its name to Philip, the father of Alexander the Great, before whose time it had been called Crenides and Datos. Philippi was an important place, and had been the scene of several great battles. The Roman emperor Augustus had conferred upon it the title and privileges of a colony, and it was the chief city of that part of Macedonia. Among the privileges of a colony was this, that it was governed by the same laws as Rome itself. Paul was well aware of this, and therefore we find him, in verse 37, asserting his privileges as a Roman citizen. To the Christians in this city St. Paul addressed one of his epistles. The church there existed for several centuries; but in the general decline of those parts of the world, Philippi was reduced to ruins. The site is strewed with relics of the former grandeur of the city. The statement of the New Testament, that Philippi was a colony, has been called in question, owing to the small support to be derived for it from other ancient writers. The discovery of the coin figured in the previous page has decided this question, by furnishing undeniable evidence of the minute accuracy of the Biblical narrative. The reverse of the coin bears the letters PHILIP. COLA., which means that the money was that of *Philippi a colony*.

13. "By a river side:"—Philippi had no Jewish synagogue; but Jews and

40 And they went out of the prison, and entered into *the house of* Lydia: and when they had seen the brethren, they comforted them, and departed.[a]

CHAPTER XVII.

1 *Paul preacheth at Thessalonica, 4 where some believe, and others persecute him.* 10 *He is sent to Berea, and preacheth there.* 13 *Being persecuted at Thessalonica,* 15 *he cometh to Athens, and disputeth, and preacheth the living God to them unknown,* 34 *whereby many are converted unto Christ.*

NOW when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia, they came to Thessalonica, where was a synagogue of the Jews:

2 And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures,[b]

3 Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, [1]whom I preach unto you, is Christ.[c]

4 And some of them believed, and consorted with Paul and Silas; and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.[d]

5 ¶ But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people.[e]

6 And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;[f]

7 Whom Jason hath received: and these all do contrary to the decrees of Cæsar, saying that there is another king, *one* Jesus.[g]

8 And they troubled the people and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.

9 And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go.

10 ¶ And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming *thither* went into the synagogue of the Jews.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 53.

a ver. 14.

i Isa. xxxiv. 16; Luke xvi. 29; John v. 39.

j Matt. x. 23.

k ch. xviii 5. [A.D. 54.

b ch. ix. 20; xiii. 5, 14; xiv. 1; xvi. 13; xix. 8; Luke iv. 16.

2 Or, *full of idols.*

l 2 Peter ii. 8.

1 Or, *whom, said he, I preach.*

c ch. xviii. 28; Luke xxiv. 26, 46; Gal. iii. 1.

d ch. xv. 22, 27, 32, 40; xxviii. 24.

3 Or, *base fellow.*

e Rom. xvi. 21.

4 Or, *Mars' hill.* It was the highest court in Athens.

f ch. xvi. 20.

g Luke xxiii 2; John xix. 12; 1 Peter ii. 13.

5 Or, *the court of the Areopagites.*

6 Or, *gods that ye worship,* 2 Thess. ii. 4.

h ver. 14. ch. ix 25.

11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.[i]

12 Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few.

13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was preached of Paul at Berea, they came thither also, and stirred up the people.

14 And then immediately the brethren sent away Paul to go as it were to the sea: but Silas and Timotheus abode there still.[j]

15 And they that conducted Paul brought him unto Athens: and receiving a commandment unto Silas and Timotheus for to come to him with all speed, they departed.[k]

16 ¶ Now while Paul waited for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when he saw the city [2]wholly given to idolatry.[l]

17 Therefore disputed he in the synagogue with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him.

18 Then certain philosophers of the Epicureans, and of the Stoicks, encountered him. And some said, What will this [3]babbler say? other some, He seemeth to be a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.

19 And they took him, and brought him unto [4]Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new doctrine, whereof thou speakest, *is?*

20 For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears: we would know therefore what these things mean.

21 (For all the Athenians and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else, but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.)

22 ¶ Then Paul stood in the midst of [5]Mars' hill, and said, *Ye* men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

23 For as I passed by, and beheld your [6]devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE

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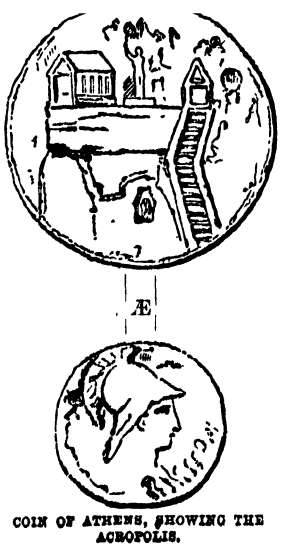
proselytes had their PROSEUCHE, or place of prayer, by a river side. It was held outside of the city for the sake of retirement, and near to a stream of water on account of the various ablutions required by the Mosaic ritual.

14. "A seller of purple:"—the purple dyeing of this neighbourhood had a reputation reaching as far back as the days of Homer; and we are assured that "the guild of dyers" at Thyatira have left inscriptions, still existing, showing the accuracy of the Scripture narrative. "The city of Thyatira" was in the province of Lydia, in Asia Minor.

CHAPTER XVII.

The Apostle having successfully introduced the Gospel into Europe, and having in Philippi reaped the firstfruits of a harvest which inspired his loftiest hopes as to the future of Christianity and the Church, he is now prepared "to follow the impulse given him from without, and to proceed farther in the path of his great vocation."

2. "Paul went in unto them;"—that is, in among the Jews assembled in the synagogue. "Neither the call unto the nations of the isles, which he received in Troas, nor even the ratification thereof which he had gained in Philippi, did or could divert the Apostle from his original course and order of proceeding—of turning first of all to the Jews, and then to the Gentiles;" though he had no reason to believe that the Jews in Thessalonica would treat him otherwise than the Jews at Antioch.



COIN OF ATHENS, SHOWING THE ACROPOLIS.

5. "The house of Jason:"—Jason was a Christian convert, and a zealous friend of the Apostle.

13. Everywhere the Jewish element of opposition was the same.

16. "Waited for them at Athens:"—in Athens the Apostle was in the centre of Grecian science and art, and he brought into immediate contact with Grecian society an element of life infinitely transcending their highest imaginations. The coin of Athens, represented in the cut, bears upon its reverse a representation of the Acropolis of Athens, with the ascent to it by steps. Upon the summit of the hill stands the temple of Minerva, and a colossal statue of Minerva, which looks towards the west. The reason for the prominence given to Minerva at Athens accounts for the position of her temple and statue. She was the popular deity of the city, and, indeed, the very name of *Athens* is but a slight alteration of the Greek name for Minerva, which was *Athené*.

"Wholly given to idolatry:"—"the multitude of statues and temples to the gods in Athens is celebrated with honour by classic writers of other nations, and with pride by their own." But it was this their idolatry which stirred the spirit of the Apostle, not with bitterness or wrath, but with sorrow.

19. "Areopagus:"—this is the well-known name of a hill

UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

24 God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands ;[a]

25 Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things ;[b]

26 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation ;[c]

27 That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us :[d]

28 For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.[e]

29 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.[f]

30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent :[g]

31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by *that* man whom he hath ordained; *whereof* he hath [1]given assurance unto all *men*, in that he hath raised him from the dead.[h]

32 ¶ And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked: and others said, We will hear thee again of this *matter*.

33 So Paul departed from among them.

34 Howbeit certain men clave unto him, and believed: among the which *was* Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them.

CHAPTER XVIII.

3 *Paul laboureth with his hands, and preacheth at Corinth to the Gentiles.* 9 *The Lord encourageth him in a vision.* 12 *He is accused before Gallio the deputy, but is dismissed.* 18 *Afterwards passing from city to city he strengtheneth the disciples.* 24 *Apollos, being more perfectly instructed by Aquila and Priscilla,* 28 *preacheth Christ with great efficacy.*

AFTER these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth;

2 And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome :) and came unto them.[i]

ANNO DOMINI 54.

[a] ch. vii. 48; xiv. 15; Matt. xi. 25.

[b] ch. xvii. 2.

[c] Gen. ii. 7; Numb. xvi. 22; Job. xii. 10; xxvii. 3; xxxiii 4; Ps. l. 8; Isa. xlii 5, lvi. 16; Zech. xii. 1.

2 Or, *is the Christ.*

[d] ver. 28; ch. xvii. 3, 14, 15; Job xxxii. 18.

[e] Deut. xxxii. 8.

[f] ch. xiii. 45, 46, 51; xx. 26; xxviii. 28; Lev. xx. 9, 11, 12; 2 Sam. i. 16; Neh. v. 13, Ezek iii. 18, 19, xviii 13; xxxiii. 4, 9; Matt. x. 14; 1 Peter iv. 4.

[g] ch. xiv. 17; Rom. i. 20.

[h] Col. i. 17; Titus i. 12; Heb. i. 3.

[i] 1 Cor. i. 14.

[j] Isa. xl. 18.

[k] ch. xxiii. 11.

[l] ch. xiv. 16; Luke xxiv. 47; Rom. iii. 25; Titus ii. 11, 12; 1 Peter i. 14; iv. 3.

[m] Jer. i. 18, 19; Matt. xxviii. 20.

1 Or, *offered faith.*

3 Gr. *sat there.*

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[n] ch. ii. 24; x. 42; Rom. ii. 16; xiv. 10.

[o] ch. xxiii. 29; xxv. 11, 19.

[p] 1 Cor. i. 1.

[q] ch. xxi. 24; Numb. vi. 18, Rom. xvi. 1

[r] Rom. xvi 3; 1 Cor xvi 19; 2 Tim. iv. 19.

3 And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought: for by their occupation they were tentmakers.[j]

4 And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath, and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.[k]

5 And when Silas and Timotheus were come from Macedonia, Paul was pressed in the spirit, and testified to the Jews *that* Jesus [2]*was* Christ.[l]

6 And when they opposed themselves, and blasphemed, he shook *his* raiment, and said unto them, Your blood *be* upon your own heads; I *am* clean: from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.[m]

7 ¶ And he departed thence, and entered into a certain *man's* house, named Justus, *one* that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.

8 And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.[n]

9 Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace :[o]

10 For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.[p]

11 And he [3]continued *there* a year and six months, teaching the word of God among them.

12 ¶ And when Gallio was the deputy of Achaia, the Jews made insurrection with one accord against Paul, and brought him to the judgment seat,

13 Saying, This *fellow* persuadeth men to worship God contrary to the law.

14 And when Paul was now about to open *his* mouth, Gallio said unto the Jews, If it were a matter of wrong or wicked lewdness, O *ye* Jews, reason would that I should bear with you :[q]

15 But if it be a question of words and names, and *of* your law, look ye *to it;* for I will be no judge of such *matters*.

16 And he drave them from the judgment seat.

17 Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat *him* before the judgment seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.[r]

18 ¶ And Paul *after this* tarried *there* yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn *his* head in Cenchrea: for he had a vow.[s]

19 And he came to Ephesus, and left them there: but he himself entered into the synagogue, and reasoned with the Jews.

[s] ch. xxi. 24; Numb. vi. 18, Rom. xvi. 1

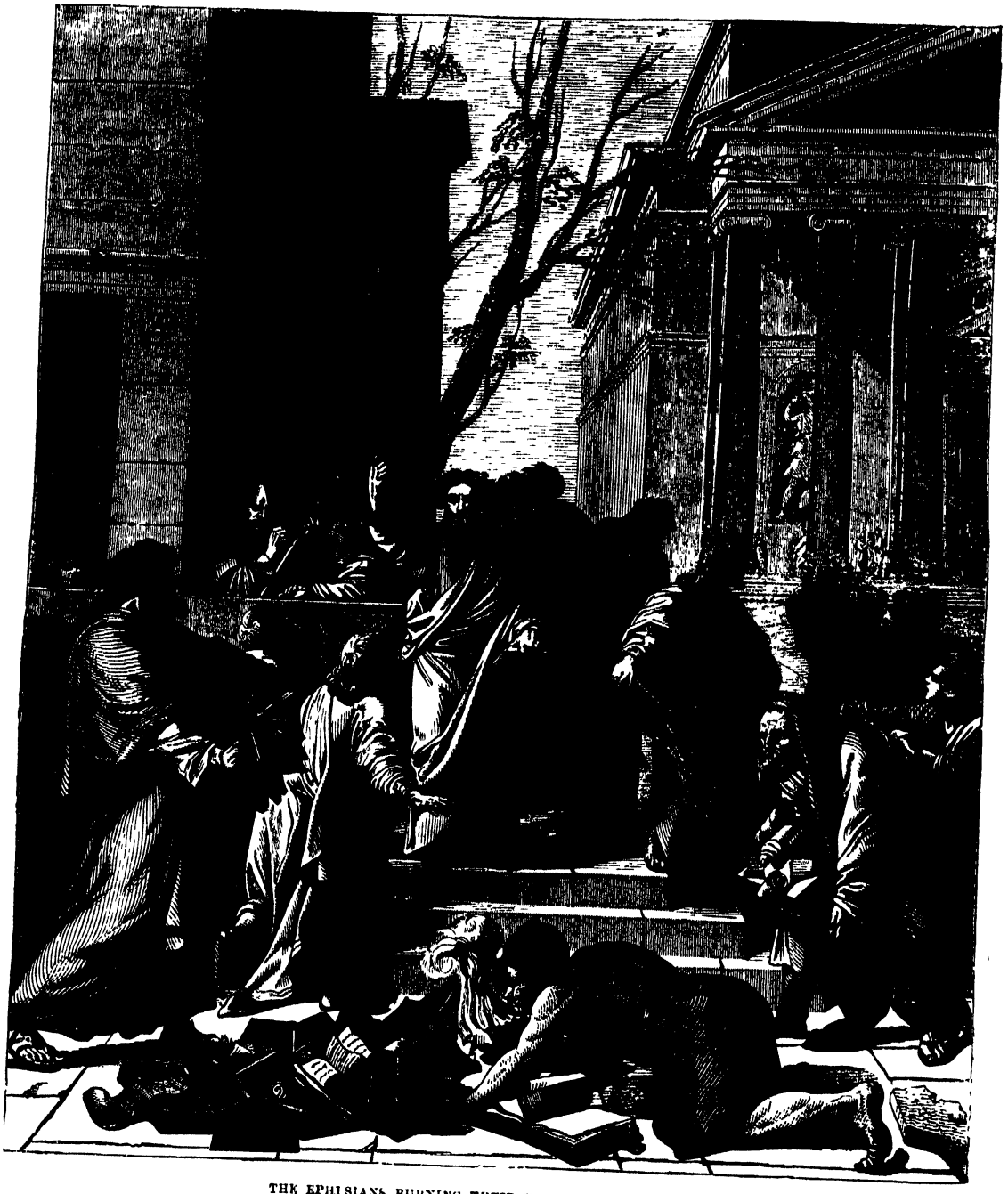
in the city of Athens, to the west of the Acropolis, which was entirely filled with statues and temples. There was on the hill an open space, in which the celebrated tribunal of the Areopagus held its court. Paul is not speaking in the presence of that tribunal, but simply occupies the hill as a favourable position.

23. "To THE UNKNOWN GOD :"—in the preceding verse he had spoken of them as "too superstitious;" that is, of their religiousness leading them to extremes. In proof of which he adduces the fact of their having an altar to the Unknown God. "HIM whom ye ignorantly worship, declare I unto you." Thus the Apostle, with consummate wisdom, refuted the charge of being a setter forth of strange gods.

28. "Certain also of your own poets :"—Aratus, who was a Cilician and countryman of Paul, and lived nearly three centuries before the Christian era.

CHAPTER XVIII.

The fruits of Paul's ministry at Athens were apparently very scanty. Honourable mention is made of two converts, but of whom we know nothing more. Nor can we tell what influence they exerted in the centre of the world's wisdom after the Apostle withdrew from Athens. Nothing discouraged by his non-success in the seat of Grecian science and art, Paul girds himself for renewed activity and labour.



THE EPHESIANS BURNING THEIR BOOKS.—ACTS XIX. 19.

20 When they desired *him* to tarry longer time with them, he consented not;

21 But bade them farewell, saying, I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem: but I will return again unto you, if God will. And he sailed from Ephesus.[a]

22 And when he had landed at Cæsarea, and gone up, and saluted the church, he went down to Antioch.

23 And after he had spent some time *there*, he departed, and went over *all* the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order, strengthening all the disciples.[b]

ANNO DOMINI 55.

c 1 Cor. i 12; iii 5, 6, iv. 6; Titus iii. 13.

a ch xix 21; xx 16; 1 Cor iv 19, Heb. vi. 3, James iv. 15.

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d ch xix. 3; Rom. xii. 11.

b ch. xiv 22; xv. 32, 41; Gal. i 2, iv 14.

24 ¶ And a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man, *and* mighty in the scriptures, came to Ephesus.[c]

25 This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in the spirit, he spake and taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.[d]

26 And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom when Aquila and Priscilla had heard, they took him unto *them*, and expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.

27 And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia,

1. "Came to Corinth"—which at this time was a colony, the capital of the Roman province of Achaia, and the residence of the proconsul.

2. "Lately come from Italy:"—it is not improbable that Aquila and Priscilla had become converts to the Christian faith in Rome, and, consequently, had brought their knowledge of the Gospel to Corinth. Aquila and Priscilla left Italy in consequence of the imperial edict which commanded all Jews to leave the empire, but for what reason this edict was promulgated does not appear. It was issued in the thirteenth year of the reign of Claudius, A.D. 54.—See verse 26; Rom. xvi. 3; 1 Cor. xvi. 19; 2 Tim. iv. 19.

the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him: who, when he was come, helped them much which had believed through grace:[a]

28 For he mightily convinced the Jews, *and that* publickly, shewing by the scriptures that Jesus [1] was Christ.[b]

ANNO DOMINI 56.

e ch. xviii. 25.
a 1 Cor. iii. 6.
1 Or, *is the Christ.*
b ver. 5; ch. ix. 22; xvii. 3.
c ch. i. 5; xi. 16; xiii. 24, 25; Matt. iii. 11; John i. 15, 27, 30.

3 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism.[c]

4 Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.[d]



RUINS OF THE THEATRE AT EPHESUS.

CHAPTER XIX.

The Holy Ghost is given by Paul's hands. 9 *The Jews blaspheme his doctrine, which is confirmed by miracles.* 13 *The Jewish exorcists* 16 *are beaten by the devil.* 19 *Conjuring books are burnt.* 24 *Demetrius, for love of gain, raiseth an uproar against Paul,* 35 *which is appeased by the townclerk.*

AND it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples,[e]

2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.[d]

g ch. viii. 16.

h ch. ii. 4; vi. 6; viii. 17, x. 46.

c 1 Cor. i. 12; iii. 5, 6.
i ch. i. 3, xvii. 2, xviii. 4; xxviii. 23.

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j ver. 23; ch. ix. 2, xxii. 4; xxiv. 14, 2 Tim. i. 15; 2 Peter ii. 2; Jude 10.

d ch. viii. 16; 1 Sam. iii. 7.

5 When they heard *this*, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.[g]

6 And when Paul had laid *his* hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.[h]

7 And all the men were about twelve.

8 And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God.[i]

9 But when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus.[j]

10 And this continued by the space of two years;

3. "He abode with them:"—we incline to the opinion that the similarity of labour and the similarity of thought united to influence the Apostle in the selection of his abode; for the Apostle was of the same craft. He had, like all Jewish children, learned a trade or business; the fact that Aquila and his wife were tent-makers would not have attracted the Apostle, but for the higher element of Christian life. Tent-making was very common in Cilicia, from the fact that the hair of a species of very shaggy goat was worked into a thick stuff somewhat like felt, which was very much employed in covering tents. Paul worked with his own hands, even after his call to the ministry and the apostleship, that he might prevent either friend or foe from saying that he had made a gain of godliness.

7. "Into a certain man's house:"—the Apostle seems from these words to have given up his abode with Aquila, and now resides in the house of a Gentile proselyte, named Justus, whose residence adjoined the synagogue.

12. "Gallio was the deputy of Achaia:"—Achaia was originally a senatorial province, but under Tiberius it became imperial, and as a Roman province included Hellas and Peloponnesus, which, with Macedonia, embraced all their Grecian dominions. Gallio, the deputy, whose original name was Marcus Annæus Novatus, but which, on his adoption into the family of Lucius Junius Gallio, he changed into the name of his adoptive father, was brother of Seneca, the old philosopher.

18. "He had a vow:"—when or on what occasion this vow was made, we have no means of knowing, nor is it necessary to inquire. It was not the vow of the Nazarite.

19. "Came to Ephesus:"—Ephesus, which was situated on the river Cayster, between Smyrna and Miletus, was the ornament and metropolis of Proconsular Asia, and celebrated for its magnificent temple of Diana. It was now subject to Rome.

22. "Landed at Cæsarea;"—that is, Cæsarea of Palestine.

24. "A certain Jew named Apollos:"—of his origin and descent we know nothing. He was a native of Alexandria, which was the abode of many of the Jews, and these men were familiar with the language, learning, and philosophy of the Greeks. Apollos was a pious and eloquent man; but of the sublime doctrines of Christianity he was comparatively ignorant. And hence the pains which Aquila and Priscilla took to teach him.

so that all they which dwelt in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks.[a]

11 And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:[b]

12 So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.[c]

13 ¶ Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.[d]

14 And there were seven sons of *one* Sceva, a Jew, *and* chief of the priests, which did so.

15 And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?

16 And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

17 And this was known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.[e]

18 And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds.[f]

19 Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all *men:* and they counted the price of them, and found *it* fifty thousand *pieces* of silver.

20 So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.[g]

21 ¶ After these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see Rome.[h]

22 So he sent into Macedonia two of them that ministered unto him, Timotheus and Erastus; but he himself stayed in Asia for a season.[i]

23 And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.[j]

24 For a certain *man* named Demetrius, a silversmith, which made silver shrines for Diana, brought no small gain unto the craftsmen;[k]

25 Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth.

26 Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be no gods, which are made with hands:[l]

27 So that not only this our craft is in danger to be set at nought; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worshippeth.

28 And when they heard *these sayings*, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great *is* Diana of the Ephesians.

29 And the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius and Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the theatre.[m]

30 And when Paul would have entered in unto the people, the disciples suffered him not.

31 And certain of the chief of Asia, which were his friends, sent unto him, desiring *him* that he would not adventure himself into the theatre.

32 Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused; and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together.

33 And they drew Alexander out of the multitude,

ANNO DOMINI 57.

a ch. xx. 31.

i ch. xiii. 5; Rom. xvi. 23; 2 Tim. iv. 20.

b ch. xiv. 3; Mark xvi 20.

j ch. ix. 2; 2 Cor. i. 8.

k ch. xvi. 16, 19.

c ch. v. 15; 2 Kings iv. 29.

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d Matt. xii. 27; Mark ix. 38; Luke ix. 49.

l Ps. cxv. 4; Isa. xliv. 10—20; Jer. x. 3.

e ch. ii. 43; v. 5, 11; Luke i. 65; vii. 16.

f Matt. iii. 6.

m ch. xx. 4; xxvii. 2; Rom. xvi. 23; 1 Cor. i. 14, Col. iv. 10; Phil. 24.

g ch. vi. 7; xii. 24.

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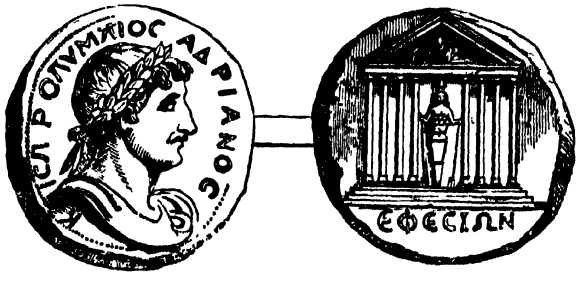
h ch xviii. 21; xx. 22; xxvi. 11; Rom. xv. 24—28; Gal. ii. 1.

CHAPTER XIX.

In the twenty-first verse of the preceding chapter we find the Apostle leaving Ephesus for Jerusalem, that he might be present at the approaching festival of the Passover, or, it may be, of Pentecost, but promising to return. After this festival he went down from Jerusalem to Antioch, from whence he set out to visit the churches which had been planted in Galatia and Phrygia, and having passed through the upper coasts, or the eastern parts of Asia Minor, or those provinces which lay more in the interior, as opposed to Ephesus, which was situated upon the coast, he came, according to his promise, to Ephesus, from which in the meantime Apollos had removed to Corinth.

2. "Whether there be any Holy Ghost"—this verse is not happily rendered in our English version, for they were not ignorant that there was a Holy Ghost, because John in his ministration not only spake of the Spirit descending on Christ, but likewise of Christ baptising with the Holy Ghost; and they had not heard of the miraculous gifts of the Holy Ghost, and they did not know that such gifts were imparted.

6. "The Holy Ghost came on them:"—not only were they conscious of the higher principle of the heavenly life procured by Christ for all his disciples, but they were endowed with miraculous powers, not so much on their own behalf as in behalf of others.



COIN OF EPHESUS, SHOWING THE TEMPLE AND IMAGE OF DIANA. FROM THE ORIGINAL IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

9. "In the school of one Tyrannus:"—whether this was a private synagogue, as some have supposed, or whether Tyrannus was a Gentile sophist, and may have granted the use of this building to the Apostle for the sake of listening to his reasoning and his teaching, it is impossible to say.

10. "By the space of two years:"—the effect of the Apostle's teaching during this period may be inferred from the fact that the seven churches of Asia were now planted and established.

13. "Exorcists:"—it was not an uncommon profession, even among the Jews, for individuals to go about and profess, by the use of the Divine name, to dispossess persons and places of evil spirits.

19. "Many of them which used curious arts:"—the parties were moved by fear and dread from what they had seen in the case of Sceva's seven sons.

"Fifty thousand pieces of silver:"—if these were Roman denarii, then, taking the denarius at the value of eightpence halfpenny, the total amount would be £1,770 of our money.

24. "Silver shrines:"—these were little models of the celebrated temple of Diana, and of the image which, as they asserted, came down from Jupiter, which it was the custom to carry on a journey, or to place in the house as a charm.

27. Ephesus was the capital of Ionia, and one of the most considerable cities of Asia Minor, the emporium of Asia on this side the Taurus. By the Romans it was called the first and greatest metropolis of Asia. It has been always celebrated for its temple to Artemis, or Diana, and the statue of that goddess. This statue was said to have fallen from heaven—perhaps because of its great antiquity—and was probably very rude, consisting of little more than a head and a trunk. According to some, it was of the wood of the vine; but Xenophon says it was of gold. In its latter form it was a combination of astronomical and idolatrous emblems. The temple in which the image was located was a splendid structure, and of ancient origin. It was burnt down at the birth of Alexander the Great, but was restored with so much magnificence, by contributions from all parts, that it was regarded as one of the seven wonders of the world. From its foundation to its completion two hundred and twenty years elapsed. When St. Paul was there it was in its glory, and immensely rich. It was at last burnt by the Goths, in the time of the Emperior Gallienus, and never rebuilt. The present site of Ephesus is well nigh desolate, although a railway has been carried to its immediate

the Jews putting him forward. And Alexander beckoned with the hand, and would have made his defence unto the people.[a]

34 But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours cried out, Great *is* Diana of the Ephesians.

35 And when the townclerk had appeased the people, he said, *Ye* men of Ephesus, what man is there that knoweth not how that the city of the Ephesians is [1]a worshipper of the great goddess Diana, and of the *image* which fell down from Jupiter?

36 Seeing then that these things cannot be spoken against, ye ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly.

37 For ye have brought hither these men, which are neither robbers of churches, nor yet blasphemers of your goddess.

38 Wherefore if Demetrius, and the craftsmen which are with him, have a matter against any man, [2]the law is open, and there are deputies: let them implead one another.

39 But if ye enquire any thing concerning other matters, it shall be determined in a [3]lawful assembly.

40 For we are in danger to be called in question for this day's uproar, there being no cause whereby we may give an account of this concourse.

41 And when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

CHAPTER XX.

1 *Paul goeth to Macedonia.* 7 *He celebrateth the Lord's supper, and preacheth.* 9 *Eutychus having fallen down dead,* 10 *is raised to life.* 17 *At Miletum he calleth the elders together, telleth them what shall befall to himself,* 28 *committeth God's flock to them,* 29 *warneth them of false teachers,* 32 *commendeth them to God,* 36 *prayeth with them, and goeth his way.*

AND after the uproar was ceased, Paul called unto *him* the disciples, and embraced *them,* and departed for to go into Macedonia.[b]

2 And when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece,

3 And *there* abode three months. And when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia.[c]

4 And there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timotheus; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus.[d]

5 These going before tarried for us at Troas.

6 And we sailed away from Philippi after the days of unleavened bread, and came unto them to Troas in five days; where we abode seven days.[e]

7 And upon the first *day* of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.[f]

8 And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.[g]

9 And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead.

10 And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing *him* said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.[h]

11 When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed.

12 And they brought the young man alive, and were not a little comforted.

13 ¶ And we went before to ship, and sailed unto Assos, there intending to take in Paul: for so had he appointed, minding himself to go afoot.

14 And when he met with us at Assos, we took him in, and came to Mitylene.

15 And we sailed thence, and came the next *day* over against Chios; and the next *day* we arrived at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium; and the next *day* we came to Miletus.

16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted, if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost.[i]

17 ¶ And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.

18 And when they were come to him, he said unto

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c ch. ix. 23; xxiii. 12; xxv 3; 2 Cor. xi. 26.

a ch. xii. 17; 1 Tim. i. 20; 2 Tim. iv. 14.

d ch. xvi. 1; xix. 29; xxi. 29; xxvii 2; Eph. vi. 21, Col. iv. 7, 10; 2 Tim. iv 12, 20; Titus iii. 12.

1 Gr. *the temple keeper.*

e ch. xvi. 8; Exod. xii. 14, 15, xxiii. 15, 2 Cor ii. 12, 2 Tim. iv. 13.

f ch. ii. 42, 46; 1 Cor. x. 16; xi. 20, &c.; xvi. 2; Rev. i. 10.

g ch. i. 13.

2 Or, *the court days are kept.*

3 Or, *ordinary.*

h 1 Kings xvii. 21; 2 Kings iv. 34; Matt. ix. 24.

b 1 Cor. xvi. 5; 1 Tim. i. 3.

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i ch. ii 1; xviii. 21; xix. 21, xxi. 4, 12; xxiv. 17; 1 Cor. xvi. 8.

vicinity, now called Ayasaluk. Recent explorers have identified some of the ruins, but the true position of Diana's great temple is still unknown. Among the coins of Ephesus, there are some which exhibit on the reverse the image of Diana, and the front elevation of her temple. One of these we have copied, bearing the head of the Emperor Hadrian, and a Greek inscription—"Kaisar Olympios Adrianos"—on the obverse; and on the reverse, the façade of the temple and statue of Diana, with the words "of the Ephesians" in Greek. Diana is represented with a turreted head, and a halo about it; with many breasts, and a staff in each hand. Other coins of Ephesus have the word *Neocorus,* the very word translated "worshipper" in verse 35, where the margin has, more correctly, "temple keeper."

29. The theatre of Ephesus was a vast and magnificent structure, 660 feet in diameter, and the largest ever built. It is calculated that it could accommodate 56,700 persons. The ruins of it still exist upon the side and near the foot of a hill. They consist of some circular seats and a number of arches, and are regarded with special interest, because the supposed scene of the uproar described in this chapter. In allusion, probably, to this scene, and to the spectacles which were common in this very building, St. Paul says, "If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not?" (1 Cor. xv. 32).

The ruins of this theatre show that it must have been on the grandest scale; but at present only its form can be described, for the seats are removed, and the proscenium is a hill of ruins. Insignificant as these remains now are, compared with what they must once have been, when Ephesus was in her pride, they will always be associated, in the Christian's mind, with the circumstances attendant upon St. Paul's visit.

CHAPTER XX.

The Apostle quits Ephesus only to prosecute his labours in other directions, and with his eye fixed on Rome as the goal to which he was pressing forward.

5. "Tarried for us at Troas:"—he therefore went into Macedonia by Troas, where he expected to find Titus; but disappointed in this expectation, he set out for Macedonia, and there he found him.—See 2 Cor. ii. 12; vii. 5.

7. "To break bread;"—that is, in the supper of the Lord; and the inference is obvious, that the communion was inseparable from the worship of the sanctuary, and was always administered on the first day of every week.

9. "Sat in a window:"—let it be borne in mind, that windows in the East had neither glass nor shutters.

11. "Had broken bread:"—this is not to be confounded with the breaking of bread mentioned in the seventh verse: there, the reference is clearly to the Lord's Supper; here, nothing more is meant than an ordinary meal for refreshment.

17. "From Miletus he sent to Ephesus:"—he stayed a few days at Miletus, which gave him the opportunity of thus convening the bishops or presbyters of the Church, and of addressing them.

them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons,[a]

19 Serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews:[b]

20 *And* how I kept back nothing that was profitable *unto you*, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house,[c]

21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.[d]

22 And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:[e]

23 Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions [1]abide me.[f]

24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.[g]

25 And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more.[h]

26 Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I *am* pure from the blood of all *men*.[i]

27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.[j]

28 ¶ Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.[k]

29 For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.[l]

30 Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.[m]

31 Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears.[n]

32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.[o]

33 I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel.[p]

34 Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.[q]

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a ch. xviii. 19; xix. 1, 10.
r Rom. xv. 1; 1 Cor. ix. 12; 2 Cor. xi. 9, 12; xii 13; Eph iv. 28; 1 Thess. iv. 11; v. 14; 2 Thess. iii. 8.
b ver. 3.
s ch. vii. 60; xxi. 5.
t Gen. xlv. 14; xlvi. 29.
c ver. 27.
u ver. 25.
d ch. ii. 38; xviii. 5, Mark i. 15, Luke xxiv. 47.
e ch. xix. 21.
1 Or, *wait for me.*
f ch xxi. 4, 11; 1 Thess. iii. 3.
g ch i 17; xxi 13; Rom viii 35; 2 Cor iv. 1, 16, Gal. i 1; 2 Tim. iv 7, Titus i. 3.
h ver. 38, Rom. xv 23.
i ch. xviii. 6; 2 Cor. vii. 2.
j ver 20; Luke vii. 30, John xv. 15, Eph. i. 11.
v ver. 12; ch. xx 23
k 1 Cor xii 28; Eph. i 7, 14; Col i 14, 1 Tim iv. 16, Heb. ix. 12, 14, 1 Peter i. 19, v. 2; Rev. v. 9.
l Matt. vii. 15, 2 Peter ii 1.
w ch xx 36
m 1 Tim. i 20, 1 John ii 19
a John i. 11.
n ch. xix. 10.
o ch. ix 31; xxvi. 18; Eph i. 18; Col i. 12, ini 24; Heb ix. 15, xiii. 9, 1 Peter i 4.
x ch. vi 5, viii 26, 40, Eph iv. 11; 2 Tim iv 5
p 1 Sam xii 3, 1 Cor. ix 12; 2 Cor. vii. 2, xi. 9; xii 17.
s ch ii. 17; Joel ii. 28.
q ch xviii 3; 1 Cor. iv. 12, 1 Thess. ii. 9; 2 Thess. iii. 8.
a ch. xi. 8.

35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.[r]

36 ¶ And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.[s]

37 And they all wept sore, and fell on Paul's neck, and kissed him,[t]

38 Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him unto the ship.[u]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 *Paul will not by any means be dissuaded from going to Jerusalem.* 9 *Philip's daughters prophetesses.* 17 *Paul cometh to Jerusalem:* 27 *where he is apprehended, and in great danger,* 31 *but by the chief captain is rescued, and permitted to speak to the people.*

AND it came to pass, that after we were gotten from them, and had launched, we came with a straight course unto Coos, and the *day* following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto Patara:

2 And finding a ship sailing over unto Phenicia, we went aboard, and set forth.

3 Now when we had discovered Cyprus, we left it on the left hand, and sailed into Syria, and landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her burden.

4 And finding disciples, we tarried there seven days: who said to Paul through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem.[v]

5 And when we had accomplished those days, we departed and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till *we were* out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.[w]

6 And when we had taken our leave one of another, we took ship; and they returned home again.[x]

7 And when we had finished *our* course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day.

8 And the next *day* we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Cæsarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was *one* of the seven; and abode with him.[y]

9 And the same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy.[z]

10 And as we tarried *there* many days, there came down from Judæa a certain prophet, named Agabus.[a]

22. "Bound in the spirit;"—that is, he was so powerfully influenced that he could not act otherwise; and yet he was straitened and bound as to the future course of events. He knew not what was before him. But his faith in the overruling and all-wise providence of God sustained him under all difficulties.

28. "Hath made you overseers"—Dean Alford says: "The English version has hardly dealt fairly in this case with the sacred text, in rendering the word OVERSEERS; whereas it ought here, as in all other places, to have been BISHOPS, that the fact of elders and bishops having been originally and apostolically synonymous might be apparent to the ordinary English reader, which now it is not."

29. "After my departing:"—this may refer to his departure in person from his present sphere of labour, or it may point to his death. The "grievous wolves" are not to be resolved into persecutors, but false teachers; and these were to spring up in their own midst, and pervert the very truth which they professed.

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How true is it that there are no backward steps allowed for those who know the bliss of faith! Hence it is that we find our Apostle, strong in the conviction of duty, pressing forward in his course, and yet more abundant in labour.

4. "Who said to Paul through the Spirit:"—coming in a straight course from Patara, they left the island of Cyprus on the left, and came to the far-famed city of Tyre, whose situation and magnificence have already been referred to; and here they found certain disciples who saw, by the spirit of prophecy, the afflictions that awaited Paul, and therefore, from their own affectionate regard, they recommended that he should not go up to Jerusalem if he regarded his personal safety. God gave the knowledge, the men gave the advice.

15. "Took up our carriages:"—the word "carriage" here is clearly put for the things carried—namely, the baggage. This baggage they now packed up, and made themselves ready for the journey.

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11 And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle, and shall deliver *him* into the hands of the Gentiles.[a]

12 And when we heard these things, both we, and they of that place, besought him not to go up to Jerusalem.

13 Then Paul answered, What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart? for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus.[b]

[a] ver. 33; ch. xx 23.

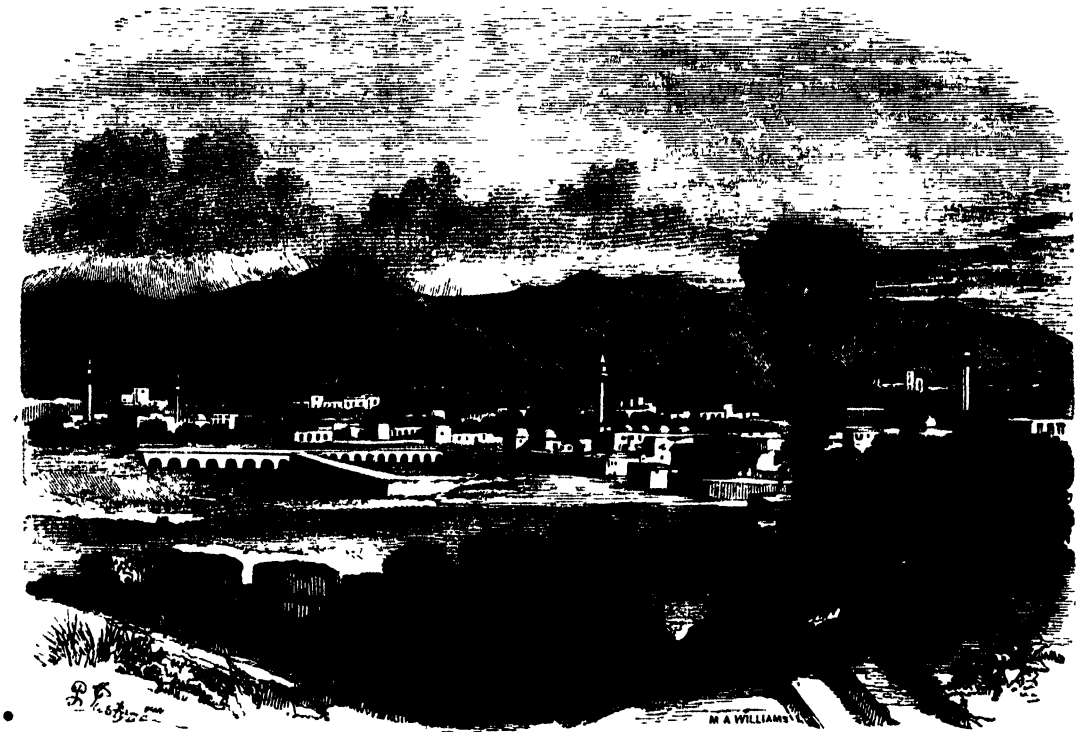
[b] ch. xx. 24.

21 And they are informed of thee, that thou teachest all the Jews which are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, saying that they ought not to circumcise *their* children, neither to walk after the customs.

22 What is it therefore? the multitude must needs come together: for they will hear that thou art come.

23 Do therefore this that we say to thee: We have four men which have a vow on them;

24 Them take, and purify thyself with them, and be at charges with them, that they may shave *their* heads: and all may know that those things, whereof



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14 And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done.[c]

15 And after those days we took up our carriages, and went up to Jerusalem.

16 There went with us also *certain* of the disciples of Cæsarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

17 And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly.[d]

18 And the *day* following Paul went in with us unto James; and all the elders were present.[e]

19 And when he had saluted them, he declared particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministry.[f]

20 And when they heard *it*, they glorified the Lord, and said unto him, Thou seest, brother, how many thousands of Jews there are which believe; and they are all zealous of the law:[g]

[c] Matt vi 10; xxvi 42; Luke xi. 2, xxii 42

[h] ch. xviii 18, Numb. vi 2, 13, 18

[i] ch. xv 20, 29.

[d] ch. xv. 4.

[e] ch. xv. 13; Gal i 19; ii. 9.

[j] ch. xxiv. 18; Numb vi 13.

[f] ch. i 17; xv 4, 12; xx. 24; Rom. xv. 18, 19.

[k] ch. xxiv. 18; xxvi. 21.

[g] ch. xxii. 3; Rom. x. 2; Gal. i. 14.

they were informed concerning thee, are nothing; but *that* thou thyself also walkest orderly, and keepest the law.[h]

25 As touching the Gentiles which believe, we have written *and* concluded that they observe no such thing, save only that they keep themselves from *things* offered to idols, and from blood, and from strangled, and from fornication.[i]

26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day purifying himself with them entered into the temple, to signify the accomplishment of the days of purification, until that an offering should be offered for every one of them.[j]

27 And when the seven days were almost ended, the Jews which were of Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him,[k]

28 Crying out, Men of Israel, help: This is the

16. "Brought with them one Mnason;"—or, rather, brought us to one Mnason, with whom we might lodge. He was, perhaps, a resident at Jerusalem, but well known to the disciples at Cæsarea.

22. "The multitude must needs come together;"—or, a multitude will come together, and in order to promote peace and a good understanding between them, do this.

24. "Purify thyself with them:"—this proposal was made by James and the elders to Paul, with a view to conciliate the Jews; and in consenting to it, Paul must have done so with the distinct idea that it was an act which was recommended by prudence, and was strictly justifiable, as the Mosaic law was also the civil law in Palestine. For the law regarding the vow of the Nazarites, see Numb. vi. 3—18.

man, that teacheth all *men* every where against the people, and the law, and this place: and further brought Greeks also into the temple, and hath polluted this holy place.[a]

29 (For they had seen before with him in the city Trophimus an Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple.)[b]

30 And all the city was moved, and the people ran together: and they took Paul, and drew him out of the temple: and forthwith the doors were shut.[c]

31 And as they went about to kill him, tidings came unto the chief captain of the band, that all Jerusalem was in an uproar.

32 Who immediately took soldiers and centurions, and ran down unto them: and when they saw the chief captain and the soldiers, they left beating of Paul.[d]

33 Then the chief captain came near, and took him, and commanded *him* to be bound with two chains; and demanded who he was, and what he had done.[e]

34 And some cried one thing, some another, among the multitude: and when he could not know the certainty for the tumult, he commanded him to be carried into the castle.

35 And when he came upon the stairs, so it was, that he was borne of the soldiers for the violence of the people.

36 For the multitude of the people followed after, crying, Away with him.[f]

37 And as Paul was to be led into the castle, he said unto the chief captain, May I speak unto thee? Who said, Canst thou speak Greek?

38 Art not thou that Egyptian, which before these days madest an uproar, and leddest out into the wilderness four thousand men that were murderers?[g]

39 But Paul said, I am a man *which am* a Jew of Tarsus, *a city* in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city: and, I beseech thee, suffer me to speak unto the people.[h]

40 And when he had given him licence, Paul stood on the stairs, and beckoned with the hand unto the people. And when there was made a great silence, he spake unto *them* in the Hebrew tongue, saying,[i]

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a ch. xxiv. 5, 6.

b ch. xx 4.

j ch. vii. 2.

c ch. xxvi. 21.

d ch. xxiii. 27; xxiv. 7.

k ch. v. 34; xxi. 20, 39; xxvi 5, Deut. xxxiii. 3; 2 Kings iv. 38; Luke x. 39 Rom x 2, 2 Cor. vi 22; Gal. i. 14, Philipp iii. 5.

e ver. 11; ch. xx 23.

l ch viii. 3; xxvi. 9—11; Philipp. iii. 6; 1 Tim. i. 13.

m ch. iv 5; ix 2, xxvi 10, 12; Luke xxii. 66.

f ch. xxii. 22; Luke xxiii. 18; John xix. 15

n ch. ix. 3; xxvi. 12, 13.

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g ch. v. 36.

h ch ix. 11, xxi 3.

o ch. ix 7, Dan. x 7

i ch. xii. 17.

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *Paul declareth at large, how he was converted to the faith,* 17 *and called to his apostleship.* 22 *At the very mentioning of the Gentiles, the people exclaim on him.* 24 *He should have been scourged,* 25 *but claiming the privilege of a Roman, he escapeth.*

MEN, brethren, and fathers, hear ye my defence *which I make* now unto you.[j]

2 (And when they heard that he spake in the Hebrew tongue to them, they kept the more silence: and he saith,)

3 I am verily a man *which am* a Jew, born in Tarsus, *a city* in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, *and* taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous toward God, as ye all are this day.[k]

4 And I persecuted this way unto the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women.[l]

5 As also the high priest doth bear me witness, and all the estate of the elders: from whom also I received letters unto the brethren, and went to Damascus, to bring them which were there bound unto Jerusalem, for to be punished.[m]

6 And it came to pass, that, as I made my journey, and was come nigh unto Damascus about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great light round about me.[n]

7 And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

8 And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom thou persecutest.

9 And they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid: but they heard not the voice of him that spake to me.[o]

10 And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee to do.

11 And when I could not see for the glory of that

31 "Into the castle,"—or tower of Antonia, which from the north-west overlooked the Temple, and from which the chief captain could see the riot.

38. "Art not thou that Egyptian?"—of this Egyptian rebel, and of his unfortunate attempt against the Romans, which attempt was suppressed by the Procurator Felix, there is a detailed account by Josephus in his "Antiquities."

CHAPTER XXII.

The right of Roman citizenship claimed by the Apostle in the close of the preceding chapter saved him from summary punishment at the hands of Claudius Lysias, the Roman tribune, and to save himself from any unjust charge before his superiors, the tribune determined to deliver him over to the Jewish tribunals, and hence the appearance of the Apostle before the Sanhedrim. In the meanwhile Paul hoped to appease his enemies by recounting the manner in which he had been brought to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah and Sent of God. But the mention of Christ and of the Gentiles only intensified their opposition, and they called for his immediate death

2. "In the Hebrew tongue;"—that is, in Syro-Chaldaic, as the mother tongue of the Jews in Judea at this time.

3. Tarsus was a celebrated city, the metropolis of Cilicia, in Asia Minor. It was built in a plain, and was watered by the river Cydnus. It was a place of great antiquity, and its origin was by some ascribed to Perseus, and by others to Sardanapalus. Very frequent allusions to it occur in classic writers, which justify the declaration of St. Paul, that Tarsus was no mean city. As a seat of Greek philosophy and literature, it ranked with Athens and Alexandria. The city was made free by Augustus. At a later period it was made a colony. Tarsus was early the home for a Christian Church, and continued to be a town of importance for many generations. At the present time it is a town of some 30,000 inhabitants, called Tersoos, and not far from it are some considerable ruins. Captain Beaufort says that there are many respectable mosques and minarets at Tersoos; that most of the houses are small and wretched; but that the bazaars were well stocked, and the inhabitants had a general look of business. The difficulty of examining the town and neighbourhood was, however, great, owing to "the ferocious disposition of the people, as well as of their governor."

"At the feet of Gamaliel."—this distinguished preceptor of Paul is supposed to be the same with Rabban Gamaliel, and grandson of the famous Hillel.—See chap. v. 34.

5. "The high priest;"—that is, Theophilus, who was still living. "All the estate of the elders" denotes the whole of the Sanhedrim. These could testify to his zeal as a Jew.

6—15. For remarks on Paul's conversion, and the differences existing in the various accounts of that wondrous event, see chapter ix., with the Notes.

16. "Wash away thy sins;"—it would appear from these words that this

light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.

12 And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt *there,*[a]

13 Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight. And the same hour I looked up upon him.

14 And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.[b]

15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.[c]

16 And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.[d]

17 And it came to pass, that, when I was come again to Jerusalem, even while I prayed in the temple, I was in a trance;[e]

18 And saw him saying unto me, Make haste, and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem: for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me.[f]

19 And I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that believed on thee:[g]

20 And when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed, I also was standing by, and consenting unto his death, and kept the raiment of them that slew him.[h]

21 And he said unto me, Depart: for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles.[i]

22 And they gave him audience unto this word, and *then* lifted up their voices, and said, Away with such a *fellow* from the earth: for it is not fit that he should live.[j]

23 And as they cried out, and cast off *their* clothes, and threw dust into the air,

24 The chief captain commanded him to be brought into the castle, and bade that he should be examined by scourging; that he might know wherefore they cried so against him.

25 And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?[k]

26 When the centurion heard *that,* he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed what thou doest: for this man is a Roman.

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[a] ch. ix. 17; x. 22; 1 Tim. iii. 7.

[1] Or, *tortured him.*

[b] ch iii. 13, 14; v 30; vii 52, ix 15; xxvi 16; 1 Cor ix 1, xi. 23, xv 8, Gal. i 12.

[c] ch iv 20, xxiii. 11; xxvi. 16.

[d] ch. ii 38; ix 14; Rom. x 13, Heb. x 22.

[e] ch ix 26; 2 Cor. xii. 2.

[f] ver 14; Matt x. 14.

[g] ch. xxiv 16; 1 Cor iv 4, 2 Cor. i. 12; iv 2, 2 Tim. i. 3, Heb xiii 18.

[h] ver 4, ch. viii. 3; Matt. x. 17

[i] ch vii 58; viii 1; Luke xi. 48, Rom. i. 32.

[m] 1 Kings xxii 24; Jer. xx. 2, John xviii. 22

[j] ch ix. 15; xiii 2, 46, 47; xviii 6, xxvi 17; Rom i 5; xi 13; xv 16, Gal i. 15, 16; ii 7, 8; Eph. iii 7, 8, 1 Tim. ii. 7; 2 Tim i. 11.

[n] Lev xix. 35; Deut xxv 1, 2, John vii 51.

[j] ch. xxi. 36, xxv. 24.

[o] ch xxiv. 17, Exod. xxii 28; Eccles. x 20; 2 Peter ii. 10, Jude 8.

[p] ch xxiv. 15, 21; xxvi. 5, 6; xxvii. 20.

[k] ch. xvi. 37.

27 Then the chief captain came, and said unto him, Tell me, art thou a Roman? He said, Yea.

28 And the chief captain answered, With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul said, But I was *free* born.

29 Then straightway they departed from him which should have [1]examined him: and the chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.

30 On the morrow, because he would have known the certainty wherefore he was accused of the Jews, he loosed him from *his* bands, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, and set him before them.

CHAPTER XXIII.

1 *As Paul pleadeth his cause,* 2 *Ananias commandeth them to smite him.* 7 *Dissension among his accusers* 11 *God encourageth him.* 14 *The Jews' laying wait for Paul* 20 *is declared unto the chief captain.* 27 *He sendeth him to Felix the governor.*

AND Paul, earnestly beholding the council, said, Men *and* brethren, I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day.[l]

2 And the high priest Ananias commanded them that stood by him to smite him on the mouth.[m]

3 Then said Paul unto him, God shall smite thee, *thou* whited wall: for sittest thou to judge me after the law, and commandest me to be smitten contrary to the law?[n]

4 And they that stood by said, Revilest thou God's high priest?

5 Then said Paul, I wist not, brethren, that he was the high priest: for it is written, Thou shalt not speak evil of the ruler of thy people.[o]

6 But when Paul perceived that the one part were Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, Men *and* brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee: of the hope and resurrection of the dead I am called in question.[p]

7 And when he had so said, there arose a dissension between the Pharisees and the Sadducees: and the multitude was divided.

8 For the Sadducees say that there is no resur-

was the Jewish doctrine of baptism. In no sense does baptism, if unaccompanied by the purifying influence of the Holy Spirit, wash away sin.

17. "I was in a trance:"—of this fact there is nothing said in the ninth chapter; but of the fact there can be no doubt, since we have here his own narration, and not that of the Evangelist.

21. "Far hence unto the Gentiles:"—it may be, as Alford says, that "the object of Paul in relating this vision appears to have been to show that his own inclination and prayer had been *that he might preach the Gospel to his own people,* but that it was by the imperative command of the Lord himself that he went to the Gentiles."

23. "Threw dust into the air:"—the very mention of the Gentiles as objects of the Divine favour roused their indignation to the highest pitch; and this displeasure was manifested by rending their garments, and throwing dust into the air, as symbolical of their perplexity and the bitterness of their wrath.

28. "Paul said, . . I was free born:"—but in what sense? Not as a native of Tarsus, for that city possessed no such privilege. The probability is, that either his father or some of his ancestors must have attained the right of citizenship, either by purchase, or as the reward of special service.

30. "Commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear:"—Alford thinks it "remarkable that the tribune in command should have had the power to summon the Sanhedrim." But why? If the Jews were the accusing party, and the Sanhedrim was the great ecclesiastical authority, what more natural or more just than that the tribune should summon them to appear, and let the Apostle make his defence in their hearing?

CHAPTER XXIII.

What dignity attaches to the Christian character! The noblest figure and the most commanding in the assembly into which we are here introduced is the man who stands accused. Every other figure becomes little and insignificant in contrast with him, and every utterance falls powerless when compared with his living word. The man, the Christian, and the Apostle are alike conspicuous in Paul.

1. "Lived in all good conscience;"—that is, he had kept the Mosaic law in its spirit; "for he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: but he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God." Hence says the Apostle, "before God," who looks to the heart.

5. "I wist not, brethren, that he was the high priest:"—we learn from

rection, neither angel, nor spirit: but the Pharisees confess both.[a]

9 And there arose a great cry: and the scribes *that were* of the Pharisees' part arose, and strove, saying, We find no evil in this man: but if a spirit or an angel hath spoken to him, let us not fight against God.[b]

10 And when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should have been pulled in pieces of them, commanded the soldiers to go down, and to take him by force from among them, and to bring *him* into the castle.

11 And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.[c]

12 And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves [1]under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.[d]

13 And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.

14 And they came to the chief priests and elders, and said, We have bound ourselves under a great curse, that we will eat nothing until we have slain Paul.

15 Now therefore ye with the council signify to the chief captain that he bring him down unto you to morrow, as though ye would enquire something more perfectly concerning him: and we, or ever he come near, are ready to kill him.

16 And when Paul's sister's son heard of their lying in wait, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul.

17 Then Paul called one of the centurions unto *him*, and said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain: for he hath a certain thing to tell him.

18 So he took him, and brought *him* to the chief captain, and said, Paul the prisoner called me unto *him*, and prayed me to bring this young man unto thee, who hath something to say unto thee.

19 Then the chief captain took him by the hand, and went *with him* aside privately, and asked *him*, What is that thou hast to tell me?

20 And he said, The Jews have agreed to desire thee that thou wouldest bring down Paul to morrow into the council, as though they would enquire somewhat of him more perfectly.[e]

21 But do not thou yield unto them: for there lie in wait for him of them more than forty men, which have bound themselves with an oath, that they will neither eat nor drink till they have killed him: and now are they ready, looking for a promise from thee.

22 So the chief captain *then* let the young man depart, and charged *him*, *See thou* tell no man that thou hast shewed these things to me.

23 And he called unto *him* two centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go to Cæsarea, and horsemen threescore and ten, and spearmen two hundred, at the third hour of the night;

24 And provide *them* beasts, that they may set Paul on, and bring *him* safe unto Felix the governor.

25 And he wrote a letter after this manner:

26 Claudius Lysias unto the most excellent governor Felix *sendeth* greeting.

27 This man was taken of the Jews, and should have been killed of them: then came I with an army, and rescued him, having understood that he was a Roman.[f]

28 And when I would have known the cause wherefore they accused him, I brought him forth into their council:[g]

29 Whom I perceived to be accused of questions of their law, but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death or of bonds.[h]

30 And when it was told me how that the Jews laid wait for the man, I sent straightway to thee, and gave commandment to his accusers also to say before thee what *they had* against him. Farewell.[i]

31 Then the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul, and brought *him* by night to Antipatris.

32 On the morrow they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the castle:

33 Who, when they came to Cæsarea, and delivered the epistle to the governor, presented Paul also before him.

34 And when the governor had read *the letter*, he asked of what province he was. And when he understood that *he was* of Cilicia;[j]

35 I will hear thee, said he, when thine accusers are also come. And he commanded him to be kept in Herod's judgment hall.[k]

CHAPTER XXIV.

1 *Paul being accused by Tertullus the orator,* 10 *answereth for his life and doctrine* 24 *He preacheth Christ to the governor and his wife.* 26 *The governor hopeth for a bribe, but in vain.* 27 *At last, going out of his office, he leaveth Paul in prison.*

AND after five days Ananias the high priest descended with the elders, and *with* a certain orator *named* Tertullus, who informed the governor against Paul.[l]

2 And when he was called forth, Tertullus began to accuse *him*, saying, Seeing that by thee we enjoy great

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a Matt. xxii. 23; Mark xii. 18; Luke xx. 27.

b ch. v 39; xxii 7, 17, 18, xxv 25, xxvi. 31.

c ch xviii 9, xxvii 23, 24

f ch xxi 33, xxiv. 7

1 Or, *with an oath of execration*

g ch xxiii 30.

d vs 21, 30; ch. xxv. 3

h ch xviii. 15, xxv. 19, xxvi. 31

i ver. 20; ch. xxiv. 8, xxv. 6

j ch. xxi. 39; xxiv. 1, 10, xxv. 16

k Matt. xxvii 27.

e ver. 12.

l ch xxi 27; xxiii. 2, 30, 35, xxv. 2.

Josephus that the office of high priest was vacant at that time; consequently, while various reasons are assigned for this reply, the most probable is that the Apostle would not recognise Ananias as entitled to the designation of high priest, as he had forfeited the office by some offence for which he was amenable to Roman authority; but finding, on his return from Rome, that the office was vacant—Jonathan, the high priest, having been murdered by Felix—Ananias, although deposed from office, assumed its sacred functions; which assumption, it is presumed, our Apostle refused to acknowledge, and hence the terms in which he addressed him: "God shall smite thee, thou whited wall." If the language of the Apostle be considered [illegible] and offensive, it must be borne in mind that Ananias had inflicted upon Paul one of the greatest indignities to which a resident in the East can be subjected—that of striking him on the mouth when speaking. This, according to Oriental customs, was declaring the speaker to be a worthless character, unworthy of belief. The offended Apostle saw before him a man violating the laws of the empire by a self-restoration to the high priesthood, and also violating the rules of justice while professing to administer justice. To rebuke the offender, the Apostle uttered in his presence not a rash and angry malediction, but a prophecy, foretelling that the smiter would himself be smitten. His future conduct marked the depravity of the man. Ananias afterwards became one of Paul's accusers, and endeavoured to assassinate him; but God preserved the life of his servant, and five years after he caused the prediction to be fulfilled. A tumult arose, and Ananias discovered that the excited multitudes were urged on by his own son. In



PAUL BEFORE AGRIPPA.—ACTS XXVI. 25.

quietness, and that very worthy deeds are done unto this nation by thy providence,

3 We accept *it* always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.

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4 Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious unto thee, I pray thee that thou wouldest hear us of thy clemency a few words.

5 For we have found this man *a* pestilent *fellow*,

their rage they reduced the high priest's house to ashes, and Ananias attempted to conceal himself in an old aqueduct, but he was dragged from his hiding-place and put to death.

14. "Came to the chief priests and elders;"—that is, of course, such of them as were Sadducees, or sympathisers with the Sadducean party in their opposition to Paul and his doctrine.

23. "Two hundred soldiers:"—these were the ordinary heavy-armed legionary soldiers, but distinct from the horsemen and the spearmen mentioned immediately afterwards. These spearmen may have been either lancers, or a kind of military lictors, or some light-armed troops.

35. "To be kept in Herod's judgment hall."—Felix, the procurator, resided in what was formerly the palace of Herod the Great, and this hall was a building attached to the palace.

CHAPTER XXIV.

1. "After five days:"—according to the eleventh verse, twelve days had elapsed since he went up to Jerusalem; so that this must have been the fifth day from the time of his departure from Antipatris to Cæsarea.

"With the elders:"—not the whole of them, but only a representative number, with power to act for the whole.

and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes:[a]

6 Who also hath gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law.[b]

7 But the chief captain Lysias came *upon us*, and with great violence took *him* away out of our hands,[c]

8 Commanding his accusers to come unto thee: by examining of whom thyself mayest take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him.[d]

9 And the Jews also assented, saying that these things were so.

10 Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned unto him to speak, answered, Forasmuch as I know that thou hast been of many years a judge unto this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for myself:

11 Because that thou mayest understand, that there are yet but twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem for to worship.[e]

12 And they neither found me in the temple disputing with any man, neither raising up the people, neither in the synagogues, nor in the city:[f]

13 Neither can they prove the things whereof they now accuse me.

14 But this I confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets:[g]

15 And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.[h]

16 And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and *toward* men.[i]

17 Now after many years I came to bring alms to my nation, and offerings.[j]

18 Whereupon certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple, neither with multitude, nor with tumult.[k]

19 Who ought to have been here before thee, and object, if they had ought against me.[l]

20 Or else let these same *here* say, if they have found any evil doing in me, while I stood before the council,

21 Except it be for this one voice, that I cried standing among them, Touching the resurrection of the dead I am called in question by you this day.[m]

22 And when Felix heard these things, having more perfect knowledge of *that* way, he deferred them, and said, When Lysias the chief captain shall come down, I will know the uttermost of your matter.[n]

23 And he commanded a centurion to keep Paul, and to let *him* have liberty, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister or come unto him.[o]

24 And after certain days, when Felix came with his wife Drusilla, which was a Jewess, he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ.

25 And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee.

26 He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him.[p]

27 But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound.[q]

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[a] ch. vi. 13; xvi. 20; xvii. 6; xxi. 28; Luke xxiii. 2; 1 Peter ii. 12, 15.

[b] ch. xxi. 28; John xviii. 31.

[c] ch. xxi. 33.

[d] ch. xxiii. 30.

[e] ch. xxvii. 8; xxviii. 16.

A.D. 53. *Felix* made procurator over *Judæa*.]

[f] ver. 17; ch. xxi. 26.

[g] ch. ix 2; xxvi. 22, xxviii. 23; Amos viii. 14, 2 Tim i. 3.

[h] ch. xxiii. 6; xxvi. 6, 7; xxviii 20, Dan xii. 2, John v. 28, 29.

[i] ch. xxiii. 1.

[j] ch. xi. 29, 30; xx 16; Rom. xv 25; 2 Cor. viii. 4; Gal. ii 10.

[k] ch. xxi. 26, 27; xxvi. 21.

[l] ch. xxiii. 30; xxv. 16.

[m] ch. xxiii. 6; xxviii. 20.

[n] ver. 7.

[o] ch. xxvii. 3; xxviii. 16.

[p] Exod. xxiii. 8.

[A.D. 62.

[q] ch. xii. 3; xxv. 9, 14; Exod. xxiii. 2.

[r] ch. xxiv. 1

[s] ch. xxiii. 12, 15.

[t] ver. 18; ch. xviii 14

CHAPTER XXV.

2 *The Jews accuse Paul before Festus.* 8 *He answereth for himself,* 11 *and appealeth unto Cæsar.* 14 *Afterwards Festus openeth his matter to king Agrippa,* 23 *and he is brought forth.* 25 *Festus clareth him to have done nothing worthy of death.*

NOW when Festus was come into the province, after three days he ascended from Cæsarea to Jerusalem.

2 Then the high priest and the chief of the Jews informed him against Paul, and besought him,[r]

3 And desired favour against him, that he would send for him to Jerusalem, laying wait in the way to kill him.[s]

4 But Festus answered, that Paul should be kept at Cæsarea, and that he himself would depart shortly *thither*.

5 Let them therefore, said he, which among you are able, go down with *me*, and accuse this man, if there be any wickedness in him.[t]

3. "We accept it always."—accept what? The orator means to say, "Not only here in thy presence, but in all places, at all times, we acknowledge thy good and benignant rule.

5. "The sect of the Nazarenes"—this designation must have been put into his mouth by the Jews, who could not call them Christians, as this would have been to admit the pretensions and claims of Jesus, their Master. This is the only instance in which the Christians are so named.

10. "Many years a judge"—Felix was now in the seventh year of his procuratorship, and his intimate acquaintance with all questions of jurisprudence emboldened the Apostle to speak with all freedom. But how striking the contrast between the flattery and the falsehood of Tertullus, and the manly, dignified, truthful address of Paul! He stood erect before God and man.

19. "Who ought to have been here"—this was a master-stroke on the part of the Apostle. It being, as Alford says, "the custom of the Romans not to judge a prisoner without the accusers face to face," he deposes that his real accusers were the Asiatic Jews who first raised the cry against him in the Temple—*not the Sanhedrim*, who merely received him at the hands of others; and that these [Asiatic Jews] *were not present*."

20. "If they have found any evil doing in me:"—this is a Hebrew mode of expression, and is tantamount to "let them say *what* they have found wrong in my conduct."

22. "Having more perfect knowledge;"—that is, being in possession of all the facts of the case, he deferred any further proceedings till Lysias arrived. Whether he ever arrived does not appear.

24. "His wife Drusilla" is said to have been the daughter of Herod Agrippa. She was married to Azizus, king of Emesa; but Felix became enamoured of her beauty, and through the agency of a magician induced her to leave her husband, and live with him. It was, perhaps, to gratify Drusilla that he sent for Paul, to hear of the Christian faith.

27. "Porcius Festus came into Felix' room:"—Felix was deposed, and by his deposition was disgraced and degraded. The Jews having preferred some serious complaints against him, he wished, in leaving office, to conciliate and insure their good will. He therefore left Paul still bound and in prison. But in filling up that which was behind of the afflictions of Christ, we see in Paul how nobly there stood out the man in the Christian, and the Christian in the man.

CHAPTER XXV.

1. "Come into the province, after three days:"—properly speaking, Judea was only a procuratorship attached to the province of Syria. A part is taken

6 And when he had tarried among them [1]more than ten days, he went down unto Cæsarea; and the next day sitting on the judgment seat commanded Paul to be brought.

7 And when he was come, the Jews which came down from Jerusalem stood round about, and laid many and grievous complaints against Paul, which they could not prove.[a]

8 While he answered for himself, Neither against the law of the Jews, neither against the temple, nor yet against Cæsar, have I offended any thing at all.[b]

9 But Festus, willing to do the Jews a pleasure, answered Paul, and said, Wilt thou go up to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these things before me?[c]

10 Then said Paul, I stand at Cæsar's judgment seat, where I ought to be judged: to the Jews have I done no wrong, as thou very well knowest.

11 For if I be an offender, or have committed any thing worthy of death, I refuse not to die: but if there be none of these things whereof these accuse me, no man may deliver me unto them. I appeal unto Cæsar.[d]

12 Then Festus, when he had conferred with the council, answered, Hast thou appealed unto Cæsar? unto Cæsar shalt thou go.

13 And after certain days king Agrippa and Bernice came unto Cæsarea to salute Festus.

14 And when they had been there many days, Festus declared Paul's cause unto the king, saying, There is a certain man left in bonds by Felix:[e]

15 About whom, when I was at Jerusalem, the chief priests and the elders of the Jews informed *me*, desiring *to have* judgment against him.[f]

16 To whom I answered, It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before that he which is accused have the accusers face to face, and have licence to answer for himself concerning the crime laid against him.[g]

17 Therefore, when they were come hither, without any delay on the morrow I sat on the judgment seat, and commanded the man to be brought forth.[h]

18 Against whom when the accusers stood up, they brought none accusation of such things as I supposed:

19 But had certain questions against him of their own superstition, and of one Jesus, which was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive.[i]

ANNO DOMINI 63.

1 Or, as some copies read, no more than eight or ten days.

2 Or, I was doubtful how to inquire hereof.

3 Or, *judgment.*

a ch. xxiv. 5, 13; Mark xv. 3; Luke xxiii. 2, 10.

b ch. ix. 15.

b ch. vi. 13; xxiv. 12; xxviii. 17.

c ver. 20; ch. xxiv. 27.

d vs. 2, 3, 7; ch. xxii. 22.

d ver. 25; ch. xviii. 14; xxiii. 29; xxvi. 31, 32; xxviii. 19.

f vs. 11, 12; ch. xxiii. 9, 29; xxvi. 31.

e ch. xxiv. 27.

f vs. 2, 3.

g vs. 4, 5

h ver 6.

i ch xviii. 15; xxiii. 29.

20 And because [2]I doubted of such manner of questions, I asked *him* whether he would go to Jerusalem, and there be judged of these matters.

21 But when Paul had appealed to be reserved unto the [3]hearing of Augustus, I commanded him to be kept till I might send him to Cæsar.

22 Then Agrippa said unto Festus, I would also hear the man myself. To morrow, said he, thou shalt hear him.[j]

23 And on the morrow, when Agrippa was come, and Bernice, with great pomp, and was entered into the place of hearing, with the chief captains, and principal men of the city, at Festus' commandment Paul was brought forth.

24 And Festus said, King Agrippa, and all men which are here present with us, ye see this man, about whom all the multitude of the Jews have dealt with me, both at Jerusalem, and *also* here, crying that he ought not to live any longer.[k]

25 But when I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death, and that he himself hath appealed to Augustus, I have determined to send him.[l]

26 Of whom I have no certain thing to write unto my lord. Wherefore I have brought him forth before you, and specially before thee, O king Agrippa, that, after examination had, I might have somewhat to write.

27 For it seemeth to me unreasonable to send a prisoner, and not withal to signify the crimes *laid* against him.

CHAPTER XXVI.

2 *Paul, in the presence of Agrippa, declareth his life from his childhood,* 12 *and how miraculously he was converted, and called to his apostleship.* 24 *Festus chargeth him to be mad, whereunto he answereth modestly.* 28 *Agrippa is almost persuaded to be a Christian.* 31 *The whole company pronounce him innocent.*

THEN Agrippa said unto Paul, Thou art permitted to speak for thyself. Then Paul stretched forth the hand, and answered for himself:

2 I think myself happy, king Agrippa, because I shall answer for myself this day before thee touching all the things whereof I am accused of the Jews:

3 Especially *because I know* thee to be expert in all

for the whole. In Festus, the newly-appointed consul, we see the busy, active, enterprising Roman. Only three days have elapsed since he entered on his duties, when he hastens to Jerusalem, makes himself familiar with the circumstances affecting the position of his prisoner, and in ten days more he is prepared to hear the whole case.

3. "Laying wait in the way to kill him."—the country abounded at this time with such ruffians and assassins, who were hired by others to seize and carry off their adversaries. Festus wisely refused this application to bring the Apostle to Jerusalem. His accusers had to go down to Cæsarea.

7. "Stood round about"—not around the Apostle, but the judgment-seat before which Paul stood.

8. "Neither against the law of the Jews," &c.:—these were the three grave charges preferred against him by the prosecution as conducted by Tertullus.—See chap. xxiv. 5, 6.

13. "King Agrippa and Bernice:"—this was Herod Agrippa II., the son of Agrippa, or Herod Agrippa I. who is mentioned in chapter xii. He was at Rome, and only seventeen years old, when his father died. Though he did not succeed to his father's kingdom, yet both Claudius and Nero gave him large territorial possessions, and allowed him the title of king. Agrippa made himself very unpopular with the Jews. He was attended on the occasion mentioned in the text by Bernice, or Berenice, his eldest sister. The incestuous marriages for which the Herods were proverbial are said to have had an example in the case of this Herod and Bernice. His coming to salute Festus, or to offer him his congratulations on being appointed proconsul, was, no doubt, to gain his favour.

21. "The hearing of Augustus:"—this prefix, AUGUSTUS, was first conferred by the senate on Octavianus, and claimed by all succeeding emperors.

22. "To morrow thou shalt hear him:"—Festus readily complied with the wish of Agrippa, who was the governor of the Temple; but whether it was merely to gratify his curiosity, or as something of national interest that Agrippa wished to hear, does not appear.

23. "Chief captains:"—these were the tribunes of the cohorts stationed at Cæsarea. What a spectacle is here! Paul stands up in the presence of the last King of the Jews, surrounded by all the local authorities, and the most brilliant assembly of the citizens, and preaches Christ the Crucified as the only Saviour of men!

CHAPTER XXVI.

1. "Stretched forth the hand:"—a very common action with orators, and as Bengel says, "appropriate both to the boldness of Paul's speech, and to secure the attention of his hearers."

customs and questions which are among the Jews: wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently.

4 My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first among mine own nation at Jerusalem, know all the Jews;

5 Which knew me from the beginning, if they would testify, that after the most straitest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee.[a]

6 And now I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made of God unto our fathers:[b]

7 Unto which *promise* our twelve tribes, instantly serving *God* [1]day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.[c]

ANNO DOMINI 62.

g ch. ix. 3; xxii. 6.

a ch. xxii. 3; xxiii. 6; xxiv 15, 21; Philipp. iii. 5

b ch. xiii 32; Gen. iii. 15, xxii. 18, xxvi. 4; xlix 10, Deut xviii 15, 2 Sam. vii 12, Ps. cxxxii. 11, Isa iv 2; vii 14; ix. 6; xl. 10, Jer xxiii 5; xxxiii. 14—16; Ezek. xxxiv 23, xxxvii 24; Dan ix 24; Micah vii 20, Rom. xv. 8; Titus ii. 13.

1 Gr. *night and day.*

c Luke ii. 37; Philipp iii. 11; 1 Thess iii. 10, 1 Tim. v 5; James i. 1.

12 Whereupon as I went to Damascus with authority and commission from the chief priests,[g]

13 At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them which journeyed with me.

14 And when we were all fallen to the earth, I heard a voice speaking unto me, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? *it is* hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

15 And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest.

16 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which



SAILING UNDER CYPRUS. ANCIENT SHIPS.—ACTS XXVII. 4.

8 Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?

9 I verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus of Nazareth.[d]

10 Which thing I also did in Jerusalem: and many of the saints did I shut up in prison, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I gave my voice against *them*.[e]

11 And I punished them oft in every synagogue, and compelled *them* to blaspheme; and being exceedingly mad against them, I persecuted *them* even unto strange cities.[f]

h ch. xxii. 15

i ch. xxii 21.

d John xvi 2, 1 Tim. i 13

e ch. viii. 3; ix. 14, 21; xxii. 5; Gal. i 13.

j ch xx 32; Isa. xxxv 5, xlii. 7; Luke i. 77, 79; John viii. 12; 2 Cor iv 4; vi 14; Eph i 11, 18; iv. 18; v 8, Col i 12, 13, 1 Thess v 5; 1 Peter ii. 9, 25.

f ch. xxii. 19

thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;[h]

17 Delivering thee from the people, and *from* the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee,[i]

18 To open their eyes, *and* to turn *them* from darkness to light, and *from* the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.[j]

19 Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision:

20 But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judæa,

3. "Expert in all customs"—as a Jew he had been educated in everything affecting the usages, the faith, and the worship of his nation.

6. "The hope of the promise"—the promise refers to the Messiah, and this promise of a Saviour involved the hope of the resurrection. For the truth of this assumption Paul appeals to Agrippa.

10. "Many of the saints:"—strange that Paul should so designate the followers of Christ in such an assembly as this. But, as Stier says, "it belongs to the more confident tone of the speech, which he delivers, *not as a prisoner defending himself*, but as one being heard before those who were his auditors, not his judges."

11—18. We agree with Alford, who says: "There can be no question that Paul here *condenses into one, various sayings of our Lord to him at different times in visions* (chap. xxii 18—21) and *by Ananias* (chap. ix. 15). Nor can this, on the strictest view, be considered any deviation from truth. It is what all must more or less do who are abridging a narrative, or giving the general sense of things said at various times. There were reasons for his being minute and particular in *the details of his conversion*; that once related, the commission which he thereupon received is not followed into its details, but *summed up as committed to him* by the Lord himself."

24. "Thou art beside thyself:"—the energy and the earnestness with



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ACTS XXIV.

and *then* to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.[a]

21 For these causes the Jews caught me in the temple, and went about to kill *me*.[b]

22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come:[c]

23 That Christ should suffer, *and* that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.[d]

24 And as he thus spake for himself, Festus said with a loud voice, Paul, thou art beside thyself; much learning doth make thee mad.[e]

25 But he said, I am not mad, most noble Festus; but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.

26 For the king knoweth of these things, before whom also I speak freely: for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him; for this thing was not done in a corner.

27 King Agrippa, believest thou the prophets? I know that thou believest.

28 Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian.

29 And Paul said, I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were both almost, and altogether such as I am, except these bonds.[f]

30 And when he had thus spoken, the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they that sat with them:

31 And when they were gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, This man doeth nothing worthy of death or of bonds.[g]

32 Then said Agrippa unto Festus, This man might have been set at liberty, if he had not appealed unto Cæsar.[h]

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a ch. ix. 20, 22, 29; xi. 26; xiii., xiv., xvi.—xxi.; Matt. iii. 8.

f 1 Cor. vii. 7.

b ch. xxi. 30, 31.

c ch. xxiv. 14; xxviii. 23; Luke xxiv. 27, 44, John v. 46; Rom. iii. 21.

g ch. xxiii. 9, 29, xxv. 25.

d Luke ii. 32; xxiv. 26, 46, 1 Cor. xv. 20, Col. i. 18; Rev. i. 5.

h ch. xxv. 11.



ST. PAUL'S BAY, MALTA.

e 2 Kings ix. 11, John x. 20, 1 Cor. i. 23, ii. 13, 14, iv. 10.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 *Paul shipping toward Rome,* 10 *foretelleth of the danger of the voyage,* 11 *but is not believed.* 14 *They are tossed to and fro with tempest,* 41 *and suffer shipwreck,* 22, 34, 44 *yet all come safe to land.*

AND when it was determined that we should sail into Italy, they delivered Paul and certain other prisoners unto *one* named Julius, a centurion of Augustus' band.[i]

2 And entering into a ship of Adramyttium, we launched, meaning to sail by the coasts of Asia; *one* Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us.[j]

i ch. xxv. 12, 25.

j ch. xix. 29.

which the Apostle spoke, as well as the supernatural truth which he enunciated, so startled and confounded the proconsul, that he could resolve the manner and the matter of his prisoner into nothing less than mental hallucination or aberration of mind. Festus was a total stranger to the truth uttered, and therefore was not in a position to understand or appreciate the fervour and the elevation of the man of God.

31. "Nothing worthy of death or of bonds:"—a remarkable deliverance from the mouth of a Jew, and of a Jewish king. Thus by Roman law and by Jewish authority he stood acquitted; but he had appealed to Cæsar, and to Cæsar he must go. Two years had nearly rolled away since an arrest had been put upon his labours; but he was not impatient. He felt that if it were the will of God that time should intervene, he ought to rest and acquiesce. Besides, the wave which had receded would, on its return, touch a point still higher and more advanced. Rome is now before him as his goal.

CHAPTER XXVII.

1 "That we should sail:"—in all likelihood, Luke remained in Jerusalem or its vicinity during the time of Paul's imprisonment, and now joins him again, and accompanies him to Rome.

2. "Adramyttium" was a seaport in the Athenian colony of Mysia, opposite to the island of Lesbos, in the north-west of Asia Minor.

"Aristarchus:"—see chap. xix. 29; xx. 4; Col. iv. 10, and Philemon 24.

4. Cyprus is a large island in the Mediterranean, with Cilicia on the north, and Syria on the east. It is about 140 miles in its greatest length, and 50 in its greatest breadth. From a very early period it was famous for its varied mineral and vegetable productions, and also for its worship of Venus. Our word "copper" is believed to have been derived from the word Cyprus, because that metal was so abundant there. It is supposed that its first inhabitants were a Phenician colony, and that it is the Chittim of the Old Testament. On many accounts the island attracted merchants and settlers

3 And the next *day* we touched at Sidon. And Julius courteously entreated Paul, and gave *him* liberty to go unto his friends to refresh himself.[a]

4 And when we had launched from thence, we sailed under Cyprus, because the winds were contrary.

5 And when we had sailed over the sea of Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra, *a city* of Lycia.

6 And there the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing into Italy; and he put us therein.

7 And when we had sailed slowly many days, and scarce were come over against Cnidus, the wind not suffering us, we sailed under [1]Crete, over against Salmone;

8 And, hardly passing it, came unto a place which is called The fair havens; nigh whereunto was the city *of* Lasea.

9 Now when much time was spent, and when sailing was now dangerous, [2]because the fast was now already past, Paul admonished *them*,

10 And said unto them, Sirs, I perceive that this voyage will be with [3]hurt and much damage, not only of the lading and ship, but also of our lives.

11 Nevertheless the centurion believed the master and the owner of the ship, more than those things which were spoken by Paul.

12 And because the haven was not commodious to winter in, the more part advised to depart thence also, if by any means they might attain to Phenice, *and there* to winter; *which is* an haven of Crete, and lieth toward the south west and north west.

13 And when the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained *their* purpose, loosing *thence*, they sailed close by Crete.

14 But not long after there [4]arose against it a tempestuous wind, called Euroclydon.

15 And when the ship was caught, and could not bear up into the wind, we let *her* drive.

16 And running under a certain island which is called Clauda, we had much work to come by the boat:

17 Which when they had taken up, they used helps, undergirding the ship; and, fearing lest they should fall into the quicksands, strake sail, and so were driven.

18 And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the next *day* they lightened the ship;

ANNO DOMINI 62.

b Jonah i. 5.

a ch. xxiv. 23; xxviii. 16.

1 Or, *Candy.*

c ch. xxiii. 11; Dan. vi 16; Rom. i. 9; 2 Tim. i. 3.

2 The fast was on the tenth day of the seventh month, Lev. xxiii. 27, 29.

d Luke i. 45; Rom iv. 20, 21, 2 Tim. i. 12.

e ch. xxviii 1.

3 Or, *injury.*

4 Or, *beat.*

19 And the third *day* we cast out with our own hands the tackling of the ship.[b]

20 And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on *us*, all hope that we should be saved was then taken away.

21 But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them, and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss.

22 And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of *any man's* life among you, but of the ship.

23 For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve,[c]

24 Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Cæsar: and, lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee.

25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me.[d]

26 Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island.[e]

27 But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven up and down in Adria, about midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country;

28 And sounded, and found *it* twenty fathoms: and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found *it* fifteen fathoms.

29 Then fearing lest we should have fallen upon rocks, they cast four anchors out of the stern, and wished for the day.

30 And as the shipmen were about to flee out of the ship, when they had let down the boat into the sea, under colour as though they would have cast anchors out of the foreship,

31 Paul said to the centurion and to the soldiers, Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved.

32 Then the soldiers cut off the ropes of the boat, and let her fall off.

33 And while the day was coming on, Paul besought *them* all to take meat, saying, This day is the fourteenth day that ye have tarried and continued fasting, having taken nothing.

34 Wherefore I pray you to take *some* meat: for this is for your health: for there shall not an hair fall from the head of any of you.[f]

35 And when he had thus spoken, he took bread,

f 1 Kings i. 52; Matt. x 30, Luke xii. 7; xxi. 18

from all quarters, and its name is therefore continually met with in ancient authors, as a place of great trade, of rare fertility, and of peculiar sacredness. But the inhabitants wasted their time and wealth in luxury and effeminate habits, and passed in succession under the power of the Egyptians, Persians, Greeks, Romans, and Turks The church of Cyprus was long important, and its bishops are sometimes heard of in Christian history The capital of Cyprus was Salamis, and the chief Temple of Venus was at Paphos, where Paul preached Christ, and confounded Elymas (Acts xiii. 4—13)

5. "We came to Myra"—the direct course would have been south of Cyprus; but the wind being west or north-west, brought them under or to the lee of the island; and having sailed the whole length of the sea off Cilicia and Pamphylia, they came to Myra, a seaport of Lycia, and one of its principal cities, situated near the most southern cape of Asia Minor.

9 "The fast was now already past"—this was the solemn fast of the Day of Expiation, which was observed on the tenth day of TISRI, which was the seventh month of the Jewish ecclesiastical year, and the first of the civil year.

12. "Not commodious to winter in:"—although the haven offered a safe anchorage to a vessel situated or circumstanced as that in which the Apostle was, by sheltering it from the north-westerly winds which then prevailed, it did not protect from other adverse winds at other seasons of the year, and therefore was not to be trusted for the winter.

16. "A certain island which is called Clauda:"—this island is the same with our modern Gozzo; upon reaching which, "they availed themselves of the smooth water under its lee, to prepare the ship to resist the fury of the storm."

27. "In Adria:"—embracing not only the Venetian Gulf, but also the sea to the south of Greece.

41. "A place where two seas met."—we are told that "at the west end of St. Paul's Bay is an island—Salmoon, or Salmonetta—which is separated from the mainland by a channel of about one hundred yards wide, communicating with the outer sea;" and within this island, it is supposed, is the place where the ship struck.

There seems no reason to doubt that St. Paul was shipwrecked upon the coast of Malta, and in the part of it which is called after him "St. Paul's Bay." This bay lies upon the north-east side of the island, and exactly fulfils the conditions required by the text. As the bay is not very far from Valetta, it is often visited; and it is connected with various superstitious associations. One old tradition is, that since St. Paul shook the viper into the fire, no viper or other venomous reptile has been able to live in the island. The people say that St. Paul resided for three months in a cave or grotto, which now goes by his name. This cave, they say, has the miraculous property of not increasing in size, although portions of the stone are constantly carried away as relics. They say, too, that the earth and stones from this cave will drive away all

and gave thanks to God in presence of them all: and when he had broken *it*, he began to eat.[a]

36 Then were they all of good cheer, and they also took *some* meat.

37 And we were in all in the ship two hundred threescore and sixteen souls.[b]

38 And when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into the sea.

39 And when it was day, they knew not the land: but they discovered a certain creek with a shore, into the which they were minded, if it were possible, to thrust in the ship.

40 And when they had [1]taken up the anchors, they committed *themselves* unto the sea, and loosed the rudder bands, and hoised up the mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore.

41 And falling into a place where two seas met, they ran the ship aground; and the forepart stuck fast, and remained unmoveable, but the hinder part was broken with the violence of the waves.[c]

42 And the soldiers' counsel was to kill the prisoners, lest any of them should swim out, and escape.

43 But the centurion, willing to save Paul, kept them from *their* purpose; and commanded that they which could swim should cast *themselves* first *into the sea*, and get to land:

44 And the rest, some on boards, and some on *broken pieces* of the ship. And so it came to pass, that they escaped all safe to land.[d]

CHAPTER XXVIII.

1 *Paul after his shipwreck is kindly entertained of the barbarians.* 5 *The viper on his hand hurteth him not.* 8 *He healeth many diseases in the island.* 11 *They depart towards Rome.* 17 *He declareth to the Jews the cause of his coming.* 24 *After his preaching some were persuaded, and some believed not.* 30 *Yet he preacheth there two years.*

AND when they were escaped, then they knew that the island was called Melita.[e]

2 And the barbarous people shewed us no little kindness: for they kindled a fire, and received us every one, because of the present rain, and because of the cold.[f]

3 And when Paul had gathered a bundle of sticks, and laid *them* on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand.

ANNO DOMINI 62.

a 1 Sam. ix. 13; Matt. xv. 36; Mark viii 6; John vi. 11; 1 Tim. iv. 3, 4.

b ch. ii. 41; vii. 14; Rom xiii. 1; 1 Peter iii. 20.

g Mark xvi. 18; Luke x. 19.

h ch. xiv. 11.

1 Or, *cut the anchors, they left them in the sea, &c.*

i ch. xix 11, 12; Mark vi 5; vii 32, xvi. 18, Luke iv 40; 1 Cor. xii. 9, 28; James v 14, 15.

c 2 Cor. xi. 25.

j Matt. xv. 6; 1 Tim. v. 17.

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d ver. 22.

e ch. xxvii. 26.

k ch. xxiv. 25; xxvii. 3.

f Rom. i 14; 1 Cor. xiv 11; Col iii. 11.

4 And when the barbarians saw the *venomous* beast hang on his hand, they said among themselves, No doubt this man is a murderer, whom, though he hath escaped the sea, yet vengeance suffereth not to live.

5 And he shook off the beast into the fire, and felt no harm.[g]

6 Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while, and saw no harm come to him, they changed their minds, and said that he was a god.[h]

7 In the same quarters were possessions of the chief man of the island, whose name was Publius; who received us, and lodged us three days courteously.

8 And it came to pass, that the father of Publius lay sick of a fever and of a bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed, and laid his hands on him, and healed him.[i]

9 So when this was done, others also, which had diseases in the island, came, and were healed:

10 Who also honoured us with many honours; and when we departed, they laded *us* with such things as were necessary.[j]

11 And after three months we departed in a ship of Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was Castor and Pollux.

12 And landing at Syracuse, we tarried *there* three days.

13 And from thence we fetched a compass, and came to Rhegium: and after one day the south wind blew, and we came the next day to Puteoli:

14 Where we found brethren, and were desired to tarry with them seven days: and so we went toward Rome.

15 And from thence, when the brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appii forum, and The three taverns: whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, and took courage.

16 And when we came to Rome, the centurion delivered the prisoners to the captain of the guard: but Paul was suffered to dwell by himself with a soldier that kept him.[k]

17 And it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them, Men *and* brethren, though I have committed nothing against

reptiles, and cure any wounds they make. For many centuries Malta has been a stronghold of superstition and bigotry. The enlightened Christian regards the place with interest, as the probable scene of the Apostle's preservation, of one of his miracles, and of his preaching.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

4. "No doubt this man is a murderer:"—but, we ask, why? The Apostle had escaped death by shipwreck; but seeing the viper fasten itself on him, the people concluded that a righteous vengeance was pursuing him; and knowing, as they did, that the bite of the reptile was fatal, they concluded that he must have taken life, since life was now about to be taken from him. it was life for life.

6. "Should have swollen, or fallen down dead:"—natural results from the diffusion of the poison, and its circulation in the blood.

7. "Whose name was Publius:"—he is supposed to have been the legate of the prætor of Sicily, to whose province Malta belonged. The fact that Publius entertained Paul and his companions under his own roof for three days may be accounted for by the courtesy of Julius, the centurion of Augustus' band, to whom the charge of the Apostle had been committed (chap. xxvii. 1).

11. "Castor and Pollux:"—these sons of Jupiter and Leda were considered the tutelar deities of seamen.

12. "Landing at Syracuse."—this was a wealthy and important city on the eastern coast of the island of Sicily, and was in the direct course from Malta—about eighty miles—to Rome.

13. "Came to Rhegium:"—a maritime city of Italy, on the south-west point, about ten miles from Messina, in Sicily; to which, as the wind was westerly, they came by a circuitous sweep to Puteoli, which was sheltered in the Bay of Naples, and formed the principal port in Southern Italy. It was distant only some six or eight miles north-west from the city of Naples.

15. "When the brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appii forum:"—these brethren may have been Alexandrian Christians engaged in commerce.

St. Paul's friends met him, some at Appii Forum, and some at The Three Taverns, which were places on the Appian Way. Appii Forum seems to have been a town which formed a convenient halting-place for travellers between Rome, Capua, and Brundusium. It is named by Horace, and referred to by Antoninus, as forty-three miles from Rome. The Three Taverns, or *Tres Tabernæ*, was seven or eight miles nearer Rome, and is named by

the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans.[a]

18 Who, when they had examined me, would have let *me* go, because there was no cause of death in me.[b]

19 But when the Jews spake against *it*, I was constrained to appeal unto Cæsar; not that I had ought to accuse my nation of.[c]

20 For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see *you*, and to speak with *you:* because that for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain.[d]

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g ch. xiv. 4; xvii. 4; xix. 9.

a ch. xxi. 33; xxiv. 12, 13; xxv. 8.

b ch. xxii. 24; xxiv. 10; xxv. 8; xxvi. 31.

c ch. xxv. 11.

h Isa. vi. 9; Jer. v. 21; Ezek. xii. 2; Matt. xiii. 14, 15; Mark iv. 12; Luke viii. 10; John xii. 40; Rom. xi. 8.

d ch. xxvi. 6, 7, 29; Eph iii 1, iv. 1; vi. 20; 2 Tim. i. 16; ii. 9; Phil. 10, 13.

24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not.[g]

25 And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word; Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers,

26 Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive:[h]

27 For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with *their* eyes,



THE APPIAN WAY, ROME.

21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judæa concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee.

22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against.[e]

23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into *his* lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and *out of* the prophets, from morning till evening.[f]

and hear with *their* ears, and understand with *their* heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and *that* they will hear it.[i]

29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.

30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him,

31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.[j]

e ch. xiii. 46, 47; xviii. 6; xxii. 21; xxvi. 17, 18; Matt. xxi. 41, 43; Rom. xi. 11.

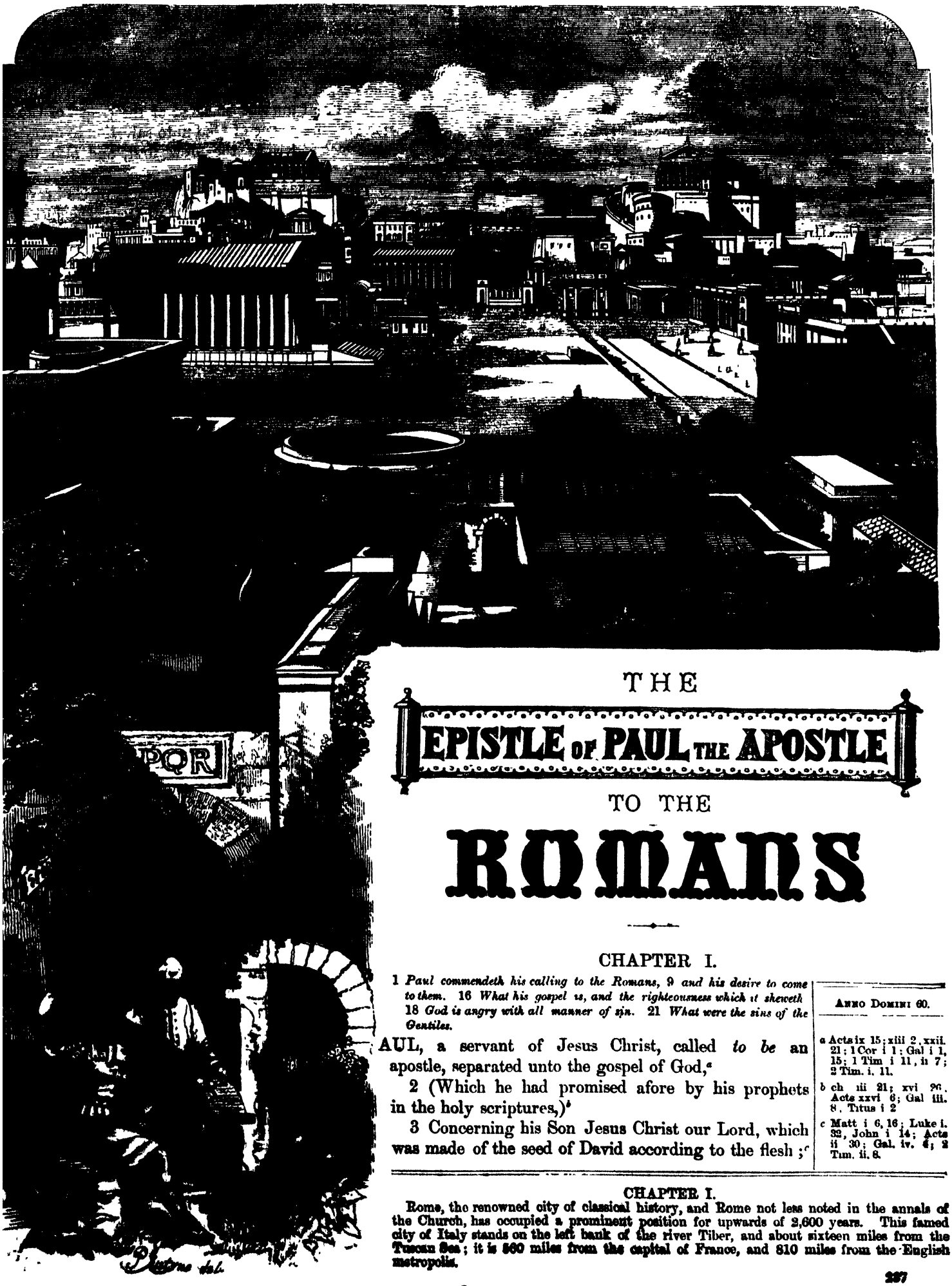
e ch. xxiv. 5, 14; Luke ii. 34; 1 Peter ii. 12, iv. 14.

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f ch. xvii. 3, xix. 8; xxvi. 6, 22; Luke xxiv. 27.

i ch. iv. 31; Eph. vi. 19.

Cicero. The ruins of both these places are still pointed out. As for the Appian Way, or Via Appia, it was a very well known road, said to have been constructed, at vast expense, by Appius Claudius, more than 300 years B.C. This road led from Rome to Capua, and was paved with hard stones brought from a distance. The road passed out of Rome by the Porta Capena, or Capuan Gate, and was adorned on the right and left, for some distance, by temples, monuments, &c. At present, the Church of St. Sebastian, a principal entrance to the famous Catacombs, stands about two miles out of Rome, on the Appian Way. This Way is equally celebrated in the Pagan and in the Christian history of Rome.



THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE ROMANS

CHAPTER I.

1 *Paul commendeth his calling to the Romans,* 9 *and his desire to come to them.* 16 *What his gospel is, and the righteousness which it sheweth* 18 *God is angry with all manner of sin.* 21 *What were the sins of the Gentiles.*

PAUL, a servant of Jesus Christ, called *to be* an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God,[a]

2 (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures,)[b]

3 Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh ;[c]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a Acts ix 15; xiii 2, xxii. 21; 1 Cor i 1; Gal i 1, 15; 1 Tim i 11, ii 7; 2 Tim. i. 11.

b ch iii 21; xvi 26. Acts xxvi 6; Gal iii. 8, Titus i 2

c Matt i 6, 16; Luke i. 32, John i 14; Acts ii 30; Gal. iv. 4; 2 Tim. ii. 8.

CHAPTER I.

Rome, the renowned city of classical history, and Rome not less noted in the annals of the Church, has occupied a prominent position for upwards of 2,600 years. This famed city of Italy stands on the left bank of the river Tiber, and about sixteen miles from the Tuscan Sea; it is 860 miles from the capital of France, and 810 miles from the English metropolis.

4 And [1]declared *to be* the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead :[a]

5 By whom we have received grace and apostleship, [2]for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name :[b]

6 Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ :

7 To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called *to be* saints : Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.[c]

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world.[d]

9 For God is my witness, whom I serve [3]with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers ;[e]

10 Making request, if by any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey by the will of God to come unto you.[f]

11 For I long to see you, that I may impart unto you some spiritual gift, to the end ye may be established ;[g]

12 That is, that I may be comforted together [4]with you by the mutual faith both of you and me.[h]

13 Now I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that oftentimes I purposed to come unto you, (but was let hitherto,) that I might have some fruit [5]among you also, even as among other Gentiles.[i]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

1 Gr. *determined.*
a Acts xiii. 33 ; Heb. ix. 14.
j 1 Cor. ix. 16.
2 Or, *to the obedience of faith.*
b ch. xii. 3 ; xv. 15 ; xvi. 26 ; Acts vi. 7 ; ix. 15 ; 1 Cor. xv. 10, Gal. i. 15, ii. 9 ; Eph. iii. 8.
k ch. ii. 9, Ps. xl. 9, 10 ; Mark viii. 38 ; Luke ii. 30—32 ; xxiv. 47 ; Acts iii. 26 ; xiii. 26, 46 ; 1 Cor. i. 18 ; xv. 2 ; 2 Tim. i. 8.
c ch. ix. 24 ; 1 Cor. i. 2, 3, 2 Cor. i. 2 ; Gal. i. 3 ; 1 Thess. iv. 7.
l ch. iii. 21 ; Hab. ii 4 ; John iii. 36 ; Gal. iii. 11 ; Philipp. iii 9 ; Heb. x. 38.
d ch. xvi. 19 ; 1 Cor. i 4, Philipp. i. 3 ; Col. i. 3, 4 ; 1 Thess. i. 2, 8.
3 Or, *in my spirit.*
m Acts xvii. 30 ; Eph. v. 6, Col. iii. 6.
6 Or, *to them.*
e ch. ix. 1 ; John iv. 23, 24, Acts xxvii. 23 ; 2 Cor i 23, Philipp i. 8, iii 3, 1 Thess. ii. 5 ; iii. 10, 2 Tim. i. 3.
n John i. 9 ; Acts xiv. 17.
f ch. xv. 23, 32 ; 1 Thess. iii. 10 ; James iv. 15.
7 Or, *that they may be.*
o Ps. xix. 1, &c ; Acts xiv. 17 ; xvii. 27.
g ch xv. 29.
4 Or, *in you.*
h Titus i. 4, 2 Peter i 1.
p 2 Kings xvii. 15 ; Jer. ii. 5 ; Eph. iv. 17, 18.
5 Or, *in you.*
q Jer. x. 14.
i ch. xv. 23 ; Acts xvi. 7 ; Philipp. iv 17 ; 1 Thess. ii. 18.

14 I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians ; both to the wise, and to the unwise.[j]

15 So, as much as in me is, I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also.

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ : for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth ; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.[k]

17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith : as it is written, The just shall live by faith.[l]

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness ;[m]

19 Because that which may be known of God is manifest [6]in them ; for God hath shewed *it* unto them.[n]

20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* his eternal power and Godhead ; [7]so that they are without excuse :[o]

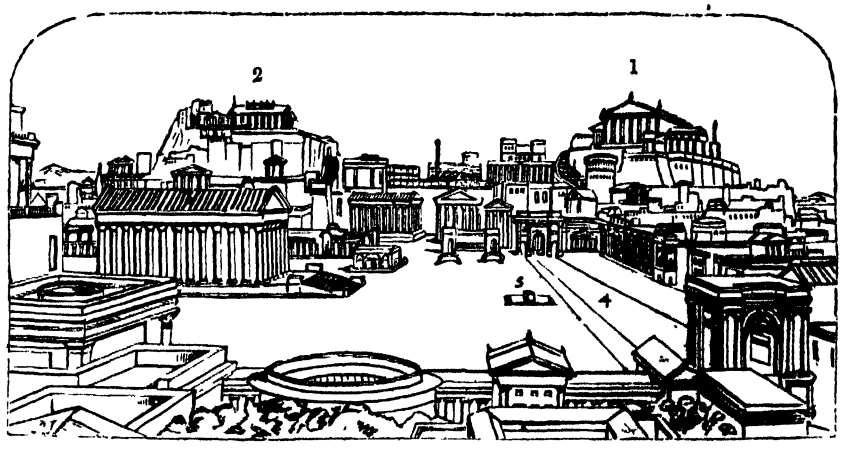
21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified *him* not as God, neither were thankful ; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.[p]

22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,[q]

23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible

It was founded by Romulus, 753 years before the Christian Era, and in the reign of Jotham, the eleventh king of Judah ; in the days of Isaiah, the Royal Prophet ; and during the reign of Pekah, the eighteenth king of Israel : yet the sacred writers of the Old Testament never mention the city of Rome.

Though small and mean at the beginning, the city received so many embellishments from the kings, consuls, patricians, dictators, triumviri, and the Cæsars, that no city in the world surpassed Rome in beauty. Every succeeding Emperor sought to increase its magnificence, or to add to its convenience. The improvements effected by Augustus were so numerous, that he was accustomed to boast "that he had found Rome a city of bricks, and had left it a city of marble." Several of the ancient edifices still remain to testify to the former grandeur of this city — a city which, in a remarkable manner, connects the world of modern history with the world of ancient times. The Pantheon, erected in the reign of Augustus, is still to be seen ; the Coliseum, the Baths of Diocletian, the triumphal arches, and the columns of Trajan and of other potentates, have also defied the destroying hand of Time. Some of these remains—as the arches of Severus, Titus, and Constantine ; the ruins of the temples of Vespasian and Saturn ; the Coliseum, &c.—appear in the engraving representing the Forum in its present state The ruins have preserved sufficient of their grandeur and of their beauty to carry the thoughts of the spectator back to the palmy days of the Roman Empire. The historian will reflect on the rise and fall of ancient Rome. The student of our national annals will think of Caractacus, one of Britain's noble-minded kings ; and the Christian will, by a train of thought, be led to contemplate the labours of Paul, and men of Apostolic minds, and the goodly company of the martyrs who testified, in defiance of Pagan persecutions, to the truth of the Christian faith. The engraving at the head of this epistle represents ancient Rome, the artist's conception of the city having been based on existing records and monuments.



KEY TO VIEW OF ROME.

1 The Capitol.
2 The Palatine Hill.
3. The Comitium.
4. The Via Sacra.
5. The Rostra, or Pulpit for Public Harangue.

The Epistle to the Romans, from its profound doctrinal statements, may be regarded as the key to all the other apostolic letters of St. Paul. Being addressed to a church composed of Jews and Gentiles, the great object of the Apostle is to set forth the equal sinfulness and unworthiness of both in the sight of God, and hence the equal indebtedness of both to his sovereign and redeeming grace in Christ Jesus, as the only Saviour of man.

The Church at Rome was not founded by our Apostle, but, in all probability, by some of his converts, who had been attracted thither as the centre of the world's power. Still, as the Apostle of the Gentiles, he identified himself immediately with it, and takes the liveliest interest in everything affecting its prosperity.

It is by some persons believed that this Epistle was written from Corinth, in the earlier part of A.D. 58.

1. "Called to be an apostle :"—it is to be remarked that, in his epistles, St. Paul resolves his call to the apostleship into the immediate will of God, without human intervention or agency in any form.

"Separated unto the gospel ;"—that is, set apart to the sublime work of preaching or making known the glad tidings of God's reconciling love.

2. "Which he had promised afore :"—in the words of St. John, "The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy." The grand burden of all the prophecies is salvation through a coming Messiah or Redeemer. The first promise, no less than the last, points to Jesus as the Saviour of man.

4. "By the resurrection from the dead :"—his resurrection was the grand proof that he was what he professed to be—the Son of God and the Redeemer of the world ; and it became the pledge of the resurrection of all his followers.

5. "For obedience to the faith among all nations :"—the grace and apostleship which he had received from God through Christ were bestowed upon him as the herald of salvation to all nations ; and it was through his message that those nations were to embrace the new faith, thus yielding obedience to

God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.[a]

24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:[b]

25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature [1]more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.[c]

26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:[d]

27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

28 And even as they did not like [2]to retain God in *their* knowledge, God gave them over to [3]a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;[e]

29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

31 Without understanding, covenantbreakers, [4]without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:

32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but [5]have pleasure in them that do them.[f]

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a Deut. iv. 16, &c.; Ps. cvi. 20, Isa. xl. 18, 25; Jer. ii 11; Ezek. viii. 10; Acts xvii. 29.

b Lev. xviii. 22; Ps. lxxxi. 12; Acts vii. 42; 1 Cor. vi 18; Eph. iv. 18, 19; 1 Thess. iv 4; 2 Thess. ii. 11, 12; 1 Peter iv. 3.

1 Or, *rather.*

c Isa. xliv. 20; Jer. x. 14; xiii 25, Amos ii 4, 1 Thess. i. 9; 1 John v. 20.

d ch. i. 20; 2 Sam. xii. 5–7; Matt vii 1, 2, John viii. 9.

d Lev. xviii. 22, 23; Eph. v. 12; Jude 10.

2 Or, *to acknowledge.*

3 Or, *a mind void of judgment.*

e Eph. v. 4.

h ch. iii 25; ix. 23; Exod. xxxiv 6, Isa. xxx. 18; Eph. i 7; ii. 4, 7; 2 Peter iii. 9, 15

i Deut. xxxii. 34; James v. 3

4 Or, *unsociable.*

j ch. xiv 12; Job xxxiv 11, Ps. lxii 12; Prov xxiv 12, Jer. xvii. 10; xxxii. 19; Matt. xvi. 27, 1 Cor iii. 8; 2 Cor. v 10; Rev. ii. 23; xx. 12; xxii. 12.

5 Or, *consent with them*

f ch. ii. 2; vi 21; Ps. l. 18; Hos. vii. 3.

CHAPTER II.

1 *They that sin, though they condemn it in others, cannot excuse themselves,* 6 *and much less escape the judgment of God,* 9 *whether they be Jews or Gentiles.* 14 *The Gentiles cannot escape,* 17 *nor yet the Jews,* 25 *whom their circumcision shall not profit, if they keep not the law.*

THEREFORE thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things.[g]

2 But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things.

3 And thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?

4 Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?[h]

5 But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God;[i]

6 Who will render to every man according to his deeds:[j]

7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:

8 But unto them that are contentious, and do not

g ch. i. 20; 2 Sam. xii. 5–7; Matt vii 1, 2, John viii. 9.

h ch. iii 25; ix. 23; Exod. xxxiv 6, Isa. xxx. 18; Eph. i 7; ii. 4, 7; 2 Peter iii. 9, 15

i Deut. xxxii. 34; James v. 3

j ch. xiv 12; Job xxxiv 11, Ps. lxii 12; Prov xxiv 12, Jer. xvii. 10; xxxii. 19; Matt. xvi. 27, 1 Cor iii. 8; 2 Cor. v 10; Rev. ii. 23; xx. 12; xxii. 12.

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the heavenly call, and by that obedience glorifying Christ. Hence he adds, in the next verse, "Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ."

11. "I long to see you:"—Paul had not yet been to Rome; but he had heard enough of the faith and activity of the Christian converts in the imperial city to make him long to see them and commune with them.

12. "The mutual faith both of you and me:"—the "spiritual gift" which the Apostle wished to impart to the Romans was not any supernatural or miraculous power, but the positive benefit which might accrue to them as the subjects of divine life, in the increase of their faith, and love, and hope; and hence we find him here coming down from the higher ground of his apostleship, and, placing himself upon the level of a Christian brother, expressing the hope that, when they met and came into contact with each other, they might be mutually and reciprocally conscious of being strengthened and quickened in the life of faith.

14. "I am debtor;"—that is, as an apostle; whose commission embraced all nations, he owed to all a debt of labour. His ministry was not to be confined to any one portion of our fallen race.

16. "It is the power of God"—in Greece, which was the centre of the world's philosophy, Paul speaks of the Gospel as the wisdom of God; and in Rome, which was the centre of the world's might, he speaks of it as the power of God. In both it was the power of God, because it was the wisdom of God; and everywhere it was both the wisdom and the power of God, because it was God's living truth brought home and applied to the heart by his own Spirit.

17. "The righteousness of God:"—"the righteousness of God" is not God's inherent rectitude, but God's method of making righteous a sinner by virtue of the merits of another; and this method is revealed to awaken the faith or trust of the sinner as the condition of his pardon and acceptance.

18. "The wrath of God is revealed;"—in the effects which follow, even in this world, such a course of life and action as he describes.

23. The literal accuracy of what the Apostle here says might be proved by many facts. The Romans themselves worshipped many false gods, mostly, like those of Greece, in the human form. Such was Jupiter Capitolinus, represented in our engraving. Such also were Mars, Apollo, Venus, Diana, and others. Janus was represented with two faces; Terminus had a human head and shoulders, while the rest of the figure was a mere block; Vesta is supposed to have been represented by a meteoric stone. Many imaginary monsters were universally reverenced and worshipped in the old world, as in India at this day. None in old time, however, went so far as the Egyptians, who are ridiculed for their worship of the crocodile, the dog, and the ibis by pagan writers, like Juvenal. Christian authors also—as Clement of Alexandria—mention the fact. Clement says:—"Instead of the god whom we were anxious to see, we behold a *cat*, or a *crocodile*, or a common *snake*, or some such foul creature." Not only did they represent their gods by images of these things, and of the hawk, the beetle, the ram, the locust, the wolf, the wasp or bee, the dog, the bull, the swallow, the pike, and other animals, but they worshipped the animals themselves. They worshipped the animals either as gods, or as representing gods, or as inhabited by gods. One writer, at least, says they even worshipped the leek. They had sacred fishes, and sacred birds, reptiles, and quadrupeds. Whole cities were named after the particular worship which prevailed in them. Thus Cynopolis, from the worship of the dog, Lycopolis, from that of the wolf; Heliopolis, from that of the sun; Latopolis, from the worship of a sort of fish; Crocodilopolis, from that of the crocodile, and so forth. As it was said of Athens, so might it be said of Egypt—it was more easy to find a god than a man. The evidences of this sad abuse and evil are even now abundant. Myriads of idolatrous figures are to be seen in our museums. As specimens, our artist has selected a few, and these will be quite sufficient for our purpose. They speak for themselves; and it is no palliation of the sin of so preposterous a worship to say that they were typical of certain powers of nature, or qualities of mind. God never intended his creatures to be worshipped; but wherever men are left to what is called natural religion, such are the forms which worship assumes. Never can we be sufficiently thankful for Divine revelation; never too anxious that it may be published throughout the world, for the dark places of the earth are still full of these abominations in one form or another. God is a Spirit, and he seeketh such to worship him as will worship him in spirit and in truth.

CHAPTER II.

The Apostle having held up to the view a dark, sickening picture of the moral state of the heathen world, now turns to the Jews, and shows that whatever might be the external advantages of the descendants of Abraham, without an inward spiritual change they stood at the same moral distance from God as the most impure and degraded of the Gentiles; that it did not become them, therefore, to condemn others, since they themselves were under the condemnation of God. We must keep this fundamental position of the Apostle ever before our minds, or it will be impossible for us to interpret this profound and unspeakably precious Epistle.

1. "Whosoever thou art that judgest:"—this is addressed to the Jew, who was wont to condemn all Gentiles as unworthy of ever participating in the favour of God. He pronounced upon the sins of others, and yet was living in sin himself. Here was the inconsistency, and here lies the point of the Apostle's address.

2. "Judgment of God is according to truth:"—that is, proceeds according to the principles of unbending rectitude or justice.

4. "Despisest thou the riches of his goodness"—the Jew was more favoured than the Gentile; and yet, in the midst of revealed truth and

obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath,[a]

9 Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the [1]Gentile:[b]

10 But glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the [2]Gentile:[c]

11 For there is no respect of persons with God.[d]

12 For as many as have sinned without law shall also perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law;

13 (For not the hearers of the law *are* just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.[e]

14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves:

15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, [3]their conscience also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts [4]the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)

16 In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel.[f]

17 Behold, thou art called a Jew, and restest in the law, and makest thy boast of God,[g]

18 And knowest *his* will, and [5]approvest the things that are more excellent, being instructed out of the law;[h]

19 And art confident that thou thyself art a guide of the blind, a light of them which are in darkness,[i]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a ch. i. 18; Job xxiv. 13; 2 Thess. i. 8.
j ch. vi. 17; 2 Tim. i. 13; iii. 5.
1 Gr. *Greek.*
b Amos iii. 2; Luke xii. 47, 48; 1 Peter iv 17
k Ps. l. 16, &c.; Matt. xxiii. 3, &c.
2 Gr. *Greek.*
c 1 Peter i. 7.
d Deut. x. 17; 2 Chron xix. 7; Job xxxiv. 19; Acts x. 34; Gal. ii. 6; Eph vi. 9; Col. iii. 25; 1 Peter i. 17.
l Mal. iii. 8.
m ver. 17.
n 2 Sam. xii. 14; Isa. lii. 5; Ezek. xxxvi. 20, 23.
e Matt. vii. 21; James i. 22, 23, 25; 1 John iii. 7.
o Gal. v. 3.
3 Or, *the conscience witnessing with them.*
p Acts x 34, 35.
4 Or, *between themselves.*
f ch iii 6, xvi 25, Eccles. xii 14, Matt. xxv. 31; John v 22; xii. 48; Acts x. 42; xvii. 31; 1 Cor. iv. 5; 1 Tim. i. 11, 2 Tim ii 8; iv. 1, 8, 1 Peter iv. 5, Rev. xx 12
q Matt. xii. 41, 42
g ch ix. 4, 6, 7; Isa. xlv. 25; xlviii 2, Micah iii 11, Matt iii. 9; John viii. 33, 41; 2 Cor xi 22.
5 Or, *trust the things that differ.*
r ch ix 6, 7; Matt iii 9, John viii. 39; Gal vi 15, Rev ii. 9.
h Deut iv. 8; Ps. cxlvii 19, 20, Philipp i 10
i Matt xv. 14, xxiii. 16, 17, 19, 24; John ix 34, 40, 41
s ch. vii. 6; 1 Cor. iv. 5; 2 Cor iii 6; x. 18; Philipp. iii. 3; Col. ii. 11; 1 Thess ii. 4, 1 Peter iii. 4.

20 An instructor of the foolish, a teacher of babes, which hast the form of knowledge and of the truth in the law.[j]

21 Thou therefore which teachest another, teachest thou not thyself? thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal?[k]

22 Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery? thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit sacrilege?[l]

23 Thou that makest thy boast of the law, through breaking the law dishonourest thou God?[m]

24 For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written.[n]

25 For circumcision verily profiteth, if thou keep the law: but if thou be a breaker of the law, thy circumcision is made uncircumcision.[o]

26 Therefore if the uncircumcision keep the righteousness of the law, shall not his uncircumcision be counted for circumcision?[p]

27 And shall not uncircumcision which is by nature, if it fulfil the law, judge thee, who by the letter and circumcision dost transgress the law?[q]

28 For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither *is that* circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:[r]

29 But he *is* a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision *is that* of the heart, in the spirit, *and* not in the letter; whose praise *is* not of men, but of God.[s]

spiritual advantage, he went on sinning, condemning the poor Gentile in his darkness and ignorance, and denying him the possibility of salvation

5. "Wrath against the day of wrath:"—there is a day of wrath, and in that day a heavier condemnation and a more terrible doom would fall upon the disobedient Jew than upon the ignorant Gentile.

10 "To the Jew first;" —that is, pre-eminently. His responsibility is according to his superior advantages, and according to both will be his final condemnation.

12. "Without law . . in the law;"—that is, in respect to the Gentile, who has no written or revealed law like the Jew, but the Jew is in possession of such a law, and therefore the last judgment shall proceed according to the moral position occupied by each The Gentile will not be judged by the law of the Jew, for he has it not, and the Jew will be without the excuse of the Gentile.

15. "Their thoughts accusing or else excusing one another." — according as the mind is enlightened and informed, or otherwise, will be the view of conscience in approving or condemning our actions; and according to the view of conscience again will be our subsequent thoughts or reflections. Hence the peace or the disquietude of the soul.

16. "In the day:"—this verse may be connected with the twelfth or the tenth, or perhaps with both. The Apostle carries us forward in thought and fact to the final issue of all human action.

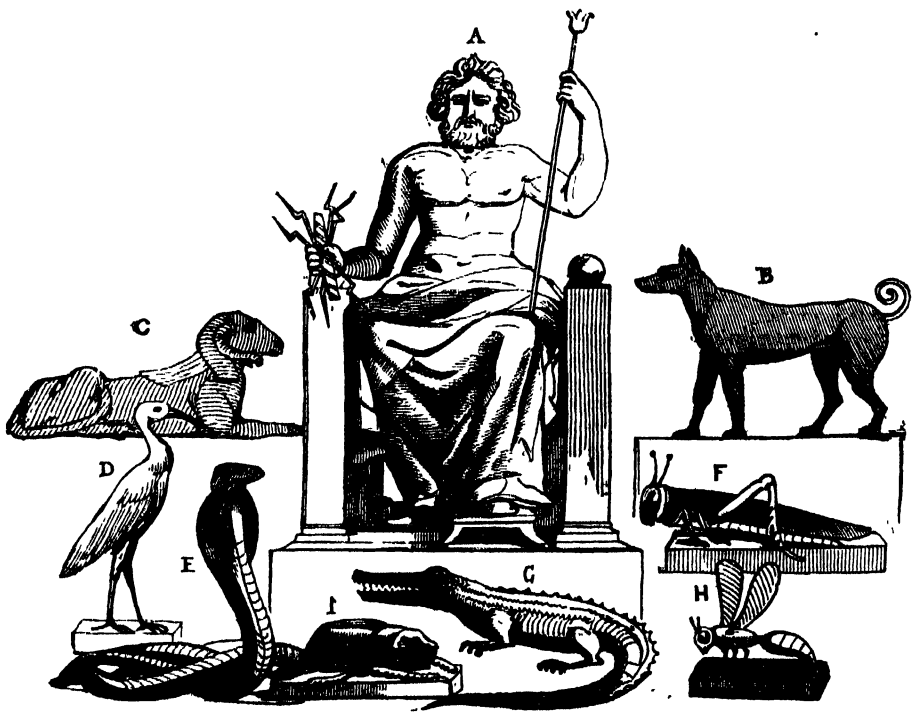
"According to my gospel;"—that is, the gospel which had been intrusted to him as an Apostle, and which he was bound everywhere to proclaim.

17. "Thou art called a Jew."—this verse is intimately connected with the third. The Jew boasted of his nationality, and of the peculiar relation in which God stood to his nation, as "having taken it into covenant with himself;" and yet the Apostle here charges the Jew with the most positive disobedience to God and his law. He therefore was not, in a moral sense, in any better condition than the Gentiles, among whom were to be found some nobler, purer spirits, who, in the absence of a written law, yet did the things contained in the law.

19. "A guide of the blind:"—this was a designation assumed by the Pharisees, who laid claim to clearer light and superior knowledge.

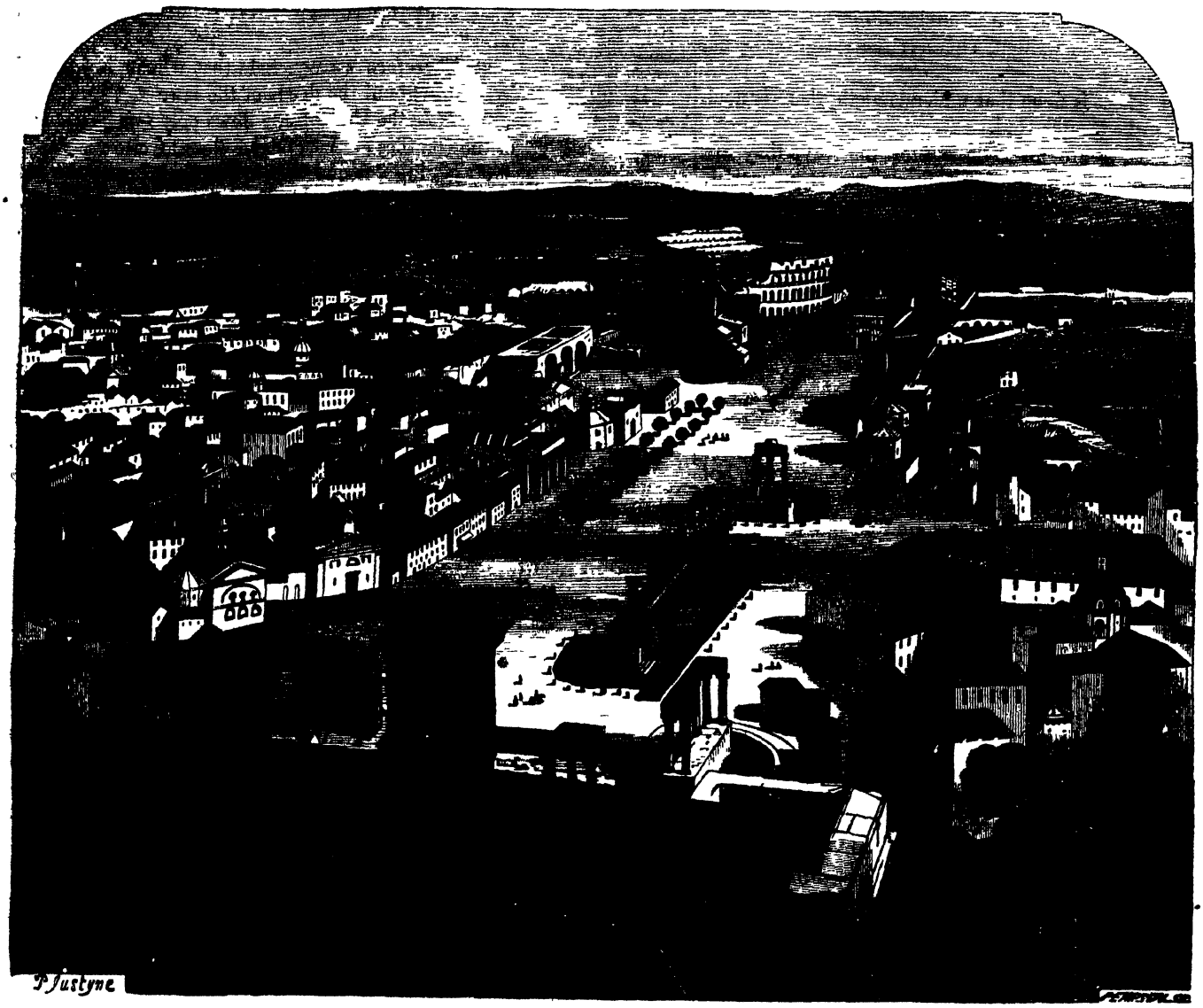
22. "Dost thou commit sacrilege?" — or rob the Temple of that which belongs to the Temple, as devoted to God. Josephus tells us that the presents of Fulvia, a rich proselyte, were pilfered by the Jews, to whom these presents were intrusted.

25—29. "Circumcision profiteth, if thou keep the law:"—as the sign of the covenant, the Jew dwelt with peculiar pride and satisfaction on this national distinction; but the Apostle here demonstrates that circumcision without the keeping of the law could be of no possible avail; for true circumcision pertained not so much to the outward symbol in the flesh, as to the inward state of the heart,



A GROUP OF ANCIENT GODS.

A Jupiter Capitolinus, Rome
B Dog, Egyptian [illegible]
C Ram, ditto
D Ibis, ditto
E [illegible] Serpent — original Bronze, British Museum.
F Locust—Wilkinson.
G Crocodile, from an Egyptian [illegible] in the British Museum.
H Wasp—Champollion.
I Scarabeus Beetle—Bronze, Brit. Mus.



THE FORUM, AT ROME, IN ITS PRESENT STATE, WITH THE COLISEUM IN THE DISTANCE.

CHAPTER III.

1 *The Jews' prerogative:* 3 *which they have not lost:* 9 *howbeit the law convinceth them also of sin* · 20 *therefore no flesh is justified by the law,* 28 *but all, without difference, by faith only:* 31 *and yet the law is not abolished.*

WHAT advantage then hath the Jew? or what profit *is there* of circumcision?

2 Much every way: chiefly, because that unto them were committed the oracles of God.[a]

3 For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?[b]

4 God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.[c]

5 But if our unrighteousness commend the righteousness of God, what shall we say? *Is* God unrighteous who taketh vengeance? (I speak as a man)[d]

6 God forbid: for then how shall God judge the world?[e]

7 For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory; why yet am I also judged as a sinner?

8 And not *rather,* (as we be slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say,) Let us do evil, that good may come? whose damnation is just.[f]

9 What then? are we better *than they?* No, in

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[a] Deut. iv. 7, 8; Ps. cxlvii. 19, 20.

[b] ch. ix. 6; x. 16; xi. 29; Numb. xxiii. 19; 2 Tim. ii. 13; Heb. iv. 2

[c] Job xl. 8; Ps. li. 4; lxii. 9; cxvi. 11.

[d] ch. vi. 19; Gal. iii. 15.

[e] Gen. xviii. 25 Job viii. 3; xxxi. 17.

[f] ch. v. 20; vi. 1, 15

CHAPTER III.

Fearful that his meaning might be misunderstood, or lest any one should suppose that he depreciated the advantages which God had bestowed on the Jews as a nation, he now proceeds to put these advantages in the strongest light; but shows that the *condition of faith* attached to these advantages "had not been fulfilled by the mass of the nation; and although the promises of God, as such, had been accomplished notwithstanding their unbelief, yet the people of Israel had lost their theocratic prerogative; and the spiritual Israel alone, composed of Jews and Gentiles, had received the promise, as the true children of faithful Abraham."

no wise: for we have before [1]proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are all under sin;[a]

10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:[b]

11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.

12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

13 Their throat *is* an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps *is* under their lips:[c]

14 Whose mouth *is* full of cursing and bitterness:[d]

15 Their feet *are* swift to shed blood:[e]

16 Destruction and misery *are* in their ways:

17 And the way of peace have they not known:

18 There is no fear of God before their eyes.[f]

19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become [2]guilty before God.[g]

20 Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.[h]

21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;[i]

22 Even the righteousness of God *which is* by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:[j]

23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;[k]

24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:[l]

25 Whom God hath [3]set forth *to be* a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the [4]remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;[m]

26 To declare, *I say*, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

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1 Gr *charged*, ch. i. 28, &c.; ii. 1, &c.

a ver. 23; Gal. iii. 22.

n ch. ii. 17, 23; iv. 2; 1 Cor. i. 29, 31; Eph. ii. 9.

b Ps. xiv. 1—3; liii. 1.

c ver. 20—22; ch. viii. 3; Acts xiii. 38, 39; Gal. ii. 16.

p ch. x. 12, 13; Gal. iii. 8, 20, 28.

c Ps. v. 9; cxl. 3; Jer. v. 16.

d Ps. x. 7.

e Prov. i. 16; Isa. lix. 7, 8.

f Ps. xxxvi. 1.

g Isa. ii. 2; Matt. iii. 9; John viii. 33, 39; 2 Cor. xi. 22.

2 Or, *subject to the judgment of God.*

g ver. 9, 23; ch. i. 20; ii. 1, 2; Job v. 16; Ps. cvii. 42; Ezek. xvi. 63; John x. 34; xv. 25.

r ch. iii. 20, 27, 28.

h ch. vii. 7; Ps. cxliii. 2; Acts xiii. 39; Gal. ii. 16; iii. 11; Eph. ii. 8, 9; Titus iii. 5.

s Gen. xv. 6; Gal. iii 6; James ii. 23.

i ch. i. 2, 17; John v. 46; Acts xv. 11; xxvi. 22; Philipp. iii. 9; Heb. xi. 4, &c.; 1 Peter i. 10.

t ch. xi. 6.

j ch. iv. throughout; x. 12; Gal. iii. 28; Col. iii. 11.

u Josh. xxiv. 2.

k ver. 9; ch. xi. 32; Gal. iii. 22.

l ch. iv. 16; Matt. xx. 28; Eph. i. 7; ii. 8; Col. i. 14; 1 Tim. ii. 6; Titus iii. 5, 7; Heb. ix. 12; 1 Peter i. 18, 19.

3 Or, *foreordained.*

v Ps. xxxii. 1, 2.

4 Or, *passing over.*

m Lev. xvi 15; Acts xiii. 38, 39; xvii. 30; Col 1 20; 1 Tim. i. 15, Heb. ix. 15, 1 John ii. 2, iv 10.

27 Where *is* boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.[n]

28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.[o]

29 *Is he* the God of the Jews only? *is he* not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:

30 Seeing *it is* one God, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith.[p]

31 Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law.

CHAPTER IV.

1 Abraham's faith was imputed to him for righteousness, 10 before he was circumcised. 13 By faith only he and his seed received the promise. 16 Abraham is the father of all that believe. 24 Our faith also shall be imputed to us for righteousness.

WHAT shall we say then that Abraham our father, as pertaining to the flesh, hath found?[q]

2 For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath *whereof* to glory; but not before God.[r]

3 For what saith the scripture? Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.[s]

4 Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt.[t]

5 But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.[u]

6 Even as David also describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works,

7 *Saying*, Blessed *are* they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.[v]

8 Blessed *is* the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.

9 *Cometh* this blessedness then upon the circumcision *only*, or upon the uncircumcision also? for we say that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness.

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1. "What advantage then hath the Jew?"—the Apostle anticipates this as an objection arising out of what he had just said. He had represented circumcision as rather inward and spiritual: if so, what advantage is there in the outward and ceremonial?

2. "Much every way."—in other words, the advantages are many; but the Apostle confines himself to the one fact that to them had God given a written revelation of his own will; and from this pre-eminent advantage, he leaves all the rest to be inferred. Nor, as he shows in the verses following, could the unbelief of some deprive the nation, as a nation, of this and other peculiar advantages.

4. "Let God be true;"—that is, God remained faithful to himself and his promises, whatever may be the unbelief or the sin of man; he cannot deny himself; and just as when his Spirit convinces a man of sin, the crucifixion of sin, on the part of the man, is the victory of truth in his soul, so God is shown to be just in all his sayings, and becomes the victor when his grace and truth are tested.

5. "Is God unrighteous?"—the idea is, if God can bring good out of evil, then why punish men for that which issues in larger and richer benefit? But there is a fallacy here: it is not sin or evil which works the good, but God by controlling, limiting, and overruling the evil; and therefore the evil or the sin is still punishable. God is not unrighteous who taketh vengeance.

7. "If the truth of God;"—or, God's faithfulness. "My lie," or my unfaithfulness. If my unfaithfulness hath brought out the faithfulness, why am I judged or treated as a sinner? Why are we Christians not judged according to that which is imputed to us as our creed—"Let us do evil, that good may come?" No. Sin is sin, by whomsoever committed, and as such it deserves punishment.

20. "By the law is the knowledge of sin:"—if there were no law, there could be no transgression; and if there were no offence, there could be no punishment. But law reveals sin, and sin must be punished.

21. "The righteousness of God without the law;"—or, God's method of forgiveness and acceptance, without the works of the law, as a condition of life, but with a sincere acceptance of its holy and immutable requirements as a daily rule of conduct.

25. "To declare his righteousness:"—the great end of the atonement is not only to reconcile penitent sinners unto God, but to bring into view the unbending rectitude of God by the mode in which sins are forgiven; in other words, to make his righteousness—or, as the word denotes in this verse, his justice—the medium of revealing his mercy. Great is the mystery of godliness. it is the mystery on earth; it will be the mystery in heaven and for ever.

CHAPTER IV.

If it be by the law that we come to a knowledge of sin, and if sin merit punishment, it follows that either the sinner must suffer, or some special provision be made for his forgiveness: and thus it is that faith in the atonement of Christ establishes the law.

1. "Abraham our father."—Abraham is introduced as the great progenitor, according to the flesh, of the Jewish nation, and who, as the father of the faithful, was the most illustrious example to which his descendants could look.

2. "Whereof to glory:"—of the fruits of his faith he might have gloried, but not before God, for he was indebted to God for the very principle from which all his good works sprung.

3. "Counted unto him for righteousness:"—according to our Lord's own words, Abraham saw his day afar off, and was glad. His faith rested on a promised Messiah, and hence he obtained forgiveness and acceptance, and all those blessings which we now understand to be involved in justification by faith.

10 How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision.

11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which *he had yet* being uncircumcised: that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also:[a]

12 And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which *he had* being *yet* uncircumcised.

13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, *was* not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith.[b]

14 For if they which are of the law *be* heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect:[c]

15 Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, *there is* no transgression.[d]

16 Therefore *it is* of faith, that *it might be* by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all,[e]

17 (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) [1]before him whom he believed, *even* God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.[f]

18 Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.[g]

19 And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb:[h]

20 [2]He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;

21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.[i]

22 And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness.

23 Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him;[j]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

k Acts ii. 24; xiii. 30.

l ch. iii. 25; v. 6; viii. 32; Isa. liii. 5, 6; 1 Cor. xv. 17; 2 Cor. v. 21; Gal. i. 4; Heb. ix. 28; 1 Peter i. 21; ii. 24; iii. 18.

a vs. 12, 16; Gen. xvii. 10; Luke xix. 9; Gal. iii. 7.

m ch. iii. 28, 30; Isa. xxxii. 17; John xvi. 33; Eph. ii. 14; Col. i. 20.

b Gen. xvii. 4, &c.; Gal. iii. 29.

c Gal. iii. 18.

n John x. 9; xiv 6; 1 Cor. xv. 1; Eph. ii. 18; iii. 12; Heb. iii. 6; x. 19.

d ch. iii. 20; v. 13, 20; vii. 8—11; 1 Cor xv. 56; 2 Cor. iii. 7, 9; Gal. iii. 10, 19; 1 John iii. 4.

o Matt. v. 11, 12; Acts v. 41; 2 Cor. xii. 10; Philipp ii. 17; James i 2, 3, 12; 1 Peter iii. 14.

p James i. 12.

e ch. iii. 24; ix. 8; Isa. li. 2; Gal. iii. 22.

q 2 Cor. i. 22; Gal. iv. 6; Philipp. i 20; Eph. i. 13, 14.

2 Or, *according to the time*, Gal. iv. 4.

1 Or, *like unto him.*

r ver. 8; ch. iv. 25.

f ch. viii 11, ix. 26; Gen. xvii. 5; 1 Cor. i. 28; Eph. ii. 1, 5; 1 Peter ii. 10.

g Gen. xv. 5.

s John xv. 13; 1 Peter iii. 18; 1 John iii. 16; iv. 9, 10.

t ch. i. 18; iii. 25; Eph. ii. 13; 1 Thess. i. 10; Heb. ix. 14; 1 John i. 7.

h Gen. xvii. 17; xviii. 11; Heb. xi. 11, 12.

u ch. viii. 32; John v. 26; xiv. 19, 2 Cor iv. 10, 11; v. 18, 19; Eph. ii. 16; Col. i. 20, 21.

3 Or, *reconciliation*, ver. 10; 2 Cor. v. 18, 19.

v ch. ii. 17; iii. 29, 30; 2 Cor. v. 18, 19; Gal. iv. 9.

i Ps. cxv. 3; Luke i. 37, 45; Heb. xi. 19.

4 Or, *in whom.*

w ch. vi. 23; Gen. ii. 17; iii. 6; 1 Cor. xv. 21; 2 Cor. v. 18, 19.

j ch. xv. 4; 1 Cor. x. 6, 11.

x ch. iv. 15; 1 John iii. 4.

24 But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead;[k]

25 Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.[l]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Being justified by faith, we have peace with God,* 2 *and joy in our hope,* 8 *that sith we were reconciled by his blood, when we were enemies,* 10 *we shall much more be saved being reconciled.* 12 *As sin and death came by Adam,* 17 *so much more righteousness and life by Jesus Christ.* 20 *Where sin abounded, grace did superabound.*

THEREFORE being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:[m]

2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.[n]

3 And not only *so*, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;[o]

4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:[p]

5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.[q]

6 For when we were yet without strength, [2]in due time Christ died for the ungodly.[r]

7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.[s]

9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.[t]

10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.[u]

11 And not only *so*, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the [3]atonement.[v]

12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, [4]for that all have sinned:[w]

13 (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.[x]

4—8. "Not reckoned of grace, but of debt:"—as Olshausen says, "*Works* might have brought him into the relation of a debtor or creditor; but faith brought him into the relation of grace, since he relied on a promise flowing entirely from the Divine Mercy;" and hence Christ—the object of his faith, and not the merit of his works—became the procuring cause of his righteousness or justification before God. This great truth is further illustrated by the doctrine of forgiveness. Sin implies the violation of law; and law knows nothing of mercy: but forgiveness is an act of mercy excluding all works of our own, and involving the reliance of a simple and implicit faith in Him on whose grace the law can lay no restriction, because its claims have all been honoured by the active and the passive obedience of our incarnate Saviour.

11. "A seal of the righteousness:"—Abraham believed in the promise of God before he was circumcised; but, with his faith in operation, circumcision became the seal of the righteous or Divine acceptance which he obtained by faith. Thus he became the father of the faithful, or the believing, whether among the circumcised or the uncircumcised—whether among Jews or Gentiles—till the end of time.

14. "Faith is made void:"—if through obedience to the law a claim can be preferred to eternal life, then there is no room left for a promise; and if there be no promise, there is no ground for faith; so that faith is made void.

18. "Against hope believed in hope:"—Abraham had long given up all hope of offspring; but when God said to him, "I have made thee the father of many nations," his faith inspired hope. The hope springing from faith was contrary to nature, and therefore against any hope which he might otherwise have indulged.

CHAPTER V.

Having established his position—that our forgiveness and acceptance can spring only from the grace of God, through faith in Christ, who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification—the Apostle proceeds to set forth the vast benefits which are derived from God's method of justification—benefits which begin in pardon and renovation here, and which reach their consummation hereafter in the final glorification and everlasting beatification of our redeemed nature.

1. "Peace with God:"—sin is the great disturbing force in the moral universe of God; but the moment sin is pardoned, and the heart is subdued, the soul becomes conscious of inward quiet and repose.

2. "Access by faith into this grace;"—into the state of favour and acceptance in which we now stand; but the Apostle's words imply more than this, for the idea of St. Paul clearly is, that with our forgiveness and acceptance there comes a still deeper and a still wider experience of God's redeeming love; till the soul, filled with that love, rejoices in hope of the glory of God.

7. "A righteous man;"—that is, a just man; a man free from blame or criminality: for such a man—a man simply innocent—there is scarcely any one that would die; but for "a good man"—one who rises above the level of mere innocence—one who is signalised by achievements of positive benevo-

14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.[a]

15 But not as the offence, so also *is* the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, *which is* by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.[b]

16 And not as *it was* by one that sinned, *so is* the gift: for the judgment *was* by one to condemnation, but the free gift *is* of many offences unto justification.

17 For if [1]by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

18 Therefore as [2]by the offence of one *judgment came* upon all men to condemnation; even so [3]by the righteousness of one *the free gift came* upon all men unto justification of life.[c]

19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:[d]

21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHAPTER VI.

1 *We may not live in sin,* 2 *for we are dead unto it,* 3 *as appeareth by our baptism.* 12 *Let not sin reign any more,* 18 *because we have yielded ourselves to the service of righteousness,* 23 *and for that death is the wages of sin.*

WHAT shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?[e]

2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?[f]

3 Know ye not, that so many of us as [4]were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?[g]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a 1 Cor. xv 21, 22, 45.

b ch. viii. 11; John ii. 11; xi 40; 1 Cor. vi. 14; 2 Cor. xiii. 4; Gal. vi. 15; Eph. iv. 22—24; Col. ii. 12; iii. 10.

i Philipp. iii. 10, 11.

b Isa. liii. 11; Matt xx. 28; xxvi. 28.

j Gal. ii. 20; Eph. iv. 22; v. 24; vi. 14; Col ii. 11; iii. 5, 9.

5 Gr. *justified.*

k 1 Peter iv. 1.

l 2 Tim ii. 11.

1 Or, *by one offence.*

m Rev. i. 18.

2 Or, *by one offence.*

n Luke xx 38; Heb. ix. 27, 28.

3 Or, *by one righteousness.*

c John xii. 32; Heb. ii. 9

o ver. 2; Gal. ii. 19.

p Ps xix 13; cxix. 133

6 Gr *arms,* or, *weapons.*

d ch. iii 20; iv 15; vii 8; Luke vii. 47; John xv 22, Gal iii 19, 23, 1 Tim i 14.

q ch vii 5; xii 1, Col iii. 5; James iv 1; 1 Peter ii 24, iv 2

r ch vii 4, 6, viii 2, Gal. v 18

s 1 Cor. ix. 21.

t Matt vi 24; John viii 34; 2 Peter ii 19

e ver. 15, ch. iii. 8.

7 Gr *whereto ye were delivered.*

u 2 Tim i 13.

f ver 11; ch. vii. 4; Gal ii 19, vi 14, Col. iii. 3; 1 Peter ii. 24.

v John viii 32, 1 Cor vii 22, Gal v 1; 1 Peter ii. 16

4 Or, *are.*

g 1 Cor. xv. 29, Gal. iii 27.

4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.[h]

5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also *in the likeness* of *his* resurrection:[i]

6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with *him,* that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.[j]

7 For he that is dead is [5]freed from sin.[k]

8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:[l]

9 Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.[m]

10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.[n]

11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.[o]

12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.[p]

13 Neither yield ye your members *as* [6]instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members *as* instruments of righteousness unto God.[q]

14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.[r]

15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.[s]

16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?[t]

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine [7]which was delivered you.[u]

18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.[v]

19 I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your

lence, or by deeds of heroic patriotism—some might die, but man is neither the one nor the other—he is a sinner, involved in guilt and condemnation; and yet God's love moved him to give up his only-begotten Son unto the death for our salvation. Herein is love!

10. "Saved by his life"—the power which triumphed over sin, and death, and all the powers of darkness, on the cross, is the power which the living and exalted Redeemer now exerts for the final salvation of his people.

12. "Death by sin."—there may have been death, in a lower sense of that word, in both the vegetable and animal world, before the fall of man; and if man had stood in his innocency, it is yet possible that his physical nature might have undergone some change to insure its immortality; but death, as we now know it, would have had no existence among men, had not our first father fallen by disobeying the command of his Creator.

13. "When there is no law"—there was no revealed or written law till the time of Moses; those, therefore, who lived before that period could not be tried by that law, and any transgression of that law could not be imputed to them. Still, the fact that they had sinned was proved by the other fact that they died.

15. "Not as the offence, so also is the free gift"—we are not to reason from the nature and effect of man's first transgression to the character and design of the Saviour's work: whatever may be the consequences, present and future, to our race, through the sin of one man, the grace of God, through the one Man, Christ Jesus, secures to that same race infinitely more good. One offence (verses 16—19) involved us in condemnation; but Christ came to make a propitiation, not for that one offence only, but for all the offences chargeable upon our race; and the grace of God, manifested in the forgiveness of all them that are penitent, and the consequent communication of spiritual life and blessing, infinitely transcends the evil brought upon mankind by our great progenitor.

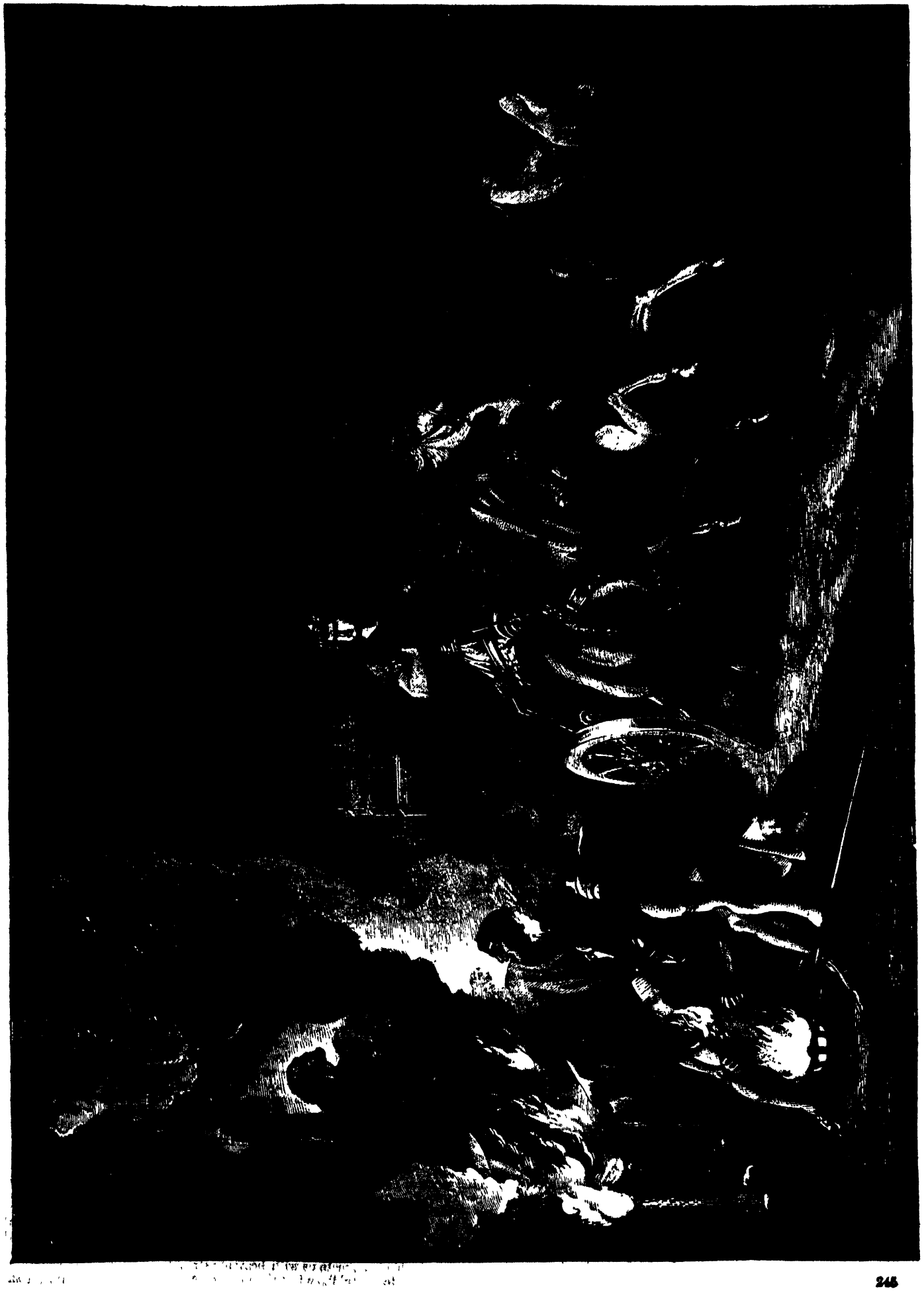
20. "The law entered:"—but why? That sin might be revealed, and appear as sin; and that any violation of law in time to come might be seen as carrying with it the penalty of death, and man be constrained to look to the grace of God as the only possible ground of salvation. Yet this grace must "reign through righteousness:" the provision made for its free communication must not set aside law nor interfere with the principles of justice as regards God, nor with the duty of holy and loving obedience as regards man.

CHAPTER VI.

1. "Shall we continue in sin?"—the Apostle had just laid down the proposition that "where sin abounded, grace did much more abound;" and then it occurred to him that this doctrine might be perverted and abused; that there were those who might find in it a plea or justification for indulgence in sin. To guard against this fatal conclusion is the object which he has now before him; and he shows that the very grace which the Gospel reveals and brings to the soul, instead of leading to sin, is the most powerful incentive to holiness of living.

3. "Baptized into his death:"—Christ died for sin; and in baptism we profess to be baptized into the faith of his death as the atonement for sin; if so, then, how can we, as believers in Christ, live in sin? It is to deny the very end involved in the Saviour's death; therefore, if his was a death for sin, ours must be a life unto righteousness.

10. "He liveth unto God;"—a somewhat difficult phrase. His dying



THE EMPEROR NERO WITNESSING THE BURNING OF CHRISTIAN MARTYRS AT ROME.—ROMANS VIII. 36.

members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

20 For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free [1]from righteousness.[e]

21 What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things *is* death.[f]

22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.[g]

23 For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.[d]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *No law hath power over a man longer than he liveth.* 4 *But we are dead to the law.* 7 *Yet is not the law sin,* 12 *but holy, just, good,* 16 *as I acknowledge, who am grieved because I cannot keep it.*

KNOW ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth?

2 For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to *her* husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of *her* husband.[e]

3 So then if, while *her* husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.[f]

4 Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, *even* to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.[g]

5 For when we were in the flesh, the [2]motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

3 Or, *being dead to that,* ver. 4; ch. vi. 2.

e ch. ii. 29; 2 Cor. iii. 6.

1 Gr. *to righteousness.*

a John viii. 34.

4 Or, *concupiscence.*

b ch. i. 32; vii. 5.

f ch. iii. 20; xiii. 9; Exod. xx. 17; Deut. v. 21; Acts xx. 33.

c John viii. 32.

h ch. iv. 15; v. 20; 1 Cor. xv. 56.

d ch. ii. 7; v. 12, 17, 21; Gen. ii. 17; James i. 15; 1 Peter i. 4.

i Lev. xviii. 5; Ezek. xx. 11, 13, 21; 2 Cor. iii. 7.

m Ps. xix. 8; cxix. 38, 137; 1 Tim. i. 8.

n 1 Kings xxi. 20, 25; 2 Kings xvii. 17.

5 Gr. *know,* Ps. l. 6.

e 1 Cor. vii. 39.

o Gal. v. 17.

f Matt. v. 32.

p Gen. vi. 5; viii. 21.

g ch. viii. 2; Gal. ii. 19; v. 18, 22; Eph. ii. 15; Col. ii. 14.

2 Gr. *passions.*

h ch. vi. 13, 21; Gal. v. 19; James i. 15.

6 But now we are delivered from the law, [3]that being dead wherein we were held; that we should serve in newness of spirit, and not in the oldness of the letter.[i]

7 What shall we say then? *Is* the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known [4]lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet.[j]

8 But sin, taking occasion by the commandment, wrought in me all manner of concupiscence. For without the law sin *was* dead.[k]

9 For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died.

10 And the commandment, which *was ordained* to life, I found *to be* unto death.[l]

11 For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew *me.*

12 Wherefore the law *is* holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.[m]

13 Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.

14 For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin.[n]

15 For that which I do I [5]allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.[o]

16 If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that *it is* good.

17 Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me: but *how* to perform that which is good I find not.[p]

19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.

20 Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

"unto sin once" means that by the one offering of himself he took away sin; for the greatness of his sacrifice extinguished all the consequences of man's transgressions; and therefore his living "unto God" must mean that the one end of his life in heaven is to perfect the great design of his death, by delivering his people from sin, and bringing them to the enjoyment of eternal glory. Hence the exhortations embodied in the following verses, and addressed to believers, to aim at increased separation from sin, and a growing assimilation to God, with a corresponding consecration of the whole of their redeemed nature to his service.

17. "That ye were the servants of sin:"—the reference is to their former state. The Apostle does not thank God that they were the servants of sin, but that, while they were in a state of vassalage to sin, they embraced the Gospel; that they then became free, or were set at liberty from their bondage. Was it possible, then, that the very grace which had thus effected their deliverance from sin was to be urged as a plea for continuing in sin? God forbid. Let not the thought be even conceived, far less cherished. We owe our redemption to Christ, and to him we are to consecrate all our powers of soul and body.

CHAPTER VII.

The main design of the Apostle in this chapter is to establish the position which he had just laid down—that we are not under the law, but under grace. To make out this conclusion, he introduces a new illustration, derived from the law of marriage—very relevant in itself, but which has been stretched to such a point by critics and commentators, as to lead to most obvious absurdities. We shall see that the error lies, not in the text of St. Paul, but in the expositions which have been appended to it.

1. "Them that know the law:"—the reference may be primarily to the Jews, but it is not by any means to be confined to them.

2. "She is loosed from the law of her husband;"—that is, according to Alford, "Death has dissolved the legal obligation between man and wife; therefore the wife is at liberty to be married to another: so death has dissolved the legal obligation between the law and us; therefore we are at liberty to be married to another. So far the comparison is strict. Further it will not hold; for in the example given, the *liberated person* is the survivor; in the case of the believer, he—the liberated person—is regarded as a dead person." The Dean says that, in the case of the woman, the liberated person is the survivor. Granted; she is the survivor, as a woman, but not as a wife. The moment her husband dies, she ceases to be a wife; as such she dies, or ceases to be, and the law which formerly bound her has now no power over her. She is free to be married, not as a wife—for such she has ceased to be—but as a woman entering into a new relation. Hence says the Apostle—

4. "Ye also are become dead to the law:"—the death of Christ has set us free, so that we confide no longer in the law as a ground of life, but are at liberty to enter into immediate relationship with Christ, and to confide in him alone for present peace and future happiness.

5. "Fruit unto death:"—so long as we are in the flesh, or in a carnal, unrenewed state, the tendency is to sin; nor does the law prevent us from sinning. Its very restrictions act as incitements to sin; and sin produces death. But when we are delivered from the law, or become dead to the law in which we were formerly held, sin is not only kept under, but the tendency of the renewed nature is Godward, and we serve him in newness of spirit.

7. "Is the law sin?"—if the law by its very prohibitions, incites the unrenewed nature to sin, is the sin, in its guilt, to be charged to the law? Far from it. And to place this in its clearest light, the Apostle refers to his own individual, personal consciousness, arising out of the workings of the law in his own heart. He well knew how sin is awakened by the resistance of the law; that in this consists that inward conflict which is common to all the children of God, and out of which arises the conscious need of a Deliverer who is able to animate us with heavenly strength in the hour of danger, and thus lead to the fulfilment of the promise made to the faithful, that sin shall not have dominion over them.

21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

22 For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:[a]

23 But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.[b]

24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from [1]the body of this death?

25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.[c]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *They that are in Christ, and live according to the Spirit, are free from condemnation.* 5, 13 *What harm cometh of the flesh,* 6, 14 *and what good of the Spirit:* 17 *and what of being God's child,* 19 *whose glorious deliverance all things long for,* 29 *was beforehand decreed from God.* 38 *What can sever us from his love?*



THERE *is* therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.[d]

2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.[e]

3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and [2]for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:[f]

4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.[g]

5 For they [3]that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.[h]

6 For [3]to be carnally minded *is* death; but [4]to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace.[i]

7 Because [5]the carnal mind *is* enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.[j]

8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a Ps. i. 2; 2 Cor. iv. 16; Eph. iii. 16; Col. iii. 9, 10.

b John iii. 34; 1 Cor. iii. 16; vi. 19; Gal. iv. 6; Philipp. i. 19; 1 Peter i. 11.

c ch. vi. 13, 19; Gal. v. 17.

1 Or, *this body of death.*

6 Or, *because of his Spirit.*

d ch. vi. 4, 5; Acts ii. 24; 1 Cor. vi. 14; 2 Cor. iv. 14; Eph. ii. 5.

e 1 Cor. xv. 57.

m ch. vi. 7, 14.

n ver. 6; Gal. vi. 8; Eph. iv. 22; Col. iii. 5.

o Gal. v. 18.

p Isa. lvi. 5; Mark xiv. 36; 1 Cor. ii. 12; Gal. iv. 5, 6; Heb. ii. 15; 2 Tim. i. 7; 1 John iv. 18.

q 2 Cor. i. 22; v. 5; Eph. i. 13; iv. 30.

d ver. 4; Gal. v. 16, 25.

r Acts xiv. 22; xxvi. 18; Gal. iv. 7; Philipp. i. 29; 2 Tim. ii. 11, 12.

e ch. vi. 18, 22; vii. 24, 25; John viii. 36; 1 Cor. xv. 45; 2 Cor. iii. 6; Gal. ii. 19; v. 1.

s 2 Cor. iv. 17; 1 Peter i. 6, 7; iv. 13.

t 2 Peter iii. 13; 1 John iii. 2.

2 Or, *by a sacrifice for sin.*

f ch. iii. 20; Acts xiii. 39; 2 Cor. v. 21; Gal. iii. 13; Heb. vii. 18, 19; x. 1, 2, 10, 14.

u ver. 22; Gen. iii. 19.

g ver. 1.

7 Or, *every creature,* Mark xvi. 15; Col. i. 23.

h John iii. 6; 1 Cor. ii. 14; Gal. v. 22, 25.

v Jer. xii. 11.

3 Gr. *the minding of the flesh.*

4 Gr. *the minding of the Spirit.*

i vs. 7, 13; ch. vi. 21; Gal. vi. 8.

5 Gr. *the minding of the flesh.*

w Luke xx. 36; xxi. 28; 2 Cor. v. 2, 4, 5; Eph. i. 14; iv. 30

j 1 Cor. ii. 14; James iv. 4.

x 2 Cor. v. 7; Heb. xi. 1.

9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.[k]

10 And if Christ *be* in you, the body *is* dead because of sin; but the Spirit *is* life because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies [6]by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.[l]

12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.[m]

13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.[n]

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.[o]

15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.[p]

16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:[q]

17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together.[r]

18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.[s]

19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.[t]

20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected *the same* in hope,[u]

21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

22 For we know that [7]the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.[v]

23 And not only *they*, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, *to wit*, the redemption of our body.[w]

24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?[x]

"I had not known sin;"—no idea of its nature and demerit, but for the positive and unchangeable requirements of the law. The law demands supreme and undivided love to God; and therefore to desire or lust after anything apart from him, as a source of satisfaction and joy, is sin; but of the nature of such sin he could have no conception apart from the law.

8. "Without the law sin was dead:"—without a clear view of the requirements of the law, and the direful results of disobedience, sin was unproductive of that fear which this state of peril justly demanded; but the moment the Apostle began to perceive and understand the law of God, there arose a conflict in his inner man. The sinful tendency wrought in him all kinds of unholy desire, and also forebodings of evil, so that sin no longer lay dormant or dead in his soul. Its power revived; and such was its tendency to tempt, and its power to terrify, that he gave up all hope of righteousness from himself, and all hope of deliverance from the law, and was thus led to look to the grace of God for purity, peace, and final safety.

15—22. In these verses the Apostle sets forth the spirituality and the holiness of the law; the revelation of the evil nature of sin by the law, spiritually understood; with the perpetual conflict between the good and the evil within: but he is making no excuse for the commission of sin. On the contrary, his delight was not in sin, but in the law of God; and hence sin was the grief of his soul; and while it constrained him to exclaim, "O wretched man that I am!" grace, triumphing over sin, enabled him to add, "But thanks be to God, who giveth me the victory."

CHAPTER VIII.

The Apostle here enters upon a very lofty description of the new life which is derived from Christ, with its progressive, grand, and ever-multiplying developments, till it is consummated in the final glorification of both soul and body: the very thought of which attunes his spirit to a song of triumph, in which he gives expression to the joy which filled his heart and animated his soul.

1. "No condemnation:"—if the soul be delivered from the bondage of sin, through faith in a personal Saviour, then it is freed from all the condemning effects of sin.

2. "The law of sin and death:"—the Gospel, here called the new law of life, under which we are brought by the Spirit of grace, delivers us from the condemnation of that law which reveals sin, and pronounces death as the punishment of sin.

3. "What the law could not do:"—the law had to act on a carnal, sinful nature, and, acting through such a medium, it could only condemn. Salvation lay beyond its province and its power, and therefore God provided that wondrous plan of recovery through the incarnation and death of his own Son, in which sin is punished, yet the sinner is saved. In the very nature in which man sinned, did Christ die and atone for sin; so that the righteousness, the unbending rectitude of the law comes out in the very means employed for our recovery, and in the renewed life and holy character of those who have been redeemed by the blood of Christ.

25 But if we hope for that we see not, *then* do we with patience wait for *it*.

26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.[a]

27 And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what *is* the mind of the Spirit, [1]because he maketh intercession for the saints according to *the will of* God.[b]

28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.[c]

29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate *to be* conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.[d]

30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.[e]

31 What shall we then say to these things? If God *be* for us, who *can be* against us?[f]

32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?[g]

33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? *It is* God that justifieth.[h]

34 Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.[i]

35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

36 As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.[j]

37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.[k]

38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,[l]

39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a Zech. xii. 10; Matt. xx. 22; Eph. vi. 18; James iv. 3.
1 Or, *that.*
m ch. i. 9; 2 Cor. i. 23; xi. 31; xii. 19; Gal. i. 20; Philipp. i. 8; 1 Tim. ii. 7.
b 1 Chron. xxviii. 9; Ps. vii. 9; Prov. xvii. 3, Jer. xi. 20; xvii. 10; xx. 12; Acts i. 24; 1 Thess. ii 4, 1 John v. 14.
n ch. x. 1.
c ch ix. 11, 23, 24; 2 Tim. i. 9.
2 Or, *separated.*
o Exod. xxxii. 32.
d ch xi. 2; Exod. xxxiii. 12, 17; Ps. i. 6; Jer. i. 5, Matt. vii. 23; John xvii. 22; 2 Cor iii. 18; Eph i 5, 11; Philipp iii. 21; Col. i 15, 18, 2 Tim ii. 19; Heb. i. 6; 1 Peter i. 2; 1 John iii 2, Rev i. 5.
3 Or, *testaments.*
p ch. iii. 2; Exod. iv 22, Deut vii 6; xiv 1; 1 Sam iv. 21, 1 Kings viii. 11; Ps lxiii 2; lxxviii 61, cxlvii 19, Jer xxxi 9; Acts iii 25, xiii. 32, Eph. ii. 12; Heb viii. 8—10; ix 1
e ch i 6, ix 24; John xvii 22, 1 Cor vi 11, Eph u 6, iv 4, Heb ix 15, 1 Peter u 9.
f Numb xiv. 9, Ps cxviii. 6
q ch i. 3; Ac. 28, Deut. x. 15; Jer. xxiii 6; Luke iii. 23, John i 1, Acts xx 28, Heb. i. 8; 1 John v. 20.
g ch iv. 25, v 6, 10
r ch. ii 28, 29, iii. 3; iv 12, 16, Numb. xxiii 19, John viii. 39, Gal vi. 16.
h Isa. l. 8, 9; Rev. xii. 10
s Gen xxi 12; Gal. iv 23; Heb xi 18
i Job. xxxiv 29, Mark xvi 19, Col iii. 1; Heb i 3, vii 25, viii 1; ix 24, xii 2, 1 Peter iii. 22; 1 John ii. 1.
t Gal iv. 28
u Gen xviii 10, 14.
v Gen xxv 21
j Ps xliv 22, 1 Cor xv 30, 31; 2 Cor iv 11
k 1 Cor. xv 57; 2 Cor ii. 14; 1 John iv. 4, v 4, 5; Rev xii 11
w ch iv. 17, viii. 28
4 Or, *greater.*
5 Or, *lesser*
x Gen. xxv 23.
l Eph i 21; vi 12; Col. i.16, ii 15; 1 Peter iii 22.
y Deut. xxi. 15, Prov xiii 24, Mal. i. 2, 3, Matt x. 37; Luke xiv. 26; John xii. 25
z Deut. xxxii 4, 2 Chron xix. 7, Job viii. 3, xxxiv. 10; Ps. xcii. 15.

CHAPTER IX.

1 *Paul is sorry for the Jews.* 7 *All the seed of Abraham were not the children of the promise.* 18 *God hath mercy upon whom he will.* 21 *The potter may do with his clay what he list.* 25 *The calling of the Gentiles and rejecting of the Jews were foretold.* 32 *The cause why so few Jews embraced the righteousness of faith.*

I SAY the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost,[m]

2 That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart.[n]

3 For I could wish that myself were [2]accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh:[o]

4 Who are Israelites; to whom *pertaineth* the adoption, and the glory, and the [3]covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service *of God*, and the promises;[p]

5 Whose *are* the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ *came*, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.[q]

6 Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they *are* not all Israel, which are of Israel:[r]

7 Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, *are they* all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.[s]

8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these *are* not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.[t]

9 For this *is* the word of promise, At this time will I come, and Sarah shall have a son.[u]

10 And not only *this;* but when Rebecca also had conceived by one, *even* by our father Isaac;[v]

11 (For *the children* being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)[w]

12 It was said unto her, The [4]elder shall serve the [5]younger.[x]

13 As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.[y]

14 What shall we say then? *Is there* unrighteousness with God? God forbid.[z]

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11. "Quicken your mortal bodies:"—The Holy Spirit imparted to the soul penetrates not merely the inward man, but sanctifies, and will ultimately glorify, the bodily substance also, so that the whole man is changed into the likeness of Christ.

26 "We know not what we should pray for as we ought:"—this does not refer to the matter of prayer in general, for we have the revelation of God in our hands, and according to its promises and declarations we are to make known our requests; but the Bible is comparatively silent on future glory, and in reference to that glory we know not for what we ought to pray. We groan, being burdened, but the Spirit can reveal and interpret these inward and unutterable groanings, and render them acceptable before God.

36. The cruelty and wickedness of the Emperor Nero are known to all, and although they are not particularly alluded to in this verse, the time was at hand when the Christians of Rome would but too well realise the full force of the Apostle's meaning. Some of the dreadful forms of death to which Nero exposed the Christians are represented in the engraving. The circumstances under which these torments were inflicted may be gathered from the Roman pagan writers. It appears that a great part of Rome was destroyed by fire, whereupon orders were given that the Sibylline books should be consulted, and special worship offered to Vulcan, Ceres, Proserpine, and Juno. Notwithstanding all this, Tacitus tells us that the people persisted in believing that the fire was the work of the emperor. "With a view to remove this reproach, Nero treated as guilty, and visited with the most exquisite tortures, those whom the people hated for their crimes and called Christians. The author of this name was Christ, who was visited with punishment by the procurator, Pontius Pilate, in the reign of Tiberius. This fatal superstition was repressed for the moment, but broke out again, not only in Judea, where the evil originated, but in Rome also, where all atrocious and shameful things flow together from every side, and are practised. At first, therefore, some were seized who confessed, and then, by their information, a great multitude was convicted, not so much for the crime of burning the city, as for hatred to the human race. Mockery was added to their execution, so that, wrapped up in the skins of wild beasts, they perished by being worried of dogs, or they were fastened to crosses, or they were set on fire, so that when the day declined they might burn for a light by night. Nero gave his gardens for the spectacle, and appointed a ludicrous Circensian game. He himself mixed with the people, dressed as a charioteer, or sat in his chariot. Hence, although it was against the criminal, and those who were the worst of men, they were pitied, as having been destroyed, not for the public good, but for the fury of one man." This statement is confirmed by the testimony of Suetonius, Juvenal, and others; and we are informed that the sufferers were wrapped in pitch, wax, and other inflammable materials. Truly it is impossible adequately to represent such refined and inhuman cruelty.

CHAPTER IX.

The Apostle having set forth the evangelical method of salvation, through faith in Christ, and having terminated his exposition in a song of lofty triumph, by which his feelings became powerfully awakened on behalf of his own nation, now proceeds to treat the profound subject of ELECTION BY GRACE, and, in so doing, shows that God had not proved unfaithful to his



A MEETING OF THE FIRST CHRISTIANS AT ROME. THE EPISTLE OF PAUL BEING READ.

15 For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.[a]

16 So then *it is* not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.

17 For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth.[b]

18 Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will *have mercy*, and whom he will he hardeneth.

19 Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will?[c]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

1 Or, *answerest again*, or, *disputest with God?* Job. xxxiii. 13

a Exod. xxxiii 19.

d Isa xxix. 16; xlv. 9; lxiv. 8.

e Prov. xvi. 4; Jer xviii. 6; 2 Tim. ii 20.

b Exod. ix. 16; Gal. iii. 8, 22

2 Or, *made up.*

f 1 Thess. v. 9; 1 Peter ii 8, Jude 4

c 2 Chron. xx. 6; Job ix. 12; xxiii. 13; Dan. iv. 35.

g ch. ii. 4; viii. 28—30; Eph. i. 7; Col. i. 27.

20 Nay but, O man, who art thou that [1]repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed *it*, Why hast thou made me thus?[d]

21 Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?[e]

22 *What* if God, willing to shew *his* wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much long-suffering the vessels of wrath [2]fitted to destruction:[f]

23 And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,[g]

promises, but rather that the Jews had erroneously and wilfully maintained that there was a righteousness which is by the law, to the utter rejection of the righteousness which is by faith, which God had so clearly revealed unto them.

1. "In the Holy Ghost:"—that is, his conscience was enlightened and informed by the Spirit of God.

3. "I could wish that myself were accursed:"—a confessedly difficult passage, and which has given rise to unnumbered expositions. We are driven to one of two conclusions: either that the Apostle is alluding here to his own life, as a Pharisee, when he gloried in being in a state of separation from Christ; or that he is here giving the most fervid expression to the feelings of his affectionate and self-denying heart—feelings which would have prompted him to endure the most grievous affliction and privation, if thereby he could have insured the salvation of his Jewish brethren.

6. "Taken none effect:"—though the majority of his nation were unbelievers, still the promise of God had not failed. There was a remnant—a holy seed. This he proves in the following verses.

8. "Children of the flesh:"—the natural descendants of Abraham. Their birth could avail nothing without the principle of Divine life in the soul.

24 Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?[a]

25 As he saith also in Osee, I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved.[b]

26 And it shall come to pass, *that* in the place where it was said unto them, Ye *are* not my people; there shall they be called the children of the living God.[c]

27 Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved:[d]

28 For he will finish [1]the work, and cut *it* short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.[e]

29 And as Esaias said before, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we had been as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha.[f]

30 What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith.[g]

31 But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness.[h]

32 Wherefore? Because *they sought it* not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;[i]

33 As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be [2]ashamed.[j]

CHAPTER X.

5 The scripture sheweth the difference betwixt the righteousness of the law, and this of faith, 11 and that all, both Jew and Gentile, that believe, shall not be confounded, 18 and that the Gentiles shall receive the word and believe. 19 Israel was not ignorant of these things.

BRETHREN, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.

2 For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.[k]

3 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.[l]

4 For Christ *is* the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.[m]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a ch. iii. 29.

u Lev. xviii. 5; Neh. ix. 29; Ezek. xx. 11, 13, 21; Gal. iii. 12.

b Hos. ii. 23; 1 Peter ii. 10.

c Deut. xxx. 12, 13.

c Hos. i. 10.

d ch. xi. 5; Isa. x. 22, 23.

p Deut. xxx. 14.

1 Or, *the account.*

e Isa xxviii. 22.

q Matt x. 32; Luke xii. 8; Acts viii. 37.

f Isa. i. 9; xiii. 19; Jer. l. 40; Lam. iii. 22.

r ch. ix. 33; Isa. xxviii. 16; xlix. 23; Jer. xvii. 7.

g ch. i. 17; iv. 11; x. 20.

s ch iii. 22, 29; Acts x 36; xv. 9; Eph. i. 7; ii. 4, 7; Gal. iii. 28; 1 Tim. ii. 5.

h ch. x 2; xi. 7; Gal. v. 4.

t Joel ii 32; Acts ii. 21; ix. 14.

i Luke ii. 34 1 Cor. i. 23.

u Titus i. 3.

2 Or, *confounded.*

j ch. x 11; Ps. cxviii. 22; Isa. viii. 14; xxviii. 16; Matt. xxi. 42; 1 Peter ii. 6—8.

v Isa. lii. 7; Nahum i. 15.

3 Gr. *the hearing of us?*

4 Or, *preaching?*

w ch. iii. 3; Isa. liii. 1; John xii. 38; Heb. iv. 2.

x 1 Kings xviii. 10; Ps. xix. 4; Matt. iv. 8, xxiv. 14; xxviii. 19; Mark xvi. 15; Col. i. 6, 23.

k ch. ix. 31; Acts xxi. 20, xxii. 3; Gal. i. 14; iv. 17.

y ch. xi. 11; Deut. xxxii. 21; Titus iii. 3.

z ch. ix. 30; Isa. lxv. 1.

l ch i 17, ix 30; Philipp. iii 9.

m Matt. v. 17; Gal. iii. 24.

a Isa. lxv. 2.

5 For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.[n]

6 But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down *from above:*)[o]

7 Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.)

8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, *even* in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;[p]

9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.[q]

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.[r]

12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.[s]

13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.[t]

14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?[u]

15 And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things![v]

16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed [3]our [4]report?[w]

17 So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.[x]

19 But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by *them that are* no people, *and* by a foolish nation I will anger you.[y]

20 But Esaias is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me.[z]

21 But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.[a]

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10. "Not only this:"—as if he had said, "Not only have we an example of the election of the son of Sarah and the rejection of the son of Hagar, but we have also an example of the election and rejection of the children of Rebecca, even before the children were born."

28. "Finish the work:"—the primary application of these words is to the overthrow of the Assyrian power, and the deliverance of God's people; and just as God rapidly fulfilled his promise in that instance, so his Word will sooner or later reach its consummation in the spiritual deliverance of his ancient chosen people, who are beloved for their fathers' sake.

The great design of the Apostle, in this whole chapter, is to show that God has an indisputable right to deal with his creatures according to his own supreme pleasure; and this he exercises, but not apart from their moral principles and character.

CHAPTER X.

2 "Not according to knowledge:"—the legal striving of the Apostle's brethren after righteousness was indeed indicative of earnestness and application, but then they had no enlightened perception of the one only method of acceptance and life; and hence all their strivings, and all their zeal, failed to realise the great end of their salvation.

6, 7. "Who shall ascend? . . . Who shall descend?"—the Apostle had just said that Christ is the end of the law; that is, that Christ effects for the believer the object which the law, if strictly regarded, would secure—namely, acceptance with God and holiness of life. Now he adds, it is not needful for any one to ascend and bring down Christ from above, for he has already appeared in the flesh, and died for our sins; yet it is not needful for any one to go down and bring him up from the grave, as if he were still under the power of death; for he hath risen, and is alive for evermore; and now the Word—the message of salvation, through faith in him—is nigh thee. Thou hast but to believe in him, as the only Saviour of man, to enjoy eternal life.

18. "Went into all the earth:"—not literally, but virtually. After the ascension of our Lord, and the descent of the Spirit, the glad tidings of reconciliation through the blood of the Cross were no longer confined within the limits of Judea, but, overleaping those narrow boundaries, were freely

CHAPTER XI.

1 God hath not cast off all Israel. 7 Some were elected, though the rest were hardened. 16 There is hope of their conversion. 18 The Gentiles may not insult upon them: 26 for there is a promise of their salvation. 33 God's judgments are unsearchable.

I SAY then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, *of* the tribe of Benjamin.[a]

2 God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith [1]of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,[b]

3 Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life.[c]

4 But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to *the image of* Baal.[d]

5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.[e]

6 And if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if *it be* of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.[f]

7 What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were [2]blinded.[g]

8 (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of [3]slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day.[h]

9 And David saith, Let their table be made a snare, and a trap, and a stumblingblock, and a recompence unto them:[i]

10 Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow down their back alway.[j]

11 I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but *rather* through their fall salvation *is come* unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.[k]

12 Now if the fall of them *be* the riches of the world, and the [4]diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fulness?

13 For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:[l]

14 If by any means I may provoke to emulation *them which are* my flesh, and might save some of them.[m]

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[a] Lev. xxiii. 10; Numb. xv 18—21.

[5] Or, *for them.*

[a] 1 Sam. xii. 22; Jer. xxxi 37; 2 Cor. xi. 22; Philipp. iii. 5.

[b] Jer. xi. 16; Acts ii. 39; Eph. ii. 12, 13.

[1] Gr. *in Elias?*

[c] 1 Cor. x. 12.

[b] ch. viii. 29.

[c] 1 Kings xix. 10, 14.

[d] ch. xii. 16; Prov. xxviii. 14; Isa lxvi. 2; Philipp. ii. 12.

[d] 1 Kings xix. 18.

[e] ch. ix. 27.

[f] John xv 2; 1 Cor xv. 2; Heb. iii. 6, 14

[f] ch. iv. 4, 5; Deut. ix. 4, 5; Gal. v. 4.

[g] 2 Cor. iii. 16.

[2] Or, *hardened*, 2 Cor. iii. 14.

[g] ch. ix. 31; x. 3.

[3] Or, *remorse.*

[h] Deut. xxix. 4; Isa. vi 9; xxix. 10; Jer v 21; Ezek. xii 2; Matt. xiii 14; John xii. 40; Acts xxviii. 26, 27.

[6] Or, *hardness.*

[i] Ps. lix. 22.

[t] ver 7; ch. xii 16; Luke xxi. 24; 2 Cor. iii. 14; Rev. vii. 9.

[j] Ps. lix. 23.

[u] Ps. xiv. 7; Isa. lix. 20.

[k] ch. x. 19; Acts xiii 46; xviii. 6, xxii. 18, 21, xxviii. 24, 28.

[v] Isa xxvii. 9; Jer xxxi 31, &c.; Heb. viii. 8, x. 16

[4] Or, *decay*, or, *loss.*

[w] Deut. viii. 8; ix. 5; x. 15.

[l] ch. xv. 16; Acts ix 15, xiii 2; xxii. 21; Gal. i. 16; ii. 2, 7—9; Eph iii 8; 1 Tim. ii. 7; 2 Tim. i. 11.

[x] Numb. xxiii. 19.

[7] Or, *obeyed.*

[m] 1 Cor. vii. 16; ix. 22; 1 Tim. iv. 16; James v 20.

[y] Eph ii 2; Col. iii. 7

15 For if the casting away of them *be* the reconciling of the world, what *shall* the receiving *of them be*, but life from the dead?

16 For if the firstfruit *be* holy, the lump *is* also *holy:* and if the root *be* holy, so *are* the branches.[n]

17 And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert graffed in [5]among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;[o]

18 Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.[p]

19 Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be graffed in.

20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not highminded, but fear:[q]

21 For if God spared not the natural branches, *take heed* lest he also spare not thee.

22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in *his* goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.[r]

23 And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be graffed in: for God is able to graff them in again.[s]

24 For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and wert graffed contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural *branches*, be graffed into their own olive tree?

25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that [6]blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.[t]

26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:[u]

27 For this *is* my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.[v]

28 As concerning the gospel, *they are* enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, *they are* beloved for the fathers' sakes.[w]

29 For the gifts and calling of God *are* without repentance.[x]

30 For as ye in times past have not [7]believed God, yet have now obtained mercy through their unbelief:[y]

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proclaimed to the Gentiles; and this fact became grandly prophetic of the universal diffusion of Christianity.

19. "I will provoke you to jealousy:"—when the children of Israel fell into idolatry, God threatened, through his servant Moses, to cast them off, and to choose the Gentiles for a people unto himself—than which nothing could have incited them, as a nation, to greater jealousy, or more powerfully call forth their emulation.

CHAPTER XI.

Having pointed out the unbelief and guilt of his nation in rejecting God's revealed method of salvation, with their consequent rejection by God, he now proceeds, with great tenderness and yearnings of heart, to show that this apostacy of the chosen people is neither total nor perpetual; that God has preserved in Israel a holy seed, and the time is coming when all Israel shall be restored, and stand first and pre-eminent in the new and everlasting kingdom of Christ.

1. "I also am an Israelite:"—his own salvation rendered possible the salvation of all his brethren, and therefore was a clear proof that God had not finally and for ever rejected the Jewish nation or people; another proof of which is derived from the fact that at the very time the prophet Elias was preferring his complaint to God against the unfaithfulness and idolatry of Israel, he received the assurance that there were seven thousand which had not bowed the knee to Baal. There is a remnant still.

6—11. "If by grace, then is it no more of works:"—the Jews, as a people, were seeking "salvation by works," and in so doing rejected the richest overtures of "salvation by grace." The consequence was that God left them to themselves, and at length punished them with judicial blindness and hardness of heart. For what end? That they might finally and for ever perish? God forbid! but that the Gospel which they rejected might be offered to the Gentiles, and by the new relationship to Abraham of the Gentile world the Jews might be provoked to jealousy, and be led to seek redemption through the same Saviour, and on the ground of the same free and sovereign grace.

12—32. In these verses the Apostle speaks more immediately to the Gentiles, and reminds them that they owed their election and all the blessings of redeeming grace to the unbelief of the Jews; that they must not boast, for they did not bear the root, but the root bore them; that the

31 Even so have these also now not [1]believed, that through your mercy they also may obtain mercy.

32 For God hath [2]concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all.[a]

33 O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable *are* his judgments, and his ways past finding out![b]

34 For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor?[c]

35 Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?[d]

36 For of him, and through him, and to him, *are* all things: to [3]whom *be* glory for ever. Amen.[e]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *God's mercies must move us to please God* 3 *No man must think too well of himself,* 6 *but attend every one on that calling wherein he is placed* 9 *Love, and many other duties, are required of us.* 19 *Revenge is specially forbidden.*

I BESEECH you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.[f]

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.[g]

3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think; but to think [4]soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.[h]

4 For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:[i]

5 So we, *being* many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.[j]

6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, *let us prophesy* according to the proportion of faith;[k]

7 Or ministry, *let us wait* on *our* ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;[l]

8 Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that [5]giveth, *let him do it* [6]with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.[m]

9 *Let* love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.[n]

10 *Be* kindly affectioned one to another [7]with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;[o]

11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

12 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;[p]

13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.[q]

14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.[r]

15 Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.[s]

16 *Be* of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but [8]condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.[t]

17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.[u]

18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.[v]

19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance *is* mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.[w]

20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.[x]

21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Subjection, and many other duties, we owe to the magistrates.* 8 *Love is the fulfilling of the law* 11 *Gluttony and drunkenness, and the works of darkness, are out of season in the time of the gospel.*

LET every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are [9]ordained of God.[y]

2 Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.[z]

3 For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be

ANNO DOMINI 60.

1 Or, *obeyed.*
m Matt. vi 1—3, Acts xv 32, xx. 28; 1 Cor xiv. 3, 2 Cor. viii. 2; ix 7; 1 Tim. v 17; Heb. xiii 7, 24; 1 Peter v. 2.
2 Or, *shut them all up together.*
a ch. iii 9; Gal. iii. 22.
n Ps. xxxiv. 14; xxxvi 4; xcvii 10; Amos v. 15, 1 Tim. i. 5; 1 Peter i. 22.
7 Or, *in the love of the brethren.*
o Philipp ii. 3; Heb. xiii. 1; 1 Peter i. 22; ii. 17; iii. 8; v 5; 2 Peter i. 7.
b Job xi 7; Ps. xxxvi. 6, xcii 5
c Job xv 8; xxxvi 22; Isa. xl 13; Jer xxiii 18, 1 Cor ii 16
p ch v. 2, xv. 13; Luke x 20, xviii. 1, xxi 19, Acts ii 42; xii. 5; Eph vi 18, Philipp iii 1, iv 4; Col. iv 2, 1 Thess v. 16, 17; 1 Tim vi. 11; Heb. iii 6, x. 36; xii 1; James i. 4; v 7, 1 Peter ii 19, 20, iv. 13
d Job xxxv 7, xli 11
q 1 Cor xvi. 1; 2 Cor. ix 1, 12, 1 Tim iii 2, Titus i 8, Heb. vi 10, xiii 2, 16; 1 Peter iv 9, 1 John iii 17
3 Gr *him*
e 1 Cor viii 6, Gal i 5, Col i 16; 1 Tim. i 17, 2 Tim iv. 18; Heb xiii 21, 1 Peter v. 11, 2 Peter iii 18, Jude 25, Rev i 6.
r Matt v 44, Luke vi 28, xxiii. 34, Acts vii 60, 1 Cor. iv 12; 1 Peter ii. 23; iii 9.
s 1 Cor. xii. 26.
8 Or, *be contented with mean things*
t ch. xi 25, xv 5, Ps cxxxi 1, 2, Prov iii 7; xxvi 12, Isa. v 21; Jer. xlv. 5, 1 Cor i 10; Philipp. ii 2; iv. 16, 1 Peter iii 8
u ch. xiv. 16; Prov xx 22; Matt v 39, 2 Cor viii 21, 1 Thess v. 15, 1 Peter iii 9
f ch vi 13, 16, 19, Ps l 13, 14; 1 Cor vi 13, 20, 2 Cor x 1, Heb. x 20; 1 Peter ii 5
g Eph i 18, iv 23, v 10, 17, Col. i. 21, 22, iii. 10, 1 Thess. iv 3, 1 Peter i 14; 1 John ii 15
4 Gr. *to sobriety.*
h ch i. 5; xi. 20; xv 15; Prov. xxv 27, Eccles. viii. 16; 1 Cor. iii. 10; xii. 7, 11; xv 10; Gal. ii. 9, Eph. iii. 2, 7, 8, iv. 7

i 1 Cor xii 12, Eph iv 16 j 1 Cor x 17, xii 20, 27, Eph i. 23; iv. 25 k ver 3, Acts xi 27, 1 Cor xii 4, 10, 28, xiii 2; xiv 1, 6, 29, 31, 1 Peter iv. 10, 11 l Acts xiii. 1; Gal. vi 6, Eph iv 11, 1 Tim v 17 5 Or, *imparteth.* 6 Or, *liberally.*

v ch xiv 19, Mark ix. 50, Heb xii 14. w ver. 17; Lev xix. 18; Deut. xxxii. 35; Prov. xxiv 29, Heb x. 30. x Exod. xxiii 4, 5, Prov xxv 21, 22; Matt. v. 44. 9 Or, *ordered.*
y Prov viii. 15, 16; Dan. ii. 21; iv. 32; John xix. 11; Titus iii. 1; 1 Peter ii. 13. z Titus iii. 1.

Jews would again be grafted in; that their restoration will be as life from the dead to the Gentile Church; and that both Jews and Gentiles, being equally indebted to the grace of God, will have for ever to give to that grace the undivided glory of their salvation.

CHAPTER XII.

The Apostle now follows up his *doctrinal* statement with the *practical* part, as is the case in almost all his Epistles. "As blossom and fruit grow only from a sound root, so, too, it is only from faith in Christ, and in the redemption wrought by him, that the true moral life proceeds. But from this faith it must indeed *of necessity* be produced, as surely as light and warmth must be diffused where there is fire." In the absence of a practical piety we infer the absence of the living principle. Where there is life there must be development, and the development will correspond with the principle, and be in the degree of its inward strength and operation.

1 "Present your bodies;"—that is, the whole man, with all its powers and capabilities; but he mentions the body to show that the idea of the Christian sanctification extends even to the lowest power of human nature. "The Christian life is an unceasing spiritual devotion of self—a living *sacrifice* or self-offering."

2. "Be ye transformed:"—it has been well said that "the idea of man's capability of formation—the inward reception of a holy or an unholy pattern—is, according to Scriptural principles, closely connected with the doctrine of the Divine image, and of the essential character of the soul."

3. "Not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think:"—the humility which the Apostle here inculcates lies at the basis, and is the support of all other Christian virtues. Hence the priority and the prominence which are here given to it.

"The measure of faith:"—according to the power with which God had blessed them for the reception of all needful gifts, which gifts were proportioned to the duties required. These gifts differed in different individuals, just as in the human body there are members, but each member has its own appropriate functions, and is fitted for the task assigned to it.

6. "Gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us:"—the term "grace" here must be taken in the same sense as "the measure of faith" in the preceding context. These gifts were diversified, and were bestowed on the recipients according to the will of God.

"According to the proportion of faith:"—according to the nature and extent of the gift bestowed, is the use which we are to make of it. To whom much is given, from such much is expected.

19. "Give place unto wrath:"—do not let it break forth; at once restrain and hold it in check.


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afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same: [a]

4 For he is the minister of God to thee for good. But if thou do that which is evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain: for he is the minister of God, a revenger to *execute* wrath upon him that doeth evil.

5 Wherefore *ye* must needs be subject, not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake. [b]

6 For for this cause pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers, attending continually upon this very thing.

7 Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute *is due;* custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour. [c]

8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. [d]

9 For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if *there be* any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. [e]

10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love *is* the fulfilling of the law. [f]

11 And that, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep: for now *is* our salvation nearer than when we believed. [g]

12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. [h]

13 Let us walk [1]honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. [i]

14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to *fulfil* the lusts *thereof.* [j]

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Men may not contemn nor condemn one the other for things indifferent:* 13 *but take heed that they give no offence in them.* 15 *for that the apostle proveth unlawful by many reasons.*

HIM that is weak in the faith receive ye, *but* [2]not to doubtful disputations. [k]

2 For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs. [l]

3 Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him. [m]

4 Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand. [n]

5 One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day *alike.* Let every man be [3]fully persuaded in his own mind. [o]

6 He that [4]regardeth the day, regardeth *it* unto the Lord; and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard *it.* He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth God thanks; and he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks. [p]

7 For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. [q]

8 For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

9 For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living. [r]

10 But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. [s]

11 For it is written, *As* I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. [t]

12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God. [u]

13 Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in *his* brother's way. [v]

14 I know, and am persuaded by the Lord Jesus, that *there is* nothing [5]unclean of itself; but to him that esteemeth any thing to be [6]unclean, to him *it is* unclean. [w]

15 But if thy brother be grieved with *thy* meat, now walkest thou not [7]charitably. Destroy not him with thy meat, for whom Christ died. [x]

16 Let not then your good be evil spoken of: [y]

17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. [z]

18 For he that in these things serveth Christ *is* acceptable to God, and approved of men. [a]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a 1 Peter ii. 14; iii. 13.

m Col. ii. 16.

n James iv. 12.

b Eccles. viii. 2, 1 Peter ii. 19.

3 Or, *fully assured.*

o Gal. iv. 10; Col. ii. 16.

4 Or, *observeth.*

p 1 Cor. x. 31; Gal. iv. 10; 1 Tim. iv. 3.

c Matt. xxii. 21; Mark xii. 17; Luke xx. 25.

q 1 Cor. vi. 19, 20; Gal. ii. 20; 1 Thess. v. 10; 1 Peter iv. 2

d ver. 10; Gal. v. 14; Col. iii. 14; 1 Tim. i. 5; James ii. 8.

r Acts x. 36; 2 Cor. v. 15.

e Exod. xx. 13, &c.; Lev xix. 18; Deut v. 17, &c; Matt. xix 18; xxii. 39; Mark xii 31; Gal. v. 14; James ii. 8.

f ver. 8; Matt xxii. 40.

s Matt. xxv 31, 32; Acts x. 42, xvii. 31; 2 Cor. v. 10; Jude 14, 15.

g 1 Cor. xv 34; Eph. v. 14; 1 Thess. v. 5, 6.

t Isa xlv. 23; Philipp. ii 10.

u Matt. xii. 36; Gal vi. 5, 1 Peter iv. 5.

h Eph v 11; vi 13; Col. iii. 8; 1 Thess. v. 8.

1 Or, *decently.*

v Prov xxiii. 20; Luke xxi 34, 1 Cor. vi. 9; Eph. v. 5; Philipp iv. 8; 1 Thess. iv. 12; James iii. 14; 1 Peter ii. 12; iv. 3.

w 1 Cor. viii. 9, 13; x. 32.

i Eph iv 24; Gal. iii. 27, v 16; Col iii. 10, 1 Peter ii. 11.

5 Gr. *common.*

6 Gr. *common*

x vs. 2, 20; Acts x. 15, 1 Cor. viii 7, 10, x. 25, 1 Tim. iv 4, Titus i. 15

7 Gr. *according to charity.*

x 1 Cor. viii. 11.

2 Or, *not to judge his doubtful thoughts.*

y ch. xii. 17.

k ch xv. 1, 7; 1 Cor. viii. 9, 11, ix. 22.

z 1 Cor. viii. 8.

l ver 14; 1 Cor x. 25; 1 Tim. iv. 4; Titus i. 15.

a 2 Cor. viii. 21.

20. "Heap coals of fire"—this is an allusion to the process employed in the melting of metals. it is not enough that the vessel containing the ore be placed on the fire, nor that fire be placed around it; the fire must be heaped upon it, and this accumulation of fire no metal can withstand. He that overcomes an enemy by the force of reiterated acts of kindness, may be said, in effect, to heap coals of fire on his head.

CHAPTER XIII.

1. "There is no power but of God."—he is its source; civil government is one of his high ordinations; nevertheless, if that power be not exercised in harmony with his will, we must obey him rather than man. If human authority contravene the will of God, the guilt of disobeying that authority rests not upon us, but upon those who, by an abuse of power, have interfered with the Divine order of things. At the same time, a distinction is to be drawn between a simple refusing to obey, and an active or armed resistance, which is, doubtless, the kind of resistance spoken of in the text.

2. "Receive to themselves damnation:"—if the civil power keeps within its own proper line of jurisdiction, and we resist it, then we are justly condemned to suffer temporal punishment. The magistrate thus becomes the minister of God, to chastise the disobedient.

12—14. "The night is far spent:"—the brightness of the resurrection morning, and of the future glory, gives to the present life all the darkness of a long and dreary night. It therefore becomes the Christian to use all diligence that he may be freed from the darkness and the defilement of earth, and be prepared for the purity and perfection of heaven.

CHAPTER XIV.

Having just exhorted the Romans to keep themselves from all such fleshly indulgence as would defile the renewed soul, and to seek after that holiness which will attain its perfection in the spotless purity of heaven, the Apostle now passes to speak of an error which was disturbing and dividing the Roman believers—that *asceticism* which interdicted certain articles of food, and which insisted on this abstinence as something affecting the salvation of the soul.

1. "Weak in the faith:"—the man of morbid conscience, with his scruples and his prejudices, his habits and his observances, but still a believer.

7—9. "None of us liveth to himself:"—"an unreserved devotedness to the Lord is that which must ever be the essential of the Christian life: whatever can consist with this, may be willingly borne with in a brother."

19 Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.[a]

20 For meat destroy not the work of God. All things indeed *are* pure; but *it is* evil for that man who eateth with offence.[b]

21 *It is* good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor *any thing* whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak.[c]

22 Hast thou faith? have *it* to thyself before God. Happy *is* he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth.[d]

23 And he that [1]doubteth is damned if he eat, because *he eateth* not of faith: for whatsoever *is* not of faith is sin.[e]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The strong must bear with the weak.* 2 *We may not please ourselves,* 3 *for Christ did not so,* 7 *but receive one the other, as Christ did us all,* 8 *both Jews* 9 *and Gentiles.* 15 *Paul excuseth his writing,* 28 *and promiseth to see them,* 30 *and requesteth their prayers.*

WE then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves.[f]

2 Let every one of us please *his* neighbour for *his* good to edification.[g]

3 For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written, The reproaches of them that reproached thee fell on me.[h]

4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.[i]

5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another [2]according to Christ Jesus:[j]

6 That ye may with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.[k]

7 Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God.[l]

8 Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises *made* unto the fathers:[m]

9 And that the Gentiles might glorify God for *his* mercy; as it is written, For this cause I will confess to thee among the Gentiles, and sing unto thy name.[n]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

o Deut. xxxii. 43.

a ch. xii. 18; xv. 2; Ps. xxxiv. 14; 1 Cor. xiv. 12; 1 Thess. v. 11.

p Ps. cxvii. 1.

b vs. 14, 15; Matt. xv. 11; Acts x. 15; 1 Cor. viii. 9—12; Titus i. 15.

q Isa. xi. 1, 10; Rev. v. 5; xxii. 16.

c 1 Cor. viii. 13.

r ch. xii. 12; xiv. 17.

d 1 John iii. 21.

1 Or, *discerneth and putteth a difference between meats*

e 1 Cor. viii. 1, 7, 10; 2 Peter i. 12; 1 John ii. 21.

s Titus i. 15.

t ch. i. 5; xii 3; Gal. i. 15; Eph. iii. 7, 8.

3 Or, *sacrificing.*

u ch. xi. 13; Isa. lxvi. 20; Philipp. ii. 17; Gal. ii. 7—9; 1 Tim. ii. 7; 2 Tim. i. 11.

f ch. xiv. 1; Gal. vi. 1.

v Heb. v. 1.

g ch. xiv 19; 1 Cor. ix. 19, 22; x. 24, 33; xiii. 5; Philipp ii 4, 5.

w ch i 5, xvi. 26; Acts xxi. 19; Gal ii. 8.

h Ps. lxix. 9; Matt. xxvi. 39, John v. 30; vi 38.

x Acts xix. 11; 2 Cor. xii. 12.

y 2 Cor. x. 13, 15, 16.

i ch. iv. 23, 24; 1 Cor ix 9, 10; x. 11; 2 Tim. iii. 16, 17.

2 Or, *after the example of*

z Isa. lii. 15.

j ch. xii. 16; 1 Cor i. 10, Philipp. ii. 16.

4 Or, *many ways, or, oftentimes.*

a ch. i 13; 1 Thess. ii. 17, 18.

k Acts iv. 24, 32.

b ver 32; ch. i. 11; Acts xix. 21.

l ch. v. 2; xiv. 1, 3.

m ch. iii. 3; Matt. xv 24, John i. 11; Acts iii 25, 26; xiii. 46; 2 Cor. i. 20.

5 Gr. *with you*, ver. 32.

c Acts xv. 3.

d Acts xix. 21; xx. 22; xxiv. 17.

n ch. ix. 23; Ps. xviii. 49, John x. 16.

10 And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people.[o]

11 And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people.[p]

12 And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust.[q]

13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.[r]

14 And I myself also am persuaded of you, my brethren, that ye also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another.[s]

15 Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more boldly unto you in some sort, as putting you in mind, because of the grace that is given to me of God,[t]

16 That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the [3]offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.[u]

17 I have therefore whereof I may glory through Jesus Christ in those things which pertain to God.[v]

18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed,[w]

19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.[x]

20 Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man's foundation:[y]

21 But as it is written, To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see: and they that have not heard shall understand.[z]

22 For which cause also I have been [4]much hindered from coming to you.[a]

23 But now having no more place in these parts, and having a great desire these many years to come unto you;[b]

24 Whensoever I take my journey into Spain, I will come to you: for I trust to see you in my journey, and to be brought on my way thitherward by you, if first I be somewhat filled [5]with your *company*.[c]

25 But now I go unto Jerusalem to minister unto the saints.[d]

26 For it hath pleased them of Macedonia and

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13. "But judge this rather;"—or determine this, or resolve upon this, as of more immediate and more vital moment—to do nothing to occasion a brother to stumble or fall.

14. "Nothing unclean of itself:"—it is not unclean on account of any impurity in itself, but only relatively to the Mosaic law, and the ends involved in that law, which Christianity had abolished with all its prohibitions and restrictions. Still, if any one look upon a creature as unclean, to him it is unclean, and he ought not to eat it. Nor should the strong brother eat such food in the presence of his weak brother, whose conscience it might offend.

22. "Hast thou faith?"—that is, Does the character of your faith lift you above all scruples in such matters, still let your conduct to others be such as you can justify before God. If there be a doubt in your mind as to your line of action, it is a virtual condemnation of your conduct. Whatsoever is not of faith, or the result of deep and enlightened conviction, is sinful, and therefore to be condemned.

CHAPTER XV.

The Apostle having laid down the general principle of mutual forbearance in those matters in which a difference of opinion prevailed among these Roman converts, now sets forth Christ himself as the great Exemplar of all human conduct, and in whose life there is exhibited the most self-sacrificing love and devotedness.

3. "Christ pleased not himself:"—just as his sufferings reveal the purest form of self-denial—just as he loved those who hated him, and out of love to their souls willingly endured all the ignominy and woe which they heaped upon him, so we must practise the same self-denying love.

5. "According to Christ Jesus:"—according to the perfect pattern which he had set them, and in harmony with the genius and spirit of his Gospel.

7. "As Christ also received us:"—welcoming both Jews and Gentiles into his own spiritual kingdom.

16. "Offering up of the Gentiles:"—the Apostle here, by a beautiful figure, "represents himself as an officiating priest, and the Gentile world as a

Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor saints which are at Jerusalem.[a]

27 It hath pleased them verily; and their debtors they are. For if the Gentiles have been made partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister unto them in carnal things.[b]

28 When therefore I have performed this, and have sealed to them this fruit, I will come by you into Spain.[c]

29 And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.[d]

30 Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in *your* prayers to God for me;[e]

31 That I may be delivered from them that [1]do not believe in Judæa; and that my service which *I have* for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints;[f]

32 That I may come unto you with joy by the will of God, and may with you be refreshed.[g]

33 Now the God of peace *be* with you all. Amen.[h]

CHAPTER XVI.

3 *Paul willeth the brethren to greet many,* 17 *and adviseth them to take heed of those which cause dissension and offences,* 21 *and after sundry salutations endeth with praise and thanks to God.*

I COMMEND unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea:[i]

2 That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succourer of many, and of myself also.[j]

3 Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus:[k]

4 Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles.

5 Likewise *greet* the church that is in their house. Salute my wellbeloved Epænetus, who is the firstfruits of Achaia unto Christ.[l]

6 Greet Mary, who bestowed much labour on us.

7 Salute Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen, and my fellowprisoners, who are of note among the apostles, who also were in Christ before me.[m]

8 Greet Amplias my beloved in the Lord.

9 Salute Urbane, our helper in Christ, and Stachys my beloved.

10 Salute Apelles approved in Christ. Salute them which are of Aristobulus' [2]*household.*

11 Salute Herodion my kinsman. Greet them that be of the [3]*houshold* of Narcissus, which are in the Lord.

12 Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa, who labour in the Lord. Salute the beloved Persis, which laboured much in the Lord.

13 Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine.[n]

14 Salute Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, and the brethren which are with them.

15 Salute Philologus, and Julia, Nereus, and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints which are with them.

16 Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.[o]

17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them.[p]

18 For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.[q]

19 For your obedience is come abroad unto all *men.* I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and [4]simple concerning evil.[r]

20 And the God of peace shall [5]bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.[s]

21 Timotheus my workfellow, and Lucius, and Jason, and Sosipater, my kinsman, salute you.[t]

22 I Tertius, who wrote *this* epistle, salute you in the Lord.

23 Gaius mine host, and of the whole church, saluteth you. Erastus the chamberlain of the city saluteth you, and Quartus a brother.[u]

24 The grace of our Lord Jesus, Christ *be* with you all. Amen.[v]

25 Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,[w]

26 But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:[x]

27 To God only wise, *be* glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.[y]

¶ Written to the Romans from Corinthus, and *sent* by Phebe servant of the church at Cenchrea.

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a 1 Cor. xvi. 1, 2; 2 Cor. viii. 1; ix. 2, 12.
2 Or, *friends.*
3 Or, *friends.*
b ch. xi. 17; 1 Cor. ix. 11; Gal. vi. 6.
c Philipp. iv. 17.
n 2 John 1.
d ch. i. 11.
e 2 Cor. i. 11; Philipp. ii. 1; Col. iv. 12
o 1 Cor. xvi. 20; 2 Cor. xiii. 12; 1 Thess. v. 26; 1 Peter v. 14.
1 Or, *are disobedient.*
p Acts xv. 1, 5, 24; 1 Cor. v. 9, 11; 2 Thess. iii. 6, 14; 1 Tim. vi. 3; 2 Tim. iii. 5; Titus iii. 10; 2 John 10
f 2 Cor. viii. 4; 2 Thess. iii. 2.
g ch. i. 10; Acts xviii. 21, 1 Cor. iv. 19; xvi. 18; 2 Cor. vii. 13, 2 Tim. i. 16, Phil. 7, 20, James iv. 15.
q Philipp. iii. 19; Col. ii. 4; 1 Tim. vi. 5; 2 Tim. iii. 6, Titus i. 10; 2 Peter ii. 3.
h ch. xvi. 20, 1 Cor. xiv. 33, 2 Cor. xiii. 11, Philipp. iv. 9; 1 Thess. v. 23, 2 Thess. iii. 16, Heb. xiii. 20
4 Or, *harmless*
r ch. i. 8, Matt. x. 16, 1 Cor. xiv. 20
5 Or, *tread.*
s ver. 24, ch. xv. 33; Gen. iii. 15, 1 Cor. xvi. 23, 2 Cor. xiii. 14; Philipp. iv. 23; 1 Thess. v. 28; 2 Thess. iii. 18; Rev. xxii. 21
i Acts xviii. 18
t Acts xiii. 1; xvi. 1, xvii. 5, xx. 4, Philipp. ii. 19; Col. i. 1, 1 Thess. iii. 2, 1 Tim. i. 2, Heb. xiii. 23
j Philipp. ii. 29; 3 John 5, 6
u Acts xix. 22; 1 Cor. i. 14, 2 Tim. iv. 20.
k Acts xviii. 2, 18, 26, 2 Tim. iv. 19.
v ver. 20; 1 Thess. v. 28.
w ch. ii. 16; 1 Cor. ii. 7, Eph. i. 9; iii. 3–5, 9, 20; Col. i. 26, 27; 1 Thess. iii. 13; 2 Thess. ii. 17, iii. 3; Jude 24.
l 1 Cor. xvi. 15, 19; Col. iv. 15; Phil. 2.
x ch. i. 5; xv. 18, Acts vi. 7, Eph. i. 9; 2 Tim. i. 10, Titus i. 2, 3, 1 Peter i. 20
m Gal. i. 22.
y 1 Tim. i. 17; vi. 16; Jude 25.

great sacrifice to be consecrated to God, and which he had to offer to God through the Gospel."

CHAPTER XVI.

1. "Phebe our sister:"—she was, in all probability, a deaconess of the church at Cenchrea, the port of Corinth, and the bearer of this epistle.

3 "Greet Priscilla and Aquila"—they had, no doubt, returned from Ephesus to Rome. On their character and service, see Acts xviii. 1—6, 26; 1 Cor. xvi 19; 2 Tim. iv. 19.

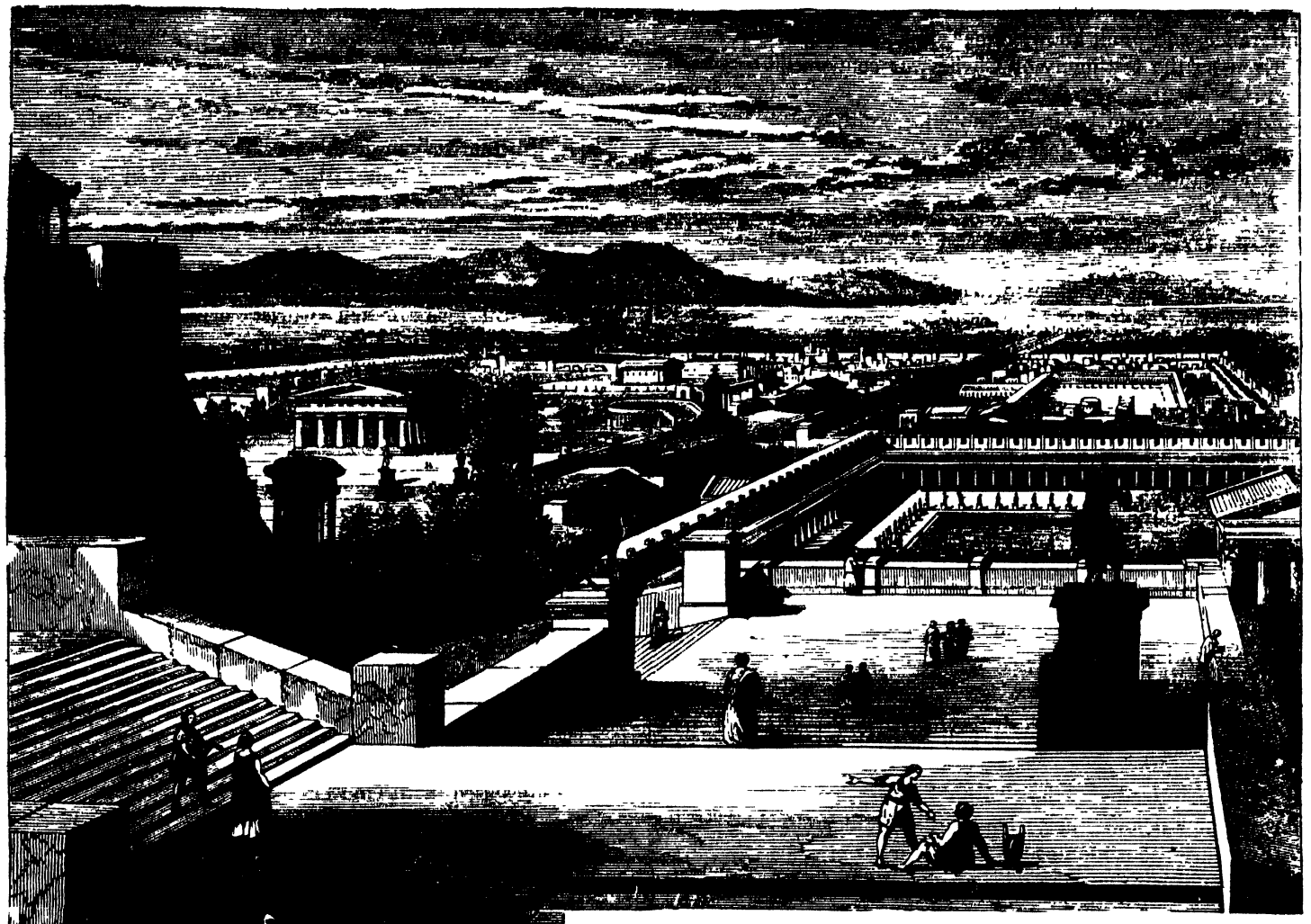
5—15. The names enumerated in these verses are mentioned nowhere else.

13. "His mother and mine:"—such was the reverence and affection which the Apostle entertained for this woman, that he speaks of her as his mother—just as our Lord said to John, "Behold thy mother."

16. "An holy kiss:"—this became a custom in the early Church at the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

21. "Lucius, and Jason."—see the marginal references, Acts xiii. 1; xvii. 5; xx. 4.

22. "Who wrote this epistle"—Tertius was not the author of this letter, but only the amanuensis employed by the Apostle.





THE FIRST

EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE

TO THE

CORINTHIANS

CHAPTER I.

1 After his salutation and thanksgiving, 10 *he exhorteth them to unity, and* 12 *reproveth their dissensions.* 18 *God destroyeth the wisdom of the wise* 21 *by the foolishness of preaching, and* 26 *mighty, and noble, but* 27, 28 *the foolish, weak, and men of no account.*

ANNO DOMINI 59

PAUL, called *to be* an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes *our* brother,[a]

2 Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called *to be* saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both their's and our's:[b]

3 Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.[c]

4 I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ;[d]

a Acts xviii. 17; Rom i. 1; 2 Cor i 1; Eph. i. 1; Col. i. 1.

b ch viii. 6; John xvii. 19; Acts ix. 14, 21; xv. 9; xxii 16; Rom i. 7; iii. 22; x. 12; 2 Tim. i. 9; ii. 22; Jude 1.

c Rom. i. 7; 2 Cor i 2; Eph. i. 2; 1 Peter i. 2.

d Rom. i. 8.

5 That in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and *in* all knowledge;[a]

6 Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you:[b]

7 So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the [1]coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:[c]

8 Who shall also confirm you unto the end, *that ye may be* blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.[d]

9 God *is* faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.[e]

10 Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no [2]divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.[f]

11 For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them *which are of the house* of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.

12 Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ.[g]

13 Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul?[h]

14 I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius;[i]

15 Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name.

16 And I baptized also the houshold of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other.[j]

17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of [3]words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.[k]

18 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

a ch. xii. 8; 2 Cor. viii. 7.
m Job v. 12, 13; Isa. xxix. 14; Jer. viii. 9.
b ch. ii. 1; 2 Tim. i. 8; Rev. i. 2.
1 Gr. *revelation*, Col. iii. 4.
c Philipp. iii. 20; Titus ii. 13; 2 Peter iii. 12.
n Job xii. 17, 20, 24; Isa. xxxiii. 18; xliv. 25; Rom. i. 22.
d Col. i. 22; 1 Thess. iii. 13; v. 23.
o Matt. xi. 25; Luke x. 21; Rom. i. 20, 21, 28.
e ch. x. 13; Isa. xlix. 7; John xv. 4; xvii. 21; 1 Thess. v. 24; 2 Thess. iii. 3; Heb. x. 23; 1 John i. 3; iv. 13.
p Matt. xii. 38; xvi. 1; Mark viii. 11; Luke xi. 16; John iv. 48.
2 Gr. *schisms*, ch. xi. 18.
q ver. 18; ch. ii. 14; Isa. viii. 14; Matt. xi. 6; xiii. 57; Luke ii. 34; John vi 60, 66; Rom. ix. 32; Gal v. 11; 1 Peter ii. 8.
f Rom xii 16; xv. 5; 2 Cor. xiii 11; Philipp. ii 2; iii. 16; 1 Peter iii 8.
r ver. 18; Rom. i. 4, 16; Col. ii 3.
g ch iii. 4; xvi. 12; Acts xviii. 24; xix. 1
s John vii. 48.
h 2 Cor. xi. 4; Eph. iv. 5.
i Acts xviii. 8; Rom. xvi. 23.
t Ps. viii 2; Matt. xi 25; James ii. 5.
j ch. xvi. 15, 17.
u ch. ii. 6; Rom. iv. 17
v Rom. iii. 27; Eph. ii 9
3 Or, *speech*.
k ch. ii. 1, 4, 13; 2 Peter i. 16.
w ver 24; Jer. xxiii. 5, 6, John xvii 19; Rom iv 25; 2 Cor. v 21; Eph. i 7; Philipp. iii 9
l ver 24; ch ii 14; xv 2, Acts xvii 18; Rom. i. 16, 2 Cor ii 15.
x Jer. ix. 23, 24; 2 Cor. x. 17.

19 For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.[m]

20 Where *is* the wise? where *is* the scribe? where *is* the disputer of this world? hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?[n]

21 For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.[o]

22 For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:[p]

23 But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;[q]

24 But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.[r]

25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

26 For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, *are called:*[s]

27 But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;[t]

28 And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, *yea*, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:[u]

29 That no flesh should glory in his presence.[v]

30 But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:[w]

31 That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.[x]

CHAPTER I.

Corinth was a city of great antiquity, and was believed to be older even than Troy. It stood upon the Peloponnesus, and close to the isthmus which divided it from the Morea. It therefore seemed to stand upon two seas, and its commerce was most extensive and important. Its western harbour was called Lechæum, and its eastern one Cenchræa. The city stood upon a rather elevated site, at the foot of a lofty rock called the Acropolis, which is seen in the engraving on the left. From this rock, upon which a strong citadel stood, a magnificent prospect was obtained. The isthmus was famous for its games, which were of very early origin, and are celebrated as the Isthmian Games in many of the old Greek writers. Arts and sciences were greatly promoted at Corinth, but its inhabitants were given to luxury and vice. The history of the city is one of much interest. It was at one time independent, but it was conquered by one of the successors of Alexander the Great, and afterwards by the Romans. At present the place exists, but it is uncomfortable and unhealthy. A few relics of its ancient grandeur remain: these include part of the baths of Hadrian; an amphitheatre excavated in the rock; and seven massive Doric columns, which are believed to mark the site of a splendid temple of Minerva. The Acropolis, or Acro-Corinthus, rises 1,800 feet above the sea. Lechæum was once connected with Corinth by two walls. The port of Cenchræa was at a greater distance; and it now takes two hours to reach it. The forum of Corinth was very splendid, and it and its ornaments are described by Pausanias, who tells us that it contained many temples and statues. The engraving at the head of this Epistle is an imaginary restoration of the ancient city.

The Apostle first visited this city during his second great apostolic or missionary journey, and impressed with its importance as a centre of action, he remained here for eighteen months, prosecuting his missionary labours with unwearied interest. The fruit of his labours was seen in the planting of this Church, whose members were composed chiefly of Gentile converts; but there arose certain opinions and modes of action which called for the Apostle's advice and decision. Hence the production of this Epistle, in which he seeks to reclaim the Corinthians from their party divisions, rebukes their immoral proceedings, and prescribes for the removal of many irregularities and abuses in their mode of worship and service. The Apostle also lays down, in his answers to questions of local and temporary interest, principles of universal application and perpetual obligation.

The Epistle was written from Ephesus, A.D. 57, and is of inestimable value to the whole Christian Church, and will continue to be valuable till the end of time.

1. "Sosthenes our brother:"—whoever this was, he must have been eminent for his faith and labour, and well known to the Church at Corinth. He is not to be confounded with the Sosthenes mentioned in Acts xviii. 17.

2. "Call upon the name of Jesus Christ:"—is not this "a direct testimony to the divine worship of Jesus Christ as universal in the Church?"

4—9. Whatever was holy and attractive in these Corinthian believers, the Apostle places strongly in the foreground, and thus appeals to the better side of their character, that he may bring out the contrast which follows more plainly and impressively.

11. "The house of Chloe:"—who this Chloe was, and which of the members of his family gave Paul his information, we have no means of now knowing, and it is vain to conjecture.

12. "I am of Paul:"—we are not to infer from this verse that there were so many separate parties in the Church as that the Church was being rent by its internal feuds—the fruit of contention.

14. "Crispus and Gaius:"—see marginal references, Acts xviii. 8; Rom. xvi. 23.

17. "Not with wisdom of words:"—the Apostle here does not refer so much to the graces of rhetoric, or the force of eloquence, as those speculations of philosophy which were so prevalent in Greece, as the centre of the world's wisdom.

30. "Made unto us wisdom:"—by no reach of knowledge, by no accumulation of wisdom, has the world ever found out God; but what philosophy has failed to discover, the Gospel has revealed; and that Incarnate who came full of grace and truth, renders us, in this respect, independent of all human enlightenment, for he himself is our wisdom—the real, essential knowledge of God. With this inward illumination comes that righteousness which insures our acceptance with God; this is followed by that sanctification which is the gradual development of the new and spiritual life; and then comes that redemption or final deliverance of our whole nature, which is described in God's word as life and joy eternal. We have thus the great phases of the Christian life from its commencement to its completion; and for all that is involved in this life, and for all that will follow hereafter, we are indebted immediately and for ever to Christ.

CHAPTER II.

He declareth that his preaching, 1 *though it bring not excellency of speech, or of* 4 *human wisdom: yet consisteth in the* 4, 5 *power of God: and so far excelleth* 6 *the wisdom of this world, and* 9 *human sense, as that* 14 *the natural man cannot understand it.*

AND I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God.[a]

2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.[b]

3 And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.[c]

4 And my speech and my preaching *was* not with [1]enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:[d]

5 That your faith should not [2]stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.[e]

6 Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:[f]

7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, *even* the hidden *wisdom*, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:[g]

8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known *it*, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.[h]

9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.[i]

10 But God hath revealed *them* unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.[j]

11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.[k]

12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

m ver. 4; ch. i. 17; 2 Peter i. 16.

n ch. i. 18, 23; Matt. xvi. 23; Rom. viii. 5—7; Jude 19.

3 Or, *discerneth.*

a vs. 4, 13; ch. i. 6, 17; 2 Cor. x. 10; xi. 6.

4 Or, *discerned.*

o Prov. xxviii. 5; 1 Thess. v. 21; 1 John iv. 1.

5 Gr. *shall.*

p Job xv. 8; Isa. xl. 13; Jer. xxiii. 18; John xv. 15; Rom. xi. 34.

b Gal. vi. 14; Philipp. iii. 8.

c Acts xviii. 1, 6, 12; 2 Cor. iv. 7; x. 1, 10; xi. 30; xii. 5, 9; Gal. iv. 13.

1 Or, *persuasible.*

d ver. 1; ch. i. 17; Rom. xv. 19; 1 Thess. i 5; 2 Peter i. 16.

2 Gr *be.*

e 2 Cor. iv. 7; vi. 7.

q ch. ii. 14, 15; Heb. v. 13.

f vs. 1, 13; ch i 20, 28; iii. 19; xiv 20; 2 Cor i. 12; Eph iv. 13; Philipp iii. 15; Heb v. 14, James iii. 15.

g Rom. xvi 25, 26; Eph iii. 5, 9; Col. i. 26; 2 Tim. i. 9.

r John xvi. 12; Heb v 12, 13; 1 Peter ii. 2.

h Matt. xi. 25; Luke xxiii. 34, John vii 48, xvi 3, Acts ni 17, xiii. 27; 2 Cor. iii 14.

6 Or, *factious.*

7 Gr. *according to man?*

s ch i. 11; xi. 18; Gal. v 20, 21; James iii. 16

i Isa lxiv. 4.

t ch. i. 12.

j Matt. xiii. 11; xvi. 17; John xiv 26; xvi. 13, 1 John ii. 27.

u ch iv. 1; Rom. xii. 3, 6; 2 Cor iii. 3; 1 Peter iv. 11.

v ch. i. 30; iv. 15; ix 1, xv. 1, 10; Acts xviii. 4, 8, 11, 24, 27, xix 1; 2 Cor iii 5, x. 14, 15

k Prov xx. 27; xxvii. 19, Jer xvii. 9, Rom. xi. 33, 34.

w 2 Cor xii. 11, Gal. vi. 3.

l Rom. viii. 15.

13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.[m]

14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.[n]

15 But he that is spiritual [3]judgeth all things, yet he himself is [4]judged of no man.[o]

16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he [5]may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.[p]

CHAPTER III.

2 Milk is fit for children. 3 Strife and division, arguments of a fleshly mind. 7 He that planteth, and he that watereth, is nothing 9 The ministers are God's fellowworkmen. 11 Christ the only foundation. 16 Men the temples of God, which 17 must be kept holy. 19 The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.

AND I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, *even* as unto babes in Christ.[q]

2 I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able *to bear it*, neither yet now are ye able.[r]

3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas *there is* among you envying, and strife, and [6]divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk [7]as men?[s]

4 For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I *am* of Apollos; are ye not carnal?[t]

5 Who then is Paul, and who *is* Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?[u]

6 I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.[v]

7 So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.[w]

8 Now he that planteth and he that watereth are

CHAPTER II.

The Apostle having exposed the insufficiency of all human enlightenment and philosophy in reference to man's highest interests, now proceeds to dilate on that Divine wisdom which is without any admixture of the human element, and which formed the burden of his preaching, not only in Corinth, but in all places whithersoever he went. The Gospel, in its essence, is neither theoretic, abstract, or reflective, nor even imaginative; but it is *historical*, and *the history is divine*. The preaching of the Gospel is a revelation of God's doings, and especially of the one great act of God's love—the gift of his only Son for the sins of the world.

2. "I determined;"—that is, he judged within himself—he had the fullest, most profound conviction, that it became him, as a minister of the New Testament, to know nothing in his preaching but CHRIST THE CRUCIFIED. His ministry was not something about Christ, but Christ himself. "The historical Christ is also the living Christ, who abides by his own until the last day. Therefore is Christ himself, the Crucified and the Risen, everywhere the object of preaching."

3. "In weakness:"—this refers not so much to his mode of address, as to his personal consciousness of his inward weakness and fear, in contrast with the magnitude and the grandeur of the work which he had to perform.

6. "Among them that are perfect:"—just as the ancient schools of philosophy had their more advanced pupils, and just as the heathen priesthood had those who were more deeply and intimately initiated in their mysteries, so the Apostle speaks only to the enlightened and regenerated—to those who had received the truth in demonstration and power of the Spirit—as alone qualified to understand the sublime disclosures of the Gospel.

7. "The wisdom of God:"—this wisdom can refer to nothing but the wondrous scheme of redeeming mercy by Jesus Christ, as its immutable and eternal centre. It is elsewhere called "the manifold wisdom of God."—See Eph. i. 7—14; iii. 1—12; Col. i. 14—29.

9, 10. "Eye hath not seen:"—these words are not to be applied to the unseen glories of heaven, but to the brighter, fuller discoveries of the Gospel, for, says the Apostle, "the Spirit hath revealed them unto us"—that is, to the Apostles, and through the Apostles to the whole Church. The great idea involved in the words is this—that Christianity is a grand advance upon all preceding Revelation.

CHAPTER III.

Having set forth the Gospel in its sublime discoveries, the Apostle distinctly intimates that he was prepared to take up the very highest forms of truth in his teaching, had the Corinthians been in a state of mind and feeling adapted to receive them. But the fact of their feuds and divisions was a clear proof that they were yet far from that spiritual standard which is set before every believer, and were subject to influences which indicated more or less of fleshly-mindedness. Hence the strictures and the tone of the present chapter.

1. "Could not speak unto you;"—that is, he could not bring before them those higher forms of truth which bespeak a higher degree of spiritual perception—a greater receptive faculty in those who receive them. Their carnal or fleshly condition was their disqualification, and hence he had to feed them with milk, or give them the most rudimental, elemental truth.

5. "As the Lord gave to every man:"—the Corinthians were attaching themselves to men according to the gifts or endowments which they possessed; but the Apostle reminds them that both he himself, and every one associated with him in the work of the ministry, had received his gifts from

one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.[a]

9 For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's [1]husbandry, *ye are* God's building.[b]

10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.[c]

11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.[d]

12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it [2]shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.[e]

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.[f]

15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.[g]

16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?[h]

17 If any man [3]defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which *temple* ye are.

18 Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.[i]

19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.[j]

20 And again, The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

a ch. iv 5; Ps. lxii. 12; Rom ii 6; Gal. vi 4, 5; Rev. ii. 23; xxii. 12.

1 vs. 4—6; ch. i. 12; iv. 6; 2 Cor. iv. 5, 15

1 Or, *tillage.*

b Acts xv 4; 2 Cor vi. 1; Eph ii 20; Col. ii. 7; Heb iii. 3, 4; 1 Peter ii. 5

m ch xi. 3; Rom xiv 8; 2 Cor. x. 7; Gal. iii. 29.

c ver. 6, ch. iv. 15; Rom i 5; xii. 3; xv. 20; 1 Peter iv 11; Rev xxi. 14.

d Isa xxviii 16; Matt. xvi. 18, 2 Cor xi 4, Gal. i. 7, Eph ii. 20.

2 Gr. *is revealed.*

n ch. iii. 5; ix. 17; Matt xxiv. 45; Luke xii 42, 2 Cor. vi 4; Col. i. 25, Titus i 7, 1 Peter iv. 10.

e ch iv 5, Luke ii 35; 1 Peter i. 7 · iv. 12.

f ch. iv. 5

g Jude 23.

4 Gr *day*, ch iii. 13

h ch. vi. 19; 2 Cor. vi 16, Eph. ii 21, 22, Heb. iii 6; 1 Peter ii 5.

3 Or, *destroy.*

o Job ix 2; Ps. cxxx 3, cxliii 2; Prov. xxi. 2; Rom. iii. 20; iv. 2.

i Prov. iii. 7; Isa. v. 21

p ch iii. 13; Matt. vii 1; Rom. ii. 1, 16, 29, xiv. 4, 10, 13, 2 Cor. v 10, Rev. xx. 12.

j ch i 20, ii. 6, Job v. 13.

k Ps. xciv. 11.

q ch. i 12; iii 4, 21; v 2, 6; Rom xii. 3.

21 Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are your's;[l]

22 Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are your's;

23 And ye are Christ's; and Christ *is* God's.[m]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *In what account the ministers ought to be had.* 7 *We have nothing which we have not received.* 9 *The apostles spectacles to the world, angels, and men,* 13 *the filth and offscouring of the world:* 15 *yet our fathers in Christ,* 16 *whom we ought to follow.*

LET a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God.[n]

2 Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

3 But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's [4]judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self.

4 For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord.[o]

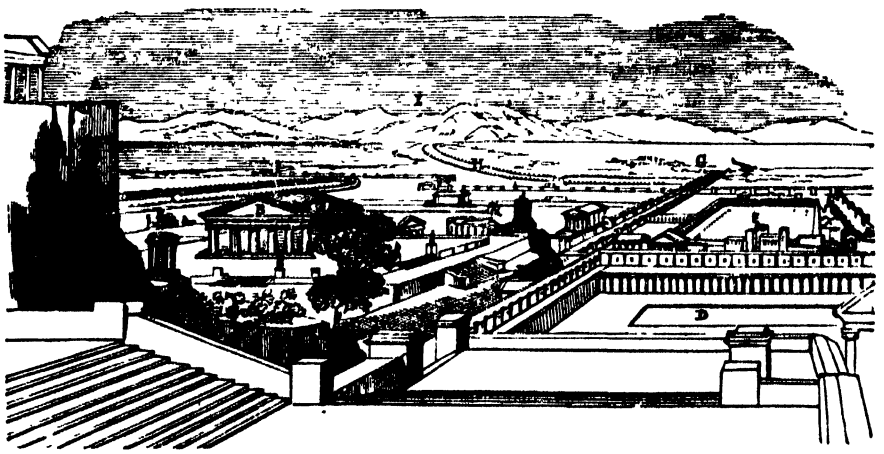
5 Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.[p]

6 And these things, brethren, I have in a figure transferred to myself and *to* Apollos for your sakes; that ye might learn in us not to think *of men* above that which is written, that no one of you be puffed up for one against another.[q]

God; and that since God worked in them, on him, and not on any man, must all depend.

6, 7. "I have planted:"—it is to be carefully observed that the Apostle does not say that this planting is nothing, or that the watering is nothing; for both the planting and the watering are essential to the increase; but that increase is to be ascribed neither to the planter nor to the waterer, but to God, who acts through them, and gives the result.

12. "If any man build upon this foundation:"—the gold, silver, and precious stones are generally interpreted of truth; while the wood, hay, and stubble are referred to error; and the builder in each case is said to be the professing Christian. This, we think, is a mistake. The Apostle is speaking, not of doctrine, but of character. He had laid the basis of the Church in Corinth. He had set forth Christ as the exclusive object of faith and de-



KEY TO CORINTH RESTORED.

B Temple of Minerva Chalamatis.
C The Stadium
D The Forum.
E The Agora, or Market Place.
F The long walls which (like those of Athens) united the city with the seaport of Lechæum.
G Harbour and town of Lechæum.
H The Isthmus, celebrated for the Neptune. The dotted line shows the position of the course, on which chariot and other races took place. The Peloponnesus now called the Morea.

looked as converts, or as Christians, would at last be rejected by the Lord and Saviour.

CHAPTER IV.

1. "Stewards of the mysteries of God:"—it is true that Paul looked upon himself as only the servant of Christ, and, for his sake, the servant of the Church; but as a steward intrusted with the unsearchable riches of Christ, the Gospel of salvation, he refused to be judged officially by any man — to hold himself amenable to any human authority. "It is required of a steward that he be found faithful;" and therefore he has to please not himself, nor man, but God only.

4. "I know nothing by myself:"—in other words, "I am not conscious to myself of being unfaithful; but I do not rest in this: I appeal to the final authority—to the Judge of all, who knoweth all

who perverted this doctrine, and they had corrupted the Church by the introduction of unholy, unregenerate men. He therefore warns the teachers and the Church that whatever material they introduced would be subject to the severest ordeal. If they acted from pure motives, they themselves would be saved, but only by passing through this ordeal; while their work, unless good and approved, would be burnt; and hence they would suffer loss, for those on whom they

tle's remarks applied not to himself, nor to Apollos, his fellow-labourer, but to [illegible] to exalt themselves above them; but by applying admonitions to himself and Apollos, he gave them a keener edge in their application to their antagonists.

8. "I would to God ye did reign:"—if their influence in the Church had been legitimately obtained—if their empire over others had been well founded—if their reign had been founded on the will of God—the Apostle

7 For who [1]maketh thee to differ *from another?* and what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive *it*, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received *it?*[a]

8 Now ye are full, now ye are rich, ye have reigned as kings without us: and I would to God ye did reign, that we also might reign with you.[b]

9 For I think that God hath set forth [2]us the apostles last, as it were appointed to death: for we are made a [3]spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.[c]

10 We *are* fools for Christ's sake, but ye *are* wise in Christ; we *are* weak, but ye *are* strong; ye *are* honourable, but we *are* despised.[d]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

1 Gr. *distinguisheth thee.*
a John iii. 27; James i. 17; 1 Peter iv. 10.
k ch. vii. 17; xi. 2; xiv. 33; xvi. 10; Acts xix. 22; Philipp. ii. 19; 1 Thess. iii. 2; 1 Tim. i. 2; 2 Tim. i. 2.
b Rev. iii. 17.
l ch. v. 2.
2 Or, *us the last apostles, as.*
3 Gr. *theatre.*
m ch. xvi. 5; Acts xviii. 21; xix. 21, Rom. xv. 32; 2 Cor. i. 15, 23; Heb. vi 3; James iv. 15.
c ch. xv 30, 31; Ps. xliv 22; Rom viii 36, 2 Cor iv 11; vi. 9; Heb x. 33.
n ch. ii. 4; 1 Thess i. 5.

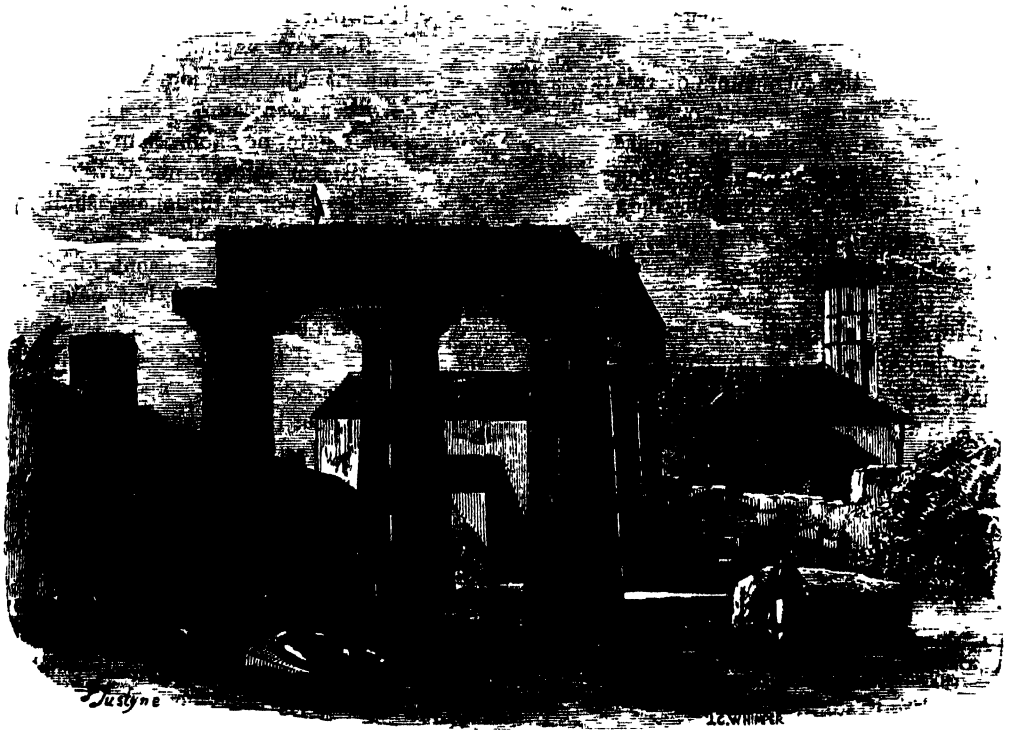
17 For this cause have I sent unto you Timotheus, who is my beloved son, and faithful in the Lord, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which be in Christ, as I teach every where in every church.[k]

18 Now some are puffed up, as though I would not come to you.[l]

19 But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord will, and will know, not the speech of them which are puffed up, but the power.[m]

20 For the kingdom of God *is* not in word, but in power.[n]

21 What will ye? shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love, and *in* the spirit of meekness?[o]



SUPPOSED TEMPLE OF MINERVA AT CORINTH: ASCRIBED TO THE SEVENTH CENTURY B.C.

11 Even unto this present hour we both hunger, and thirst, and are naked, and are buffeted, and have no certain dwellingplace;[e]

12 And labour, working with our own hands: being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it:[f]

13 Being defamed, we intreat: we are made as the filth of the world, *and are* the offscouring of all things unto this day.[g]

14 I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn *you.*[h]

15 For though ye have ten thousand instructers in Christ, yet *have ye* not many fathers: for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.[i]

16 Wherefore I beseech you, be ye followers of me.[j]

d ch i 18, &c; ii. 3, 14; iii 18, 2 Kings ix 11, Acts xvii. 18; xxvi 24; 2 Cor. xiii. 9
o 2 Cor x. 2, xiii 10
e Job xxii 6; Acts xxvii. 2, Rom viii. 35; 2 Cor iv. 8, xi. 23—27, Philipp. iv 12
f Matt v 44; Luke vi 28; xxiii 34; Acts vii 60; xviii 3, xx 34, Rom xii. 14, 20, 1 Thess. ii 9; 2 Thess iii 8; 1 Tim iv. 10; 1 Peter ii 23; iii. 9.
g Lam iii 45.
p Lev. xviii. 8; Deut xxii. 30; xxvii. 20; 2 Cor vii. 12, Eph. v 3
h 1 Thess. ii. 11.
q ch iv 18; 2 Cor vii. 7, 10.
i ch. iii. 6, Acts xviii 11; Rom xv 20; Gal iv. 19; Phil. 10; James i 18.
4 Or, *determined.*
j ch. xi 1; Philipp iii. 17; 1 Thess i. 6; 2 Thess iii. 9.
r Col. ii 5.

CHAPTER V.

1 *The incestuous person* 6 *is cause rather of shame unto them, than of rejoicing.* 7 *The old leaven is to be purged out* 10 *Heinous offenders are to be shunned and avoided.*

IT is reported commonly *that there is* fornication among you, and such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife.[p]

2 And ye are puffed up, and have not rather mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be taken away from among you.[q]

3 For I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have [4]judged already, as though I were present, *concerning* him that hath so done this deed,[r]

would have been acknowledged by them, and shared in their honour: but they deemed themselves full or entire without him; as rich, and therefore independent of him: and hence he was depreciated and despised. But he gloried in his sufferings for Christ's sake. Though deemed the least and the vilest of men—though made a spectacle to the whole universe—he preferred this to any worldly honour, to any spurious exaltation.

CHAPTER V.

"It is undoubted that in the most exalted and best constituted community an individual may fall into gross error; but then it is requisite that the said body should decidedly exhibit its displeasure against the offending member. This, however, was not the case in Corinth. The universal moral sluggishness displayed itself by the manner in which this occurrence was

4 In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ,[a]

5 To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.[b]

6 Your glorying *is* not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?[c]

7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is [1]sacrificed for us:[d]

8 Therefore let us keep [2]the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.[e]

9 I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators:[f]

10 Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world.[g]

11 But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.[h]

12 For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within?[i]

13 But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.[j]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The Corinthians must not vex their brethren, in going to law with them:* 6 *especially under infidels.* 9 *The unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God.* 15 *Our bodies are the members of Christ,* 19 *and temples of the Holy Ghost.* 16, 17 *They must not therefore be defiled.*

DARE any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?

2 Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?[k]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

1 2 Peter ii. 4; Jude 6.

a Matt. xvi. 19; xviii. 18; John xx. 23; 2 Cor. ii. 10; xiii. 3, 10.

m ch. v. 12.

b Job ii. 6; Ps. cix. 6; Acts xxvi. 18; 1 Tim. i. 20.

c ver. 2; ch. iii. 21; iv. 19; xv. 33; Gal. v. 9; James iv. 16; 2 Tim. ii. 17.

1 Or, *is slain.*

d ch. xv. 3; Isa. liii. 7; John i. 29; xix. 14; 1 Peter i. 19; Rev. v. 6, 12

2 Or, *holyday.*

n Prov xx 22; Matt v. 39, 40; Luke vi. 29; Rom. xii 17, 19; 1 Thess. v. 15.

e Exod. xii 15; xiii. 6; Deut xvi. 3; Matt xvi. 6, 12, Mark viii. 15; Luke xii. i.

o 1 Thess. iv. 6.

f vs. 2, 7; 2 Cor. vi 14; Eph. v. 11; 2 Thess. iii. 14.

g ch i 20; x. 27; John xvii 15; 1 John v. 19

p ch xv. 50; Gal v. 21, Eph. v. 5; 1 Tim. i 9; Heb xii. 14; xiii. 4; Rev. xxii. 15.

h Matt. xviii. 17; Rom. xvi. 17; Gal. ii. 12; 2 Thess iii 6, 14; 2 John 10.

q ch i. 30; xii. 2; Eph ii. 2; iv. 22; v. 8, Col. iii. 7; Titus iii. 3; Heb. x. 22.

i ch. vi. 1—4; Mark iv. 11, Col. iv. 5; 1 Thess. iv. 12; 1 Tim. iii. 7.

3 Or, *profitable.*

r ch. x. 23.

j Deut. xiii. 5; xvii. 7; xxi. 21; xxii. 21, 22, 24.

s vs. 15, 19, 20; Matt. xv. 17; Rom. xiv. 17; Eph. v. 23; Col. ii. 22, 23; 1 Thess. iv. 3, 7.

t Rom. vi. 5, 8; viii. 11; 2 Cor iv. 14; Eph. i. 19, 20.

u ch xii 27; Rom xii 5, Eph iv 12, 15, 16, v 30

v Gen ii. 24, Matt xix 5, Eph v 31

k Ps. xlix 14, Dan vii. 22; Matt. xix 28, Luke xxii. 30; Rev. ii. 26; iii. 21; xx. 4

w John xvii. 21—23; Eph iv 4; v. 30.

3 Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?[l]

4 If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church.[m]

5 I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren?

6 But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers.

7 Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather *suffer yourselves to* be defrauded?[n]

8 Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that *your* brethren.[o]

9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,[p]

10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.[q]

12 All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not [3]expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.[r]

13 Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body *is* not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body.[s]

14 And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.[t]

15 Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make *them* the members of an harlot? God forbid.[u]

16 What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.[v]

17 But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.[w]

viewed; for they still tolerated the offender in their community, and thus gave evidence that they were not sensible of the enormity of his offence. Paul, therefore, justly reproves the Church, not as a number of separate individuals, but in one—all—as a living, united body; and, together with directions for the excommunication of the offender, he delivers a serious rebuke to the whole Church."

1. "His father's wife;"—that is, the step-mother of the offender. The offence here referred to by the Apostle was one of rare occurrence even among the Gentile nations.

2. "Ye are puffed up:"—notwithstanding such an offence had been committed by one of their community, they were pluming themselves on their diversified gifts and endowments, and overlooking the existence of an evil which should have filled them with grief, and led to the act of immediate expulsion.

3—5. "With the power of our Lord Jesus Christ:"—this clause must be taken in connection with the third verse, thus—I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have already determined, as much as if I were present among you, that he who has committed this offence shall, in the name of Christ, be given over to Satan, to be bodily afflicted; therefore, when ye assemble together, deliver such an one to Satan, and cut him off from the Church, that by his afflictions, and by his separation from the faithful, he may learn how he has fallen, may repent of his sin, and find salvation for his deathless spirit."

7. "Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:"—he died for sin, and therefore sin is not to be tolerated in any of his followers. They must present themselves at his table, and celebrate the great paschal feast of his sacrifice with pure hearts and clean hands.

9. "I wrote in an epistle:"—not in the former part of this epistle, but some other apostolic letter which has not come down to us, and of which we have no further knowledge. It has been suggested by Dr. Stanley that the whole passage, from this verse on to chapter vi. 8, may have been a postscript or note inserted subsequently to the rest of the Epistle.

10—13. "Not altogether with the fornicators of this world:"—lest the Corinthians should mistake his meaning, the Apostle now limits his prohibition, and keeps its action within the Church. To entirely withdraw ourselves from men as men, on the ground of moral character, would require us to go out of the world altogether. We must leave the unrenewed world in the hands of God as their only Judge; but we have to preserve our own purity, and also the purity of the Church, in her various members.

CHAPTER VI.

The Apostle having laid it down as an incontrovertible position that the government of the Church is within itself, he reminds the Corinthians that not only had they the power to exclude the profligate and inconsistent from their community, but to determine every question affecting the integrity of a Christian brother's character; and that to appeal in such cases to judicial and heathen authority was in fact to undermine the constitution of the Church. Just as they were not to erect themselves into judges over the heathen, so they were not to set the heathen, though invested with judicial power, as judges over themselves.

18 Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.[a]

19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?[b]

20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.[c]

CHAPTER VII.

2 He treateth of marriage, 4 shewing it to be a remedy against fornication: 10 and that the bond thereof ought not lightly to be dissolved. 18, 20 Every man must be content with his vocation. 25 Virginity wherefore to be embraced. 35 And for what respects we may either marry, or abstain from marrying.

NOW concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: *It is* good for a man not to touch a woman.[d]

2 Nevertheless, *to avoid* fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband.

3 Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband.[e]

4 The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife.

5 Defraud ye not one the other, except *it be* with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency.[f]

6 But I speak this by permission, *and* not of commandment.[g]

7 For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that.[h]

8 I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I.[i]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

j 1 Tim. v. 14.

a Rom. i. 24; vi. 12, 13, 1 Thess. iv. 4; Heb. xiii. 4.

k vs. 12, 25, 40; Mal. ii. 14, 16; Matt. v. 32; xix. 6, 9; Mark x. 11, 12; Luke xvi. 18.

b ch. iii. 16; Rom. xiv. 7, 8; 2 Cor. vi. 16.

c ch. vii. 23; Acts xx. 28; Gal iii. 13; Heb. ix. 12; 1 Peter i. 18, 19; 2 Peter ii. 1; Rev. v. 9

l ver. 6.

m Mal ii. 15

d vs 8, 26.

1 Gr *in peace.*

n ch. xiv 33, Rom xii. 18; xiv. 19, Heb. xii. 14.

2 Gr. *what.*

o 1 Peter iii. 1.

e Exod. xxi. 10; 1 Peter iii. 7.

p ch iv. 17, 2 Cor xi 28.

q Acts xv 1, 5, 19, 24, 28, Gal v 2

r Gal. v. 6, vi. 15; John xv. 14, 1 John ii. 3, iii. 24.

f Exod. xix. 15; 1 Sam. xxi 4, 5, Joel ii 16; Zech. vii. 3; 1 Thess. iii 5.

g vs 12, 25; 2 Cor viii 8, xi. 17.

3 Gr *made free.*

h ch. ix 5; xii 11; Matt xix. 12, Acts xxvi 29.

s ch. ix. 21; John viii 36; Rom vi 18, 22, Gal v 13, Eph. vi. 6, Phil 16, 1 Peter ii 16

i vs. 1, 26.

t ch vi 20, Lev xxv 42, 1 Peter i. 18, 19

9 But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn.[j]

10 And unto the married I command, *yet* not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from *her* husband:[k]

11 But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to *her* husband: and let not the husband put away *his* wife.

12 But to the rest speak I, not the Lord: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.[l]

13 And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him.

14 For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy.[m]

15 But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such *cases:* but God hath called us [1]to peace.[n]

16 For what knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt save *thy* husband? or [2]how knowest thou, O man, whether thou shalt save *thy* wife?[o]

17 But as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk. And so ordain I in all churches.[p]

18 Is any man called being circumcised? let him not become uncircumcised. Is any called in uncircumcision? let him not be circumcised.[q]

19 Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the commandments of God.[r]

20 Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.

21 Art thou called *being* a servant? care not for it: but if thou mayest be made free, use *it* rather.

22 For he that is called in the Lord, *being* a servant, is the Lord's [3]freeman: likewise also he that is called, *being* free, is Christ's servant.[s]

23 Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.[t]

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1. "Not before the saints:"—questions affecting themselves in their Christian characters and church relations were to be settled by themselves, for of such questions they were far more competent to judge than any merely civil tribunal.

2. "The saints shall judge the world:"—not conduct the great process of the final judgment, for that involves infinite knowledge and absolute dominion; but their own justification having been first pronounced and ratified, they will then sit as assessors of Christ the Judge of all.

3. "We shall judge angels:"—are these good angels, or bad? We imagine it to be the devil and the fallen angels, as the angels who preserved their first estate, we presume, are not brought under any judicial act. But the course to be followed in the case of these intelligences is not yet revealed.

4. "Judgments of things pertaining to this life;"—that is, if in the ordinary affairs of this life there arise any case which calls for investigation and judgment among you as Christian brethren, set them to judge or determine it who are least esteemed in the Church; for any man endowed with common sense and the power of perception is equal to such a duty.

6—8. "Brother goeth to law with brother:"—if the subject here is to be referred to disputes which had arisen about property or earthly possessions, then the force of the passage lies in the fact that instead of submitting to the injury in the spirit of Christian forbearance, they were guilty of wronging and defrauding each other.

12. "All things are lawful unto me:"—great difficulty has been found in tracing the connection of this verse with what precedes. Bellroth conceives it to be this:—"Some one may have alleged Christian liberty as an excuse for these crimes; but therein he would certainly err: this may not be misused even in the case of meats, how much less in things immoral in themselves." In other words, they would argue, if meats were indifferent, so was impurity. Against such a doctrine the Apostle sternly protests.

CHAPTER VII.

It would seem from the contents of this chapter that the Corinthians, from some cause or other, had begun to depreciate the marriage relation, and in their letter to the Apostle they have suggested whether it were not better to avoid any such relationships, and, even in those cases in which persons had been united by marriage, whether it would not be better to break off this alliance, especially if one of the parties were still an unbeliever. These questions show how little they understood the genius of Christ's Gospel. And yet to this fact we are indebted for this treatise of St. Paul, which, "with the exception of the detailed laws respecting marriage in the Old Testament, is the most important treatise in the Holy Scriptures on that sacred ordinance—the type of Christ and the Church."

6. "By permission."—he did not lay it down as a law, but as a suggestion, making all due allowance for them in their present circumstances.

10. "Not I, but the Lord:"—it is not a command uttered by the Apostle for the first time, for it had already been given by Christ in Mark x. 11, 12, and only here reiterated by Paul. It rested not on his authority, but on the authority of the Lord himself.

12. "Speak I, not the Lord;"—that is, Christ had said nothing on the points to which the Apostle is about to refer, and therefore they are to be received on his apostolic authority—an authority derived immediately from Christ, and exercised only for his glory.

14. "But now are they holy;"—that is, relatively so; for "things belonging to relatives inseparably connected with the people of God are said to be hallowed," or holy, in virtue of their sanctification.

15, 16. "Let him depart:"—let a separation take place rather than live in alienation, and destroy the peace and happiness of the domestic circle. The sixteenth verse is taken by some as a reason for this separation; for neither husband nor wife could tell that their remaining together would be favour-

24 Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide with God.[a]

25 Now concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give my judgment, as one that hath obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful.[b]

26 I suppose therefore that this is good for the present [1]distress, *I say*, that *it is* good for a man so to be.[c]

27 Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife.

28 But and if thou marry, thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned. Nevertheless such shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you.

29 But this I say, brethren, the time *is* short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;[d]

30 And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not;

31 And they that use this world, as not abusing *it*: for the fashion of this world passeth away.[e]

32 But I would have you without carefulness. He that is unmarried careth for the things [2]that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord:[f]

33 But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please *his* wife.

34 There is difference *also* between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman careth for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit: but she that is married careth for the things of the world, how she may please *her* husband.[g]

35 And this I speak for your own profit; not that I may cast a snare upon you, but for that which is comely, and that ye may attend upon the Lord without distraction.

36 But if any man think that he behaveth himself uncomely toward his virgin, if she pass the flower of *her* age, and need so require, let him do what he will, he sinneth not: let them marry.

ANNO DOMINI 59.

a ver. 20.

b vs. 6, 10, 40; ch. iv. 2; 2 Cor. viii. 8, 10; 1 Tim. i. 13, 16.

h Heb. xiii. 4.

1 Or, *necessity.*

c vs. 1, 8.

i Rom. vii. 2; 2 Cor. vi. 14.

j ver. 25; 1 Thess. iv. 8.

d Rom. xiii. 11; 1 Peter iv. 7; 2 Peter iii. 8, 9.

k ch. x. 19, Acts xv 20, 29; Rom xiv. 3, 10, 14, 22

e ch. ix 18; Ps xxxix. 6, James i 10, iv 14; 1 Peter i. 24, iv. 7, 1 John ii 17

2 Gr *of the Lord*, as ver 34

l ch xiii 8, 9, 12; Gal vi. 3, 1 Tim. vi 4.

f 1 Tim v. 5.

m Exod xxxiii. 12, 17; Nahum i 7; Matt. vii. 23; Gal. iv. 9, 2 Tim. ii 19.

n ver 6; ch. x. 19; Deut iv 39, vi 4, Isa. xli 24, xliv 8, Mark xii. 29; Eph. iv. 6; 1 Tim. ii. 5.

g Luke x. 40, &c.

o John x. 34.

3 Or, *for him.*

p ch. xii. 3; Mal ii. 10; John i. 3, xiii 13, Acts ii. 36, xvii. 28; Rom. xi 36; Eph iv. 5, 6; Philipp ii 11; Col. i 16; Heb i. 2.

37 Nevertheless he that standeth stedfast in his heart, having no necessity, but hath power over his own will, and hath so decreed in his heart that he will keep his virgin, doeth well.

38 So then he that giveth *her* in marriage doeth well; but he that giveth *her* not in marriage doeth better.[h]

39 The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord.[i]

40 But she is happier if she so abide, after my judgment: and I think also that I have the Spirit of God.[j]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *To abstain from meats offered to idols.* 8, 9 *We must not abuse our Christian liberty, to the offence of our brethren:* 11 *but must bridle our knowledge with charity.*



NOW as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.[k]

2 And if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know.[l]

3 But if any man love God, the same is known of him.[m]

4 As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol *is* nothing in the world, and that *there is* none other God but one.[n]

5 For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,)[o]

6 But to us *there is but* one God, the Father, of whom *are* all things, and we [3]in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom *are* all things, and we by him.[p]

7 Howbeit *there is* not in every man that knowledge: for some with conscience of the idol unto this

able to the conversion of the unbelieving party; but others find in it a reason for still living together, in the fact that the holy and peaceful life of the one might act savingly on the heart of the other. To this latter view the closing words of the fifteenth verse seem to lend peculiar force—"but God hath called us to peace"—to love and unity, and not to separation.

17. "Distributed to every man:"—given him his place and position, and in that place and position called him by his grace: let him, therefore, walk or act accordingly.

21—23. "Art thou called?"—these verses are rather obscure. To paraphrase them will be to explain them. "Art thou called while a slave, or in servitude? Let not that puff you up; but if thou canst obtain thy freedom, then use every means to this end, always bearing in mind that the slave who is called in the Lord is the Lord's free man; likewise also the free man who is called is Christ's servant. Whether bond or free, both have been bought with the same price; and as Christ's servants, they were not, in things spiritual, to be in subjection to any man."

24. "Abide with God:"—maintain in all conditions of life, in slavery as in freedom, the higher relation with God—live in him and for him.

34. "There is difference also between a wife and a virgin;"—that is, a difference in the objects of their solicitude and interest.

35. "That which is comely;"—or which is seemly and fitting in such circumstances.

36. "Uncomely toward his virgin:"—the Apostle is not speaking here of parties betrothed to each other, but of the conduct of a father towards his virgin daughter, in seeking to prevent her marriage, even when she has passed the flower of her age, or has reached full age. She is resolved to marry; then if it be unseemly longer to oppose, let him give up his daughter—there can be no sin in such a surrender—and let her marry.

37. "Having no necessity:"—if no such necessity exists, as in the former case. If a daughter is not engaged, and therefore is under no promise, her father is not called to give her up.

40 "I think also that I have the Spirit of God."—a beautiful example of our Apostle's humility. "Not that he is speaking without inspiration; but that, in the consciousness of inspiration, he is giving that counsel which should determine the question."

CHAPTER VIII.

It is more than probable that some of the members of the Corinthian Church had gone so far as not only to eat meat which had been offered in sacrifice to idols, but actually to take part in some of those sacrificial festivities which were celebrated within the heathen temple itself. The Apostle, therefore, proceeds in this chapter to treat of the use of meats offered in sacrifice—of participation in idolatrous festivities—of Christian liberty, and of other related points.

1. "Things offered" were those portions of the animal which were offered in sacrifice, and which were sometimes eaten in private.

"We know:"—all that follows these words, down to the end of the third verse, should be read as a parenthesis. In the fourth verse the Apostle again takes up his subject.

The beauty of the last clause in the first verse comes out very strikingly by a slight change in two words, thus—"Knowledge puffeth up, but love buildeth up." Knowledge when alone is of infinitely less value than this great principle of love.

2. "He knoweth nothing."—he can have no true knowledge of God, and of spiritual realities, till his soul is interpenetrated with the love of God. "The knowledge of God, therefore, presupposes the being known of him. The soul will not vivify with life from above until God has drawn nigh," and taken the soul into union with himself.

hour eat *it* as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled.[a]

8 But meat commendeth us not to God: for neither, if we eat, [1]are we the better; neither, if we eat not, [2]are we the worse.[b]

9 But take heed lest by any means this [3]liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak.[c]

10 For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weak be [4]emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols;[d]

11 And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died?[e]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

a ch. x. 28, 29; Rom. xiv. 14, 23.
1 Or, have we the more.
2 Or, have we the less.
b Rom. xiv. 17.
3 Or, power.
c Rom. xiv. 13, 20; Gal. v. 13.
h ch. iii. 6; iv. 15; xv. 8, Acts ix. 3, 15, 17; xiii. 2; xviii. 9; xxii. 14, 18; xxiii. 11; xxvi. 17; 2 Cor. xii. 12; Gal. ii. 7, 8; 1 Tim. i. 7; 2 Tim. i. 11.
4 Gr. edified.
d ch. x. 28, 32.
i 2 Cor. iii. 2; xii. 12.
e Rom. xiv. 15, 20.

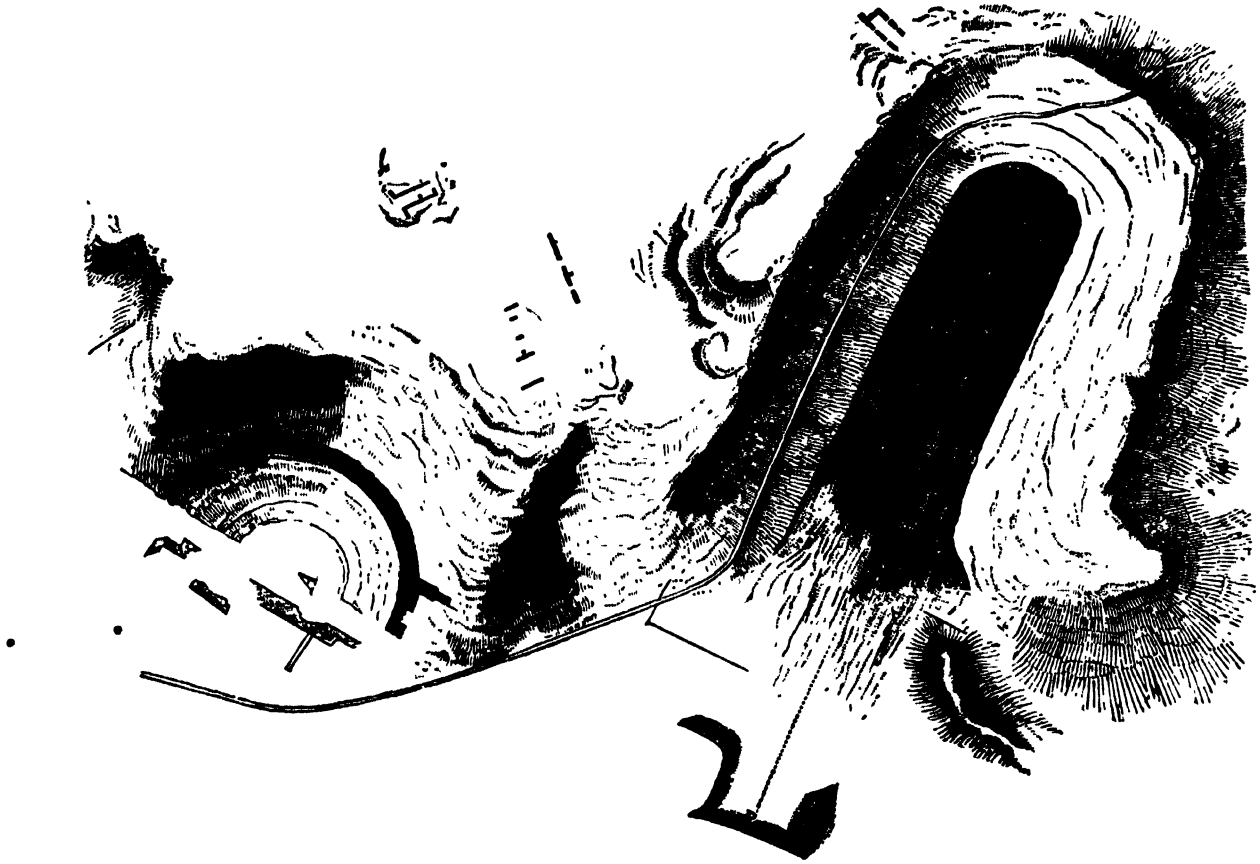
CHAPTER IX.

1 *He sheweth his liberty, 7 and that the minister ought to live by the gospel: 15 yet that himself hath of his own accord abstained, 18 to be either chargeable unto them, 22 or offensive unto any, in matters indifferent. 24 Our life is like unto a race.*

AM I not an apostle? am I not free? have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? are not ye my work in the Lord?[f]

2 If I be not an apostle unto others, yet doubtless I am to you: for the seal of mine apostleship are ye in the Lord.[g]

3 Mine answer to them that do examine me is this,



PLAN OF AN ANCIENT GREEK THEATRE AND STADIUM AT SICYON.

12 But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ.[f]

13 Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.[g]

j ver 14; 1 Thess. ii. 6; 2 Thess. iii. 9.
f Matt. xxv. 40, 45.
5 Or, woman.
k Matt. viii 14; xiii. 55; Mark vi. 3; Luke vi 15; Gal. i. 19.
g Rom. xiv. 21; 2 Cor. xi. 29.
l 2 Thess. iii. 8, 9.

4 Have we not power to eat and to drink?[j]

5 Have we not power to lead about a sister, a [5]wife, as well as other apostles, and *as* the brethren of the Lord, and Cephas?[k]

6 Or I only and Barnabas, have not we power to forbear working?[l]

4. "An idol is nothing:"—the more proper rendering would be, "there is no idol in the world;" for what these idols are meant to represent has no existence. The idol thus becomes a nonentity. But the one God, of whom there can be no representation, is the sublimest reality. He is, and he cannot cease to be.

7. "Eat it as a thing offered unto an idol:"—there were those who had not the same enlightened views regarding the non-existence of the idol—those whose consciousness up to that very hour led them to a different conclusion, and who, believing in the reality of the idol, could not eat the meat but under the idea that it had been really offered in sacrifice to some deity, and hence their conscience accused them, and they thus became tainted with the sin of idolatry.

9—13. "Take heed lest by any means this liberty:"—on these verses see Rom. xiv. 13—23.

CHAPTER IX.

Having urged upon the Corinthians the duty of self-denial, and of the strong bearing with the infirmities of the weak, the Apostle here digresses, to introduce his own conduct as an example for them to follow. He contrasts his rights as an Apostle with his actual conduct in renouncing that freedom which in itself is lawful—a freedom he might have exercised, but which, in the spirit of that love that "endureth all things," he willingly gave up.

3. "That do examine me;"—or, who call in question my line of action.

5. "A sister, a wife;"—that is, to bring with him a believing wife, or, as a wife, a believing sister, to be maintained by the church; for it is the question of support, and not of marriage, which is here involved.

6. "I only and Barnabas:"—this is the only time, Dean Stanley remarks, where Barnabas is mentioned in conjunction with St. Paul since that difference of opinion prevailed which is mentioned in Acts xv. 39.

7 Who goeth a warfare any time at his own charges? who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of the fruit thereof? or who feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock?[a]

8 Say I these things as a man? or saith not the law the same also?

9 For it is written in the law of Moses, Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for oxen?[b]

10 Or saith he *it* altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, *this* is written: that he that ploweth should plow in hope; and that he that thresheth in hope should be partaker of his hope.[c]

11 If we have sown unto you spiritual things, *is it* a great thing if we shall reap your carnal things?[d]

12 If others be partakers of *this* power over you, *are* not we rather? Nevertheless we have not used this power; but suffer all things, lest we should hinder the gospel of Christ.[e]

13 Do ye not know that they which minister about holy things [1]live *of the things* of the temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar?[f]

14 Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live of the gospel.[g]

15 But I have used none of these things: neither have I written these things, that it should be so done unto me: for *it were* better for me to die, than that any man should make my glorying void.[h]

16 For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel![i]

17 For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward: but if against my will, a dispensation *of the gospel* is committed unto me.[j]

18 What is my reward then? *Verily* that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel.[k]

19 For though I be free from all *men*, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

a ch. iii. 6—8; Deut. xx. 6; Prov. xxvii. 18; John xxi. 15; 2 Cor. x. 4; 1 Tim. i. 18, vi. 12; 2 Tim. ii. 3; iv. 7; 1 Peter v. 2.

m Acts xvi. 3; xviii. 18; xxi. 23; &c.

n ch. vii. 22; Rom. ii. 12, 14, Gal. iii. 2.

b Deut. xxv. 4; 1 Tim. v. 18.

o ch vii. 16; x. 33; Rom. xi. 14, xv. 1; 2 Cor. xi. 29.

c 2 Tim. ii. 6.

d Rom. xv. 27; Gal. vi. 6.

p Gal ii. 2; v 7; Philipp ii. 16; iii. 14; 2 Tim. iv. 7; Heb. xii. 1.

e vs. 15, 18; Acts xx 33, 2 Cor. xi. 7, 9, 12; xii 13, 1 Thess. ii. 6.

q Eph. vi 12; 1 Tim. vi. 12, 2 Tim. ii. 5, iv 7, 8; James i. 12, 1 Peter i 4, v 4, Rev. ii. 10, iii 11.

1 Or, *feed.*

r 2 Tim ii. 5.

f Lev vi. 16, 23, 26; vii. 6, &c, Numb. v 9, 10; xviii 8—20; Deut x. 9; xviii 1

s Jer. vi 30; †Rom vi. 18, 19, viii 13; 2 Cor xiii 5, 6, Col. iii. 5.

g Matt. x. 10; Luke x. 7, Gal. vi. 6; 1 Tim. v. 17.

h ver 12, ch iv 12; Acts xviii 3, xx 34,

i Rom i. 14.

j ch iii. 8, 14; iv 1; Gal. ii 7; Philipp i. 17, Col. i. 25

t Exod. xiii 21, xiv. 22; xl 34, Numb. ix 18, xiv 14, xxxiii 8, Deut. i 33, Josh. iv. 23; Neh. ix 12, 19, Ps. lxxviii 13, 14; cv 39

k ch vii. 31; Cor iv 5; i

u Exod. xvi 15, 35; Neh. ix 15, 20, Ps lxxviii 24.

2 Or, *went with them*, Deut ix 21; Ps cv. 41

l ver 1; Matt xviii 15, Gal v. 13, 1 Pet iii. 1

v Exod xvii 6; Numb xx 11; Ps lxxvni 15

20 And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law;[m]

21 To them that are without law, as without law, (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law.[n]

22 To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all *men*, that I might by all means save some.[o]

23 And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with *you*.

24 Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain.[p]

25 And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they *do it* to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.[q]

26 I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:[r]

27 But I keep under my body, and bring *it* into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.[s]

CHAPTER X.

1 *The sacraments of the Jews 6 are types of our's, 7 and their punishments, 11 examples for us. 14 We must fly from idolatry. 21 We must not make the Lord's table the table of devils: 24 and in things indifferent we must have regard of our brethren.*

MOREOVER, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea

2 And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

3 And did all eat the same spiritual meat;[u]

4 And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for of that spiritual Rock that [2]followed them: and that Rock was Christ.[v]

"To forbear working:"—and so look to the church for our support. Are we only denied this right?

12. "Suffer all things:"—forego our right, give up our claim to support, for the sake of that Gospel which we preach, that nothing on our part may hinder its progress.

15. "Make my glorying void:" — his boast was, that his own hands had ministered to his necessities, while seeking to propagate that Gospel which, by a solemn and irremovable necessity, he was bound to make known.

17 "A dispensation:"—if unwillingly he gave up the claim to support, still he could not give up his solemn trust. A stewardship had been intrusted to him—to him had been committed the word of reconciliation; he must preach—he must be faithful.

19. "Free from all men;"—or, independent of them for support.

24. "Know ye not that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize?"—in this verse the word translated "race" is, in the original "stadium," or the course upon which foot races were run. The general form of the stadium is represented by the plan of the site of Sicyon, on the preceding page. The semicircular theatre, marked *A*, is the ordinary theatre of Greece. The oblong area, marked *B*, is the stadium. The stadium was originally meant for foot races, but it was used for other athletic contests. Seats for spectators were arranged along the sides and around the semicircular end of the stadium, which was generally about six hundred feet in length. The sides and end of the stadium were formed either of a natural or an artificial embankment of earth, upon which the seats were placed. The racers started from the point B, where a wall traversed the space, and they ran to a point or pillar at the semicircular end of the area. In simple races this was the goal; but in some races, the runners had to return to a pillar at the end from which they started. The first to reach the pillar agreed upon received the prize. Corinth was famous for the games celebrated upon the Isthmus hard by, and hence called the Isthmian games. Among these games those of the stadium, and the foot race in particular, supplied the Apostle with his illustrations. He assumed what every child among them was familiar with when he asked, "*Know ye not* that they who run in a stadium all run, but only one receives the prize?" If there was anything they knew it was this; and in their pagan experience they had doubtless often been animated to enthusiasm by references to their ancient and world-famous Isthmian games. St Paul then uses an illustration, than which none could be more striking and impressive to a Corinthian. Although the foot race is here meant, the other games are sometimes glanced at, as in verse 26; they were, boxing, wrestling,



Reverses of Coins of Corinth, showing the Wreaths worn by Victors in the Isthmian Games. From the originals in the British Museum.

5 But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.[a]

6 Now these things were [1]our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.[b]

7 Neither be ye idolaters, as *were* some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.[c]

8 Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.[d]

9 Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.[e]

10 Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.[f]

11 Now all these things happened unto them for [2]ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.[g]

12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.[h]

13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is [3]common to man: but God *is* faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear *it*.[i]

14 Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.[j]

15 I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say.[k]

16 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?[l]

17 For we *being* many are one bread, *and* one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.[m]

18 Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar?[n]

19 What say I then? that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing?[o]

20 But *I say*, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils.[p]

21 Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.[q]

22 Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? are we stronger than he?[r]

23 All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but all things edify not.[s]

24 Let no man seek his own, but every man another's *wealth*.[t]

25 Whatsoever is sold in the shambles, *that* eat, asking no question for conscience sake:[u]

26 For the earth *is* the Lord's, and the fulness thereof.[v]

27 If any of them that believe not bid you *to a feast*, and ye be disposed to go; whatsoever is set before you, eat, asking no question for conscience sake.[w]

28 But if any man say unto you, This is offered in sacrifice unto idols, eat not for his sake that shewed it, and for conscience sake: for the earth *is* the Lord's and the fulness thereof:[x]

29 Conscience, I say, not thine own, but of the other: for why is my liberty judged of another *man's* conscience?

30 For if I by [4]grace be a partaker, why am I evil spoken of for that for which I give thanks?[z]

31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.[a]

32 Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the [5]Gentiles, nor to the church of God:[b]

33 Even as I please all *men* in all *things*, not seeking mine own profit, but the *profit* of many, that they may be saved.[c]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *He reproveth them, because in holy assemblies 4 their men prayed with their heads covered, and 6 women with their heads uncovered, 17 and because generally their meetings were not for the better but for the worse, as 21 namely in profaning with their own feasts the Lord's supper. 23 Lastly, he calleth them to the first institution thereof.*

BE ye followers of me, even as I also *am* of Christ.[d]

2 Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the [6]ordinances, as I delivered *them* to you.[e]

3 But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman *is* the man; and the head of Christ *is* God.[f]

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a Numb. xiv. 29, 32, 35; xxvi. 64, 65; Ps. cvi. 26; Heb. iii. 17; Jude 5.
r Deut. xxxii. 21; Ezek. xxii. 14.
1 Gr. *our figures.*
b Numb. xi. 4, 33, 34; Ps. cvi. 14.
s ch. vi. 12.
t ver. 33; ch. xiii. 5; Rom. xv. 1, 2; Philipp ii. 4, 21.
c ver. 14; Exod. xxxii. 6.
u 1 Tim. iv. 4
d ch. vi. 18; Numb. xxv. 1, 9; Ps. cvi. 29; Rev. ii. 14.
v ver. 28; Exod. xix. 5; Deut. x. 14; Ps. xxiv. 1; l. 12.
e Exod. xvii 2, 7; Numb. xxi 5, 6; Deut. vi. 16; Ps. lxxviii. 18, 56, xcv. 9; cvi. 14.
w Luke x. 7.
f Exod. xii 23; xvi. 2; xvii 2; Numb. xiv 2, 29, 37; xvi 41, 49; 2 Sam. xxiv. 16; 1 Chron xxi. 15.
2 Or, *types.*
g ch vii. 29; ix. 10, Rom. xv. 4; Philipp iv. 5; Heb. x. 25, 37, 1 John ii. 18.
x ver. 26; ch. viii 10, 12, Deut x 14, Ps. xxiv. 1.
h Rom xi. 20.
y Rom. xiv. 16.
3 Or, *moderate.*
z Rom. xiv
Tim. iv. 3, 4.
i ch. i. 9; Ps cxxv 3; Jer. xxix 11; 2 Peter ii. 9
a Col. iii. 17; 1 Peter iv. 11.
j ver. 7; 2 Cor. vi. 17, 1 John v 21.
5 Gr. *Greeks.*
b ch viii. 13; xi 22, Rom xiv 13; 2 Cor. vi. 3, 1 Tim. iii 5.
k ch viii 1.
c ver 24; ch. ix. 19, 22; Rom xv 2.
l ch. xi. 23, 24; Matt xxvi 26—28; Acts ii 42, 46.
m ch. xii 27; Rom. xii. 5.
n Lev. iii 3, vii 15, Rom iv. 1, 12, ix 3, 5; 2 Cor. xi 18, Gal. vi 16
d ch. iv 16; Eph. v. 1; Philipp iii. 17, i. 6; Thess iii 9.
6 Or, *traditions*, 2 Thess. ii 15, iii 6
e ch. iv. 17; vii 17
p Lev xvii. 7; Deut. xxxii 17; Ps. cvi. 37, Rev ix. 20.
q 2 Cor. vi. 15
xxxii. 38.
f ch. iii. 23; xv. 27, 1 Peter iii. 1,

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leaping, quoits, and others of a similar character. There were also contests of skill in music, poetry, &c. The remains of Sicyon, from which our engraving is taken, are remarkable, and are to be found at the modern Basilico, a few miles west of Corinth.

25. "A corruptible crown:"—in this verse the Apostle compares the unfading crown of the Christian with the fading crown of the victor in the Grecian games. Both Greeks and Romans were wont to confer a crown, a wreath, a chaplet, or a garland upon victors of all sorts. The conqueror of a besieged city wore, as the highest of military honours, a crown of grass, weeds, or wild flowers. A soldier who saved the life of a Roman citizen was decorated with the civic crown of oak leaves and acorns. A triumphant general wore upon his head a crown of laurel or bay leaves. Other warlike conquerors wore crowns of myrtle or of olive. Other crowns, again, were formed of ears of corn or other vegetable productions. At the Olympic games the victor received a crown of wild olive; at the Nemean games, a crown of parsley; at the Pythian games, a crown of laurel; and at the Isthmian games, a crown of pine leaves. To the last we may suppose St. Paul especially alludes. It was the trophy of the day, and soon perished; whereas the Christian victor receives a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

CHAPTER X.

As the Corinthians were in danger of abusing the doctrine of Christian liberty, the Apostle warns them of the danger, and strengthens his exhortation by the most striking examples derived from sacred history.

1—4. "I would not that ye should be ignorant:"—he had urged the duty of self-denial; that self-mortification was to be exercised when tempted to fornication and idolatry, lest those judgments should come upon them which befell the ancient fathers in the wilderness, and of which they could not be ignorant.

"Rock that followed them:"—a Divine power, ever present and ever active, accompanied the Israelites, and never ceased to do great things and marvellous in their behalf. It was the power of God their Saviour.

11. "The ends of the world:"—the ends of the ages; or, the final ages of the world's history.

16—21. "The cup of blessing:"—the reason why the Apostle here mentions the Lord's Supper, is to show, that as in the Christian communion we become partakers of all that is symbolised by the bread and the wine, so in uniting in idol-sacrifice and idol-worship we own our participation in all that such sacrifice and worship is meant to embody or express.

"They sacrifice to devils:"—the idolatry of the heathen is based on the worst principles—it is the outward embodiment of that which is inwardly bad; and as all evil has its source and consummation in the Evil One, to take part in any idolatrous service, while claiming the character of a Christian professor, is to sacrifice to devils, and not to God.

4 Every man praying or prophesying, having *his* head covered, dishonoureth his head.[a]

5 But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with *her* head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven.[b]

6 For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.[c]

7 For a man indeed ought not to cover *his* head, forasmuch as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is the glory of the man.[d]

8 For the man is not of the woman; but the woman of the man.[e]

9 Neither was the man created for the woman; but the woman for the man.[f]

10 For this cause ought the woman to have [1]power on *her* head because of the angels.[g]

11 Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.[h]

12 For as the woman *is* of the man, even so *is* the man also by the woman; but all things of God.[i]

13 Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?

14 Doth not even nature itself teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for *her* hair is given her for a [2]covering.

16 But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.[j]

17 Now in this that I declare *unto you* I praise *you* not, that ye come together not for the better, but for the worse.

18 For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be [3]divisions among you; and I partly believe it.[k]

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4 Or, *sects.*

a ch. xi. 10, 28; xiv. 1, &c.

i Deut. xiii. 3; Matt. xviii. 7; Luke ii. 35; xvii. 1; Acts xx. 30; 1 Tim. iv. 1, 2 Peter ii. 1, 2; 1 John ii. 19.

b Deut xxi. 12; Acts xxi. 9.

5 Or, *ye cannot eat.*

c Numb. v. 18; Deut. xxii 5.

m 2 Peter ii. 13; Jude 12.

6 Or, *them that are poor?*

d Gen. i. 26, 27; v. 1; ix. 6.

ch. xv. 49, 1 Cor. ii. 6.

e Gen ii. 21, 22.

f Gen ii. 18, 21, 23.

o ch. xv. 3; Matt. xxvi. 26; Mark xiv. 22, Luke xxii. 19; Gal. i. 1, 11, 12.

1 That is, *a covering, in sign that she is under the power of her husband.*

g Gen. xxiv. 65; Eccles. v. 6.

7 Or, *for a remembrance.*

h Gal. iii. 28.

i Rom. xi. 36.

8 Or, *shew ye.*

p ch. iv 5; xv. 23; John xiv. 3, xxi 22; Acts i 11, 1 Thess iv 16; 2 Thess. i. 10, Jude 14; Rev i. 7.

q ch x. 21; Numb ix. 10, 13, John vi 51, 63, 64; xiii 27

2 Or, *veil*

r 2 Cor xiii. 5; Gal. vi 4

j ch. vii 17; xiv 33, 1 Tim. vi. 4.

9 Or, *judgment*, Rom. xiii 2

3 Or, *schisms*

k ch i 10—12; iii. 3

s Ps xxxii. 5; 1 John i 9

19 For there must be also [4]heresies among you, that they which are approved may be made manifest among you.[l]

20 When ye come together therefore into one place, [5]*this* is not to eat the Lord's supper.

21 For in eating every one taketh before *other* his own supper: and one is hungry, and another is drunken.[m]

22 What? have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye the church of God, and shame [6]them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise *you* not.[n]

23 For I have received
also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the *same* night in which he was betrayed took bread:[o]

24 And when he had given thanks, he brake *it*, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do [7]in remembrance of me.

25 After the same manner also *he took* the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it*, in remembrance of me.

26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, [8]ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.[p]

27 Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink *this* cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.[q]

28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of *that* bread, and drink of *that* cup.[r]

29 For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh [9]damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.

30 For this cause many *are* weak and sickly among you, and many sleep.

31 For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged,[s]

CHAPTER XI.

1. "Be ye followers."—this verse belongs to the preceding chapter; and as the Apostle's conduct was formed on the perfect pattern of the Saviour's life, so far as it corresponded with that pattern, he exhorts the Corinthians to follow him.

2. "Keep the ordinances."—the Apostolic maxims of faith and practice, delivered to them in common with other Christian communities for their guidance Still, certain disorders had arisen among them, which the Apostle now seeks to rectify and remove

3—16 "The head of every man is Christ."—in this section, in which the Apostle treats of the impropriety of women appearing in public unveiled, he founds his argument on the fact that the law of subordination reigns throughout the universe, from Christ himself, who in his mediatorial character was subject to the Father, down to the least and lowest form of existence. Now, just as the man is subordinate to Christ, the woman is subordinate to the man; and as it is right that the man should acknowledge his subjection by uncovering his head in holy service, so the woman should acknowledge her subjection by having on her head the token of a power above her. She is to be veiled, to denote her subordination, because of the angels, or in conformity with them. They stand veiled before the throne, and are therefore subordinate to Him who occupies that throne.

"Her head uncovered:"—the use of the veil by females was very extensive in ancient times, and indeed may be said to be so now. The *peplum* of the Greeks and Romans was properly a shawl, but it was often thrown over the head so as to cover it. These shawls were sometimes very elaborate and expensive, as we learn from the classic writers. In the East a veil is an essential part of female attire, and is therefore universally worn, not only abroad, but at home. The in-door veils are smaller and lighter than the others, which are so formed that the wearer can sometimes cover herself with it. It would be considered highly indecorous for an Oriental woman to appear unveiled. Both in ancient and in modern times there has been the greatest possible diversity in the shape, material, and mode of wearing the veil. It is still both a Jewish and a Christian custom for the woman to worship in public with her head covered.



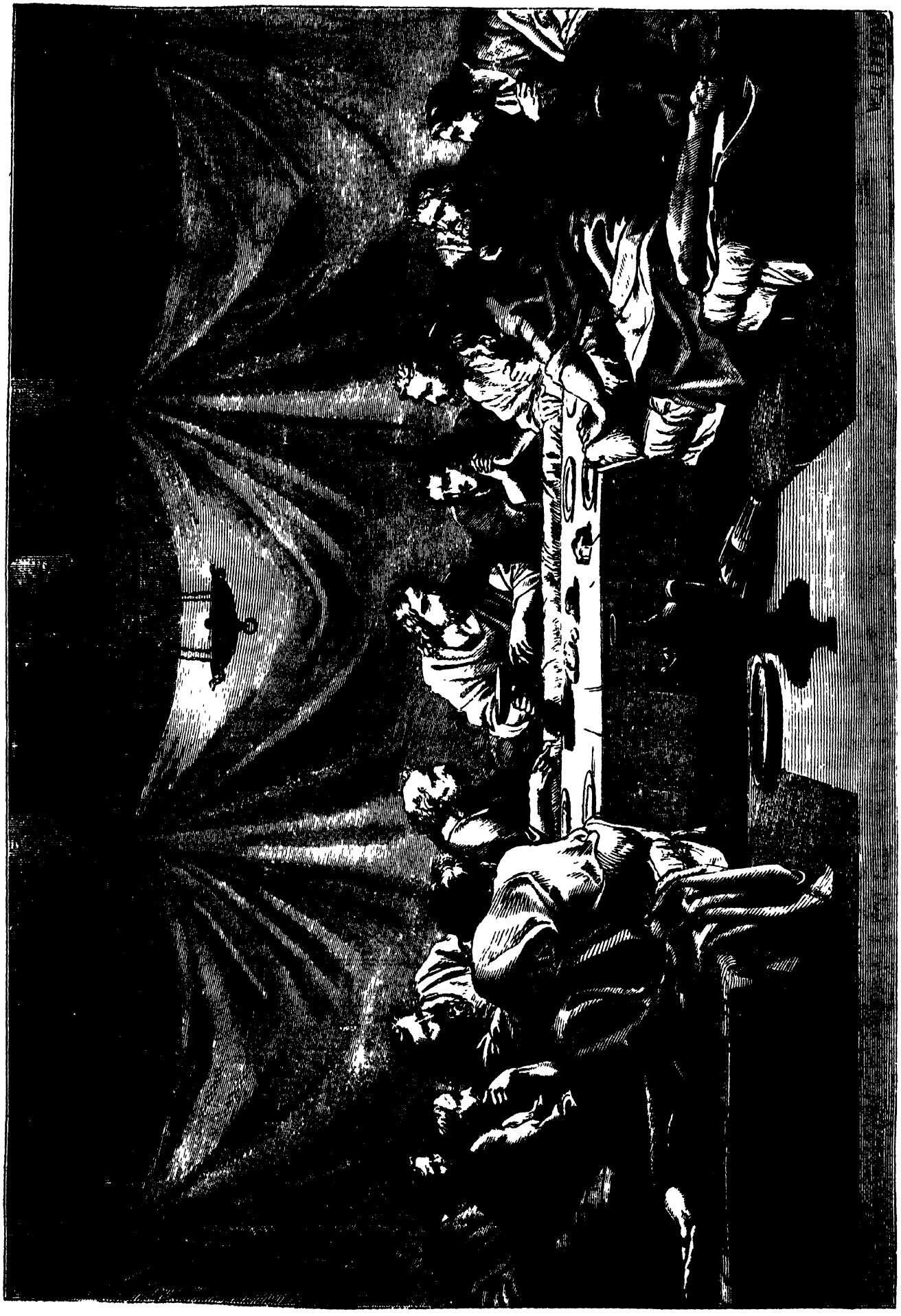
ROMAN LADY WEARING THE PEPLUM.

19. "There must be also heresies:"—as the consequence of division; or, perhaps, even as the ground and cause of divisions; and thus the internal feuds more strongly brought into view their departure from truth, or their denial of the most vital principles.

26. "This bread," "shew the Lord's death:"—it is evident from these expressions that the institution of the Lord's Supper is figurative, and commemorative of Christ's death, and that what is eaten therein is still bread.

29. "Eateth and drinketh damnation;"—that is, whosoever approaches the Lord's table, and partakes of the elements without an enlightened and sanctified perception of what those elements represent and express, brings upon himself the condemnation and the judgment. They converted the Lord's Supper into an ordinary meal, and ate and drank to excess. Hence the punishment which fell upon them in bodily weakness, sickness, and even death.

31. "If we would judge;"—or rather, had we examined and dealt faithfully with ourselves, we should not have been guilty of so depreciating the Saviour's death, and should thus have escaped the penalty of our sin.



"THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD: THIS DO YE, AS OFT AS YE DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME."—1 CORINTHIANS XI. 25.

32 But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.[a]

33 Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another.

34 And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto [1]condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.[b]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *Spiritual gifts 4 are divers, 7 yet all to profit withal.* 8 *And to that end are diversely bestowed:* 12 *that by the like proportion, as the members of a natural body tend all to the* 16 *mutual decency,* 22 *service, and* 26 *succour of the same body;* 27 *so we should do one for another, to make up the mystical body of Christ.*

NOW concerning spiritual *gifts*, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.[c]

2 Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led.[d]

3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus [2]accursed: and *that* no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.[e]

4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.[f]

5 And there are differences of [3]administrations, but the same Lord.[g]

6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.[h]

7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.[i]

8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;[j]

9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;[k]

10 To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another *divers* kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:[l]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

a Ps. xciv. 12, 13; Heb. xii. 5–11.

m ch. vii. 7; John iii. 8; Rom. xii. 6; 2 Cor. x. 13; Eph. iv. 7; Heb. ii. 4.

n ver. 27; Rom. xii. 4, 5; Eph. iv. 4, 16; Gal. iii. 16.

1 Or, *judgment.*

b vs. 21, 22; ch. iv. 19; vii. 17; Titus i. 5.

4 Or, *Greeks.*

o John vi. 63; vii. 37–39; Rom. vi. 5; Gal. iii. 28; Eph. ii. 13, 14, 16; Col. iii. 11.

c ch. xiv. 1, 37.

d ch. vi. 11; Ps. cxv. 5; Eph ii. 11, 12; 1 Thess. i 9; Titus iii. 3; 1 Peter iv. 3.

p vs. 11, 28; ch. iii. 5; Rom. xii. 3.

2 Or, *anathema.*

e Matt. xvi. 17; Mark ix. 39; John xv 26; 2 Cor. iii. 5; 1 John iv. 2, 3.

f Rom. xii. 4, &c.; Eph. iv. 4; Heb. ii. 4; 1 Peter iv. 10.

3 Or, *ministeries.*

g Rom. xii. 6–8; Eph. iv. 11.

h Eph i. 23

5 Or, *put on.*

i ch. xiv. 26; Rom xii. 6–8; Eph. iv. 7; 1 Peter iv. 10, 11.

j ch. i. 5; ii. 6, 7; xiii. 2; 2 Cor. viii. 7.

6 Or, *division.*

k ch xiii. 2; Matt. xvii. 19, 20. Mark xvi. 18; 2 Cor. iv. 13, James v. 14.

l vs 28, 29; ch. xii. 2; xiii. 1, 2, xiv. 1, &c.; xiv. 29, Mark xvi. 17; Acts ii 4; x 46; Rom. xii. 6, Gal. iii 5, 1 John iv 1

11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.[m]

12 For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also *is* Christ.[n]

13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether *we be* Jews or [4]Gentiles, whether *we be* bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.[o]

14 For the body is not one member, but many.

15 If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

16 And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

17 If the whole body *were* an eye, where *were* the hearing? If the whole *were* hearing, where *were* the smelling?

18 But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.[p]

19 And if they were all one member, where *were* the body?

20 But now *are they* many members, yet but one body.

21 And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

22 Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary:

23 And those *members* of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we [5]bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely *parts* have more abundant comeliness.

24 For our comely *parts* have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that *part* which lacked:

25 That there should be no [6]schism in the body; but *that* the members should have the same care one for another.

26 And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.

CHAPTER XII.

This section, in which the Apostle treats of supernatural gifts and endowments, extends to the close of the fourteenth chapter; and as Olshausen says, "it is well calculated to convey a lively impression of the most remarkable times in the history of the world—of the period when the wings of the infant Church were gradually extending over mankind, and which was marked by the most important appearances ever revealed."

1. "Spiritual gifts:"—there is no reason for confining these gifts, as some do, to the power of speaking other languages. All supernatural endowments are included.

2. "Ye were Gentiles:"—as such, they had hitherto had no knowledge of spiritual realities, and therefore needed instruction as to the nature and use of the gifts which had been bestowed upon them.

3. "Speaking by the Spirit:"—the existence of the gifts bespoke the presence and active agency of the Spirit of God; and if they possessed that Spirit, the fact would reveal itself in their recognition and acknowledgment of Jesus Christ as the Saviour and Head of the Church. In their heathen state they had been wholly unconscious of inward life, and the life of which they were now conscious was to be traced to Christ as its source; and since the Spirit has come to glorify Christ, he in whom that Spirit dwells will not only not blaspheme that Saviour, but will, with joy and gladness, bow before him as the only Lord of all.

4. "Diversities of gifts:"—the gifts proceeded from one Spirit, but did not all meet or concentrate in one individual. As the one pure white beam of light is made up of many colours, and these colours are divided by the prism, so "the unity of the Spirit is refracted into various gifts." But while all gifts are in an especial manner the gifts of the Holy Ghost, who has come to complete the work of God in the Church, they are, from the unity of the Divine nature, the gifts equally of the Son and of the Father, and correspond equally with the Father or the Son.

8. "Word of wisdom—word of knowledge:"—the former of these points to the power of presenting to others the highest forms of Christian truth; and the latter expression to the profounder investigation of those truths, and the ability to discourse upon them.

10. "Divers kinds of tongues:"—the power of speaking in various languages; while the interpretation of these languages was reserved for some other member of the Church, and was bestowed as a separate gift.

13. "All baptized into one body:"—this does not refer to baptism by water, but to the baptism or communication of the Spirit, in which all the minor differences of country and condition are forgotten in the oneness of life and love possessed by all.

22. "Those members of the body:"—the Apostle continues the image of the human body, but the end which he has in view is different. He distinguishes the several members of the body—some as feeble, yet necessary; others as less honourable; others as more comely; yet all compacted into one; so that what affects one part affects the whole body. The Corinthians had formed a very wrong estimate of the gifts which God had bestowed upon them. The gift of tongues, or the power to speak different languages, for example, with all its brilliant effects, was placed above and before every other; while endowments less attractive, but, it may be, of more practical worth, were depreciated or despised. But the Church is one body, filled by one Spirit, of which the individual believers, with their various gifts, are the

27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.[a]

28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, [1]diversities of tongues.[b]

29 *Are* all apostles? *are* all prophets? *are* all teachers? *are* all [2]workers of miracles?

30 Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?

31 But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.[c]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *All gifts,* 2, 3 *how excellent soever, are nothing worth without charity.* 4 *The praises thereof, and* 13 *prelation before hope and faith.*

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become *as* sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

2 And though I have *the gift of* prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.[d]

3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed *the poor*, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.[e]

4 Charity suffereth long, *and* is kind; charity envieth not; charity [3]vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,[f]

5 Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;[g]

6 Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth [4]in the truth;[h]

7 Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.[i]

8 Charity never faileth: but whether *there be* prophecies, they shall fail; whether *there be* tongues, they shall cease; whether *there be* knowledge, it shall vanish away.

9 For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.[j]

10 But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

11 When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I [5]thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

12 For now we see through a glass, [6]darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.[k]

13 And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these *is* charity.

CHAPTER XIV.

1 *Prophecy is commended,* 2, 3, 4 *and preferred before speaking with tongues,* 6 *by a comparison drawn from musical instruments.* 12 *Both must be referred to edification,* 22 *as to their true and proper end.* 26 *The true use of each is taught,* 27 *and the abuse taxed.* 34 *Women are forbidden to speak in the church.*

FOLLOW after charity, and desire spiritual *gifts*, but rather that ye may prophesy.[l]

2 For he that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man [7]understandeth *him;* howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.[m]

3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men *to* edification, and exhortation, and comfort.

4 He that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue edifieth himself; but he that prophesieth edifieth the church.

5 I would that ye all spake with tongues, but rather that ye prophesied: for greater *is* he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying.

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a Rom. xii. 5; Eph. i. 23; iv. 12; v. 23, 30; Col. i. 24.

j ch. viii. 2.

1 Or, *kinds*, ver. 10.

b vs. 9, 10; Numb. xi. 17; Acts xiii. 1; Rom. xii. 6, 8; Eph. ii. 20; iii. 5; iv. 11; 1 Tim. v. 17; Heb. xiii. 17, 24

2 Or, *powers.*

5 Or, *reasoned.*

6 Gr. *in a riddle.*

c ch. xiv. 1, 39.

k Matt. xviii. 10, 2 Cor. iii. 18; v. 7; Philipp. iii. 12, 1 John iii. 2.

l ch. xii. 31; Numb. xi. 25, 29.

d ch. xii. 8, 9, 10, 28; xiv. 1, &c.; Matt. vii. 22; xvii. 20; Mark xi. 23 Luke xvii. 6.

7 Gr. *heareth*, Acts xxii. 9.

m Acts ii. 4; x. 46.

e Matt. vi. 1, 2.

3 Or, *is not rash.*

f Prov. x. 12; 1 Peter iv. 8.

g ch. x. 24; Philipp. ii. 4.

4 Or, *with the truth.*

h Ps. x. 3; Rom. i. 32 2 John 4.

i Rom. xv 1; Gal. vi. 2 2 Tim. ii. 24.

component parts; and therefore, whatever may be the gifts of the individual member—whether the greatest or the least—all should be employed for the common good.

28. "First apostles:"—the Apostles, as the immediate and specially endowed ambassadors of Christ, took the first place in the Christian Church; then came the prophets, who not only could predict future events, but who were favoured with immediate revelation, and under a special impulse of the Spirit so spake as at once to disclose the depths of the human heart and of the Divine counsels. Such an office was of the greatest importance in that early age. "It was the awakening power necessary to the extension of the infant Church." But as the Church became consolidated, teachers were required to build up the believers in faith and knowledge—to promote their spiritual life and perfection.

31. "Covet earnestly the best gifts:"—those gifts which would be of the greatest practical good to the whole Church. As Alford very justly remarks, "This exhortation is not inconsistent with the eleventh verse; but as we look for the Divine blessing on tillage and careful culture, so we may look for the aid of the Spirit on carefully cultivated powers of the understanding and of speech; and we may notice that the greater gifts—those of prophecy and teaching—consisted in *the inspired exercise of the natural faculties*, in which culture and diligence would be useful accessories."

"A more excellent way:"—this refers to what follows. And to prepare their minds for what he had yet to say on the subject of supernatural gifts, he directs their attention to the nature and action of love, as that which is to give direction and aim to all Christian efforts.

CHAPTER XIII.

This inimitable ode on Christian love, here styled "charity," as Olshausen says, is doubly beautiful in the mouth of the Apostle Paul. It is the spirit of John the Evangelist, whose theme is ever of love, while Paul may be regarded as the preacher of that faith which manifests itself in acts of love. This paragraph is an evidence of his new nature—in his old man Paul was quite unacquainted with the Divine source from which this holy principle rises. The most exalted exhibitions of natural love, such as that of the mother towards her infant, and the child's love towards its parent, are but weak reflections of the love to God through Christ Jesus, and the love to others for Christ's sake, which the consciousness of redemption awakens.

1. "Tongues of men and of angels;"—that is, every form and variety of articulate language known or spoken within the universe of God.

2. "All mysteries:"—the gift of prophecy included the revelation of what lay concealed in the counsels of God; and yet such knowledge was in itself infinitely inferior to the one principle of holy love.

3. "My body to be burned:"—not as a martyr for Christ, for that would imply his possession of this love, but to give his life for country or kindred.

4—7. "Charity suffereth long."—in these verses the Apostle describes the peculiar characteristics of this heavenly, divine love, as forbearing and beneficent; free from envy and jealousy; is seemly and attractive in demeanour; is self-denying in its spirit; withstands the force of provocation; imputes no evil; weeps over sin; rejoices in the triumph of truth, and is one with it; conceals rather than exposes what is not good; has no suspicion; hopes where it cannot fully believe; and patiently bears up under all adversity, wrong, and suffering.

8—10. "Charity never faileth:"—he places the permanent nature of love in contrast with the temporary character of all supernatural endowments. Their utmost knowledge was but limited. They knew but in part. There was no limit to love, and love could never pass away.

11. "I thought as a child;"—or rather, reasoned as a child. The feeling of the Corinthians, in referring to their supernatural gifts, corresponded with the desires of a child for the acquisition of some new object, which desire ceases to prevail in mature manhood.

12. "Through a glass, darkly;"—that is, in a mirror of polished brass, in which things are discerned but imperfectly. The world to come is one of perfect light and perfect revelation, where we shall know even as we are known.

13. "The greatest of these is charity:"—in itself—in its nature and influence—love is greater than either faith or hope, "because it contains

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6 Now, brethren, if I come unto you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you, except I shall speak to you either by revelation, or by knowledge, or by prophesying, or by doctrine?[a]

7 And even things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a distinction in the [1]sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped?

8 For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?

9 So likewise ye, except ye utter by the tongue words [2]easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken? for ye shall speak into the air.

10 There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them *is* without signification.

11 Therefore if I know not the meaning of the voice, I shall be unto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh *shall be* a barbarian unto me.

12 Even so ye, forasmuch as ye are zealous [3]of spiritual *gifts*, seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church.

13 Wherefore let him that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue pray that he may interpret.

14 For if I pray in an *unknown* tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.

15 What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.[b]

16 Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest?[c]

17 For thou verily givest thanks well, but the other is not edified.

18 I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all:

19 Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that *by my voice* I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an *unknown* tongue.

20 Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding [4]be men.[d]

21 In the law it is written, With *men of* other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord.[e]

22 Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying *serveth* not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.

23 If therefore the whole church be come together into one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in *those that are* unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that ye are mad?[f]

24 But if all prophesy, and there come in one that believeth not, or *one* unlearned, he is convinced of all, he is judged of all:

25 And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest; and so falling down on *his* face he will worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth.[g]

26 How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.[h]

27 If any man speak in an *unknown* tongue, *let it be* by two, or at the most *by* three, and *that* by course; and let one interpret.

28 But if there be no interpreter, let him keep silence in the church; and let him speak to himself, and to God.

29 Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.[i]

30 If *any thing* be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first hold his peace.[j]

31 For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.

32 And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.[k]

33 For God is not *the author* of [5]confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.[l]

34 Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but *they are commanded* to be under obedience, as also saith the law.[m]

35 And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church.

a ver. 26.

e Isa. xxviii. 11, 12; John x. 34.

1 Or, tunes.

2 Gr. *significant.*

f Acts ii. 13.

g Isa. xlv. 14; Zech viii. 23.

3 Gr. *of spirits.*

h ver 6; ch xii. 7—10; 2 Co xii. 19; Eph. iv 12.

b Ps. xlvii. 7; Eph. v. 19; Col iii 16

i ch xii. 10

j 1 Thess v. 19, 20.

c ch xi. 24.

k 1 John iv. 1

5 Gr. *tumult*, or, *unquietness.*

l ch. xi 16.

m ch xi. 3; Gen iii 16; Eph. v. 22, Col iii 18, 1 Tim. ii 11 12; Titus ii 5, 1 Peter iii. 1.

4 Gr *perfect*, or, *of ripe age*, ch. ii. 6.

d ch iii 1; Ps. cxxxi 2; Matt. xi 25, xviii. 3; xix. 14; Rom. xvi. 19; Eph. iv. 14; Heb v 12, 13; 1 Peter ii. 2

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within itself the other two: we believe only when we hope—we hope only for that which we love."

CHAPTER XIV.

The full heart of the Apostle having found utterance in the matchless ode on Christian love, he here resumes the subject of which he was treating at the close of the twelfth chapter; and reminds the Corinthians that among all the gifts which had been bestowed upon them, that of prophecy was to be preferred. The gift of tongues, which they most coveted, "might operate very beneficially; but as soon as it came to be over-estimated, it could not but be prejudicial to the peace and order of any community. It was precisely so in Corinth. Many had spoken at the same time, and thereby caused confusion without profit. They had despised other gifts less dazzling, in comparison with their gifts of tongues; and this, with other abuses, is now condemned by Paul," who places before them something more worthy of attainment, and more practically beneficial.

1 "Desire spiritual gifts;"—that is, in subordination to love, for love is permanent and abiding. Love is to be the supreme aim, and next to love the gift of prophecy, which included immediate revelation from God, and the power to make it known.

2. "In the spirit:"—what he says is a mystery, because expressed in a language which no one understands, or can interpret.

5. "I would that ye all spake with tongues:"—the Apostle depreciated no gift, but he differed from them in his relative estimate of the gifts.

14. "My spirit prayeth:"—he has within him all the feeling and enjoyment of devotion; but his mind—his understanding—is not informed, and therefore is unfruitful both to himself and to others.

15. "What is it then?"—this may mean, How then stands the case? Or, What should we prefer? Or, What is our purpose and determination—our aim and end? To have the mind informed, as well as the spirit moved and affected.

16. "When thou shalt bless with the spirit:"—the Apostle is speaking of the act of praise, or giving of thanks, as performed in a language unknown to those who hear; and therefore, in such a state of total ignorance of the language spoken, how could they add their Amen? The very statement of the case proves its impropriety.

19. "In an unknown tongue;"—that is, in a language unknown to those to whom he spoke.

20. "Be not children in understanding;"—which they had proved themselves to be, by their preference for a gift which was dazzling and imposing, but of little benefit comparatively in the Church, and which had given rise to envy, malice, and ill-will among them.

21. "With men of other tongues:"—or rather, in the person of men speaking other languages; yet this would not profit them.

24. "He is convinced of all:"—his mind being informed, conviction is produced, his heart is laid open, and judgment is, as it were, passed upon his whole life.

36 What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?

37 If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.[a]

38 But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant.

39 Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues.[b]

40 Let all things be done decently and in order.[c]

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g Ps. ii. 7; xvi. 10; Isa. liii. 10; Hos vi. 2; Luke xxiv. 26, 46; Acts ii. 25—31; xiii. 33—35; xxvi. 22,23; 1 Peter i. 11.

h Matt. xxviii. 17, Mark xvi. 14; Luke xxiv. 34, 36, 50; John xx. 19, 26; Acts i. 3, 4; x. 41.

i 2 Cor. x 7; 1 John iv 6.

k Luke xxiv 50; Acts i. 3, 4

b ch xii 31; 1 Thess v. 20.

3 Or, *an abort us.*

c ver. 33

j ch. ix. 1; Acts ix. 4, 17; xxii. 14, 18.

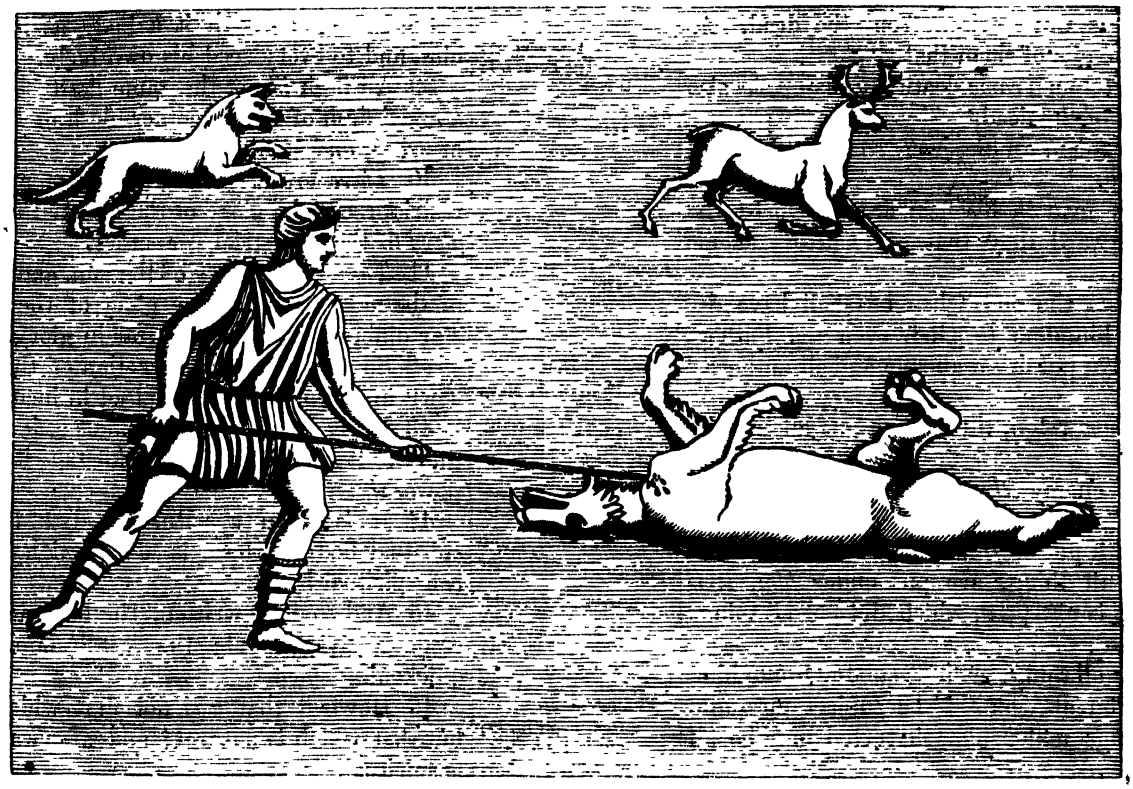
4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:[g]

5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve:[h]

6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.

7 After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.[i]

8 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of [3]one born out of due time.[j]



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CHAPTER XV.

3 *By Christ's resurrection,* 12 *he proveth the necessity of our resurrection, against all such as deny the resurrection of the body.* 21 *The fruit,* 35 *and manner thereof,* 51 *and of the changing of them, that shall be found alive at the last day.*

MOREOVER, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;[d]

2 By which also ye are saved, if ye [1]keep in memory [2]what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.[e]

3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;[f]

k Acts viii. 3; ix. 1; Gal. i. 13; Eph. iii. 8; Philipp. iii. 6; 1 Tim. i. 13.

l Matt. x. 20; Rom. xv. 18, 19; 2 Cor. iii. 5; xi 23; xii. 11; Gal. ii. 8; Eph. iii. 7, 8; Philipp. ii. 13.

d Rom. v. 2; Gal. i. 11.

1 Or, *hold fast.*

2 Gr. *by what speech.*

e ch. i. 21; Rom. i. 16; Gal. iii. 4.

m 1 Thess. iv. 14.

f ch. xi. 2, 23; Ps xxii. 15, &c.; Isa. liii. 6, &c., Dan. ix. 26; Zech. xiii. 7; Luke xxiv. 26, 46; Acts iii. 18; xxvi. 22; Gal. i. 13; 1 Peter i. 11; ii. 24.

9 For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.[k]

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which *was bestowed* upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.[l]

11 Therefore whether *it were* I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?

13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:[m]

14 And if Christ be not risen, then *is* our preaching vain, and your faith *is* also vain.

32. "The spirits of the prophets:"—their own spirit, though filled with the sublimest inspiration, is yet subject to their control; and therefore the prophets were unlike the claimants to a Divine influence so oft to be found among the heathens, who appeared to be bereft of reason while under the supposed influence of their deities.

33. "Out from you:"—the Gospel was communicated to them by the Apostle; and to his authority, as acting in the name and by the power of the glorified Saviour, they must yield in matters of discipline, that all things may be done "decently and in order."

CHAPTER XV.

The doctrine of incorruption had never been even conceived by the sages of antiquity, and it was held in ridicule by the philosophy of Greece. Her light had never pierced that realm, and her loftiest aspirations had never approached that sublime discovery. It is by the Gospel of Christ alone that life and incorruption are brought to light. Yet there were those in the Corinthian Church who denied the doctrine of the resurrection. Hence the present consummate argument of the Apostle, in which he asserts the doctrine as a great historical fact, and as the most essential part of the

15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.[a]

16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:

17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith *is* vain; ye are yet in your sins.[b]

18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.

19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.[c]

20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits of them that slept.[d]

21 For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead.[e]

22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.[f]

24 Then *cometh* the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.[g]

25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.[h]

26 The last enemy *that* shall be destroyed *is* death.[i]

27 For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under *him*, *it is* manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him.[j]

28 And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.[k]

29 Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? why are they then baptized for the dead?

30 And why stand we in jeopardy every hour?[l]

31 I protest by [1]your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily.[m]

32 If [2]after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? let us eat and drink; for to morrow we die.[n]

ANNO DOMINI 59.

o ch. v. 6.

a Acts ii. 24, 32; iv. 10, 33; xiii. 30.

p ch. vi. 5; Rom. xiii. 11; Eph. v. 14; 1 Thess. iv. 5.

q Ezek. xxxvii. 3.

b Rom. iv. 25.

r John xii. 24.

c 2 Tim. iii. 12.

d ver. 23; Acts xxvi. 23; Col. i. 18; 1 Peter i. 3; Rev. i. 5.

e John xi. 25; Rom. v. 12, 17; vi. 23.

f ver. 20; 1 Thess. iv. 15—17.

g Dan. vii. 14, 27.

s Dan. xii. 3; Matt. xiii. 43.

h Ps. cx. 1; Acts ii. 34, 35; Eph. i. 22; Heb. i. 13; x. 13.

t Philipp. iii. 21.

i 2 Tim. i. 10, Rev. xx. 14.

j Ps. viii. 6; Matt. xxviii. 18, Heb ii. 8; 1 Peter iii. 22.

u Gen. ii. 7; John v. 21; vi. 33, 39, 40, 54, 57, Rom. v. 14; Philipp iii. 21; Col. iii. 4.

k ch. iii. 23; xi. 3; Philipp. iii. 21.

v Gen. ii. 7; iii. 19; John iii. 13, 31.

l 2 Cor. xi. 26, Gal. v. 11.

1 Some read, *our*.

w Philipp. iii. 20, 21.

m ch. iv 9; Rom. viii. 36; 2 Cor. iv. 10, 11; xi. 23; 1 Thess ii. 19.

2 Or, to speak *after the manner of men*.

x Gen. v. 3; Rom viii. 29; 2 Cor iii 18; iv. 11; Philipp iii. 21; 1 John iii. 2.

n Eccles. ii. 24; Isa. xxii. 13; lvi. 12; Luke xii. 19; 2 Cor. i. 8.

y Matt. xvi. 17; John iii. 3, 5.

33 Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.[o]

34 Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak *this* to your shame.[p]

35 But some *man* will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?[q]

36 *Thou* fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die:[r]

37 And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain it may chance of wheat, or of some other *grain*:

38 But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

39 All flesh *is* not the same flesh: but *there is* one *kind of* flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, *and* another of birds.

40 *There are* also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial *is* one, and the *glory* of the terrestrial *is* another.

41 *There is* one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for *one* star differeth from *another* star in glory.

42 So also *is* the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption:[s]

43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:[t]

44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam *was made* a quickening spirit.[u]

46 Howbeit that *was* not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

47 The first man *is* of the earth, earthy: the second man *is* the Lord from heaven.[v]

48 As *is* the earthy, such *are* they also that are earthy: and as *is* the heavenly, such *are* they also that are heavenly.[w]

49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.[x]

50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.[y]

Christian system. He shows that our resurrection rests upon the fact of Christ's resurrection, and that any doubt in reference to the one must affect our faith in the other. He then "illustrates the life after the resurrection, and the glorification of the material, by showing its analogy to a growing grain of corn, proving that in the resurrection the perishable body will become imperishable; that then death will be finally conquered, and everlasting life brought to light by this glorious transformation."

3—8. "How that Christ died:"—of the Gospel which he had preached to them the central fact was the death and resurrection of Christ; and of this fact the evidence, as he shows in these verses, was complete and incontrovertible.

"Born out of due time:"—the Apostle refers to his call to the apostleship. No one could be an apostle but by Christ's own appointment. The glorified Saviour, therefore, appeared in a vision to Saul when on his way to Damascus to persecute the infant Church, spoke to him, called him into his kingdom, and gave him his great commission; but all this was after Christ had left the world; and hence the Apostle appeared to himself like one born out of the ordinary course of things.

28. "The Son also himself be subject:"—Christ's mediatorial reign will then come to an end, as he will resign his empire into the hands of his Father, from whom he received it: not that the Father may reign alone any more than the Son; but that God (meaning thereby the Godhead, which comprehends the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit) may reign without the intervention of a Mediator.

29. "Baptized for the dead:"—the interpretation sometimes put upon these verses is, that new converts were baptised in the name of those who had died in Christ; but what connection this has with the Apostle's argument we are at a loss to perceive. He is combating the opinion that there is no resurrection; and he says, if there be no resurrection, then is Christ not raised; and if Christ be not raised, why are they baptised in the name of One who is still under the power of death? and why are they led to cherish a hope of a resurrection from the dead, when that hope is to end in annihilation?

32. "Fought with beasts at Ephesus:"—it does not follow from these words that St. Paul had actually fought with beasts at Ephesus. He probably designed to show that he had been exposed to much the same danger from men at Ephesus as if he had fought with wild beasts. Those who fought with each other were called gladiators by the Romans, and *monomachi* by the Greeks. The gladiators were either freemen, or captives, or slaves, or criminals. By some the combats were followed as a profession, and by others from compulsion. Those who fought with wild beasts were called *bestiarii* by the Romans, and *theriomachi* by the Greeks. Some of them fought for pay, and had weapons; but others were criminals, and went

51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,[a]

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.[b]

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality.[c]

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.[d]

55 O death, where *is* thy sting? O [1]grave, where *is* thy victory?[e]

56 The sting of death *is* sin; and the strength of sin *is* the law.[f]

57 But thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.[g]

58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.[h]

CHAPTER XVI.

1 *He exhorteth them to relieve the want of the brethren at Jerusalem.* 10 *Commendeth Timothy,* 13 *and after friendly admonitions,* 16 *shutteth up his epistle with divers salutations.*

NOW concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches, of Galatia, even so do ye.[i]

2 Upon the first *day* of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as *God* hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.[j]

3 And when I come, whomsoever ye shall approve by *your* letters, them will I send to bring your [2]liberality unto Jerusalem.[k]

4 And if it be meet that I go also, they shall go with me.[l]

5 Now I will come unto you, when I shall pass through Macedonia: for I do pass through Macedonia.[m]

6 And it may be that I will abide, yea, and winter with you, that ye may bring me on my journey whithersoever I go.[n]

7 For I will not see you now by the way; but I trust to tarry a while with you, if the Lord permit.[o]

8 But I will tarry at Ephesus until Pentecost.

9 For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and *there are* many adversaries.[p]

10 Now if Timotheus come, see that he may be with you without fear: for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also *do.*[q]

11 Let no man therefore despise him: but conduct him forth in peace, that he may come unto me: for I look for him with the brethren.[r]

12 As touching *our* brother Apollos, I greatly desired him to come unto you with the brethren: but his will was not at all to come at this time; but he will come when he shall have convenient time.[s]

13 Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.[t]

14 Let all your things be done with charity.[u]

15 I beseech you, brethren, (ye know the house of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and *that* they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints,)[v]

16 That ye submit yourselves unto such, and to every one that helpeth with *us*, and laboureth.[w]

17 I am glad of the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus: for that which was lacking on your part they have supplied.[x]

18 For they have refreshed my spirit and your's: therefore acknowledge ye them that are such.[y]

19 The churches of Asia salute you. Aquila and Priscilla salute you much in the Lord, with the church that is in their house.[z]

20 All the brethren greet you. Greet ye one another with an holy kiss.[a]

21 The salutation of *me* Paul with mine own hand.[b]

22 If any man love not the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be Anathema Maran-atha.[c]

23 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you.[d]

24 My love *be* with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

¶ The first *epistle* to the Corinthians was written from Philippi by Stephanas, and Fortunatus, and Achaicus, and Timotheus.

ANNO DOMINI 59.

a 1 Thess. iv. 15–17; Philipp. iii. 21.
- a Acts xv. 3; xvii. 15; xxi. 5; Rom. xv. 24; 2 Cor. i. 16.
- c ch. iv. 19; Acts xviii. 21; James iv. 15.

b Zech. ix. 14; Matt. xxiv. 31; John v. 25; 1 Thess. iv. 16.

c 2 Cor. v. 4.
- p Acts xiv. 27; xix. 9; 2 Cor. ii. 12; Col. iv. 3; Rev. iii. 8.
- q ch. iv. 17; Acts xix. 22; Rom. xvi. 21; Philipp. ii. 20, 22; 1 Thess. iii. 2.

d Isa. xxv. 8; Heb. ii. 14, 15; Rev. xx. 14.

1 Or, hell.
- r Acts xv. 33; 1 Tim. iv. 12.

e Hos. xiii. 14.

f Rom. iv. 15; v. 13; vii. 5, 13.
- s ch. i. 12; iii. 5.

g Rom. vii. 25; 1 John v. 4, 5.
- t ch. xv. 1; Matt. xxiv. 42; xxv. 13; Eph. vi. 10; Philipp. i. 27; iv. 1; Col. i. 11; 1 Thess. iii. 8; v. 6; 2 Thess. ii. 15; 1 Peter v. 8.
- u ch. xiv. 1; 1 Peter iv. 8.

h ch. iii. 8; 2 Peter iii. 14.
- v ch. i. 16; Rom. xvi. 5; 2 Cor. viii. 4; ix. 1; Heb. vi. 10.
- w Heb. vi. 10; xiii. 17.
- x 2 Cor. xi. 9; Philipp. ii. 30; Phil. 13.

i Acts xi. 29; xxiv. 17; Rom. xv. 26; 2 Cor. viii. 4; ix. 1, 12; Gal. ii. 10.
- y Philipp. ii. 29; Col. iv. 8; 1 Thess. v. 12.
- z Rom. xvi. 5, 15; Phil. 2.

j Acts xx. 7; Rev. i. 10.
- a Rom. xvi. 16.
- b Col. iv. 18; 2 Thess. iii. 17.

2 Gr. gift, 2 Cor. viii. 4, 6, 19.

k 2 Cor. viii. 19.
- c Gal. i. 8, 9; Eph. vi. 24; Jude 14, 15.

l 2 Cor. viii. 4, 19.
- d Rom. xvi. 20.

m Acts xix. 21; 2 Cor. i. 16.

into the combat unarmed. Those who fought with beasts were not called gladiators. There were schools at Rome in which such persons were trained. These contests with wild beasts became a popular mode of punishment where the sentence was death, and many instances are recorded in the early history of the Church where persons have been condemned for their faith in Christ, and have been turned into an amphitheatre, to have infuriated lions and other wild beasts let loose upon them. In this way numbers were called upon to suffer martyrdom. Several representations of professional fighting with wild beasts are preserved in ancient paintings and sculptures. Of these we have introduced an example for the illustration of the text. There were cases in which the wild beasts were set to fight and tear each other.

45. "A living soul . . . a quickening spirit:"—the first man had life given to him; the Second Man, the Lord from heaven, communicates life from himself. He not only quickens the soul, which is dead in trespasses and sins into pure and spiritual life, but [illegible] is to quicken the body into incorruptible life, and thus swallow up death in victory.

54–57. "Death is swallowed up in victory:"—death triumphs over life, but hereafter life shall triumph over death; nor is this the Christian's only victory, for it is sin which gives terror to death; but if sin is lamented and forsaken, and pardon sought—in penitence, in prayer, and with faith in Christ, through the aid of God's Holy Spirit—then Death, even in his hour of triumph, has lost his sting, for he has conquered only to be reconquered.

CHAPTER XVI.

The Apostle having drawn, from his profound and conclusive argument in favour of the resurrection of the dead, an incentive to steadfastness and perseverance in the work of the Lord, there now follows, most appropriately, a call to Christian liberality on behalf of suffering and afflicted brethren. Paul was a man of deep sympathies and solicitudes, and he loved large-heartedness in others. He who preserved to the Church those bright and beautiful words of Jesus, "IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE," knew the blessedness of generous deeds.

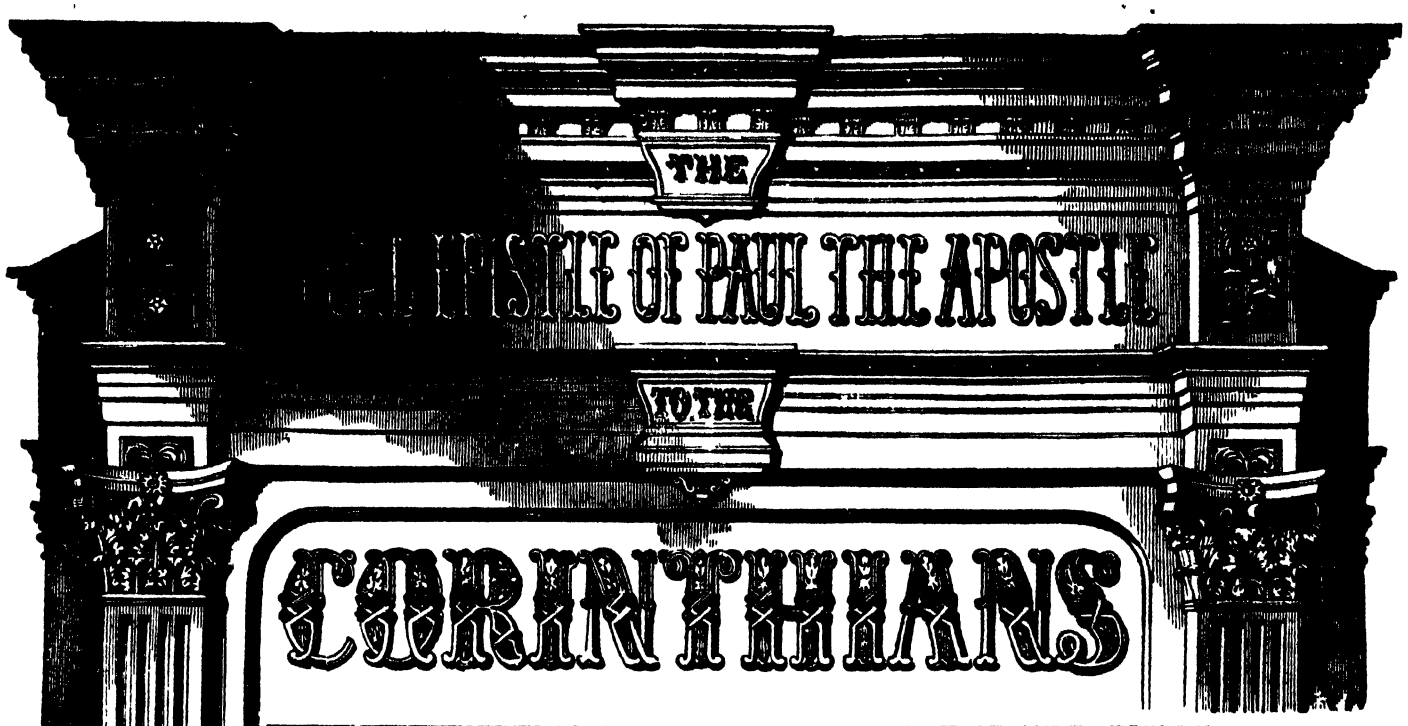
2. "The first day of the week:"—a clear proof that it was the practice of the Apostolic Churches to keep holy the day of our Lord's resurrection.

3. "By your letters:"—letters addressed to the Church at Jerusalem.

5. "When I shall pass through Macedonia:"—from 2 Cor. i. 15, 16 we learn that his original intention was to pass through them to Macedonia, and again return to them from Macedonia, and thence to Judea; but he changed his plan.

8. "Tarry at Ephesus:"—it is the opinion of eminent divines that it was from Ephesus Paul wrote his Epistle to them. We may observe, for the guidance of our readers, that the postscripts make no part of the apostolic writings.

11. "Let no man therefore despise him:"—let no man undervalue him, or his message, on account of his youth. Timothy seems to have preceded Paul in the journey to Macedonia.



CHAPTER I.

3 The apostle encourageth them against troubles, by the comforts and deliverances which God had given him, as in all his afflictions, 8 so particularly in his late danger in Asia. 12 And calling both his own conscience and their's to witness of his sincere manner of preaching the immutable truth of the gospel, 15 he excuseth his not coming to them, as proceeding not of lightness, but of his tenity towards them.

PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy *our* brother, unto the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints which are in all Achaia:[a]

2 Grace *be* to you and peace from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.[b]

3 Blessed *be* God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;[c]

4 Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

5 For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.[d]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

1 Or, *is wrought.*

e ch iv 15.

f Rom viii. 17; 2 Tim ii. 12.

g Acts xix. 23; 1 Cor. xv. 32; xvi. 9.

2 Or, *answer.*

a 1 Cor. i 1; Eph i. 1; Philipp i. 1; Col i. 1, 2, 1 Tim. i. 1; 2 Tim. i. 1.

h Jer. xvii. 5, 7.

b Rom. i 7; 1 Cor. i. 3; Gal. i. 3; Philipp. i. 2; Col. i. 2; 1 Thess. i. 1; 2 Thess. i. 2; Phil. 3.

i 2 Peter ii. 9.

c Eph. i. 3, 1 Peter i. 3.

j ch. iv. 15; Rom xv 30; Philipp. i. 19, Phil. 22.

k ch. ii. 17; iv. 2; 1 Cor. ii. 4, 13.

d ch. iv. 10; Acts ix. 4; Col. i. 24.

6 And whether we be afflicted, *it is* for your consolation and salvation, which is [1]effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: or whether we be comforted, *it is* for your consolation and salvation.[e]

7 And our hope of you *is* stedfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so *shall ye be* also of the consolation.[f]

8 For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life:[g]

9 But we had the [2]sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead:[h]

10 Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that he will yet deliver *us*;[i]

11 Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift *bestowed* upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf.[j]

12 For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.[k]

13 For we write none other things unto you, than

CHAPTER I.

This Second Epistle bears upon it evidence of having proceeded from the same pen as the preceding, and is designed as a sequel to the former Epistle. It was written from some city in Macedonia; the subscription at the end says Philippi, others say Thessalonica, late in the year 57. In Macedonia the Apostle met Titus, who reported to him the effect produced on the Corinthians by his first Epistle, which, upon the whole, had been favourable, and therefore a source of great comfort to him. Still, there were those who were using every means to undermine his authority. Hence he mingles rebuke with consolation, and severity with gentleness.

1. "And Timothy our brother:"—in the first Epistle (xvi. 10, 11) we find directions given to the Corinthians to receive Timothy kindly and heartily, in the event of his arrival at Corinth. The probability is that he had been to Corinth, though he was now with Paul in Macedonia.

4. "In all our tribulation:"—the reference is, no doubt, to his manifold sufferings in the prosecution of his arduous labours, and of which we have a detailed account in the eleventh chapter of this Epistle. In the midst of these sufferings there was vouchsafed to him special consolation, that while he sympathised with the tried and the sorrowful, he might also be able to comfort them in their tribulation.

5. "The sufferings of Christ:"—the sufferings endured for his sake, and in the doing of his work. The sufferings of Christ thus repeat themselves in the believer.

6. "Effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings:"—the grace bestowed on them, in common with the Apostle, supplied a power which made them equal to the endurance of any amount of suffering which God in his wisdom might see fit to appoint or to permit.

8. "Trouble which came to us in Asia:"—some conceive that the Apostle



MODERN CORINTH (CORINTO).

what ye read or acknowledge; and I trust ye shall acknowledge even to the end;

14 As also ye have acknowledged us in part, that we are your rejoicing, even as ye also *are* our's in the day of the Lord Jesus.[a]

15 And in this confidence I was minded to come unto you before, that ye might have a second [1]benefit;[b]

16 And to pass by you into Macedonia, and to come again out of Macedonia unto you, and of you to be brought on my way toward Judæa.[c]

17 When I therefore was thus minded, did I use lightness? or the things that I purpose, do I purpose according to the flesh, that with me there should be yea yea, and nay nay?[d]

18 But *as* God *is* true, our [2]word toward you was not yea and nay.

19 For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us, *even* by me and Silvanus and Timotheus, was not yea and nay, but in him was yea.[e]

20 For all the promises of God in him *are* yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.[f]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

d ch. x. 2.

2 Or, *preaching*

a ch v 12; Philipp. ii. 16, iv. 1, 1 Thess. ii 19, 20.

1 Or, *grace.*

b Rom. i. 11; 1 Cor. iv. 19.

e Mark i. 1; Luke i. 35; Acts ix. 20; Heb. xiii. 8.

c 1 Cor. xvi. 5, 6.

f Rom. xv 8, 9.

here refers to that extreme danger into which he was brought by the tumult at Ephesus (Acts xix.); but others are of opinion that he is speaking of some grievous sickness accompanied by great mental anxiety, and in which he despaired even of life.

9. "Had the sentence of death in ourselves:"—his recovery was hopeless, he gave up all idea of renewed vigour. He may have been given up by others, and was thus virtually dead. Still, this did not diminish his faith in God, in whose hands he left the solemn issue.

11. "Ye also helping together:"—this verse, as it stands in our English version, is extremely obscure. Various translations of the words have been attempted; but that of De Wette seems to us entitled to the preference, and is to this effect:—"Ye also helping together by prayer for us, in order that the mercy shown to us, in answer to the intercession of many persons, may be gratefully acknowledged by the thanks of many on our behalf." We see here how human means are connected with Divine interposition and aid.

12. "Not with fleshly wisdom;"—that is, wisdom proceeding from unsanctified human nature, and which, left to its own impulses, is liable to change and prone to error.

13—18. "We write none other things:"—he had been charged with fickleness, because he had changed his mind as to his visit to Corinth; but he asserts that not only was he wholly free from this charge, but in his own writings his character stood out in the light of truth and sincerity. He could appeal to the past in his life and history, and he hoped to remain the same to the end.

19—22. "For the Son of God:"—his belief in an unchanging Saviour, and his preaching an immutable truth, were wholly inconsistent, if, in his dealing

21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, *is* God ;[a]

22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.[b]

23 Moreover I call God for a record upon my soul, that to spare you I came not as yet unto Corinth.[c]

24 Not for that we have dominion over your faith, but are helpers of your joy : for by faith ye stand.[d]

CHAPTER II.

1 *Having shewed the reason why he came not to them, 6 he requireth them to forgive and to comfort that excommunicated person, 10 even as himself also upon his true repentance had forgiven him, 12 declaring withal why he departed from Troas to Macedonia, 14 and the happy success which God gave to his preaching in all places.*

BUT I determined this with myself, that I would not come again to you in heaviness.[e]

2 For if I make you sorry, who is he then that maketh me glad, but the same which is made sorry by me?

3 And I wrote this same unto you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow from them of whom I ought to rejoice; having confidence in you all, that my joy is *the joy* of you all.[f]

4 For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote unto you with many tears; not that ye should be grieved, but that ye might know the love which I have more abundantly unto you.[g]

5 But if any have caused grief, he hath not grieved me, but in part: that I may not overcharge you all.[h]

6 Sufficient to such a man *is* this [1]punishment, which *was inflicted* of many.[i]

7 So that contrariwise ye *ought* rather to forgive *him*, and comfort *him*, lest perhaps such a one should be swallowed up with overmuch sorrow.[j]

8 Wherefore I beseech you that ye would confirm *your* love toward him.

9 For to this end also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye be obedient in all things.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a 1 John ii. 20, 27.

2 Or, *in the sight.*

b ch. v. 5; Eph. i. 13, 14; iv. 30; 2 Tim. ii. 19; Rev. ii. 17.

c ch. ii. 3; xi. 31; xii. 20; xiii. 2, 10; Rom. i. 9; 1 Cor. iv. 21; Gal. i. 20; Philipp. i. 8.

d Rom. xi. 20; 1 Cor. iii. 5; xv. 1; 1 Peter v. 3.

e Acts xvi. 8; xx. 6; 1 Cor. xvi. 9.

m ch. vii. 5, 6.

n Cant. i. 3.

o ch. iv. 3; 1 Cor. i. 18.

p ch. i. 23; xii. 20, 21; xiii. 10.

q ch. iii. 5, 6; Luke ii. 34; John ix. 39; 1 Cor. xv. 10; 1 Peter ii. 7, 8.

3 Or, *deal deceitfully with.*

4 Or, *of.*

r ch. i. 12; iv. 2; xi. 13; 2 Peter ii. 3.

f ch. vii. 16; viii. 22; xii. 21; Gal. v. 10.

g ch. vii. 8, 9, 12.

h 1 Cor. v. 1; Gal. iv. 12.

1 Or, *censure.*

i 1 Cor. v. 4, 5; 1 Tim. v. 20.

j Gal. vi. 1.

t Exod. xxiv. 12; xxxiv. 1; Ps. xl 8; Jer xxxi. 33; Ezek.xi 19; xxxvi. 26; 1 Cor. iii. 5; Heb. viii. 10.

k ch. vii. 15; x. 6.

10 To whom ye forgive any thing, I *forgive* also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave *it*, for your sakes *forgave I it* [2]in the person of Christ;

11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

12 Furthermore, when I came to Troas to *preach* Christ's gospel, and a door was opened unto me of the Lord,[l]

13 I had no rest in my spirit, because I found not Titus my brother: but taking my leave of them, I went from thence into Macedonia.[m]

14 Now thanks *be* unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.[n]

15 For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that perish:[o]

16 To the one *we are* the savour of death unto death; and to the other the savour of life unto life. And who *is* sufficient for these things?[p]

17 For we are not as many, which [3]corrupt the word of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we [4]in Christ.[q]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Lest their false teachers should charge him with vainglory, he sheweth the faith and graces of the Corinthians to be a sufficient commendation of his ministry. 6 Whereupon entering a comparison between the ministers of the law and of the gospel, 12 he proveth that his ministry is so far the more excellent, as the gospel of life and liberty is more glorious than the law of condemnation.*

DO we begin again to commend ourselves? or need we, as some *others*, epistles of commendation to you, or *letters* of commendation from you?[r]

2 Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read of all men:[s]

3 *Forasmuch as ye are* manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.[t]

4 And such trust have we through Christ to Godward:

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with men on the most solemn questions, he could be justly accused of fickleness and change. Happily, his ministry could be charged with no such inconsistency; and he felt that his life and character were equally free from censure.

"Yea . . . and Amen:"—are faithfulness and truth. In Christ all the promises receive their ratification and fulfilment.

"The earnest of the Spirit:"—an earnest is a portion given as a guarantee that in due time the transaction to which it refers shall be completed in like manner; the Spirit, dwelling within us, is given as an earnest of final salvation.

23. "To spare you I came not:"—the change in the plan of his journey was not the effect of fickleness, but sprung out of love to them. He was desirous of giving them more time for reflection, and to change their course of procedure.

24. "By faith ye stand:"—their communion with God depended on their faith; and with that faith not even an Apostle dare to interfere.

CHAPTER II.

First, for the sake of the Church itself, the Apostle had deferred his visit to Corinth; now he tells them that he did so on his own account also, that he might not add to his own present sorrow, and the sorrow of others, by appearing among them only to reprove and correct them.

2. "If I make you sorry:"—in allusion to the immoral person, who, by command of the Apostle, had been excommunicated, and who had been brought to repentance and reformation—a fact which gave joy to the Apostle.

4. "I wrote unto you with many tears:"—it is clear from these words that the subject of his writing was not the postponement of his journey, for that would not cause him many tears; nor yet the unfounded charge of fickleness; but the internal feuds and divisions, impurities and indecorum of the Church, made him weep, and caused him to write his former letter in deep affliction.

6 "Sufficient . . . is this punishment:"—it had produced penitence. The excommunication (see 1 Cor. v. 9—13) had produced repentance, and the end was thus secured. The man was no longer to be treated as an offender, but to be forgiven and received back as a penitent.

10, 11. "In the person of Christ:"—they were not to be slow in forgiving the offender, for he forgave him, as one who was acting in the name of Christ, and on his behalf. Should they refuse to take the offender back when truly penitent, it might lead him to despair, and thus Satan would gain an advantage over him, if, from despair, the unhappy individual fell again into sin.

13. "I had no rest in my spirit:"—at Troas he expected to meet with Titus, and to learn from him the actual state of things at Corinth. Disquieted in spirit, he hastened on to Macedonia, so eager was he to receive intelligence, and there he found this evangelist, who reported well of the Corinthian Church.

14—16. "Thanks be unto God:"—he compares his success in preaching the Gospel to a Roman triumph held in honour of a victorious general. As the procession moved along, the air was filled with various kinds of incense, which, though refreshing and acceptable to those who were the friends of the conqueror, could only be regarded as the forerunners of death to those persons in the procession who were numbered among his foes. At the close of a

5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency *is* of God;[a]

6 Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit [1]giveth life.[b]

7 But if the ministration of death, written *and* engraven in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which *glory* was to be done away:[c]

8 How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?[d]

9 For if the ministration of condemnation *be* glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.[e]

10 For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the glory that excelleth.

11 For if that which is done away *was* glorious, much more that which remaineth *is* glorious.

12 Seeing then that we have such hope, we use great [2]plainness of speech:[f]

13 And not as Moses, *which* put a vail over his face, that the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to the end of that which is abolished:[g]

14 But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which *vail* is done away in Christ.[h]

15 But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart.

16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away.[i]

17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord *is*, there *is* liberty.[j]

18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as [3]by the Spirit of the Lord.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a ch. ii. 16; John xv. 5; 1 Cor. xv. 10; Philipp. ii. 13.
1 Or, *quickeneth.*
b ch. v. 18; Jer. xxxi. 31; Matt. xxvi. 28; John vi. 63; Rom. ii. 27, 29; iii. 20; iv. 15; vii. 6, 9—11; viii. 2; 1 Cor. iii. 5; xv. 10; Gal. iii 10; Eph. iii. 7; Col. i. 25, 29; 1 Tim. i. 11, 12; 2 Tim. i. 11; Heb. viii. 6, 8.
l ch. iii. 6; 1 Cor. vii. 25; 1 Tim. i. 13.
4 Gr. *shame*, Rom. i. 16; vi. 21.
c Exod. xxxiv. 1, 28—30, 35; Deut. x. 1, &c.; Rom. vii. 10.
d Gal. iii. 5.
m ch. ii. 17; v. 11; vi. 4, 7; vii. 14; 1 Thess. ii. 3, 5.
e Rom. i. 17; iii. 21.
n ch. ii. 15; 1 Cor. i. 18; 2 Thess. ii. 10.
o ver. 6; ch. ii. 15; iii. 8, 9, 11, 14, 18; Isa. vi. 10; John i. 18; xii. 31, 40, 45; xiv. 9, 30; xvi. 11; Eph. vi. 12; Philipp. ii. 6; Col. i. 15; Heb. i. 3.
2 Or, *boldness.*
f ch. vii. 4; Eph. vi. 19.
p ch. i. 24; 1 Cor. i. 13, 23; ix. 19; x. 33.
5 Gr. *is he who hath.*
g Exod. xxxiv. 33, 35; Rom. x. 4; Gal. iii. 23.
q ver. 4; Gen. i 3; 1 Peter ii. 9, 2 Peter i. 19.
h ch. iv. 4; Isa. vi 10; Matt. xiii. 11, 14, John xii. 40; Acts xxviii. 26; Rom xi. 7, 8, 25.
r ch. v 1, xii 9; 1 Cor. ii. 5
6 Or, *not altogether without help*, or *means.*
s ch. vii. 5.
i Exod. xxxiv. 34; Rom. xi. 23, 26; Isa. xxv. 7.
t Ps. xxxvii. 24.
j ver. 6; 1 Cor xv. 45.
u ch. i. 5, 9; Rom. viii. 17; 1 Cor xv 31; Gal. vi. 17; Philipp iii 10; 2 Tim. ii 11, 12; 1 Peter iv. 13
3 Or, *of the Lord the Spirit.*
k ch. iv 4, 6; Rom. viii 29; 1 Cor xiii. 12; xv 49; Col. iii. 10, 1 Tim i. 11
v Ps. xliv 22; Rom. viii 36; 1 Cor. xv. 31, 49.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *He declareth how he hath used all sincerity and faithful diligence in preaching the gospel, 7 and how the troubles and persecutions which he daily endured for the same did redound to the praise of God's power, 12 to the benefit of the church, 16 and to the apostle's own eternal glory.*

THEREFORE seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not;[l]

2 But have renounced the hidden things of [4]dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.[m]

3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:[n]

4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.[o]

5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.[p]

6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, [5]hath shined in our hearts, to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.[q]

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.[r]

8 *We are* troubled on every side, yet not distressed; *we are* perplexed, but [6]not in despair;[s]

9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;[t]

10 Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.[u]

11 For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.[v]

Roman triumph the friends were honoured, and the captives who were condemned suffered death. So the Gospel must result either in the life or in the death of those to whom it is proclaimed.

The last clause of the sixteenth verse should be connected with the seventeenth, thus:—"And who is sufficient for these things? for we are not as many, which corrupt the word of God."

CHAPTER III.

The reference at the close of the preceding chapter to the success of the Gospel leads the Apostle to expatiate more on the office of the Christian ministry, as one of unparalleled dignity and glory in itself and in its results. The parallel which he draws between the ministration of the old covenant and that of the new economy—between the letter and the spirit—is striking and impressive.

1. "Commend ourselves:"—it is not improbable that some of the Judaising teachers had come to them with letters of commendation from others, and had obtained letters of commendation from the Corinthians in return. The Apostle asked for no such credentials. He appealed to the fruits of his ministry, in hearts renewed unto holiness, as his highest and most incontrovertible credentials; and these were seen and could be read of all men.

4. "Such trust;"—that is, such is the confidence which we possess in the fruit of our labours, that we appeal to it, not in the way of vain and empty boast, but as revealing the power of God vouchsafed to us through Christ, and insuring the great end of the Saviour's mediation.

6. "The letter killeth:"—the literal command and the design and spirit of the command are placed in opposition—the law and the Gospel are contrasted. The law, as the letter, brings the knowledge of sin; but the law, knowing of no provision for the pardon of sin, condemns the transgressor to death: the Gospel, through which the Holy Spirit acts, reveals forgiveness and eternal life.

10, 11. "Had no glory:"—just as a whole firmament of stars disappears amid the effulgence of the sun, so the Gospel eclipses the law. The glory connected with the law melts away amid the glories of a brighter dispensation.

13. "Look to the end:"—not surely the mere fading away of that refulgence from the face of Moses, on which they were unable to gaze; but the termination of that whole economy of which Moses was the earthly head and representative.

18. "Open face;"—or, with faces unveiled look into the Gospel as into a mirror, and are changed into the image of the Holy Spirit.

CHAPTER IV.

The Apostle now speaks of himself officially, as one to whom had been entrusted this ministration of the Gospel, and he proceeds to prove that the trials and struggles of his earthly life are subsidiary to the great end of perfecting himself and the Church.

1. "As we have received mercy:"—his ministry was the ministration of life, and the day on which he was called to that ministry was the day in which he became the conscious subject of Divine grace. The same mercy which called him at first had sustained him in the prosecution of his work.

3. "To them that are lost;"—or, to them that are perishing, because they will not accept of proffered grace and life.

4. "The image of God:"—implying not only that he was like God, but partaker of the same nature, and therefore one with God.—See John i. 1—3; Philipp. ii. 6—8; Heb. i. 3.

7. "In earthen vessels:"—the Gospel is entrusted for its propagation to men encompassed with like passions as those to whom they preach, and therefore the power that produces conviction in the minds of them that hear and receive the truth is not of man, but is of God, that the glory of the triumph over sin may redound to God alone, and to him for ever.

8—12. In these verses the Apostle describes his bodily weakness, and the grace and power of God, which shone the more conspicuously in consequence of the depth of his sorrows and the greatness of his necessities.

12 So then death worketh in us, but life in you.[a]

13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;[b]

14 Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present *us* with you.[c]

15 For all things *are* for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.[d]

16 For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward *man* is renewed day by day.[e]

17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding *and* eternal weight of glory;[f]

18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen *are* temporal; but the things which are not seen *are* eternal.[g]

CHAPTER V.

1 *That in his assured hope of immortal glory, 9 and in expectance of it, and of the general judgment, he laboureth to keep a good conscience, 12 not that he may herein boast of himself, 14 but as one that, having received life from Christ, endeavoureth to live as a new creature to Christ only, 18 and by his ministry of reconciliation to reconcile others also in Christ to God.*

FOR we know that if our earthly house of *this* tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.[h]

2 For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven:[i]

3 If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked.[j]

4 For we that are in *this* tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.[k]

5 Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing *is* God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit.[l]

6 Therefore *we are* always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord:

7 (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)[m]

8 We are confident, *I say*, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.[n]

9 Wherefore we [1]labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him.

10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things *done* in *his* body, according to that he hath done, whether *it be* good or bad.[o]

11 Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.[p]

12 For we commend not ourselves again unto you, but give you occasion to glory on our behalf, that ye may have somewhat to *answer* them which glory [2]in appearance, and not in heart.[q]

13 For whether we be beside ourselves, *it is* to God: or whether we be sober, *it is* for your cause.[r]

14 For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:[s]

15 And *that* he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.[t]

16 Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we *him* no more.[u]

17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, [3]*he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.[v]

18 And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;[w]

19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath [4]committed unto us the word of reconciliation.[x]

20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.[y]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a ch. xiii. 9.

m ch. iv. 18; Rom. viii. 24, 25; 1 Cor. xiii. 12; Heb. xi. 1.

b Ps. cxvi. 10; Rom. i. 12; 2 Peter i. 1.

n Philipp. i. 23.

c Rom. viii. 11; 1 Cor. vi. 14.

1 Or, *endeavour.*

d ch. i. 6, 11; viii. 19; ix. 11, 12; 1 Cor. iii. 21; Col. i. 24; 2 Tim. ii. 10.

o Matt. xxv. 31, 32; Rom. ii. 6; xiv. 10; Eph. vi. 8; Gal. vi. 7; Col. iii. 24, 25; Rev. xxii. 12.

e Rom. vii. 22; Eph. iii. 16; Col. iii. 10; 1 Peter iii. 4.

f Matt. v. 12; Rom. viii. 18; 1 Peter i. 6; v. 10.

p ch. iv. 2; Job xxxi. 23; Heb. x. 31; Jude 23.

2 Gr. *in the face.*

g ch. v. 7; Rom. viii. 24, Heb. xi. 1.

q ch. i. 14; iii. 1.

r ch. xi. 1, 16, 17; xii. 6, 11.

s Rom. v. 15

t Rom. vi. 11, 12; xiv. 7, 8; 1 Cor. vi. 19; Gal. ii. 20; 1 Thess. v. 10; 1 Peter iv. 2.

h ch. iv. 7; Job iv. 19; 2 Peter i. 13, 14.

u Matt. xii. 50; John vi. 63; xv. 14; Gal. v. 6; Philipp. iii. 7, 8; Col. iii. 11.

3 Or, *let him be.*

i Rom. viii. 23.

v Isa. xliii. 18, 19; lxv. 17; Rom. viii. 9; xvi. 17; Eph. ii. 15; Gal. v. 6; vi. 15; Rev. xxi. 5.

j Rev iii. 18; xvi. 15.

w Rom. v 10; Eph. ii 16, Col. i. 20; 1 John ii. 2; iv 10.

k 1 Cor. xv 53, 54.

4 Gr. *put in us*

x Rom. iii. 24, 25.

l ch. i. 22; Isa. xxix. 23; Rom. viii. 23; Eph. i. 14, ii. 10; iv. 30.

y ch. iii. 6; vi. 1; Job xxxiii 23, Mal. ii. 7; Eph. vi. 20.

In the phrase "not in despair" the reference is to the fact of being overcome in the course or the race, so as to be left behind; while the words "cast down" point to the act of wrestling, and to the perils of the conflict.

"The dying of the Lord Jesus" is a phrase best explained by the Apostle himself in the following verse, where he says we "are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake." Christ's abode on earth was a continual dying, his life was always in jeopardy; and though he is no longer here, and can no longer suffer in his own person, his followers suffer in his cause and on his behalf. Thus the Apostle carried about with him the dying of the Lord Jesus—he was daily dying in his service; but the life of Jesus, the same matchless power which revealed itself in his life, was made manifest in Paul's weak and mortal nature. Nay, more; the life which flows from the risen, living, glorified Head of the Church was daily communicated to him in his conflicts and his sorrows, while the ultimate end of all was the everlasting life of those among whom the Apostle laboured, and for whom he suffered.

15. "The abundant grace:"—all that he was called either to do or to suffer was for their final good, nor did he otherwise than rejoice; for in answer to the intercession of many, there had been bestowed upon him the most abundant grace; this abundance of grace, revealed in his life and ministry, could not but call forth the more abundant thanksgiving, and thus the grace granted and the praise rendered would both redound to the glory of God.

CHAPTER V.

1. "For we know:"—this fifth chapter is but a continuation of the sublime subject of the preceding verses.

The contrast in this verse is not, we think, between the body and heaven, as some commentators have considered; but between the body as an earthly house—a tent pitched on earth for a temporary dwelling—and that spiritual, incorruptible body with which the soul is invested on the resurrection morn, and which is eternal, not temporary; not destined for earth, but to abide in heaven.

4. "Not for that we would be unclothed:"—the Apostle in no respect recognises the idea of a purely spiritual existence in eternity separated from the body. Hence he shrinks from the very thought of being divested of the body, or, as he himself terms it, of being "unclothed;" but exults in the idea of the redeemed spirit being arrayed in its glorified body.

5. "The earnest of the Spirit;"—or, the Spirit as an earnest of future life and glory. The glorification of the body, as the perfection of man, is the one idea specially present in the mind of the Apostle.

10. "That every one may receive:"—the words following may be read thus:—"in the body, according to the things that he hath done, whether they be good or bad;" that is, we shall be rewarded or punished in the body, as we have here upon earth, when in the body, done [illegible] or evil.

11—14. "We persuade men:"—he had [illegible] accused of deceit and treachery, but his solicitude on their behalf was the best refutation of that unfounded charge. The Apostle consoles himself with the consciousness that his sincerity was known unto God, the Searcher of the heart.

16. "After the flesh:"—just as he no longer recognised or spoke of Christ otherwise than as the living and glorified Saviour, so he looked upon them not otherwise than as new creatures, born again, and raised up together with



MACEDONIAN CHRISTIANS PRESSING THEIR GIFTS ON PAUL.—II. COR. VIII. 1—4.

21 For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.[a]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *That he hath approved himself a faithful minister of Christ, both by his exhortations,* 3 *and by integrity of life,* 4 *and by patient enduring all kinds of affliction and disgraces for the gospel.* 10 *Of which he speaketh the more boldly amongst them, because his heart is open to them,* 13 *and he expecteth the like affection from them again,* 14 *exhorting to flee the society and pollutions of idolaters, as being themselves temples of the living God.*

WE then, *as* workers together *with him,* beseech *you* also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.[b]

2 (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.)[c]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

d Rom. xiv. 13; 1 Cor. ix. 12; x. 32.

a Isa. liii. 6, 9, 12; Rom. i. 17; v. 19; x. 3; Gal. iii. 13; 1 Peter ii. 22, 24; 1 John iii. 5.

1 Gr. *commending,* ch. iv. 2.

e 1 Cor. iv. 1.

2 Or, *in tossings to and fro.*

f ch. xi. 23, &c.

g ch. iv. 2; vii. 14; x. 4; 1 Cor. ii. 4; Eph. vi 11, 13; 2 Tim. iv. 7.

b ch. v. 20; 1 Cor. iii. 9; Heb. xii. 15.

h ch. i. 9; iv. 2, 10, 11; v. 11; xi. 6; Ps. cxviii. 18; 1 Cor. iv. 9.

c Isa. xlix. 8.

3 Giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed:[d]

4 But in all *things* [1]approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,[e]

5 In stripes, in imprisonments, [2]in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings;[f]

6 By pureness, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned,

7 By the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,[g]

8 By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and *yet* true;

9 As unknown, and *yet* well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed;[h]

10 As sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and *yet* possessing all things.

Christ; and therefore he had no occasion to employ any worldly considerations in his intercourse with them, as the false teachers were in the habit of doing.

18. "All things are of God:"—the change of heart that takes place in the redeemed, and which translates them from the bondage of Satan to the service of God, is the work of God the Holy Ghost, and the Gospel itself is God's revelation of mercy to fallen man, offered to men as penitent through faith in Christ Jesus, and is the effect of the love of God; and by this Divine plan of showing mercy, the love of God can without injury to the truth and justice of God, be extended to transgressors, bringing them to the enjoyment of heavenly blessings.

CHAPTER VI.

1. "Workers together with him:"—the words "with him" are not in the original.

"The grace of God in vain:"—he takes for granted that they have been reconciled to God, and made partakers of the heavenly calling, and therefore beseeches them so to live and act as to answer the great end of their redemption.

11 O *ye* Corinthians, our mouth is open unto you, our heart is enlarged.[a]

12 Ye are not straitened in us, but ye are straitened in your own bowels.[b]

13 Now for a recompence in the same, (I speak as unto *my* children,) be ye also enlarged.[c]

14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?[d]

15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in *them;* and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.[e]

17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean *thing;* and I will receive you,[f]

18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.[g]

CHAPTER VII.

1 *He proceedeth in exhorting them to purity of life,* 2 *and to bear him like affection as he doth to them.* 3 *Whereof lest he might seem to doubt, he declareth what comfort he took in his afflictions, by the report which Titus gave of their godly sorrow, which his former epistle had wrought in them,* 13 *and of their lovingkindness and obedience towards Titus, answerable to his former boastings of them.*

HAVING therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.[h]

2 Receive us; we have wronged no man, we have corrupted no man, we have defrauded no man.[i]

3 I speak not *this* to condemn *you:* for I have said before, that ye are in our hearts to die and live with *you.*[j]

4 Great *is* my boldness of speech toward you, great *is* my glorying of you: I am filled with comfort, I am exceeding joyful in all our tribulation.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a ch. vii. 3.

b ch. vi. 12; iv. 8; Deut. xxxii. 35.

c ch. xii. 15.

m ch. i. 4; ii. 13.

d 1 Cor. iv. 14.

e Deut. vii. 2, 3; 1 Sam. v. 2, 3; 1 Kings xviii. 21; 1 Cor. v. 9; vii. 39; x. 21; Eph. v. 7, 11.

n ch. ii. 4.

f Exod. xxix. 45; Lev. xxvi. 12; Jer. xxxi. 33; xxxii. 38; Ezek xi. 20; xxxvi. 28; xxxvii. 26, &c.; Zech. viii. 8; xiii. 9; 1 Cor. iii. 16; vi. 19; Eph. ii. 21, 22; Heb. iii. 6.

1 Or, *according to* God.

g ch. vi. 1; Isa. lii. 11; Rev. xviii. 4.

o 2 Sam. xii. 13; Prov. xvii. 22; Matt. xxvi. 75.

g Jer. xxxi. 1, 9; Rev. xxi. 7.

p ch. ii. 4.

h ch. vi. 17, 18; 1 John iii. 3.

q Rom. xv. 32.

i ch. xii. 17; Acts xx. 33.

2 Gr. *bowels*, ch. vi. 12.

j ch. vi. 11, 12.

r ch. ii. 9; Philipp. ii. 12.

k ch. i. 4, 14; iii. 12; 1 Cor i. 4; Philipp. ii. 17; Col. i. 24.

s 2 Thess. iii. 4; Phil. 8, 21.

5 For, when we were come into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but we were troubled on every side; without *were* fightings, within *were* fears.[l]

6 Nevertheless God, that comforteth those that are cast down, comforted us by the coming of Titus;[m]

7 And not by his coming only, but by the consolation wherewith he was comforted in you, when he told us your earnest desire, your mourning, your fervent mind toward me; so that I rejoiced the more.

8 For though I made you sorry with a letter, I do not repent, though I did repent: for I perceive that the same epistle hath made you sorry, though *it were* but for a season.[n]

9 Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry [1]after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing.

10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.[o]

11 For behold this selfsame thing, that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, *what* clearing of yourselves, yea, *what* indignation, yea, *what* fear, yea, *what* vehement desire, yea, *what* zeal, yea, *what* revenge! In all *things* ye have approved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

12 Wherefore, though I wrote unto you, *I did it* not for his cause that had done the wrong, nor for his cause that suffered wrong, but that our care for you in the sight of God might appear unto you.[p]

13 Therefore we were comforted in your comfort: yea, and exceedingly the more joyed we for the joy of Titus, because his spirit was refreshed by you all.[q]

14 For if I have boasted any thing to him of you, I am not ashamed; but as we spake all things to you in truth, even so our boasting, which[s] *I made* before Titus, is found a truth.

15 And his [2]inward affection is more abundant toward you, whilst he remembereth the obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling ye received him.[r]

16 I rejoice therefore that I have confidence in you in all *things.*[s]

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2 "For he saith:"—this is a quotation from Isa. xlix. 8, which points forward to the advent of the Messiah, and the fulness of blessings to be enjoyed in the new and everlasting dispensation of grace. It follows that "the accepted time" and "the day of salvation" are to be limited only by the period which God may please to appoint for the cessation of the Gospel message.

3. "Giving no offence:"—their life was to correspond with the morality inculcated by the Gospel of Christ, that they who profess to be the servants of Christ may by their life and conduct give offence to no one, and that the ministry be not blamed.

6. "By the Holy Ghost;"—or, by the ability and patience imparted to him by the Spirit of God.

8. "As deceivers:"—the Apostle places the assertion of his antagonists in contrast with his own true character Like a man clothed in armour, he presses forward triumphantly, regardless of the efforts to assail him.

13. "Now for a recompence in the same;"—that is, "return my affection; let your heart glow with love to me, even as my heart is animated with affection to you. I speak as unto my spiritual children."

CHAPTER VII.

1. "Having therefore these promises"—this verse belongs to the preceding chapter, connecting itself with the most precious promises of God, and on these promises founding an argument for the progressive sanctification of all believers.

2. "Receive us:"—his opponents had charged him with wronging, corrupting, and defrauding the Church, and there were those in the Church who were disposed to believe the charge, and therefore to dispute his authority. But turning to the better affected portion of the community, he says, "Receive us"—believe in the integrity of our character, and act like men who so believe.

5. "Without were fightings:"—he refers to his manifold trials and conflicts in Macedonia; in addition to which he was filled with apprehension and fear as to the effect of his first letter on the minds of the Corinthians, till the intelligence brought by Titus set his mind at rest.

8, 9. "Though I did repent:"—his love towards them led him to regret the letter which a sense of duty had constrained him to write, but now he rejoiced truly over the sorrow which his letter had produced in their minds; not that the sorrow itself was any source of satisfaction to him, but the repentance which it implied as well as expressed—"the godly sorrow which he had been instrumental in producing, had proved to them of the nature of a blessing."

10. "Worketh death"—how true is it that the sorrow of the world, which only deplores sin on account of its painful consequences, has no spirituality in it! Nay, it rather destroys any rising desires which may exist, either by leading to erroneous notions respecting the value of this worthless repentance, or by driving the sinner into a state of despair.

11. "What carefulness it wrought:"—his letter had aroused the whole Church from its lethargy, and led them to take that line of action towards the offending members of the Church which not only redeemed their own characters from inconsistency, but so affected their erring brother as to issue in his repentance and restoration.

14. "Is found a truth:"—Titus had found everything confirmed which

CHAPTER VIII.

He stirreth them up to a liberal contribution for the poor saints at Jerusalem, by the example of the Macedonians, 7 by commendation of their former forwardness, 9 by the example of Christ, 14 and by the spiritual profit that shall redound to themselves thereby: 16 commending to them the integrity and willingness of Titus, and those other brethren, who upon his request, exhortation, and commandation, were purposely come to them for this business.

MOREOVER, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia;

2 How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their [1]liberality.[a]

3 For to *their* power, I bear record, yea, and beyond *their* power *they were* willing of themselves;

4 Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and *take upon us* the fellowship of the ministering to the saints.[b]

5 And *this they did*, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and unto us by the will of God.

6 Insomuch that we desired Titus, that as he had begun, so he would also finish in you the same [2]grace also.[c]

7 Therefore, as ye abound in every *thing*, *in* faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and *in* all diligence, and *in* your love to us, *see* that ye abound in this grace also.[d]

8 I speak not by commandment, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to prove the sincerity of your love.[e]

9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.[f]

10 And herein I give *my* advice: for this is expedient for you, who have begun before, not only to do, but also to be [3]forward a year ago.[g]

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[h] Mark xii. 43, 44; Luke xxi. 3.

[i] Exod. xvi. 18.

1 Gr. *simplicity*, ch. ix. 11.

[a] Mark xii. 44.

[j] ver. 6.

[b] ch. ix. 1; Acts xi. 29; xxiv. 17; Rom. xv. 25, 26; 1 Cor. xvi. 1, 3, 4.

[k] ch. xii. 18.

4 Or, *gift*, vs. 4, 6, 7; ch. ix. 8.

[l] ch. iv. 15; 1 Cor. xvi. 3, 4.

2 Or, *gift*, vs. 4, 19.

[c] ver. 17; ch. xii. 18.

[m] Rom. xii. 17; Philipp. iv. 8; 1 Peter ii. 12.

[d] ch. ix. 8; 1 Cor. i. 5; xii. 13.

5 Or, *he hath*.

[e] 1 Cor. vii. 6.

[f] Matt viii. 20; Luke ix. 58; Philipp. ii. 6, 7.

[n] Philipp. ii. 25.

3 Gr. *willing*.

[g] ch. ix. 2; Prov. xix. 17; Matt. x 42; 1 Cor. vii. 25; 1 Tim. vi. 18, 19; Heb. xiii. 16.

[o] ch. vii. 14; ix. 2.

11 Now therefore perform the doing *of it;* that as *there was* a readiness to will, so *there may be* a performance also out of that which ye have.

12 For if there be first a willing mind, *it is* accepted according to that a man hath, *and* not according to that he hath not.[h]

13 For *I mean* not that other men be eased, and ye burdened:

14 But by an equality, *that* now at this time your abundance *may be a supply* for their want, that their abundance also may be *a supply* for your want: that there may be equality:

15 As it is written, He that *had gathered* much had nothing over; and he that *had gathered* little had no lack.[i]

16 But thanks *be* to God, which put the same earnest care into the heart of Titus for you.

17 For indeed he accepted the exhortation; but being more forward, of his own accord he went unto you.[j]

18 And we have sent with him the brother, whose praise *is* in the gospel throughout all the churches;[k]

19 And not *that* only, but who was also chosen of the churches to travel with us with this [4]grace, which is administered by us to the glory of the same Lord, and *declaration of* your ready mind:[l]

20 Avoiding this, that no man should blame us in this abundance which is administered by us:

21 Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.[m]

22 And we have sent with them our brother, whom we have oftentimes proved diligent in many things, but now much more diligent, upon the great confidence which [5]*I have* in you.

23 Whether *any do enquire* of Titus, *he is* my partner and fellowhelper concerning you: or our brethren *be enquired of, they are* the messengers of the churches, *and* the glory of Christ.[n]

24 Wherefore shew ye to them, and before the churches, the proof of your love, and of our boasting on your behalf.[o]

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the Apostle had told him concerning these Corinthian believers, and this fact could not fail to increase the joy of the Apostle as their first teacher, and the founder of the Corinthian Church.

CHAPTER VIII.

The Apostle here, resuming the subject which he introduced in 1 Cor. xvi. 1, relative to the collection on behalf of the suffering brethren in Jerusalem, exhorts to liberality; and to secure himself against the calumnies of his adversaries, recommends that their contribution should be intrusted to certain persons chosen from among themselves, who might be the bearers of it to the parent Church.

1—3. "We do you to wit;"—that is, we would have you know. "The grace of God" refers to that liberality which the Macedonian Christians, under the impulse of God's grace, had exhibited in their peculiar sufferings and deep poverty, in entreating the Apostle to accept at their hands a contribution far beyond their means.

4. "Take upon us the fellowship:"—to take part with them in the distribution of their bounty, so as to identify himself with both the gift and the givers. They not only intrusted him with their contribution, but asked him to dispense it as a proof of their sympathy and fellowship with their suffering brethren.

5. "First gave their own selves:"—in the benevolent actions of these pious persons we have exhibited for our own imitation the charity which is acceptable unto God. They first gave themselves to God, to be his servants and to obey his will; they then gave up a portion of their property for the support of those in need; thus, the gift was well pleasing unto God, because of the spirit of the givers. That our liberality may benefit alike the receiver and the donor, we must first yield up ourselves to Christ and to his service.

8, 9. "I speak not by commandment:"—he did not dictate to the Corinthians; but, to test the sincerity of their love, he puts them to the proof. The Macedonians were beforehand, and even anticipated the Apostle with their gifts, and Paul wishes to know whether the Corinthians were equally forward; and that he might bring the mightiest and the holiest influences to bear upon them, he reminds them of the grace, the boundless compassion and love of Christ, in emptying himself of his glory to enrich them with the blessings of eternal life and salvation.

10. "To be forward a year ago;"—that is, they began a year ago to lay by or store up, according to the instructions given in 1 Cor. xvi. 1, 2.

18. "The brother:"—his name is not given, but some have fixed on Luke, the companion of Paul, as the person here intended.

19. "Declaration of your ready mind:"—Paul administered their gift, first with a view to God's glory, and then as the evidence or proof of their willingness to succour and help their afflicted brethren.

CHAPTER IX.

This chapter is connected with the preceding, and in it the Apostle returns to the subject of the collection, intimating, in the most delicate manner, that it was not needful for him to write more upon that point, and therefore he throws himself upon their confidence and generous conduct.

2. "Your zeal:"—they had taken up this matter with such heart and purpose, that he could hold them up even to Macedonia as an example, just as he held up Macedonia to them for their pattern. Hence their zeal and effort had provoked many to follow in their steps.

5. "As a matter of bounty:"—as something proceeding from a loving and benevolent spirit, unalloyed by anything approaching to that covetousness which is ever eager to possess and retain, but which knows nothing of the blessedness of giving.

7. "Not grudgingly, or of necessity:"—this refers to the spirit and temper of the giver. Unless we give in a Christian spirit, and from Chris-

CHAPTER IX.

1 He yieldeth the reason why, though he knew their forwardness, yet he sent Titus and his brethren beforehand. 6 And he proceedeth in stirring them up to a bountiful alms, as being but a kind of sowing of seed, 10 *which shall return a great increase to them,* 13 *and occasion a great sacrifice of thanksgivings unto God.*

FOR as touching the ministering to the saints, it is superfluous for me to write to you:[a]

2 For I know the forwardness of your mind, for which I boast of you to them of Macedonia, that Achaia was ready a year ago; and your zeal hath provoked very many.[b]

3 Yet have I sent the brethren, lest our boasting of you should be in vain in this behalf; that, as I said, ye may be ready:[c]

4 Lest haply if they of Macedonia come with me, and find you unprepared, we (that we say not, ye) should be ashamed in this same confident boasting.

5 Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren, that they would go before unto you, and make up beforehand your [1]bounty, [2]whereof ye had notice before, that the same might be ready, as *a matter of* bounty, and not as *of* covetousness.

6 But this *I say*, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.[d]

7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, *so let him give;* not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.[e]

8 And God *is* able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:[f]

9 (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever.[g]

10 Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for *your* food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;)[h]

11 Being enriched in every thing to all [3]bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God.[i]

12 For the administration of this service not only supplieth the want of the saints, but is abundant also by many thanksgivings unto God;[j]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

k Matt. v. 16; Heb. xiii. 16.

l ch. viii. 1.

m James i. 17.

a ch. viii. 4; Acts xi. 29; Rom. xv. 26; 1 Cor. xvi. 1; Gal. ii. 10.

b ch. viii. 10, 19, 24.

c ch. viii. 6, 17, 18, 22.

4 Or, *in outward appearance.*

n ver. 10; ch. xii. 5, 7, 9; Rom. xii. 1.

1 Gr. *blessing,* Gen. xxxiii. 11; 1 Sam. xxv. 27; 2 Kings v. 15.

2 Or, *which hath been so much spoken of before.*

5 Or, *reckon.*

o ch. xiii. 2, 10; 1 Cor iv. 21.

d Prov. xi. 24; xix. 17; xxii. 9; Gal. vi. 7, 9.

6 Or, *to God.*

p ch. vi. 7; xiii. 3, 4; Jer. i. 10; Acts vii. 22; 1 Cor. ii. 5; Eph. vi. 13; 1 Thess. v. 8; 1 Tim. i. 18; 2 Tim. ii. 3.

e ch. viii. 12; Exod. xxv. 2; xxxv. 5; Prov. xi. 25; Rom. xii. 8.

7 Or, *reasonings.*

f Prov. xi. 24, 25; xxviii. 27; Philipp. iv. 19

q 1 Cor. i. 19; iii. 19.

g Ps. cxii. 9.

r ch. ii. 9; vii. 15; xiii. 2, 10.

h Isa. lv. 10; Hos. x. 12; Matt. vi. 1.

s ch. v. 12; xi. 18, 23; John vii. 24; 1 Cor. iii. 21; ix. 1; xiv. 37; 1 John iv. 6.

3 Or, *liberality* Gr. *simplicity,* ch. viii. 2.

i ch. i. 11; iv. 15.

t ch. vii. 14; xii. 6; xiii. 10.

j ch. viii. 14.

13 Whiles by the experiment of this ministration they glorify God for your professed subjection unto the gospel of Christ, and for *your* liberal distribution unto them, and unto all *men;*[k]

14 And by their prayer for you, which long after you for the exceeding grace of God in you.[l]

15 Thanks *be* unto God for his unspeakable gift.[m]

CHAPTER X.

Against the false apostles, who disgraced the weakness of his person and bodily presence, he setteth out the spiritual might and authority, with which he is armed against all adversary powers, 7 *assuring them that at his coming he will be found as mighty in word, as he is now in writing being absent,* 12 *and withal taxing them for reaching out themselves beyond their compass, and vaunting themselves into other men's labours.*

NOW I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who [4]in presence *am* base among you, but being absent am bold toward you:[n]

2 But I beseech *you*, that I may not be bold when I am present with that confidence, wherewith I think to be bold against some, which [5]think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.[o]

3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:

4 (For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal, but mighty [6]through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)[p]

5 Casting down [7]imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;[q]

6 And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.[r]

7 Do ye look on things after the outward appearance? If any man trust to himself that he is Christ's, let him of himself think this again, that, as he *is* Christ's, even so *are* we Christ's.[s]

8 For though I should boast somewhat more of our authority, which the Lord hath given us for edification, and not for your destruction, I should not be ashamed:[t]

9 That I may not seem as if I would terrify you by letters.

tian motives, we lose our reward. We may be doing good to others by our generosity, and yet be far from exercising Christian liberality.

8. "Make all grace abound."—the grace here refers to those outward means of sufficiency out of which they might contribute; but the disposition to give must be traced to that grace which is communicated by God to every believer, and from which all good works do proceed.

9. "His righteousness remaineth for ever:"—his Christian liberality will always be attended with the blessing of Almighty God.

10, 11. "Seed to the sower."—the image of the sower, which was introduced in the sixth verse, is employed in relation to the right use of property; and the Apostle assures the Corinthians that God, who provides seed for the sower, would so increase their love, as the most vital of all holy seeds, as to make it perfect in good works, or in the fruits of righteousness; and thus their being rich in all bountifulness, widely and freely dispensing their benevolence, would redound to the praise and glory of God. If they had the heart to give, God would supply them with the means to be liberal.

12—15. "The administration of this service:"—the Apostle, in this and the following verses, says, in effect, that the collection on behalf of the suffering brethren had not only called forth the spirit of unwonted liberality, but of prayer and thanksgiving; and as both the devotion and the beneficence sprung from the "grace of God in them," everlasting thanks were to be ascribed to God for His unspeakable gift.

CHAPTER X.

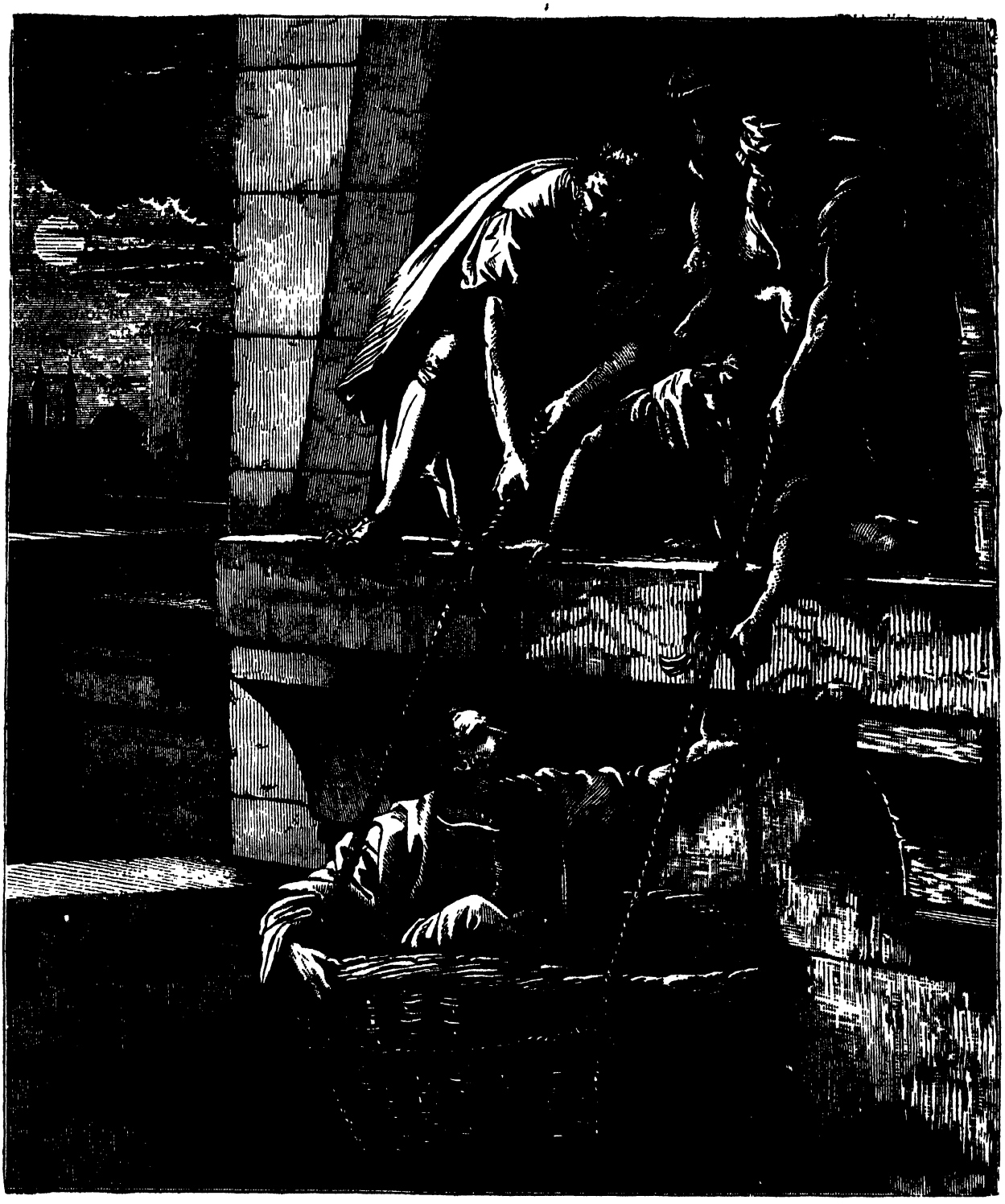
There were those in the Corinthian Church who had used every effort to depreciate the Apostle by lowering his dignity and weakening his authority; and against these his adversaries he now directs his address, reminding them that such as he proved himself in his letters they would find him to be when he was personally present with them. Still, his boast was not of himself nor in himself, but in God, whom he served in the Gospel of his Son.

1. "The meekness and gentleness of Christ:"—this is the motive by which he entreats them not to compel him to adopt a line of action which, in the contrast, might appear harsh and severe.

"In presence:"—in personal appearance, the Apostle was unattractive.

2, 3. "Walked according to the flesh:"—the charge preferred against him was that he acted from the lowest and most selfish motives, which he indignantly repels, and tells them that though he lived in a body subject to all the weaknesses of our common humanity, yet in his great work he was governed by no worldly principles or maxims, but depended on the truth of God alone as his weapon in subduing the heart and will of man, and bringing all into subjection to Christ.

6. "A readiness to revenge:"—it is true that he was engaged in a spiritual warfare, and therefore used only spiritual weapons; yet he was prepared to punish all disobedience either by excommunication or by any other means which he deemed expedient in the exercise of his Apostolic authority; but



PAUL LET DOWN BY THE WALL IN A BASKET.—II. COR. XI. 32, 33.

10 For *his* letters, [1]say they, *are* weighty and powerful; but *his* bodily presence *is* weak, and *his* speech contemptible.[a]

11 Let such an one think this, that, such as we are in word by letters when we are absent, such *will we be* also in deed when we are present.

12 For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, [2]are not wise.[b]

13 But we will not boast of things without *our* measure, but according to the measure of the [3]rule which God hath distributed to us, a measure to reach even unto you.[c]

14 For we stretch not ourselves beyond *our*

ANNO DOMINI 60.

1 Gr. saith he.
2 Or, understand it not.
a ver. 1; ch. xi. 6; xii. 5, 7, 9; 1 Cor. i. 17; ii. 1—4; Gal. iv. 13.
b ch. iii. 1; v. 12.
3 Or, line.
c ver. 15.

not till he had given them admonitions, and afforded them time to renounce their errors.

15, 16. "We shall be enlarged:"—as the mission of the Apostle extended far beyond the city of Corinth, he expresses the hope that the faith of the Corinthians would soon be so established as to allow him to leave them, that he might proceed to other regions, and there make known the glorious tidings of mercy and peace which he had proclaimed among his Corinthian brethren.

measure, as though we reached not unto you: for we are come as far as to you also in *preaching* the gospel of Christ:[a]

15 Not boasting of things without *our* measure, *that is*, of other men's labours; but having hope, when your faith is increased, that we shall be [1]enlarged by you according to our rule abundantly,[b]

16 To preach the gospel in the *regions* beyond you, *and* not to boast in another man's [2]line of things made ready to our hand.

17 But he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.[c]

18 For not he that commendeth himself is approved, but whom the Lord commendeth.[d]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *Out of his jealousy over the Corinthians, who seemed to make more account of the false apostles than of him, he entereth into a forced commendation of himself,* 5 *of his equality with the chief apostles,* 7 *of his preaching the gospel to them freely, and without any their charge,* 13 *shewing that he was not inferior to those deceitful workers in any legal prerogative,* 23 *and in the service of Christ, and in all kind of sufferings for his ministry, far superior.*

WOULD to God ye could [3]bear with me a little in *my* folly: and indeed bear with me.[e]

2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present *you as* a chaste virgin to Christ.[f]

3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.[g]

4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or *if* ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear [4]with *him*.[h]

5 For I suppose I was not a whit behind the very chiefest apostles.[i]

6 But though *I be* rude in speech, yet not in knowledge; but we have been throughly made manifest among you in all things.[j]

7 Have I committed an offence in abasing myself that ye might be exalted, because I have preached to you the gospel of God freely?[k]

8 I robbed other churches, taking wages *of them*, to do you service.

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a 1 Cor. iii. 5, 10; iv. 15; ix. 1.

1 Or, *magnified in you.*

i ch. xii. 13, 14, 16; Acts xx. 33; Philipp. iv. 10, 15, 16; 1 Thess. ii. 9; 2 Thess. iii. 8, 9.

b Rom. xv. 20.

5 Gr. *this boasting shall not be stopped in me.*

m Rom. ix. 1; 1 Cor. ix. 15.

2 Or, *rule.*

n ch. vi. 11; vii. 3; xii. 15.

c Isa. lxv. 16; Jer. ix. 24; 1 Cor. i. 31.

d Prov. xxvii. 2; Rom. ii. 29; 1 Cor. iv. 5.

o 1 Cor. ix. 12.

p ch. ii. 17; Acts xv. 24; Rom. xvi. 18; Gal. i. 7; vi. 12; Philipp. i. 15; iii. 2; Titus i. 10, 11; 2 Peter ii. 1; 1 John iv. 1; Rev. ii. 2.

q Gal. i. 6.

r ch. iii. 9; Philipp. iii. 19.

3 Or, *ye do bear with me.*

6 Or, *suffer.*

e ver. 16; ch. v. 13.

s ver. 1; ch. xii. 6, 11.

t ch. ix. 4; 1 Cor. vii. 6, 12.

u Philipp. iii. 3, 4.

f Lev. xxi. 13; Hos. ii. 19, 20; 1 Cor. iv. 15; Gal. iv. 17, 18; Col. i. 28.

v 1 Cor. iv. 10.

g Gen. iii. 4; John viii. 44; Eph. vi. 24; Col. ii. 4, 8, 18; 1 Tim. i. 3; iv. 1; Heb. xiii. 9; 2 Peter iii. 17.

w Gal. ii. 4; iv. 9.

x ch. x. 10; Philipp. iii. 4.

4 Or, *with me.*

h Gal. i. 7, 8.

y Acts xxii. 3; Rom. xi. 1; Philipp. iii. 5.

i ch. xii. 11; 1 Cor. xv. 10; Gal. ii. 6.

j ch. iv. 2; v. 11; x. 10; xii. 12; 1 Cor. i. 17; ii. 1, 13; Eph. iii. 4.

z ch. i. 9, 10; iv. 11; vi. 4, 5, 9; Acts ix. 16; xx. 23; xxi 11; 1 Cor. xv. 10, 30–32.

a Deut. xxv. 3.

k ch. x. 1; Acts xviii. 3; 1 Cor. ix. 6, 12.

b Acts xiv. 19; xvi. 22; xxvii 41.

9 And when I was present with you, and wanted, I was chargeable to no man: for that which was lacking to me the brethren which came from Macedonia supplied: and in all *things* I have kept myself from being burdensome unto you, and *so* will I keep *myself*.[l]

10 As the truth of Christ is in me, [5]no man shall stop me of this boasting in the regions of Achaia.[m]

11 Wherefore? because I love you not? God knoweth.[n]

12 But what I do, that I will do, that I may cut off occasion from them which desire occasion; that wherein they glory, they may be found even as we.[o]

13 For such *are* false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.[p]

14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.[q]

15 Therefore *it is* no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.[r]

16 I say again, Let no man think me a fool; if otherwise, yet as a fool [6]receive me, that I may boast myself a little.[s]

17 That which I speak, I speak *it* not after the Lord, but as it were foolishly, in this confidence of boasting.[t]

18 Seeing that many glory after the flesh, I will glory also.[u]

19 For ye suffer fools gladly, seeing ye *yourselves* are wise.[v]

20 For ye suffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour *you*, if a man take *of you*, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face.[w]

21 I speak as concerning reproach, as though we had been weak. Howbeit whereinsoever any is bold, (I speak foolishly,) I am bold also.[x]

22 Are they Hebrews? so *am* I. Are they Israelites? so *am* I. Are they the seed of Abraham? so *am* I.[y]

23 Are they ministers of Christ? (I speak as a fool) I *am* more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft.[z]

24 Of the Jews five times received I forty *stripes* save one.[a]

25 Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned, thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day I have been in the deep;[b]

CHAPTER XI.

While the false teachers sought only their own glory and profit, the Apostle points to his sufferings and his conflicts in proof of his disinterestedness, and of the divinity of that Gospel which he preached, and from which he was fearful that they might be moved away.

1. "My folly:"—in the twelfth verse of the preceding chapter he had charged them with folly who sought to commend themselves; and now that he is forced to defend and justify himself, he asks them to bear with him, if he indulged in what to them might appear to be folly. His object was their stability and final salvation.

4. "Preacheth another Jesus:"—if there be another Saviour, another Spirit, and another Gospel, then they might well bear with these teachers of this doctrine; but if there were but one Gospel, revealing but one Saviour from sin, and but one Spirit of life and holiness, then it was at the peril of their souls that they relinquished it, or allowed themselves to be seduced from it.

7. "Abasing myself:"—by declining all support from the Church, and professing to labour with his own hands; and especially in accepting the bounty of other churches, that he might gratuitously serve them.

10. "As the truth of Christ is in me;"—that is, as I am appointed to propagate and defend the truth of Christ, and in which I personally believe, no man shall stop me.

21. "Concerning reproach:"—the Apostle had just censured them for submitting to the unworthy treatment which they had received at the hands of the false teachers, because it implied that they looked upon him as inferior to themselves, while he could put forth a far better founded claim to their love and obedience. So that if any one of these false teachers was bold and unreserved in his claim, he had reason to be still bolder. Hence the verses which follow.

23—27. Of many of the sufferings here enumerated by the Apostle, as endured in the prosecution of his sublime work, and as evidence of the magnitude of his labours, we should have been ignorant but for this portion of the epistle.

29. "Who is weak?"—this verse expresses the deep sympathy which Paul had with the Corinthians in everything which affected them as a community of professed believers.

32. "Let down by the wall:"—it was not unusual for houses to be so built cities, that their windows overlooked the city wall. Through

26 *In* journeyings often, *in* perils of waters, *in* perils of robbers, *in* perils by *mine own* countrymen, in perils by the heathen, *in* perils in the city, *in* perils in the wilderness, *in* perils in the sea, *in* perils among false brethren;[a]

27 In weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness.[b]

28 Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches.[c]

29 Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not?[d]

30 If I must needs glory, I will glory of the things which concern mine infirmities.[e]

31 The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.[f]

32 In Damascus the governor under Aretas the king kept the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desirous to apprehend me:[g]

33 And through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall, and escaped his hands.

CHAPTER XII.

1 *For commending of his apostleship, though he might glory of his wonderful revelations,* 9 *yet he rather chooseth to glory of his infirmities,* 11 *blaming them for forcing him to this vain boasting.* 14 *He promiseth to come to them again: but yet altogether in the affection of a father,* 20 *although he feareth he shall to his grief find many offenders, and publick disorders there.*

IT is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. [1]I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord.

2 I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven.[h]

3 And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;)

4 How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not [2]lawful for a man to utter.[i]

5 Of such an one will I glory: yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities.[j]

6 For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but *now* I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me *to be*, or *that* he heareth of me.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

a Acts ix. 23; xiii. 50; xiv. 5; xvii. 5; xix. 23; xx. 3; xxi. 31; xxiii. 10, 11; xxv. 3.

l Job ii. 7; Ezek. xxviii. 24; Luke xiii. 16; Gal. iv. 13, 14.

m Deut. iii. 23—27; Matt. xxvi. 44.

b ch. vi. 5; Acts xx. 31; 1 Cor. iv. 11.

c Acts xx. 18, &c.; Rom. i. 14.

n ch. xi. 30; 1 Peter iv. 14.

d 1 Cor. viii. 13; ix. 22.

e ch. xii. 5, 9, 10.

o ch. vii. 4; xiii. 4, Rom. v. 3.

f ch. i. 23; Rom. i. 9; ix. 1, 5; Gal. i. 20; 1 Thess. ii. 5.

g Acts ix. 24, 25.

p ch. xi. 1, 5, 16, 17; 1 Cor iii. 7; xv. 8, 9; Eph. iii. 8; Gal. ii. 6—8.

q ch. iv. 2; vi. 4; xi. 6; Rom. xv. 18, 19; 1 Cor. ix. 2.

r ch xi. 7, 9; 1 Cor. i 7, ix. 12.

1 Gr. *For I will come.*

s ch. xiii. 1; Acts xx. 33; 1 Cor. iv. 14, 15; x. 33.

3 Gr. *your souls.*

t ch. i. 6; vi. 12, 13; John x. 11; Philipp. ii. 17; Col. i. 24; 1 Thess. ii. 8, 2 Tim. ii. 10.

u ch. xi. 9.

h ch. v. 17; Acts xxii 17, Rom. xvi. 7; Gal. i. 22.

A.D. 46, at Lystra, Acts xiv 6.

v ch. vii. 2.

w ch. viii. 6, 16, 18, 22.

2 Or, *possible.*

i Luke xxiii. 43.

x ch. v. 12; xi. 31; Rom. ix. 1; 1 Cor. x. 33.

j ch. xi. 30.

k ch. x. 8; xi. 16.

y ch. x. 2; xiii. 2, 10; 1 Cor. iv. 21.

7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.[l]

8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.[m]

9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.[n]

10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.[o]

11 I am become a fool in glorying; ye have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: for in nothing am I behind the very chiefest apostles, though I be nothing.[p]

12 Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.[q]

13 For what is it wherein ye were inferior to other churches, except *it be* that I myself was not burdensome to you? forgive me this wrong.[r]

14 Behold, the third time I am ready to come to you; and I will not be burdensome to you: for I seek not your's, but you: for the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children.[s]

15 And I will very gladly spend and be spent for [3]you; though the more abundantly I love you, the less I be loved.[t]

16 But be it so, I did not burden you: nevertheless, being crafty, I caught you with guile.[u]

17 Did I make a gain of you by any of them whom I sent unto you?[v]

18 I desired Titus, and with *him* I sent a brother. Did Titus make a gain of you? walked we not in the same spirit? *walked we* not in the same steps?[w]

19 Again, think ye that we excuse ourselves unto you? we speak before God in Christ: but *we do* all things, dearly beloved, for your edifying.[x]

20 For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and *that* I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest *there be* debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings, tumults:[y]

some such window the Apostle Paul was let down by his brethren. The monks at Damascus still pretend to show the identical window through which St. Paul passed, but they are doubtless in error, as the wall has been repeatedly rebuilt. It is difficult to determine the form and materials of which the basket alluded to was made. Baskets were made and are still made of grass, rushes, reeds, osiers, &c., and exhibit as much diversity of shape and size as among ourselves. The Greek word used for basket in Acts ix. 25 commonly denotes a basket for corn or provisions; but in this passage another word is used, properly signifying a basket made of ropes or cords. In all probability the words for basket were used without much regard to their original meaning. It is, however, worthy of observation that Dr. Kitto says:—"The method of drawing up or letting down persons in baskets is still very much resorted to in the East, when danger is apprehended from the ordinary mode of ingress or egress."

CHAPTER XII.

2. "I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago:"—at the time referred to, the Apostle was about to enter upon an arduous duty, in which his faith would be constantly tested. In mercy God was pleased to prepare his servant for the forthcoming trials by permitting him to behold the glories that belong to a future state of blissful existence. The Apostle being anxious to make known the facts, and wisely anxious to avoid all appearance of exultation at the honour conferred, modestly speaks of these high privileges as though they had been conferred upon some other individual.

Theologians in their annotations upon this portion of the Apostle's history mostly consider it as descriptive of one event. This mode of treating the passage we regard as defective. The language of the Apostle is in the plural, not in the singular; he speaks of "visions," and he speaks of "revelations," by which we understand two distinct scenes, and two distinct communications made to his mind in reference to those scenes. The first privilege granted was that of being permitted to behold the blissful abode of the Deity, called by the Jews "the third heavens." There the honoured servant of God beheld the future home prepared for the redeemed, when the body glorified and the spirit made perfect shall be united to enjoy pleasures that are for ever new, and where for ever new pleasures are expected.

The second privilege conferred was an admission to the temporary resting-place of the souls of the redeemed—the Paradise into which the Captain of

21 *And* lest, when I come again, my God will humble me among you, and *that* I shall bewail many which have sinned already, and have not repented of the uncleanness and fornication and lasciviousness which they have committed.[a]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *He threateneth severity, and the power of his apostleship against obstinate sinners.* 5 *And advising them to a trial of their faith,* 7 *and to a reformation of their sins before his coming,* 11 *he concludeth his epistle with a general exhortation and a prayer.*

THIS *is* the third *time* I am coming to you. In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.[b]

2 I told you before, and foretell you, as if I were present, the second time; and being absent now I write to them which heretofore have sinned, and to all other, that, if I come again, I will not spare:[c]

3 Since ye seek a proof of Christ speaking in me, which to you-ward is not weak, but is mighty in you.[d]

4 For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak [1]in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.[e]

ANNO DOMINI 60.

[f] Rom. viii. 10; 1 Cor. ix. 27; xi. 28; Gal. iv. 19.

[a] ch. ii. 1, 4; xiii. 2; 1 Cor. v. 1.

[g] ch. vi. 9.

[h] ch. xi. 30; xii. 5, 9, 10; 1 Cor. iv. 10; 1 Thess. iii. 10.

[b] ch. xii. 14; Numb. xxxv. 30; Deut. xvii 6; xix. 15; Matt xviii. 16; John viii 17; Heb. x. 28.

[i] ch. ii. 3; x. 2, 6; xii. 20, 21; 1 Cor. iv. 21; Titus i. 13.

[j] Rom. xii. 16, 18; xv. 5, 33; 1 Cor. i. 10; Philipp. ii. 2; iii. 16, 1 Peter iii. 8.

[c] ch. i. 23; x. 2; xii. 21.

[k] Rom. xvi. 16; 1 Cor. xvi. 20; 1 Thess. v 26; 1 Peter v. 14.

[d] ch. ii. 10; Matt. x. 20; 1 Cor. v. 4; ix. 2.

[l] Rom. xvi. 24; Philipp. ii. 1.

1 Or, *with him.*

[e] ch. x. 3, 4; Rom vi. 4; Philipp. ii. 7, 8; 1 Peter iii. 18.

5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?[f]

6 But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates.

7 Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates.[g]

8 For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.

9 For we are glad, when we are weak, and ye are strong: and this also we wish, *even* your perfection.[h]

10 Therefore I write these things being absent, lest being present I should use sharpness, according to the power which the Lord hath given me to edification, and not to destruction.[i]

11 Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.[j]

12 Greet one another with an holy kiss.[k]

13 All the saints salute you.

14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, *be* with you all. Amen.[l]

¶ The second *epistle* to the Corinthians was written from Philippi, *a city* of Macedonia, by Titus and Lucas.

their salvation entered after he had cried with a loud voice and dismissed his spirit. If our view of the passage be admitted, we ask, What more effectual mode for strengthening the faith of the Apostle could be devised than that of his being permitted for a time to gaze upon, and for a time to listen to, all that relates to the soul at the hour of death, and all that relates to both soul and body in the kingdom of God?

7. "A thorn in the flesh:"—this may have been some bodily ailment, possibly weakness of sight or impediment in speech.

19. "Excuse ourselves:"—he had no need to put forth a defence to his friends, but only to vindicate himself against the insinuations and charges of his opponents, and thus insure the careful edification of those who were attached to him.

20, 21. "I fear."—there were many evils existing in the Church which called for repentance and reformation. These he hoped might be removed before he came to them, otherwise their meeting would be a very painful one.

CHAPTER XIII.

Paul concludes his Epistle with a very impressive admonition, in which he seeks to incite them to great self-examination relative to their inward state, and warns them against self-deception.

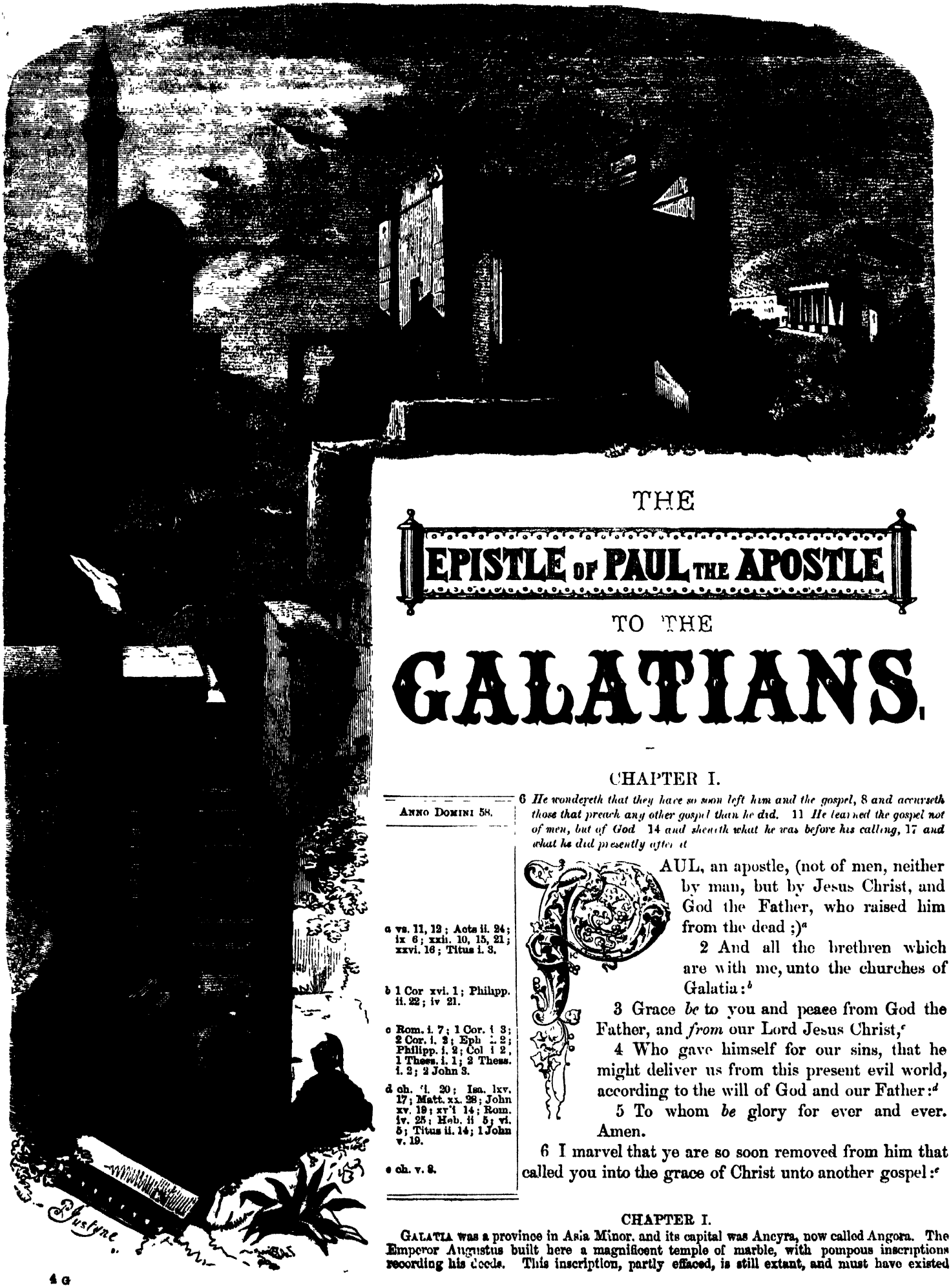
1. "In the mouth."—If the Church did not reform itself before he came, he was resolved on its purification. Still, he had no intention of effecting this otherwise than in harmony with the great law laid down by Christ himself in Matt. xviii 15–20.

2. "As if I were;"—or rather, "as when I was present the second time; and now being absent, I write."

3. "A proof of Christ:"—a proof of the authority given to me as an Apostle by Christ, who is the Head of the Church. The power of Christ acted through the Apostles.

7, 8. "That ye do no evil."—he prays God that their conduct may be such as to require no such painful demonstration of his apostolic authority. If they, in their folly, and contrary to the evidence of their senses, and in defiance of his faithful teaching and of his holy counsels, treated him as a reprobate or as worthless, that was no reason why their life and conduct should not be in harmony with the principles and requirements of the Gospel. His power was to be exerted, not against the truth, but for the truth, and in behalf of those who maintained the truth.

14. "The grace:"—in this invocation to the Three Persons of the Sacred Trinity, the Apostle beseeches the Saviour to bestow his grace, the Father to exercise his love, and the Holy Spirit to communicate his teaching, sanctifying, and comforting influence upon the members of this infant Church. What approach can the most exalted intellect make to the full comprehension of the blessings embodied in the grace, the love, and the fellowship of the Triune Jehovah?



THE

EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE

TO THE

GALATIANS.

CHAPTER I.

ANNO DOMINI 58.

6 He wondereth that they have so soon left him and the gospel, 8 and accurseth those that preach any other gospel than he did. 11 He learned the gospel not of men, but of God 14 and sheweth what he was before his calling, 17 and what he did presently after it

PAUL, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)[a]

2 And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:[b]

3 Grace *be* to you and peace from God the Father, and *from* our Lord Jesus Christ,[c]

4 Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:[d]

5 To whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:[e]

[a] vs. 11, 12; Acts ii. 24; ix 6; xxii. 10, 15, 21; xxvi. 16; Titus i. 3.

[b] 1 Cor xvi. 1; Philipp. ii. 22; iv 21.

[c] Rom. i. 7; 1 Cor. i 3; 2 Cor. i. 2; Eph i. 2; Philipp. i. 2; Col i 2, 1 Thess. i. 1; 2 Thess. i. 2; 2 John 3.

[d] ch. i. 20; Isa. lxv. 17; Matt. xx. 28; John xv. 19; xvi 14; Rom. iv. 25; Heb. ii 5; vi. 5; Titus ii. 14; 1 John v. 19.

[e] ch. v. 8.

CHAPTER I.

GALATIA was a province in Asia Minor, and its capital was Ancyra, now called Angora. The Emperor Augustus built here a magnificent temple of marble, with pompous inscriptions recording his deeds. This inscription, partly effaced, is still extant, and must have existed

7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.[a]

8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.[b]

9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.[c]

10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.[d]

11 But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.[e]

12 For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught *it*, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.[f]

13 For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it:[g]

14 And profited in the Jews' religion above many my [1]equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.[h]

15 But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called *me* by his grace,[i]

16 To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood:[j]

17 Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

18 Then after three years I [2]went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.[k]

19 But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.[l]

20 Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.[m]

21 Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;[n]

22 And was unknown by face unto the churches of Judæa which were in Christ:[o]

23 But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.

24 And they glorified God in me.

ANNO DOMINI 58.

a ch. v 10, 12; Acts xv 1, 24; 2 Cor. xi. 17; xi. 4, 13.
b 1 Cor xvi 22
c Deut. iv. 2; xii. 32; Prov. xxx. 6; Rev. xxii. 18.
[A.D. 52.
p Acts xv. 2.
d 1 Sam. xxiv. 7; Matt. xxviii. 14; 1 Thess. ii. 4; 1 John iii. 19; James iv. 4.
e 1 Cor. xv. 1.
3 Or, *severally.*
f ver 1; 1 Cor. xv. 1, 3; Eph. iii. 3.
q Acts xv. 12; Philipp. ii. 16; 1 Thess. iii. 5.
g Acts viii. 3; ix 1; xxii. 4; xxvi. 11; 1 Tim. i. 13.
1 Gr. *equals in years.*
h Jer. ix. 14; Matt. xv. 2; Mark vii. 5; Acts xxii. 3; xxvi. 9; Philipp iii. 6.
r ch. iii. 25; iv. 3, 9; v. 1, 13; Acts xv. 1, 24; 2 Cor. xi. 20, 26
i Isa. xlix. 1, 5; Jer. i. 5; Acts ix. 15; xiii. 2; xxii. 14, 15; Rom. i. 1.
s ver. 14; ch. iii. 1; iv. 16; vi. 3.
j Matt xvi 17; Acts ix 15, xxii 21; xxvi 17, 18; Rom xi 13; 1 Cor xv 50. 2 Cor iv. 6, Eph. iii. 8; vi. 12.
A.D 35.]
t ch. vi. 3; Acts x 34; Rom ii. 11; 2 Cor. xii. 11.
2 Or, *returned.*
k Acts ix 26
u Acts xiii. 46; Rom i 5; xi 13; 1 Thess ii 4, 1 Tim. ii 7; 2 Tim. i 11
l Matt xiii. 55, Mark vi. 3, 1 Cor. ix. 5.
m Rom. ix. 1.
A D 38]
v ch. i 16; iii 5; Acts ix. 15; xiii. 2; xxii 21; xxvi. 17, 18, 1 Cor. xv. 10; Col i. 29.
n Acts ix 30
o Rom xvi. 7; 1 Thess ii. 14
w Matt. xvi. 18; Rom. i. 5; xii 3, 6; xv. 15; 1 Cor xv. 10; Eph ii. 20; iii. 8; Rev. xxi. 14.
x Acts xi 30; xxiv. 17; Rom. xv. 25, 1 Cor. xvi. 1; 2 Cor viii, ix.

CHAPTER II.

1 *He sheweth when he went up again to Jerusalem, and for what purpose:* 8 *and that Titus was not circumcised:* 11 *and that he resisted Peter, and told him the reason,* 14 *why he and other, being Jews, do believe in Christ to be justified by faith, and not by works:* 20 *and that they live not in sin, who are so justified.*

THEN fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with *me* also.[p]

2 And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but [3]privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.[q]

3 But neither Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:

4 And that because of false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage:[r]

5 To whom we gave place by subjection, no, not for an hour; that the truth of the gospel might continue with you.[s]

6 But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: God accepteth no man's person:) for they who seemed *to be somewhat* in conference added nothing to me:[t]

7 But contrariwise, when they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision was committed unto me, as *the gospel* of the circumcision *was* unto Peter;[u]

8 (For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)[v]

9 And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we *should go* unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.[w]

10 Only *they would* that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was forward to do.[x]

11 But when Peter was come to Antioch, I

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when the Apostle visited Ancyra, as it is commonly believed he did, although the place is not expressly named. A view of the ruins of this palace appears on the preceding page. Angora contains some interesting ruins. The modern city stands on some small hills encircled on the north and east by a range of mountains Its citadel, which is mostly modern, stands on a high rock, perpendicular on three sides. The population of Angora is about 20,000, of whom one-third may be Armenians. The city occupies a position of importance, but this very circumstance has exposed it to many assaults. It was captured by the Persians in 611, and by the Christians in 1101, but has long been under Turkish dominion. The Church of Ancyra was in early times flourishing and influential, and two Christian councils were held there in 315 and 358. It was during his second grand missionary tour that Paul visited this province, introduced the Gospel, and founded several Christian communities.

As a people the Gallic race were vain, ostentatious, impetuous, and wanting in constancy. The object of this Epistle is to warn them against their tendency to change and apostacy under the influence of false and imposing teachers.

1. "Not of men:"—it is worthy of remark how careful the Apostle is to establish the position that human instrumentality had nothing whatever to do with his call to the office of an Apostle.

"By Jesus Christ, and God the Father:"—we say with Alford, "Had not the Apostle regarded Jesus Christ as one with the Father in the Godhead, he never would have written thus."

8, 9. "Though we, or an angel:"—what a proof do these two verses supply of the Divine authority of the Gospel!

10. "Do I now persuade men, or God?"—in saying what I have said about the preaching of the Gospel, have I to convince God or man of my sincerity? I have to approve myself to God; and therefore, were I, like your false teachers, to seek to please men by perverting the Gospel, I should not be the servant of Christ.

CHAPTER II.

1. "Went up again to Jerusalem:"—the occasion of his visit was to attend the great council which was convened in Jerusalem to settle some disputed points.—See Acts xv.

2. "By revelation:"—he had some supernatural influence acting upon his mind with concurrent events, which induced him to undertake this second visit to Jerusalem. There he came into immediate contact with some of the Apostles, to whom, in private, he made known his teaching and labours, that he might have increased confidence in his own line of action.

3—5. "Neither Titus:"—there are two modes of interpreting these words: either that the Apostles and others with whom Paul came into contact required Titus to be circumcised, and the Apostle interposed so as to prevent any such compulsory act; or the Apostles and others having failed to require his circumcision, the Judaising party insisted on its being done ere Titus could be recognised or received, to whom, as mere spies of Christian liberty, the Apostle refused to submit even for one moment, that the Gospel might, in its purity and simplicity, without the imposition of the Mosaic rites, be continued to the Gentiles.

6—9. "Who seemed to be somewhat:"—either in their own estimation, or in the estimation of others; it mattered not to the Apostle. He knew that God accepted no man's person as such; and as for himself, he was to be

withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.[a]

12 For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.[b]

13 And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him; insomuch that Barnabas also was carried away with their dissimulation.

14 But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the gospel, I said unto Peter before *them* all, If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?[c]

15 We *who are* Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles,[d]

16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.[e]

17 But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, *is* therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.[f]

18 For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

19 For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.[g]

20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.[h]

21 I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness *come* by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.[i]

CHAPTER III.

1 *He asketh what moved them to leave the faith, and hang upon the law?* 6 *They that believe are justified,* 9 *and blessed with Abraham.* 10 *And this he sheweth by many reasons.*



FOOLISH Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?[j]

2 This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?[k]

ANNO DOMINI 58.

a Acts xv. 35.
l ch. iv. 9; Heb. vii. 16, ix 10.
1 Or, *so great.*
m Heb. x. 35, 36; 2 John 8.
b Acts x. 28; xi. 3.
n 2 Cor. iii. 8.
2 Or, *imputed.*
o Gen. xv 6; Rom. iv. 3, 9, 21, 22; James ii. 23.
p John viii 39; Rom. iv. 11, 12, 16.
c ver 5; Acts x. 28; xi. 3, 1 Tim v 20.
q ver. 22, Gen xii. 3; xviii 18; xxii 18, Acts iii 25, Rom. ix. 17.
d Matt ix 11; Acts xv. 10, 11; Eph. ii. 3, 12.
r Deut. xxvii. 26; Jer. xi. 3.
e ch iii 11, 24; Ps. cxliii. 2; Acts xiii 38, 39; Rom. i. 17; iii. 20, 22, 28; viii. 3; Heb vii. 18, 19.
s ch ii 16; Hab. ii. 14; Rom. i. 17; Heb. x 38.
f 1 John iii. 8, 9.
t Lev xviii 5; Neh. ix. 29, Ezek xx. 11; Rom iv. 4, 5; x. 5, 6, xi. 6.
u ch iv. 5; Deut xxi 23, Rom viii 3, 2 Cor. v. 21.
g Rom. vi 11, 14; vii. 4, 6, viii 2, 2 Cor v. 15; 1 Thess. v 10, Heb ix 14, 1 Peter iv. 2.
v Isa. xxxii 15; xliv 3, Jer xxxi 33, xxxii 40; Ezek. xi. 19; xxxvi. 27, Joel ii. 28, 29, Zech xii. 10, John vii. 39, Acts ii 33; Rom iv. 9, 16.
3 Or, *testament.*
h ch i 4, v 24; vi. 6, 14; Rom. vi. 6; 2 Cor. v 15, Eph v. 2; 1 Thess. v. 10; 1 Peter iv. 2, Titus ii. 14.
w Heb ix. 17.
i ch iii. 21, v 4; Rom xi 6, Heb vii. 11.
x ver 8, Gen xii 3, 7; xvii. 7, 1 Cor xii. 12.
y ver 21; Exod. xii. 40, 41; Rom iv. 13, 14.
z Rom. iv 14; viii 17.
j ch ii. 14; v. 7.
a ver. 16; Exod. xx 19, 21, 22, Deut v 5, 22, 23, 27, 31; John i 17; xv 22, Acts vii. 38, 53; Rom iv 15; v 20; vii 8, 13, 1 Tim. i. 9; ii. 5, Heb. ii. 2
k ver. 14; Acts ii 38; viii 15; x 47; xv 8; Rom x 16, 17, Eph. i. 13; Heb vi. 4
b Rom iii 29, 30

3 Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?[l]

4 Have ye suffered [1]so many things in vain? if *it be* yet in vain.[m]

5 He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you, *doeth he it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?[n]

6 Even as Abraham believed God, and it was [2]accounted to him for righteousness.[o]

7 Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.[p]

8 And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, *saying,* In thee shall all nations be blessed.[q]

9 So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed *is* every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.[r]

11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, *it is* evident: for, The just shall live by faith.[s]

12 And the law is not of faith: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.[t]

13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed *is* every one that hangeth on a tree:[u]

14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.[v]

15 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though *it be* but a man's [3]covenant, yet *if it be* confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.[w]

16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.[x]

17 And this I say, *that* the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.[y]

18 For if the inheritance *be* of the law, *it is* no more of promise: but God gave *it* to Abraham by promise.[z]

19 Wherefore then *serveth* the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.[a]

20 Now a mediator is not *a mediator* of one, but God is one.[b]

guided in his conduct solely by the will of Christ, as the one living and only Head of the Church. They could give him neither counsel nor aid, but left him to prosecute his work among the Gentiles in whatever way he deemed best; and in this James, and Peter, and John concurred, and gave him the right hand of fellowship, with their benediction.

10. "Remember the poor:"—the suffering saints in Jerusalem.

CHAPTER III.

1. "O foolish Galatians:"—the word "foolish" is to be taken in the sense of thoughtless or unreflecting; and the word "bewitched" points to the use of those subtle and artful means by which they had been seduced from the truth, in the presentation of which Christ the Crucified was clearly set before them as the one exclusive object of their faith, apart from Mosaic rites and [illegible] obligation.

2. "The hearing of faith."—this means the hearing of the Gospel, which exhibits the object of faith. And his question is, whether they received their spiritual life through that truth, or through the works of the law.

4. "Suffered so many things."—in reference to what they endured when they first embraced the Gospel. Why did they then suffer for the very truth which they were now seeking to renounce?

5. "He that ministereth:"—this is a repetition of the second verse in another form; and the Apostle asks whether God had given the Spirit and exerted his miraculous power among them in connection with Mosaic rites, or in connection with the Gospel of Christ? As the blessing came to Abraham through faith, so, the Apostle leaves them to infer, must all higher blessing come to them also through faith.

8. "The gospel unto Abraham:"—the glad tidings of a Redeemer, and of salvation through him.

21 *Is* the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.[a]

22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.[b]

23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.

24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster *to bring us* unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.[c]

25 But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.[d]

27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.[e]

28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.[f]

29 And if ye *be* Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.[g]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *We were under the law till Christ came, as the heir is under his guardian till he be of age.* 5 *But Christ freed us from the law* 7 *therefore we are servants no longer to it* 14 *He remembereth their good will to him, and his to them,* 22 *and sheweth that we are the sons of Abraham by the freewoman*

NOW I say, *That* the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all;

2 But is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.

3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the [1]elements of the world:[h]

4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,[i]

5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.[j]

6 And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 58.

l ch. iii 29, Rom. viii. 16, 17.

a ch ii 21.
m Rom i 25, 1 Cor. xii. 2, Eph ii 11, 12, 1 Thess. i. 9, iv. 5

b ver. 8; Rom iii 9, 19, 23, iv 11, 12, 16, xi 32

2 Or, *back*

3 Or, *rudiments*, ver. 3.

n ch iii. 3; Rom viii 3; 1 Cor viii 3; xiii. 12, Col. ii. 20; 2 Tim i 19, Heb vii 18

o Rom xiv. 5, Col. ii 16

c ch ii 16; Matt v 17, Acts xiii 39, Rom x 4, Col ii 17, Heb ix 9, 10
p ch ii 2 v 2, 4, 1 Thess iii 5
q 2 Cor. xi 5

d ch iv 5 John i 12, Rom viii 14—16, 1 John iii 1, 2.
r ch i 6, 1 Cor ii 3, 2 Cor xi. 30, xii 7, 9

e Rom vi 3, xiii 14.
s 2 Sam. xix 27; Zech xii 8, Mal iii 7; Matt x. 40, Luke x 16, John xiii 20, 1 Thess. ii 13
4 Or, *What was then*

f ch v 6, John x 16, xvii 20, 21, Rom x 12, 1 Cor xii 13, Eph ii 14—16, iv 4, 15, Col iii 11

g ch iv 7, 28, Gen xxi 10, 12, Rom viii 17, ix 7, Eph iii 6; Heb xi 18
t ch ii 5, 14.
5 Or, *us.*
u Rom x 2, 2 Cor xi 2
v 1 Cor iv 15, Phil 10, James i 18.
6 Or, *I am perplexed for you.*

1 Or, *rudiments.*
w Gen xvi 15, xxi. 2

h ver 9; ch ii 4, v 1, Col. ii. 8, 20; Heb ix 10
x Gen. xviii. 10, 14, xxi 1, 2, Rom ix 7, 8; Heb xi 11

i Gen. iii 15, xlix. 10, Isa vii 14, Dan. ix. 24, Micah v 3, Matt. i 23, v 17, Mark i. 15; Luke i. 31, ii 7, 27, John i 14, Rom i 3, Eph i 10, Philipp ii 7, Heb. ii. 14
7 Or, *testaments.*
8 Gr *Sina*

j ch iii 13, 26, Matt xx 28, Eph i 5, 7; Titus ii. 14 Heb ix 12, 1 Peter i 18, 19, John i 12.
y Deut xxxii. 2
9 Or, *is in the same rank with.*

k Rom. v 5, viii 15

7 Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.[l]

8 Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, ye did service unto them which by nature are no gods.[m]

9 But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye [2]again to the weak and beggarly [3]elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage?[n]

10 Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years.[o]

11 I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour in vain.[p]

12 Brethren, I beseech you, be as I *am;* for I *am* as ye *are:* ye have not injured me at all.[q]

13 Ye know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel unto you at the first.[r]

14 And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected; but received me as an angel of God, *even* as Christ Jesus.[s]

15 [4]Where is then the blessedness ye spake of? for I bear you record, that, if *it had been* possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me.

16 Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth?[t]

17 They zealously affect you, *but* not well; yea, they would exclude [5]you, that ye might affect them.[u]

18 But *it is* good to be zealously affected always in *a* good *thing,* and not only when I am present with you.

19 My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,[v]

20 I desire to be present with you now, and to change my voice; for [6]I stand in doubt of you.

21 Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law?

22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman.[w]

23 But he *who was* of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman *was* by promise.[x]

24 Which things are an allegory: for these are the two [7]covenants; the one from the mount [8]Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar.[y]

25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and [9]answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.

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11. "The just shall live by faith:"—the design of the Apostle is not to show by what the just live, but that the just—that is, those who are justified by faith—can alone have life, and thus he shuts out the law as a ground of justification and acceptance. The law does not require faith, but obedience; and in the absence of the obedience which the law demands to every precept there can be no life.

13, 14. "A curse for us"—the curse, or punishment of sin, is death, and this Christ endured for us when he became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross; that the blessing promised to believing Abraham might come upon all the Gentiles who had like faith with the patriarch.

20. "God is one:"—the Apostle tells us in the previous verses that God had made a covenant of mercy with Abraham, but some four hundred years afterwards THE LAW was added because of transgression, till the promised Messiah should appear. Does the law, asks the Apostle, set aside the promise? That is impossible: God is one. It is one God who gave both the promise and the law; and instead of the promise being set aside by the law, the law, which makes no provision for the pardon of sin, leads man to the promise, as revealing the only ground of dependence before God.

25. "Faith is come:"—not faith as a principle, but that in which the principle terminates and rests. In other words, not the act of faith, but the object of faith.

27. "Put on Christ:"—all who are truly in Christ have one adoption, and are heirs of one inheritance.

CHAPTER IV.

4. "The fulness of the time:"—when the world was in the state to receive the Incarnate One—ripe for his appearance, by the condition of things and the progress of events.

8. "Are no gods:"—have not in their nature any of the attributes that belong to God, and therefore they are "no gods," but the work of men's hands; and yet to such unmeaning objects they were wont, before being converted to Christianity, to proffer worship and service.

9. "Rather are known of God:"—their conversion to Christianity was effected, not by any effort of their own, but by the power and grace of God; and with this deep-seated consciousness within them, it was a marvel to the Apostle how they could return to those erroneous notions by which they had been formerly enthralled.

13—16. Though he had appeared among them the subject of such bodily

26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.[a]

27 For it is written, Rejoice, *thou* barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.[b]

28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.[c]

29 But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him *that was born* after the Spirit, even so *it is* now.[d]

30 Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son: for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.[e]

31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.[f]

CHAPTER V.

1 *He moveth them to stand in their liberty,* 3 *and not to observe circumcision:* 13 *but rather love, which is the sum of the law.* 19 *He reckoneth up the works of the flesh,* 22 *and the fruits of the Spirit,* 25 *and exhorteth to walk in the Spirit.*

STAND fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.[g]

2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, Christ shall profit you nothing.[h]

3 For I testify again to every man that is circumcised, that he is a debtor to do the whole law.[i]

4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.[j]

ANNO DOMINI 58.

a Isa. ii. 2; Heb. xii. 22; Rev. iii. 12; xxi. 2, 10.

b Rom. viii. 24, 25; 2 Tim. iv. 8.

l ch. iii. 28; vi. 15; 1 Cor. vii. 19; Col. iii. 11; 1 Thess. i. 3; James ii. 18, 20, 22.

b Isa. liv. 1.

1 Or, *who did drive you back.*

m ch. iii. 1; 1 Cor ix. 24.

c ch iii 29; Acts iii. 25; Rom ix. 8.

n ch. i 6.

o 1 Cor. v. 6; xv. 33.

d ch v. 11; vi. 12, Gen. xxi. 9

p ch i. 7; 2 Cor. ii. 3, viii. 22, x 6.

e ch iii. 8, 22; Gen. xxi. 10, 12, John v. 35.

f ch. v. 1, 13; John viii. 36.

q ch iv. 29; vi. 12, 17; 1 Cor. i. 23, xv 30.

r ch. i 8, 9, Josh vii 25; Acts xv 1, 2, 24; 1 Cor. v. 13.

s ch. vi 3, 1 Cor viii 9, ix. 19; 1 Peter ii 16, 2 Peter ii 19, Jude 4.

t Lev. xix. 18; Matt. vii 12, xxii 39, 40, Rom xiii. 8, 9, James ii 8

2 Or, *fulfil not.*

g ch. ii. 4, iv 9; John viii. 32, Acts xv. 10, Rom. vi 18, 1 Peter ii. 16.

u ver 25; Rom vi. 12, viii 1, 4, 12, xiii 14, 1 Peter ii 11.

h Acts xv. 1, xvi 3.

v Rom. vii 15, 18, 23; viii 6, 7

i ch iii 10.

w Rom. vi 14; viii 2.

j ch ii 21; Rom ix 31, 32; Heb xii 15

x 1 Cor. iii 3; Eph. v 3, Col iii 5, James iv 14, 15.

5 For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.[k]

6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.[l]

7 Ye did run well; [1]who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?[m]

8 This persuasion *cometh* not of him that calleth you.[n]

9 A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.[o]

10 I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.[p]

11 And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased.[q]

12 I would they were even cut off which trouble you.[r]

13 For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only *use* not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.[s]

14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, *even* in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.[t]

15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

16 *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and [2]ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.[u]

17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.[v]

18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.[w]

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these;* Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,[x]

infirmity as might have led them to depreciate and reject him, they had been unbounded in their expressions of affection and attachment.

The infirmity and temptation, or trial, of which he speaks, and from which he suffered in the flesh, appears to have been some peculiar affection of the sight, as may be inferred from the words, "I bear you record, that, if it had been possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me."

17. "They zealously affect you:"—the reference is again to the Judaising teachers, who were zealous in using their influence to draw them away into a separate party.

20. "Change my voice;"—that is, his mode of address, in consequence of their change of feeling and conduct.

21—31. "Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law:"—the object of the Apostle in these verses is to illustrate in the form of an allegory the relative position of the law and the promises. The law, which demands perfect obedience, and makes no provision for transgression, brings men into bondage; but the promise which is founded on Christ's sinless obedience to law, while it preserves the majesty and the integrity of law intact, rises above law, by revealing to man the richest mercy: so that no believer can ever revert to the promise without being reminded of the law which his Saviour magnified and made honourable by his obedience unto death.

"Jerusalem which now is:"—Jerusalem with her children must here be taken in the sense of the Jewish Church, which was enslaved by its numerous rites and ceremonies; whereas the Jerusalem which is above—the kingdom of heaven set up on earth by the Messiah—the Christian Church—is free from such rites and ceremonies, and her members enjoy a spiritual freedom.

CHAPTER V.

1. "Stand fast:"—he had just stated in the most explicit terms the freedom enjoyed by believers in Christ in the new economy of grace, and by virtue of the Holy Spirit dwelling in them; and now he entreats them, with all the tenderness and all the solicitude of maternal affection, not to suffer themselves to be led away by their false teachers, whose aim it was to reduce them to the bondage of a system which had for ever passed away.

2, 3. "If ye be circumcised:"—to submit to this rite was, in fact, to come under the whole law; while subjection to the law, not as a rule of life, but as the means of safety—as a way of salvation—was nothing less than a rejection of the salvation which is by faith in Christ.

4 "Christ is become of no effect:"—the sequence is undeniable, that if a man seek to be declared free from all offence, or, in Scripture language, "to be justified" on the ground of conformity to the law, Christ and his obedience to the law are necessarily excluded, and thus Christ and his blessings become of no effect. In such a case, on the part of the Almighty, salvation would not be of grace, but of works; it would not be an act of mercy, but an act of justice Acts of mercy flowing from a sovereign are termed acts of grace; and "by grace we are saved," and not by any merit of our own.

6. "Faith which worketh by love:"—we are justified by faith, but this faith is inseparable from love, as true faith is an active principle that works by love. Faith that is vital is ever united to love that is active. If faith be inoperative, it is lifeless and worthless.

8. "This persuasion:"—they had set out well in their Christian life: who had intervened to impede their progress? The persuasion of the false teachers to which they were now listening and yielding could not be from God, who had called them into the fellowship of the Gospel; and therefore the Apostle exhorts them to be on their guard against all unholy influences, since a little leaven would soon leaven the whole mass.

10. "Shall bear his judgment:"—the disturber or seducer might have been acting secretly and under a mask; but the Apostle reminds the Galatians that he had confidence in their consistency, and therefore he felt assured that the offending party, whoever he might be, would be visited with merited punishment.

11. "If I yet preach circumcision:"—this was the charge preferred against him by the false teachers, who alleged that he enforced the rite of circumcision. The Apostle therefore asks with great point, "Why do I yet suffer persecution" from those of the circumcision? If I preach circumcision, then what is there in Christianity to object to? If circumcision, and not Christ crucified, be the ground of human acceptance and salvation, the offence of the Cross—the objection to our Christian doctrine—is taken away.

13. "An occasion to the flesh:"—he warns them against the abuse of their Christian liberty. Though free from the law as a ground of dependence, they were yet under law as a rule of conduct. And instead of turning the grace of God into lasciviousness, by continuing in sin that grace might abound, they

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.[a]

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,[b]

23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.[c]

24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the [1]affections and lusts.[d]

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.[e]

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.[f]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *He moveth them to deal mildly with a brother that hath slipped,* 2 *and to bear one another's burden* 6 *to be liberal to their teachers,* 9 *and not weary of well doing* 12 *He sheweth what they intend that preach circumcision.* 14 *He glorieth in nothing, save in the cross of Christ.*

BRETHREN, [2]if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.[g]

2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.[h]

3 For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.[i]

4 But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.[j]

ANNO DOMINI 58.

k Rom. ii. 6; 1 Cor. iii. 8.
l Rom xv. 27; 1 Cor. ix. 11, 14.
m Job xiii. 9; Luke xvi. 25; Rom. ii. 6; 1 Cor. vi. 9, xv. 33; 2 Cor. ix. 6.
a 1 Cor. vi. 9; Eph. v. 5; Col. iii. 6; Rev. xxii. 15.
b John xv 2, Rom. xv. 14; 1 Cor xiii 7; Eph v. 9; Col iii. 12; James iii. 17.
n Job iv. 8; Prov xi. 18; xxii. 8; Hos. viii. 7; x. 12; Rom. viii. 13; James iii. 18.
c 1 Tim i 9.
o Matt. xxiv. 13, 1 Cor. xv. 58; 2 Thess. iii. 13; Heb. iii 6, 14; x 36; xii. 3, 5; Rev ii 10.
1 Or, *passions.*
d ch ii 20; Rom. vi. 6; xiii. 14, 1 Peter ii 11.
p John ix 4; xii. 35; Eph ii 19; 1 Thess. v. 15; 1 Tim vi 18; Titus iii 8; Heb. iii. 6.
e ver. 16; Rom. viii. 4, 5.
f Philipp ii 3
q ch ii 3, 14, v 11; Philipp iii. 18.
2 Or, *although.*
3 Or, *whereby.*
r ch. ii 20, Rom vi. 6; Philipp. iii 3, 7, 8.
g Rom xiv. 1; xv. 1; 1 Cor ii 15, iii. 1; iv 21, vii 5; x. 12; 2 Thess iii 15, 2 Tim. ii 25, Heb xii 13, James v. 19
s ch v 6, 1 Cor vii 19, 2 Cor v. 17, Col. iii. 11.
h ch. v 13, John xiii 14; xv 12, 34, Rom xv 1, 1 Thess v 14, James ii. 8, 1 John iv 21.
t ch iii 7, 9, 29, Ps cxxv 5, Rom ii. 29; iv 12; ix 6—8, Philipp. iii. 3, 16
i ch ii 6, Rom xii 3; 1 Cor viii 2, 2 Cor iii. 5, xii 11.
u ch v 11, 2 Cor i. 5, iv 10, xi 23; Col i 24
v 2 Tim. iv. 22, Phil 25
j Luke xviii. 11; 1 Cor. xi 28, 2 Cor xiii 5.

5 For every man shall bear his own burden.[k]

6 Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.[l]

7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.[m]

8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.[n]

9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.[o]

10 As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all *men*, especially unto them who are of the houshold of faith.[p]

11 Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand.

12 As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.[q]

13 For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.

14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, [3]by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.[r]

15 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.[s]

16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace *be* on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.[t]

17 From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.[u]

18 Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.[v]

¶ Unto the Galatians written from Rome.

were to lay a restraint on their fleshly appetites and desires, and to rise above the debasing influence of selfishness, by the exercise of Christian duties.

16, 17 "Walk in the Spirit."—by a sudden transition, yet not unnatural, the Apostle passes from the conflict with outward opponents, whether in the form of false teachers or others, to the inner conflict in the renewed man between the flesh and the Spirit. The ultimate object of God in this fight is, to withdraw man from the slavery of Satan to the service of Christ, and by the influence of the Divine Spirit to lead him to exclaim, "Not my will, but thine be done" Therefore, to "walk in the Spirit" is nothing less than to walk, not according to the demands of this world, but in willing obedience to God's commands in newness of life.

CHAPTER VI.

This chapter ought to have begun with the twenty-fifth verse of the preceding chapter If God the Holy Spirit dwells in the heart, the flesh will be subdued and mortified, in the degree in which the Spirit is allowed to work within; so that he who cherishes the influences of God's Spirit, and strives to be conformed to his will, cannot but exemplify it in his daily life and conversation.

1. "If a man be overtaken"—the Apostle conceives it possible—nay, probable—that there were those who might be surprised and taken in the very act of transgression; and he advises those who are the most spiritual, the most enlightened in mind, and the most holy in life, to treat the offender as a brother who is to be restored; and therefore to deal with him in the spirit of meekness—with the gentleness and love of Christ; for thus only would he be won.

2, 3. "Bear ye one another's burdens."—the chief hindrance to our sympathy with the afflictions of others is selfishness, and that must be surmounted; as self-denial, the opposite grace, is the starting-point of Christianity.



FAC-SIMILE OF AN ANCIENT GREEK UNCIAL MS. OF ST. MATTHEW, REPRESENTING CHAP. XX., PART OF VERSE 34. (FROM THE "DUBLIN CODEX" OF THE SIXTH CENTURY.)

5 "Bear his own burden."—this seems to contradict the exhortation just before, to bear each other's burdens. But it is not so. Whatever be the consequences, immediate or remote, of a man's work, he alone will be responsible.

11. "Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you:"—this passage has been variously explained; the reference is by many supposed to be to the ancient mode of writing in capital, or large letters. The accompanying illustration offers a specimen of this form of writing. It will be seen that the letters follow each other without any division of words. Frequently there was no stop at the end even of a sentence. This form of writing involved much labour, and was necessarily a very slow operation. "With mine own hand;"—this is said to be the only epistle which Paul wrote to the Churches without the aid of an amanuensis.

12, 13. "A fair shew in the flesh:"—the Judaising teachers relied on the external rite of circumcision, and vainly conceived that thereby they stood in peculiar relation and favour with God. Hence their opposition to Christianity. Not that they themselves kept the law, but they were exceedingly desirous of creating a party, in whose numbers and conformity to Jewish rites they might glory. But THE CROSS OF CHRIST, which they repudiated, was that in which the Apostle gloried.

17. "I bear in my body."—the Apostle repudiates those who had endeavoured to add to his solicitude and trouble by attempting to undermine his apostolic authority, and defeat the end of his ministry; and hence he says, "Let no man trouble me, for I"—and not your false teachers—"bear in my body the marks"—the scars, and wounds and stripes which he had received in the service of Christ.—See 2 Cor. xi. 24—27.



THE

EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE EPHESIANS

CHAPTER I.

1 *After the salutation,* 3 *and thanksgiving for the Ephesians,* 4 *he treateth of our election,* 6 *and adoption by grace,* 11 *which is the true and proper fountain of man's salvation.* 13 *And because the height of this mystery cannot easily be attained unto,* 16 *he prayeth that they may come* 18 *to the full knowledge and* 20 *possession thereof in Christ.*

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PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus :[a]

2 Grace *be* to you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.[b]

3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly [1]*places* in Christ :[c]

4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love :[d]

a ch vi. 21; Rom. i. 7; 1 Cor. iv. 17; 2 Cor. i. 1, Col. i 2.

b Gal. i. 3; Titus i. 4.

1 Or, *things*, ch vi. 12.

c 2 Cor. i. 3; 1 Peter i. 3.

d ch ii. 10; v 27. Luke i. 75; Rom. viii 28; Col. i. 22. 1 Thess iv 7. 2 Thess. ii. 13; 2 Tim. i. 9, Titus ii. 12; James ii. 5; 1 Peter i. 2, 20; ii 9.

5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,[a]

6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.[b]

7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;[c]

8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;

9 Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:[d]

10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in [1]heaven, and which are on earth; *even* in him:[e]

11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:[f]

12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first [2]trusted in Christ.[g]

13 In whom ye also *trusted*, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,[h]

14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.[i]

15 Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints,[j]

16 Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;[k]

17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation [3]in the knowledge of him:[l]

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a vs. 9, 11; Matt. xi. 26; Luke xii. 32, John i. 12; Rom. viii. 15, 29, 30, 1 Cor. i. 21; 2 Cor. vi. 18; Gal. iv. 5
m ver 11; ch. ii 12; iv. 4, Acts xxvi. 18.
b Matt. iii. 17, xvii. 5; John iii. 35; x. 17, Rom iii. 24; v. 15.
4 Gr. *of the might of his power.*
n ch. iii 7; Col. i. 29.
c ch ii. 7; iii. 8, 16; Acts xx. 28; Rom. ii. 4; iii. 24; ix. 23; Philipp. iv. 19; Col. i. 14; Heb. ix. 12; 1 Peter i. 18, 19.
o Ps. cx. 1; Acts ii. 24; vii. 55; Col. iii. 1, Heb. i. 3.
d ch. iii. 4, 9, 11; Rom. xvi. 25; Col i. 26.
p Rom. viii. 38; Philipp. ii. 9, 10; Col. i 16; ii. 10, 15; Heb i. 3, 4; x. 12.
q ch. iv 15, 16; Ps. viii 6; Matt xxviii. 18; 1 Cor xv. 27; Col. i 18, Heb. ii 7.
1 Gr. *the heavens.*
e ch. ii. 15; iii. 15; 1 Cor. iii. 22, 23, xi. 3, Gal iv. 4, Philipp. ii. 9, 10; Col. i 20; Heb. i 2, ix. 10; 1 Peter i. 20.
r ch. iv 10, 12; v. 23, 30; Rom xii. 5; 1 Cor. xii. 6, 12, 27; Col. i. 18, 24; ii. 9
f ver. 5; Isa. xlvi. 10, 11; Acts xx. 32; xxvi. 18, Rom viii 17; Col. i. 12, iii 24, Titus iii 7, James ii. 5, 1 Peter i. 4.
2 Or, *hoped*
g vs. 6, 14, 2 Thess. ii. 13, James i. 18.
s ver 5; ch. iv. 18; John v. 24; Col. ii. 13.
h ch. iv. 30; John i. 17; 2 Cor. i. 22; vi. 7.
i vs. 6, 12; ch. iv. 30; Luke xxi. 28; Acts xx. 28; Rom. viii. 23; 2 Cor. i. 22; v. 5; 1 Peter ii. 9.
j Col. i. 4, Phil 5.
t ch iv. 22, v. 6; vi 12, 1 Cor vi 11; Col. i 21; iii 6, 7; 1 John v 19.
k Rom. i 9; Philipp. i. 3.
5 Gr *the wills*
3 Or, *for the acknowledgment*, Col ii 2.
l John xx 17; Col i. 9
u Rom. v 12, 14; Gal v 16.

18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,[m]

19 And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working [4]of his mighty power,[n]

20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*,[o]

21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:[p]

22 And hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him *to be* the head over all *things* to the church,[q]

23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.[r]

CHAPTER II.

1 *By comparing what we were by* 3 *nature, with what we are* 5 *by grace:* 10 *he declareth, that we are made for good works; and* 13 *being brought near by Christ, should not live as* 11 *Gentiles, and* 12 *foreigners in time past, but as* 19 *citizens with the saints, and the family of God.*

AND you *hath he quickened*, who were dead in trespasses and sins;[s]

2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:[t]

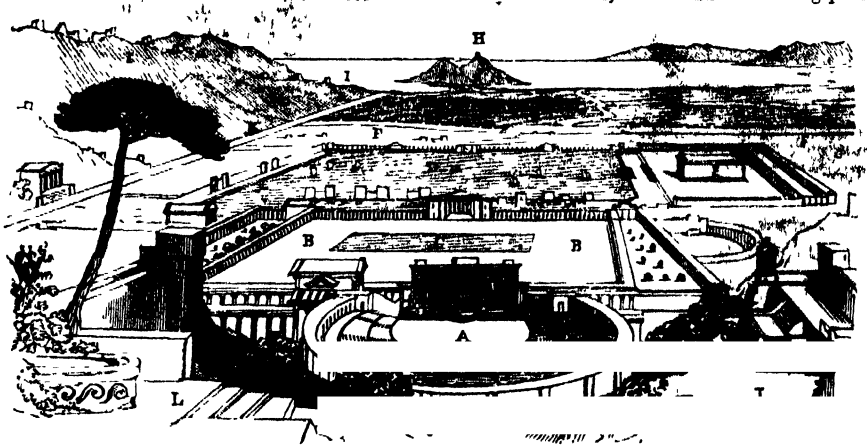
3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling [5]the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were *by* nature the children of wrath, even as others.[u]

CHAPTER I.

EPHESUS, the chief of the twelve Ionian cities on the coast of Asia Minor, was situated in an alluvial plain, on the south side and near the mouth of the Cayster. In the plain beyond its walls stood the celebrated Temple of Diana, which was one of the wonders of the ancient world. This famous edifice was built in the sixth century before the Christian era, and after being burnt down by Eratostratus, in the very night on which Alexander the Great was born (B.C. 356), was restored by the joint efforts of the Ionian States.

Ephesus was a place of considerable commerce, and was always very flourishing. The engraving on the preceding page is an imaginary restoration of the city, based upon existing records.

After his sojourn for a year and a half in Corinth, our Apostle came for the first time to Ephesus. This was at the close of his second great missionary tour, and when on his way to Jerusalem to attend the feast of Pentecost. Apollos, with Aquila and Priscilla, carried on the work which he then commenced; and from Jerusalem he himself returned thither, and there spent three whole years, during which period, no doubt, the church was founded.—See Acts xix., xx.



KEY TO VIEW OF EPHESUS RESTORED.

A The Great Theatre, situated at the foot of Mount Prion
B B The Great Forum
C A lake, or reservoir of water This was surrounded by a double colonnade, as well as by statues (the former omitted in the view, as it would cause confusion).
D The great artificial harbour.
E The Temple of Diana, one of the wonders of the world.
F F The city.
G The river Cayster.
H A ruin called the Prison of St. Paul.
I I Mount Coressus, which was surmounted by a line of fortifications, and its sides covered with the villa residences of the Ephesians.
K A long street leading to the seaport.
L L Summit of Mount Prion.

4. "Before him in love:"—the verse as it stands is complete; some critics and commentators, however, have preferred to connect the words "in love" with the fifth verse, thus: "In love having predestinated us"

9. "The mystery of his will:" the word "mystery" is a favourite term with our Apostle to designate the whole scheme of redeeming mercy, which had not hitherto been revealed.

14. "The redemption of the purchased possession:"—the possession is the Church, or body of believers, which Christ has purchased with his own blood, and whose redemption is to be completed or perfected at his second coming.

CHAPTER II.

2. "The prince of power:"—a phrase ... is meant to embody all evil under the personal idea of the devil, as the head and leader of all evil agencies.

8. "... —what is the gift of God? The faith, or the salvation? Opinion is divided; but Calvin and other distin-



PAUL WRITING HIS EPISTLE TO THE EPHESIANS —EPH III. 1.

4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,[a]

5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, [1](by grace ye are saved;)[b]

6 And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus:[c]

7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in *his* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.[d]

8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:[e]

9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.[f]

10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before [2]ordained that we should walk in them.[g]

11 Wherefore remember, that ye *being* in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;[h]

12 That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:[i]

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a Rom. x. 12.
j ver. 17; Acts ii 39, Gal iii 28.
1 Or, by whose grace, Acts xv 11, Titus iii 5
b Rom v 6; vi 4, 5, Col ii 12, 13, iii 1, 3
k John x 16, xvi 33, Acts x. 36, Rom. v. 1.
c ch i 20
d Titus iii 4
l 2 Cor v 17; Gal 15, Col i 22
Rom iii 24; iv 16,
n 3
iii 20; ix 11;
1 Cor. i 29—31

2 Or, prepared
g John iii. 3, 5; 1 Cor iii. 9; 2 Cor v 5, 17
o Rom. v 2; 1 Cor xii 13, Heb iv 16; x 19, 20; 1 Peter iii 18
p ch. iii. 15; Gal. vi 10; Philipp iii. 20; Heb. xii. 22, 23.
h Rom ii 28, 29, 1 Cor. xii 2. Col i.21 ii 11 13
q 1 Cor. iii. 9, 10, xii. 28; Gal. ii. 9; 1 Peter ii 4, 5, Rev. xxi 14.
i ch. iv. 18; Ezek. xiii. 9; John x. 16; Rom. ix 4, 8, Gal iv 8; Col i 21; 1 Thess. iv. 5, 13
r 1 Cor iii. 17; vi 19; 2 Cor. vi. 16.

13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.[j]

14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*;[k]

15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, *so* making peace;[l]

16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity [3]thereby:[m]

And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.[n]

18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.[o]

19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the houshold of God;[p]

20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner *stone*;[q]

21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:[r]

guished commentators refer the gift not to the faith of the believer, but to the salvation of God. Hence salvation is not of works, but of grace.

14. "Who hath made both one;"—that is, both Jews and Gentiles, who are equally indebted to the mediation of Christ, and who, through that mediation, are reconciled not only to God, but to each other, and thus are brought into union.

16. "Having slain the enmity thereby:"—on the cross the Saviour swept away the whole Jewish system.—See Col. ii. 13—15.

22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.[a]

CHAPTER III.

5 The hidden mystery, 6 that the Gentiles should be saved, 8 was made known to Paul by revelation: 8 and to him was that grace given, that 9 he should preach it. 13 He desireth them not to faint for his tribulation, 14 and prayeth 19 that they may perceive the great love of Christ toward them.

FOR this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,[b]

2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:[c]

3 How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote [1]afore in few words,[d]

4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)[e]

5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;[f]

6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:[g]

7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.[h]

8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;[i]

9 And to make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:[j]

10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly *places* might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,[k]

11 According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:[l]

12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.[m]

13 Wherefore I desire that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory.[n]

14 For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

15 Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,[o]

16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;[p]

17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,[q]

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a 1 Peter ii. 5.
r ch i 18; Rom. x. 3, 11, 12.
s ch. i. 23; John i. 16, Col. ii 9, 10.
t ver. 7; Rom xvi. 25; 1 Cor ii. 9; Col. i. 29; Jude 24.
u Rom. xi. 36; xvi. 27; Heb. xiii. 21.
b ch. iv. 1; vi. 20; Acts xxi. 33; xxviii. 17, 20; Gal. v. 11; Philipp. i. 7, 13, 14, 16; Col. i. 24; iv. 3, 18; 2 Tim. i. 8; ii. 9, 10; Phil. 1, 9.
c ver. 8; ch. iv. 7; Acts ix. 15; xiii 2; Rom. i. 5; xi. 13; xii. 3; 1 Cor. iv. 1; Gal. i. 16; Col. i 25.
1 Or, *a little before.*
d ch. i 9, 10; Acts xxii. 17, 21; xxvi. 17, 18; Rom. xvi. 25; Gal. i. 12; Col i 26, 27.
2 Or, *in the Lord.*
e ch. vi. 19; 1 Cor. iv. 1.
v ch iii. 1, Philipp. i. 27; Col. i. 10; 1 Thess ii. 12; Phil. 1, 9.
f ver. 9, ch. ii. 20; Acts x. 28; Rom. xvi. 25.
w Acts xx. 19; Gal. v 22, 23; Col. iii. 12, 13.
g ch. ii. 14, 15, 16; Gal. iii. 14, 28, 29.
x Col iii. 14.
h ch. i. 19, Rom. i 5; xv. 16, 18, Col i. 23, 25, 29.
y ch. i. 18; ii 16; Rom. xii 5; 1 Cor. xii. 4, 11—13.
z ver 13; 1 Cor. i. 13, viii. 6, xii. 5; 2 Cor xi. 4; Gal. iii. 27, 28, Heb. vi 6; Jude 3.
i ch. i. 7; 1 Cor. xv. 9; Gal. i. 16; ii 8; Col. i. 27, 1 Tim i. 13, 15; ii. 7; 2 Tim. i 11.
a Mal. ii 10; Rom. xi. 36, 1 Cor. viii. 6, xii 6
b Rom. xii 3, 6; 1 Cor. xii 11.
j vs. 3, 5, ch i 9, Ps xxxiii 6, John i 3, Rom xvi 25, 1 Cor ii 7; Col. i. 16, 26, Heb. i. 2
3 Or, *a multitude of captives.*
c Jude v 12, Ps lxviii 18, Col ii 15
d John iii. 13, vi. 33, 62
k ch i 21; Rom. viii 38; 1 Cor ii 7, Col i 16, 1 Tim. iii 16, 1 Peter i 12, iii. 22.
4 Or, *fulfil.*
l ch i. 9
e Acts i 9, 11; ii. 33; 1 Tim. iii 16, Heb. iv. 14, vii. 26, viii 1; ix 24.
m ch ii 18; Heb iv 16
f ch ii 20, Acts xx 28, xxi 8, Rom xii 7, 1 Cor xii 28, 2 Tim iv. 5
n ver 1; Acts xiv. 22; 2 Cor i. 6; Philipp. i 14, 1 Thess iii 3.
g ch i 23; 1 Cor xii 7, xiv. 26, Col. i 24.
5 Or, *into the unity*
o ch. i 10, Philipp. ii. 9—11
6 Or, *age.*
h 1 Cor xiv. 20; Col. i 28; ii 2.
p ch i 7; vi 10, Rom. vii. 22; ix 23; 2 Cor. iv 16, Philipp. iv. 19; Col. i. 11, 27
q ch ii 22; John xiv. 23; Col i. 23; ii 7
i Isa. xxviii. 9; Matt. xi. 7; Rom xvi. 19; 1 Cor xiv 20; 2 Cor ii. 17; Heb. xiii. 9.

18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what *is* the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;[r]

19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.[s]

20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,[t]

21 Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.[u]

CHAPTER IV.

1 He exhorteth to unity, 7 and declareth that God therefore giveth divers 11 gifts unto men, that his church might be 13 edified, and 16 grown up in Christ. 18 He calleth them from the impurity of the Gentiles, 24 to put on the new man, 25 to cast off lying, and 29 corrupt communic

THEREFORE, the prisoner [2]of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,[v]

2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;[w]

3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.[x]

4 *There is* one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;[y]

5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,[z]

6 One God and Father of all, who *is* above all, and through all, and in you all.[a]

7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.[b]

8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led [3]captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.[c]

9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?[d]

10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might [4]fill all things.)[e]

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;[f]

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:[g]

13 Till we all come [5]in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the [6]stature of the fulness of Christ:[h]

14 That we *henceforth* be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, *and* cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;[i]

CHAPTER III.

1. "The prisoner of Jesus Christ"—Paul was now enduring his first imprisonment in Rome; but his joy was that he was suffering for Christ and the Gospel.

3. "By revelation:"—the Apostle will not suffer any human element to come into his call to and qualification for the work of the ministry.—See Gal. i. 11—17. On the phrase, "as I wrote before in few words," see chap. i. 9.

6. "His promise in Christ;"—that is, the promise of salvation, with all its plenitude of grace here and of glory hereafter, which includes the present and the future, and embraces every other promise.

CHAPTER IV.

1. "I therefore . . . beseech you"—here begins the second or hortatory part of the Epistle; and it is on what goes before that the Apostle founds the practical exhortations embodied in this latter section.

6. "One God and Father;"—who is above all, in his supremacy as the Universal Ruler; through all, or with all, as the God of providence; and in all, by his power and his Spirit.

11. "Some, evangelists:"—the evangelist differed from the pastor and teacher in the unconfined character of his mission. He proceeded from place to place, proclaiming redemption through the blood of Christ.

15 But [1]speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, *even* Christ:[a]

16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.[b]

17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,[c]

18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the [2]blindness of their heart:[d]

19 Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.[e]

20 But ye have not so learned Christ;

21 If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:[f]

22 That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;[g]

23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;[h]

24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and [3]true holiness.[i]

25 Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.[j]

26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:[k]

27 Neither give place to the devil.[l]

28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have [4]to give to him that needeth.[m]

29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good [5]to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.[n]

30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.[o]

31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:[p]

32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.[q]

CHAPTER V.

2 *After general exhortations, to love,* 3 *to fly fornication,* 4 *and all uncleanness,* 7 *not to converse with the wicked,* 15 *to walk warily, and to be* 18 *filled with the Spirit,* 22 *he descendeth to the particular duties, how wives ought to obey their husbands,* 25 *and husbands ought to love their wives,* 32 *even as Christ doth his church.*

BE ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;[r]

2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.[s]

3 But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;[t]

4 Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.[u]

5 For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.[v]

6 Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of [6]disobedience.[w]

7 Be not ye therefore partakers with them.

8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now *are ye* light in the Lord: walk as children of light:[x]

9 (For the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)[y]

10 Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.[z]

11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove *them.*[a]

12 For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.[b]

13 But all things that are [7]reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.[c]

14 Wherefore [8]he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.[d]

15 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,[e]

16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.[f]

17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord *is.*[g]

18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;[h]

19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;[i]

20 Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;[j]

21 Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.[k]

22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.[l]

23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.[m]

24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing.[n]

25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;[o]

26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,[p]

27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.[q]

28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:

30 For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.[r]

31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.[s]

ANNO DOMINI 64.

1 Or, *being sincere.*
u ch iv. 29; Matt. xii 35; Rom. i. 28
a ver. 25; ch. i. 22, ii 21; Zech. viii. 16, 2 Cor. iv 2; Col. i. 18; 1 John ii. 18.
v 1 Cor. vi. 9; Gal v. 19, 21; Col. iii. 5.
b Col. ii. 19
6 Or, *unbelief,* Col. iii. 6.
w Rom i. 18; Col. ii. 4, 8, 18; iii. 6; 2 Thess ii. 3
c ver. 22; ch. ii 1—3; Rom. i 21; Col. iii. 7, 1 Peter iv 3.
x John viii 12; xii. 36, 46, Acts xxvi. 18, Rom i 21, 2 Cor. iii 18, iv 6, 1 Thess. v 5, Titus iii 3, 1 Peter ii. 9.
2 Or, *hardness.*
y Gal. v. 22
d ch. ii 12; Acts xxvi 18, Rom i. 21, Gal. iv. 8; 1 Thess. iv 5.
z Rom xii 2; Philipp. i. 10; 1 Thess. v. 21; 1 Tim. ii. 3.
a Lev xix. 17; Rom. vi. 21; xiii. 12, 1 Cor v. 9, 11, x. 20.
e Rom i. 24, 26, 1 Tim iv 2; 1 Peter iv 3.
b ver 23; Rom. i. 24, 26
7 Or, *discovered.*
f ch. i 13.
c John iii 20, 21; Heb iv. 13.
8 Or, *it.*
g ver 17; ch ii 2, 3, Rom vi 6, Col ii 11, iii. 7—9; Heb xii. 1
h Rom xii. 2, Col iii 10.
d John v 25; Rom vi. 4, 5, xiii 11, 12, 1 Cor xv 34, Col iii. 1, 1 Thess v 6
3 Or, *holiness of truth*
i Rom vi. 4, 2 Cor v 17, Gal. vi 15, Col iii 10
e Col. iv. 5
f ch vi 13, Eccles xi 2, xii 1, John xii 35, Gal vi 10
j Rom xii 5, Col. iii 9
g Rom. xii 2, Col. iv. 5, 1 Thess. iv. 3, v. 18
k Ps. iv 4, xxxvii. 8
h Prov xx 1, xxiii 20, 30, Isa. v 11, 22, Luke xxi 34
l 2 Cor ii 10, 11, James iv 7, 1 Peter v 9
i Acts xvi 25, 1 Cor xiv 26, Col. iii. 16
4 Or, *to distribute*
m Luke iii 11; Acts xx 35, 1 Thess iv 11
j 1 Thess v 18, 2 Thess i 3, Heb xiii 15, 1 Peter ii 5, iv 11.
5 Or, *to edify profitably*
n ch v 4, Matt xii. 36; Luke iii. 11, Col iii 8
k Philipp ii 3, 1 Peter v. 5.
o Luke xxi 28, Rom. viii 23; 1 Thess. v 19, 1 Col iii. 18; Titus ii 5, 1 Peter iii 1.
p Col iii. 8, 19; Titus iii 2, 3, James iv. 11.
m ch. iv. 15, 1 Cor. xi 3, Col. i 18.
n Col iii 20, 22; Titus ii 9
q Matt. vi 14, Mark xi. 25; 2 Cor. ii. 10, Col iii 12, 13
o Gal. i 4, ii 20, Col iii. 19; 1 Peter iii 7.
p John iii 5; xv. 3; xvii 17, Titus iii 5.
q 2 Cor. xi. 2; Col. i. 22
r ch iv. 32, Matt. v 45, 48, Luke vi 36
s John xiii 34, xv 12, Heb vii 27, ix 14, 26, x. 10, 12, 1 John iii 11
r Gen ii 23, Rom. xii 5; 1 Cor. vi. 15
t ch iv. 19, 20; Rom. vi. 13; 1 Cor. v. 1; vi. 18; 2 Cor xii 21; Col iii. 5; 1 Thess iv 3, &c
s Gen. ii. 24; Matt. xix. 5; Mark x. 7, 8; 1 Cor. vi. 16.

32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

33 Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife *see* that she reverence *her* husband.[a]

CHAPTER VI.

1 The duty of children towards their parents, 5 of servants towards their masters. 10 Our life is a warfare, 12 not only against flesh and blood, but also spiritual enemies. 13 The complete armour of a Christian, 18 and how it ought to be used. 21 Tychicus is commended.

CHILDREN, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.[b]

2 Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;[c]

3 That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.

4 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.[d]

5 Servants, be obedient to them that are *your* masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;[e]

6 Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;[f]

7 With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men:

8 Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether *he be* bond or free.[g]

9 And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, [1]forbearing threatening: knowing that [2]your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him.[h]

10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.[i]

ANNO DOMINI 64.

j ver. 13; Rom. xiii. 12; 2 Cor. vi. 7; 1 Thess. v. 8.
3 Gr *blood and flesh.*
a ver. 25, Col. iii. 19; 1 Peter iii. 6
4 Or, *wicked spirits.*
5 Or, *heavenly*, ch i 3.
k Matt. xvi. 17; Luke xxii 53; John xii. 31, xiv 30; Rom. viii 38; 1 Cor. xv. 50, Col. i. 13; ii. 15.
6 Or, *having overcome all.*
l ver. 11, ch. v. 16; 2 Cor x. 4.
m Isa xi. 5; lix. 17; Luke xii. 35; 2 Cor. vi 7, 1 Thess. v 8.
b Prov xxiii 22, Col iii 20.
n Isa. lii. 7, Rom. x. 15.
c Exod xx 12; Deut. v. 16, xxvii 16, Jer. xxxv. 18; Ezek. xxii 7; Mal i. 6, Matt. xv 4.
o 1 John v. 4.
p Isa. lix. 17; 1 Thess v. 8; Heb. iv 12; Rev i 16; ii 16, xix 15
q ch i 16; Matt xxvi 41, Mark xiii 33; Luke xviii 1, Rom xii 12, Philipp. i 4; Col iv 2
d Gen. xviii 19; Deut. iv 9; vi 7, 20, xi 19, Ps lxxviii 4; Prov. xix. 18
r Acts iv 29; 2 Cor iii 12, Col iv. 3, 2 Thess iii 1
e 1 Chron xxix 17, 2 Cor vii 15, Col iii 22, Philipp ii 12; 1 Tim vi 1, Titus ii 9
7 Or, *in a cham.*
8 Or, *thereof*
s ch iii 1, Acts xxvi 29, xxviii 20, 31, 2 Cor v 20, 2 Tim i 16, ii. 9; Phil 10
f Col. iii 22, 23.
t Acts xx. 4, Col iv 7, 2 Tim iv. 12.
g Rom ii 6, 2 Cor v 10; Gal iii. 28, Col iii. 11, 24.
u Col iv 8
1 Or, *moderating.*
2 Some read, *both your and their Master*
v 1 Peter v 14.
h Lev xxv 43; John xiii. 13, Rom iii 11; 1 Cor vii. 22, Col iii 25, iv 1.
9 Or, *with incorruption*
w Titus ii 7.
i ch i. 19; iii. 16; Col i 11

11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.[j]

12 For we wrestle not against [3]flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against [4]spiritual wickedness in [5]high *places*.[k]

13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and [6]having done all, to stand.[l]

14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;[m]

15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;[n]

16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.[o]

17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:[p]

18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;[q]

19 And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,[r]

20 For which I am an ambassador [7]in bonds: that [8]therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.[s]

21 But that ye also may know my affairs, *and* how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things:[t]

22 Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that ye might know our affairs, and *that* he might comfort your hearts.[u]

23 Peace *be* to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.[v]

24 Grace *be* with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ [9]in sincerity. Amen.[w]

¶ Written from Rome unto the Ephesians by Tychicus.

18 "Through the ignorance that is in them"—their ignorance was wilful; or as the Apostle puts it in his Epistle to the Romans, "they did not like to retain God in their knowledge;" and this wilful ignorance estranged them more and more from the Divine life.

CHAPTER V.

1, 2. "Be ye therefore followers of God"—these two verses ought to have been included in the preceding chapter, since they supply the mightiest motive for the performance of those duties which he had just been pressing upon them

4. "Which are not convenient;"—that is, unbecoming the profession and the life of those who claim to be numbered with the children of God and the followers of Christ.

"Rather giving of thanks."—while they were to watch and strive against the abuse of the tongue, on the one hand, they were, on the other, exhorted to its holy and joyful use. Their cheerfulness was to reveal itself in the joy of a full and grateful heart.

CHAPTER VI.

5. "Fear and trembling;"—not dread, but that trembling solicitude to be found faithful

13—17. In these verses the Apostle mentions the principal items in a suit of ancient armour. For the term "whole armour," the Greek has the original of our word panoply, which includes all a man's armour, whether offensive or defensive. "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth:" compare Isa. xi 5. Girdles were required for ordinary dresses, but they were of great importance to a soldier. Not only did they keep his dress compact and in its position, but they added much to his strength and energy in action. They were also partly made of brass for defence. "The breastplate of righteousness:"—breastplates, or cuirasses, were designed for the protection of the body from the waist upwards, and were made of metal or other materials. They were a most important part of ancient armour, and were often elaborately made and highly ornamented. "Your feet shod:"—the Roman soldiers wore shoes the soles of which were studded with nails, and they served as a protection for the feet. "The shield of faith"—shields were in universal use in ancient warfare They were of various shapes, and of different materials, especially of metal. "The helmet of salvation"—helmets, also, were of many forms, and were made of leather or of metal; frequently they were ornamented with a crest. "Fiery darts."—darts, spears, or javelins, were either made to be thrown at an enemy, or to be held in the hand. Those which were thrown were in some cases made to carry combustible materials, and hence, perhaps, the expression, "fiery darts." "The sword of the Spirit:"—swords were also a usual part of a soldier's armour. They were suspended by a belt passed over the shoulder, or round the waist, and worn in a sheath or scabbard. The previous enumeration exactly coincides with the figures of soldiers represented on some of the monuments at Rome. The items will be seen in the accompanying representation of an ancient Roman warrior.



ROMAN SOLDIER IN COMPLETE ARMOUR. FROM TRAJAN'S COLUMN.

21. "Tychicus, a beloved brother."—he was one of Paul's companions (see Acts xx. 4; Col. iv. 7; 2 Tim. iv. 12; Titus iii 12), but we have no farther knowledge of him.

23. "Love with faith:"—their faith is taken for granted; but love was to give embodiment to that faith in a life of holy conformity to Christ. And here he prays that the love of God may so flow into their hearts as to exalt them to a high degree of spirituality of mind, and thus to prepare them for the perfect life of heaven.





THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE Philippians

CHAPTER I.

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3 He testifieth his thankfulness to God, and his love toward them, for the fruits of their faith, and fellowship in his sufferings, 9 daily praying to him for their increase in grace 12 he sheweth what good the faith of Christ had rec[illegible] by his troubles at Rome, 21 and how ready he is to glorify Christ either by his life or death, 27 exhorting them to unity, 28 and to fortitude in persecution.

PAUL and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:[a]

2 Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.[b]

3 I thank my God upon every [1]remembrance of you.[c]

4 Always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy,

5 For your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now;[d]

6 Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you [2]will perform *it* until the day of Jesus Christ:[e]

7 Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all,

[a] 1 Cor. i. 2.

[b] Rom. i. 7; 2 Cor. i. 2; 1 Peter i. 2.

[1] Or, *mention*

[c] Rom. i. 8, 9; 1 Cor. i. 4; Eph. i. 15, 16; Col. i. 3; 1 Thess. i. 2, 2 Thess. i. 3.

[d] ch. iv. 14, 15; Rom. xii. 13, xv. 26, 2 Cor. viii. 1

[2] Or, *will finish it.*

[e] ver. 10; John vi. 29; 1 Thess. i. 3.

because [1]I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are [2]partakers of my grace.[a]

8 For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.[b]

9 And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and *in* all [3]judgment;[c]

10 That ye may [4]approve things that [5]are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ;[d]

11 Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.[e]

12 But I would ye should understand, brethren, that the things *which happened* unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel;

13 So that my bonds [6]in Christ are manifest in all [7]the palace, and [8]in all other *places*;[f]

14 And many of the brethren in the Lord, waxing confident by my bonds, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

15 Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will:[g]

16 The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds:

17 But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel.[h]

18 What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether in pretence, or in truth, Christ is preached; and I therein do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice.

19 For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,[i]

20 According to my earnest expectation and *my* hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but *that* with all boldness, as always, *so* now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether *it be* by life, or by death.[j]

21 For to me to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain.

22 But if I live in the flesh, this *is* the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not.

23 For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better:[k]

24 Nevertheless to abide in the flesh *is* more needful for you.

ANNO DOMINI 64.

1 Or, *ye have me in your heart.*

2 Or, *partakers with me of grace.*

a ver. 17; ch. iv. 14; 2 Cor iii. 2; vii. 3; Eph. iii. 1; vi 20; Col. iv. 3, 18; 2 Tim. i. 8.

l ch. ii. 24.

b ch. ii. 26; iv. 1; Rom. i 9, ix. 1; Gal. i. 20; 1 Thess. ii. 5.

m 2 Cor. i. 14; v. 12.

3 Or, *sense.*

c 1 Thess. iii. 12; Phil. 6.

4 Or, *try.*

5 Or, *differ.*

d Acts xxiv 16; Rom. ii. 18; xii. 2; 1 Cor. i. 8; Eph. v. 10; 1 Thess. iii. 13; v. 23.

n ch. iv 1; 1 Cor i. 10; Eph. iv 1; Col. i. 10; 1 Thess. ii. 12; iv. 1; Jude 3.

e John xv 4, 5, 8; Eph. i. 12, 14; ii 10; Col. i. 6.

o Rom. viii. 17; 2 Thess. i. 5; 2 Tim. ii. 11.

p Acts v. 41; Rom. v 3; Eph. iii. 8.

6 Or, *for Christ.*

7 Or, *Cæsar's court.*

8 Or, *to all others.*

f ch. iv. 22

q Acts xvi. 19, &c; Col iv. 1; 1 Thess. ii. 2.

g ch ii 3.

h ver. 7.

r 2 Cor xiii. 14; Col iii 12

s ch. i. 27; iii 16; iv 2; John iii 29; Rom xii. 16; xv. 5, 1 Cor. i. 10; 2 Cor. xiii. 11; 1 Peter iii 8.

i Rom. viii 9, 2 Cor i 11.

t ch i 15, 16; Rom xii 10; Eph. v 21, Gal. v. 26; James iii 14; 1 Peter v. 5.

j Rom. v. 5; viii. 19, Eph vi. 19, 20.

u 1 Cor. x. 24, 33; xiii 5.

v Matt xi. 29; John xiii. 15; 1 Peter ii. 21; 1 John ii. 6.

w John i. 1, 2; v 18; x. 33; xvii 5, 2 Cor. iv. 4, Col i. 15, Heb. i 3

k 2 Cor. v 8; 2 Tim iv. 6.

9 Or, *habit*

x Ps xxii 6, Isa xlii. 1; xlix. 3, 6, lii 13, liii 3, 11; Ezek xxxiv 23, 24, Dan ix 26; Zech. iii 8, Matt. xx. 28; Mark ix 12; Luke xxii 27; John i. 14, Rom i 3; viii. 3; xv 3; Gal. iv. 4; Heb. ii. 14, 17.

25 And having this confidence, I know that I shall abide and continue with you all for your furtherance and joy of faith;[l]

26 That your rejoicing may be more abundant in Jesus Christ for me by my coming to you again.[m]

27 Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;[n]

28 And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God.[o]

29 For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake;[p]

30 Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear *to be* in me.[q]

CHAPTER II.

1 *He exhorteth them to unity, and to all humbleness of mind, by the example of Christ's humility and exaltation. 12 to a careful proceeding in the way of salvation, that they be as lights to the wicked world,* 16 *and comforts to him their apostle, who is now ready to be offered up to God.* 19 *He hopeth to send Timothy to them, whom he greatly commendeth,* 25 *as Epaphroditus also, whom he presently sendeth to them.*

IF *there be* therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies,[r]

2 Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, *being* of one accord, of one mind.[s]

3 *Let* nothing *be done* through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.[t]

4 Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.[u]

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:[v]

6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:[w]

7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the [9]likeness of men:[x]

8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled

CHAPTER I.

It was in the prosecution of his second great missionary journey that the Apostle visited Philippi, a city of Macedonia Prima, which received its name from Philip, king of Macedon, and stood near the Ægean Sea, on the river Strymon. Here Timotheus and Silas were associated with Paul in his evangelical labours, and the converts which sprung up to reward their faith and toil became the first-fruits of a rich and abundant harvest. The engraving at the head of the Epistle represents the site of Philippi.

The Epistle was written from Rome, in the latter part of his first imprisonment, about A.D. 63. It is supposed that on the death of Burrhus, the prætorian prefect, A.D. 62, to whose care Paul had been committed, a change came over the government of Nero for the worse, and that the Apostle was removed from his own hired house into the barrack of the prætorian guards attached to the palace, put into stricter custody, treated with greater severity, and his life placed in more imminent peril. The Epistle is not only rich in its utterances of affection and love to the Philippians, but "is full of earnest exhortations, affectionate warnings, deep and wonderful settings forth of his spiritual desires and feelings. It describes the state of Christians and the condition of the world, sets before us the loving counsels of God the Father respecting us, and the self-sacrifice and triumph of our Redeemer."

16. "Preach Christ of contention:"—there were those even in the Church of Philippi who were opposed to the Apostle, and who endeavoured, by intrigue and other unworthy means, to undermine his influence and defeat the end of his ministry, and thus add to his solicitude and his sorrow. Still, if they held forth to the view of men Christ crucified, as the only Saviour of the lost, he could not but rejoice.

19. "Turn to my salvation;"—further my personal spiritual well-being, and hasten my deliverance from bonds and suffering.

25. "I know that I shall abide:"—the aspect of things around him may have so changed as to justify this confidence; or he may have received some supernatural revelation.

28. "An evident token of perdition:"—the faith and fortitude of the believers, in the midst of opposition and suffering, would impress their adversaries with the fact that they were waging war with a Power which must finally overcome them.

CHAPTER II.

1, 2. "If there be therefore any consolation:"—the Apostle exhorts the Philippians to holy unity: first, by the truth and consolation to be found in Christ; then, by the deep and ever-living joy which springs from Christian love; next, by the fellowship which they professed to have with the Holy Spirit; and, finally, by that tenderness and compassion which should characterise all the followers of the loving and merciful Saviour. Such unity on their part would complete his joy in them.

himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.[a]

9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:[b]

10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth;[c]

11 And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.[d]

12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.[e]

13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure.[f]

14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings:[g]

15 That ye may be blameless and [1]harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom [2]ye shine as lights in the world;[h]

16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.[i]

17 Yea, and if I be [3]offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all.[j]

18 For the same cause also do ye joy, and rejoice with me.

19 [4]But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timotheus shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I know your state.[k]

20 For I have no man [5]likeminded, who will naturally care for your state.[l]

21 For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.[m]

22 But ye know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in the gospel.[n]

23 Him therefore I hope to send presently, so soon as I shall see how it will go with me.

24 But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come shortly.[o]

25 Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and fellowsoldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants.[p]

26 For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness, because that ye had heard that he had been sick.[q]

27 For indeed he was sick nigh unto death: but God had mercy on him; and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.

ANNO DOMINI 64.

a Matt. xxvi. 39, 42; John x. 18; Heb v. 8; xii. 2.

b John xvii. 1, 2, 5; Acts ii. 33; Eph. i. 20, 21; Heb. i. 4; ii. 9.

6 Or, *honour such.*

r 1 Cor. xvi. 18; 1 Thess. v. 12; 1 Tim. v. 17.

c Isa. xlv. 23; Matt. xxviii. 18; Rom. xiv. 11; Rev. v. 13.

s ch. iv. 10; 1 Cor. xvi. 17

d John xiii. 13; Acts ii. 36; Rom. xiv. 9; 1 Cor viii. 6; xii 3.

e ch. i. 5; Eph. vi. 5.

f 2 Cor. iii. 5; Heb. xiii. 21.

g 1 Cor. x. 10; 1 Peter iv. 9; Rom. xiv. 1.

1 Or, *sincere*

t ch. iv. 4; 2 Cor. xiii. 11; 1 Thess. v 16

2 Or, *shine ye.*

h Deut. xxxii. 5; Matt. v. 14, 16, 45; Eph. v. 1, 8; 1 Peter ii. 12.

u Isa. lvi. 10; Rom. ii 28; 2 Cor. xi. 13; Gal. v 2, 15.

i 2 Cor i. 14; Gal. ii. 2; 1 Thess. ii 19, iii. 5.

3 Gr. *poured forth.*

j Rom xv 16; 2 Cor vii 4, Col. i. 24; 2 Tim. iv. 6

v Deut x. 16; xxx. 6; Jer iv 4; John iv. 23, 24; Rom ii. 29, iv 11, 12; vii. 6, Col. ii. 11.

4 Or, *Moreover.*

w 2 Cor xi. 18, 21.

k Rom. xvi. 21; 1 Thess iii. 2.

5 Or, *so dear unto me.*

l Ps. lv. 13

x Gen. xvii. 12; Acts xxii. 6; xxvi 4, 5; Rom. xi. 1; 2 Cor. xi. 22.

m 1 Cor x. 24, 33; xiii 5, 2 Tim iv 10, 16.

y Luke i 6; Acts viii 3, ix 1, xxii 3, Rom. x 5, Gal i 13, 14.

n 1 Cor iv 17; 1 Tim. i 2; 2 Tim. i. 2.

z Matt. xiii. 44.

o ch. i 25, Phil. 22.

a Isa lui 11; Jer. ix 23, 24; John xvii 3, 1 Cor ii 2, Col. ii. 2.

p ch. iv 18; 2 Cor. viii 23; xi 9, Phil 2

b Rom i 17; iii. 21, 22; ix 30; x 3, 5, 6; Gal. ii. 16.

q ch. i. 8.

c Rom. vi 3–5; viii. 17, 2 Cor. iv. 10, 11; 2 Tim. ii 11, 12; 1 Peter iv. 13

d Acts xxvi. 7.

28 I sent him therefore the more carefully, that, when ye see him again, ye may rejoice, and that I may be the less sorrowful.

29 Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness; and [6]hold such in reputation:[r]

30 Because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not regarding his life, to supply your lack of service toward me.[s]

CHAPTER III.

1 *He warneth them to beware of the false teachers of the circumcision,* 4 *shewing that himself hath greater cause than they to trust in the righteousness of the law:* 7 *which notwithstanding he counteth as dung and loss, to gain Christ and his righteousness,* 12 *therein acknowledging his own imperfection.* 15 *He exhorteth them to be thus minded,* 17 *and to imitate him,* 18 *and to decline the ways of carnal Christians.*

FINALLY, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed *is* not grievous, but for you *it is* safe.[t]

2 Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision.[u]

3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.[v]

4 Though I might also have confidence in the flesh. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might trust in the flesh, I more:[w]

5 Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, *of* the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee;[x]

6 Concerning zeal, persecuting the church; touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.[y]

7 But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.[z]

8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ,[a]

9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:[b]

10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;[c]

11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.[d]

5–11. "Let this mind be in you:"—he enforces his exhortation to self-denial and humility by the sublimest of all examples — the example of the Saviour in effecting the salvation of our fallen race.

"In the form of God:"—if the expression "the form of a servant" means that he was really and truly a servant, then this must mean that he was really and truly God. If not, then, give him what place we may in the scale of created being, he must have been a servant; and the words of the Apostle, "He took upon him the form of a servant," would not be a correct mode of expression. Christ, although divine, condescended to assume an office which did not originally belong to him.

"Not robbery to be equal with God;"—that is, in claiming equality with God, he was not seizing or laying hold of anything which did not belong to him, or by which he might enrich himself. Hence the phrase, "he made himself of no reputation," means that he laid aside or emptied himself of that which originally and eternally belonged to him. He used his equality with God as an opportunity, not for self-exaltation, but for self-abasement.

"That at the name of Jesus:"—Alford renders this, "That in the name of Jesus every knee should bend," in prayer or adoration.

17. "If I be offered;"—if I be called upon to suffer martyrdom in my efforts to promote among you that faith which is a sacrifice acceptable unto God, I shall count my sufferings a cause for joy, knowing that thereby I can testify the sincerity of my love towards you.

CHAPTER III.

2. "Beware of dogs;"—a designation very often used in reference to profane or impure persons, and here used in reference to corrupt teachers.

3. "We are the circumcision:"—the "concision," spoken of in the preceding verse, points to those who had been circumcised in the flesh, and who

12 Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.[a]

13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,[b]

14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.[c]

15 Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you.[d]

16 Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing.[e]

17 Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.[f]

18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, *that they are* the enemies of the cross of Christ:[g]

19 Whose end *is* destruction, whose God *is their* belly, and *whose* glory *is* in their shame, who mind earthly things.)[h]

20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:[i]

21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.[j]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *From particular admonitions* 4 *he proceedeth to general exhortations,* 10 *shewing how he rejoiced at their liberality towards him lying in prison, not so much for the supply of his own wants, as for the grace of God in them.* 19 *And so he concludeth with prayer and salutations*

THEREFORE, my brethren dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, *my* dearly beloved.[k]

2 I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord.[l]

3 And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and *with* other my fellowlabourers, whose names *are* in the book of life.[m]

4 Rejoice in the Lord alway: *and* again I say, Rejoice.[n]

5 Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord *is* at hand.[o]

6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.[p]

7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.[q]

8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things *are* [1]honest, whatsoever things *are* just, whatsoever things *are* pure, whatsoever things *are* lovely, whatsoever things *are* of good report; if *there be* any virtue, and if *there be* any praise, think on these things.[r]

9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.[s]

10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at the last your care of me [2]hath flourished again; wherein ye were also careful, but ye lacked opportunity.[t]

11 Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, *therewith* to be content.[u]

12 I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.[v]

13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.[w]

14 Notwithstanding ye have well done, that ye did communicate with my affliction.[x]

15 Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only.[y]

16 For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity.

17 Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account.[z]

18 But [3]I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things *which were sent* from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.[a]

19 But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.[b]

20 Now unto God and our Father *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.[c]

21 Salute every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren which are with me greet you.[d]

22 All the saints salute you, chiefly they that are of Cæsar's household.[e]

23 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.[f]

¶ It was written to the Philippians from Rome by Epaphroditus.

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p Ps. lv. 22; Prov. xvi. 3; Matt. vi. 25; Luke xii. 22, 1 Peter v. 7.

a 1 Tim. vi. 12; Heb x.i 23.

q John xiv. 27; Rom v. 1, Col. iii. 15.

1 Or, *reverable.*

b Ps. xlv. 10; Luke ix. 62; 1 Cor. ix 24, 26; 2 Cor. v. 16, Heb vi. 1.

c 2 Tim. iv. 7, 8; Heb. iii 1, xii 1.

r 1 Thess. v. 22.

d 1 Cor ii 6; x v 20, Gal v. 10.

s ch iii 17, Rom xv 33, xvi 20, 1 Cor xiv 33, 2 Cor xiii 11, 1 Thess v 23, Heb xiii 20

e ch ii 2; Rom x i 16, xv 5, Gal vi 16

2 Or, *is revived*

t 2 Cor xi 9

f ch iv 9, 1 Cor iv 16, xi 1, 1 Thess. i. 6, 1 Peter v 3

u 1 Tim vi 6, 8

g ch i 15, 16; Gal i 7, ii. 21; vi 12.

v 1 Cor iv 11; 2 Cor vi 10, xi 27

h Hos iv 7, Rom viii 5; xvi 18, 2 Cor xi 12, 15, Gal. vi 13, 1 Tim. vi 5, Titus i 11, 2 Peter ii. 1.

w John xv 5, 2 Cor xii 9.

i Acts i 11; 1 Cor i 7, Eph ii 6, 19 Col iii 1, 3, 1 Thess i 10, Titus ii 13

x ch i 7

j 1 Cor xv 26, 27, 43, 48, 49, Eph i 19, Col. iii 4, 1 John iii. 2.

y 2 Cor xi 8, 9

z Rom xv 28, Titus iii 14

3 Or, *I have received all.*

k ch i 8, 27; ii 16; 2 Cor i 14, 1 Thess ii 19, 20

a ch ii 25, 2 Cor ix 12, Heb xiii 16

b Ps xxiii 1, 2 Cor ix 8, Eph i 7, iii 16

l ch ii 2 iii 16

c Rom xvi. 27; Gal. i 5

d Gal i 2

m ch i 27, Exod xxxii. 32, Ps lxix 28, Dan xii 1, Luke x 20, Rom xvi 3, Rev iii 5, xiii 8, xx 12, xxi 27.

e ch i 13

n ch iii 1; Rom xii 12 1 Thess v 16; 1 Peter iv. 13

f Rom xvi 24

o 2 Thess ii 2, Heb x 25, James v 8, 9; 1 Peter iv 7, 2 Peter iii 8, 9

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rested in that alone; while "the circumcision" were those who had been regenerated and renewed in heart, and offered spiritual worship to God, relying on the work of Christ alone for eternal life.

5. "An Hebrew of the Hebrews."—descended from parents who, on both sides, were Hebrews.

6. "Blameless:"—he so fulfilled the law, in all its external requirements, as to appear perfect or irreproachable in the sight of men; but perfect before God, who looks on the heart, he was not.

CHAPTER IV

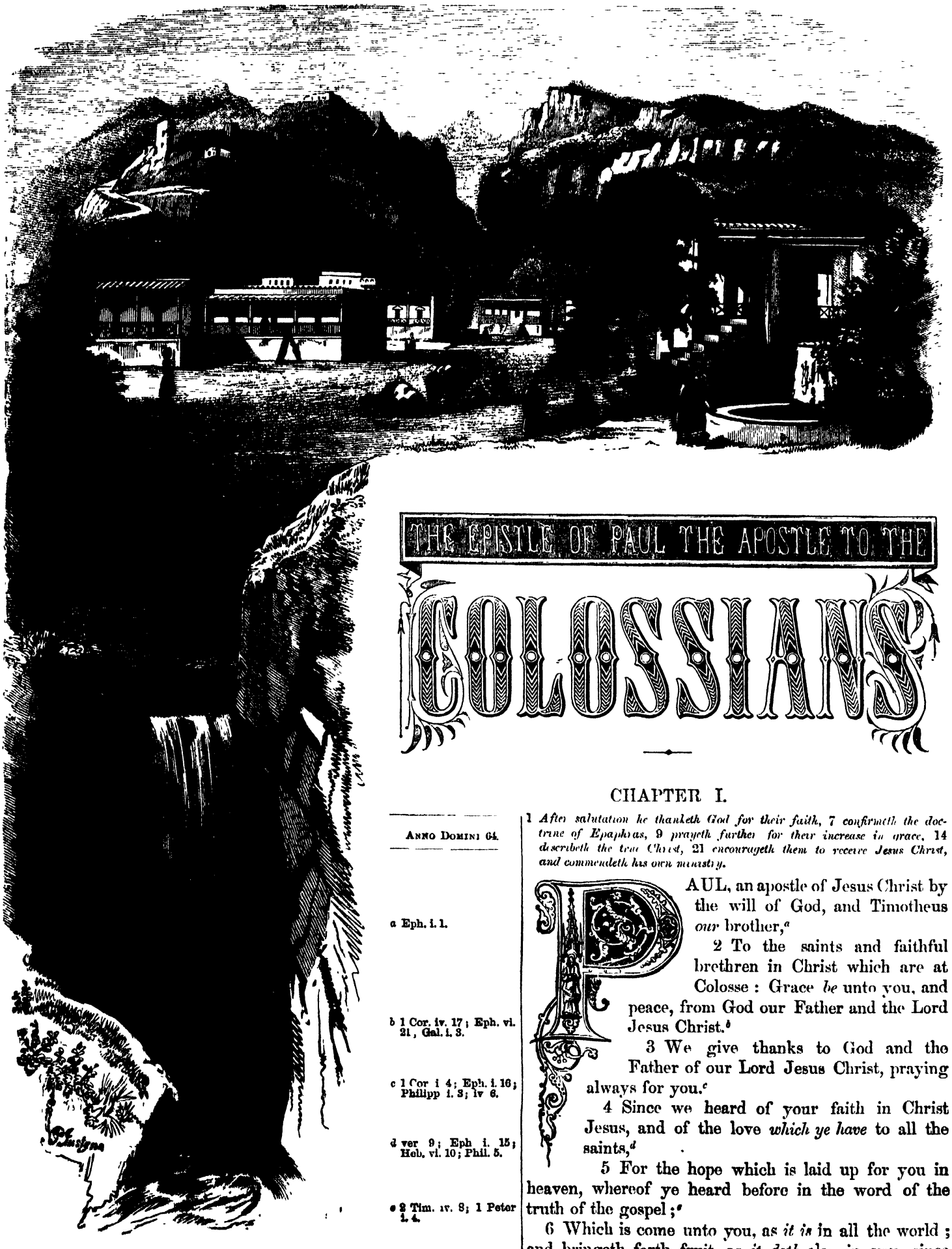
1. "Therefore, my brethren dearly beloved," since we have our conversation or citizenship in heaven, and are to be glorified with Christ himself, let us be fixed and immovable in our adherence to Christ and the Gospel.

2. "I beseech Euodias:"—it may be that there was some disunion prevailing betwen these two good women, whose services in the Church the Apostle fully appreciated.—See Rom xvi. 1.

4. "Again I say, Rejoice:"—he began his third chapter with this call to higher joy, and he here repeats it.

5. "Let your moderation be known:"—their whole course of life and character was to be so regulated before men as to give most certain evidence of their relation to Christ and his kingdom; and this in prospect of their Lord's coming, so as to be found of him in peace.

6. "Be careful for nothing."—the word rendered "careful" points to that state of mind which involves intense solicitude and anxiety, which must imply a distrust in God's watchful providence, and also interfere with that quiet and composure of mind which ought to distinguish the followers of Christ.



THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE

COLOSSIANS

CHAPTER I.

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1 *After salutation he thanketh God for their faith, 7 confirmeth the doctrine of Epaphras, 9 prayeth further for their increase in grace, 14 describeth the true Christ, 21 encourageth them to receive Jesus Christ, and commendeth his own ministry.*

PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timotheus *our* brother,[a]

2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.[b]

3 We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,[c]

4 Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love *which ye have* to all the saints,[d]

5 For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;[e]

6 Which is come unto you, as *it is* in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as *it doth* also in you, since

a Eph. i. 1.

b 1 Cor. iv. 17; Eph. vi. 21, Gal. i. 3.

c 1 Cor. i. 4; Eph. i. 16; Philipp. i. 3; iv. 6.

d ver. 9; Eph. i. 15; Heb. vi. 10; Phil. 5.

e 2 Tim. iv. 8; 1 Peter i. 4.

the day ye heard *of it*, and knew the grace of God in truth :[a]

7 As ye also learned of Epaphras our dear fellow-servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ ;[b]

8 Who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit.[c]

9 For this cause we also, since the day we heard *it*, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding ;[d]

10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God ;[e]

11 Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness ;[f]

12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light :[g]

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of [1]his dear Son :[h]

14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins :[i]

15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature :[j]

16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers : all things were created by him, and for him :[k]

17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.[l]

18 And he is the head of the body, the church : who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead ; that [2]in all *things* he might have the preeminence.[m]

19 For it pleased *the Father* that in him should all fulness dwell ;[n]

20 And, [3]having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself ; by him, *I say*, whether *they be* things in earth, or things in heaven.[o]

21 And you, that were sometime alienated and

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4 Or, *by your mind in wicked works.*

a ver. 23, Matt xxiv. 14; Mark iv 8, xvi 15; John xv. 16; Rom. x. 18, 2 Cor vi 1; Eph. iii 2, Philipp. i. 11; Titus ii. 11; 1 Peter v. 12.

p Eph ii 1, 2, 12, 19; iv 18; Titus i. 15.

b ch iv 12, 2 Cor. xi. 23; 1 Tim iv. 6, Phil. 23.

q Luke i 75; Eph i. 4; ii. 15, 16; v. 27; 1 Thess. iv. 7; Titus ii. 14; Jude 24.

c Rom. xv. 30.

r vs. 6, 25; ch. ii. 7; John xv 6, Acts i. 17; Rom. x. 18; 2 Cor. iii. 6, iv. 1; v 18; Eph iii 7, 17, 1 Tim. ii 7.

d vs. 3, 4, Rom. xii. 2; 1 Cor. i. 5; Eph. i. 8, 15, 16, v 10, 17.

e John xv. 16; 2 Cor. ix. 8; Eph iv 1; Philipp i 11, 27; 1 Thess ii. 12, iv 1, Titus iii 1

s Rom v 3; 2 Cor i 5, 6, vii 4, Eph i 23; iii. 1, 13; Philipp. iii. 10, 2 Tim. i. 8, ii. 10

f Acts v. 41, Rom v. 3, Eph. iii. 16, iv 2, vi. 10.

5 Or, *fully to preach the word of God*, Rom xv 19.

t ver 23, 1 Cor. ix. 17, Gal ii 7.

g ch iii 15, Acts xxvi. 18, Eph i 11, v 20

u Matt xiii. 11, Rom xvi 25, 1 Cor ii 7, Eph iii 9.

1 Gr *the Son of his love*, Matt iii 17, Eph i. 6.

h Eph vi. 12, 1 Thess ii 12, Heb ii 14; 1 Peter ii 9, 2 Peter i 11.

6 Or, *among you*

v Rom ix 23, 2 Cor ii 14, Eph i 7, iii 8, 1 Tim. i 1.

i Eph. i 7.

j 2 Cor iv 4, Heb i. 3, Rev. iii 14

w ver 22, Acts xx. 20, 27, 31, 2 Cor. xi 2; Eph v 27

x ch ii 1, 1 Cor. xv 10, Eph i 19

k ch ii 10, 15, John i 3; Rom viii 38, xi 36; 1 Cor. viii 6, Eph. i 21; iii 9, Heb i 2, ii 10, 1 Peter iii. 22

l John i 1, 3, xvii 5, 1 Cor viii 6

7 Or, *fear*, or, *care*

2 Or, *among all*

m Acts xxvi 23, 1 Cor xi 3, xv. 20, 23, Eph i 10, 22, iv 15, v 23

n ch ii 9, iii 11, John i 16, iii 34

3 Or, *making peace*

y ch i. 20; Philipp i 30; 1 Thess ii 2

o 2 Cor v 18, Eph i 10; ii 14—16.

enemies [4]in *your* mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled[p]

22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight :[q]

23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and *be* not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, *and* which was preached to every creature which is under heaven ; whereof I Paul am made a minister ;[r]

24 Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church :[s]

25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, [5]to fulfil the word of God ;[t]

26 *Even* the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints :[u]

27 To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles ; which is Christ [6]in you, the hope of glory :[v]

28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom ; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus :[w]

29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.[x]

CHAPTER II.

1 *He still exhorteth them to be constant in Christ, 8 to beware of philosophy, and vain traditions, 18 worshipping of angels, 20 and legal ceremonies, which are ended in Christ.*

FOR I would that ye knew what great [7]conflict I have for you, and *for* them at Laodicea, and *for* as many as have not seen my face in the flesh ;[y]

2 That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the

CHAPTER I.

Colossæ, which was formerly a large and important city of Phrygia, was situated on the river Lycus, in the vicinity of Laodicea and Hierapolis The engraving at the head of this Epistle represents the modern village of Khonas, which is believed to occupy a portion of the site of ancient Colossæ. Extensive ruins still exist in its vicinity; the most prominent is a strong castle built upon a rock.

Though St Paul travelled twice through Phrygia (Acts xvi. 6; xviii. 23), it is more than probable, from his own words in this Epistle (chap. ii. 1), that he never touched at this city of Colossæ, since he includes the Colossians among those whom he had never seen in the flesh. The foundation of the Church in that city cannot therefore be ascribed to him. By the best authorities this is said to have been done by Epaphras, who was with St. Paul, at Rome, when the latter wrote this Epistle, and from whom St. Paul derived the information which induced him to write one of his apostolic letters to a community personally unknown to him.

Whether the Church was founded prior or subsequently to Paul's second journey into Phrygia, is uncertain; but if, as we learn from Acts xviii. 23, the object of that second journey was to "strengthen all the disciples," we can scarcely conceive of his omitting to visit Colossæ if a Church then existed there. It is very likely that Epaphras, a native of Colossæ, came into contact and communion with the Apostle during his sojourn in Ephesus (Acts xix.), and that he carried the seeds of Christian truth into his native city, where, under the fructifying influence of the Spirit of God, they took root, and resulted in the foundation of the Church, A.D 62; and thus our Apostle stood in very peculiar relations to this body.

1—4 "Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ:"—see the salutations to the Romans, Corinthians, and Ephesians.

5. "For the hope:"—did the Apostle give thanks for the hope, or for them as those in whom God had effectually wrought and made meet for that inheritance which to them was an object of joyous hope? The latter we conceive to be the true interpretation. Hope, then, is put for the object of hope—final and everlasting blessedness.

7. "As ye also learned of Epaphras:"—he introduced Christianity into Colossæ, and had taught them its doctrines and truths.

13 "The power of darkness:"—"Darkness" was one of the names given by the Jews to Satan.

18. "He is the head of the body:"—the Apostle passes from the outward universe to the moral creation, of which he is "the beginning," or the founder, as well as the Head; and in whose resurrection, as the first who rose with a glorified and perfected humanity, we have the pledge and assurance of the perfection and glorification of the whole Church. He, therefore, has in all things the pre-eminence or the priority. For God was pleased that in him should all fulness dwell, that from that fulness he might fill up and perfect the whole universe of being.

24. "That which is behind of the afflictions of Christ:"—we are not to suppose, even for a moment, that the *mediatorial* sufferings were in any sense incomplete; otherwise the whole work of Christ, as the Deliverer, becomes void; but as the sufferings which now fall to the lot of his devoted followers are designed to assimilate his disciples to himself, and as they have to enter into rest through much tribulation, they may be said to fill up that which is behind of the afflictions and sorrows of Christ.

acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ;[a]

3 [1]In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.[b]

4 And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words.[c]

5 For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ.[d]

6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, *so* walk ye in him:[e]

7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.[f]

8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the [2]rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.[g]

9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.[h]

10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:[i]

11 In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:[j]

12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.[k]

13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;[l]

14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;[m]

15 *And* having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them [3]in it.[n]

16 Let no man therefore judge you [4]in meat, or in drink, or [5]in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath *days*:[o]

17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body *is* of Christ.[p]

18 Let no man [6]beguile you of your reward [7]in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,[q]

19 And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God.[r]

20 Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the [8]rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances,[s]

21 (Touch not; taste not; handle not;[t]

22 Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of men?[u]

23 Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and [9]neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh.[v]

CHAPTER III.

1 *He sheweth where we should seek Christ.* 5 *He exhorteth to mortification,* 10 *to put off the old man, and to put on Christ,* 12 *exhorting to charity, humility, and other several duties.*

IF ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.[w]

2 Set your [10]affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.[x]

4 When Christ, *who is* our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.[y]

5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:[z]

6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:[a]

7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.[b]

8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.[c]

9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;[d]

10 And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:[e]

11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond *nor* free: but Christ *is* all, and in all.[f]

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a ch. i 9; iii. 14; 2 Cor. i 6, Philipp. iii. 8.
1 Or, *Wherein.*
r Eph. iv. 15, 16.
b ch i. 9, 1 Cor. i 24, ii 6, 7, Eph i 8.
8 Or, *elements.*
c ver 8, 18, Rom. xvi 18, 2 Cor. xi. 13, Eph. iv 14, v. 6.
s ver. 8, Rom vi 3, 5; vii. 4, 6; Gal ii 19, iv. 3, 9
t 1 Tim iv. 3.
d 1 Cor v 3, xiv 40, 1 Thess. ii 17; 1 Peter v. 9.
u Isa xxix 13, Matt. xv 9; Titus i 14
e 1 Thess iv 1; Jude 3
9 Or, *punishing,* or, *not sparing*
v ver 18, 1 Tim iv 8
f ch. i. 23, Eph ii 21, 22
2 Or, *elements*
g ver 18, 20, 22, Jer xxix. 8; Matt. xv 2, Rom xvi 17; Gal. i 14, iv 3, 9; Eph v. 6
h ch i 19, John i 14
w ch ii. 12; Rom. xvi 5, viii 34, Eph i 20; ii 6
i ch i 16, John i 16, Eph i. 20, 21, 1 Peter iii 22
10 Or, *mind.*
j ch iii 8, 9, Deut x. 16, xxx 6, Jer iv 4, Rom. ii 29, vi. 6, Eph iv 22.
x ch i 5, ii 20, Rom vi 2, 2 Cor v. 7, Gal ii 20
k ch iii 1, Acts ii 24; Rom vi. 4; Eph i 19
y John xi 25, xiv. 6, 1 Cor xv 43, Philipp iii 21, 1 John iii 2
l Eph ii 1, 5, 6, 11
z Rom. vi 13, viii. 13, Gal. v 24; Eph v 3, 5, 1 Thess iv 5
m Eph ii 15, 16
a Rom i 18, Eph. ii 2, v 6, Rev xxii 15
b Rom vi 19, 20, vii 5, 1 Cor vi 11, Eph ii. 2, Titus iii 3
3 Or, *in himself.*
n Gen iii 15, Ps lxviii 18, Isa liii 12, Matt xii 29, Luke x 18, xi 22, John xii 31, xvi 11, Eph iv. 8, vi 12
4 Or, *for eating and drinking*
5 Or, *in part*
c Eph iv 22, 29, v 4, Heb xii. 1, James i 21
o Rom xiv 2, 3, 5, 10, 13, 17, 1 Cor viii 8, Gal iv. 10
d Lev xix 11, Eph iv 22, 24, 25
p Heb viii 5, ix 9, x 1
6 Or, *judge against you*
7 Gr *being a voluntary in humility,* ver 23
e Rom xii 2, Eph. ii. 10, iv 23, 24
q ver 4, Ezek. xiii 3, 1 Tim i 7
f Rom x 12, 1 Cor xii 13, Gal iii 28, v 6, Eph. i 2, 3

CHAPTER II.

1, 2. "What great conflict:"—this may refer to those sufferings in which, according to chap. i. 24, he rejoiced, as endured for Christ's sake, and in the promotion of their spiritual welfare; and also to that inward suffering which he experienced on their behalf, lest they should be drawn away from a pure and simple faith in Christ Jesus. He knew the danger to which they were exposed; and his supreme desire was that their hearts might be comforted or strengthened, being knit together in love—love being the essential element of unity, and unity the element of strength; and thus united they might have such a thorough understanding and knowledge of the transcendent doctrines of Christianity, as to lead them not only to avow their belief in them, but to glory in them. The term "mystery" is a favourite one with Paul to express the whole scheme of redeeming mercy, and which had not hitherto been clearly and fully revealed.

11. "The circumcision of Christ;"—that is, the new state which is effected through the work of Christ and by faith in him.

15. "Spoiled principalities and powers:"—the reference is to the powers of darkness, with whom the Saviour entered into deep but triumphant conflict.

17. "The body is of Christ:"—Christ is the substance of all of which the law was only the shadow.

18. "In a voluntary humility:"—with a humility which the Word of God does not enjoin, they professed to worship angels as an intermediate order of being, and as intercessors—God being too exalted and too distant for man to approach; thus dishonouring Almighty God by a disbelief in his condescension, and by setting some imaginary bound to his knowledge and his power

20 "The rudiments of the world,"—that is, the mere outward ritual of worship. They professed to be dead with Christ, and therefore to be the subjects of a new and spiritual life. As the subjects of this higher life, he asks them how they could submit to go back to mere outward rites, and this in obedience to the commandments and doctrines of men.

CHAPTER III.

1. "If ye then be risen with Christ:"—in the preceding chapter he had spoken to them as those who professed not only to be dead with Christ, and even buried with him in baptism, but as those who were risen with him through the faith of the operation of God; and now he exhorts them to that course of action which became the followers of a risen and glorified Saviour.

3. "Your life is hid:"—not their inward spiritual life, but their resurrection life; and hence they are to look forward to the time when Christ shall appear, to enjoy life in its perfection.

5. "Mortify therefore your members:"—these verses embody a series of exhortations to purity of character, arising out of purity of principle. A Christian life must have its root in Christian principles; therefore, practice must be founded on doctrines, and doctrines must lead to practice

12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;[a]

13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a [1]quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also *do* ye.[b]

14 And above all these things *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness.[c]

15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.[d]

16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.[e]

17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.[f]

18 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.[g]

19 Husbands, love *your* wives, and be not bitter against them.[h]

20 Children, obey *your* parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.[i]

21 Fathers, provoke not your children *to anger*, lest they be discouraged.[j]

22 Servants, obey in all things *your* masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God:[k]

23 And whatsoever ye do, do *it* heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;[l]

24 Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ.[m]

25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.[n]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *He exhorteth them to be fervent in prayer, 5 to walk wisely toward them that are not yet come to the true knowledge of Christ* 10 *He saluteth them, and wisheth them all prosperity.*

MASTERS, give unto *your* servants that which is just and equal; knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven.[o]

2 Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving;[p]

3 Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a door of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds:[q]

4 That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

5 Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.[r]

6 Let your speech *be* alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.[s]

7 All my state shall Tychicus declare unto you, *who is* a beloved brother, and a faithful minister and fellowservant in the Lord:[t]

8 Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that he might know your estate, and comfort your hearts;[u]

9 With Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is *one* of you. They shall make known unto you all things which *are done* here.[v]

10 Aristarchus my fellowprisoner saluteth you, and Marcus, sister's son to Barnabas, (touching whom ye received commandments: if he come unto you, receive him;)[w]

11 And Jesus, which is called Justus, who are of the circumcision. These only *are my* fellowworkers unto the kingdom of God, which have been a comfort unto me.

12 Epaphras, who is *one* of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always [2]labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and [3]complete in all the will of God.[x]

13 For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them *that are* in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis.

14 Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas, greet you.[y]

15 Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the church which is in his house.[z]

16 And when this epistle is read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and that ye likewise read the *epistle* from Laodicea.[a]

17 And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfil it.[b]

18 The salutation by the hand of me Paul. Remember my bonds. Grace *be* with you. Amen.[c]

¶ Written from Rome to the Colossians by Tychicus and Onesimus.

ANNO DOMINI 64.

q ch. i. 26; ii. 2; Matt. xiii 11; 1 Cor. iv. 1; xvi. 9; 2 Cor ii. 12; Eph. vi. 19, 20; Philipp i. 7; 2 Thess. iii. 1

a Eph. iv 2, 24, 32; Gal. v 22; Philipp ii 1; 1 Thess. i. 4; 1 Peter i. 2; 2 Peter i. 10.

1 Or, *complaint.*

b Mark xi. 25; Eph. iv. 2, 32.

r Eph. v. 15, 16; 1. Thess iv. 12.

c ch. ii. 2; John xiii 34; Rom. xiii. 8; 1 Cor. xiii; Eph iv. 3; v 2; 1 Thess iv. 9; 1 Tim. i. 5, 1 Peter iv 8; 1 John iii. 23; iv. 21.

s ch iii. 16; Eccles x. 12, Mark ix. 50; 1 Peter iii 15.

d ver 17, ch ii 7, Rom xiv 17; 1 Cor vii 15, Eph. ii 16, 17; iv 4, Philipp. iv. 7.

t Eph. vi. 21.

e ch iv 6; 1 Cor. xiv 26; Eph v 19.

u Eph. vi. 22.

f ch. i 12; ii. 7; Rom. i 8; 1 Cor x 31, Eph v 20; 1 Thess. v 18, Heb xiii 15.

v Phil. 10.

g Eph. v 3, 22, Titus ii. 5; 1 Peter iii. 1.

h Eph. iv. 31; v 25, 28, 33; 1 Peter iii. 7

w Acts xv 37, xix 29, xx 4, xxvii 2; 2 Tim iv. 11, Phil 24.

i Eph. v 24, vi. 1; Titus ii 9.

j Eph. vi 4.

2 Or, *striving*

k ver 20, Eph vi 5, &c; 1 Tim vi 1, Titus ii 9, Phil 16, 1 Peter ii 18

3 Or, *filled.*

x ch. i. 7; Matt v. 48; Rom xv 30, 1 Cor ii. 6; xiv 20, Philipp iii 15, Phil 23, Heb v 14

l Eph vi. 6, 7

m 1 Cor. vii. 22; Eph vi 8.

y 2 Tim iv. 10, 11, Phil 24.

n Deut x. 17, Rom ii 11, Eph. vi 9; 1 Peter i. 17

z Rom. xvi. 5, 1 Cor xvi 19.

a 1 Thess. v 27.

b 1 Tim iv. 6; Phil. 2.

o Eph vi 9.

c 1 Cor. xvi 21; 2 Thess. iii 17, Heb xiii 3, 25

p ch ii. 7; iii. 15; Luke xviii 1; Rom xii 12, Eph vi. 18, 1 Thess v. 17, 18

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11. "Where there is neither Greek nor Jew:"—within the circle and sphere of this new spiritual life all outward distinctions are merged and lost.

14 "The bond of perfectness;"—just as the Oriental was wont to gather up and bind his dress with a girdle or belt, so love is that which compacts and binds together all other virtues.

16. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly:"—here the first clause of the verse should end, and what follows should read thus:—"In all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another; in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts."

18—iv. 1. "Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands:"—on the relative social duties here enjoined, see Eph. vi. 1—8. The first verse of the fourth chapter clearly belongs to the preceding chapter.

CHAPTER IV.

2. "Watch in the same:"—prayer, to be effectual, must ever be accompanied with wakefulness and watchfulness. There must be neither languor nor torpor, neither sloth nor supineness. If the soul be filled with a sense of God's rich mercy, prayer will rise into thanksgiving, and oft be swallowed up in praise.

3. "A door of utterance:"—an opening and an opportunity for the wider diffusion of the Gospel. The Apostle anticipates his release, and with his release renewed labour in the service of Christ.

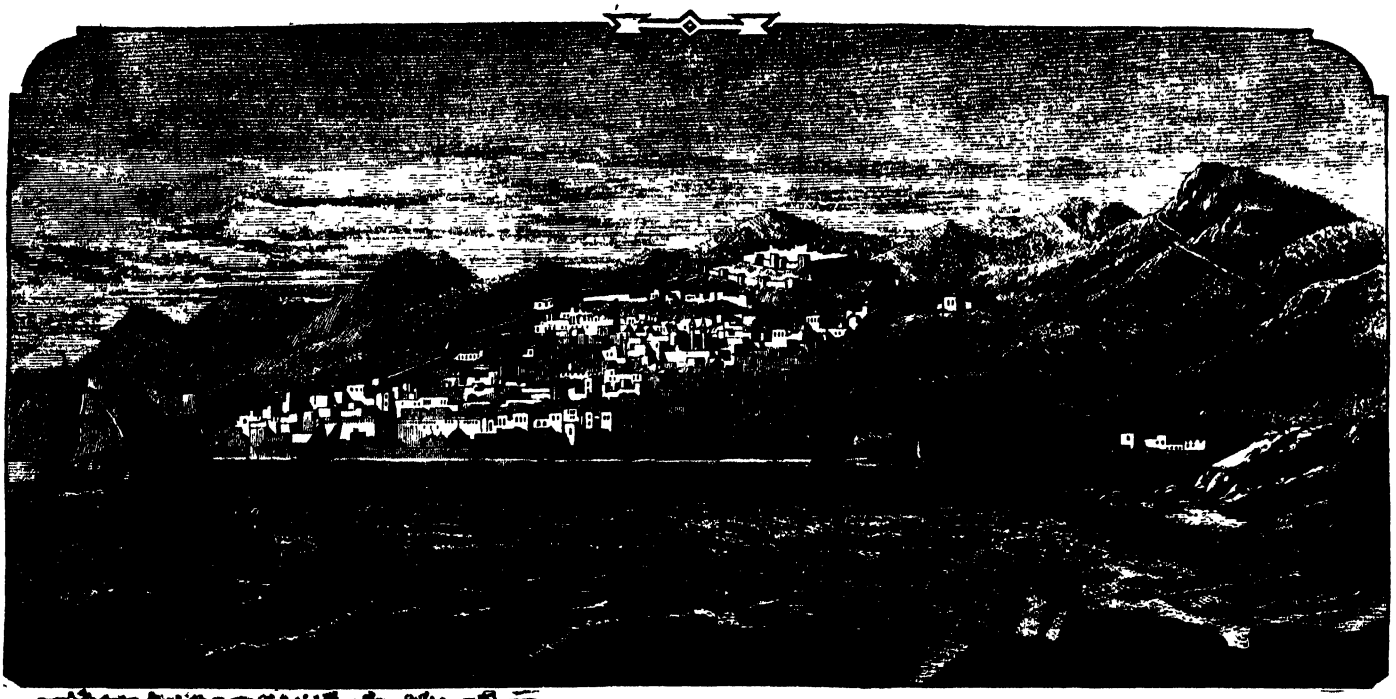
5. "Walk in wisdom;"—in the exercise of that prudence and discretion which become the children of God.

6. "With grace;"—characterised by all that is chaste and pure, kind and winning. "Seasoned with salt;"—having in it that which is salutary.

9, 10. There can be little doubt that Onesimus, here named, is the same with that mentioned in the Epistle to Philemon; and Aristarchus, as we learn from Acts xx. 4, was a Thessalonian, who accompanied Paul in his travels in Asia. Marcus is the same with the Evangelist Mark.

12—14. Demas was now associated with the Apostle in his holy work, but afterwards deserted him from love to the world.—See 2 Tim. iv. 10. Nymphas appears to have been some active member of the Colossian Church.

16. "The Epistle from Laodicea:"—this clause has given birth to a great deal of controversy; but the letter referred to is generally supposed to be that addressed to the Ephesians, which was what is termed a circular letter, and was therefore sent round to be read to the members of various Churches, and, among others, to the Church at Laodicea, with instructions to be forwarded by them to Colossæ; so that, with the greatest correctness, it might be said to be *from* Laodicea.





THE FIRST

EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE

TO THE

THESSALONIANS

CHAPTER I.

ANNO DOMINI 51.

1 *The Thessalonians are given to understand both how mindful of them Saint Paul was at all times in thanksgiving, and prayer* 5 *and also how well he was persuaded of the truth and sincerity of their faith, and conversion to God.*

PAUL, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians *which is* in God the Father and *in* the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.[a]

2 We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers ;[b]

3 Remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labour of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father ;[c]

4 Knowing, brethren [1]beloved, your election of God.[d]

5 For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance ; as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.[e]

a 2 Cor. i 19; Eph i 2; 2 Thess. i. 1, 1 Peter v. 12.

b Rom. i. 8; Eph. i. 16; Phil. 4.

c ch. ii 13; iii. 6; John vi 29, Rom xvi 6; Gal. v. 6; 2 Thess. i 3, 11, Heb. vi. 10, James ii 17

1 Or, *beloved of God, your election*

d Col iii 12; 2 Thess. ii 13

e ch. ii 1, 5, 10, 11; Mark xvi 20; 1 Cor. ii. 4; iv. 20; 2 Cor. vi. 6; Col. ii. 2; 2 Thess. iii. 7; Heb. ii. 3.

6 And ye became followers of us, and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost :[a]

7 So that ye were ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia.

8 For from you sounded out the word of the Lord not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to God-ward is spread abroad ; so that we need not to speak any thing.[b]

9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God ;[c]

10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.[d]

CHAPTER II.

1 *In what manner the gospel was brought and preached to the Thessalonians, and in what sort also they received it.* 18 *A reason is rendered both why Saint Paul was so long absent from them, and also why he was so desirous to see them.*

FOR yourselves, brethren, know our entrance in unto you, that it was not in vain :[e]

2 But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention.[f]

3 For our exhortation *was* not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in guile :[g]

4 But as we were allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel, even so we speak ; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.[h]

5 For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloke of covetousness ; God *is* witness :[i]

6 Nor of men sought we glory, neither of you, nor *yet* of others, when we might have [1]been burdensome, as the apostles of Christ.[j]

ANNO DOMINI 54.

k 1 Cor. ii 3; ix. 22; 2 Cor. xiii. 4; 2 Tim ii. 24.
a ch ii. 14; Acts v 41; 1 Cor. iv. 16; xi. 1; Philipp. iii. 17; 2 Thess. iii. 9; Heb. x. 34.
l Rom. i. 11; xv 29; 2 Cor xii. 15
b Rom. i 8, x. 18; 2 Thess i. 4
m Acts xx. 34, Rom. i. 11, xv 29, 1 Cor iv 12; 2 Cor. xi 9, xii. 13, 14, 2 Thess. iii 8.
c ch ii. 1; 1 Cor. xii. 2; Gal iv. 8.
n ch. i. 5; 2 Cor. vii. 2; 2 Thess. iii 7.
d ch iv. 16; v 9, Matt. iii. 7, Acts i 11, ii 24, Rom ii. 7, v 9, Philipp iii. 20; 2 Thess. i 7, Titus ii. 13; 2 Peter iii. 12; Rev i. 7.
o ch iv. 1; v 24; 1 Cor. i. 9, Eph. iv. 1, Philipp i 27; Col i 10; 2 Thess. ii. 14; 2 Tim i. 9.
p ch i 3; Matt x. 40, Gal. iv. 14; 2 Peter iii. 2.
e ch i 5, 9
q Acts xvii. 5, 13; Gal i 22; Heb. x. 33, 34
2 Or, *chased us out.*
f ch i 5; Acts xvi 22; xvii 2, Philipp i 30, Col ii 1.
r Esther iii 8, Matt v 12, xxiii 34, 37, Luke xxi 53, 34, Acts ii 23, iii 15, v 30, vii 52
g ver 5, 2 Cor vii 2, 2 Peter i 16
s Gen xv 16, Matt xxiii 32, xxiv 6, 14, Luke xi 52, Acts xiii 50, xiv 5, 19, xvii 5, 13, xviii 12; xix. 9, xxii 21, 22
h Prov xvii 3, Rom viii 27, 1 Cor vii 25, ix 17, Gal i 10, ii 7, 1 Tim. i 11, 12, Titus i 3
t ch iii 10, 1 Cor. v 3; Col ii 5
u Rom i 18, xv 22
i Acts xx 33, Rom i 9, 2 Cor ii 17, iv. 2, vii. 2, xii 17
3 Or, *glorying*
1 Or, *used authority*
v ch iii 13, Prov xvi. 31, 1 Cor xv 23, 2 Cor. i 14; Philipp ii 16, iv 1, Rev i 7, xxii 12
j John v 41, 44, xii 43, 1 Cor ix 1, 2, 4—6, 12, 18, 2 Cor x 1, 2, 10, 11, xi 9, xii 13, 14, xiii. 10, 2 Thess iii 8, 9, 1 Tim v 17, Phil 8, 9.

7 But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children :[k]

8 So being affectionately desirous of you, we were willing to have imparted unto you, not the gospel of God only, but also our own souls, because ye were dear unto us.[l]

9 For ye remember, brethren, our labour and travail : for labouring night and day, because we would not be chargeable unto any of you, we preached unto you the gospel of God.[m]

10 Ye *are* witnesses, and God *also*, how holily and justly and unblameably we behaved ourselves among you that believe :[n]

11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father *doth* his children,

12 That ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.[o]

13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received *it* not *as* the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.[p]

14 For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God which in Judæa are in Christ Jesus : for ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they *have* of the Jews :[q]

15 Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have [2]persecuted us ; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men :[r]

16 Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins alway : for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.[s]

17 But we, brethren, being taken from you for a short time in presence, not in heart, endeavoured the more abundantly to see your face with great desire.[t]

18 Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again ; but Satan hindered us.[u]

19 For what *is* our hope, or joy, or crown of [3]rejoicing ? *Are* not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming ?[v]

20 For ye are our glory and joy.

CHAPTER I.

Thessalonica was a city of Macedonia, and, as the seat of a Roman prætor, was the capital of the second division of the province of Macedonia. It is said to have been built on the site of the ancient Therma, and was situated at the north-east extremity of the Sinus Thermaicus. It became a city of no little importance under Cassander, son of Antipater, who gave to it the name of Thessalonica, in honour of his wife Thessalonica, the daughter of Philip and sister of Alexander the Great. Hither Cassander brought the inhabitants of several adjacent towns ; and under the Romans it became rich and populous.

The modern name of the place is Salonica, or Saloniki, a view of which is given in the illustration at the head of this Epistle. "The walls give the town a very remarkable appearance, and cause it to be seen at a great distance, as they are whitewashed and painted." But the internal wretchedness of the place is in strange contrast with its picturesque aspect from the sea. The place is still one of importance, and has a large commercial population of probably 60,000 souls, very many of whom are Jews, who, even in the Apostle's times, were numerous enough to have a synagogue here The actual government is Turkish ; but there are ten or twelve thousand Greek Christians resident in the city. Thessalonica was visited by Paul about the year 51, and the effect of his ministry, as we learn from Acts xvii. 1—9, was that some of the Jews believed and consorted with Paul and Silas ; also of the devout Greeks a great multitude ; and of the chief women not a few. Having, in company with Paul and Silas, laid the foundation of a Church there, he left Thessalonica on account of a tumult raised by the unbelieving Jews, and made his escape by night to Berœa, and from thence he went by sea to Athens. Filled with holy solicitude about his converts, he sent Timotheus back to Thessalonica to learn their state. On his return, Timotheus reported well of them, and of their steadfastness in the faith.

To strengthen their faith and animate their hearts, the Apostle, who had gone from Athens to Corinth, wrote this First Letter to them, probably in the year 52, which early date will place this Epistle first in chronological order of all St. Paul's writings which are known to us. In the margin of our English Bibles the date given is A.D. 54.

1 "Paul and Silvanus."—see Acts xvii. 1—9 ; Rom. i. 1, 2 ; 1 Cor. i. 1, 2 ; Eph. i. 1, 2 ; Col. i. 1—3.

3 "Your work of faith ;"—all those practical doings which spring from faith and love, while "the patience of hope" bespeaks their power of endurance under the inspiring influence of hope.

4. "Your election of God :"—this rendering violates a law of Greek construction ; and, therefore, the preferable reading is, "Knowing, brethren beloved of God, your election"—under what circumstances ye were converted to the Christian faith.

5. "In much assurance" refers not to the confidence reposed in the Gospel by the Thessalonians, but to the unwavering firmness with which Paul and his associates had proclaimed it.

6, 7. "And ye became followers of us ;"—avowed their adherence to the Christian faith, and their preparedness to suffer for it.—See Acts xvii. 5—10.

10. "To wait for his Son from heaven :"—the second coming of Christ was a favourite theme with our Apostle, as involving the consummation of Christian hope, and a manifestation of the Redeemer's glory.

CHAPTER II.

1, 2. "Our entrance in unto you :"—he appeals to their own knowledge of his course of life and action while in Thessalonica, and of the painful circumstances under which he had introduced the Gospel among them, to confirm their faith in the truth which they had embraced.

CHAPTER III.

1 *Saint Paul testifieth his great love to the Thessalonians, partly by sending Timothy unto them to strengthen and comfort them: partly by rejoicing in their well doing:* 10 *and partly by praying for them, and desiring a safe coming unto them.*

THEREFORE when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left at Athens alone ;[a]

2 And sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellow-labourer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith :[b]

3 That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto.[c]

4 For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know.[d]

5 For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain.[e]

6 But now when Timotheus came from you unto us and brought us good tidings of your faith and charity, and that ye have good remembrance of us always, desiring greatly to see us, as we also *to see* you :[f]

7 Therefore, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our affliction and distress by your faith :[g]

8 For now we live, if ye stand fast in the Lord.[h]

9 For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God ;[i]

10 Night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith ?[j]

11 Now God himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ, [1]direct our way unto you.[k]

12 And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all *men*, even as we *do* toward you :[l]

ANNO DOMINI 54.

m ch. v. 23; Zech xiv 5; 1 Cor. i. 8; Philipp. i. 10; 2 Thess. ii. 17; 1 John iii. 20, 21; Jude 14.

a ver. 5; Acts xvii. 15.

2 Or, *request.*

3 Or, *beseech.*

b Rom xvi. 21; 1 Cor. xvi. 10; 2 Cor. i. 19.

c Acts ix 16; xiv. 22; xx. 23, xxi. 11, 1 Cor iv. 9, Eph. iii. 13; 2 Tim. iii. 12; 1 Peter ii. 21.

n ch ii. 12, Philipp i 27; Col. i. 10, ii. 6

d Acts xx 24.

o Rom xii 2; 1 Cor. vi. 15, 18; Eph. v. 3, 17, 27; Col. iii. 5

e ver 1; 1 Cor. vii 5; 2 Cor. xi. 3, Gal. ii. 2; iv. 11, Philipp ii. 16.

p Rom vi. 19; 1 Cor vi. 15, 18.

q Rom. i 24, 26; 1 Cor xv 34; Gal. iv. 8; Eph. ii 12; iv 17, 18, Col iii 5, 2 Thess i 8.

4 Or, *oppress*, or, *overreach.*

f Acts xviii 1, 5, Philipp i 8.

5 Or, *in the matter*

g 2 Cor i 4; vii 6, 7, 13

r Lev xix 11, 13, 1 Cor vi 8, 2 Thess. i. 8

h Philipp iv. 1.

s Lev. xi 44; xix. 2, 1 Cor i 2, Heb xii 14, 1 Peter i. 14, 15

6 Or, *rejecteth.*

i ch i 2.

t Luke x 16, 1 Cor ii 10, vii 40; 1 John iii 24

j ch ii 17, Acts xxvi 7, Rom i. 10, 11, xv 32, 2 Cor xiii 9, 11, Col iv 12; 2 Tim i. 3

u ch v 1; Jer xxxi 34, Matt xxii 39, John vi 45, xiii. 34, xiv 26, xv 12, Eph v 2, Heb. viii 11, 1 Peter iv 8, 1 John ii 20, 27, iii 11, 23; iv 21

1 Or, *guide.*

k Mark i 3.

v ch. i 7; iv 12

l ch iv 9, 10, v. 15, 2 Peter i 7.

13 To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.[m]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *He exhorteth them to go on forward in all manner of godliness,* 6 *to live holily and justly,* 9 *to love one another,* 11 *and quietly to follow their own business* 13 *and last of all to sorrow moderately for the dead.* 15 *And unto this last exhortation is annexed a brief description of the resurrection, and second coming of Christ to judgment.*

FURTHERMORE then we [2]beseech you, brethren, and [3]exhort *you* by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, *so* ye would abound more and more.[n]

2 For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.

3 For this is the will of God, *even* your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication :[o]

4 That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour ;[p]

5 Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God :[q]

6 That no *man* go beyond and [4]defraud his brother [5]in *any* matter: because that the Lord *is* the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.[r]

7 For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.[s]

8 He therefore that [6]despiseth, despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit.[t]

9 But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another.[u]

10 And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more ;[v]

11 And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your

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3. "Not of deceit:"—in his ministry there was nothing of imposture, of personal indulgence, of false dealing. He commended himself to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

6. "Might have been burdensome"—the Apostle might have claimed the means of subsistence from them, on the principle that the labourer is worthy of his hire, and that, having reaped spiritual good from him, it was their bounden duty to communicate to him of their temporal substance; but this right he waived.

14. "Followers of the churches . . . in Judæa;"—in enduring, like them, for Christ and the Gospel.

15. "Contrary to all men;"—that is, the Jews, as a people, were opposed to the extension of spiritual privilege and blessing to the Gentile nations, since they conceived of them as given up to the wrath of God.

18. "Satan hindered us;"—that is, through human agency and influence.

CHAPTER III.

1, 2. "No longer forbear:"—such was his deep-seated affection for them, and his solicitude for their well-being, that he could no longer endure his absence from them; and therefore he was willing to be left alone at Athens, and dispense with the society and presence of Timothy for a time for their sake.

3. "Moved by these afflictions:"—the sufferings to which both he and they were subject as the followers of Christ might have disquieted the minds of some, and might have shaken the faith of others. Hence his desire to visit them, and hence his forwardness to send Timothy to encourage and strengthen them.

5. "I sent to know your faith;"—or, their persistence in the faith, or their fortitude in maintaining their Christian character in its integrity and purity. Had they proved unfaithful to their profession, or had they been seduced from the truth as it is in Jesus, his labour would have been in vain.

7 "Were comforted over you in all our affliction and distress:"—the intelligence brought by Timothy of their stability, perseverance, and devotedness was like a renewal of strength to the Apostle. He arose above his sufferings and his sorrows, and became conscious of invigorated energy.

8. "Now we live:"—just as their apostacy would have weighed his spirit down to death, so their stability in the midst of opposition and suffering was nothing short of life itself. His very life was bound up with their perseverance. Nothing could more strongly or emphatically express the intensity of his affection and love.

10. "Perfect that which is lacking:"—they were far from being matured in their Christian faith and character. Comparatively, they were yet novices, and hence had much to learn from a teacher so advanced in Christian enlightenment and consciousness as our Apostle.

13. "Unblameable in holiness before God"—to reach such a state is the perfection of Christian attainment.

CHAPTER IV.

1. "To please God:"—this they were to do by adorning the doctrine of God their Saviour in all things, by their life being the embodiment and expression of holy and transforming principles. The Gospel is according to godliness, and in such practical godliness he beseeches them, in the name of Christ, to abound yet more and more.

own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;[a]

12 That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and *that* ye may have lack [1]of nothing.[b]

13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.[c]

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.[d]

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.[e]

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:[f]

17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.[g]

18 Wherefore [2]comfort one another with these words.[h]

CHAPTER V.

1 *He proceedeth in the former description of Christ's coming to judgment,* 16 *and giveth divers precepts,* 23 *and so concludeth the epistle.*

BUT of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.[i]

2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.[j]

3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.[k]

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.[l]

5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.[m]

6 Therefore let us not sleep, as *do* others; but let us watch and be sober.[n]

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a Acts xx 35; Eph. iv. 28, 2 Thess iii. 7, 8, 11, 12, 1 Peter iv 15.
o Luke xxi. 34, 36; Acts ii. 15; Rom xiii 13; 1 Cor. xv. 34; Eph. v. 14.
1 Or, *of no man.*
b Rom. xiii 13; 2 Cor. viii. 21, Col. iv. 5
p Isa. lix. 17; Eph. vi 14, 16, 17.
c Lev. xix. 28; Deut. xiv. 1, 2; 2 Sam xii. 20.
q ch. i. 10; Rom. ix 22; 2 Thess. ii. 13, 14; 1 Peter ii. 8.
r Rom. xiv. 8, 9; 2 Cor. v. 15.
d ch iii. 13; 1 Cor. xv. 13.
3 Or, *exhort.*
s ch. iv 18
e 1 Kings xiii. 17, 18; xx. 35; 1 Cor. xv 51.
t 1 Cor xvi 18, Philipp ii. 29; 1 Tim v 17
u Mark ix 50.
f Matt. xxiv. 30, 31, Acts i. 11; 1 Cor. xv 23, 52
4 Or, *beseech*
5 Or, *disorderly.*
v Rom. xiv. 1, xv 1; Gal. v. 22, vi. 1, 2, Eph. iv. 2, Col iii. 12, 2 Thess iii 11, 12; 2 Tim iv 2
g John xii. 26, xiv 3, xvii 24; Acts i 9, 1 Cor xv 51; Rev. xi 12
2 Or, *exhort*
w ch iii 12, Lev xix 18, Prov xx 22, xxiv 29, Matt v. 39, 44, Rom xii 17, 1 Cor vi 7, Gal vi 10, 1 Peter iii 9
h ch. v. 11.
x 2 Cor vi. 10, Philipp iv 4
y Luke xviii. 1, xxi 36, Rom xii. 12, Eph vi 18, Col iv 2, 1 Peter iv 7
z Eph v. 20, Col iii 17
a 1 Cor xiv 30, Eph iv 30; 1 Tim iv 14
b 1 Cor. xiv 1, 39
c 1 Cor ii. 11, 15, Philipp iv 8, 1 John iv 1
i ch iv. 9; Matt xxiv 3, 36, Acts i 7
d ch iv. 12
j Matt xxiv. 43, 44; xxv 13, Luke xii 39, 40, 2 Peter iii 10, Rev iii 3
e ch iii 13, 1 Cor i 8, Philipp. iv 9
f 1 Cor i 9, x 13, 2 Thess iii 3
g Col iv. 3, 2 Thess iii 1.
k Isa xiii 6—9, Jer xiii 21, Hos xiii. 13, Luke xvii 27—29, xxi 34.
h Rom xvi 16
6 Or, *adjure*
l Rom xiii. 12, 13; 1 John ii 8
i Col iv 16; 2 Thess iii 14
m Eph v 8
j Rom xvi 20, 24, 2 Thess iii 18.
n Matt xxiv 42, xxv 5, 13, Rom xiii 11—13.

7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.[o]

8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.[p]

9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,[q]

10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.[r]

11 Wherefore [3]comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.[s]

12 And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you;[t]

13 And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. *And* be at peace among yourselves.[u]

14 Now we [4]exhort you, brethren, warn them that are [5]unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all *men.*[v]

15 See that none render evil for evil unto any *man;* but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all *men.*[w]

16 Rejoice evermore.[x]

17 Pray without ceasing.[y]

18 In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.[z]

19 Quench not the Spirit.[a]

20 Despise not prophesyings.[b]

21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.[c]

22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.[d]

23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and *I pray God* your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.[e]

24 Faithful *is* he that calleth you, who also will do *it.*[f]

25 Brethren, pray for us.[g]

26 Greet all the brethren with an holy kiss.[h]

27 I [6]charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren.[i]

28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.[j]

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2. "What commandments we gave you:"—the reference, no doubt, is to those instructions which he had addressed to them in the name and on the authority of the Lord Jesus, while he was among them.

4. "Possess his vessel in sanctification and honour."—in the preceding verse he had exhorted them to preserve purity in all their actions, and the Apostle proceeds to show that this personal purity is one of the marks that distinguish the followers of Christ from the Gentiles.

6. "That no man go beyond and defraud his brother:"—the Christian law limits the husband to his own wife, and thus he is not to covet his neighbour's wife, and so transgress the law, and injure his brother.

11. "Study to be quiet"—it appears from this verse that there were those in the Church of Thessalonica who were given to strife, and others to sloth; both of which were in direct opposition to the genius and requirements of the Christian faith.

13. "Them which are asleep:"—this is only another and more Christian mode of expressing the death of the body, there is no reference to the sleep or unconsciousness of the soul in the intermediate state. As the Christian is taught to look forward to "the morn of the resurrection," so he is permitted to regard death under the figure of sleep, and he is enjoined not to be sorry, as men without hope, for them that "sleep in Jesus."

15. "We which are alive and remain:"—we learn from the Apostle's words to the Corinthians that we shall not all sleep. Thousands of believers will be alive on the earth at Christ's coming. But these are not to prevent or precede those who are asleep. That is, in reference to the change which is to take place in the living, this will not take place till the dead are raised.

16. "The dead in Christ shall rise first;"—that is, before the change is effected upon those who are alive.

CHAPTER V.

1. "No need that I write unto you."—it had, no doubt, formed part of the Apostle's teaching while among them.

2. "The day of the Lord:"—this can legitimately be referred only to the second or final advent of our Lord at the consummation of all things.

4. "Are not in darkness:"—having expressed the suddenness of Christ's coming, and the unexpectedness with which it would overtake those who were in spiritual ignorance and indifference, like men sunk in deeper sleep, he reminds the Thessalonians that, sudden as the event might be, it was one for which they, if really enlightened and awakened, were looking and waiting, and therefore could not come upon them unexpectedly.

5—7. "Ye are all the children of light:"—in these verses light is opposed to darkness, day to night, watchfulness to sleep. In the one case the mind was enlightened, wakeful, and in possession of all active power: while in the other, the man was in ignorance, insensibility, stupor, and inaction.

8. "Putting on the breastplate:"—not only were they to be awake and sober, but to be armed as sentinels on guard, prepared for any sudden attack, and therefore in readiness for Christ's advent, come when or how it might.



CHAPTER I.

1 *Saint Paul certifieth them of the good opinion which he had of their faith, love, and patience* 11 *and therewithal useth divers reasons for the comforting of them in persecution, whereof the chiefest is taken from the righteous judgment of God.*

PAUL, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:[a]

2 Grace unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.[b]

3 We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth;[c]

4 So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:[d]

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[e] Philipp. i. 28, 1 Thess. ii. 14

[f] Rev. vi. 10.

1 Gr. *the angels of his power*

[a] 2 Cor. i. 19, 1 Thess. i. 1

[g] 1 Thess. iv. 16, Jude 14, Rev. xiv. 14

2 Or, *yielding*

[b] 1 Cor. i. 3

[h] Ps. lxxix. 6, Rom. ii. 8; 1 Thess. iv. 5, Heb. x. 27; xii. 29, 2 Peter iii. 7, Rev. xxi. 8.

[c] ch. i. 8; Deut. xxxiii. 2, Isa. 19, Philipp. iii. 19, 2 Peter iii. 7

[i] ch. ii. 13, 1 Thess. i. 2, 3;

[j] Ps. lxvii. 35 (Heb. 36) 7.

[d] 2 Cor. vii. 14, ix. 2; 1 Thess. i. 3; ii. 14, 19, 20

5 *Which is* a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer:[e]

6 Seeing *it is* a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;[f]

7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with [1]his mighty angels,[g]

8 In flaming fire [2]taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:[h]

9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;[i]

10 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.[j]

11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that

CHAPTER I.

Mistaking some expressions of the Apostle in his preceding letter on the doctrine of Christ's second advent, the Thessalonians had become unsettled in their minds and views. This affected the consistency of their Christian character and conversation. Their mode of life became subject to impeachment and blame; and this it was which supplied the occasion, the necessity for this Second Epistle, in which the Apostle seeks to rectify their mistaken notions about our Lord's coming; intimates to them a long series of intervening events, whose development would require ages of time; pours into their hearts the richest consolation under their present sufferings; and exhorts them to a walk and conversation becoming the Gospel.

This Second Epistle is, with few exceptions, admitted to be the production of St. Paul, as is evident from the matter and from the style, and its date may be fixed early in A.D. 53, or about a year later than the first, and when the Apostle was in possession of more intelligence respecting the actual state of the Church. Like the first letter, it was written from Athens

1: "Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus:"—we find the same association in the First Epistle; and this circumstance, says Alford, "would at once direct us to Corinth, where Silas and Timotheus rejoined St. Paul (Acts xviii. 5), and we do not read that they accompanied him in his departure for Asia" (Acts xviii. 18).

3. "Your faith groweth exceedingly:"—faith here must be understood in the sense of Christian principle and character—principle being the foundation of character, and character the outward and visible embodiment of the inward principle.

4. "Glory in you in the churches:"—such were the height and force of their Christian attainment, that he could hold them up as examples to the Churches in Corinth and Achaia. Their constancy in confession of the truth in the midst of suffering was such as to stimulate other believers, and inspire them with the same moral heroism.

5. "Which is a manifest token"—what is the token or proof? Their power and patience of endurance for Christ's sake was a certain proof of that righteous retribution which would come upon their adversaries when the Lord appeared as Judge of all; and at the same time, the precursor of their own future exaltation and glory in the kingdom of God

6. "It is a righteous thing:"—such procedure is founded on the immutable principles of eternal justice, in the exercise of which every man will receive according to his deeds.

7 "To you who are troubled:"—they were afflicted, tried, persecuted by those without; but in the power to endure which they exhibited and exemplified, they enjoyed a deeper rest of spirit, while that holy, inward quiet was a certain pledge to them of perfect rest and sinless joy in the kingdom of Christ at his coming.

"With his mighty angels,"—according to some authorities (Dean Alford and others), this rendering "obscures the sense" They would prefer the marginal reading, "the angels of his power," on the ground that "the might of the angels is no element here, but HIS might, of which they are the angels, serving HIS power, and proclaiming HIS might." But this is carrying criticism into weakness. If angels be HIS servants or messengers, then their might, or strength, or power, are gifts from HIM, to be employed in HIS service. And there is nothing which they do in which his glory is not their aim and end

our God would [1]count you worthy of *this* calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of *his* goodness, and the work of faith with power:[a]

12 That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.[b]

CHAPTER II.

1 *He willeth them to continue stedfast in the truth received,* 3 *sheweth that there shall be a departure from the faith,* 9 *and a discovery of antichrist, before the day of the Lord come.* 15 *And thereupon repeateth his former exhortation, and prayeth for them.*

NOW we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and *by* our gathering together unto him,[c]

2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.[d]

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come,* except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;[e]

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.[f]

5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

6 And now ye know what [2]withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth *will let,* until he be taken out of the way.[g]

8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:[h]

9 *Even him,* whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,[i]

10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.[j]

11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:[k]

12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.[l]

13 But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:[m]

14 Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.[n]

15 Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle.[o]

16 Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given *us* everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,[p]

17 Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.[q]

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1 Or, *vouchsafe.*

g 1 John ii. 18; iv. 3.

a ver. 5, 1 Thess. i. 3.

b 1 Peter i. 7; iv. 14.

h ch. i. 8, 9; Job iv. 9; Isa. xi. 4; Dan. vii. 10, 11; Hos. vi. 5; Heb. x. 27; Rev. ii. 16, xix. 15, 20, 21.

i Deut. xiii. 1, Matt. xxiv. 24; John viii. 41, Eph. ii. 2, Rev. xiii. 13, xviii. 23; xix. 20.

j 2 Cor. ii. 15, iv. 3.

k 1 Kings xxii. 22; Ezek. xiv. 9; Matt. xxiv. 5, 11; Rom. i. 24, &c; 1 Tim. iv. 1.

c Matt. xxiv. 31, Mark xiii. 27, 1 Thess. iv. 16, 17.

l Rom. i. 32.

d Matt. xxiv. 4, Eph. v. 6; 1 John iv. 1.

m ch. i. 3, Luke i. 75, Eph. i. 4, 1 Thess. i. 4, 1 Peter i. 2.

e Dan. vii. 25; Matt. xxiv. 4, John xvii. 12, Eph. v. 6, 1 Tim. iv. 1, 1 John ii. 18, Rev. xiii. 11, &c.

n John xvii. 22; 1 Thess. ii. 12, 1 Peter v. 10.

o ch. iii. 6, 1 Cor. xi. 2, xvi. 13, Philipp. iv. 1.

f Isa. xiv. 13, Ezek. xxviii. 2, 6, 9, Dan. vii. 25, xi. 36, 1 Cor. viii. 5, Rev. xiii. 6.

2 Or, *holdeth.*

p ch. i. 1, 2, 1 Peter i. 3, 1 John iv. 10, Rev. i. 5.

q 1 Cor. i. 8, 1 Thess. iii. 13, 1 Peter v. 10.

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8. "In flaming fire:"—the flame is nothing less than the burning radiance of his own inherent and eternal glory.

9. "From the presence of the Lord:"—separation from God as the source of holiness and of happiness will form a part of the punishment of the finally impenitent—that part which is defined to be "the punishment of privation," as distinguished from bodily suffering.

11. "Count you worthy of this calling:"—what calling? Does it refer to their being originally called by God's grace into the kingdom of his Son, or to that grand consummation of their faith and hope in future, everlasting glory? To the latter, beyond all question. They, as partakers of the grace of God, were called to glory; and his prayer was that God would count them worthy of this glory, by producing in them stability and perseverance in the Christian life, and to this end, that he would work in them, so as to fulfil, complete, or perfect that inward goodness or moral excellence which is in harmony with his own infinite mind and will—the work of faith with power—so strengthening and maturing the inward principle, as effectually and mightily to reveal itself in all that is pure and holy, lovely, and of good report.

CHAPTER II.

1. "We beseech you."—the Thessalonians having misapprehended and even misinterpreted the Apostle's teaching on the doctrine of the Saviour's advent, he still keeps the subject before them, and beseeches them with an affectionate solicitude not to allow themselves to be drawn away, by any seductive influences whatever, from the ground which the whole Christian Church was justified in assuming and preserving on this interesting and important subject. This he presses upon them by the very fact of Christ's coming, and the no less cheering assurance that all believers were to be gathered into one in him, and with him were to rise and live for ever.

2. "Neither by spirit, nor by word;"—by no one affecting to have the spirit of prophetic revelation, on the one hand, nor, on the other, by any species of argumentation or show of reasoning. They were in great danger of being misled, and therefore he proceeds to instruct them as to that long series of events which is to precede the appearing of our Lord.

3 "That man of sin be revealed."—there is first to be an apostacy, or falling away from the truth; then the development of some great system of error and evil; and this concentration of error in creed and evil in conduct should be found in some personal existence, who, as a child of perdition, should be finally overcome and destroyed.

But who or what is this man of sin? The early Fathers regarded the passage as a prophecy still future from the time in which they lived and wrote, but yet looked upon the man of sin as an individual personal existence. The power which this existence was supposed to represent was, in their estimation, the Roman Empire. This view "remained for ages the prevalent one in the Church. Modifications were introduced into it as her relation to the State gradually altered, and the Church, at last, instead of being exposed to further hostilities from the secular power, rose to the head of that power, and penetrating larger and larger portions of the world, became a representation of the kingdom of God on earth, with an imposing hierarchy at her head." Out of this fact sprang up the idea in the eleventh century, that "the Antichrist foretold by St. Paul is the establishment and growing power of the Popedom." In the Papacy the earlier Reformers found the man of sin; and towards the period of the great restoration of the doctrines of the Gospel effected by Luther, the reference of Antichrist to the Papal hierarchy was very general. After that great event "it assumed almost the position of an established opinion in the Protestant Churches," both in England and in other countries.

In more recent times this interpretation and application of the Apostle's words has been called in question, and it has been asserted that we are not justified by the terms of the prophecy in applying it to any one existing system of error, or to any individual personal existence as the embodiment and expression of that system, since there can be found no one system and no one person in which all the terms of the prophecy are fulfilled. Still, these objectors are compelled to admit that the most remarkable type of the evils here predicted is the Papacy; and therefore, though the type may include other and lesser forms of evil, and hold them in connection with it, we believe the Papacy is essentially meant by the man of sin, in whose overthrow shall perish every false and anti-Christian power as linked with it and supported by it.

6—8. "Ye knew what withholdeth:"—the mystery of iniquity had begun to work even in the Apostolic ages, but it was held in check both by temporal power and moral influence, till the time came for its fuller development, and when the purposes of God might be carried into effect. But whatever may now hold the evil in check will be removed, and then the Wicked one who lifts himself above God and his ordinances will be revealed; the mystery of iniquity will reach its final development; but only to be swept away by the advancing truth of the Gospel and the glory of the Saviour's reign.

10. "All deceivableness of unrighteousness:"—just as all the power, and signs, and wonders affected by this lawless one are founded in falsehood, so they all deceive and lead to unrighteousness—to that which is bad in principle and godless in action. Hence the doom and the perdition of those who embrace such a system, to the rejection of the simple truth.

CHAPTER III.

1 *He craveth their prayers for himself,* 3 *testifieth what confidence he hath in them,* 5 *maketh request to God in their behalf,* 6 *giveth them divers precepts, especially to shun idleness, and ill company,* 16 *and last of all concludeth with prayer and salutation.*

FINALLY, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord [1]may have *free* course, and be glorified, even as *it is* with you :[a]

2 And that we may be delivered from [2]unreasonable and wicked men : for all *men* have not faith.[b]

3 But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep *you* from evil.[c]

4 And we have confidence in the Lord touching you, that ye both do and will do the things which we command you.[d]

5 And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into [3]the patient waiting for Christ.[e]

6 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.[f]

7 For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you;[g]

8 Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought; but wrought with labour and travail night and day, that we might not be chargeable to any of you :[h]

9 Not because we have not power, but to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us.[i]

10 For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.[j]

11 For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.[k]

12 Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread.[l]

13 But ye, brethren, [4]be not weary in well doing.[m]

14 And if any man obey not our word [5]by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed.[n]

15 Yet count *him* not as an enemy, but admonish *him* as a brother.[o]

16 Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord *be* with you all.[p]

17 The salutation of Paul with mine own hand, which is the token in every epistle: so I write.[q]

18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.[r]

¶ The second *epistle* to the Thessalonians was written from Athens.

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h Acts xviii. 3; xx. 34, 2 Cor. xi. 9; 1 Thess. ii. 9.
i ver. 7; 1 Cor. ix. 6, 1 Thess. ii. 6.
1 Gr. *may run.*
j Gen. iii. 19; 1 Thess. iv. 11.
a Eph. vi. 19; Col. iv. 3, 1 Thess. v. 25.
k ver. 6; 1 Thess. iv. 11; 1 Tim. v. 13; 1 Peter iv. 15.
2 Gr *absurd.*
b Acts xxviii 24; Rom. x. 16, xv. 31.
l Eph. iv. 28; 1 Thess. iv. 11.
c John xvii 15; 1 Cor. i 9, 1 Thess. v. 24, 2 Peter ii. 9.
4 Or, *faint not.*
m Gal. vi. 9.
5 Or, *signify that man by an epistle.*
d 2 Cor. vii. 16; Gal. v. 10.
n ver. 6; Matt. xviii. 17; 1 Cor v 9, 11.
3 Or, *the patience of Christ,* 1 Thess i. 3.
o Lev. xix 17; 1 Thess. v. 14; Titus iii 10
e 1 Chron xxix. 18.
p Rom. xv 33; xvi. 20, 1 Cor xiv. 33; 2 Cor xiii 11; 1 Thess v. 23.
q 1 Cor xvi. 21; Col iv. 18.
f vs 11, 12, 14; ch ii 15, Rom. xvi 17, 1 Cor v 11, 13, 1 Thess iv 11, v 14, 1 Tim. vi 5, 2 John 10
r Rom xvi 24.
g 1 Cor iv 16, xi 1, 1 Thess. i 6, 7, ii 10.

15. "Hold the traditions."—he means the truths and doctrines which he had already taught them both by word and letter.

CHAPTER III.

1. "The word of the Lord;"—another phrase for that glorious Gospel which had been committed to him, for whose universal propagation he had consecrated his life to the Saviour, and which is glorified in becoming the power of God unto salvation in them that believe

2. "Unreasonable and wicked men"—it is not unlikely that the Apostle here refers to those Jews at Corinth who set themselves in opposition to him and his ministry. (See Acts xviii.)

"All men have not faith,"—that is, have not embraced the faith, or the Gospel, and hence their opposition to it.

6 "Withdraw yourselves"—he does not insist on the excommunication of the disorderly and disobedient, which proves that the Church was still sound at the core; but only recommends that others should withdraw from their intercourse and fellowship with them.

"The tradition," as in the preceding chapter, must be referred to his oral and written instructions.

7—12. "Behaved not ourselves disorderly"—many of the Thessalonians, believing in the immediate advent of Christ, had abandoned their daily avocations, and given themselves up to idleness and its concomitants. Not so with the Apostle. In addition to his ministerial labours, he worked with his own hands for his support, and was thus an example for them to follow

14 "Our word by this epistle:"—the Epistle is replete with instructions, and if any one refused to conform his life and conduct to these instructions, he was to be noted and avoided, not excommunicated, but admonished; not treated as an outcast, or an enemy, but as a brother to be restored, and for whom Christ died.





THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO TIMOTHY.

CHAPTER I.

1 Timothy is put in mind of the charge which was given unto him by Paul at his going to Macedonia 5 Of the right use and end of the law 11 Of Saint Paul's calling to be an apostle, 20 and of and Alexander

PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ, *which is* our hope ;[a]

2 Unto Timothy, *my* own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

3 As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia, that thou mightest charge some that they teach no other doctrine,[c]

4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: *so do.*[d]

5 Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and *of* a good conscience, and *of* faith unfeigned:[e]

6 From which some having swerved have turned vain jangling;[f]

7 Desiring to be teachers of the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm.[g]

8 But we know that the law *is* good, if a man use it lawfully;[h]

9 Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and

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c ch vi 3, 10, Acts xx 1, 3

a Rom xvi 8, 10; Gal v 14, 2 Tim. ii 22

1 Or, *not aiming at*

b ch vi 4, 20.

a ch ii 3; iv. 10; Acts ix 15, Gal i 1, 11, Col i. 27, Titus i 3; ii. 10, iii 4; Jude 25.

g ch vi. 4

h Rom vii 12. 1 Cor i ii 19, 1 Thess iii. 2; 2 Tim i. 2, Titus i. 4, 1 Peter i 2

CHAPTER 1

The three Pauline Epistles addressed to Timothy and Titus are almost universally received as the genuine composition of St. Paul They were written in the later years of the Apostle's life, when his labours were nearly completed, and his days were worn out with toil and suffering—the First Epistle to Timothy and the Epistle to Titus somewhere about A.D 64, and the Second Epistle to Timothy in A.D. 64—65, during his second imprisonment at Rome, and only a few months before he suffered martyrdom

The object of this Epistle was to repress certain heresies which were springing up in the Ephesian Church prejudicial to its life and action; and at the same time to supply Timothy with those directions which he needed for the government of the Church, which had been left in his charge by the Apostle during his own absence from Ephesus It was the intention of Paul to re-visit that city; but circumstances having arisen to detain him longer than he expected, he wrote his letter of counsel and instruction, to guide and encourage him in his evangelistic work and pastoral superintendence.

1. "By the commandment;"—that is, the appointment or ordination of God. "Our hope;"—inasmuch as hope terminates in HIM as its final object, and in HIM alone the hope of the Christian can be realised.

profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,[a]

10 For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;[b]

11 According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust.[c]

12 And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;[d]

13 Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because I did *it* ignorantly in unbelief.[e]

14 And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.[f]

15 This *is* a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.[g]

16 Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on him to life everlasting.[h]

17 Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, *be* honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.[i]

18 This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went before on thee, that thou by them mightest war a good warfare;[j]

19 Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck:[k]

20 Of whom is Hymenæus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme.[l]

CHAPTER II.

1 *That it is meet to pray and give thanks for all men, and the reason why.* 9 *How women should be attired.* 12 *They are not permitted to teach.* 15 *They shall be saved, notwithstanding the testimonies of God's wrath, in childbirth, if they continue in faith.*

[1]EXHORT therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, *and* giving of thanks, be made for all men;

2 For kings, and *for* all that are in [2]authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.[m]

3 For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour;[n]

4 Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.[o]

5 For *there is* one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;[p]

6 Who gave himself a ransom for all, [3]to be testified in due time.[q]

7 Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, *and* lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.[r]

8 I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.[s]

9 In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with [4]broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;[t]

10 But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.[u]

11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.[v]

13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.[w]

14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.[x]

15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

CHAPTER III.

2 *How bishops, and deacons, and their wives should be qualified,* 14 *and to what end Saint Paul wrote to Timothy of these things.* 15 *Of the church, and the blessed truth therein taught and professed.*

THIS *is* a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.[y]

2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, [5]of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach;[z]

3 [6]Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous;[a]

4 One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity;[b]

5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)

6 Not [7]a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.[c]

7 Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.[d]

8 Likewise *must* the deacons *be* grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;[e]

9 Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.[f]

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a Gal. iii. 19; v. 23.
p Rom. iii. 29, 30; x. 12; Gal. iii. 20, Heb. viii. 6; ix 15
3 Or, *a testimony.*
q Matt. xx. 28; Mark x. 45; Rom v. 6; 1 Cor. i 6; Gal iv. 4; Eph. i. 7, 9, iii. 5; 2 Thess. i 10; 2 Tim. i. 8; Titus i. 3; ii. 14.
b ch. vi. 3; 2 Tim. iv 3; Titus i. 9; ii. 1.
r Rom. ix. 1; xi. 13; xv. 16; Gal i. 16; Eph. iii. 7, 8; 2 Tim. i. 11
c ch. i. 7; vi. 15; 1 Cor. ix 17; Gal. ii. 7; Col i. 25, 1 Thess ii 4, 2 Tim. i. 11; Titus i 3
s Ps cxxxiv. 2; Isa i 15; Mal i 11, John iv 21
d 1 Cor. vii 25, 2 Cor iii 5, 6, iv 1, xii 9, Col i 25
4 Or, *plaited.*
t 1 Peter iii 3
e Luke xxiii. 34; John ix 39, 41, Acts iii 17, viii 3, ix. 1, xxvi 9, 1 Cor xv. 9; Philipp. iii 6
u 1 Peter iii 4.
f Luke vii. 47; Rom. v 20; 1 Cor. xv. 10, 2 Tim i. 13
v 1 Cor xiv 34; Eph. v. 24
g ch i 1; iv 9, Matt ix 13; Mark ii 17, Luke v 32, xix 10, Rom v 8, 2 Tim ii 11, Titus iii 8, 1 John iii 5.
w Gen i 27, ii 18, 22, 1 Cor xi 8, 9
x Gen iii 6, 2 Cor xi 3
h Acts xiii 39, 2 Cor iv 1
i ch vi 15, 16, 1 Chron xxix 11, Ps x 16, cxlv 13, Dan vii 14, John i 18, Rom i 23, xvi 27, Heb xi 27; 1 John iv 12, Jude 25
j ch iv 14, vi. 12–14, 20; 2 Tim ii 2, 3, iv 7
y ch i 15, Acts xx 28, Eph iv 12, Philipp i 1.
k ch iii. 9, vi 9
5 Or, *modest*
z ch v 9, 2 Tim ii 24, Titus i 6, &c
l Acts xiii 45, 1 Cor v 5, 2 Tim ii 17, iv 14
6 Or, *Not ready to quarrel, and offer wrong, as one in wine*
a ver. 8, 2 Tim ii. 24, Titus i 7, 1 Peter v 2
b Titus i. 6
1 Or, *desire*
7 Or, *one newly come to the faith*
c Isa xiv. 12.
2 Or, *eminent place*
d ch vi 9, Acts xxii 12, 1 Cor v 12, 1 Thess iv 12; 2 Tim ii 26
m Ezra. vi 10, Jer xxix. 7, Rom. xiii 1.
n ch. i 1; v 4; Rom. xii. 2, 2 Tim i. 9
e ver 3, Lev x. 9; Ezek. xliv. 21, Acts vi 3
o Ezek. xviii 23; John iii. 16, 17; xvii 3, 2 Tim ii 25; Titus ii. 11; 2 Peter iii. 9.
f ch. i. 19

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3. "No other doctrine;"—no doctrine different from that which the Apostle himself had taught, and therefore inconsistent with the glorious Gospel.

4. "Which is in faith:"—faith in Christian doctrine tends to godly edification.

CHAPTER II.

1. "First of all:"—he does not mean that prayer for all men is to take the precedence or the priority in our intercessions; but this is the first exhortation which he addresses in his charge to Timothy.

4. "Who will have all men to be saved;"—or, as it may be rendered, "Who is willing that all men should be saved." Eternal life is offered equally to all by Scripture under the conditions of faith and obedience. (John iii. 15—17.) As God is thus merciful to men, our prayers and our exhortations for the salvation of others ought to correspond with this benevolent announcement.

6. "To be testified in due time:"—the saving grace of God in Christ was to be made known in this new era—this final dispensation.

CHAPTER III.

1. "The office of a bishop:"—the words "bishop," and "presbyter," and "elder" are used, says an able divine, in the New Testament to denote the same officer in the Church (Acts xx. 17); and therefore it is uncertain whether the Apostle, by this term, intends to designate ministers in general, or any who hold a higher position.

2. "The husband of one wife:"—does the Apostle here prohibit all second marriages in the case of those who were overseers in the Church? Or does

10 And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being *found* blameless.

11 Even so *must their* wives *be* grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things.[a]

12 Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well.

13 For they that have [1]used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.[b]

14 These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly:

15 But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and [2]ground of the truth.[c]

16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was [3]manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.[d]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *He foretelleth that in the latter times there shall be a departure from the faith.* 6 *And to the end that Timothy might not fail in doing his duty, he furnisheth him with divers precepts belonging thereto.*

NOW the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;[e]

2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;[f]

2 Forbidding to marry, *and commanding* to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.[g]

4 For every creature of God *is* good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving:[h]

5 For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.[i]

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j ch i 4; vi. 20; 2 Tim. ii 16, 23; iv. 4, Titus i. 14; Heb. v. 14.

4 Or, *for a little time.*

a Titus ii. 3

k ch vi. 6; Ps xxxvii. 4, lxxxiv. 11, cxii 2, 3, cxlv. 19, Matt. vi. 33; xix. 29; Mark x 30, Rom viii. 28; 1 Cor. viii. 8, Col. ii. 23.

1 Or, *ministered.*

l ch. i. 15.

b Matt. xxv. 21.

m ch. vi. 17; Ps xxxvi 6; cvii 2, 6, &c.; 1 Cor. iv. 11, 12.

n ch vi. 2

o 1 Cor xvi 11, Titus ii 7, 15, 1 Peter v 3

2 Or, *stay*

c Eph ii. 21, 22, 2 Tim ii 20

3 Gr. *manifested*

p ch i 18, v 22, Acts vi 6, viii 17, xiii 3, xix. 6, 2 Tim i 6

d ch. ii 7; Matt iii 16, xxviii 2, Mark xvi. 5, Luke ii 13, xxiv 4, 51, John i. 14, 32, 33, xv 26; xvi. 8, 9, xx 12, Acts i. 9; x 34, xiii. 46, 48; Rom i 4, x 18, Gal ii 8, Eph iii 5, 6, 8, 10, Col. i 6, 23, 27, 28, 1 Peter i 12, iii 18, 22, 1 John i 2, v. 6, &c

5 Or, *in all things*

q Ezek xxxiii 9; Acts xx 28, Rom. xi 14, 1 Cor ix 22, James v 20

e Dan xi 35, 37, 38, John xvi 13, 2 Thess ii 3, 2 Tim iii 1, &c, 13, 1 Peter i 20, 2 Peter ii 1, iii 3, 1 John ii 18, Jude 4, 18, Rev ix 20, xvi. 14

f Matt. vii. 15, Rom xvi 18, Eph iv. 19, 2 Peter ii 3

r Lev xix 32

g Gen i 29, ix 3, Rom xiv 3, 6, 17, 1 Cor viii 28, 36, 38, viii 8, x 30, Col ii 20, 21, Heb xiii 4

s vs 5, 16

h Rom xiv 14, 20, 1 Cor x 25, Titus i 15

6 Or, *kindness*

t ch ii 3, Gen xlv 10, 11, Matt xv 4, Eph vi 1, 2.

i 2 Tim. iii 14, 15.

u Luke ii. 37, xviii 1, Acts xxvi. 7, 1 Cor vii 32.

7 But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself *rather* unto godliness.[j]

8 For bodily exercise profiteth [4]little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.[k]

9 This *is* a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation.[l]

10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.[m]

11 These things command and teach.[n]

12 Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.[o]

13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.

14 Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.[p]

15 Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear [5]to all.

16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.[q]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Rules to be observed in reproving.* 3 *Of widows.* 17 *Of elders.* 23 *A precept for Timothy's health.* 24 *Some men's sins go before unto judgment, and some men's do follow after.*

REBUKE not an elder, but intreat *him* as a father; *and* the younger men as brethren;[r]

2 The elder women as mothers; the younger as sisters, with all

3 Honour widows that are widows indeed.[s]

4 But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew [6]piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.[t]

5 Now she that is a widow indeed, and desolate, trusteth in God, and continueth in supplications and prayers night and day.[u]

he mean, since divorce was common at the time, that no one was to be chosen to the office of an overseer who had divorced one wife and married another? The latter, we think, is the true interpretation of the words.

6. "Into the condemnation of the devil"—the devil fell through pride, and was lost; so also through pride and its attendant sins man forfeited Paradise; and, in any instance, pride leads to corresponding results.

7. "Into reproach and the snare of the devil:"—there are not a few who regard these words as one single clause, and render them, "into *the* reproach and *the* snare of the devil" But the reproach seems to be placed in opposition to "the good report of them which are without," and is to be taken as something coming from man, while the devil takes occasion from such reproach in ministerial character to damage the servant of Christ.

10. "First be proved."—let it first be ascertained and settled that they have the character and qualifications for the office, and that they hold the truth of Christ in its integrity.

13. "A good degree:"—various interpretations have been put upon these words; but the simplest idea is, that such as filled the office of a deacon efficiently acquired for themselves a good standing in the Church, and corresponding boldness in urging the claims and requirements of the Gospel on those for whom they acted.

16. "The mystery of godliness" refers to the whole system of revealed doctrine and truth, of which Christ was the perfect and living embodiment.

CHAPTER IV.

1 "The spirit speaketh expressly;"—in the language of prophecy, and in the teaching of our Lord and his Apostles.

"Seducing spirits" were false teachers who seduced the simple and unstable from the truth (1 John iv. 1, 6); while the "doctrines of devils" refer to such teachings as betrayed their evil origin and fatal development. Some commentators regard this passage as denoting "doctrines concerning demons; that is, concerning the power of angels and saints, and the worship of them as intercessors"

2. "Speaking lies in hypocrisy;"—teachers inculcating erroneous doctrines under a feigned appearance of great piety and of superior sanctity.

"Having their conscience seared;"—just as a criminal was branded with a hot iron, which rendered that part of the body insensible to feeling, in like manner, those who are false and heretical have their consciences so branded as to be callous to all good impressions.

6. "Nourished up;"—that is, brought up and instructed in that sound doctrine which enabled him to impart sound instruction to others.

7 "Exercise thyself:"—not only was he to keep himself free from the fictitious and the profane, the superstitious and the fabulous, but he was to qualify himself by an eminent piety for his great work. Bodily exercise profiteth only a portion of man's nature, but godliness is profitable to the whole of his nature, and during the entire period of his existence: thus its benefits extend to both worlds.

10. "Specially of those that believe:"—by a believing appropriation of the salvation, their relation to Christ is more intimate and more blessed.

12. "Let no man despise thy youth:"—he was so to conduct himself in the Church, and so to teach, as to command the respect and the esteem of those amongst whom he ministered.

14. "Laying on of the hands of the presbytery;"—the hands of St. Paul

6 But she that liveth [1]in pleasure is dead while she liveth.[a]

7 And these things give in charge, that they may be blameless.[b]

8 But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own [2]house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.[c]

9 Let not a widow be [3]taken into the number under threescore years old, having been the wife of one man,[d]

10 Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work.[e]

11 But the younger widows refuse: for when they have begun to wax wanton against Christ, they will marry;

12 Having damnation, because they have cast off their first faith.

13 And withal they learn *to be* idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.[f]

14 I will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary [4]to speak reproachfully.[g]

15 For some are already turned aside after Satan.

16 If any man or woman that believeth have widows, let them relieve them, and let not the church be charged; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed.[h]

17 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine.[i]

18 For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And, The labourer *is* worthy of his reward.[j]

19 Against an elder receive not an accusation, but [5]before two or three witnesses.[k]

20 Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear.[l]

21 I charge *thee* before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things [6]without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.[m]

22 Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure.[n]

23 Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thine often infirmities.[o]

24 Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment; and some *men* they follow after.[p]

25 Likewise also the good works *of some* are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid.

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1 Or, *delicately.*
a James v. 5.
b ch. i 3; iv. 11; vi. 17.
2 Or, *kindred.*
c Isa. lviii. 7; Matt. xviii. 17; Gal. vi. 10; 2 Tim. iii. 5; Titus i. 16.
3 Or, *chosen.*
d ch. iii. 2; Luke ii. 36
q Isa liii 5; Rom. ii. 24; Eph. vi. 5; Col. iii. 22; Titus ii. 5, 8, 9, 1 Peter ii. 18.
e Gen. xviii. 4; xix. 2, Luke vii. 38, 44; John xiii. 5, 14; Acts xvi. 15; Heb. xiii. 2; 1 Peter iv. 9.
7 Or, *believing.*
r ch. iv 11; Col. iv. 1.
s ch i 3, 10; 2 Tim i. 13, iv 3, Titus i. 1, 9
8 Or, *a fool.*
9 Or, *sick*
f 2 Thess iii 11.
t ch i 4, 7, 1 Cor viii 2, 2 Tim ii 23, Titus iii 9.
10 Or, *Gallings one of another.*
4 Gr *for their railing.*
g ch. vi 1; 1 Cor. vii. 9; Titus ii 8.
u ch. i 6; Rom. xvi 17, 1 Cor xi 16; 2 Tim iii. 5, 8, Titus i 11, 2 Peter ii 3
v Ps xxxvii 16; Prov xv 16, xvi 8; Heb. xiii 5.
w Job i 21, Ps xlix. 17, Prov xxvii 24, Eccles v. 15.
h vs 3, 5.
x Gen xxviii. 20, Heb xiii 5
i Acts xxviii 10, Rom. xii 8, 1 Cor ix 10, 14, Gal. vi 6, Philipp ii. 29, 1 Thess v 12, 13; Heb xiii 7, 17
y ch i 19; iii 7, Prov. xv. 27, xx. 21; xxviii 20, Matt xiii 22, James v 1.
j Lev xix 13, Deut xxiv 14, 15; xxv 4, Matt x 10; Luke x 7, 1 Cor ix 9.
11 Or, *been seduced*
5 Or, *under.*
k Deut xix 15
z Exod xxiii 8, Deut xvi 19
l Deut xiii 11, Gal ii, 11, 14, Titus i 13
a Deut xxxiii 1, 2 Tim ii 22, iii 17
6 Or, *without prejudice*
m ch vi 13, 2 Tim ii 14, iv 1
b ver 19; ch i 18, 1 Cor ix 25, 26, Philipp iii 12, 14, 2 Tim iv 7, Heb xiii 23.
n ch iv 14, Acts vi 6, xiii 3, 2 Tim i 6; 2 John 11
o Psa civ 15.
12 Or, *profession*
c ch v. 21, Deut. xxxii 39; 1 Sam. ii 6, Matt xxvii. 11, John v 21, xviii 37; Rev. i. 5, iii 14.
p Gal v 19
d Philipp i 6, 10, 1 Thess. iii 13, v 23
e ch i 11, 17, Rev xvii. 14, xix 16

CHAPTER VI.

1 *Of the duty of servants.* 3 *Not to have fellowship with newfangled teachers.* 6 *Godliness is great gain,* 10 *and love of money the root of all evil* 11 *What Timothy is to fly, and what to follow,* 17 *and whereof to admonish the rich.* 20 *To keep the purity of true doctrine, and to avoid profane janglings.*

LET as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honour, that the name of God and *his* doctrine be not blasphemed.[q]

2 And they that have believing masters, let them not despise *them,* because they are brethren; but rather do *them* service, because they are [7]faithful and beloved, partakers of the benefit. These things teach and exhort.[r]

3 If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, *even* the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;[s]

4 He is [8]proud, knowing nothing, but [9]doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,[t]

5 [10]Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.[u]

6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.[v]

7 For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out.[w]

8 And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.[x]

9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.[y]

10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have [11]erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.[z]

11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.[a]

12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.[b]

13 I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and *before* Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good [12]confession;[c]

14 That thou keep *this* commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:[d]

15 Which in his times he shall shew, *who is* the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;[e]

7 Or, *believing.*
r ch. iv 11; Col. iv. 1.
s ch i 3, 10; 2 Tim i. 13, iv 3, Titus i. 1, 9
8 Or, *a fool.*
9 Or, *sick*
t 2 Thess iii 11.
u ch i 4, 7, 1 Cor viii 2, 2 Tim ii 23, Titus iii 9.
10 Or, *Gallings one of another.*
v Ps xxxvii 16; Prov xv 16, xvi 8; Heb. xiii 5.
w Job i 21, Ps xlix. 17, Prov xxvii 24, Eccles v. 15.
x Gen xxviii. 20, Heb xiii 5
y Acts xxviii 10, Rom. xii 8, 1 Cor ix 10, 14, Gal. vi 6, Philipp ii. 29, 1 Thess v 12, 13; Heb xiii 7, 17
z ch i 19; iii 7, Prov. xv. 27, xx. 21; xxviii 20, Matt xiii 22, James v 1.
11 Or, *been seduced*
a Deut xxxiii 1, 2 Tim ii 22, iii 17
b ver 19; ch i 18, 1 Cor ix 25, 26, Philipp iii 12, 14, 2 Tim iv 7, Heb xiii 23.
12 Or, *profession*
c ch v. 21, Deut. xxxii 39; 1 Sam. ii 6, Matt xxvii. 11, John v 21, xviii 37; Rev. i. 5, iii 14.
d Philipp i 6, 10, 1 Thess. iii 13, v 23
e ch i 11, 17, Rev xvii. 14, xix 16

(2 Tim. i. 6), and of the elders of the Church at Ephesus, which took place at the time of his appointment to his holy office.

CHAPTER V.

1. "An elder;"—any elderly person, especially any presbyter who might fall into sin. Such a one Timothy was to treat as on a perfect equality with himself, and not to lord it over him.

2 "The elder women:"—these may have been the deaconesses, who, like the elders, had fallen into error.

3. "Honour widows:"—who have neither children nor relations on whom they can depend for help, by placing their names on the roll of the Church for relief (Acts vi.).

6. "Liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth:"—that is, she is destitute of inward spiritual life.



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16 Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom *be* honour and power everlasting. Amen.[a]

17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in [1]uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;[b]

18 That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, [2]willing to communicate;[c]

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d Matt vi 20, xix 21. Luke xii 33
a ch. i. 17; Exod. xxxiii. 20; John vi. 46, Eph iii 21; Philipp. iv. 20, Jude 25, Rev 1.6; iv 11.
1 Gr *uncertainty of riches*
e ch i. 4, 6, iv. 7; 2 Tim. i. 14; ii. 14, Titus i 9; iii 9
b ch iii 15; iv. 10; Job xxxi 24; Ps. lii 7; lxii 10; Prov. xxiii. 5, Mark x 24; Luke xii. 21.
f 2 Tim. ii. 18.
2 Or, *sociable.*
c ch. v. 10; Luke xii. 21; Rom xii. 13; Gal. vi. 6; Titus iii. 8, Heb. xiii. 16.

19 Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.[d]

20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane *and* vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called:[e]

21 Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace *be* with thee. Amen.[f]

¶ The first to Timothy was written from Laodicea, which is the chiefest city of Phrygia Pacatiana.

9. "Let not a widow:"—there were widows, in all probability, employed in ecclesiastical duties, and supported by the Church.

17. "Double honour;"—not only respect, but compensation, which is confirmed by the following verse.

25. "Cannot be hid:"—if they are not manifest now, they will be made manifest in the brighter light of the last day.

CHAPTER VI.

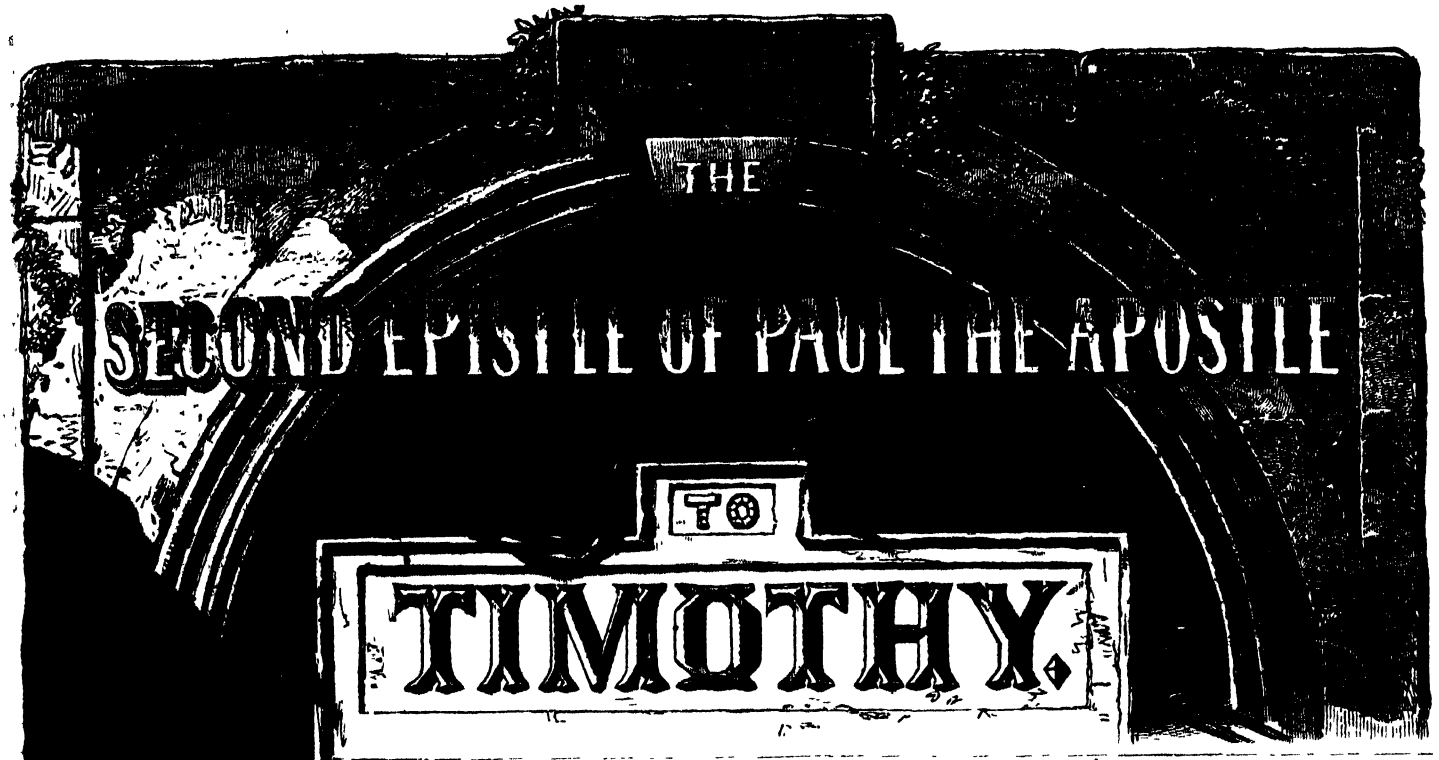
1. "Let as many servants:"—these were slaves or bondmen under the yoke of others; still, as Christians, they were to honour and obey their masters, though those masters were unbelievers.

2. "Let them not despise them:"—the servants or slaves were not to plead their religious equality with their masters as a ground for disobedience or opposition to authority.

"Gain is godliness:"—did these men teach others to use religion as a means of obtaining worldly prosperity? or did they not rather teach that gain is itself a proof of God's favour, and therefore an evidence of piety? The Apostle rectifies all false notions on this subject by teaching that gain is not godliness, but that godliness is gain.

14. "Keep this commandment;"—that is, the Christian truth in its integrity.

15. "Which in his times he shall shew;"—that is, the appearing of Christ the second time shall take place in God's own appointed time, and in which all the hopes of the Church shall be consummated.



CHAPTER I.

1 Paul's love to Timothy, and the unfeigned faith which was in Timothy himself, his mother, and grandmother. 6 He is exhorted to stir up the gift of God which was in him, 8 to be stedfast, and patient in persecution, 13 and to persist in the form and truth of that doctrine which he had learned of him. 15 Phygellus and Hermogenes, and such like, are noted, and Onesiphorus is highly commended.

PAUL, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,[a]

2 To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.[b]

3 I thank God, whom I serve from *my* forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day;[c]

4 Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy;[d]

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a 2 Cor. i. 1; Eph. iii. 6, Titus i. 2, Heb. ix. 15
b 1 Tim. i. 2.
c Acts xxii. 3; xxiii. 1; xxiv. 14; xxvii. 23; Rom. i. 8, 9; Gal. i. 14; Eph. i. 16; 1 Thess. i. 2.
d ch. iv. 9, 21.
e Acts xvi. 1; 1 Tim. i. 5; iv. 6
f 1 Thess. v. 19; 1 Tim. iv. 14
g Luke xxiv. 49; Acts i. 8; Rom. viii. 15.
h ch. iv. 5, Rom. i. 16; Eph. iii. 1; Philipp. i. 7, Col. i. 24
i Rom. iii. 20; viii. Eph. i. 4; iii. 11; 1 Thess. iv. 7; 1 Tim. i. 1; Titus i. 2; iii. 4, 5.
j Rom. xvi. 26; 1 Cor. xv. 54, 55; Eph. i. 9; Col. i. 26.
k ch. iv. 17, Acts ix. 15; Eph. iii. 7, 8

5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.[e]

6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.[f]

7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.[g]

8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;[h]

9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,[i]

10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:[j]

11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.[k]

12 For the which cause I also suffer these things:

CHAPTER I.

That this Second Epistle was written to Timothy is placed beyond all question by the Apostle's own inscription. But *where* was Timothy? To this the answer has been, at Ephesus. Against this have been adduced Paul's own words in chap. iv. 12, 20—"Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus;" "Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick." The first of these statements is deemed inconsistent with the fact that the person to whom he was writing was himself in Ephesus. But in what lies the inconsistency? In writing to a correspondent residing in the capital, I might say that I have sent a friend to the metropolis; but surely the use of the word "metropolis," in reference to my friend, does not prove that my friend did not live in that city. Again: the Apostle is relating to Timothy the conduct of certain professed friends who had forsaken him in his hour of trial; and to prevent Timothy thinking that Tychicus was amongst the number, he tells him that he had sent that brother on to Ephesus, and therefore his appearance was no indication of inconstancy or unfaithfulness to the Apostle; while, in the case of Trophimus, who was an Ephesian, he wishes to account for his absence where the Apostle was imprisoned, by the fact that he had left him sick at Miletus; and though Miletus was only a few miles distant from Ephesus, it might be a fact of which Timothy was ignorant.

The occasion of writing the Epistle was one wholly personal to the Apostle himself. He was now enduring a second imprisonment; and during the first part of his trial he had been doomed to stand alone. Even Luke, his beloved and devoted friend, seems to have withdrawn from view; others, as we have seen, were absent from Rome; while those within the city appear to have shrunk from this severer ordeal. In the interval which took place between the first and second stages of his trial, he wrote this letter to his son Timothy, to whom he lays open his inmost soul, and entreats him to come to him without delay. Abandoned by his professed and most familiar friends, his was a state of isolation and sorrow; and hence the urgency and the earnestness with which he writes. His own impression seems to have been that he might not be called upon to make his second defence before the following winter (chap. iv. 9, 21); and had Timothy set out at once, he would have reached Rome at the beginning of the summer, A.D. 68: that he did so arrive, there is no proof; and scarcely had June arrived, when the Apostle's trial was resumed and concluded in a sentence of condemnation.

nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have [1]believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.[a]

13 Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.[b]

14 That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.[c]

15 This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.[d]

16 The Lord give mercy unto the house of Onesiphorus; for he oft refreshed me, and was not ashamed of my chain:[e]

17 But, when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently, and found *me*.

18 The Lord grant unto him that he may find mercy of the Lord in that day: and in how many things he ministered unto me at Ephesus, thou knowest very well.[f]

CHAPTER II.

1 *He is exhorted again to constancy and perseverance, and to do the duty of a faithful servant of the Lord in dividing the word aright, and staying profane and vain babblings* 17 *Of Hymenæus and Philetus* 19 *The foundation of the Lord is sure.* 22 *He is taught whereof to beware, and what to follow after, and in what sort the servant of the Lord ought to behave himself.*

THOU therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.[g]

2 And the things that thou hast heard of me [2]among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.[h]

3 Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.[i]

4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of *this* life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.[j]

5 And if a man also strive for masteries, *yet* is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully.[k]

6 [3]The husbandman that laboureth must be first partaker of the fruits.[l]

7 Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things.

8 Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel:[m]

9 Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, *even* unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound.[n]

10 Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.[o]

11 *It is* a faithful saying: For if we be dead with *him*, we shall also live with *him*:[p]

12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with *him*: if we deny *him*, he also will deny us:[q]

13 If we believe not, *yet* he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.[r]

14 Of these things put *them* in remembrance, charging *them* before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, *but* to the subverting of the hearers.[s]

15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

16 But shun profane *and* vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.[t]

17 And their word will eat as doth a [4]canker: of whom is Hymenæus and Philetus;[u]

18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.[v]

19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth [5]sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.[w]

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.[x]

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1 Or, *trusted.*

k 1 Cor. ix. 25, 26.

3 Or, *The husbandman, labouring first, must be partaker of the fruits.*

a ver 18; ch. ii. 9; iv. 8; Eph. iii. 1; 1 Tim. vi. 20, 1 Peter iv. 19.

l 1 Cor. ix. 10.

b ch. ii. 2; Rom. ii. 20; vi. 17; 1 Tim. i. 10, 14; vi. 3.

m Acts ii. 30; xiii. 23; Rom. i. 3, 4; ii. 16; 1 Cor. xv. 1, 4, 20.

c Rom. viii. 11; 1 Tim. vi. 20.

n ch. i. 12; Acts ix. 16; xxviii. 31; Eph. iii. 1; vi. 19, 20; Philipp i 7, 13, 14; Col. iv. 3, 18.

d ch. iv. 10, 16, Acts xix. 10

o 2 Cor i 6; Eph. iii. 13, Col. i 24.

e ver 8; ch iv 19, Matt v 7, Acts xxviii. 20; Eph. vi. 20; Phil. 7.

p Rom vi 5, 8; 2 Cor iv 10, 1 Tim. i 15.

q Matt x. 33; Mark viii 38; Luke xii 9, Rom. viii. 17, 1 Peter iv 13

r Numb xxiii 19, Rom iii. 3, ix 6

f ver 12, Matt xxv. 34—10, 2 Thess. i 10; Heb vi. 10.

s ch iv 1; 1 Tim i 4, v. 21 vi 4, 13; Titus iii 9, 11

t 1 Tim iv 7, vi. 20; Titus i 14

g ch i 2; Eph. vi. 10, 1 Tim. i 2

4 Or, *gangrene.*

u 1 Tim. i. 20.

2 Or, *by*

v 1 Cor xv 12; 1 Tim. vi. 21.

h ch i 13; ii 10, 14; 1 Tim i 18; iii. 2, Titus i. 9

5 Or, *steady*

i ch i. 8; iv. 5; 1 Tim i. 18

w Numb xvi 5; Nahum i. 7, Matt xxiv. 24, John x 14, 27, Rom viii. 35, 1 John ii. 19.

j 1 Cor ix 25

x Rom ix 21, 1 Tim iii 15

1. "According to the promise of life:"—the idea is, that his apostleship was designed for and connected with the further development of the plan and promise of eternal life by the proclamation of the Gospel.

3. "Whom I serve from my forefathers:"—the Apostle does not here place the Jewish and Christian service of God on the same ground; but he means to assert that the service which he formerly rendered as a Jew, and that which he now performed as a Christian, were equally conscientious.

5. Thy grandmother . . . thy mother:"—both may have become converts to the Christian faith during the Apostle's ministry at Lystra (Acts xiv. 6—8).

6. "Stir up the gift of God:"—see Acts viii. 15, 17; xix. 6; 1 Tim. iv. 14.

7. "The spirit of fear,"—of timidity or cowardice. Perhaps the faith of Timothy was somewhat shaken, and his moral courage suffered in proportion. The "sound mind" is to be taken in the sense of sober-mindedness.

8. "The afflictions of the gospel;"—that is, suffering in connection with the propagation and defence of the Gospel, conscious of the sustaining power of God.

10. "Life and immortality to light:"—life and immortality is a Hebraism for immortal life. Christ was the first that rose again from the dead to immortal life, and through him the doctrine of the resurrection of the dead is clearly revealed.

12. "That which I have committed unto him:"—what had he committed? That which all Christians are bound to commit to the Divine keeping—the entire man—body, soul, and spirit.

13. "Hold fast the form of sound words:"—see Rom. vi. 17. The truth which he had been thus taught he was to regard as a precious deposit committed to his keeping, to be maintained with the love and charity which is befitting the disciples of Christ.

15. "All they which are in Asia;"—that is, all in proconsular Asia; whose attachment to him had been put to the test.

16. "The house of Onesiphorus:"—it has been inferred from these words that Onesiphorus was not now living.

CHAPTER II.

1. "The grace that is in Christ Jesus:"—the word grace here must be taken in the sense of all holy influence, as the element essential to perseverance in the Christian life, and to the faithful fulfilment of all required duty.

4. "That warreth:"—while the warrior is engaged in active service, the duties of the battle-field demand his attention, and will not permit his strength, his time, and his energies to be expended upon minor matters.

5. "Strive for masteries:"—in the Olympic games there were certain prescribed laws, any violation of which deprived the transgressor of the award. If in wrestling he gained the mastery, it must be lawfully.

6. "Must be first partaker:"—the more correct rendering of this verse would be—"The husbandman must first labour before he can partake of the fruit;" and this is required by the whole of the context. Just as the soldier must take the field, and mingle in the conflict, before he can gain the victory, and just as the wrestler must strive, and strive lawfully, or in conformity with fixed and definite rules, before he can gain the mastery, so the husbandman must labour before he can reap the fruit. Timothy was not to look for results in his ministry without corresponding effort.

8. "Remember that Jesus Christ:"—"remember, for your encouragement, that Jesus Christ, who took our nature, was raised from the dead. Call him to mind as your great Exemplar, who suffered unto death, but who rose again, and is now in a state of supreme exaltation. Knowing this, that we shall all

21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, *and* prepared unto every good work.[a]

22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.[b]

23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.[c]

24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all *men*, apt to teach, [1]patient,[d]

25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;[e]

26 And *that* they may [2]recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are [3]taken captive by him at his will.[f]

CHAPTER III.

1 *He advertiseth him of the times to come, 6 describeth the enemies of the truth, 10 propoundeth unto him his own example, 16 and commendeth the holy scriptures.*

THIS know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.[g]

2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,[h]

3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, [4]false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,[i]

4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;[j]

5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.[k]

6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,[l]

7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.[m]

8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, [5]reprobate concerning the faith.[n]

9 But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all *men*, as their's also was.[o]

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6 Or, *thou hast been a diligent follower of.*
p Philipp ii. 22; 1 Tim. iv. 6.
a ch. iii. 17; Isa. liii. 11; Titus iii. 1.
q ch. iv. 17; Ps. xxxiv. 19; Acts xiii. 45, 50; xiv. 2, 5, 19, &c.; 2 Cor. i. 10.
b Acts ix. 14; 1 Cor. i. 2; 1 Tim. i. 5; iv. 12; vi. 11.
r Ps. xxxiv. 19; Matt. xvi. 24; John xvii. 14; Acts xiv. 22; 1 Cor. xv. 19; 1 Thess. iii. 3.
c ver. 16; 1 Tim i. 4; iv. 7; vi. 4; Titus iii. 9
s ch. ii. 16; 2 Thess. ii. 11; 1 Tim. iv. 1.
1 Or, *forbearing.*
d 1 Tim iii 2, 3; Titus i. 9; iii 2.
t ch. i. 13; ii. 2.
e ch. iii. 7; Acts viii. 22; Gal vi. 1; 1 Tim ii. 4; vi. 11; 1 Peter iii. 15; Titus i. 1.
2 Gr. *awake.*
3 Gr. *taken alive.*
u John v. 39.
f 1 Tim. iii. 7.
v Rom. xv 4; 2 Peter i. 20, 21.
7 Or, *perfected.*
w ch ii 21, 1 Tim. vi. 11.
g ch. iv 3, 1 Tim. iv. 1; 2 Peter iii 3; 1 John ii 18, Jude 18.
h Rom i. 30; Philipp ii. 21; 1 Tim. i 20, vi 4; 2 Peter ii. 3, 12; Jude 10, 16
4 Or, *makebates*, Titus ii. 3
i Rom i. 31; 2 Peter iii 3
x ch ii. 14, Acts x. 42, 1 Tim v. 21; vi 13.
j Philipp. iii. 19; 2 Peter ii 10, 13, &c., Jude 4, 19
k 2 Thess iii. 6, 1 Tim. v. 8, vi 5, Titus i 16
y 1 Tim iv 13; v. 20, Titus i. 13; ii. 15
l Matt. xxiii. 14; Titus i. 11.
m 1 Tim. ii 4.
z ch iii 1, 6; 1 Tim. i. 10
a 1 Tim i 4; iv. 7; Titus i 14
5 Or, *of no judgment.*
n Exod vii. 11; Rom. i 28; 2 Cor. xiii 5, 1 Tim vi 5; Titus i 16
8 Or, *fulfil*, Rom xv 19; Col. i. 25, iv. 17.
o Exod vii. 12; viii. 18, ix. 11
b ch. i 8, ii. 3; Acts xxi. 8; Eph. iv 11

10 But [6]thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,[p]

11 Persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of *them* all the Lord delivered me.[q]

12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.[r]

13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.[s]

14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned *them*;[t]

15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.[u]

16 All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:[v]

17 That the man of God may be perfect, [7]throughly furnished unto all good works.[w]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *He exhorteth him to do his duty with all care and diligence, 6 certifieth him of the nearness of his death, 9 willeth him to come speedily unto him, and to bring Marcus with him, and certain other things which he wrote for, 14 warneth him to beware of Alexander the smith, 16 informeth him what had befallen him at his first answering, 19 and soon after he concludeth.*

I CHARGE *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;[x]

2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.[y]

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;[z]

4 And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.[a]

5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, [8]make full proof of thy ministry.[b]

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die; but if we be Christ's disciples, we shall hereafter live and reign with him in the enjoyment of his presence, and in a participation of his glory."

13. "He cannot deny himself:"—his word is fixed and immutable, and we shall find it for ever true, that while he rewards the obedient, he disowns the impenitent, the unholy, and the unfaithful.

14. "Put them in remembrance;"—that is, those among whom he was then labouring as a teacher of the truth.

16. "For they will increase unto more ungodliness;"—namely, the false teachers, who indulge in those profane and vain babblings, will be emboldened to proceed still further in their ungodly course.

19. "The foundation of God standeth sure:"—but what is this foundation? In the preceding verse he speaks of the faith as being overthrown by the false teachers. In other words, they were being withdrawn from that faith on which alone the believer individually and the Church collectively can rest. But their removal does not endanger the Church of God. That remains the same: and just as it was customary to put inscriptions on monuments and foundation-stones, so it is written in indelible characters, as an admonition to the rejecters of the faith—"The Lord knoweth them that are his."

CHAPTER III.

1. "In the last days;"—that is, with the progress of the present dispensation, in which there will not only be a development of higher good, but a fuller revelation of evil. There will come times full of peril to the Church.

2. "Lovers of their own selves:"—the Apostle puts this first, because selfishness is at the root of every evil passion and all unholy practice.

6. "Silly women laden with sins:"—if they were living in sensual indulgence, as the Apostle intimates, then this would account for their uneasy consciences, and also for the fact of their being so easily captivated and led away by those designing teachers who professed to restore them to inward quietude, by "teaching for doctrines the commandments of men."

7. "Ever learning;"—having no fixed principles or ideas, and so ever learning and ever unlearning—now embracing, and then rejecting the truth—and so never coming to any deeper or more certain knowledge.

8. "Jannes and Jambres."—these are supposed to be the names of two of the Egyptian magicians of whom we read in Exod. vii.

9. "They shall proceed no further:"—just as there was a limit to the power of the Egyptian magicians, beyond which they were forced to acknowledge the hand of God, so there is a limit beyond which it will be found impossible for the enemies of Christianity to proceed—a point at which the weakness and the wickedness of their designs will be made manifest to all.

14. "Knowing of whom thou hast learned them;"—referring to the early instruction and training which he had enjoyed under the parental roof, and to his later education in Divine knowledge under the Apostle himself.

16. "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God:"—all Scripture is divinely inspired, and as such is profitable. There are commentators who render these words thus—"Every scripture given by inspiration of God;" but the words are not to be taken as an independent clause. They naturally flow out of the preceding verse. The Apostle had just reminded Timothy that from a child he had known the Holy Scriptures—that is, of the Old Testament; and that he might not allow any influence to disturb his repose

6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.[a]

7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith:[b]

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.[c]

9 Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me:

10 For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.[d]

11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry.[e]

12 And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus.[f]

13 The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring *with thee*, and the books, *but* especially the parchments.

14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works:[g]

15 Of whom be thou ware also; for he hath greatly withstood [1]our words.

ANNO DOMINI 66.

a Philipp. i. 23; ii. 17; 2 Peter i. 14.
h ch. i. 15; Acts vii. 60.
b 1 Cor. ix. 24, 25; Philipp. iii 14. 1 Tim. vi. 12, Heb. xii 1.
c ch. i 12; 1 Cor. ix. 25, James i. 12; 1 Peter v. 4, Rev. ii. 10.
i Ps xxii. 21; Matt. x. 19; Acts ix. 15; xxiii 11; xxvi. 17, 18; xxvii 23; Eph iii. 8; 2 Peter ii 9
j Ps. cxxi 7, Rom xi. 36; Gal. i. 5; Heb. xiii. 21.
d Col iv. 14; Phil 24; 1 John ii. 15.
k Acts xviii 2; Rom. xvi. 3, 2 Tim. i. 16.
e ch. i 15; Acts xii 25; xv 37; Col. iv 10, 14, Phil 24.
l Acts xix 22, xx. 4; xxi. 29, Rom. xvi. 23
f Acts xx. 4, Eph vi 21, Col iv 7, Titus iii. 12.
m ver 9
n Gal vi 18, Phil 25
g 2 Sam iii 39, Ps viii 4, Acts xix 33, 20, Rev

1 Or, *our preachings*

Nero, or, *r Nero*

16 At my first answer no man stood with me, but all *men* forsook me: *I pray God* that it may not be laid to their charge.[h]

17 Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and *that* all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.[i]

18 And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve *me* unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.[j]

19 Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the houshold of Onesiphorus.[k]

20 Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick.[l]

21 Do thy diligence to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren.[m]

22 The Lord Jesus Christ *be* with thy spirit. Grace *be* with you. Amen.[n]

¶ The second *epistle* unto Timotheus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Ephesians, was written from Rome, when Paul was brought before [2]Nero the second time.

in the divinity of those sacred writings, he assures him that "all Scripture"—all the writings of the Old Testament—"is given by inspiration of God," and is profitable both for doctrine and for practice, that the man of God may be fitted for the wise and faithful exercise of his ministry.

CHAPTER IV.

1, 2. "I charge thee . . . be instant in season"—this is the Apostle's farewell charge to his son Timothy, and a solemn charge it is. It has in it the earnestness of a man standing on the confine of the eternal world. He adjures Timothy, in fulfilling his ministry, to set forth the truth in its integrity, to embrace every opportunity—whether in season or out of season—to carry on his great work of striving for the salvation of souls.

"With all longsuffering and doctrine"—the reference is to those who were included in the membership of the Church. Instead of seeking and loving the pure truth of Christ, they would be found running after every novelty. Having itching ears, they would be ever craving for something new, and yet more unscriptural, according to their own unsanctified fancy and desire.

6. "The time of my departure is at hand"—he may have had some supernatural premonition that his trial would issue in his condemnation and death.

10. "Demas hath forsaken me."—he is named in Col. iv. 14, in connection with Luke, as saluting the Church at Colossæ. (See also Phil. 24.) Of Crescens we know nothing, though tradition has it that he preached the Gospel in Galatia.

13 "The cloke"—the word may mean a case or covering for books, by which they were conveniently and safely carried; the "books," papyrus rolls and parchments; the "parchments" were writings on prepared skins. They may have contained some valuable writing which the Apostle desired to preserve.

14, 15 "Alexander the coppersmith."—whether this is the same Alexander of whom we read in the Ephesian tumult (Acts xix. 33, 34), or of whom mention is made in 1 Tim. i. 20, we have no means of determining. He was a man to be shunned.

16 "At my first answer;"—that is, during his first defence before the Roman Emperor Nero, who is said to have set fire to the city of Rome, and, that he might avert the anger of the people from himself as the author of the calamity, accused the Christians of the direful offence.

17 "I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion."—had he been found guilty, he would have been delivered up to wild beasts.

19—21 "Salute Prisca and Aquila"—see Acts xviii. 2; Rom. xvi. 3.

22 "The Lord Jesus:"—this benediction exhausts all holy desire on behalf of both Timothy and his fellow-labourers.





THE EPISTLE OF PAUL TO TITUS.

CHAPTER 1.

1 *For what end Titus was left in Crete.* 6 *How they that are to be chosen ministers ought to be qualified.* 11 *The mouths of evil teachers to be stopped:* 12 *and what manner of men they be.*

ANNO DOMINI 65.

PAUL, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness ;[a]

2 [1]In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began ;[b]

3 But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour ;[c]

4 To Titus, *mine* own son after the common faith : Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.[d]

a 1 Tim. iii 16; vi. 3; 2 Tim. ii. 25

1 Or, *For*

b ch. ii. 7, Numb. xxiii. 19; Rom. xvi. 25; 2 Tim. i. 1, 9, ii. 13; 1 Peter i. 20

c 1 Thess. ii. 4; 1 Tim. i. 1, 11, ii. 3, iv. 10; 2 Tim. i. 10

d Rom. i. 12; 2 Cor. ii. 13; iv. 13, vii. 13; viii. 6, 16, 23, xii. 18, Gal. ii. 3, Eph. i. 2, 1 Tim. i. 2, 2 Tim. i. 2; 2 Peter i. 1

CHAPTER I.

Titus was the companion of St. Paul in many of his missionary travels and enterprises. From the manner in which the Apostle addresses him in this Epistle—as his own son after the common faith—we may infer that he was converted to Christianity under the teaching of St. Paul, and was afterwards treated by him as one of his most valued and trustworthy friends. He was of Gentile origin, and the first notice which we have of him, in respect of time, is in Gal. ii. 1—3, in connection with Paul and Barnabas, by whom he was taken to the great council which was held in Jerusalem regarding the obligation of the Mosaic ritual (Acts xv.). He is next introduced to our notice in 2 Cor. xii. 18, from which we learn that he was sent by Paul from Ephesus to Corinth, to set on foot the collection for the poor suffering believers in Jerusalem; and on his return from Corinth he met St. Paul at Troas, whither the Apostle had gone, and there related to him the effect of his first letter to the Corinthian Church (2 Cor. ii. 12, 13; vii 6—15; viii. 6, 16, 17, 23; xii. 18). For two years after this we hear nothing more of Titus. In A.D. 67, which was the last year of St. Paul's life, we find Titus left by him at Crete, to regulate and set in order the internal affairs of the Christian community. It would appear from 2 Tim. iv. 10 that he was with Paul at Rome during his second imprisonment, but left him, perhaps at the Apostle's own desire, to visit Dalmatia in the fulfilment of some more important commission.

Crete is an island in the Mediterranean, 170 miles long and 50 broad, and was both rich and powerful. Some have supposed that the island was settled by Philistines from Egypt, part of whom afterwards passed over to Palestine, and became known by the name of Caphtorim and Cherethites; but this is a very doubtful opinion. The inhabitants were notorious for their vicious habits; they were avaricious and fraudulent, mendacious, voluptuous,

5 For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are [1]wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee;[a]

6 If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly.[b]

7 For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre;[c]

8 But a lover of hospitality, a lover of [2]good men, sober, just, holy, temperate;[d]

9 Holding fast the faithful word [3]as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.[e]

10 For there are many unruly and vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision:[f]

11 Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake.[g]

12 One of themselves, *even* a prophet of their own, said, The Cretians *are* alway liars, evil beasts, slow bellies.[h]

13 This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;[i]

14 Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.[j]

15 Unto the pure all things *are* pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving *is* nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.[k]

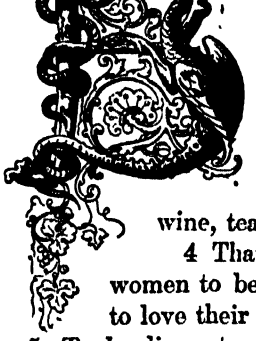
16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny *him*, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work [4]reprobate.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 65.

1 Or, *left undone.*
a Acts xiv 23, 1 Cor. xi. 34, 2 Tim ii 2
m ch i 9; 1 Tim. i. 10; vi. 3.
b 1 Tim. iii. 2, 4, 12.
5 Or, *vigilant.*
n ch. i. 13
c Lev. x. 9, Matt. xxiv, 45; 1 Cor. iv 1, 2; Eph. v. 18; 1 Tim. iii. 3, 8, 1 Peter v. 2.
2 Or, *good things.*
6 Or, *holy women.*
7 Or, *makebates*, 2 Tim. iii 3.
d 1 Tim. iii. 2.
3 Or, *in teaching.*
o 1 Tim ii 9, 10; iii. 11; 1 Peter iii 3, 4.
e ch. ii 1; 2 Thess. ii 15, 1 Tim i. 10, 15; iv. 9, vi. 3, 2 Tim. i. 13; ii. 2, iv 3.
8 Or, *wise.*
p 1 Tim. v 14
f Acts xv 1; Rom. xvi. 18; 1 Tim i 6
q Rom ii 24; 1 Cor. xiv. 34, Eph. v. 22; Col iii 18; 1 Tim vi 1, ii 11; 1 Peter iii. 1, 5
g Matt xxiii. 14; 1 Tim. vi 5; 2 Tim iii. 6.
9 Or, *discreet.*
h Acts xvii. 28.
r Eph. vi 24; 1 Tim. iv. 12; 1 Peter v. 3.
i ch. ii 2; 2 Cor xiii. 10; 2 Tim iv 2.
s Neh. v. 9, 2 Thess. iii. 14; 1 Tim. v. 14; vi 3; 1 Peter ii 12, 15, iii 16
j Isa. xxix 13, Matt xv 9, Col ii. 22, 1 Tim. i 4, iv 7, 2 Tim iv. 4
10 Or, *gainsaying.*
t Eph v 24; vi 5; Col iii 22, 1 Tim. vi 1, 2, 1 Peter ii. 18.
k Luke xi 39—41, Rom. xiv. 14, 20, 23, 1 Cor. vi 12, x 23, 25
u Matt. v. 16, Philipp ii 15.
11 Or, *that bringeth salvation to all men, hath appeared.*
4 Or, *void of judgment.*
l Rom i 28; 2 Tim iii. 3, 5, 8; Jude 4
v ch iii. 4, 5; Luke iii 6, John i 9; Rom v. 15; 1 Tim. ii. 4

CHAPTER II.

1 *Directions given unto Titus both for his doctrine and life.* 9 *Of the duty of servants, and in general of all Christians.*



UT speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:[m]

2 That the aged men be [5]sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience.[n]

3 The aged women likewise, that *they be* in behaviour as becometh [6]holiness, not [7]false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;[o]

4 That they may teach the young women to be [8]sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,[p]

5 *To be* discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.[q]

6 Young men likewise exhort to be [9]sober minded.

7 In all things shewing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine *shewing* uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity,[r]

8 Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.[s]

9 *Exhort* servants to be obedient unto their own masters, *and* to please *them* well in all *things;* not [10]answering again;[t]

10 Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.[u]

11 For the grace of God [11]that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,[v]

and ferocious The island is now called Candia, and four-fifths of the inhabitants are Greeks. At the head of this Epistle appears a view of Canea, an important city in the island.

Yet the Cretians were among the number of those to whom the Apostle Peter preached the simple and sublime doctrines of Christianity on the day of Pentecost. If we admit that some few of them became converts to the new faith, and carried back with them the seeds of holy truth, this will account for the existence of a Church in Crete without the personal presence and labours of the Apostle, or any of the first teachers of Christianity. That there was so much of the Jewish element in the Church there may be accounted for from the fact that Crete abounded with Jews of wealth and influence; and the false teachers would labour all the more earnestly to graft Judaism on Christianity. Hence the design of the Epistle is to furnish Titus with practical instructions as to his management of the Church.

The Epistle, which is truly Pauline in its character, was sent either from Macedonia or from Ephesus to Titus, A.D. 67; and therefore not long before the Apostle was honoured with the martyr's crown for his adherence to the truth. He was slain at Rome.

1. "According to the faith of God's elect."—his apostleship was a trust committed to him for the propagation of the faith of God's elect, and in order to make known those truths which tend to godliness.

5. "The things that are wanting."—whatever was still lacking in the government of the Church, not excluding even the appointment of teachers and pastors.

9. "The faithful word;"—that is, the word of truth—the great and unchangeable verities of the Christian faith

10. "Specially they of the circumcision"—the allusion here is to the Judaising teachers, whose conduct was inconsistent with the meekness and gentleness of Christ, and whose only aim was to mislead and deceive.

12. "A prophet of their own:"—among the Romans, and even among the Greeks, the designations "prophet" and "poet" were often used as synonymous. The words are taken from Epimenides, who was a native of Phæstus, in Crete, and lived about 600 years before the Christian era.

"Slow bellies" is a phrase applied to those who indulge their appetites to excess.

"Wherefore rebuke them sharply;"—not so much the false teachers as the Christian converts who suffered themselves to be influenced by these teachers.

CHAPTER II.

1. "Speak thou"—Titus had to fulfil the office of a teacher, and on the character of his teaching depended the mightiest issues. Hence the Apostle gives him his fatherly counsel, and presses upon him an unyielding attachment to truth in its sublime integrity. He was not to speak as did the Judaising teachers, but to give the people that sound and wholesome instruction which would affect and benefit all classes.

2. "The aged men;"—not those in old age only, but who were elders or presbyters of the Church.

3. "The aged women:"—among these may have been included the wives and the widows of the presbyters or elders.

4, 5 "That they may teach the young women:"—the principles of Christianity are all influential, practical principles, and are seen in the every-day life and character of Christ's disciples. Hence the force of these exhortations.

6. "Sober minded;"—that is, so to regulate the operations of the mind as to have the power of self-control.

7, 8. "Of the contrary part:"—the reference is to both the Judaising teachers, whose doctrine was neither incorrupt nor grave, and to the unbelieving heathen, that neither might have even the shadow of a charge to prefer against the Evangelist either in the discharge of his official duties or in the transactions of his private life.

13. "That blessed hope:"—hope is put for the object of hope, and means here the second coming of our Lord to perfect the redemption of his Church. Bishop Middleton, in his work on the "Greek Article," renders the verse thus:—"Looking for that blessed hope, *even* the glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ."

CHAPTER III.

1, 2. "Subject to principalities and powers;"—that is, to the various forms of government which existed in Crete, so long as those civil authorities did not intrude into matters pertaining to the conscience, and demand of the believer that which he could yield only to God. Christianity is eminently favourable to good government; and wherever such a government exists, it inculcates the most loyal and devoted obedience; its language is, "Fear God, love the brethren, honour all men."

3. "We ourselves:"—we professed believers in Christ were formerly void of understanding as to the line of duty, and hence our life was full of contradictions and evils; but now Christianity has taught us better, and therefore

12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;[a]

13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;[b]

14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.[c]

15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.[d]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Titus is yet further directed by Paul, both concerning the things he should teach, and not teach.* 10 *He is willed also to reject obstinate heretics:* 12 *which done, he appointeth him both time and place, wherein he should come unto him, and so concludeth.*

PUT them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work,[e]

2 To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, *but* gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men.[f]

3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, *and* hating one another.[g]

4 But after that the kindness and [1]love of God our Saviour toward man appeared,[h]

5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;[i]

6 Which he shed on us [2]abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;[j]

7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.[k]

8 *This is* a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.[l]

9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.[m]

10 A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition reject;[n]

11 Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.[o]

12 When I shall send Artemas unto thee, or Tychicus, be diligent to come unto me to Nicopolis: for I have determined there to winter.[p]

13 Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them.[q]

14 And let our's also learn to [3]maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.[r]

15 All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace *be* with you all. Amen.

¶ It was written to Titus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Cretians, from Nicopolis of Macedonia.

ANNO DOMINI 65.

a Luke i. 75; Rom. vi. 19; Eph. i. 4; Col. i. 22; 1 Thess. iv. 7, 1 Peter iv. 2; 1 John ii. 16.
b John iii. 3, 5; Rom. iii. 20; ix. 11; xi. 6; Gal. ii. 16; Eph. ii. 4, 8, 9; v. 26; 2 Tim. i. 9; 1 Peter iii. 21.
2 Gr. *richly.*
c Ezek. xxxvi. 25; Joel ii. 28; John i. 16; Acts ii. 33; x. 45; Rom. v. 5.
d ch. i. 2; iii. 7; Acts xxiv. 15; 1 Cor. i. 7; Philipp. iii. 20; Col. i. 5, 23; iii. 4; 2 Tim. iv. 1, 8; Heb. ix. 28; 1 Peter i. 7; 2 Peter iii. 12; 1 John iii. 2.
e ch. i. 2; ii. 11; Rom iii 24; viii. 23, 24; Gal. ii. 16.
f ch. iii. 8; Exod xv. 16; xix. 5; Deut. vii. 6; xiv. 2; xxvi. 18; Gal i. 4; ii. 20; Eph. ii. 10, v. 2; 1 Tim ii. 6; Heb ix. 14; 1 Peter ii 9.
g 1 Tim. iv. 12; 2 Tim. iv. 2
h vs. 1, 14; ch i. 9; ii. 14; 1 Tim i. 15
m ch i 14, 1 Tim. i 4; 2 Tim. ii 14, 23.
n Matt. xviii. 17; Rom xvi. 17; 2 Cor xii 2, 2 Thess. iii. 6, 14, 2 Tim. iii. 5, 2 John 10.
o Acts xiii 46.
a Rom xiii. 1, Col. i 10; 2 Tim ii. 21; Heb. xiii 21; 1 Peter ii 13
p Acts xx. 4, 2 Tim. iv 12
f Eph. iv 2, 31; Philipp iv 5, Col. iii 12, 2 Tim. ii 24, 25
q Acts xviii. 24.
3 Or, *profess honest trades*, Eph iv 28
r ver 8, Rom. xv. 28, Eph. iv. 28; Philipp i. 11, iv 17; Col. i. 10; 2 Peter i 8.
g 1 Cor vi 11; Eph. ii 1; Col. i 21; iii. 7, 1 Peter iv 3.
1 Or, *pity*
h ch ii 11; 1 Tim. ii. 3.

it becomes us to live and act in conformity with those pure and peaceful principles which we profess.

10. "A man that is an heretick:"—heresy may be defined as that form of religious opinion or practice which is the offspring of individual self-will, and in its turn begets strife and division. It is to be kept in mind, also, that the early heretics "united moral depravity with erroneous teaching: their works bear witness against their doctrine." Errors in conduct are often the result of errors in creed.

11. "Is subverted;"—or rather, is wholly perverted, lives in open sin, and stands self-rebuked and self-condemned.

12. "Artemas" is not elsewhere mentioned, though tradition tells us that he was afterwards created Bishop of Lystra.

"Nicopolis:"—this was a town upon the river Nestus, which divided Thrace from Macedonia.

13. "Zenas—Apollos:"—the former may have been, as Alford suggests, a Jewish scribe, or a teacher of law, who had been converted to the Christian faith. On Apollos, see Acts xviii. 24; 1 Cor. i. 12; xvi. 12.

"That nothing be wanting:"—Titus was to furnish them with whatever was necessary for their journey; and to do this he was to incite the believers in Crete to good works in the form of liberality.

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL TO PHILEMON

4 He rejoiceth to hear of the faith and love of Philemon, 9 whom he desireth to forgive his servant Onesimus, and lovingly to receive him again

PAUL, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy *our* brother, unto Philemon our dearly beloved, and fellowlabourer,[a]

2 And to *our* beloved Apphia, and Archippus our fellowsoldier, and to the church in thy house:[b]

3 Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.[c]

4 I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers,[d]

5 Hearing of thy love and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints;[e]

6 That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.[f]

7 For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother.[g]

8 Wherefore, though I might be much bold in Christ to enjoin thee that which is convenient,[h]

9 Yet for love's sake I rather beseech *thee*, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.[i]

10 I beseech thee for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my bonds:[j]

11 Which in time past was to thee unprofitable, but now profitable to thee and to me:

12 Whom I have sent again: thou therefore receive him, that is, mine own bowels:

13 Whom I would have retained with me, that in thy stead he might have ministered unto me in the bonds of the gospel:[k]

14 But without thy mind would I do nothing; that thy benefit should not be as it were of necessity, but willingly.[l]

15 For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for ever;[m]

16 Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?[n]

17 If thou count me therefore a partner, receive him as myself.[o]

18 If he hath wronged thee, or oweth *thee* ought, put that on mine account;

19 I Paul have written *it* with mine own hand, I will repay *it:* albeit I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides.

20 Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord: refresh my bowels in the Lord.[p]

21 Having confidence in thy obedience I wrote unto thee, knowing that thou wilt also do more than I say.[q]

22 But withal prepare me also a lodging: for I trust that through your prayers I shall be given unto you.[r]

23 There salute thee Epaphras, my fellowprisoner in Christ Jesus;[s]

24 Marcus, Aristarchus, Demas, Lucas, my fellowlabourers.[t]

25 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.[u]

¶ Written from Rome to Philemon, by Onesimus a servant.

a 1 Philipp. ii. 25, iv. 18, Tim. i. 8

m Gen. xlv. 5, 8.

n Matt. xxiii. 8, Col. iii. 22, 1 Tim. vi. 2.

b Rom. xvi. 5, 1 Cor. xvi. 19, Philipp. ii. 25, Col. iv. 17

o 2 Cor. viii. 23.

c Eph. i. 2

d Eph. i. 16; 1 Thess. i. 2, 2 Thess. i. 3

e Eph. i. 15; Col. i. 4

p ver. 7

f Philipp. i. 9, 11.

q 2 Cor. vii. 16.

g ver. 20, 2 Cor. vii. 13; 2 Tim. i. 16

r 2 Cor. i. 11, Philipp. i. 25; ii. 24

h 1 Thess. ii. 6.

s Col. i. 7, iv. 12.

i Acts xii. 12, 25; xix. 29, xxvii. 2; Col. iv. 10, 14; 2 Tim. iv. 11.

t ver. 1.

u 2 Tim. iv. 22.

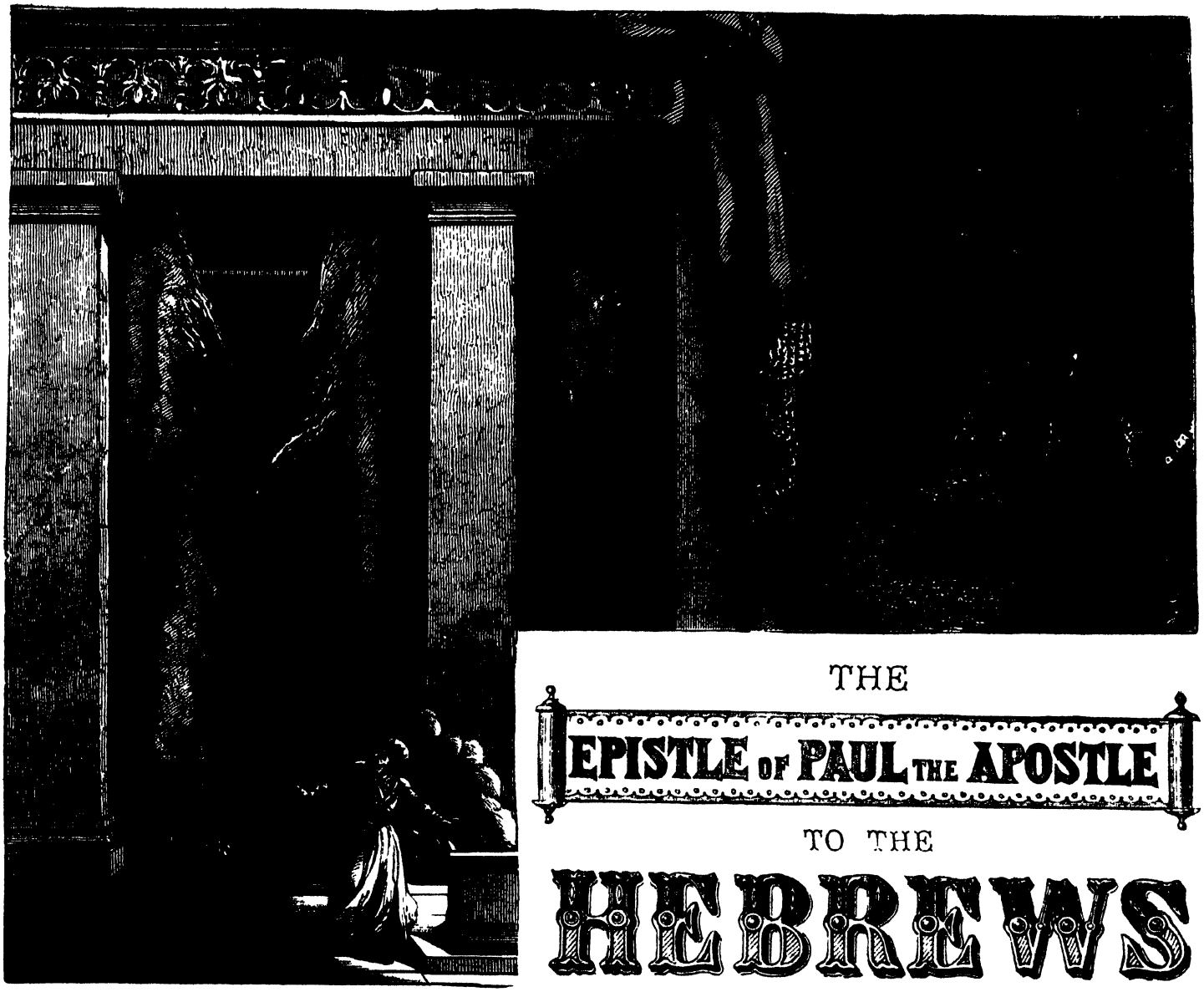
j 1 Cor. iv. 15; Gal. iv. 19; Col. iv. 9.

TAKING for granted the Pauline authorship of this Epistle, it was written during Paul's first imprisonment at Rome, A.D. 61—62, while its design lies upon the surface of the letter itself. Onesimus, a native of Colossæ, having defrauded his master Philemon, had absconded and found his way to Rome, where he was converted under the ministry of St. Paul, who probably persuaded him to return to his master, or encouraged his own desire to return, and gave him this Epistle to ensure his reception on the part of Philemon.

The letter is a noble expression of Christian love, as well as a fine example of that forgetfulness of self which is evinced by promoting the interests of others; and this self-denial springs from Christian love. Throughout it must be confessed that "dignity, generosity, prudence, friendship, affection, politeness, skilful address, purity, are apparent." Hence it has been termed, with great propriety, the polite Epistle. The delicacy, fine address, consummate courtesy, and nice strokes of rhetoric, render the letter a unique specimen of the epistolary style.

1, 2. "Philemon our dearly beloved"—he was, perhaps, one of the Apostle's converts. Apphia is supposed to be his wife; and Archippus their son, who was devoted to the work of the ministry, and dispensed the word to the saints who were in the habit of assembling together in his father's house.

9. "I rather beseech thee"—he had addressed Philemon as a brother, to prepare the way for the request which he was about to make. He might have made a demand, but for the sake of that love of which Philemon was so bright an example, he prefers a request that Onesimus might be received as a renewed man.



THE

EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE

TO THE

HEBREWS

I.

in these last times coming to us from the Father, 4 is preferred above the ang-

GOD, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,[a]

2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by *his* Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;[b]

3 Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;[c]

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d Eph. i. 21, Philipp ii. 9, 10.

a Numb xii 6 8.

14; 1 Chron xxii 10; xxviii. 6; Ps ii. 7, lxxxix 26, 27; Acts xiii 33

1 Or, *When he bringeth again.*

f Deut. xxxii 43 (Septuagint version); Ps xcvii 7, Rom. viii. 29; Col i. 18; 1 Peter iii 22; Rev. i. 5.

2 Gr. *unto.*

b ch. ii. 3; Deut. iv. 30; Ps. ii. 8; Matt xxi 38; xxviii. 18; John i. 3, 17; iii. 35; xv 15; Rom. viii. 17; 1 Cor. viii 6; Gal iv. 4; Eph. i. 10, Col. i 16.

g Ps civ. 4

3 Gr. *rightness*, or, *straightness.*

h Ps. xlv. 6.

c ch. vii. 27, viii. 1, ix 12, 14, 26; x 12; xii. 2; Ps. cx 1; John i. 4, 14; xiv 9; 2 Cor. iv. 4, Eph i 20.

i Ps. xlv. 7; Isa. lxi. 1; Acts iv. 27; x. 38

4 Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excel-

5 For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?[e]

6 [1]And again, when he bringeth in the first-begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.[f]

7 And [2]of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire.[g]

8 But unto the Son *he saith*, Thy throne, O God, *is* for ever and ever: a sceptre of [3]righteousness *is* the sceptre of thy kingdom.[h]

9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity: therefore God, *even* thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.[i]

CHAPTER I.

From the second century down to the present day, opinion has been strongly divided as to the origin of this Epistle. So divided is the testimony, that, according to Alford, "antiquity cannot claim to close up the inquiry; nor can either side allege its voice as decisive. In the very earliest times we find the Epistle received by some as St. Paul's; in the same times we find it ascribed to various authors." The majority of those who reject the Pauline origin of this Epistle are inclined to look to Apollos as its author; and their hypothesis is, that he wrote it in Greek, from Ephesus, to the converted Hebrews resident in Rome, subsequent to the Neronian

10 And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:[a]

11 They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment;[b]

12 And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

13 But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?[c]

14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?[d]

CHAPTER II.

1 *We ought to be obedient to Christ Jesus, 5 and that because he vouchsafed to take our nature upon him, 14 as it was necessary.*

THEREFORE we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should [1]let *them* slip.

2 For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;[e]

3 How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*;[f]

4 God also bearing *them* witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and [2]gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?[g]

5 For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak.[h]

6 But one in a certain place testified, saying, What is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man, that thou visitest him?[i]

7 Thou madest him [3]a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands:

8 Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet.[k] For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing *that is* not put under him. But now we see not yet all things put under him.[l]

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4 Or, by.

a Ps. cii. 25, &c.
k John iii. 16; xii. 32; Acts ii. 33; Rom. v. 18; viii. 32, 2 Cor. v. 15; Philipp ii. 7—9; 1 Tim. ii. 6; 1 John ii. 2; Rev. v. 9.
b Isa. xxxiv. 4; li. 6; Matt. xxiv. 35; 2 Peter iii 7, 10; Rev. xxi. 1.
l ch. v. 9; xii. 2; Luke xiii. 32; xxiv. 46; Acts iii. 15; v. 31; Rom. xi. 36.
c ver. 3; ch. x. 12; Ps. cx. 1; Matt. xxii. 44; Mark xii. 36; Luke xx. 42.
m ch. x. 10, 14; Matt. xxviii. 10; John xx. 17; Acts xvii. 26; Rom. viii. 29.
d Gen. xix. 16; xxxii. 1, 2, 24; Ps. xxxiv. 7; xci. 11; ciii. 20, 21; Dan. iii. 28; vii 10; x 11; Matt. xviii 10; Luke i. 19; ii 9, 13; Acts xii. 7, &c., xxvii. 23; Rom. viii. 17; Titus iii. 7; James ii. 5; 1 Pet. iii. 7.
n Ps. xxii. 22, 25.
o Ps. xviii. 2; Isa. viii. 18; xii. 2; John x. 29; xvii. 6, 9, 11, 12.

1 Gr. *run out as leaking vessels.*

p John i. 14; Rom. viii. 3; 1 Cor. xv. 54, 55; Philipp. ii. 7; Col. ii. 15; 2 Tim. i. 10.
q Luke i. 74; Rom. viii. 15; 2 Tim i. 7.

5 Gr. *he taketh not hold of angels, but of the seed of Abraham he taketh hold*

e Numb. xv. 30, 31; Deut. iv. 3; xvii. 2, 5, 12; xxvii 26; xxxiii 2; Ps. lxviii 17; Acts vii. 53; Gal. iii. 19.
f ch. i 2; x. 28, 29; xii 25; Matt iv. 17; Mark i. 14; Luke i 2.
r ch iv 15; v. 1, 2, Philipp. ii. 7.

2 Or, *distributions.*

g Mark xvi. 20; Acts ii. 22, 43; xiv. 3; xix 11; Rom. xv. 18, 19; 1 Cor. xii. 4, 7, 11; Eph. i. 5, 9
s ch. iv. 15, 16; v. 2; vii. 25
h ch. vi. 5; 2 Peter iii 13.
i Job vii. 17; Ps. viii. 4, &c.; cxliv. 3.

3 Or, *a little while inferior to.*

t ch. ii 17; iv 14; v 5; vi. 20, viii 1, ix. 11; x. 21, Rom i 7; xv 8; 1 Cor i 2; Eph. iv. 1, Philipp iii. 14; 2 Thess. i 11, 2 Tim. i 9; 2 Peter i 10.

6 Gr. *made*, 1 Sam. xii 6

j ch i 13, Matt xxviii. 18, 1 Cor. xv. 25, 27, Eph i 22
u ver. 5; Numb xii 7

9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels [4]for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.[k]

10 For it became him, for whom *are* all things, and by whom *are* all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.[l]

11 For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified *are* all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,[m]

12 Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.[n]

13 And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given me.[o]

14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;[p]

15 And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.[q]

16 For verily [5]he took not on *him the nature of* angels; but he took on *him* the seed of Abraham.

17 Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto *his* brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things *pertaining* to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.[r]

18 For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.[s]

CHAPTER III.

1 *Christ is more worthy than Moses, 7 therefore if we believe not in him, we shall be more worthy punishment than hardhearted Israel.*

WHEREFORE, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;[t]

2 Who was faithful to him that [6]appointed him, as also Moses *was faithful* in all his house.[u]

persecution, which broke out in A.D. 64, and lasted four years, or till the death of Nero, in A.D. 68. To state the objections to this hypothesis would exceed our limits; all that we can say is, that we still believe in the Pauline origin of the Epistle, and know of no other man within the whole circle of the Apostolic Church who could have written it. Assuming Paul to be the author of the document, its canonicity follows; and even those who are unwilling to recognise Paul as the writer, yet readily receive it as "a portion of the New Testament canon, and regard it as possessing the same authority as the rest of the Holy Scriptures."

The main object of this invaluable Epistle is to set forth the unspeakable superiority of the new Evangelical Economy, with all its rich display of mercy, to the old Dispensation of Law, with its types and shadows, its endless rites and ceremonies. Starting with the unrivalled excellence and character of Jesus Christ, as the one only High Priest of the New Economy, he proceeds to point out at each successive step the unspeakable superiority of his mysterious work of mediation, with all its present and everlasting results, in the redemption of a countless multitude of otherwise lost and ruined souls. This is followed by a series of solemn exhortations to faith and patience, and also to perseverance, as one of the conditions of final blessedness and glory.

1. "At sundry times;"—or rather, in separate and numerous portions. The opposition is between a revelation given in portions or in fragments, through diversified means and by various persons, and that perfect disclosure which has been vouchsafed in and by the Son of God.

4 "Better than the angels"—not only in virtue of his unique and unparalleled nature as the Son of God, but in virtue of his work of propitiation and atonement, he is placed far above every principality and power, and in his name every knee shall bow of things in heaven as well as of things on earth

7. "His angels spirits."—angels are but his ministers to fulfil his will in this lower world in connection with material elements—winds (rendered "spirits" in the text) and fire; but Christ is the Lord of angels, and all the elements are under his control—they are his servants, to do his bidding.

CHAPTER II.

1. "Therefore we ought to give:"—since the Son of God is so superior in nature, rank, position, and empire to the angels, and since it is through his Son that God hath spoken to us, it becomes us to listen to the message of reconciling mercy with all reverence and earnestness.

2. "Spoken by angels:"—delivered or made known through the ministry of those pure and lofty spirits. The primary reference is to the giving of the Law of the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai, every principle of which is as unchangeable as God himself.

5. "The world to come:"—the reference is not to the future and eternal world, but to the Gospel dispensation. It is thought that our Lord, in a peculiar manner, presides over this dispensation.

6—9. "What is man?"—by his fall, man lost his dignity and his dominion; but these he is to regain. How, and by whom? By one of his own race, the MAN Christ Jesus. Whatever high or glorious things can be said

3 For this *man* was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house.[a]

4 For every house is builded by some *man;* but he that built all things *is* God.[b]

5 And Moses verily *was* faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;[c]

6 But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end.[d]

7 Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice,[e]

8 Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:

9 When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years.

10 Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in *their* heart; and they have not known my ways.

11 So I sware in my wrath, [1]They shall not enter into my rest.)

12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

14 For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;[f]

15 While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation.[g]

16 For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses.[h]

17 But with whom was he grieved forty years? *was it* not with them that had sinned, whose carcases fell in the wilderness?[i]

18 And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not?[j]

19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.[k]

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a Zech. vi. 12; Matt. xvi. 18.

b ch. i. 2; Eph. ii. 10; iii. 9.

c ver. 2; Exod. xiv. 31; Numb. xii. 7; Deut. iii. 24; xviii. 15, 18, 19; Josh. i. 2; viii. 31.

l ch. xii. 15.

d ver. 14; ch. i. 2; vi. 11; x. 35; Matt. x. 22; xxiv. 13; Rom. v. 2; 1 Cor. iii. 16; vi. 19, 2 Cor. vi. 16, Eph. ii 21, 22; Col. i. 23; 1 Tim. iii. 15; 1 Peter ii. 5.

2 Gr. *the word of hearing.*

3 Or, *because they were not united by faith to.*

e ver. 15; 2 Sam. xxiii. 2; Psa. xcv. 7; Acts i. 16.

m ch. iii. 11, 14; Psa. xcv. 11.

n Gen. ii. 2; Exod. xx. 11; xxxi. 17.

1 Gr. *If they shall enter.*

4 Or, *the gospel was first preached.*

o ch. iii. 19.

p ch. iii. 7; Psa. xcv 7.

5 That is, *Joshua.*

f ver. 6.

6 Or, *keeping of a sabbath.*

g ver. 7.

h Numb. xiv. 2, 4, 11, 24, 30; Deut. i. 34, 36, 38.

i Numb. xiv 22, 29, &c.; xxvi 65; Psa cvi. 26. 1 Cor. x. 5; Jude 5.

7 Or, *disobedience.*

q ch. iii. 12, 18, 19.

j Numb xiv. 30, Deut. i. 34, 35.

k ch iv. 6.

CHAPTER IV.

1 *The rest of Christians is attained by faith.* 12 *The power of God's word.* 14 *By our high priest Jesus the Son of God, subject to infirmities, but not sin,* 16 *we must and may go boldly to the throne of grace.*

LET us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left *us* of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.[l]

2 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but [2]the word preached did not profit them, [3]not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it.*

3 For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.[m]

4 For he spake in a certain place of the seventh *day* on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works.[n]

5 And in this *place* again, if they shall enter into my rest.

6 Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom [4]it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:[o]

7 Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.[p]

8 For if [5]Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day.

9 There remaineth therefore a [6]rest to the people of God.

10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did* from his.

11 Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of [7]unbelief.[q]

12 For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of

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of man, belong of right to him only, but derivatively to us his brethren and members.

"That he by the grace of God should taste death for every man:"—he was exalted and glorified, that in the riches of God's grace his death should open the gates of heaven to all believers.

11. "Are all of one;"—that is to say, Christ has provided in his own mysterious work for the sanctification of all his followers; and all who are thus sanctified, and separated unto God through him, are of that one Father who is leading his many sons unto glory. Hence it is that all believers are recognised by Christ as his brethren.

17. "A merciful and faithful high priest:"—his humanity gave him a perfect sympathy with man, and this sympathy ensured his faithfulness in fulfilling the duties of his office.

CHAPTER III.

1. "Consider the Apostle and High Priest;"—let him be the object of a deeper contemplation, that faith may repose in him as the Apostle or the Sent of God, and the great High Priest of the Church.

2—6. "Who was faithful:"—the immediate object of the writer in this chapter is to set forth the superiority of Christ to Moses. As a servant of God's house or Church, Moses was faithful in bearing testimony to the things which were to be more clearly revealed in future time; but Christ, as the Son of God, is the Head and Lord of the Church.

"If we hold fast the confidence;"—if we keep unyielding hold of that truth on which our confidence and hope repose—a hope and a confidence which give birth to a joy which is unspeakable and full of the prospect of future glory.

7—11. "To day if ye will hear his voice:"—the writer had just reminded the Hebrews that the fact of their being included in the house or Church of God depended on their adherence to the truth of the Gospel; and here he exhorts them—his exhortation being founded on a previous utterance of God's Spirit to that very people among whom Moses was a servant—to strive against all unbelief and disobedience, lest, as Israel was shut out from the earthly Canaan, they should be shut out from the heavenly Canaan.

14. "Are made partakers of Christ;"—we have come to participate in all the benefits of Christ's mediation. Our Christian confidence is continued by our Christian perseverance, and we must remember it is in God's strength alone we stand.

CHAPTER IV.

1. "Into his rest:"—the penalty of disobedience on the part of the Israelites was, that they should not enter into God's rest. Of this rest, the Apostle tells us, we have the promise, and therefore exhorts us to see to it that we do not even seem to come short of it.

2. "Unto us was the gospel preached:"—the glad tidings of a future rest have been proclaimed to us as well as to them. They lacked faith, and lost the rest. Let us fear.

3. "If they shall enter;"—that is, they shall *not* enter into my rest. Although the works of creation were finished from the foundation of the world, and God had entered into his rest, yet enter they could not because of their unbelief; but we who have believed do enter into rest.

8. "If Jesus;"—that is, if Joshua—which is another word for Jesus—had, by giving them the earthly Canaan, given them the rest included in the promise of God, then he could not have pointed them to anything future.

10. "For he that is entered into his rest:"—to whom does the Apostle here refer? To the believer entering into the rest of God after he has


PLAN OF
JERUSALEM.
IN THE TIME OF CHRIST
Foot of Scopus
Tombs of the Kings
Monumens of Herod
Road to Jericho
Grotto of Jeremiah
Possible Line of Third Wall
Tiepharus or Rubble Tow
Third Wall
Damascus Gate
Royal Caverns
NEW CITY
Line of Present Wall
Camp of the Romans
Fig Tree
BEZETHA
Pool of the Fishes
Push Gate
Via dolorosa
ACRA
Columba or Cabegeon
Church of the Holy Sepulchre
Gate of Ephraim
OR
THE LOWER
CITY
Antonia
Golden Gate
Fullers field
Upper Pool of Gihon
Sheepwort Pool
Hezekiah's Pool
First Wall
THE TEMPLE
Palace of Agrippa
Ornamental Garden Gate
Tower
Gardens of the Palace
MOUNT ZION
THE UPPER CITY
Lower Pool Gihon
Tomb of David
Valley of Gihon
Mount of Offence
ENLARGED PLAN OF THE TEMPLE
Scale
THE TEMPLE
Solomon's Porch
Beautiful Gate
Royal Cloister
Solomons Stables
Scale
Kidron
flowing into the Dead Sea
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JERUSALEM.
Scale of English Miles
0 ¼ ½ ¾ 1 2 3
Bethel (Beitin)
Beeroth or Beer (Birch)
Upper Beth-horn (Beit-Ur-el-fuka)
To Joppa
Atharoth (Atara)
Michmash (Mukhmas)
Geba (Jeba)
Ramah (Er Ram)
Vale of Giah
Gibeon (El-Jib)
Emmaus? (Probable Site)
Alemeth (Almit)
Mizpah (Neby Samwil)
Gibeah (Tubabel Ful)
Anathoth (Anata)
Kirjath-jearim (Abu Ghosh or Khurvet-el-Enab)
Scopus
Nob
Tombs of the Judges
Ramathaim-zophim
(EL-KUDS) JERUSALEM
Upper Pool of Gihon
Tomb of Huldah
Lower Pool of Gihon
Hill of Evil Counsel
Plain of Rephaim
Valley of Hinnom
Bethany (El-Azariyeh)
To Jericho
Mount of Offence
Bethphage
Nephtoah (Ain Hanyeh) (Fountain of Pitch)
Aqueduct from Solomon's Pools
Village of Shepherds
Brook Cedron flowing into the Dead Sea
Tomb of Rachel
Zelah (Beit-Jala)
Bethlehem (Beit-Lahm)
TRIBE OF BENJAMIN
TRIBE OF JUDAH
Land of
Wilderness of St. John
Modern names are inserted in brackets.
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the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.[a]

13 Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things *are* naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.[b]

14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* profession.[c]

15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as *we are, yet* without sin.[d]

16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.[e]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The authority and honour of our Saviour's priesthood.* 11 *Negligence in the knowledge thereof is reproved.*

FOR every high priest taken from among men is ordained for men in things *pertaining* to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins:[f]

2 Who [1]can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; for that he himself also is compassed with infirmity.[g]

3 And by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins.[h]

4 And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as *was* Aaron.[i]

5 So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee.[j]

6 As he saith also in another *place*, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.[k]

7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard [2]in that he feared;[l]

8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;[m]

9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;[n]

10 Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.[o]

11 Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing.[p]

12 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which *be* the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat.[q]

13 For every one that useth milk [3]*is* unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.[r]

14 But strong meat belongeth to them that are [4]of full age, *even* those who by reason [5]of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.[s]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *He exhorteth not to fall back from the faith,* 11 *but to be stedfast,* 12 *diligent, and patient to wait upon God,* 13 *because God is most sure in his promise.*

THEREFORE leaving [6]the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,[t]

2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.[u]

3 And this will we do, if God permit.[v]

4 For *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,[w]

5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,[x]

6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.[y]

Anno Domini 64.

a Isa. xlix. 2; Jer. xxiii. 29, Prov. v. 4; 1 Cor. xiv. 24, 25; 2 Cor x. 4, 5; Eph. vi. 17; 1 Peter i. 23; Rev i. 16; ii. 16.
2 Or, *for his piety.*
l Ps. xxii. 1; Matt. xxvi. 37, 39, 42, 44, 53; xxvii. 46, 50; Mark xiv. 33, 36, 39; xv. 34, 37; Luke xxii 43; John xii. 27; xvii. 1.
m ch. iii. 6; Philipp. ii. 8.
b Job xxvi. 6; xxxiv. 21; Ps. xxxiii. 13, 14; xc. 8; cxxxix. 11, 12; Prov. xv 11.
n ch ii 10; xi. 40.
o ver. 6, ch vi 20.
c ch iii. 1, vii. 26; ix. 12, 24; x. 23.
p Matt. xiii. 15; John xvi 12; 2 Peter iii. 16.
d ch ii 18; vii. 26; Isa. liii 3, Luke xxii. 28; 2 Cor v 21; 1 Peter ii. 22; 1 John iii. 5.
q ch. vi. 1; 1 Cor. iii. 1—3.
3 Gr *hath no experience.*
e ch. x. 19, 21, 22; Eph. ii. 18; iii. 12.
r 1 Cor. xiii. 11; xiv. 20; Eph. iv. 14; 1 Peter ii. 2.
4 Or, *perfect,* 1 Cor. ii. 6; Eph iv. 13; Philipp iii. 15
5 Or, *of an habit,* or, *perfection.*
s Isa vii 15; 1 Cor. i 14, 15
6 Or, *the word of the beginning of Christ.*
f ch. ii 17, viii. 3, 4; ix. 9; x. 11; xi. 4.
1 Or, *can reasonably bear with.*
t ch. v. 12; ix 14; Philipp iii 12—14
g ch. ii. 18; iv. 15; vii. 28.
u Acts viii. 14—17; xvii. 31, 32; xix. 4—6; xxiv. 25; Rom ii. 16.
h ch. vii 27; ix. 7; Lev. iv. 3; ix. 7, xvi. 6, 15—17.
v Acts xviii. 21; 1 Cor iv 19
i Exod xxviii. 1, Numb. xvi 5, 40; 1 Chron. xxiii. 13; 2 Chron. xxvi 18; John iii. 27.
w ch. ii. 4; x. 26, 32; Matt xii. 31, 32; John iv. 10, vi. 32, Gal iii 2, 5; Eph ii 8; 2 Peter ii. 20, 21; 1 John v. 16
j ch i 5; Ps. ii. 7; John viii. 54.
x ch. ii. 5.
k ch vii 17, 21; Ps cx. 4.
y ch. x. 29.

finished his course on earth? Or is the reference not rather to Christ? "For he that is entered into his rest"—that is, Christ—he also hath ceased from his work of suffering and mediation, as God ceased from his work of creation. Thus a striking contrast is drawn between the Jesus or Joshua who did not give the Israelites rest, and that Jesus who has entered heaven as our Forerunner, and who has there prepared a place for us, that where he is there the believing, humble, holy, contrite, and obedient followers of Christ, of every tongue and of every clime, may also be.

CHAPTER V.

1—4. "Ordained for men"—the Apostle here resumes the subject of the Saviour's priesthood, on which he had entered in the second chapter, but which he dropped to bring into view the superiority of Christ as a Son to Moses as a servant. Now he contrasts the Saviour's priesthood with the Aaronic; and in Christ's priesthood, as in Aaron's, there were two necessary qualifications: he must be taken from among men, to have a true sympathy with those on whose behalf he is to act, and he must have received his call and appointment to the office by God himself

6. "After the order of Melchisedec"—corresponding in its character with the special rank and work of Melchisedec, who united the pontifical and regal functions in himself, and whose priesthood was complete in itself.

7. "To save him from death:"—during his agony in the garden, his soul was "exceeding sorrowful even unto death" from his death, with his holy work unfinished, he shrunk with apprehension; and hence he prayed three times—"O my father, if it be possible let this cup pass from me;" and he was delivered from the terrors which he endured on the ground of his entire acquiescence in the will of his Father. An angel from heaven appeared to strengthen him, and his agony ceased; the cup which he was then drinking passed away from him; and he was preserved to finish the work which his Father gave him to do.

8. "Yet learned he obedience:"—this does not imply that HIS will was ever otherwise than in submission and obedience to his Father; but only that the perfection of this obedience and submission was exhibited in his life and suffering on earth.

9. "Made perfect:"—his official character, as our Redeemer and Mediator, was made perfect by his life of service and suffering, and by his expiatory death; and hence his power to give eternal life to them that believe.

11. "Of whom:"—notwithstanding the formidable array of authorities who refer this to Melchisedec, we feel no hesitation in referring it to Christ; for it is of Christ, and not of Melchisedec—who only resembled Christ in some of the more prominent features of his office—that the Apostle is here treating; as if he had said, "I could demonstrate to you in many ways the superiority of Christ to Melchisedec, but the present state of your minds will not allow you to receive these deep truths."

14. "Their senses exercised;"—the faculties of their mind, now renewed and sanctified, exercised in discriminating between what is true and false in doctrine and teaching. This power is to be found in the advanced and matured Christian, not in the young and inexperienced.

CHAPTER VI.

1—3. "Leaving the principles;"—that is, the more rudimental principles or truths of the Gospel. "Go on unto perfection;"—advance to the appreciation of higher forms of truth. He had stated the fundamental principles once for all, and therefore it was not needful to repeat them. These he

7 For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them [1]by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God:[a]

8 But that which beareth thorns and briers *is* rejected, and *is* nigh unto cursing; whose end *is* to be burned.[b]

9 But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak.

10 For God *is* not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.[c]

11 And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end:[d]

12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.[e]

13 For when God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he sware by himself,[f]

14 Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee.

15 And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise.

16 For men verily swear by the greater: and an oath for confirmation *is* to them an end of all strife.[g]

17 Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, [2]confirmed *it* by an oath:[h]

18 That by two immutable things, in which *it was* impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:[i]

19 Which *hope* we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil;[j]

20 Whither the forerunner is for us entered, *even* Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.[k]

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[a] ch. iii. 1; iv. 14; v. 6, 10; vii. 17; viii. 1; ix. 24.

1 Or, *for.*

[a] Ps. lxv. 10.

[b] Isa. v. 6.

[l] Gen. xiv. 18, &c.

[c] Prov xiv. 31; Matt x. 42; xxv. 40, John xiii. 20; Rom. iii 4; xv. 25; 2 Cor. viii. 4; ix. 1, 12; 1 Thess. i. 3; 2 Thess. i. 6, 7; 2 Tim. i. 18.

3 Gr. *without pedigree.*

[d] ch. iii. 6, 14; Col. ii. 2.

[e] ch. x. 36.

[m] Gen. xiv. 20.

[f] Gen. xxii. 16, 17; Ps cv. 9; Luke i. 73.

[n] Numb. xviii. 21, 26.

4 Or, *pedigree.*

[g] Exod. xxii. 11.

[o] Gen. xiv. 19; Rom. iv. 13; Gal. iii. 16.

2 Gr *interposed himself by an oath.*

[h] ch. xi. 9; Rom. xi. 29.

[p] ch. v. 6; vi. 20.

[i] ch. xii. 1.

[j] ch. ix. 7; Lev. xvi. 15.

CHAPTER VII.

1 *Christ Jesus is a priest after the order of Melchisedec,* 11 *and so, far more excellent than the priests of Aaron's order.*

FOR this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;[l]

2 To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;

3 Without father, without mother, [3]without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

4 Now consider how great this man *was,* unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils.[m]

5 And verily they that are of the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood, have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:[n]

6 But he whose [4]descent is not counted from them received tithes of Abraham, and blessed him that had the promises.[o]

7 And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.

8 And here men that die receive tithes; but there he *receiveth them,* of whom it is witnessed that he liveth.[p]

9 And as I may so say, Levi also, who receiveth tithes, payed tithes in Abraham.

10 For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchisedec met him.

11 If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,)

specifies—in repentance, in faith, and in baptism; also in laying on of hands, as one of the rites of the Old Dispensation, and introduced into the New Economy; the resurrection of the dead, as involved in the resurrection of Christ, and therefore involved in the fundamental teachings of Christian doctrine; and of eternal judgment, as arising out of human responsibility.

4—6. "It is impossible;"—a confessedly difficult passage, and of which we have manifold interpretations. It is clear that the impossibility arises out of the nature of the case. We must therefore look at the position of those whose repentance and restoration are here declared to involve an impossibility.

The Apostle speaks of those who have been once enlightened—that is, once for all, not again to be repeated—who have tasted of the heavenly gift—the goodness of God in the disposition of mind that leads to the hope of eternal life, who have shared in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, who have tasted the good word of God—in other words, have experienced the comfort of the Divine promises contained in the Gospel, and have felt the power and efficacy of the Christian doctrine relating to the blissfulness of the redeemed in their future state. The Apostle assumes a case, and says that if such individuals apostatise, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance, because by their apostacy from the faith they would reject the only means by which salvation can be obtained. The awful guilt and danger of apostacy from the Christian faith arises from the fact that it is an insult to each of the Persons in the Godhead. It is an impious disregard of the love of God, an irreligious rejection of the Saviour's atoning blood, and a daring contempt for the Holy Spirit's saving grace. These are the combined acts of impiety which constitute the condemning sin, not only of the apostate, but also of the finally impenitent. The sick man perishes, not because of the disease, but on account of the rejection of the remedy. The impossibility of which the Apostle speaks is to be sought, not in the fact of spiritual declension—for thousands and tens of thousands of believers have fallen away and have been restored—but in the means to be employed in effecting that restoration. If the great truths of the Gospel will not restore them, there are no other means in existence: hence their salvation would become an impossibility.

This view of this confessedly difficult passage is confirmed by the Apostle's own illustration in the following verses. The ground which is fruitful partakes of the Divine blessing, but the ground which yieldeth nothing but thorns and briars falls under a curse, by reason of the loss of that irrigation upon which fruitfulness depends. No other means are provided or can be employed than those which already exist to make the barren fruitful, and to mature the fruitful into perfection; and the plan devised is styled—whatever the rejecter may think of it—"*the manifold wisdom of God.*"

CHAPTER VII.

The train of thought in this chapter is thus arranged. First, it is shown in verses 1—10 that Melchisedec's priesthood was of a higher order than the Levitical; then in verses 11—19 the inference is drawn from this, that the Levitical priesthood—and also the Mosaical law upon which it was grafted—was imperfect; and finally, in verses 20—28, that the Messiah, who was a High Priest after the order of Melchisedec, was greatly superior to the Levitical priesthood, as well as to the Mosaic law.

1. "This Melchisedec:"—we are not to think of Melchisedec as a temporary incarnation of the Son of God. The type and the antitype can never be the same—the substance can never be the shadow; but we are to regard Melchisedec as an anointed prince of a Gentile tribe among whom the ancient and original worship of the one God was still happily preserved, and who, according to the patriarchal custom, still offered sacrifices as the priest of his tribe to the invisible God of heaven.

what further need *was there* that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?[a]

12 For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.

13 For he of whom these things are spoken pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave attendance at the altar.

14 For *it is* evident that our Lord sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood.[b]

15 And it is yet far more evident: for that after the similitude of Melchisedec there ariseth another priest,

16 Who is made, not after the law of a carnal commandment, but after the power of an endless life.

17 For he testifieth, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.[c]

18 For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness and unprofitableness thereof.[d]

19 For the law made nothing perfect, [1]but the bringing in of a better hope *did;* by the which we draw nigh unto God.[e]

20 And inasmuch as not without an oath *he was made priest:*

21 (For those priests were made [2]without an oath; but this with an oath by him that said unto him, The Lord sware and will not repent, Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec:)[f]

22 By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament.[g]

23 And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death:

24 But this *man,* because he continueth ever, hath [3]an unchangeable priesthood.

25 Wherefore he is able also to save them [4]to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.[h]

26 For such an high priest became us, *who is* holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens;[i]

27 Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, when he offered up himself.[j]

28 For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was since the law, *maketh* the Son, who is [5]consecrated for evermore.[k]

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *By the eternal priesthood of Christ the Levitical priesthood of Aaron is abolished.* 7 *And the temporal covenant with the fathers, by the eternal covenant of the gospel.*

NOW of the things which we have spoken *this is* the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens:[l]

2 A minister [6]of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.[m]

3 For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore *it is* of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer.[n]

4 For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that [7]there are priests that offer gifts according to the law:

5 Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, *that* thou make all things according to the pattern shewed to thee in the mount.[o]

6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better [8]covenant, which was established upon better promises.[p]

7 For if that first *covenant* had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.[q]

8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:[r]

9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the

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ANNO DOMINI 64.

a vs. 18, 19; ch. viii. 7; Gal. ii. 21.

j ch. v. 3; ix. 7, 12, 28; x. 12; Lev. ix. 7; xvi. 6, 11, 15; Rom. vi. 10.

5 Gr. *perfected.*

k ch. ii. 10; v. 1, 2, 9.

b Isa. xi. 1; Matt. i. 3; Luke iii. 33; Rom. i. 3; Rev. v. 5.

l ch. i. 3; x. 12; xii. 2; Eph. i. 20; Col. iii. 1.

6 Or, *of holy things.*

c ch. v. 6, 10; vi. 20; Ps. cx. 4.

m ch. ix. 8, 11, 12, 24.

d Rom. viii. 3; Gal. iv. 9.

1 Or, *but it was the bringing in,* Gal. iii. 24.

e ch. iv. 16; vi. 18; viii. 6; ix. 9; x. 19, Acts xiii. 39; Rom. iii. 20, 21, 28; v. 2; viii. 3, Gal. ii. 16; Eph. ii. 18, iii. 12

n ch. v. 1; ix. 14; Eph. v. 2.

7 Or, *they are priests.*

2 Or, *without swearing of an oath.*

f Ps. cx. 4.

g ch. viii. 6, ix. 15; xii. 24.

o ch. ix. 23; x. 1; Exod. xxv. 40, xxvi. 30, xxvii. 8, Numb. viii. 4, Acts vii. 44; Col. ii. 17.

8 Or, *testament.*

p ch. vii. 22; 2 Cor. iii. 6, 8, 9.

3 Or, *which passeth not from one to another.*

4 Or, *evermore.*

q ch. vii. 11, 18.

h ch. ix. 24, Rom. viii. 34, 1 Tim. ii. 5, 1 John ii. 1

r Jer. xxxi. 31—34.

i ch. iv. 15, viii. 1; Eph. i. 20; iv. 10.

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2. "Gave a tenth:"—this custom was not confined to the Jews, but obtained also among the heathen.

"King of righteousness. . . . King of peace:"—the name, and that of the city in which Melchisedec reigned, were typical of Christ and of his kingdom. Righteousness and peace were to be the grand characteristics of the reign of Messiah.

3. "Without father, without mother;"—without pedigree. The Levitical priest, to qualify himself for his sacred office, must prove his descent from Levi and Aaron; whereas Melchisedec's priesthood, as a marked distinction, had nothing to do with his race and his descent; therefore nothing has been recorded. Melchisedec stands altogether outside of the great line of descent which runs from Abraham downwards to Levi and Aaron. He comes forth from the darkness, like a streak of light, only to disappear immediately in the darkness again. And yet, although he cannot have been a priest by descent, the Holy Scripture presents him to our notice as a priest of God, and acknowledges him as such. If now the Messiah is to be a priest after the order of Melchisedec, then to him also is ascribed, not the Levitical hereditary order, but that of an independent priesthood.

"Without descent;"—that is, we have no recorded genealogy by which his descent can be traced or fixed. Could such a record be found, the discovery might then be made, that neither his father nor his mother, nor any of his relatives, had any connection with the priesthood; but that Melchisedec stood alone in his pontifical character, as Christ does in his priestly office.

4. "How great this man was;"—apparently the head of the Gentiles and of the whole family of Israel; therefore, as the type is always less than that which is typified, Christ was greater than Melchisedec; and we have seen that Melchisedec, the king and priest, was greater than Abraham and all the Levitical priesthood.

5. "Come out of the loins of Abraham;"—that is, the brethren of the Levites, and it was only by a Divine appointment that the sons of Levi could impose tithes upon their brethren; but Melchisedec, without any such ordination, received tithes of Abraham, and in him, as their great ancestor, of the whole Levitical priesthood.

8. "Men that die:"—from the very fact that every man is mortal, the Levitical priesthood passed from one to another in a regular succession; but in the case of Melchisedec, his priesthood began and terminated in himself. As a priest, he had no successor; as a priest, his priesthood never passed away from himself.

CHAPTER VIII.

1. "This is the sum:"—having established ——— priesthood of Christ, the Apostle now proceeds to contrast the Mosaic tabernacle with the heavenly sanctuary; and he begins by showing, in the present chapter, how the two tabernacles correspond with the two covenants or dispensations. When he speaks, therefore, of *the sum* of what he had said or written, he means the chief or principal points.

2. "A minister of the sanctuary:"—just as the high priest under the law entered into the holiest of all, so Christ is here represented as having gone into the inner sanctuary—into the holy of holies—in the true tabernacle—the place of God's immediate presence. The permanence of this true sanc-

hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

10 For this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will [1]put my laws into their mind, and write them [2]in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:[a]

11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.[b]

12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.[c]

ANNO DOMINI 64.

h Exod. xvi. 33, 34, xxv. 10, 16, 21, xxvi. 33; xxxiv 29; xl. 3, 20, 21, Numb. xvii 10, Deut. x 2, 5; 1 Kings viii. 9, 21; 2 Chron. v. 10.

1 Gr. *give*

2 Or, *upon.*

i Exod. xxv 18, 22, Lev. xvi 2, 1 Kings viii. 6, 7

a ch. x. 16; Zech. viii 8

j Numb. xxviii. 3, Dan. viii 11.

b Isa. liv. 13; John vi. 45, 1 John ii. 27

k ver 25; ch v. 3, vii 27, Exod. xxx. 10, Lev xvi. 2, 11, 12, 15, 34

c ch. x. 17; Rom. xi. 27.

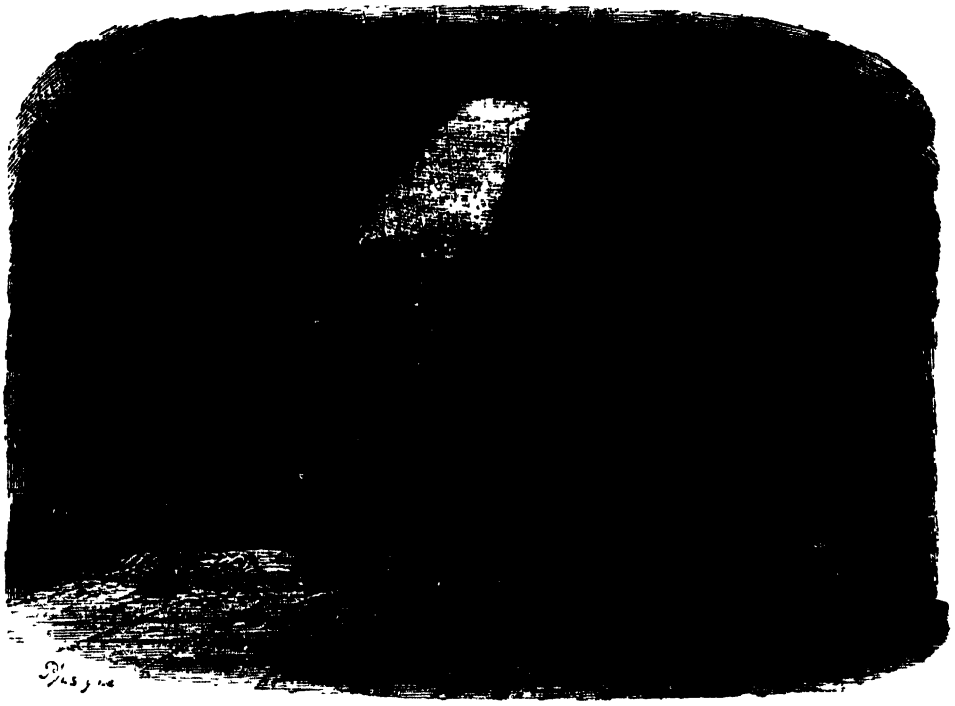
4 Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein *was* the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant;[h]

5 And over it the cherubims of glory shadowing the mercyseat; of which we cannot now speak particularly.[i]

6 Now when these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service *of God.*[j]

7 But into the second *went* the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and *for* the errors of the people:[k]

8 The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way



INTERIOR OF THE UPPER CELL OF THE MAMERTINE PRISON.

13 In that he saith, A new *covenant,* he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old *is* ready to vanish away.[d]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *The description of the rites and bloody sacrifices of the law,* 11 *far inferior to the dignity and perfection of the blood and sacrifice of Christ.*

THEN verily the first *covenant* had also [3]ordinances of divine service, and a worldly sanctuary.[e]

2 For there was a tabernacle made; the first, wherein *was* the candlestick, and the table, and the shewbread; which is called [4]the sanctuary.[f]

3 And after the second veil, the tabernacle which is called the Holiest of all;[g]

l ch x 19, 20; John xiv. 6

d 2 Cor v 17.

m ch vii 18, 19; x 1, 11; Gal iii. 21

3 Or, *ceremonies*

5 Or, *rites,* or, *ceremonies.*

n ch vii 16; Lev. xi 2; Numb xix. 7, &c; Eph ii. 15, Col. ii. 16, 20.

e Exod. xxv 8

o ch iii. 1; viii. 2; x. 1.

4 Or, *holy.*

f Exod. xxv. 23, 30, 31; xxvi 1, 35; xl. 4; Lev. xxiv. 5, 6

p vs. 26, 28; ch x 4, 10; Zech. iii. 9; Dan ix 24; Acts xx. 28; Eph i 7; Col. i. 14; 1 Peter i. 19; Rev. i. 5; v. 9

g ch. vi. 19; Exod. xxvi. 31, 33; xl. 3, 21.

into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing:[l]

9 Which *was* a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience;[m]

10 *Which stood* only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal [5]ordinances, imposed *on them* until the time of reformation.[n]

11 But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;[o]

12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption *for us.*[p]

13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the

tuary, in which all is abiding reality, is in beautiful contrast with the temporary and movable tent, in which all was but type and shadow.

4. "He should not be a priest:"—because he did not belong by natural descent to the tribe to which the Levitical priesthood was confined. Only the Aaronic priests were permitted to offer sacrifice in the Mosaic tabernacle.

5. "Who serve unto the example:"—the Levitical priesthood served in a tabernacle which was but a shadow of heavenly things. The Mosaic tabernacle was not the original from which the copy was taken, but was itself a copy from the heavenly.

CHAPTER IX.

The object of the Apostle in this chapter is to prove in more minute detail that the Old Testament tabernacle was in fact a copy of the heavenly things; and that as a mere copy it corresponded with the nature and provisions of the old dispensation, as distinguished from the new covenant.

ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh :[a]

14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without [1]spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God ?[b]

15 And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions *that were* under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.[c]

16 For where a testament *is*, there must also of necessity [2]be the death of the testator.

17 For a testament *is* of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.[d]

18 Whereupon neither the first *testament* was [3]dedicated without blood.[e]

19 For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and [4]scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people,[f]

20 Saying, This *is* the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you.[g]

21 Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry.[h]

22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.[i]

23 *It was* therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.[j]

24 For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, *which are* the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us :[k]

25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;[l]

26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.[m]

ANNO DOMINI 64.

a Lev. xvi 14,16; Numb. xix. 2, 17, &c.

n Gen. iii 19; Eccles. iii. 20, 2 Cor v. 10, Rev. xx. 12, 13.

1 Or, *fault.*

o Matt xxvi. 28; Rom v 15; vi. 10; Titus ii 13; 1 Peter ii 24, iii. 18, 2 Peter iii. 12; 1 John iii. 5.

b ch i 3, vi 1; vii 27; x 22, Luke i 74, Rom. i 4; vi 13, 22, Eph v. 2, Titus ii 14, 1 Peter i 19, iii 18, iv 2, 1 John i. 7, Rev. i. 5.

c ch iii 1, vii 22; viii 6, xii. 24, Rom iii 25, v. 6, 1 Tim. ii. 5, 1 Peter iii. 18.

2 Or, *be brought in.*

d Gal iii 15

p ver. 14; ch. viii 5; ix. 9, 11, 23; Col ii. 17.

3 Or, *purified*

e Exod xxiv. 6, &c.

5 Or, *they would have ceased to be offered, because, &c.*

4 Or, *purple*

f Exod. xxiv 5, 6, 8; Lev. xiv 4, 6, 7, 49, 51, 52; xvi 14, 15, 18.

q ch. ix 7; Lev. xvi. 21

g Exod xxiv. 8; Matt xxvi. 28.

r ver 11; ch ix. 13, Micah vi. 6, 7.

h Exod xxix. 12, 36; Lev. viii 15, 19, xvi. 14—16, 18, 19.

6 Or, *thou hast fitted me.*

s Ps xl 6, &c; l 8, &c; Isa. i 11; Jer vi. 20; Amos v 21, 22.

i Lev xvii 11.

j ch viii. 5.

t ch vi 20, vii 25, viii 2, Rom viii. 34, 1 John ii 1.

l ver 7.

t ch. ix. 12; xiii. 12; John xvii. 19.

m ver. 12, ch vii 27; x. 10, 1 Cor x. 11; Gal. iv. 4, Eph. i. 10, 1 Peter iii. 18

u ver 4, ch vii 27; Numb xxviii 3.

27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment :[n]

28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.[o]

CHAPTER X.

1 *The weakness of the law sacrifices.* 10 *The sacrifice of Christ's body once offered,* 14 *for ever hath taken away sins.* 19 *An exhortation to hold fast the faith, with patience and thanksgiving.*

FOR the law having a shadow of good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.[p]

2 For then [5]would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had no more conscience of sins.

3 But in those *sacrifices there is* a remembrance again *made* of sins every year.[q]

4 For *it is* not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.[r]

5 Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body [6]hast thou prepared me :[s]

6 In burnt offerings and *sacrifices* for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and *offering* for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure *therein;* which are offered by the law;

9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once *for all.*[t]

11 And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins :[u]

1. "A worldly sanctuary:"—it is clear, we think, that the Apostle here meant to express not merely the *locality*, but also the *quality* of the sanctuary—its imperfection as well as its materiality.

2—7 "There was a tabernacle made:"—on these verses touching the structure of the Mosaic tabernacle, consult Exod. xxv. and Lev. xvi.

9. "A figure for the time then present:"—the holy place was, so long as the Mosaic tabernacle stood, a figurative representation of the holiest of all in heaven. Nor this only, the sacrifices which were offered in the ancient tabernacle, being in themselves inherently imperfect, could never make the worshippers perfect, of which they were themselves painfully conscious.

10 "Until the time of reformation."—the Levitical priesthood and service were to remain, notwithstanding their inherent imperfection, till the introduction of a new and brighter era—namely, that of the Gospel dispensation.

11. "By a greater and more perfect tabernacle;"—a much disputed phrase; but if we keep up the contrast between the Mosaic holy place and that into which Christ has entered, it is obvious that just as the high priest under the law appeared before God in the very nature for which he was offering the blood of atonement, so Christ passed into the heavens in possession of a true and perfect humanity; and it is to his glorified humanity the Apostle refers in the phrase, "by a greater and more perfect sacrifice."

16, 17. "The death of the testator."—the word "testament," in the preceding clause, and also in the preceding verse, should be rendered "covenant;" and as the Mosaic covenant was ratified by blood, so is the new or evangelical covenant; and therefore the words before us ought to be rendered, "there must also of necessity be the death of the testifying victim," whose blood is used to ratify the covenant. "For a covenant is of force after men are dead:"—any *bonâ fide* compact between man and man is certainly not annulled by the death of either party; otherwise it is not worthy of the name of compact while they live; and so the covenant which Christ entered into and sealed with his own blood has, notwithstanding his death—nay, in virtue of his death—all the elements of a covenant still, or else it was of no avail while he lived here. This he proves from the Mosaic covenant, in verses 16—22.

26. "In the end of the world;"—or at the close of the ages included in the former dispensation. When Christ came, a new era opened in the history of the world and in the cause of humanity.

CHAPTER X.

1, 2. "For the law having a shadow:"—the perfection and perpetuity of the Saviour's one sacrifice are now set forth in contrast with the imperfection and temporary character of the Mosaic institutions. Could those institutions have insured moral purity and spiritual perfection, then the Apostle asks the question, "Would they not have ceased when they had attained their object?" If the worshippers had had no consciousness of sin, they would assuredly have ceased to offer sacrifice.

20. "His flesh."—his death in our nature, as a propitiation for sin,

12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;[a]

13 From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool.[b]

14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.[c]

15 *Whereof* the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before,

16 This *is* the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;[d]

17 [1]And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

18 Now where remission of these *is*, *there is* no more offering for sin.

19 Having therefore, brethren, [2]boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,[e]

20 By a new and living way, which he hath [3]consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;[f]

21 And *having* an high priest over the house of God;[g]

22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.[h]

23 Let us hold fast the profession of *our* faith without wavering; (for he *is* faithful that promised;)[i]

24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is;* but exhorting *one another:* and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.[j]

26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,[k]

27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.[l]

28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:[m]

29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?[n]

30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people.[o]

31 *It is* a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.[p]

32 But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ye were illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions;[q]

33 Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used.[r]

34 For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing [4]in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.[s]

35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.[t]

36 For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.[u]

37 For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.[v]

38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if *any man* draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.[w]

39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.[x]

CHAPTER XI.

1 *What faith is.* 6 *Without faith we cannot please God* 7 *The worthy fruits thereof in the fathers of old time.*

NOW faith is the [5]substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.[y]

2 For by it the elders obtained a good report.[z]

3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.[a]

4 By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead [6]yet speaketh.[b]

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n ch. ii. 3; xii. 25; xiii. 20; Matt. xii. 31, 32; 1 Cor. xi. 29, Eph. iv. 30.

a ch. i. 3; Col. iii. 1.

b ch. i. 13, Ps. cx. 1, Acts ii. 35, 1 Cor. xv. 25.

c Deut. xxxii. 35, 36, Ps. l. 4, cxxxv. 14; Rom. xii. 19.

c ver. 1.

p Luke xii. 5

q ch. vi. 4, Gal. iii. 4; Philipp. i. 29, 30; Col. ii. 1, 2 John 8.

d ch. viii. 10, 12; Jer. xxxi. 33, 34

r 1 Cor. iv. 9; Philipp. i. 7, iv. 14, 1 Thess. ii. 14.

1 Some copies have, *Then he said, And their.*

4 Or, *that ye have in yourselves*, or, *for yourselves.*

s Matt. v. 12; vi. 20, xix. 21; Luke xii. 33, Acts v. 41; Philipp. i. 7; 1 Tim. vi. 19, 2 Tim. i. 16; James i. 2.

2 Or, *liberty.*

e ch. ix. 8, 12; Rom. v. 2; Eph. ii. 18, iii. 12

t Matt. v. 12, x. 32

3 Or, *new made*

f ch. ix. 3, 8, John x. 9; xiv. 6

u ch. ix. 15; xii. 1; Luke xxi. 19, Gal. vi. 9; Col. iii. 24; 1 Peter i. 9

g ch. iv. 14, 1 Tim. iii. 15

v Hab. ii. 3, 4, Luke xviii. 8, 2 Peter iii. 9.

w Rom. i. 17, Gal. iii. 11

h ch. iv. 16, ix. 14, Ezek. xxxvi. 25, 2 Cor. vii. 1, Eph. iii. 12, James i. 6, 1 John iii. 21

i ch. iv. 14, xi. 11, 1 Cor. i. 9, x. 13, 1 Thess. v. 24; 2 Thess. iii. 3

x Acts xvi. 30, 31; 1 Thess. v. 9, 2 Thess. ii. 14; 2 Peter ii. 20, 21

5 Or, *ground*, or, *confidence*

j Acts ii. 42, Rom. xiii. 11, Philipp. iv. 5, 2 Peter iii. 9, 11, 14, Jude 19

y Rom. viii. 24, 25, 2 Cor. iv. 18, v. 7

k ch. vi. 4, Numb. xv. 30, 2 Peter ii. 20, 21.

z ver. 39.

l ch. xii. 29, Ezek. xxxvi. 5; Zeph. i. 18, iii. 8, 2 Thess. i. 8.

a ch. i. 1; Gen. i. 1, Ps. xxxiii. 6; John i. 3; 2 Peter iii. 5

6 Or, *is yet spoken of*

m ch. ii. 2; Deut. xvii. 2, 6, xix. 15, Matt. xviii. 16, John viii. 17; 2 Cor. xiii. 1.

b ch. xii. 24, Gen. iv. 4, 10, Matt. xxiii. 35; 1 John iii. 12

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removed every intervening obstacle which lay in the way of our access to God; and now through him, or through the offering of himself once for all, we have permission granted for a free and uninterrupted access to God the Father, in and through the intercession of Christ the Son.

24. "Let us consider one another;"—keep in lively remembrance our relations to each other, and the duties arising out of those relations, and so provoke to, or emulate each other in love.

31. "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God;"—that is, in a state of apostacy or impenitence. Into no other hands does the believer desire to fall.

34. "Took joyfully the spoiling of your goods:"—when a Jew embraced Christianity, he was disinherited by his relations, his share in the property was denied him, his credit and every source of gain was lost, and he was reduced to a condition of comparative poverty.

CHAPTER XI.

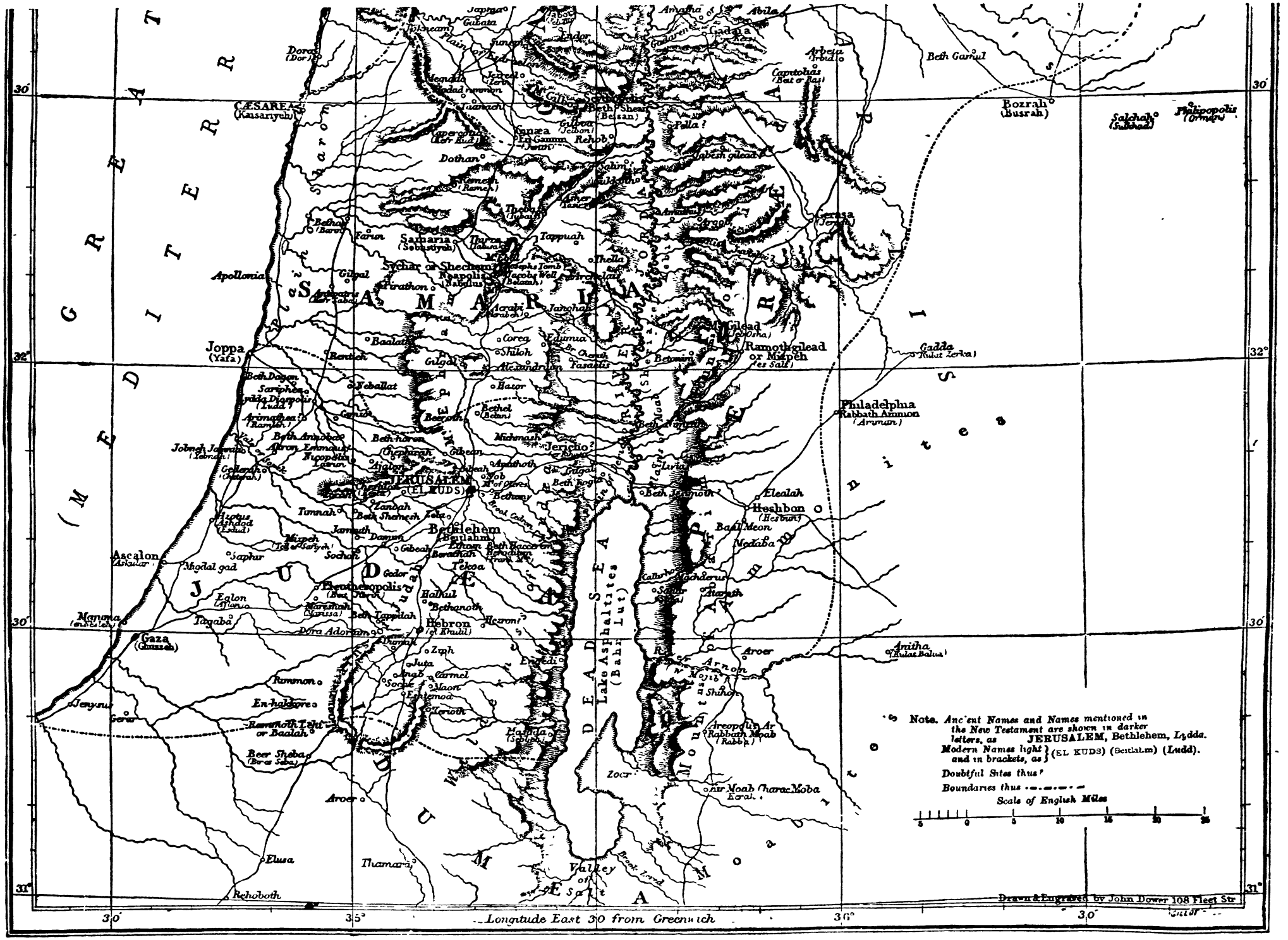
1. "Now faith is the substance:"—the Apostle had just exhorted the Hebrews to hold fast the profession of their faith, as from their faith in Christ must spring their patience and power of endurance; as their patience would still be put to the test, for the day of calamity was impending; and only those who were strong in faith could persevere unto the end and here he shows that faith in Christ is a firm and well-grounded confidence of things hoped for, the conviction or demonstration of things not seen.

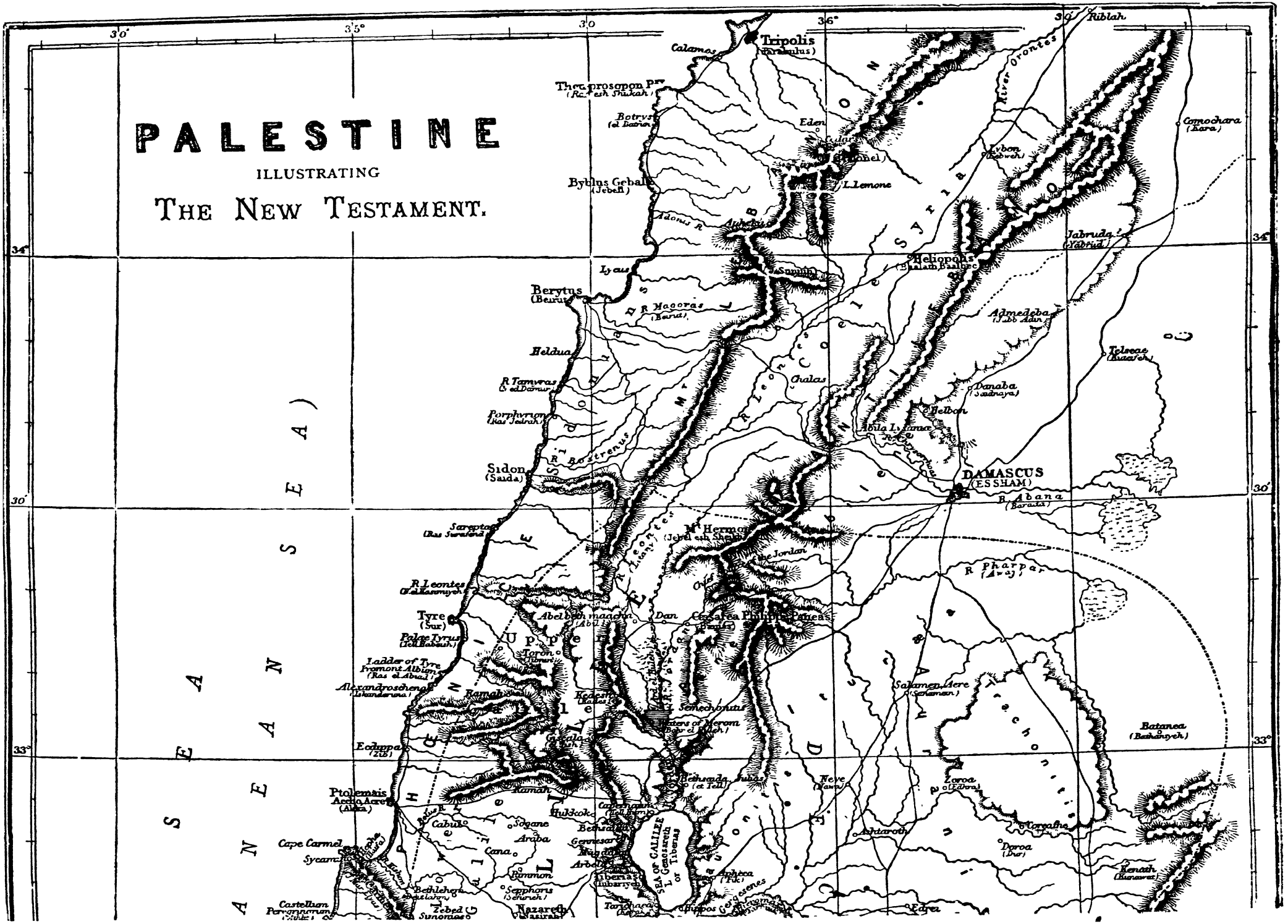
4. "A more excellent sacrifice;"—more appropriate as an offering for sin than the fruits of the earth, in which there being no shedding of blood—and without the shedding of blood there is no remission—it was impossible to shadow forth the future sacrifice which was divinely appointed to take place in the fulness of time, and also as being in obedience to the will of God as made known to Adam after his fall.

21 "Leaning upon the top of his staff;"—or, upon the head of his couch. It may be "that Jacob turned himself in his bed so as to lay his face to the pillow;" or if we retain the word "staff," then the act or gesture may have had a meaning correspondent to the thought in Gen. xxxii. 10—the recognition of the God who had supported him through life, and the declaration of his having done with all human supports

23. "A proper child;"—or rather, that the child was comely and beautiful. Its very loveliness endeared it to the parental heart, and the royal edict did not deter them from saving his life.

26 "The reproach of Christ"—just as Paul elsewhere calls the sufferings of Christians the sufferings of Christ, because borne for his sake, so here the


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Trachonitis
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5 By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.[a]

6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him:* for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, [1]moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.[b]

8 By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.[c]

9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as *in* a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise:[d]

10 For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.[e]

11 Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.[f]

12 Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, *so many* as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable.[g]

13 These all died [2]in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of *them*, and embraced *them*, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.[h]

14 For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country.[i]

15 And truly, if they had been mindful of that *country* from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

16 But now they desire a better *country*, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.[j]

17 By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten *son*,[k]

18 [3]Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called;[l]

19 Accounting that God *was* able to raise *him* up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.[m]

20 By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.[n]

21 By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, *leaning* upon the top of his staff.[o]

22 By faith Joseph, when he died, [4]made mention of the departing of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones.[p]

23 By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw *he was* a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.[q]

24 By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;[r]

25 Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;[s]

26 Esteeming the reproach [5]of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.[t]

27 By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.[u]

28 Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.[v]

29 By faith they passed through the Red sea as by dry *land:* which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned.[w]

30 By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.[x]

31 By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them [6]that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.[y]

32 And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and *of* Barak, and *of* Samson, and *of* Jephthae; *of* David also, and Samuel, and *of* the prophets:[z]

33 Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,[a]

34 Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.[b]

35 Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:[c]

36 And others had trial of *cruel* mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment:[d]

37 They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented:[e]

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o Gen xlvii 31; xlviii 5, 16, 20.

a Gen v 22, 24

4 Or, *remembered.*

p Gen l 24, 25; Exod xiii. 19.

1 Or, *being wary.*

q Exod i 16, 22; ii. 2, Acts vii. 20.

r Exod ii. 10, 11.

b Gen vi 13, 22, Rom iii 22, iv 13, Philipp iii 9, 1 Peter iii 20

s Ps. lxxxiv 10.

5 Or, *for Christ.*

c Gen xii 1, 4; Acts vii. 2—4.

t ch. x. 35; xiii. 13.

d ch vi 17, Gen xii 8, xiii 3, 18; xviii. 1, 9.

u ver 13, Exod. x. 28, 29; xii. 37, xiii. 17, 18.

e ch iii 4; xii 22; xiii 14, Rev. xxi 2, 10.

v Exod xii. 21, &c.

f ch x 23, Gen xvii 19; xviii 11, 14; xxi. 2; Luke i. 36, Rom. iv. 21

w Exod. xiv 22, 29.

x Josh vi 20.

g Gen xxii. 17; Rom iv 18, 19.

6 Or, *that were disobedient.*

2 Gr *according to faith.*

y Josh. ii 1, vi 23, James ii. 25.

h vs 27, 39; Gen. xxiii 4, xlvii 9, 1 Chron xxix 15, Ps xxxix 12, cxix 19, John viii 56; 1 Peter i. 17, ii. 11.

z Judg. iv 6; vi. 11; xi 1; xii. 7, xiii. 24; 1 Sam i 20, xii 20, xvi 1, 13, xvii 45.

i ch xiii. 14.

a Judg. xiv. 5, 6, 1 Sam xvii 34, 35, 2 Sam viii 11, &c.; Dan vi 22.

j ch xiii 14, Exod. iii. 6, 15, Matt. xxii. 32, Acts vii 32; Philipp. iii 20

b Judg xv. 8, 15, 1 Sam xiv 13, xvii. 51, 52, xx 1, 2 Sam viii 1, &c, 1 Kings xix 3, 2 Kings vi 16, xx 7, &c; Job xlii 10, Ps vi 8, Dan iii 25.

k Gen xxii. 1, 9; James ii 21

c Acts xxii 25; 1 Kings xvii 22; 2 Kings iv 35.

3 Or, *To.*

l Gen xxi. 12; Rom ix 7.

d Gen. xxxix 20; Jer. xx. 2; xxxvii. 15

m Rom iv 17, 19, 21.

n Gen xxvii 27, 39

e 1 Kings xxi 13; 2 Kings i 8, 2 Chron xxiv 21, Zech xiii 4, Matt iii 4, Acts vii 58, xiv. 19

reproach of Moses is called the reproach of Christ, in whom the faith of Moses reposed, whose servant he was, and for whom he patiently endured reproach

35 "A better resurrection:"—they accepted not that deliverance which they might have bought at the price of denying their faith, but parted with life, retaining their faith, in joyful hope of the martyr's crown, and of the glories that await those who have a part in the first resurrection.

40 "That they without us should not be made perfect:"—it enters not into the plans of God to perfect anything by itself. Hence, just as those who have gone before are waiting for us, so we, if we are found among the children of God and the disciples of his Son, shall have to wait for those who come after us, till the whole company of the faithful can be presented entire before God.

CHAPTER XII.

1. "Wherefore:"—from the great and illustrious examples supplied in the preceding chapter of that faith which is the confidence of things hoped for, and the conviction of things not seen, the Apostle draws his materials for holy and earnest exhortation.

"Lay aside every weight."—the Apostle borrows his illustration from the practice in the Olympic games of the wrestlers, who so trained and disciplined themselves as to get free of all superfluous flesh, to qualify them for more successfully running the race; so we are to lay aside everything which would impede us in our Christian course.

2. "The author and finisher of our faith;"—or, as the passage may be rendered, "the Leader and the Perfecter of the faith." A long series of

38 (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and *in* mountains, and *in* dens and caves of the earth.[a]

39 And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise:[b]

40 God having [1]provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.[c]

CHAPTER XII.

1 *An exhortation to constant faith, patience, and godliness.* 22 *A commendation of the new testament above the old.*

WHEREFORE seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,[d]

2 Looking unto Jesus the [2]author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.[e]

3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.[f]

4 Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.[g]

5 And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:[h]

6 For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.[i]

7 If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?[j]

8 But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.[k]

9 Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected *us*, and we gave *them* reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live?[l]

10 For they verily for a few days chastened *us* [3]after their own pleasure; but he for *our* profit, that *we* might be partakers of his holiness.[m]

11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.[n]

12 Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;[o]

13 And make [4]straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.[p]

14 Follow peace with all *men*, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:[q]

15 Looking diligently lest any man [5]fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble *you*, and thereby many be defiled;[r]

16 Lest there *be* any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.[s]

17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no [6]place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.[t]

18 For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest,[u]

19 And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which *voice* they that heard intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:[v]

20 (For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:[w]

21 And so terrible was the sight, *that* Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)[x]

22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,[y]

23 To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are [7]written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,[z]

24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new [8]covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than *that of* Abel.[a]

25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more *shall not* we *escape*, if we turn away from him that *speaketh* from heaven:[b]

26 Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.[c]

ANNO DOMINI 64.

a 1 Kings xviii 4; xix. 9 *n* James iii. 18.
b vs 2, 13 *o* Job iv 3, 4; Isa. xxxv. 3.
1 Or, *foreseen.* 4 Or, *even.*
c ch. v. 9; vii. 22, viii. 6; xii. 23; Rev vi. 11. *p* Prov. iv 26, 27; Gal vi 1 *q* Ps xxxiv. 14; Matt v. 8; Rom xii. 18, xiv. 19, 2 Cor. vii. 1; Eph v 5; 2 Tim ii. 22
5 Or, *fall from* *r* ch iii 12, Deut. xxix 18, 2 Cor. vi. 1, Gal v. 4 *s* Gen xxv 33, Eph v 3, Col iii. 5, 1 Thess. iv 3
6 Or, *way to change his mind*
d ch x 36, Rom xii 12, 1 Cor ix 24; Philipp. iii 13, 14, Col. iii. 8, 1 Peter ii 1. *t* ch. vi 6; Gen xxvii. 34, 36, 38
2 Or, *beginner.* *u* Exod xix. 12, 18, 19; xx 18, Deut. iv 11, v 22, Rom vi. 14, viii. 15, 2 Tim i 7
e ch i 3, 13, viii 1; Ps cx 1, Luke xxiv 26, Philipp ii 8, &c, 1 Peter i. 11, iii 22 *v* Exod xx 19, Deut. v. 5, 25, xviii 16
f Matt x 24, 25, John xv 20, Gal vi 9
g ch x. 32—34, 1 Cor. x 13 *w* Exod xix 13 *x* Exod xix 16
h Job v. 17, Prov iii 11. *y* Deut xxxii 2, Ps lxviii 17, Gal iv 26, Philipp iii 20, Jude 14, Rev iii. 12, xxi 2, 10
i Ps xciv. 12, cxix 75, Prov iii 12, James i 12, Rev iii. 19
7 Or, *enrolled*
j Deut. viii 5, 2 Sam. vii 14, Prov. xiii. 24, xix. 18, xxiii. 13 *z* ch. xi 40, Gen xviii. 25, Exod. iv. 22, Ps xciv 2, Lukex. 20, Philipp iii 12, iv 3, James i 18, Rev xiii 8, xiv 4
8 Or, *testament*
k Ps lxxiii. 15, 1 Peter v 9 *a* ch viii 6, ix 15, x 22, xi 4, Gen iv 10, Exod xxiv 8, 1 Peter i 2
l Numb xvi 22, xxvii 16, Job xii 10, Eccles xii 7, Isa xlii 5, lvii 16, Zech xii 1 *b* ch ii 2, 3, iii 17, x 28, 29
3 Or, *as seemed good, or, meet to them*
m Lev xi 44, xix 2, 1 Peter i 15, 16 *c* Exod xix 18, Hagg ii 6.

witnesses had been adduced in the eleventh chapter. The author and his readers look back into the past, and see at the extremity Abel with his faith fixed on the simple promise, "The seed of the woman"—that is, the forthcoming Messiah—"shall bruise the serpent's head;" but faith as yet was undeveloped. This faith becomes clearer and more definite in Abraham, Moses, and the subsequent individuals in the series, but the foremost in the line is Jesus the LEADER, who stands at the head as perfect in his own faith, and as the perfecter by his grace of the faith which marks all the children of God. This glorious Leader laid aside for a season the glory which he had with the Father before the world was, and gave himself up unreservedly to the Father's will, he lived and acted in the spirit of obedience, and submitted to death itself, in the calm assurance that the Father would raise him again, and through his death destroy the power of death; he displayed the *faith* which is perfect; and now leads, onwards and upwards, in royal majesty, the goodly company of the faithful here on earth to their celestial habitations.

5—10. "Ye have forgotten the exhortation."—in these verses the Apostle shows that persecution, and reproach, and suffering, are not unmixed evils, but salutary in their operation and effects on the true believer. Affliction and persecution have a twofold character. on the one hand, they may be regarded as *trials of faith*—as trials showing how much of *the new nature* there is in the Christian, and how strong that renewed nature is, on the other hand, however, they are also chastisements and means of purification, which serve to subdue *the old nature*.

17. "Found no place of repentance,"—that is, he found no possible means of inducing a change in his father's mind. His father had conferred the blessing on another son, and he could not, he would not revoke it

18—24 "Ye are not come unto the mount"—the Apostle derives another motive to fidelity and perseverance in the Christian life from the superiority of the new and everlasting economy over the old and now abrogated dispensation He presents the distinction between the law and the Gospel Both are divine; but the law is terrible—its office is to convict of sin the guilty and slumbering conscience. The new covenant, with its redemption, is lively and attractive. The Apostle shows, however, not merely how attractive and glorious the new covenant is, but also how much more terrible it is to despise the grace of this new covenant, and how much more terrible Christ will be when he shall come again as Judge to those who have preferred the terms of the law to the offers of grace, and have, by this wilful rejection of God's mercy through Christ, brought down a just judgment upon themselves.

27 And this *word*, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that [1]are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.[a]

28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, [2]let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

29 For our God *is* a consuming fire.[b]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *Divers admonitions, as to charity,* 4 *to honest life,* 5 *to avoid covetousness,* 7 *to regard God's preachers,* 9 *to take heed of strange doctrines,* 10 *to confess Christ,* 16 *to give alms,* 17 *to obey governors,* 18 *to pray for the apostle.* 20 *the conclusion.*

LET brotherly love continue.[c]

2 Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.[d]

3 Remember them that are in bonds, as bound with them; *and* them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body.[e]

4 Marriage *is* honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.[f]

5 *Let your* conversation *be* without covetousness; *and be* content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.[g]

6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord *is* my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.[h]

7 Remember them which [3]have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of *their* conversation.[i]

8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.[j]

9 Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For *it is* a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.[k]

10 We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 64.

1 Or, *may be shaken.*
m Exod. xxix. 14; Lev iv. 11; xvi. 27.
a Ps. cii 26, Matt. xxiv. 35, Rev. xxi. 1.
n John xix. 17, 18; Acts vii. 58.
2 Or, *let us hold fast.*
o ch xi. 26, 1 Peter iv 14.
b ch. x 27; Exod xxiv 17, 2 Thess i 8
p ch xi. 10, 16; xii. 22, Micah ii. 10, Philipp iii 20
4 Gr *confessing to*
q Lev vii 12, Ps l 14, 23, lxix 30, 31; 1 Peter ii 5
c Rom. xii 10; 1 Thess iv 9, 1 Peter i. 22, ii. 17, iii 8, iv 8.
r ch vi. 10; Rom. xii 13, 2 Cor. ix. 12; Philipp. iv 18.
5 Or, *guide.*
d Gen xviii 3, xix. 2; Matt xxv. 35; Rom xii 13, 1 Tim iii 2.
s ver. 7; ch. vi 10; Ezek. iii 17, xxxiii. 2, 7, Acts xx. 26, 28; 2 Cor ix 12
e Matt xxv 36, Rom xii. 15, 1 Cor xii 26, Col. iv 18; 1 Peter iii 8.
t Acts xxiii 1, xxiv 16, Rom xv. 30, 1 Thess. v 25, 2 Thess iii. 1.
u Phil 22
f 1 Cor vi 9, Gal v. 19, 21, Eph v 5, Col. iii 5, 6, Rev xxii 15.
6 Or, *testament.*
v John x 11, Acts ii. 24, 32, Rom. iv 24, viii 11, xv 33, Gal i 1, Col. ii. 12, 1 Thess. i 10; v 23, 1 Peter i. 21; ii. 25, v 4.
g Gen. xxviii. 15, Deut xxxi 6, 8, Josh i 5, 1 Chron xxviii 20, Ps. xxxvii. 25, Matt vi. 25, 34, Philipp iv 11, 12
h Ps. xxvii 1, lvi 4, 11, 12, cxviii 6.
3 Or, *are the guides*
w Philipp ii 13, Gal i 5, 2 Thess ii 17
i ver 17, ch vi 12
x 1 Peter v 12
j ch i 12, John viii 58, Rev i 4
y 1 Thess iii 2; 1 Tim vi 12
z vs 7, 17
k Rom xiv 17, Eph iv. 14, v 6, Col ii 4, 8, 16, 1 Tim iv 3, 1 John iv 1
a Titus iii 15
l 1 Cor ix 13, x 18

11 For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp.[m]

12 Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate.[n]

13 Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.[o]

14 For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come.[p]

15 By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of *our* lips [4]giving thanks to his name.[q]

16 But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.[r]

17 Obey them that [5]have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that *is* unprofitable for you.[s]

18 Pray for us: for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly.[t]

19 But I beseech *you* the rather to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.[u]

20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting [6]covenant,[v]

21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.[w]

22 And I beseech you, brethren, suffer the word of exhortation: for I have written a letter unto you in few words.[x]

23 Know ye that *our* brother Timothy is set at liberty; with whom, if he come shortly, I will see you.[y]

24 Salute all them that have the rule over you, and all the saints. They of Italy salute you.[z]

25 Grace *be* with you all. Amen.[a]

¶ Written to the Hebrews from Italy by Timothy.

"Speaketh better things than that of Abel."—the interpretation commonly put upon these words is "Abel's blood cries for vengeance; Christ's blood cries for grace" But the Apostle is here contrasting the old and new dispensations, and the blood of Abel shed by his brother Cain is not to be taken as an element in the Jewish economy. The key to these words is to be found in chap xi 4, where the Apostle says, "By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain . . . . and he being dead yet speaketh" His faith was embodied in his sacrifice, and that sacrifice was the type of all the sacrifices which followed under the law, but while these were a shadow of good things, Christ's blood speaketh better things

27 "That those things which cannot be shaken may remain"—in this final agitation and change of all things, the only thing which does not suffer in the universal change is THE KINGDOM OF GOD, based on the mediation and exaltation of his own Son.

29. "A consuming fire"—this is a quotation from the Pentateuch, and plainly intimates to us that God's anger continues to burn now, as of old, against those who reject his grace, and refuse to yield obedience to the Son of God But, as Alford says, "in the background lie all those gracious dealings by which the fire of God's presence and purity becomes to his people (while it consumes their vanity, and sin, and earthly state) the fire of purity, and light, and love for their enduring citizenship in heaven."

CHAPTER XIII.

1. "Let brotherly love continue"—this love is not to be taken in the sense of the Christian's love to his fellow-man in the common relations of life, but "that love of the Christian to the Christian as a member with him of the body of Christ. . . . Such exercise of brotherly love the Hebrews required in order most firmly to settle them in Christianity."

2. "Entertained angels."—this is founded on Gen. xviii, xix and certainly one of the many manifestations of brotherly love is hospitality; for if the Christian is to exercise love towards brethren who are strangers, how much more towards suffering brethren, known and acknowledged as such?

5. "Your conversation,"—that is, the manner of life "be without covetousness;" for he whose heart cleaves to earthly possessions will be faint-hearted in the day of persecution. Avarice paralyses the strength of faith. Covetousness was the besetting sin of the Jews, as it is of our own age.

10 "We have an altar"—the altar is here put for that which is on the altar—the sacrifice; and of this sacrifice no one can partake who still cleaves to the outward and ceremonial.

13 "Let us go forth;"—be willing to be deemed unclean and unworthy, and to suffer as our Lord. Let us follow him whithersoever he went.

23. "Know ye that our brother Timothy is set at liberty:"—we may gather from these words that Timothy had been called to suffer bonds for Christ, but had been providentially delivered. It is believed that St. Paul was liberated for a time, and he may have been free when this Epistle was written. In the end he was subjected to close confinement, and it is said that he was taken from his prison and beheaded on the Ostian way, towards the close of Nero's reign. Although we have no certain proof that it was so, we place on a preceding page a sketch of the dungeon at Rome in which a tradition says St Paul and also St. Peter were imprisoned At the present time this dungeon forms part of what is called the Church of "St. Peter in Prison," over which is erected the Church of St. Joseph Here it is believed once existed the dreadful Tullian or Mamertine Prison spoken of by ancient authors. There are now two cells, one above the other; the entrance to the first is by steps, but it was anciently only accessible through a hole in the vault, by which the unhappy victims were lowered. The upper compartment is about 27 feet long, 20 wide, and 16 high. The lower cell is reached by steps, but was once only entered by a hole in the vault. It is 21 feet long, 9 wide, and 7 in height. The origin of this gloomy prison is referred to the times of Ancus Martius, one of the early kings of Rome. Here it is believed Jugurtha was permitted to die of hunger, and here the accomplices of Catiline were strangled. Without attaching importance to the mere tradition that St. Paul and St. Peter were confined in this prison for nine months, it is certain that the dungeon is of great antiquity.



THE GENERAL EPISTLE OF JAMES

CHAPTER I.

1 *We are to rejoice under the cross,* 5 *to ask patience of God,* 13 *and in our trials not to impute our weakness, or sins, unto him,* 19 *but rather to hearken to the word, to meditate in it, and to do thereafter.* 26 *Otherwise men may seem, but never be truly religious.*

ANNO DOMINI CIR. 60.

JAMES, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.[a]

2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations;[b]

3 Knowing *this,* that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

4 But let patience have *her* perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.[c]

5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that

a Deut. xxxii. 26, John vii. 35, Acts ii. 5, viii. 1; xii. 17, xv. 13, xxvi. 7; Gal. i. 19; ii. 9, Titus i. 1; 1 Peter i. 1; Jude 1.

b Matt. v. 12; Acts v. 41, Heb. x. 34; 1 Peter i. 6; iv. 13, 16.

c Rom. v. 3.

CHAPTER I.

Whether the author of this Epistle was James the son of Zebedee, and brother of St. John, or the James mentioned in the Acts as the president of the Council held at Jerusalem, and designated by St. Paul the brother of our Lord, is a question which has divided the critics and commentators, both ancient and modern. It is generally supposed, however, that it could not be the former; and if the latter, then the question has been raised—Was this James identical with James the son of Alphæus, who was one of the Twelve? Here again opinion is divided, and we fear that the question must still be left in this state of uncertainty.

The Epistle was written for the instruction of Hebrew converts to the Christian faith, scattered abroad in various lands and countries, as the result of bitter persecution. Their moral and spiritual state was not such as to yield any satisfaction to the writer of the Epistle. A great deal existed among these Hebrew converts wholly inconsistent with the higher and the clearer teachings of Christianity, and which had its root in their carnal Judaism. They were mixed communities, needing the Apostle's fidelity to effect a thorough purification. If the author was at the head of the Council at Jerusalem, then it is but natural to suppose that the Letter was written from the Holy City; but whether before or after the Council mentioned in Acts xv., is matter of doubt. The design of the Epistle is to inculcate morality upon Christian principles. It exhibits the practical side of Christianity, and "is full of earnestness, plain speaking, and holy severity;" while its style is "not only fresh and vivid, the immediate outflowing of a deep and earnest spirit, but at the same time it is sententious and rich in figurative language."

1. "To the twelve tribes which are scattered:"—this dispersion was the effect of fiery persecution; and James, who claims not the rank or dignity of

giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.[a]

6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.[b]

7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

8 A double minded man *is* unstable in all his ways.[c]

9 Let the brother of low degree [1]rejoice in that he is exalted:

10 But the rich, in that he is made low: because as the flower of the grass he shall pass away.[d]

11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

12 Blessed *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.[e]

13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with [2]evil, neither tempteth he any man:

14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.

15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.[f]

16 Do not err, my beloved brethren.

17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.[g]

18 Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.[h]

19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:[i]

20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.

21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.[j]

22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.[k]

23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:[l]

24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth *therein*, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his [3]deed.[m]

26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion *is* vain.[n]

27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, *and* to keep himself unspotted from the world.[o]

CHAPTER II.

1 *It is not agreeable to Christian profession to regard the rich, and to despise the poor brethren* 13 *rather we are to be loving, and merciful:* 14 *and not to boast of faith where no deeds are,* 17 *which is but a dead faith,* 19 *the faith of devils,* 21 *not of Abraham,* 25 *and Rahab.*

MY brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, *the Lord* of glory, with respect of persons.[p]

2 For if there come unto your [4]assembly a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel, and there come in also a poor man in vile raiment;

3 And ye have respect to him that weareth the gay clothing, and say unto him, Sit thou here [5]in a good place; and say to the poor, Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool:

4 Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?

5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of [6]the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?[q]

6 But ye have despised the poor. Do not rich men oppress you, and draw you before the judgment seats?[r]

7 Do not they blaspheme that worthy name by the which ye are called?

8 If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well:[s]

9 But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.[t]

10 For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one *point*, he is guilty of all.[u]

11 For [7]he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill. Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou kill, thou art become a transgressor of the law.[v]

12 So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.[w]

13 For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy [8]rejoiceth against judgment.[x]

14 What *doth it* profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?[y]

15 If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food,[z]

ANNO DOMINI CIR. 60.

a 1 Kings iii. 9, 11, 12; Prov. ii. 3; Jer. xxix. 12; Matt. vii 7; xxi. 22; Mark xi 24; Luke xi 9; John xiv. 13; xv. 7; xvi. 23; 1 John v. 14, 15.

n Ps. xxxiv. 13; xxxix. 1; 1 Peter iii. 10.

b Mark xi. 24; 1 Tim. ii. 8.

o ch. iv 4; Isa. i. 16, 17, lviii 6, 7, Matt. xxv 36, Rom. xii. 2; 1 John v. 18.

c ch. iv. 8.

1 Or, *glory.*

d ch. iv. 14, Job xiv. 2; Ps. xxxvii. 2; xc. 5, 6, cii. 11, ciii. 15; Isa. xl. 6; 1 Cor. vii 31; 1 Peter i. 24, 1 John ii. 17.

p ver. 9, Lev xix. 15, Deut. i 17; xvi. 19, Prov xxiv. 23; xxviii. 21, Matt xxii 16, 1 Cor. ii. 8; Jude 16.

4 Gr *synagogue*

e ch. ii. 5, Job v 17; Prov. iii. 11, 12, Matt. x 22; xix. 28, 29; 1 Cor ix 25; 2 Tim iv 8; Heb. xii 5, 1 Peter v. 4; Rev. ii. 10, iii. 19.

2 Or, *evils.*

5 Or, *well*, or, *seemly.*

f Job xv 35, Ps. vii. 14; Rom. vi 21, 23.

6 Or, *that*

q ch i. 12, Exod. xx 6, 1 Sam ii 30; Prov viii 17, Matt v 3, Luke vi 20, xii 21, 32, John viii 48, 1 Cor i 26, 28, 1 Cor ii 9, 1 Tim vi 18, 2 Tim iv 8, Rev ii 9

g Numb xxiii 19, 1 Sam xv 29, Mal iii 6, John iii 27, Rom xi 29, 1 Cor iv. 7

r ch. v 6, Acts xiii 50; xvii 6, xviii 12; 1 Cor xi 22

h Jer ii 3, John i 13, iii. 3, 1 Cor iv 15, Eph i. 12, 1 Peter i 23, Rev xiv 4

s Lev xix 18, Matt xxii 39, Rom xiii 8, 9, Gal. v. 14, vi. 2

i Prov x 19, xiv 17, xvi 32, xvii 27; Eccles v 1, 2, vii 9

t ver 1

u Deut xxvii 26, Matt v 19, Gal iii 10

j Acts xiii 26 Rom i. 16, 1 Cor xv. 2, Eph i 13, Col iii 8, Titus ii 11, Heb ii 3, 1 Peter i 9, ii 1

7 Or, *that* law *which said*

k Matt vii 21, Luke vi 46, xi 28, Rom ii 13, 1 John iii 7

v Exod xx 13, 14

w ch i 25

l ch. ii 14, &c.; Luke vi 47 &c

8 Or, *glorieth.*

x Job xxii 6, &c, Prov xxi 13, Matt vi 15, xviii 35, xxv 41, 42, 1 John iv 17, 18

y ch i 23, Matt. vii 26.

3 Or, *doing*

m ch ii 12, John xiii. 17, 2 Cor iii 18

z Job xxxi 19, 20; Luke iii 11

an apostle, but who was the kinsman of our Lord, and his servant in the Gospel, writes to animate and encourage—to counsel and instruct them.

3 "Worketh patience,"—or the power to endure, and patience is perfect when it can rejoice in tribulation as a means to some higher end.

9–11 "Let the brother of low degree"—next to stability of character is humility of spirit. The poor brother is exalted by his position in the Church and family of God, but his exaltation is based on poverty of spirit; and the rich man is made low by being taught that he owes his position, not to his wealth, which is perishable as the grass, but to the grace of God, for which he is an everlasting debtor, and thus his indebtedness is calculated to beget in him the deepest and the truest humility. As a sinner, he stands before God on the same ground as the poorest man, and as a sinner saved, he is a debtor to the same mercy.

25. "Perfect law of liberty,"—that is, the Gospel which binds us to obedience, and renders the law a rule of life, but frees us from the sins wherewith we were tied and bound, and enables us to declare that the Gospel is the law fulfilled—that the Gospel is the secret of liberty, and that Christ's service is perfect freedom.

CHAPTER II.

9. "Convinced of the law;"—or rather, convicted by the law, which commands that thou shalt love thy neighbour, poor as well as rich.

16 And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be *ye* warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what *doth it* profit?[a]

17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being [1]alone.

18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith [2]without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.[b]

19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.[c]

20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?[d]

22 [3]Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?[e]

23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.[f]

24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

25 Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent *them* out another way?[g]

26 For as the body without the [4]spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

CHAPTER III.

1 *We are not rashly or arrogantly to reprove others* 5 *but rather to bridle the tongue, a little member, but a powerful instrument of much good, and great harm.* 13 *They who be truly wise be mild, and peaceable, without envying, and strife.*

MY brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater [5]condemnation.[h]

2 For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same *is* a perfect man, *and* able also to bridle the whole body.[i]

3 Behold, we put bits in the horses' mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body.[j]

4 Behold also the ships, which though *they be* so great and *are* driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth.

5 Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great [6]a matter a little fire kindleth![k]

6 And the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the [7]course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.[l]

7 For every [8]kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of [9]mankind:

8 But the tongue can no man tame; *it is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.[m]

9 Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God.[n]

10 Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.

11 Doth a fountain send forth at the same [10]place sweet *water* and bitter?

12 Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so *can* no fountain both yield salt water and fresh.

13 Who *is* a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.[o]

14 But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.[p]

15 This wisdom descendeth not from above, but *is* earthly, [11]sensual, devilish.[q]

16 For where envying and strife *is*, there *is* [12]confusion and every evil work.[r]

17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, *and* easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, [13]without partiality, and without hypocrisy.[s]

18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.[t]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *We are to strive against covetousness,* 4 *intemperance,* 5 *pride,* 11 *detraction, and rash judgment of others* 13 *and not to be confident in the good success of worldly business, but mindful ever of the uncertainty of this life, to commit ourselves and all our affairs to God's providence.*

FROM whence *come* wars and [14]fightings among you? *come they* not hence, *even* of your [15]lusts that war in your members?[u]

2 Ye lust, and have not: ye [16]kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.

3 Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume *it* upon your [17]lusts.[v]

4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity

ANNO DOMINI CIR. 60.

7 Gr. *wheel.*

l Prov. xvi. 27; Matt. xv. 11, 18—20, Mark vii. 15, 20, 23.

a 1 John iii. 18.

8 Gr. *nature.*

1 Gr. *by itself.*

9 Gr. *nature of man.*

2 Some copies read, *by thy works.*

m Ps. cxl. 3.

b ch. ii. 18.

c Matt viii 29; Mark i. 24; v 7, Luke iv 34; Acts xvi 17, xix. 15

n Gen. i. 26; v. 1; ix. 6.

10 Or, *hole.*

d Gen. xxii. 9, 12.

3 Or, *Thou seest.*

e Heb. xi 17.

o ch. i. 21; ii. 18; Gal. vi 4.

f Gen xv. 6; 2 Chron. xx 7, Isa. xli. 8, Rom. iv. 3, Gal iii. 6.

p Rom. ii 17, 23, xiii. 13.

11 Or, *natural,* Jude 19

q ch i 17, Philipp iii 19

g Josh ii. 1; Heb. xi 31.

12 Gr *tumult,* or, *unquietness.*

4 Or, *breath.*

r 1 Cor. iii. 3; Gal v 20.

13 Or, *without wrangling.*

s Rom xii 9, 1 Cor ii 6, 7; 1 Peter i. 22, ii 1; 1 John iii 18

t Prov. xi 18, Hos. x 12, Matt v 9, Philipp. i. 11, Heb xii 11.

5 Or, *judgment.*

h Matt xxiii 8, 14, Luke vi 37, Rom ii 20, 21, 1 Peter v. 3.

i ch i. 26, 1 Kings viii 46, 2 Chron. vi. 36, Ps xxxiv 13; Prov xx. 9, Eccles vii 20, Matt xii 37, 1 Peter iii. 10, 1 John i. 8

14 Or, *brawlings.*

15 Or, *pleasures,* ver 3

u Rom vii 23, Gal v 17, 1 Peter ii 11.

j Ps. xxxii 9.

16 Or, *envy.*

6 Or, *wood.*

17 Or, *pleasures.*

v Job xxvii 9; xxxv 12, Ps. xviii. 41, lxvi 18, Prov i 28, Isa i 15, Jer xi 11, Micah iii 4, Zech vii. 13, 1 John iii 22, v 14

k Ps xii 3, lxxiii. 8, 9 Prov xii 18, xv 2

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13. "Mercy rejoiceth against judgment;"—that is to say, in the case of those who have shown mercy, the judgment which would condemn every man alike will give place to the triumph of mercy.

14—16. "What doth it profit?"—a much disputed passage. The question sometimes asked is, Does not James's teaching stand in opposition to Paul's doctrine of justification by faith? We reply that there is no discrepancy between the two writers. Paul is writing to those who supposed that they could be pardoned and accepted by God on the ground of their works alone; this error he successfully combats, and establishes his own higher position, that justification is by faith. James, on the other hand, is writing to those who, having "a name to live," were yet dead;—nominal Christians, who dreamed that nothing more than a barren profession was necessary to insure their acceptance, and against this error his argument is directed. "What doth it profit, though a man *say* he hath faith, and have not works?" Can *such* faith save him? Both Paul and James maintain that justification is by faith, but true faith worketh by love. If a man love God, he will love his brother also, and if he love his brother, he will seek, as far as he may have means and opportunity, to promote his welfare.

CHAPTER III.

1. "Be not many masters;"—or rather, teachers; for the office of teacher involves greater responsibility, and, if not faithfully fulfilled, greater condemnation.

2. "We offend all:"—the more correct rendering would be, "We all

with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.[a]

5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth [1]to envy?[b]

6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.[c]

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.[d]

8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *ye* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *ye* double minded.[e]

9 Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and *your* joy to heaviness.[f]

10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.[g]

11 Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of *his* brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge.[h]

12 There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?[i]

13 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:[j]

14 Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. For what *is* your life? [2]It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.[k]

15 For that ye *ought* to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that.[l]

16 But now ye rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil.[m]

17 Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth *it* not, to him it is sin.[n]

CHAPTER V.

1 *Wicked rich men are to fear God's vengeance.* 7 *We ought to be patient in afflictions, after the example of the prophets, and Job.* 12 *to forbear swearing,* 13 *to pray in adversity, to sing in prosperity* 16 *to acknowledge mutually our several faults, to pray one for another,* 19 *and to reduce a straying brother to the truth*

GO to now, *ye* rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon *you*.[o]

2 Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are motheaten.[p]

3 Your gold and silver is cankered; and the rust of them shall be a witness against you, and shall eat your flesh as it were fire. Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days.[q]

4 Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth.[r]

5 Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth, and been wanton; ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter.[s]

6 Ye have condemned *and* killed the just; *and* he doth not resist you.[t]

7 [3]Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.[u]

8 Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.[v]

9 [4]Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door.[w]

10 Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.[x]

11 Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.[y]

12 But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and *your* nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation.[z]

13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.[a]

14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:[b]

15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.[c]

16 Confess *your* faults one to another, and pray [5]one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.[d]

17 Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed [5]earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months.[e]

18 And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.[f]

19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him;[g]

20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.[h]

ANNO DOMINI CIR 60.

a Ps lxxiii. 27; John xv 19, xvii 14; Gal. i. 10; 1 John ii 15.
1 Or, *enviously?*
b Gen. vi. 5, viii. 21; Numb. xi 29; Prov. xxi 10.
r Lev xix. 13; Deut. xxiv. 15; Job xxiv 10, 11; Jer. xxii. 13; Mal. iii. 5.
c Job xxii 29; Ps cxxxviii 6; Prov. iii. 34; xxix 23, Matt. xxiii. 12; Luke i 52; xiv. 11; xviii 14; 1 Peter v. 5.
s Job xxi. 13; Amos vi. 1, 4; Luke xvi 19, 25; 1 Tim v 6
d Eph. iv 27; vi. 11, 1 Peter v. 9.
t ch. ii. 6.
3 Or, *Be long patient,* or, *Suffer with long patience.*
e ch i. 8; 2 Chron. xv. 2, Isa. i 16; 1 Peter i 22; 1 John iii. 3
u Deut xi 14, Jer v 24, Hos vi. 3, Joel ii 23; Zech. x. 1
f Matt. v 4.
v Philipp iv. 5, Heb x 25, 37, 1 Peter iv 7.
4 Or, *Groan,* or, *Grieve not.*
g Job xxii 29; Matt xxiii 12, Luke xiv 11; xviii 14, 1 Peter v 6
w ch iv 11, Matt xxiv 33, 1 Cor iv 5
x Matt v 12, Heb xi. 35, &c
h Matt vii 1, Luke vi 37, Rom ii 1, 1 Cor iv 5, Eph iv 31, 1 Peter ii 1
i Matt x 28, Rom xiv. 4, 13
y Numb xiv 18, Job i 21, 22, ii 10, xlii. 10, &c, Ps xciv. 12, ciii 8, Matt v. 10, 11, x. 22
j Prov xxvii 1, Luke xii 18, &c
2 Or, *For it is.*
z Matt v 34, &c
k ch. i 10, Job vii 7, Ps ciii 3, 1 Peter i 24; 1 John ii 17
a Eph v 19, Col. iii 16
l Acts xviii. 21; 1 Cor iv 19, xvi. 7; Heb. vi 3
m 1 Cor v. 6.
b Mark vi 13, xvi 18
n Luke xii 47; John ix 41, xv. 22, Rom i 20, 21, 32, ii. 17, 18, 23
c Isa. xxxiii 24, Matt. ix. 2.
d Gen. xx 17, Numb. xi. 2, Deut ix. 18—20, Josh. x 12, 1 Sam. xii 18, 1 Kings xiii 6, 2 Kings iv. 33, xix. 15, 20, xx 2, 4, &c, Ps x 17; xxxiv 15, cxlv 18, Prov. xv 29, xxviii 9, John ix. 31, 1 John iii. 22
5 Or, *in his prayer*
e 1 Kings xvii 1, Luke iv. 25; Acts xiv 15
o Prov xi. 28; Luke vi 24, 1 Tim vi. 9.
f 1 Kings xviii 42, 45
p ch ii 2; Job xiii 28; Matt vi 20
g Matt xvii. 15.
q Rom ii 5.
h Prov. x 12; Rom. xi 14, 1 Cor ix. 22; 1 Tim iv. 16; 1 Peter iv. 8.

offend;" that is, with the tongue or in our speech. Whoever has power over his tongue, has power over the whole man.

CHAPTER IV.

1. "From whence come wars?"—James here descends into the very depth of the heart, and reveals its secret workings. He represents unholy desires like an army encamped within, and which exert their power in and through the members of the body.

5—7. "The spirit that dwelleth in us" is not to be taken as the Spirit of God, but the evil principle in our fallen nature which is lusting to envy—a principle whose root is pride; but whoever will renounce the love of the world for the love of God, to him more grace will be given. Submit, therefore, to the will of God, and in the strength of God seek to avoid the very beginnings of evil.

CHAPTER V.

5. "As in a day of slaughter;"—as on some festive day when victims are slain, and the voice of song is heard.

11. "The end of the Lord;"—that is, the design which the Lord had in view in the sufferings of his servants—the richer display of his mercy and grace.

14. "Anointing him with oil"—anointing the sick with oil was probably designed to be a token of the miracle of healing which gifted men were enabled to perform in the first age of Christianity. There is no evidence that it had in it a sacramental character, and it was wholly removed from the extreme unction of the Church of Rome, which is never administered but when all hope of life is given up, whereas this anointing was connected with restoration to health. The doctrine of extreme unction can find no sanction from this portion of Scripture.



GATES AT NICÆA (now ISNIK) in BITHYNIA



THE

First Epistle General OF PETER

CHAPTER I.

1 *He blesseth God for his manifold spiritual graces* 10 *shewing that the salvation in Christ is no news, but a thing prophesied of old* 13 *and exhorteth them accordingly to a godly conversation, forasmuch as they are now born anew by the word of God.*

ANNO DOMINI CIR. 60.

PETER, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,[a]

2 Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.[b]

3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his [1]abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,[c]

a John vii. 35; Acts ii. 5, 9, 10, James i. 1.

b ch. ii. 9; Rom i 7; viii 29, xi 2, Eph i 4; 2 Thess ii 13, Heb. x 22, xii 24; 2 Peter i. 2; Jude 2.

1 Gr. *much.*

c ch. iii 21, John iii 3, 5; 1 Cor xv. 20 2 Cor. i 3, Eph i 3, 1 Thess iv 14, Titus iii. 5; James i 18

CHAPTER I.

Peter was one of the two disciples of John who at an early period in our Lord's ministry became his followers. Peter was constitutionally bold, impetuous, daring; but was proportionately wanting in reflection and judgment. Still, as a whole, his character was noble, nor is there any one save John and Paul, in the history of the infant Church, which makes so deep an impression on the heart and affections of the pious reader.

Peter dedicates this Epistle to "the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia." The language of the original is remarkable, and conveys the idea of "sojourners who are dispersed;" literally, "to the elect sojourners of the dispersion." But it is evident from the following verse that he speaks only to the scattered members of Christ in the regions he enumerates. These regions were all provinces in Asia Minor. Pontus was bordered by Armenia on the east, and by the Black Sea on the north. Galatia lay to the west of Pontus, and was a large inland province. Cappadocia was to the south of Pontus, and to the south-east of Galatia, like which it was an inland province. Asia was a name often applied to the western parts of Asia Minor, with Ephesus as a capital. Bithynia was a district north-east of Asia, and north-west of Galatia. A glance at the map will show that St. Peter addresses the Christians of the greater part of Asia Minor. There were many cities of importance, and many grand and romantic scenes in the provinces in question. In our illustration at the head of this Epistle, we introduce a view of the fortified gate entrance to Nicæa in Bithynia, and a view of Mount Argæus, in Cappadocia. Nicæa was an important place for many centuries, and a Christian Church was early formed there. The first General Council was held there by Constantine the Great in A.D. 325. At that council the doctrines of Arius were condemned, and the Nicene Creed was drawn up. In A.D. 787, another General Council was held at Nicæa, when a degenerate and superstitious age formally admitted image-worship into the Church of God. The ruins of Nicæa are extensive,

4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven [1]for you,[a]

5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.[b]

6 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:[c]

7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:[d]

8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see *him* not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:[e]

9 Receiving the end of your faith, *even* the salvation of *your* souls.[f]

10 Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace *that should come* unto you:[g]

11 Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.[h]

12 Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.[i]

13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope [2]to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;[j]

14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:[k]

15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;[l]

16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.[m]

17 And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning *here* in fear:[n]

18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers;[o]

19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:[p]

20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,[q]

21 Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.[r]

ANNO DOMINI CIR. 60.

1 Or, *for us.*
a ch v 4; Col. i. 5; 2 Tim. iv 8.
b John x. 28, 29; xvii. 11, 12, 15, Jude 1.
s ch ii 17, iii. 8, iv 8, Acts xv 9, Rom xii 9, 10, 1 Thess iv 9, 1 Tim i 5, 1 John iii 18, iv 7.
c ch. iv. 13, v. 10, Matt. v. 12, Rom. xii 12.
t John i 13, iii. 5, James i. 18.
S Or, *For that.*
u Ps ciii 15, Isa. xl. 6, h. 12, James i 10
d Ps lxvi. 10, Zech. xiii 9; Rom. ii. 7, 10, 1 Cor. iii. 13; iv. 5; 2 Thess i. 7—12; James i 3, 12
v Ps. cii. 12; John i. 1, 14; 1 John i. 1, 3
e John xx. 29, 2 Cor v. 7; Heb. xi. 1, 27.
f Rom vi. 22.
g Gen xlix. 10; Dan. ii. 44; Hagg. ii 7; Zech. vi 12; Matt xiii. 17; 2 Peter i. 19—21.
w ch. iv. 2; Eph. iv. 22; James i. 21, v 9.
h Isa. liii 3, &c; Dan. ix 26, Luke xxiv. 25; John xii 41, Acts xxvi. 22, 2 Peter i 21.
x ch. i. 23; Matt xviii 3; Mark x 15, Rom. vi. 4, Heb. v. 12, 13.
y Ps xxxiv. 8; Heb. vi 5.
z Ps cxviii. 22; Matt xxi 42, Acts iv 11
4 Or, *be ye built*
i Exod xxv 20, Dan viii 13, Acts ii 4, Eph iii 10, Heb xi 13, 39, 40
a Isa lxi 6, lxvi 21, Eph ii 21, Philipp iv 18, Heb iii 6
2 Gr *perfectly.*
j ch. iv. 7; v 8; Luke xii. 35, xvii. 30; xxi 34; Eph vi 14, 1 Thess v. 6, 8, 2 Thess i 7
k ch iv 2, Acts xvii 30, Rom. xii 2, 1 Thess iv 5
b Isa. xxviii. 16, Rom. ix 33.
5 Or, *an honour.*
l Luke i 74, 75; 2 Cor vii 1, 1 Thess iv 3, 4, 7
m Lev xi 44, xix 2
c Ps cxviii 22, Matt xxi 42, Acts iv 11
n Acts x 34, Rom ii 11, Philipp. ii 12, Heb xi 18, xii 28
d Rom ix 22, 33, 1 Cor i 23, 1 Thess v 9, Jude 4
6 Or, *a purchased people*
o 1 Cor. vi 20; vii. 23
7 Or, *virtues*
e ch i 2, Exod. xix. 5, 6, Deut iv 20, xxvi 18, 19, Eph i. 14; v 8, Col i 13; 1 Thess v 5, Titus ii 14, Rev i 6, v 10
p John i 29, 36, Acts xx 28, 1 Cor. v 7, Eph i. 7; Heb ix 12, 14
f Hos i 9, 10, ii 23; Rom ix 25
q Rom iii 25, xvi 25, 26, Eph iii 9, 11; Col. i 26, 2 Tim i 9, 10; Titus i. 2, 3; Heb i 2; ix 26, Rev xiii 8
g Ps cxix 19, Rom. xiii 14, Gal v 16; Heb. xi. 13, James iv 1
r ch iii 22, Matt xxviii. 18; Acts ii 24, 33 iii 13; Eph i 20; Philipp. ii. 9, Heb ii 9

22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, *see that ye* love one another with a pure heart fervently:[s]

23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.[t]

24 [3]For all flesh *is* as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away:[u]

25 But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.[v]

CHAPTER II.

1 *He dehorteth them from the breach of charity:* 4 *shewing that Christ is the foundation whereupon they are built.* 11 *He beseecheth them also to abstain from fleshly lusts,* 13 *to be obedient to magistrates,* 18 *and teacheth servants how to obey their masters,* 20 *patiently suffering for well doing, after the example of Christ.*

WHEREFORE laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,[w]

2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:[x]

3 If so be ye have tasted that the Lord *is* gracious.[y]

4 To whom coming, *as unto* a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, *and* precious,[z]

5 Ye also, as lively stones, [4]are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.[a]

6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.[b]

7 Unto you therefore which believe *he is* [5]precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,[c]

8 And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, *even to them* which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.[d]

9 But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, [6]a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the [7]praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:[e]

10 Which in time past *were* not a people, but *are* now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.[f]

11 Dearly beloved, I beseech *you* as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;[g]

12 Having your conversation honest among the

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and its gates and walls have called forth especial admiration from travellers. Within these walls the modern village of Ismik now stands.

Mount Argæus is the highest in Cappadocia, and its summit is said to be always covered with snow. This mountain is a wild and magnificent object, very steep on one side, 13,100 feet above the sea, and requires two days to ascend. The general aspect of the mountain is rugged and barren, and the mountain itself is of a volcanic nature. It stands ten miles E.S.E. of Kaisariyeh.

Those to whom the letter is addressed were suffering from that opposition to the Christian faith which was rapidly passing into an open and bitter persecution; and hence Peter, whose own soul is resting on the living Rock, by the strength of his testimony seeks to animate the minds of his Christian brethren against the hour of trial, by pointing them to Christ, and to the work he accomplished for their deliverance from the power of Satan and from the fear of death. Alford observes that "there is no epistle in the sacred canon the language and spirit of which come more directly home to the personal trials, and wants, and weaknesses of the Christian life."

The Epistle was written from Babylon, the far-famed city of Chaldea, somewhere between the years A.D 63—68

25. "Endureth for ever"—the only thing which is permanent in this world is the Gospel, with its divine and imperishable results.

CHAPTER II.

2. "The sincere milk;"—the pure truth of the Gospel. The nourishment and growth of the Christian will be in proportion to the purity of the truth received.

Gentiles: that, [1]whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by *your* good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.[a]

13 Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the king, as supreme;[b]

14 Or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.[c]

15 For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:[d]

16 As free, and not [2]using *your* liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God.[e]

17 [3]Honour all *men.* Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the king.[f]

18 Servants, *be* subject to *your* masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward.[g]

19 For this *is* [4]thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.[h]

20 For what glory *is it,* if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer *for it,* ye take it patiently, this *is* [5]acceptable with God.[i]

21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered [6]for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:[j]

22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:[k]

23 Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but [7]committed *himself* to him that judgeth righteously:[l]

24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body [8]on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.[m]

25 For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.[n]

CHAPTER III.

1 *He teacheth the duty of wives and husbands to each other,* 8 *exhorting all men to unity and love,* 14 *and to suffer persecution.* 19 *He declareth also the benefits of Christ toward the old world.*

LIKEWISE, ye wives, *be* in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;[o]

2 While they behold your chaste conversation *coupled* with fear.[p]

3 Whose adorning let it not be that outward *adorning* of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;[q]

4 But *let it be* the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, *even the ornament* of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.[r]

5 For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves, being in subjection unto their own husbands:

6 Even as Sara obeyed Abraham, calling him lord: whose [9]daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.[s]

7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with *them* according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.[t]

8 Finally, *be ye* all of one mind, having compassion one of another, [10]love as brethren, *be* pitiful, *be* courteous:[u]

9 Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.[v]

10 For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:[w]

11 Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it.[x]

12 For the eyes of the Lord *are* over the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord *is* [11]against them that do evil.[y]

13 And who *is* he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?[z]

14 But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy *are ye:* and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;[a]

15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and *be* ready always to *give* an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and [12]fear:[b]

16 Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.[c]

17 For *it is* better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.

18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:[d]

19 By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;[e]

20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.[f]

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1 Or, *wherein.*

a Luke xix. 44; Rom. xii. 17, 2 Cor. viii 21; Philipp. ii. 15, Titus ii. 8.

r Ps xlv. 13; Rom ii. 29; vii 22; 2 Cor. iv. 16.

b Matt. xxii. 21; Rom. xiii. 1; Titus iii. 1.

9 Gr. *children.*

c Rom. xiii. 3, 4.

s Gen. xviii 12.

d ver. 12; Titus ii. 8

2 Gr. *having.*

e 1 Cor. vii. 22; Gal. v. 1, 13.

t Job xlii 8; Matt. v 23, 24; Eph v 25, 1 Thess. iv. 4

3 Or, *Esteem.*

f Matt xxii. 21; Rom xii 10; xiii 7; Philipp ii. 3; Heb xiii 1

10 Or, *loving to the brethren*

u Rom xii 10; Eph. iv 32, Philipp iii. 16, Heb xiii 1

g Eph. vi 5, Col iii. 22; 1 Tim vi 1; Titus ii 9

4 Or, *thank,* ver. 20; Luke vi 32.

h ch iii 14; Matt. v 10, Rom xiii 5

v Prov xvii 13, Rom xii 14, 17, 1 Cor iv 12, 1 Thess v 15.

w ch ii 1, 22, James i 26, Rev. xiv 5

5 Or, *thank*

i ch iii 14, iv 14, 15

x Ps xxxvii 27, Heb xii 14, 3 John 11

6 Some read, *for you.*

j John xiii 15, Acts xiv. 22, 1 Thess iii 3, 2 Tim iii 12; 1 John ii 6.

11 Gr upon.

y John ix. 31; James v 16

k Isa liii 9, Luke xxiii 41, John viii 46, 2 Cor v 21; Heb iv 15

z Prov xvi 7, Rom. viii 28

7 Or, *committed* his cause

l Isa liii 7, Matt xxvii. 39, Luke xxiii 46, John viii. 48, 49, Heb xii 3

a Isa viii 12, 13, Jer i 8, Matt x 10—12; John xiv 1, 27

8 Or, *to.*

m Isa liii 4, 5, 6, 11; Matt. viii 17, Rom vi 2, 11, vii 6, Heb ix 28

12 Or, *reverence.*

b Ps cxix 46, Acts iv 8, Col iv. 6, 2 Tim. ii 25.

n ch v 4, Isa. liii 6, John x. 11, 14, 16, Heb xiii 20

c ch ii 12, Titus ii 8; Heb xiii 18

o Matt xviii 15; 1 Cor vii 16, ix 19—22, xiv 34; Eph. v. 22.

d Rom i 4, v 6, viii 11, 2 Cor. xiii 4

p ch ii 12

e ch i 12, iv 6, Isa xlii 7, xlix 9, lxi 1

q 1 Tim ii 9, Titus ii 3, &c

f Gen vi 3, 5, 13; viii 7, viii 18, 2 Peter ii 5; Heb xi 7.

12. "Among the Gentiles:"—the Apostle is not writing to Jews only, and therefore he points here to the unconverted heathen, who would be sure to seize on the inconsistencies of those who professed the Christian faith, as an excuse for their own rejection of it.

"In the day of visitation:"—a time of great trial was coming upon the whole Church, during which their principles would be put to the severest test; while the part which they acted in such circumstances would lead others to glorify God, or to turn away from Christian truth.

13. "Submit yourselves:"—from this verse on to chap. iv. 6, the Apostle introduces a variety of practical instructions for the conduct of believers in their intercourse with the men of the world, and fortifies his exhortation by the example of the meek and lowly Saviour.

CHAPTER III.

3—6. "Whose adorning:"—a woman's attire will be very much regulated by the principles which govern her heart: if her dress be at variance with her professed principles, the principles will be condemned by the ungodly, rather than the vanity which the unbecoming attire exhibits.

7. "That your prayers be not hindered."—the husband and wife must live in mutual love and confidence, lest their prayers be impeded by a state of mind that is unfriendly to devotion.

19—21. "By which also he went."—one meaning suggested is that Christ, by his Spirit, preached through the ministry of Noah to the antediluvians, whose spirits, in consequence of unbelief and impenitence, are now in the dark *hades,* as in a prison, reserved for final judgment.

21 The like figure whereunto *even* baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:[a]

22 Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.[b]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *He exhorteth them to cease from sin by the example of Christ, and the consideration of the general end that now approacheth:* 12 *and comforteth them against persecution*

FORASMUCH then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;[c]

2 That he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.[d]

3 For the time past of *our* life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries:[e]

4 Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with *them* to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of *you*:[f]

5 Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.[g]

6 For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit.[h]

7 But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.[i]

8 And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity [1]shall cover the multitude of sins.[j]

9 Use hospitality one to another without grudging.[k]

10 As every man hath received the gift, *even so* minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.[l]

11 If any man speak, *let him speak* as the oracles of God; if any man minister, *let him do it* as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.[m]

12 Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:[n]

13 But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.[o]

14 If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy *are ye;* for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.[p]

15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or *as* a thief, or *as* an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters.[q]

16 Yet if *any man suffer* as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf.[r]

17 For the time *is come* that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it* first *begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?[s]

18 And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?[t]

19 Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls *to him* in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.[u]

CHAPTER V.

1 *He exhorteth the elders to feed their flocks,* 5 *the younger to obey,* 8 *and all to be sober, watchful, and constant in the faith* 9 *to resist the cruel adversary the devil.*

THE elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:[v]

2 Feed the flock of God [2]which is among you, taking the oversight *thereof*, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;[w]

3 Neither as [3]being lords over *God's* heritage, but being ensamples to the flock.[x]

4 And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.[y]

5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all *of you* be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.[z]

6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:[a]

7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.[b]

8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:[c]

9 Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.[d]

10 But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle *you.*[e]

11 To him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.[f]

12 By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you, as I suppose, I have written briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God wherein ye stand.[g]

13 The *church that is* at Babylon, elected together with *you,* saluteth you; and *so doth* Marcus my son.[h]

14 Greet ye one another with a kiss of charity. Peace *be* with you all that are in Christ Jesus. Amen.[i]

ANNO DOMINI CIR. 60.

q 1 Thess. iv. 11.
a ch. i. 3; Rom. x. 10; Eph v. 26; Titus iii. 5.
r Acts v. 41
b Ps cx. 1; Rom. viii. 34, 38, 1 Cor. xv. 24; Eph. i. 20; Col. iii. 1; Heb. i. 3.
s Isa. x 12; Jer. xxv. 29; Ezek. ix. 6; Mal. iii. 5; Luke x. 12.
t Prov. xi. 31; Luke xxiii. 31.
u Ps. xxxi. 5; Luke xxiii. 46.
c ch. iii. 18; Rom. vi. 2, 7; Gal. v. 24; Col. iii 3
d ch i 14; ii. 1; John i. 13; Rom. vi. 11; xiv. 7, James i. 18.
v Luke xxiv. 48; Acts i 8, 22, v. 32; x. 39; Rom. viii. 17, 18.
e ch i 14, Ezek. xliv 6; xlv 9; Acts xvii. 30, Eph ii. 2; 1 Thess. iv. 5
2 Or, *as much as is you is.*
w John xxi 15—17; Acts xx 28, 1 Cor. ix. 17; 1 Tim iii. 3.
f Acts xiii. 45, xviii 6.
3 Or, *overruling.*
x Ps xxxiii. 12, lxxiv 2, Ezek. xxxiv 4, 2 Thess. iii 9, 1 Tim iv. 12
g Acts x 42, xvii 31, Rom xiv 10, 12, 1 Cor. xv 51, 52, 2 Tim iv 1.
y ch i 4, 1 Cor ix 25, 2 Tim iv. 8, Heb xiii 20.
h ch iii 19
z Isa. lvii. 15; lxvi. 2, Rom xii 10, Eph v 21, Philipp. ii 3, James iv 6.
i Matt xxiv. 13, xxvi 41, Philipp iv 5, Col iv. 2, Heb x 25, James v. 8; 2 Peter iii 9, 11.
a James iv. 10
1 Or, *will*
j Col iii 14; Heb. xiii. 1, James v 20
b Ps. xxxvii. 5, lv 22; Matt vi 25, Luke xii 11, 22, Philipp iv. 6, Heb. xiii 5.
k Rom xii. 13; 2 Cor. ix. 7; Philipp. ii 14
c ch iv. 7; Job i 7; ii 2; Luke xxi 34, 36, xxii 31, 1 Thess v 6, Rev xii 12
l Matt xxiv 45; xxv. 14, 21, Luke xii. 42, Rom xii 6, 1 Cor iv 1, 2, 7, xii 4, Eph iv 11.
d ch ii 21; Acts xiv 22, Eph vi 11, 13, 1 Thess. iii. 3, 2 Tim iii. 12; James iv 7.
m Rom xii 6—8; 1 Cor iii 10; Eph. v 20; 1 Tim. vi 16; Rev. i. 6
e ch. i 6; 1 Cor i. 9, 2 Cor iv. 17; 2 Thess. ii. 17; iii 3, 1 Tim vi 12, Heb. xiii. 21; Jude 24
n ch. i. 7, 1 Cor. iii 13
f ch iv 11; Rev i 6
o Rom. viii. 17, 2 Cor i. 7; iv. 10; Philipp iii 10; Col. i. 24, Rev i 9.
g Acts xx. 24; 1 Cor. xv 1; 2 Cor. i. 19; Heb. xiii. 22; 2 Peter i 12.
h Acts xii. 12, 25.
p Matt. v. 11; 2 Cor. xii. 10; James i. 12.
t Rom xvi. 16; 1 Cor. xvi. 20; 2 Cor xiii. 12; Eph. vi. 23; 1 Thess. v. 26.

CHAPTER IV.

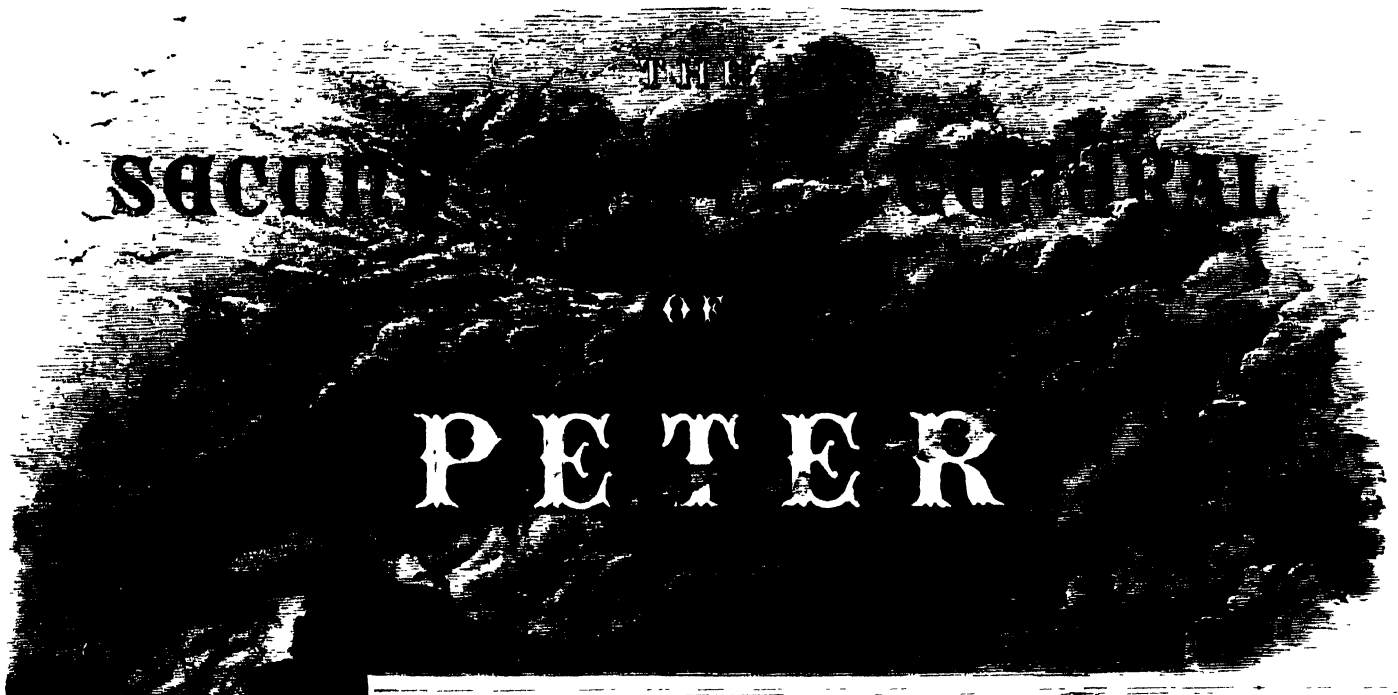
1, 2. "Arm yourselves;"—prepare yourselves, like Christ, with calm and holy resolution to suffer, rather than yield to the powers of evil; for he that has so suffered in the flesh as to conquer its desires and lusts, is free from the dominion of sin as a reigning power.

CHAPTER V.

1. "The elders;"—a designation applied to both office and age, and pointing to the teachers and pastors of the Churches.

5. "Ye younger:"—all who were under the teaching of the elders or pastors.

13. "Marcus my son"—doubtless his son in the faith.



CHAPTER I.

1 Confirming them in hope of the increase of God's graces, 5 he exhorteth them, by faith, and good works, to make their calling sure 12 wherefore he is careful to remember them, knowing that his death is at hand 16 and warneth them to be constant in the faith of Christ, who is the true Son of God, by the eyewitness of the apostles beholding his majesty, and by the testimony of the Father, and the prophets

1 SIMON [1]Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness [2]of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:[a]

2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,[b]

3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that *pertain* unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us [3]to glory and virtue:[c]

4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.[d]

5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;[e]

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f Gal. vi 10; 1 Thess. iii. 12; v. 15, 1 John iv 21.
4 Gr *idle*
g John xv. 2, Titus iii 14
1 Or, *Symeon*, Acts xv 14
h Eph v 26, Heb ix 14, 1 John i 7, ii 9, 11
i ch iii 17; 1 John iii 19.
2 Gr *of our God and Saviour*, Titus ii 13
a Rom i 12, 2 Cor iv 13, Eph. iv. 5, Titus i. 4
j ch iii 1, 17; Rom xv 14, 15, Philipp iii 1, 1 Peter v. 12, 1 John ii 21, Jude 5
b Dan. iv. 1; vi. 25; 1 Peter i 2; Jude 2
k ch iii. 1, 2 Cor v 1, 4.
3 Or, *by*.
c John xvii 3, 1 Thess ii 12, iv. 7; 2 Thess ii 14; 2 Tim. i. 9; 1 Peter ii 9; iii. 9
l Deut iv. 21, 22, xxxi. 14; John xxi. 18, 19; 2 Tim iv 6
d ch. ii 18, 20; 2 Cor iii 18, vii 1; Eph iv 24, Heb xii. 10; 1 John iii. 2.
e ch. iii. 18, 1 Peter iii. 7.

6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.[f]

8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make *you that ye shall* neither *be* [4]barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.[g]

9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.[h]

10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:[i]

11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

12 Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know *them*, and be established in the present truth.[j]

13 Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting *you* in remembrance:[k]

14 Knowing that shortly I must put off *this* my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.[l]

15 Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.

16 For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power

CHAPTER I.

This Epistle is one of the latter fruits of the great outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles. As to the time when and the place where it was written, we have nothing but conjecture. That it was written not long before the Apostle's decease, may be gathered from the composition itself.

The immediate object of the Epistle is to confirm those who were dispersed abroad in the doctrines of their holy faith, and to guard them against certain forms of error which were then being developed, and which in their practical influence could not but be fatal to all the higher interests of true godliness.

3. "Through the knowledge of him that hath called us:"—from the Divine power proceeds all power to life and godliness. The Holy Spirit imparts life—the same Divine Spirit imparts godliness. The knowledge of God is that knowledge to which God calls us BY his own Spirit. "The natural attributes of God have reference to his *glory*: those attributes which are called moral have reference to his nature. The two are closely united."

4. "Whereby are given unto us;"—that is, by his glory and his virtue—by his attributes and his energies; for as his glory lends grandeur to the promises, so his virtue gives to them an infinite value.

5—7. "Virtue" is to be taken in the sense of fortitude or vigour of mind; temperance, in the sense of self-control; and charity, in the sense of universal love.

12. "The present truth" is not to be taken in the sense of the truth now

and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.[a]

17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.[b]

18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.[c]

19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:[d]

20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.[e]

21 For the prophecy came not [1]in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.[f]

CHAPTER II.

1 *He foretelleth them of false teachers, shewing the impiety and punishment both of them and their followers: 7 from which the godly shall be delivered, as Lot was out of Sodom: 10 and more fully describeth the manners of those profane and blasphemous seducers, whereby they may be the better known, and avoided.*

BUT there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.[g]

2 And many shall follow their [2]pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

3 And through coveteousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.[h]

4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast *them* down to hell, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;[i]

5 And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth *person*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;[j]

6 And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned *them* with an overthrow, making *them* an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly;[k]

7 And delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:[l]

8 (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing, vexed *his* righteous soul from day to day with *their* unlawful deeds;)[m]

9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:[n]

10 But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise [3]government. Presumptuous *are they*, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.[o]

11 Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation [4]against them before the Lord.[p]

12 But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;[q]

13 And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, *as* they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots *they are* and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you;[r]

14 Having eyes full of [5]adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:[s]

15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam *the son* of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;[t]

16 But was rebuked for his iniquity: the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet.

17 These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.[u]

18 For when they speak great swelling *words* of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, *through much* wantonness, those that were [6]clean escaped from them who live in error.[v]

19 While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a

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a Matt. xvii. 1, 2, Mark ix 2, John i. 14, 1 Cor. i 17, ii. 1, 4; 2 Cor. ii. 17; iv. 2; 1 John i. 1; iv. 14.

b Gen xix 24, Numb. xxvi. 10; Deut. xxix. 23; Jude 7.

l Gen xix. 16.

b Matt iii. 17, xvii. 5; Mark i. 11; ix 7; Luke iii. 22; ix. 35.

c Exod. iii. 5; Josh. v. 15; Matt. xvii. 6.

m Ps cxix 139, 158; Ezek. ix 4.

n Ps. xxxiv. 17, 19; 1 Cor. x. 13.

d Ps. cxix. 105; John v. 35, 2 Cor. iv 4, 6; Rev. ii 28, xxii. 16.

3 Or, *dominion.*

e Rom. xii. 6

1 Or, *at any time.*

o Jude 4, 7, 8, 10, 16.

f 2 Sam. xxiii 2; Luke i. 70, Acts i. 16; iii. 18, 2 Tim. iii. 16; 1 Peter i 11.

4 Some read, *against themselves.*

p Jude 9.

q Jer. xii. 3; Jude 10.

r Rom. xiii. 13; 1 Cor xi 20, 21, Philipp iii 19, Jude 12.

5 Gr *an adulteress*

g Deut xiii 1; Matt xxiv 11, Acts xx 30, 1 Cor vi 20, xi 19, Gal iii 13, Eph i 7, Philipp iii 19, 1 Tim iv 1, 2 Tim iii 1—5, Heb x 29, 1 Peter i 18, 1 John iv 1, Jude 4, 18, Rev v 9.

s Jude 11.

2 Or, *lascivious ways*, as some copies read.

t Numb xxii 5, 7, 21, 23, 28; Jude 11

h ch i 16; Deut xxxii 35, Rom xvi. 18, 2 Cor ii. 17, xii 17, 18, 1 Tim vi 5, Titus i 11, Jude 4, 15.

u Jude 12, 13

i Job iv 18, Luke viii 31, John viii 44, 1 John iii 8, Jude 6, Rev xx 2, 3.

6 Or, *for a little*, or, *a while*, as some read

v ver 20, ch i 4, Acts ii 40, Jude 16

j ch ii 6, Gen vii 1, 7, 23, Heb xi 7, 1 Peter iii 19, 20

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under consideration, but of the truth as now possessed and enjoyed in the Christian revelation.—See verse 19.

14 "Put off this my tabernacle, as our Lord hath shewed me:"—the reference is to the words of Christ in John xxi. 18, in which the Saviour seems to intimate that our Apostle would be called to part with life suddenly and sharply.

CHAPTER II.

1. "Among the people,"—that is, among the people of Israel there were false prophets, as there are now false teachers among you. It is against such teachers, with their doctrine and practice, that the Apostle here warns his readers. Their doctrine being alien from the truth, the moral tendencies of such doctrines could not fail to be prejudicial and destructive.

3. "Through covetousness;"—rather, *in* covetousness, as if it were the element in which they lived and moved, men who made a gain of godliness. And hence with their progress in such a course, the judgment of God came to impend more immediately over them, and their final ruin to follow.

4 "Down to hell:"—the word here rendered "hell" is *Tartarus*, which is found nowhere else in the Christian Testament, nor in the Septuagint, and whose meaning must be taken from profane and heathen authors, who regard it as the lowest place in Nature—a region of unutterable darkness.

10, 11. "Despise government;"—that is, all forms of authority; and in the spirit of a proud, self-willed presumption, dare to hold all authority in the lightest esteem, and in the most open contempt. Whereas angels, who are a superior order of beings, bring no railing accusation—do not assail dignities. "They abstain from judgment, through reverence of the Judge and his presence. Judgment belongs to God, not to angels"

13. "Spots they are and blemishes:"—as spots disfigure the most beautiful objects, so these men mar and blemish, dishonour and disgrace the Church, their association with the faithful did not spring out of love, but out of covetousness, that they might deceive and defraud. They converted their sacred festivities into a means of carnal indulgence and sinful aggrandisement.

17—19. "These are wells without water."—the reference is still to the false teachers, and very awakening is the whole description here given of their character. Not only are they useless as a well without water; but they are like clouds surcharged with the most deadly and destructive elements; for whom is reserved the mist—that is, the blackness—of darkness.

"They allure through the lusts of the flesh:"—themselves living in carnal indulgence, they, through licentiousness, entice back those who had escaped for a little while from the errors so common among the heathen, and thus again ensnare them; and their latter end is worse than the beginning. The reference is to those who are enticed and ensnared, and not to the false teachers who ensnared them.

21. "The holy commandment:"—this designates the Gospel of Christ, all

man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.[a]

20 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.[b]

21 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known *it*, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.[c]

22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog *is* turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.[d]

CHAPTER III.

1 *He assureth them of the certainty of Christ's coming to judgment, against those scorners who dispute against it. 8 warning the godly, for the long patience of God, to hasten their repentance. 10 He describeth also the manner how the world shall be destroyed: 11 exhorting them, from the expectation thereof, to all holiness of life 15 and again, to think the patience of God to tend to their salvation, as Paul wrote to them in his epistles.*

THIS second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in *both* which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:[e]

2 That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:[f]

3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,[g]

4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of the creation.[h]

5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth [1]standing out of the water and in the water:[i]

6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:[j]

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a John viii. 34; Rom. vi. 16; Gal. v. 13; 1 Peter ii. 16.

b ver. 10; Matt xxv. 41; 2 Thess. i. 8.

b ver 18; ch i 2, 4; Matt xii. 45; Luke xi. 26, Heb. vi. 4, &c.; x. 26, 27.

l Ps. xc. 4.

c Luke xii 47, 48; John ix 41, xv. 22

m ver 15, Isa xxx 18, Ezek. xviii 23, 32, xxxiii. 11; Hab ii. 3; Rom ii 4, 1 Tim ii 4, Heb x 37; 1 Peter iii. 20

d Prov xxvi 11.

n Ps cii 26, Isa li 6, Matt xxiv 35, 43, Mark xiii 31, Luke xii 39, Rom. viii 12; 1 Thess v 2; Heb i 11, Rev iii 3, xvi 15, xx 11, xxi 1.

o 1 Peter i. 15.

2 Or, *hasting the coming*

p ver. 10, Ps l 3; Isa xxxiv 4, Micah i 4, 1 Cor i 7, Titus ii. 13

q Isa lxv. 17, lxvi 22, Rev. xxi 1, 27

e ch i. 13.

r 1 Cor i 8, xv 58, Philipp i 10, 1 Thess iii 13, v 23

f Jude 17.

s ver 9, Rom ii 4, 1 Peter iii 20

g ch ii 10, 1 Tim iv 1, 2 Tim iii 1, Jude 18

t Rom. viii 19, 1 Cor xv 24, 1 Thess. iv. 15

h Isa v 19, Jer xvii 15, Ezek xii 22, 27, Matt xxiv. 48; Luke xii 45

1 Gr *consisting*

u ch i 10—12, ii 18, Mark xiii 23, Eph iv 14.

i Gen i 6, 9, Ps xxiv 2; xxxiii 6, cxxxvi 6, Col i 17, Heb xi 3

j ch ii 5; Gen. vii 11, 21—23.

v Eph iv 15, 2 Tim iv 18, 1 Peter ii 2; Rev i 6.

7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.[k]

8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.[l]

9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.[m]

10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.[n]

11 *Seeing* then *that* all these things shall be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought ye to be in *all* holy conversation and godliness,[o]

12 Looking for and [2]hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?[p]

13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.[q]

14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.[r]

15 And account *that* the longsuffering of our Lord *is* salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;[s]

16 As also in all *his* epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as *they do* also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.[t]

17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know *these things* before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.[u]

18 But grow in grace, and *in* the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him *be* glory both now and for ever. Amen.[v]

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of whose principles are pure, essentially pure, and produce corresponding pureness of heart and living.

CHAPTER III.

1. "I stir up your pure minds:"—this was the design of his former letter, but emphatically so in this, as he was soon to put off his earthly tabernacle—his decease was not far off. He wished to withdraw their minds—their hearts and affections—from the fleshly and the earthly to the spiritual and the heavenly.

2. "The commandment of us the apostles:"—the commandment did not originate with them, but with their Lord and Saviour. He is the Author of the Gospel, and they, as his apostles, made it known.

3. "Walking after their own lusts:"—lust is the germ of licentiousness, and licentiousness is too often united with contempt of the holy Gospel. The men who live most in sin are the men who will be found to scoff most at religion and its holy requirements.

4. "All things continue as from the beginning:"—from the stability and regularity of the works of Nature, they infer that there is no truth in the doctrine of the Saviour's coming, as the Apostle had taught and as the Christian Church believed.

5. "This they willingly are ignorant of:"—it is a fact which they culpably overlook, that the present constitution of the heavens and the earth is of Divine arrangement; and yet the earth, or dry land, which was made to appear or become visible in consequence of the waters that were under the firmament being gathered together into one place, was afterwards overflowed with the very elements out of which it was originally brought, and destroyed, and in the presence of this undeniable fact, they may rest assured that the promise of God will ultimately be fulfilled, and the present material constitution of things will come to an end. This is reserved unto fire, which will burn up all terrestrial things, on that solemn day when Christ comes to judge the world, and to give to every man according to his work.

9. "Is not slack concerning his promise;"—not slow or unwilling to perform his word, but, laying a restraint upon his omnipotence, he waits to give men time for repentance and reformation.

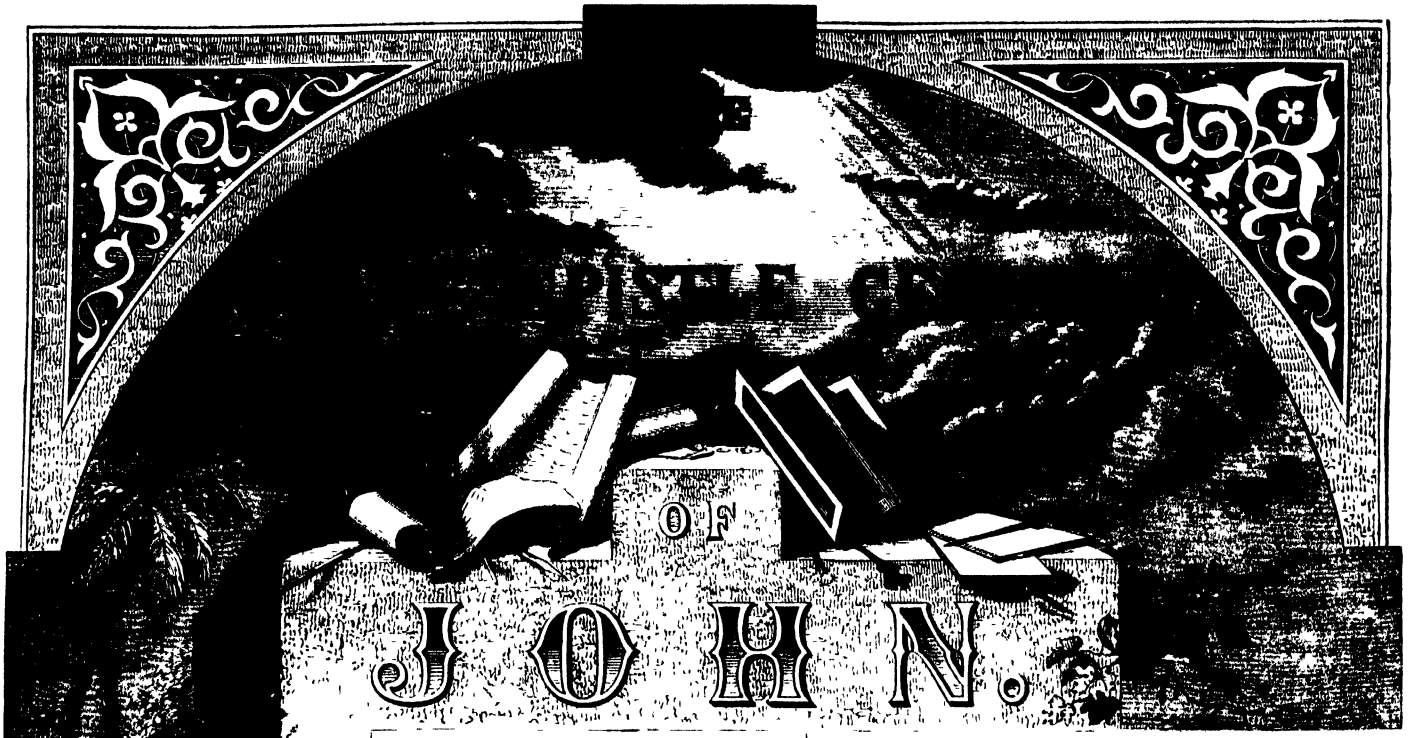
10. "Shall be burned up;"—not destroyed in the sense of being annihilated. The flame of that final fire will pass over this material creation to purify it.

13. "New heavens and a new earth,"—a new constitution of things in connection with this lower world—a world which shall then be fitted up and furnished as the everlasting dwelling-place of glorified saints.

16. "In which are some things hard to be understood;"—not in which epistles, but in which things are some hard to be understood.

17. "The error of the wicked."—the wicked here may point to the false teachers, or to that Wicked One who is the arch-deceiver of men.

18. "Grow in grace;"—the grace of which Christ is the giver, and which is inseparable from the life of the soul, the "knowledge" is that of which Christ is the object, and in which stands our eternal life.



CHAPTER I.

1 He describeth the person of Christ, in whom we have eternal life, by a communion with God 5 to which we must adjoin holiness of life, to testify the truth of that our communion and profession of faith, as also to assure us of the forgiveness of our sins by Christ's death

THAT which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life ;[a]

2 (For the life was manifested, and we have seen *it*, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us ;)[b]

3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.[c]

4 And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full.[d]

5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.[e]

6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth :[f]

7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.[g]

8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.[h]

9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.[i]

10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

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c Acts iv 20, John xvii 21, 1 Cor i 9
d John xv 11; xvi 24, 2 John 12
e John i 9, viii 12, ix 5, xii 35, 36
f 2 Cor vi 14
g ch ii 2, 1 Cor vi 11, Eph i 7, Heb ix 14, Rev. i. 5.
h ch ii 4, 1 Kings viii 46, 2 Chron vi 36, Job ix 2, xv 14, xxv. 4, James iii 2
a ch. ii 13, iv 14, Luke xxiv 39, 2 Peter i 16
i Ps xxxii 5, li 2, Prov xxviii 13
b ch iii 5, v 20, John i 1, 2, 4; xx 25, xiv 6; xxi 24; Acts ii 32, Rom xvi 26; 1 Tim iii 16.

CHAPTER I.

The engraving at the head of this Epistle represents various writing implements, and the form of ancient books. These are from time to time alluded to in Scripture, and we find mention of some of them in 2 John 12 and 3 John 13 We may observe that the materials used for writing were often similar to those now employed. The pen was commonly made of a reed or cane, and resembled that which is still used in the East. For writing upon wax tablets, a pointed instrument, called a style, was adopted. The ink (2 Cor iii. 3) was sometimes contained in an inkhorn (Ezek. ix. 2); it was thicker than ours, and very durable The paper was an Egyptian invention, but used and made elsewhere. It was in sheets, which were rolled up rather than folded. Paper manuscripts as old as St. John's time have been discovered. Parchment also was used, especially for important documents, and is mentioned by St. Paul in 2 Tim iv. 13 Parchment is said to have been first made at Pergamus, whence its name, as paper is called after the papyrus plant. Other writing materials were employed, as tablets covered with wax, &c. See Luke i. 63 and 2 Cor iii. 3, where this custom is alluded to. These writing tablets were often made like a slate-book among ourselves, and were written upon with an iron point like a pencil. Very often they were used even for letters, as well as for other matters requiring not much space. Documents were sealed for the sake of secresy (Rev. v. 1), in which case wax and string were used. The string was sometimes passed round and sometimes through the tablets, &c., sealed.

The external testimony and the internal evidence in favour of the opinion that this Epistle was written by the Evangelist John, are such as to place the fact beyond all dispute. It is probable that it was written by him from Ephesus not long before the close of his life, and was addressed to a cycle of churches principally composed of Gentile converts, located in and near that city. The Epistle assumes, on the part of its readers, an acquaintance with the facts of the Evangelical narrative, and therefore must have been composed subsequently to his Gospel. For it may be taken as a general rule, that "the more concise and abridged expression of the same author, specially of ideas which are peculiarly his own, is the *later* production; but the more explicit—the one which, as it were, develops and forms the idea—is the *earlier*." It is not, therefore, to be taken as a dedication or an accompanying letter to the Gospel, but as a genuine Epistle addressed to those to whom the Apostle stood in the relation of a teacher and guide, and to whom he speaks as a father to his children.

The key to the Epistle is to be found in chap. v. 13, in which the Apostle says—"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life:" and setting out from the twofold position that "God is light," and "God is love," his design throughout the whole Epistle is to show the development and the perfection of the Christian life in these two Divine elements. If the love of God has taken possession of the heart, this love can dwell only in a sphere of light; and both the light and the love will be manifested by that righteous-

CHAPTER II.

1 *He comforteth them against the sins of infirmity.* 3 *Rightly to know God is to keep his commandments,* 9 *to love our brethren,* 15 *and not to love the world.* 18 *We must beware of seducers.* 20 *from whose deceits the godly are safe, preserved by perseverance in faith, and holiness of life.*

MY little children, these things write 1 unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:[a]

2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for our's only, but also for *the sins of* the whole world.[b]

3 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.[c]

4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

5 But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.[d]

6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.[e]

7 Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning.[f]

8 Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you: because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth.[g]

9 He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now.[h]

10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none [1]occasion of stumbling in him.[i]

11 But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.[j]

12 I write unto you, little children, because your sins are forgiven you for his name's sake.[k]

13 I write unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that is* from the beginning. I write unto you, young men, because ye have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you, little children, because ye have known the Father.[l]

14 I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him *that is* from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.[m]

15 Love not the world, neither the things *that are* in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.[n]

16 For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.[o]

17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.[p]

18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.[q]

19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would *no doubt* have continued with us: but *they went out*, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.[r]

20 But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.[s]

21 I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.

22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is

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[f] John xii. 35.

[k] ch. i. 7; Luke xxiv. 47; Acts iv. 12; x. 43; xiii. 38.

[l] ch. i. 1.

[a] Rom. viii. 34, 1 Tim. ii. 5; Heb. vii. 25; ix. 24.

[m] Eph. vi. 10.

[b] ch. i. 7; iv. 10, 14, John i. 29, iv. 42, xi. 51, 52, Rom. iii. 25, 2 Cor. v. 18.

[c] ch. i. 6, 8; iv. 20.

[n] Matt. vi. 24, Rom. xii. 2; Gal. i. 10, James iv. 4.

[o] Eccles. v. 11.

[d] ch. iv. 12, 13, John xiv. 21, 23.

[p] 1 Cor. vii. 31, James i. 10, iv. 14, 1 Peter i. 24.

[e] Matt. xi. 29, John xiii. 15, xv. 4, 5, 1 Peter ii. 21

[q] ch. iv. 3; Matt. xxiv. 5, 24, John xxi. 5, 2 Thess. ii. 3, &c., 1 Tim. iv. 1, 2 Tim. iii. 1, 2 Peter ii. 1, Heb. i. 2, 2 John 7.

[f] ch. iii. 11, 2 John 5

[g] John i. 9, viii. 12, xii. 35, xiii. 34, xv. 12, Rom. xiii. 12, Eph. v. 8, 1 Thess. v. 5, 8

[r] Deut. xiii. 13, Ps. xli. 9, Matt. xxiv. 24, John vi. 37, x. 28, 29, Acts xx. 30, 1 Cor. xi. 19, 2 Tim. ii. 19

[h] ch. iii. 14, 15, 1 Cor. xiii. 2, 2 Peter i. 9

[s] ver. 27, Mark i. 24, John x. 4, 5, xiv. 26, xvi. 13, Acts iii. 14, 2 Cor. i. 21, Heb. i. 9.

1 Gr. *scandal.*

[i] ch. iii. 14, 2 Peter i. 10

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ness of life and that joy of hope which arise from faith in Christ. As has been beautifully said, "The love which wrote the Epistle is but the echo of that love of God which is manifested to us in Christ, that it may lead us to the Everlasting Fount of joy and of life." How unruffled and heavenly is the repose of spirit which breathes through the whole Epistle! Truly "it appears to be the tone, not so much of a father talking with his beloved children, as of a glorified saint, speaking to mankind from a higher world Never in any writing has the doctrine of heavenly love—of a love ever unwearied, never exhausted—been so thoroughly proved as in this Epistle"

1. "From the beginning;"—not from the beginning of the Gospel dispensation, as some commentators interpret the words. There is the same depth of meaning as if the Apostle had written, "IN THE BEGINNING."

2. "The life was manifested."—he refers to the stupendous fact of the incarnation, in which the Lord of life dwelt for a season among the sons of men

3. "Have fellowship with us,"—that is, with us the Apostles and eye-witnesses of our Lord's life, with us who have communion with the Father and the Son.

5 "This then is the message."—the exhortation of the Apostle in these verses is, that if the communion of Christians with each other, as well as with the Father and the Son, is to be intimate and firm, they must love the light, because God is light, and consequently they must separate themselves from whatever is typified by darkness

"The message" is to be referred to the doctrine which the Apostles received from Christ himself during their intercourse with him on earth.

6. "We lie, and do not the truth,"—for beyond all contradiction, the communion of Christians is a communion of saints (children of God and children of the light); and its bond is brotherly love. Accordingly, to walk in the darkness—to conform to the sinful customs of the world—and yet pretend to be of this communion, is to deny the truth and to deceive ourselves.

8. "We have no sin:"—these concluding verses seem to be directed against those professed believers who have not in themselves that consciousness of man's constant need of a holy and a watchful life, which ought to prevail within them during every moment of their earthly existence, as being essential to their Christian prosperity.

CHAPTER II.

1. "That ye sin not:"—he had said in the close of the preceding chapter that if any professed believer affected to be without sin, he contradicted the plainest and most explicit declaration of God's word, and hence, that the word of God, or the truth of the Gospel, would not have been believed or received by him; but lest any one should run to the other extreme, and think that he might indulge in sin, he here adds, "These things write I unto you, that ye sin not." Whoever has the consciousness of his need of redemption will strive more and more to be delivered from sin; and without this separation from sin, and growing desire after holiness, there can be no communion with Him who is the light, and in whom there dwells no darkness at all

"We have an advocate:"—the word here rendered "advocate" is, in the original, PARACLETE, and literally signifies, one who is called to our aid—a pleader or intercessor. It is a title given to God the Holy Spirit The word is employed by Philo, in reference to the Jewish high priest, as the advocate and intercessor with God for the sins of the people. The application of this sacrificial and sacerdotal symbol, then, would be this, that the Saviour, now that he has entered the holiest of all, carries on his work of intercession. He alone can be an Intercessor with God for us, because he alone is guiltless—sinless

5. "Is the love of God perfected:"—the love of God reached its utmost limit in giving up his Son; and the love of the Son reached its limit when he poured out his soul even unto death; and nothing will perfect our love, either on earth or in heaven, but unlimited obedience to the will of God our Saviour

7. "No new commandment . . . an old commandment"—the new commandment had its root in the old, for the law of brotherly love is as old as the creation; but the old has been so heightened and intensified by the example of Christ, as to have all the freshness and all the force of a new commandment—just as any doctrine which is as old as religion itself, if presented to our view under some new and attractive form, seems to stand out with all the originality and distinctness of a new truth. This new commandment appears as a sublime reality in the life of Christ: and so far as it is embodied in our life, it is a reality; for he came, the true Light, to lighten us; and since the

the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.[a]

23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: [*but*] *he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.*[b]

24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.[c]

25 And this is the promise that he hath promised us, *even* eternal life.[d]

26 These *things* have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you.[e]

27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in [1]him.[f]

28 And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.[g]

29 If ye know that he is righteous, [2]ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.[h]

CHAPTER III.

1 *He declareth the singular love of God towards us, in making us his sons.* 3 *who therefore ought obediently to keep his commandments,* 11 *as also brotherly to love one another.*

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.[i]

2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he

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a ch. iv. 3; 2 John 7.
b ch. iv. 17.
l ch. v. 17, Rom. iv 15.
b ch iv 15, John xiv 7, 9, 10, xv. 23, 2 John 9.
m ch i 2, Isa. liii. 5, 6, 11, 2 Cor. v. 21, 1 Tim i. 15, Heb i 3, iv 15; ix 26, 28, 1 Peter ii 22, 24.
ch ii 4; iv. 8; 3 John 11.
c ch i 3, John xiv. 23; 2 John 6
d ch i 2, v. 11; John xvii 3.
o ch, ii. 26, 29, Ezek. xviii 5—9; Rom. ii 13.
e ch. iii 7; 2 John 7.
p Gen. iii. 15, Matt xiii. 38, Luke x. 18, John viii 44, xvi. 11, Heb ii 14.
1 Or, it.
f ver 20, Jer xxxi 33, 34, John xiv 26, xvi. 13, Heb viii. 10, 11.
q ch v. 18, 1 Peter i 23
g ch iii 2, iv 17
2 Or, *know ye*
r ch ii. 29, iv 8.
h ch iii. 7, 10, Acts xxii 14
3 Or, *commandment*
s ver 23, ch i 5, ii 7; iv 7, 21, John xiii 34, xv 12, 2 John 5
t Gen iv 4, 8; Heb xi 4, Jude 11.
u John xv 18, 19; xvii 14, 2 Tim. iii 12
v ch ii 9—11.
i John i 12, xv 18, 19, xvi 3, xvii. 25.
w ch iv 20, Matt v 21, 22, Gal v 21, Rev xxi 8
x ch iv 9, 11, John iii 16, xv 13, Rom v 8, Eph v. 2, 25.
y ch. v 1 Job xix 26, Ps xvi 11, Isa lvi 5, Matt v 8, Rom viii. 15, 18, 29, 1 Cor xiii. 12, xv 49, 2 Cor iv. 7, Gal iii. 26, Philipp iii 21, Col iii 4, 2 Peter i 4.

3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.[k]

4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.[l]

5 And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.[m]

6 Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.[n]

7 Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.[o]

8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.[p]

9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.[q]

10 In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.[r]

11 For this is the [3]message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.[s]

12 Not as Cain, *who* was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.[t]

13 Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you.[u]

14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not *his* brother abideth in death.[v]

15 Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.[w]

16 Hereby perceive we the love *of God*, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.[x]

17 But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth

darkness of our sin and ignorance is past, and we have become light in the Lord, it is in this light that love lives and moves, and acts

12 "Little children,"—a mode of address which bespeaks the affection of the Apostle for his readers, and includes the whole body of those to whom he wrote, whether young or old Among these there are *fathers*, or men of riper years, in whom we look for deeper contemplation and more matured knowledge, there are also *young men*, from whom we look for more active service—more heroic deeds

14 "Him that is from the beginning"—a favourite expression of our Apostle to designate our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

17 "The lust thereof,"—that is, whatever can in any way minister to our sensual appetites In directing the attention of his readers to the essentially distinct origin of the love of the world and the love of God, the Apostle points out the transitory nature of all sinful enjoyments.

18 "It is the last time;"—not the close of the apostolic age, but some more marked period subsequent to the apostolic age in the progress of the new economy, distinguished by heresies and errors, of which the Apostle even now saw the germs and the buds Antichrist is not to be restricted to the development of Popery, but to every kind of anti-Christian error, whether in doctrine or in practice, of which Popery, indeed, is an impressive type.

19. "Went out from us,"—left the society of the Church, and thus revealed the fact, by their conduct, that they never stood in living union with the body of Christ, and hence were never in union with Christ himself

20 "Ye have an unction"—he had just intimated the fact that there are many Antichrists; it follows that there is one true Christ and Christ is the Anointed of the Father; and from him, as the Anointed One, ye have received an anointing, even the same Spirit with which Christ was anointed; and this Spirit leads into all truth, so that we know all things essential to a holy and an unworldly life.

21. "No lie is of the truth;"—by which the Apostle seems to resolve every form of Antichrist into a lie. As Christ is "the way, the truth, and the life," it is a practical denial of Christ,

24 "Let that therefore abide in you;"—the doctrine which they had been taught by the Apostle in reference to the unity of the Father and the Son, as well as their official relation in the wondrous plan of man's redemption. Continuance in this truth was, in fact, continuance in God himself.

28. "We may have confidence"—this may refer to the Apostle, who, like Paul, desired to present these his converts, his children, perfect before God; or it may include the converts themselves, whose privilege it was to look for the mercy of the Lord Jesus unto eternal life.

CHAPTER III.

1. "What manner of love."—it is not simply the fact that God has revealed his love to us; but it is the manner—the kind or character of the love. Never did it take such a character before.

"Knew him not;"—that is, the Saviour, in whom this unparalleled love was revealed and embodied, and through whom, and for whose sake, mercy has been extended to fallen man.

6. "Sinneth not:"—a life of sin is absolutely excluded by the higher law of redeeming love. If there be spiritual life, there must be love to God; and love to God forbids the practice of sin. The doctrine is not that of sinless perfection, but of a life of holiness as opposed to a life of sin.

7 "Even as he is righteous"—the essential righteousness of God is the foundation of all moral rectitude in his creatures. And to him we are to be conformed, if we would attain the perfection of holy life.

9. "He cannot sin"—as the Apostle takes the Divine birth and filial relation to God in its fullest sense, it follows that if man is really born of God, the Divine principle must remain in him, and he cannot habitually and wilfully commit sin. If we are light in the Lord, we must have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness.

12. "Wherefore slew he him?"—did the fact of God accepting Abel's offering, to the rejection of that of his brother, first give birth to the feeling of hatred in the heart of Cain? Or did the feeling pre-exist, and the act of God give occasion to its outward and deadly manifestation? The latter we

his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels *of compassion* from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?[a]

18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.[b]

19 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall [1]assure our hearts before him.[c]

20 For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.[d]

21 Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, *then* have we confidence toward God.[e]

22 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.[f]

23 And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.[g]

24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.[h]

CHAPTER IV.

1 *He warneth them not to believe all teachers, who boast of the Spirit, but to try them by the rules of the catholick faith.* 7 *and by many reasons to brotherly love.*

BELOVED, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.[i]

2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:[j]

3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.[k]

4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.[l]

AFTER ANNO DOMINI 90.

m John iii. 31; xv. 19; xvii. 14

a ch iv 20, Deut xv. 7; Luke iii 11

b Ezek xxxiii 31; Rom xii. 9, Eph iv 15; James ii. 15, 16, 1 Peter i. 22

n Isa viii 20; John viii. 47, x 27, xiv 17, 1 Cor xiv. 37; 2 Cor x 7.

1 Gr. *persuade.*

c ch. i 8, John xviii 37.

o ch. iii. 10, 11, 23

d 1 Cor iv 4.

p ver 16; ch. ii. 4; iii 6

e ch ii 28, iv 17, Job xxii 26; Heb x 22

q ch iii 16, v 11, John iii 16, Rom v 8, viii. 32.

f ch v. 14, Ps xxxiv. 15, cxlv 18, 19, Prov xv 29; Jer xxix 12; Matt vii 8, xxi 22, Mark xi 24, John viii. 29; ix 31, xiv 13; xv 7, xvi 23, 24; James v. 16.

r ch. ii 2; John xv 16; Rom v 8, 10, Titus iii 4.

g ver 11; ch ii 8, 10, iv 21, Matt xxii 39, John vi 29; xiii 34, xv 12; xvii 3, Eph v 2, 1 Thess. iv 9, 1 Peter iv 8

s ch iii 16; Matt xviii 33, John xv 12, 13

h ch. iv 12, 13; John xiv 23, xv 10, xvii. 21, &c, Rom. viii

t vs 18, 20, ch ii 5; John i 18, 1 Tim. vi 16

u ch iii 24; John xiv 20.

v ch i 1, 2; John i 14, iii 17

w ch v 1, 5; Rom x 9

x vs 8, 12, ch iii 24

i ch ii 18, Jer xxix 8, Matt xxiv 4, 5, 24, Acts xx 30, 1 Cor xiv 29, 1 Thess. v 21, 1 Tim iv 1, 2 Peter ii 1, 2 John 7, Rev ii 2

2 Gr *love with us*

y ch ii 28, iii 3, 19, 21, James ii 13

j ch v. 1, 1 Cor xii 3.

z ver 12

k ch ii 18, 22, 2 Thess ii 7, 2 John 7

a ver 12, ch. ii 4; iii 17

l ch v 4, John viii 31 xiv 30, xvi 11, 1 Cor ii 12, Eph ii 2, vi. 12

b ch iii 23, Matt xxii 37, 39, John xiii. 34; xv 12

5 They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.[m]

6 We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.[n]

7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.[o]

8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.[p]

9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.[q]

10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.[r]

11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.[s]

12 No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.[t]

13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.[u]

14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son *to be* the Saviour of the world.[v]

15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.[w]

And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.[x]

17 Herein is [2]our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.[y]

18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.[z]

19 We love him, because he first loved us.

20 If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?[a]

21 And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.[b]

believe to be the true idea. The conduct of Cain at such a moment, and under such circumstances, revealed the character of the man.

15 "Is a murderer"—murder has its root in the principle of hatred. Let the principle be but cherished, and every man's hand would be against his brother. Love, on the contrary, will lead to the preservation of life. Enmity and hatred are in direct opposition to the spirit of Christ, and partake of the spirit of the Evil One, the Prince of Darkness

16. "The love of God"—the words "*of God*" in this clause obscure the sense, and are not to be found in the best manuscripts. John says: "Hereby perceive we the love"—that is, *the nature of the love* of which he is treating. Its perfect manifestation is found only in Christ, who laid down his life for us; and if we are in union with him, our consciousness of his love will lead us, if need be, to lay down our lives for the brethren.

19. "We are of the truth;"—begotten by that word of truth which the Spirit employs in the work of regeneration, and which dwells in every renewed soul as an incorruptible seed, and is ever yielding its riper fruit.

CHAPTER IV.

1—3. "Believe not every spirit"—in the degree in which the love of Christ has taken possession of the heart, and reveals itself in brotherly love, in that degree do we know that we are of the truth; and if we have been born of the Spirit by the instrumentality of that truth, then we ought to be able to distinguish between the incorruptible seed itself and those seeds of error which are so thickly sown by false teachers. It is against such false teachers (here called spirits and prophets) that the Apostle is warning his readers. They are to be tried, or put to the test, by bringing their doctrines to the one infallible standard of truth. It is thus that the Spirit of God, who is the Spirit of truth, is to be distinguished from every other spirit that speaks either in or through man.

One of the earliest developments of Antichrist in the Apostolic age was the denial of Christ's humanity; one of its later manifestations, in our own day, is the giving an undue prominence to that humanity, to the disregard of his divinity. The Christ of Revelation is "God manifested in the flesh"—God and man in one Christ.

4. "Have overcome them;"—or have successfully resisted their seductive influences, and have overcome their errors by the power of God's Spirit.

5. "Speak they of the world;"—that is, by the worldly principle only worldly things are produced—anti-Christian doctrine, and a life that is purely earthly, because the doctrine is purely human. Hence the world's ready ear and cheerful approval.

12 "No man hath seen God at any time:"—this does not contradict those passages of Scripture in which mention is made of seeing God; for these passages refer to Christ, the Word of God, the Second Person of the sacred Trinity, who was the visible representative of Him who is invisible, namely, God the Father; yet, although no man hath seen God the Father, there are the children of God, who visibly represent him, and our love to them bespeaks our love to him (verse 20), and his love to us and our love to him are thus perfected. We know by this love to others for his sake that he dwelleth in us "We know," says the Apostle, "that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren."

15. "Confess that Jesus is the Son of God"—this confession arises out of the fact adduced by the Apostle in chap iii. 19, "We know that we are of the truth;" for if the truth be in us, the confession of that truth follows as a consequence.

CHAPTER V.

1 *He that loveth God loveth his children, and keepeth his commandments:* 3 *which to the faithful are light, and not grievous.* 9 *Jesus is the Son of God, able to save us,* 14 *and to hear our prayers, which we make for ourselves, and for others.*

WHOSOEVER believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.[a]

2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.[b]

4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith.[c]

5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?[d]

6 This is he that came by water and blood, *even* Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.[e]

7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.[f]

8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son.[g]

AFTER ANNO DOMINI 90.

h John iii. 33; v. 38, Rom viii 16; Gal. iv 6.

i ch ii. 25; iv. 9; John i. 4.

j John iii. 36; v. 24.

a ch ii 22, 23; iv. 2, 15; John i. 12, 13; xv. 23.

k ch. i 1, 2; John xx. 31

1 Or, *concerning him.*

l ch. iii. 22.

b Micah vi. 8; Matt. xi. 30, John xiv 15, 21, 23, xv 10, 2 John 6.

c ch. iv 9; iv. 4; John xvi. 33.

m Job xlii 8; Jer. vii 16, xiv 11, Matt xii. 31, 32, Mark iii 29, Luke xii 10, John xvii 9, Heb vi 4, 6, x 26, James v. 14, 15.

d ch iv 15, 1 Cor. xv. 57

n ch. iii. 4

e John xiv. 17, xv. 26; xvi 13, xix 34; 1 Tim iii 16

o ch. iii 9; 1 Peter i 23, James i. 27

p Gal. i. 4.

f John i 1; x. 30; Rev xix. 13.

q vs 11—13; Isa ix 6, xliv. 6; liv. 5; Luke xxiv. 45; John xvii. 3, xx. 28; Acts xx. 28, Rom. ix. 5, 1 Tim. iii 16, Titus ii. 13, Heb. i. 8.

g Matt. iii. 16, 17; xvii 5, John viii. 17, 18.

r 1 Cor. v. 14.

10 He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.[h]

11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.[i]

12 He that hath the Son hath life; *and* he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.[j]

13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.[k]

14 And this is the confidence that we have [1]in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:[l]

15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

16 If any man see his brother sin a sin *which is* not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for them that sin not unto death. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it.[m]

17 All unrighteousness is sin: and there is a sin not unto death.[n]

18 We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.[o]

19 *And* we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.[p]

20 And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, *even* in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.[q]

21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.[r]

17, 18. "Our love made perfect;"—that is, the Divine principle as it exists in the heart, and develops itself in ever-advancing degrees, divesting the last judgment of all its terrors, and insuring for us acceptance with Him whom we represent in this world. Hence there is no fear in love. It is free from every slavish and enslaving element—the gentlest yet the mightiest and most triumphant of all principles.

CHAPTER V.

1 "Is born of God."—if there be faith in Christ—that faith which recognises his character and claims as the Saviour of the world—there is in such faith the positive evidence of being born of God. Nor is it possible to be the subject of Divine life without corresponding affection to Him who is the Source of that life, and if we love the Father because of his holy nature, we must also love all who are partakers of that nature.

2. "We know that we love the children of God:"—as in chapter iv. 20, "our love to our brethren was made a sign and necessary condition of our love to God, so, conversely, our love to God, ascertained by our keeping his commandments, is itself the measure of our love to the children of God. Either of the two being found to be present, the presence of the other follows."

3. "This is the love of God."—the evidence of our love to God lies in holy obedience to his ever-blessed will.

4, 5. "Even our faith:"—it is faith which unites to Christ; and reposing on his infinite resources, and working by love, it easily and effectually conquers the world.

6. "He that came by water and blood:"—this clause certainly points to "some purely historical facts in the life of our Lord on earth, and to some still present witnesses for Christ." What are these facts? Our Lord entered on his public life at his baptism, and he closed that life by shedding his blood. In baptism and the Lord's Supper we have an abiding testimony to these facts.

7, 8. "There are three that bear record"—the evidence for and against the genuineness of these verses is very powerful on both sides. We therefore pass it without expressing any opinion, merely observing that the most ancient Greek manuscripts and the early Fathers confirm the doctrine of the Trinity by the words which they *admit*, namely, "there are three that bear witness, the Spirit, the water, and the blood;" and these three agree in testifying that Jesus is the Son of God.

13. "And that ye may believe:"—the better rendering of this clause would be—"Even to you that believe on the name of the Son of God."

16. "There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it:"—opinion is greatly divided as to the nature of this sin. It is thought by some eminent Christian writers that the Apostle is here speaking of the mutual intercessions of professing Christians, who should pray for the forgiveness of one another's sins, only remembering that such a course of sin as is plainly inconsistent with the existence of spiritual life must place such a person out of the limits of this mutual brotherly intercession.

The Second Epistle of John

1 *He exhorteth a certain honourable matron, with her children, to persevere in Christian love and belief,* 8 *lest they lose the reward of their former profession.* 10 *and to have nothing to do with those seducers that bring not the true doctrine of Christ Jesus.*

THE elder unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; and not I only, but also all they that have known the truth;[a]

2 For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever.

3 Grace [1]be with you, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.[b]

4 I rejoiced greatly that I found of thy children walking in truth, as we have received a commandment from the Father.[c]

5 And now I beseech thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning, that we love one another.[d]

6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.[e]

7 For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.[f]

8 Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have [2]wrought, but that we receive a full reward.[g]

9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.[h]

10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into *your* house, neither bid him God speed:[i]

11 For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

12 Having many things to write unto you, I would not *write* with paper and ink: but I trust to come unto you, and speak [3]face to face, that [4]our joy may be full.[j]

13 The children of thy elect sister greet thee. Amen.[k]

AFTER ANNO DOMINI 90

a ver 3, John viii 32; Gal ii 5, 14, iii 1; v 7, Col i 5, 2 Thess. ii 13, 1 Tim. ii 4, Heb x 26, 1 John iii. 18, 3 John 1

b ver 1, 1 Tim i 2

c 3 John 3.

d John xiii 34, xv 12, Eph. v 2; 1 Peter iv 8, 1 John ii 7, 8, iii 11, 23.

e John xiv. 15, 21; xv 10, 1 John ii. 5, 24; v 3.

f 1 John ii. 22; iv. 1—3.

g Mark xiii 9; Gal. iii 4, Heb. x. 32, 35

h 1 John ii 23.

i Rom xvi 17; 1 Cor v 11, xvi 22, Gal i 8, 9, 2 Tim iii. 5, Titus iii 10.

j John xvii 13 1 John i. 4, 3 John 13.

k 1 Peter v 13.

1 Gr *shall be*

2 Or, *gained* Some copies read, *which ye have gained, but that ye receive, &c.*

3 Gr *mouth to mouth*

4 Or, *your.*

THE Second and Third Epistles of John were, in all probability, written from Ephesus at a very advanced period of the Apostle's life.

But to whom was the Second Epistle addressed? Is the designation "elect lady" to be referred to an individual, or figuratively to a Church? If to a Church, is it to be the one Catholic or Universal Church, or to some one particular body of believers? All these opinions have been entertained, and have had their advocates. We have not space here to examine them, and simply give it as the result of careful examination, that we believe from its entire structure the Epistle was addressed to an individual, and not to a Church. This lady "appears to have been a Christian matron generally known and beloved among the brethren, having children, some of whom the Apostle had found (in a previous visit to her) walking in the truth." Her name was Kyria the Elect, and she "had a sister, also a Christian matron, whose children seem to have been with the Apostle when he wrote this Epistle"

1. "The elder:"—a designation which points both to his age and his office He was a teacher ripe in years.

"Also all they that have known the truth."—what a testimony this to the Christian character of this lady and her family! By the force of their character they had won the esteem and confidence of all their fellow-believers

8. "That we lose not."—they were, in all probability, converts of the Apostle, and hence his solicitude that they should not be seduced by false teachers

THE THIRD EPISTLE OF JOHN

He commendeth Gaius for his piety, 5 and hospitality 7 to true preachers, 9 complaining of the unkind dealing of ambitious Diotrephes on the contrary side, 11 whose evil example is not to be followed: 12 and giveth special testimony to the good report of Demetrius.

THE elder unto the well-beloved Gaius, whom I love [1]in the truth.[a]

2 Beloved, I [2]wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

3 For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth.[b]

4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth.[c]

5 Beloved, thou doest faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to strangers;

6 Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey [3]after a godly sort, thou shalt do well:

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d 1 Cor. ix. 12, 15.

1 Or, *truly.*

a 2 John 1.

2 Or, *pray.*

e Ps. xxxvii. 27; Isa. i. 16, 17, 1 Peter iii. 11; 1 John ii. 29, iii. 6, 9.

b 2 John 4.

c 1 Cor. iv. 15; Phil. 10

f John xxi. 24; 1 Tim. iii. 7.

g 2 John 12.

4 Gr *mouth to mouth.*

3 Gr. *worthy of God.*

7 Because that for his name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles.[d]

8 We therefore ought to receive such, that we might be fellowhelpers to the truth.

9 I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence among them, receiveth us not.

10 Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth *them* out of the church.

11 Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil hath not seen God.[e]

12 Demetrius hath good report of all *men*, and of the truth itself: yea, and we *also* bear record; and ye know that our record is true.[f]

13 I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee:[g]

14 But I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak [4]face to face. Peace *be* to thee. *Our* friends salute thee. Greet the friends by name.

This Epistle is addressed to a certain individual named Gaius; but who this Gaius was we have no means of determining.

1. "The wellbeloved Gaius."—he seems to have been a man distinguished for his large-hearted beneficence, and to have enjoyed the love and confidence not only of the Apostle, but of the whole Church.

2. "As thy soul prospereth."—his spiritual condition is made, in the prayer of the Apostle, the measure of his temporal prosperity. If this rule were universally applied, how small a portion of temporal good would fall to the lot of many!

6. "Which have borne witness of thy charity before the church:"—these were, in all likelihood, evangelists, who, in giving an account of their evangelical labours, would very naturally speak of the hospitality and sympathy which they received from Gaius, who was wont to send these devoted labourers on their journey with light and joyous hearts.

9. "Diotrephes, who loveth to have the pre-eminence"—who he was we know not; only he was an ambitious man, who denied the authority of the Apostle, in order that he might establish his own unholy rule.

12. "Demetrius hath good report of all:"—all who know him testify to his character; he is in reality what the report represents him, and I regard him as a living epistle to be known and read of all men.



He exhorteth them to be constant in the profession of the faith. 4 False teachers are crept in to seduce them: for whose damnable doctrine and manners horrible punishment is prepared

godly, by the assistance of the Holy Spirit, and prayers to God, may persevere, and grow in grace, and keep themselves, and recover others out of the snares of those deceivers.

JUDE, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, *and* called:[a]

2 Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.[b]

3 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort *you* that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.[c]

4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.[d]

5 I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.[e]

6 And the angels which kept not their [1]first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment the great day.[f]

7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after [2]strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.[g]

8 Likewise also these *filthy* dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.[h]

9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.[i]

10 But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.[j]

11 Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.[k]

12 These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds *they are* without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;[l]

13 Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.[m]

14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, pro-

a Luke vi 16; John xvii. 11, 12, 15, Acts i 13, Rom i 7, 1 Peter i 5

b 1 Peter i. 2, 2 Peter i 2

c Dan x 13, xii 1, Zech iii. 2; 2 Peter ii 11, Rev xii. 7.

d Rom ix 21, 22; Gal ii 4, Titus i 16, ii 11, Heb. xii. 15; 1 Peter ii 8; 2 Peter ii. 1, 10; 1 John ii 22.

e Numb. xiv 29, 37; xxvi 64; Ps cvi 26, 1 Cor x 9, Heb iii. 17, 19

1 Or, principality.

f John viii. 44, 2 Peter ii. 4; Rev. xx 10

2 Or, other

g Gen xix 24; Deut. xxix. 23, 2 Peter ii 6

h Exod xxii. 28; 2 Peter ii 10

i Jude 9

j 2 Peter ii 12

k Gen iv. 5, Numb xvi. 1, &c., xxvi 7, 21, 2 Peter ii 15, 1 John iii 12

l Prov xxv. 14; Matt. xv 13; 1 Cor. xi 21; Eph iv 14; 2 Peter ii. 13, 17.

m Isa. lvii. 20 Philipp. iii. 19; 2 Peter ii. 17.

JUDE, or Judas, the author of this Epistle, was sometimes called Lebbæus, and sometimes Thaddæus (Matt. x. 3; John xiv. 22); this was to distinguish him from Judas, the betrayer of Christ. This Epistle is quoted as a portion of the Holy Scriptures by Clement of Alexandria, who died A.D. 218; by Tertullian, who died A.D. 245; by Origen, who died A.D. 254; by Dionysius, the Bishop of Alexandria, who flourished in the third century; and it is also quoted by most of the later Fathers.

This Epistle is supposed to have been written about the year 64, to the Jews and Gentiles who had embraced Christianity. It bears a striking resemblance to the second chapter of the second Epistle of Peter; and we think it not improbable that, as both these inspired men were writing on the same subject, and denouncing the same errors, Jude applied to the Christians of Syria and Arabia the line of reasoning employed by Peter when writing to the Christians dwelling in Asia Minor.

phesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,[a]

15 To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.[b]

16 These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling *words*, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.[c]

17 But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ;[d]

18 How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.[e]

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a Gen. v. 18; Deut. xxxiii. 2; Dan. vii. 10; Zech. xiv. 5; Matt. xxv. 31; 2 Thess. i. 7; Rev. i. 7; *f* Prov. xviii. 1; Ezek. xiv. 7; Hos. iv. 12; ix. 10; 1 Cor. ii. 14; Heb. x. 25; James iii. 15. *g* Rom. viii. 26; Eph. vi. 18; Col. ii. 7; 1 Tim. i. 4. *h* Titus ii. 13; 2 Peter iii. 12.

b 1 Sam. ii. 3; Ps. xxxi. 18; xciv. 4; Mal. iii. 13.

c Prov. xxviii. 21; James ii. 1, 9; 2 Peter ii. 18. *i* Amos iv. 11; Zech. iii. 2, 4, 5; Rom. xi. 14; 1 Cor. iii. 15; 1 Tim. iv. 16; Rev. iii. 4.

d 2 Peter iii. 2. *j* Rom. xvi. 25; Eph. iii. 20; Col. i. 22.

e 1 Tim. iv. 1; 2 Tim. iii. 1; iv. 3; 2 Peter ii. 1; iii. 3. *k* Rom. xvi. 27; 1 Tim. i. 17; ii. 3.

19 These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.[f]

20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,[g]

21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.[h]

22 And of some have compassion, making a difference:

23 And others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.[i]

24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present *you* faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,[j]

25 To the only wise God our Saviour, *be* glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.[k]

At the time this Epistle was written, the Simonians, the Nicolaitans, and the Gnostics were promulgating their dangerous tenets. The Apostle seeks to guard the Christian converts against these false teachers, by pointing out the danger of their doctrines and the immorality of their lives, and the certain punishment that awaited them. He seems to ask to what could they trust for safety. Had they experienced deliverances?—so had Israel, who perished in the wilderness (verse 5). Had they lived near to God and been made partakers of his favour?—so had the angels who were now outcasts from heaven (verse 6). Would they plead their natural inclinations as an apology for sin—had this protected the men of the guilty cities? (verse 7) the men were destroyed. The Apostle proceeds to show that as chastisement overtook the offenders in the wilderness, the wrong-doers in heaven, and the transgressors of the plain, so would it fall upon these seducers from the faith—upon these advocates for unholiness of life. Prophecy had foretold the offence, and justice had assigned an appointed punishment for these opposers of Christ's holy Gospel, and for these enemies to the welfare of man.

3 "Common salvation,"—offered alike to Jew and to Gentile

"Earnestly contend;"—as combatants contending for their lives.

"Once delivered,"—once for all, so as to admit of no charge; once for all, so as to need no additional evidence beyond that which has been given by Christ, the Son of God, and by the Apostles—men taught by the Holy Ghost.

4. "Before of old ordained,"—described beforehand; and the amount of punishment for such offences long decreed.

6 "Reserved in everlasting chains;"—reserved *for* everlasting chains. At present evil spirits dwell in the air, and wander over the earth seeking whom they may destroy

7. "Suffering the vengeance of eternal fire;"—a fire which irrevocably and finally destroyed the guilty cities.

9 "Durst not bring against him a railing accusation;"—would not commit an act inconsistent with his holy nature.

11. "They have gone in the way of Cain;"—have resembled Cain in his envy and malice; and Balaam in his readiness to lead men into sin for filthy lucre's sake; and Korah in his rebellious acts and his rejection of Divine authority.

12. "Clouds they are without water;"—promising, but deceptive.

"Trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit;"—a profession of usefulness which produces no result; the form of godliness without the power.

"Twice dead;"—once wicked Jews or wicked Gentiles, now wicked Christians.

"Plucked up by the roots;"—the fruit tree that is fruitless is destroyed.

13. "Wandering stars;"—unsteady lights, and, as such, unsafe guides.

14. "Enoch also, the seventh from Adam;"—to distinguish him from Enoch, the son of Cain. These words are quoted from an uncanonical book, a copy of which has been recently found in an Ethiopic version. Objections have been urged against the Epistle of Jude, because Jude, an inspired writer, has quoted from an uninspired work. The important question that concerned the Apostle when penning the Epistle was, Is this a true statement? and being convinced of its accuracy, he quotes it, and thus vouches for its truthfulness, without vouching for the accuracy of the work from which it was quoted. St. Paul's Epistles are not lessened in authority by the Apostle's quotations from Greek poets; as, for example, from Aratus (Acts xvii. 28); from Menander (1 Cor. xv. 33); and from Epimenides (Titus i. 12). The Apostle's remarks extend to the quotations, and not to the various books from which they are selected.

15 "To execute judgment;"—to act as a judge by passing sentence upon the offenders.

19. "Who separate themselves;"—that is, from the godly, being themselves ungodly and destitute of God's Spirit.

21. "Keep yourselves in the love of God;"—by living in his fear. With this holy admonition we close our comment upon the Epistles, saying to our Christian brethren, in the words of the Apostle—

"MERCY UNTO YOU, AND PEACE, AND LOVE, BE MULTIPLIED."



THE REVELATION OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE

CHAPTER I.

1 John writeth his revelation to the seven churches of Asia, signified by the seven golden candlesticks. 7 The coming of Christ. 14 His glorious power and majesty.

THE Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified *it* by his angel unto his servant John :[a]

2 Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.[b]

3 Blessed *is* he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time *is* at hand.[c]

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a ver 3; ch. iv 1; xxii. 16, John iii. 32; viii. 26; xii. 49

b ver. 9; ch. vi. 9; xii. 17; 1 Cor. i. 6; 1 John i. 1.

c ch. xxii. 7, 10; Luke xi 28, Rom. xii. 11; James v. 8; 1 Peter iv. 7.

4 JOHN to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;[e]

5 And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,[b]

6 And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.[c]

7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.[d]

8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.[e]

9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.[f]

10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,[g]

11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send *it* unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos,

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h vs 8, 17.
a ver. 8; ch. iii. 1; iv. 5; v. 6; Exod iii. 14; Zech. iii. 9; iv. 10; John i. 1.
e ver. 20; Exod. xxv. 37; Zech. iv. 2.
f ch ii 1; xiv. 14; xv 6; Ezek. i. 26; Dan vii. 13, x. 5.
b ch iii. 14; xvii. 14; xix. 16; John viii. 14; xiii. 34; xv. 9; 1 Cor. xv. 20; Gal. ii. 20; Eph. i. 20; Col. i. 18; 1 Tim. vi. 13; Heb. ix. 14; 1 John i. 7
k ch. ii. 18; xix. 12; Dan. vii. 9; x 6
c ch. v. 10, xx. 6, 1 Tim. vi 16, Heb xiii. 21; 1 Peter ii. 5, 9; iv. 11; v. 11.
l ch. ii. 18; xiv. 2; xix 6; Ezek i. 7; xliii. 2; Dan. x 6.
d Dan. vii 13, Zech. xii 10; Matt xxiv 30; xxvi. 64; John xix. 37; Acts i. 11.
m ver. 20; ch. ii 1, 12, 16, iii 1; x 1; xix. 15, 21; Isa. xlix 2; Acts xxvi. 13; Eph. vi. 17; Heb iv. 12.
e vs. 4, 11, 17; ch. ii 8; iv. 8; xi. 17; xvi. 5; xxi. 6; xxii. 13; Isa. xli. 4, xliv 6, xlviii. 12.
n ver 11; ch ii. 8; xxii 13; Isa xli. 4, xliv 6, xlviii. 12; Ezek i. 28, Dan. viii 18, x. 10
o ch iv 9, v. 14; xx. 1; Ps. lxviii. 20; Rom. vi. 9.
f ver. 2, ch vi. 9; Rom. viii 17; Philipp. i. 7; iv. 14; 2 Tim i. 8, ii. 12.
p ver. 12, &c.; ch. ii 1, &c; iv 1, &c
g ch iv 1, 2; x 8, xvii. 3; xxi 10; John xx. 26, Acts x. 10; xx. 7; 1 Cor. xvi. 2; 2 Cor. xii 2.
q vs. 12, 16; ch. ii. 1, &c.; Zech iv. 2; Mal. ii. 7; Matt. v. 15, Philipp. ii. 15.

and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.[h]

12 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;[i]

13 And in the midst of the seven candlesticks *one* like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.[j]

14 His head and *his* hairs *were* white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes *were* as a flame of fire;[k]

15 And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.[l]

16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth in his strength.[m]

17 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:[n]

18 *I am* he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.[o]

19 Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;[p]

20 The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.[q]

CHAPTER I.

It is in the contents of this book that we see John the Evangelist gazing with undazzled eye at the brightness of celestial scenes, and making known to the Church, by means of the Divine revelation, all those great evolutions which were coming up with the birth of time and the progress of years. That the composition is to be ascribed to the same pen that wrote the fourth Gospel is placed beyond all controversy by the weight of testimony both ancient and modern. The writer of this communication from Christ to his Church was no other than the disciple whom Jesus loved.

The visions were given to John during his exile in Patmos; but whether he wrote the book while in the island, or after his return to Ephesus, is matter of debate. The composition itself may be fixed to the year 95 or 96, or about the close of the reign of Domitian.

The question affecting the object of the work is easily answered. The book is a series of visions prophetic of the future, placing the things which are to come in dim and distant perspective; and yet, taking into account the hortatory character of the addresses to the Seven Churches in Asia, and in which the Spirit of truth speaks to believers in all ages, we may fairly say that the object of the Apocalypse "is not only to prophesy of the future, but also by such prophecy to rebuke, exhort, and console the Church."

In the interpretation of the book there are various modes of looking at its contents, each of which has had its advocate. There are those who believe that if not the whole, yet by far the greater part of the prophecy has been fulfilled; and there are those who believe that the prophecy embraced the whole history of the Church, with all its issues, from the days of the Apostles down to the end of the world, and there are also persons who assert that the prophecy relates entirely to events still future—events which are to take place at or near to the coming of the Lord. It is not for us, in our brief space, to examine these different modes of viewing this prophecy. We satisfy ourselves by expressing our belief that they are right who have adopted the historical interpretation, and regard the prophecy as embracing the state of the Church through all time. The work thus commends itself to all who search the Scriptures, and are eager to know the mind of God:—"Blessed are they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein."

1. "The Revelation of Jesus Christ,"—not something said by John about Christ, but a communication from Christ, in his glorified state, to his servant John. And yet this Revelation is said to have been given by God to Christ—by the Father to the Son. And here the Apocalypse stands in the closest affinity with the Gospel; for "it is one of the pervading characteristics of John's Gospel that the Son has everything that the Father has, and yet has nothing but what he has of the Father."

2. "Who bare record of the word of God:"—the phrase "the word of God" is not to be referred to the personal LOGOS, but to some former writing of the Apostle—perhaps his Gospel, or his Epistle, or both; for in both he says, "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you."—1 John i 1, compared with John i. 14.

3 "Blessed is he that readeth:"—the reference here is to the public reader, and those who heard were his auditors; on both of whom the benediction is pronounced.

"The time is at hand:"—that is, the time is nigh, or is drawing near, when the predictions would begin to be fulfilled.

4. "Which are in Asia"—this must be taken, as in the Gospels, for the pro-consular province so called.

"The seven Spirits."—seven is the term of completeness, and here points to the plenitude and the perfection of the Eternal Spirit—one with the Father and the Son.

5 "The first begotten of the dead;"—the first who rose from the dead and assumed a glorified humanity.

7. "Behold, he cometh:"—this is not only a note of solemn preparation to awaken the attention of his readers, but the utterance of a solemn truth—a truth in which all the hopes and anticipations of the Church are to be realised—the second advent of the Lord. Nor is anything more common with the writers of the New Testament than to leap over all intervening time and events, and fix the eye on that grand final consummation involved in the coming of our Lord.

9 "The isle that is called Patmos:"—this island is one of a group known by the name of the Sporades, to the south of Samos, in the Ægean Sea, about thirty Roman miles in circumference.

10. "I was in the Spirit:"—that is, in a state of supernatural influence—in an ecstacy induced by the power of the Spirit upon his inner nature.

11. "The seven churches:"—these churches were, in all probability, composed chiefly of Jewish converts, settled in the seven great commercial, influential, and wealthy cities here named, in which were the seven principal or largest Christian synagogues, and might, therefore, be considered as representing the entire Christian body in Roman Asia.

12. "Seven golden candlesticks;"—or rather, lamp-bearers, with reference to the golden lamps in the Jewish sanctuary.

13—16. "One like unto the Son of man;"—a symbolical representation of Christ, as the Head and High Priest of his Church. He had *in* or *on* his hand seven stars, like a circlet of brilliant gems, to intimate that all the inferior lights in his Church are in his hand, and at his disposal; while his breath assumed the shape of a two-edged sword, denoting the power of his word of grace, and the power of his word of condemnation.

20. "The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches:"—that is, stars are symbolical of the angels or pastors of the Churches; and these pastors are called angels, or messengers, because their office was to deliver the message of God to the Churches.

CHAPTER II.

What is commanded to be written to the angels, that is, the ministers of the churches of 1 *Ephesus,* 8 *Smyrna,* 12 *Pergamos,* 18 *Thyatira: and what is commended, or found wanting in them.*

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UNTO the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;[a]

2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:[b]

3 And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.[c]

4 Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.[d]

6 But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate.[e]

7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.[f]

8 And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;[g]

9 I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and *I know* the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but *are* the synagogue of Satan.[h]

10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast *some* of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.[i]

11 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.[j]

12 And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;[k]

13 I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, *even* where Satan's seat *is:* and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas *was* my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.[l]

14 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.[m]

15 So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes, which thing I hate.[n]

16 Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly,

a ch. i. 8, 17, 18.

b ver. 2; iii. 9; Luke xii. 31; Rom. ii. 17, 28, 29; ix. 6; 1 Tim. vi. 18; James ii. 5.

c ch. i. 13, 16, 20.

d ch. iii. 11; Matt. x. 22; xxiv. 13; James i. 12

e ver. 7; ch xiii. 9; xx. 14; xxi. 8.

f vs 9, 13, 19; ch. iii. 1, 8, 15; Ps i 6, 2 Cor. xi 13; 2 Peter ii. 1; 1 John iv 1.

g ch. i 16

h vs. 2, 9.

i Matt. xxi. 41, 43.

k ver 15

m ver. 20; Numb. xxiv. 14, xxv. 1; xxxi. 16; Acts xv. 29; 1 Cor vi. 13, &c.; viii 9, 10, x 19, 20, 2 Peter ii. 15, Jude 11

n ver. 6.

l vs 11, 17, 29; ch. iii. 6, 13, 22; xiii 9; xxii. 2, 14, Gen. ii 9; Matt. xi. 15; xiii. 9, 43.

CHAPTER II.

In whatever light these addresses to the Seven Churches are viewed, it is undeniable that there is to be found in them what is applicable to the whole Church, and throughout all time.

1. "The church of Ephesus:"—first among the Asiatic Churches, Ephesus is addressed in language of mingled commendation and rebuke. Ephesus was the capital of Ionia, and, under the Romans, was the metropolis of proconsular Asia. This city stood near the river Cayster, in that part of Asia Minor which belonged to Lydia. St. Paul went to Ephesus on his second missionary tour with Aquila and Priscilla, who remained there after he was forced to leave. These zealous disciples were instrumental in bringing Apollos to a knowledge of the truth. On his third journey, St. Paul went again to Ephesus, and stayed there two years and three months, preaching first in the synagogue, and then in the school of Tyrannus (Acts xix.). His success was so marked, that opposition was excited, and he had once more to retire. Timothy, however, was placed there, and is regarded as the first bishop of the Church. Subsequently, St. Paul addressed an Epistle to the Church. It appears that false teachers crept in among the brethren at an early period, and caused considerable difficulty (1 Tim. i. 3). For many years there was a Church at Ephesus with its bishops, and some important councils were held there. In course of time the city fell into decay, and at present its ruins only exist near to a small place called Aiasaluk, or City of the Moon. Mr. Hartley, who visited the place in 1826, says—"In a missionary point of view, Ephesus offers now no attractions: her ancient Church has vanished; her candlestick has been removed."

The message to each of the Seven Churches is addressed to "the angel," as the representative of the whole assembly. But what was his official position? It is thought that the title is borrowed from the synagogue, and in its literal meaning seems to correspond with the *legatus ecclesiæ*, a kind of officer to whom communications designed for the whole congregation would properly be addressed; but still it is difficult to define the nature of his office. As the symbol of his office was a star, it is but natural to look upon him as the enlightened guide and director of the Church. These "stars" were not "set in the firmament (the emblem of political rulers), but were stars that could be grasped and upheld, implying that these angels were Christ's ministers and servants, and altogether in his hand;" while their office was such that they were, in the discharge of its duties, to reflect his glory.

6. "The deeds of the Nicolaitanes:"—who was the founder of this sect, or what was their creed, it is impossible now to determine. We can only conjecture that they lived in sensual indulgence. If so, then how appropriate is the promise to those who overcome the temptation to such a life—"To him will I give to eat of the tree of life!"

8. "The church in Smyrna:"—Smyrna is a sea-port, standing on a bay known as the Gulf of Smyrna. It is a very ancient city, and one of those which claimed to be the birthplace of Homer. There was a Christian Church there at a very early period; but the first mention of it in the New Testament is in this book. The Epistle is full of affectionate commendation, and of warning in view of coming persecutions. The Church of Smyrna seems never to have been extinguished, and Christianity is still professed in the city, which has a population of 120,000 souls. It has been often observed, as a remarkable illustration of the inspired character of the Epistles to the Churches, that, of all the seven cities addressed by St. John, Smyrna is the only one which maintains an honourable existence; all the others are either utterly destroyed or comparatively insignificant. Dr. Rosenmuller says:—"Smyrna is the most thriving commercial town in the Levant, with respect both to export and import trade. The Greeks, who, next to the Turks, compose the most numerous class of inhabitants, have a bishop and two churches." The Turkish name of Smyrna is Izmir.

9. "The synagogue of Satan:"—these Jews by birth were, as the most active enemies of Christianity, engaged in the service of Satan.

10. "Have tribulation ten days:"—in their imprisonment and persecution their principles were to be tried and put to the test. How long? Some say, taking a day for a year, for ten years; others take the ten for ten different periods of suffering; and others regard it as equivalent to an indefinite period. The time matters little. Their fidelity was to be rewarded with the crown of life.

12. "The church in Pergamos:"—Pergamos, now called Bergamo, was situated in Southern or Greater Mysia, on the north bank of the river Caicus, at the base and upon the declivity of two high and steep mountains, and six or seven leagues from the sea. Upon one of the mountains there stands a dilapidated castle. The eastern part of the town is ruined, but the western portion is inhabited, chiefly by Turks; there are, however, a few poor Greek Christians, who have a church. Two centuries and a half before Christ, Pergamos became the residence of kings, and a seat of literature and art. In his Epistle to the Church at Pergamos, St. John says, "I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is." Now there was at Pergamos a famous temple of Æsculapius, who was probably reverenced under the symbol of a serpent, and hence the allusion by the Apostle to Satan, the old serpent. Æsculapius was called the god of Pergamos, and figures on its coins bearing a rod encircled by a serpent. The traveller Richter found here an altar adorned with a laurel tree, twined about by a serpent. That St. John alludes to this serpent worship is scarcely doubted. The present ruins of Pergamos are striking and extensive. The modern town of Bergamo is described as a mean and wretched place; but Sir Charles Fellowes says it is "as busy and thriving as heavy taxation will allow, and has seven or eight khans."

13. "Antipas was my faithful martyr:"—of this devoted man we have no other authentic record.

17. "A white stone:"—as princes were wont to give gems and signets to

and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.[a]

17 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth *it*.[b]

18 And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet *are* like fine brass;[c]

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a ch. i. 16; xix. 15, 21; Isa. xi. 4; 2 Thess. ii. 8.

g ch. xx. 12; 1 Sam. xvi. 7; 1 Chron. xxviii. 9; xxix. 17; 2 Chron. vi. 30; Ps. vii. 9; lxii. 12; Jer. xi. 20; xvii. 10; xx. 12; Matt. xvi. 27; John ii. 24, 25; Acts i. 24; Rom. ii. 6; viii. 27; xiv. 12; 2 Cor. v. 10; Gal. vi. 5.

b vs. 7, 11; ch. iii. 12; xix. 12.

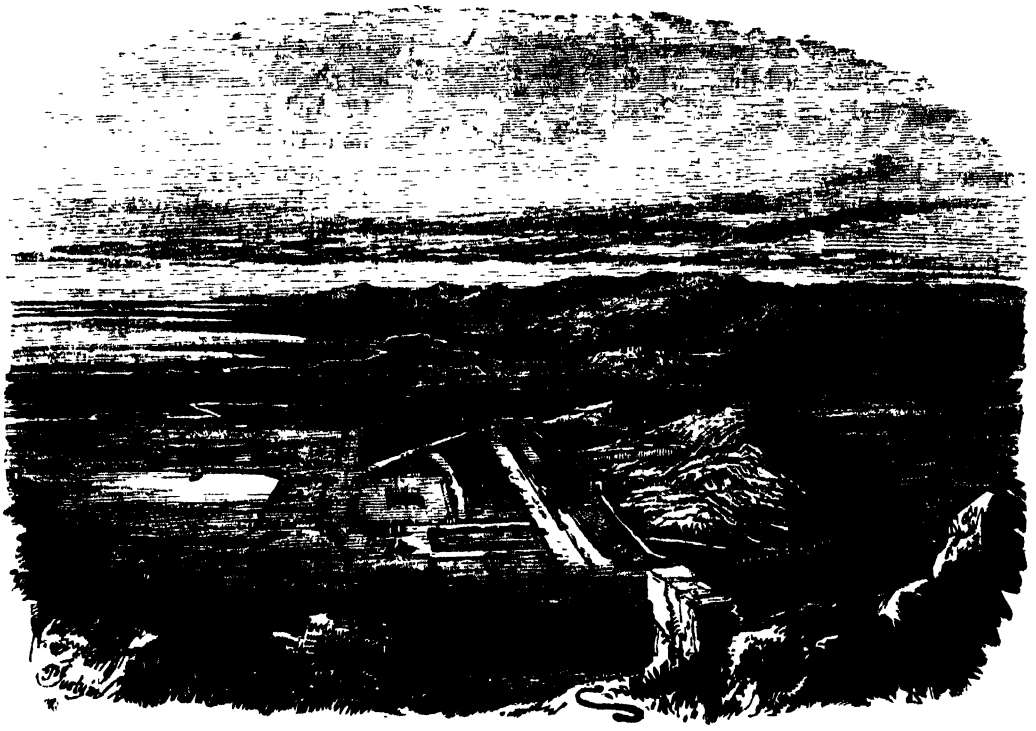
c ch. i. 14, 15.

h Acts xv. 28.

that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

23 And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.[g]

24 But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.[h]



RUINS ON THE SITE OF EPHESUS.

19 I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last *to be* more than the first.[d]

20 Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.[e]

21 And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.[f]

22 Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them

i ch. iii. 11.

d ver 2.

j ch. iii 21; xx. 4, Matt xix 28; Luke xxii 29, 30; John vi. 29; 1 Cor. vi. 3, 1 John iii 23

e ver 14; Exod xxxiv. 15; 1 Kings xvi. 31; xxi 25; 2 Kings ix. 7; Acts xv 20, 29; 1 Cor. x 19, 20.

k ch. xii. 5; xix. 15; Ps. ii. 8, 9; xlix. 14; Dan. vii. 22.

l ch. xxii. 16; 2 Peter i. 19.

f ch. ix. 20; Rom. ii. 4.

m ver. 7.

25 But that which ye have *already* hold fast till I come.[i]

26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:[j]

27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.[k]

28 And I will give him the morning star.[l]

29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.[m]

their favourites and their friends, so the Saviour will give to each of his followers such a token of his forgiving and saving love as can be known and appreciated by no other as it is by its immediate recipient.

18. "The church in Thyatira:"—Thyatira was a Macedonian colony, and was originally called Pelopia. It lies between Pergamos and Sardis, at the base of a mountain in a beautiful plain, through which flows the river Lycus. It was noted for the art of dyeing; and Lydia (Acts xvi. 14) was probably connected with the dyers, who, as we may gather from an ancient inscription, were a distinct class of the community. The modern town is called Ak-hissar, or Acsa (White Castle), and of this Mr. Fisk says:—"At the distance of three or four miles it is almost completely surrounded by mountains. The houses are low; many of them of mud or earth. Excepting the motsellim's palace, there is scarcely a decent house in the place. The streets are narrow and dirty, and everything indicates poverty and degradation." Mr. Schneider remarks of the religious aspect of the town:—"Everything wears a Mussulman aspect. Christianity exists there in name, but it is the bare name. Its spirit has long since fled. The Greeks especially seem to be peculiarly superstitious. I visited their church, and found it full of pictures and other marks of degenerate Christianity." At the present time, the American missionaries have at Thyatira a small band of communicants, a pastor, and a school. The modern town is full of the relics of a splendid ancient city, but there are no ruins of any magnitude. Although dyeing is not now practised there, the madder, a root used in dyeing, is extensively cultivated, and exported to England.

20. "That woman Jezebel:"—some conceive that this peculiar phrase points to an individual teacher, high in reputation and influence at the time; and others think that a favoured and influential party in the Church is designated. Whichever we adopt, it stands revealed in the light of the sun, that the effect produced was most corrupting to the Church. Hence the call to repentance, and hence, too, the fearful threatening.

26. "Power over the nations:"—it is by her spiritual influence the Church must gain her triumphs, and benefit mankind.

28. "I will give him the morning star:"—in Eastern courts, and in the courts of our own Western nations, stars are the insignia of distinction and honour; it is possible the expression is used to denote some high mark of distinction to be conferred upon the Christian conqueror.

CHAPTER III.

The angel of the church of Sardis is reproved, 3 exhorted to repent, and threatened if he do not repent. 8 The angel of the church of Philadelphia 10 is approved for his diligence and patience. 15 The angel of Laodicea rebuked, for being neither hot nor cold, 19 and admonished to be more zealous. 20 Christ standeth at the door and knocketh.

AND unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead.[a]

2 Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.

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[d] ch xiii 8, xvii 8, xix 8; xx 12, xxi 27; Exod. xxxii 32; Ps. lxix. 28; Matt x. 32; Luke xii. 8, Philip. iv. 3.

[e] ch. ii. 7

[f] ver 14; ch i 5, 18, vi 10, xix 11, Job xii 14, Isa xxii. 22, Matt xvi. 19, Luke i 33; Acts iii 14, 1 John v 20

[a] ch i 4, 16, ii 2, iv 5; v 6; Eph. ii 1, 5, 1 Tim. v. 6.

[g] ver 1, 1 Cor xvi 9, 2 Cor ii 12

5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.[d]

6 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.[e]

7 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;[f]

8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.[g]

9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do



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3 Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.[b]

4 Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.[c]

[h] ch ii 9, Isa xlix 23, lx 14

[b] vs 11, 19, ch xvi 15 Matt xxiv 42, 43 xxv 13, Mark xiii 33; Luke xii 39, 40 1 Thess v 2, 6 1 Tim vi 20 2 Tim i 13, 2 Peter iii 10

[i] Isa xxiv 17 Luke ii 1 2 Peter ii 9

[c] ch iv 4 vi 11 vii 9, 13 Acts i 15 Jude 23

[j] ver 3 ch i 3 ii 10, 25 xxii 7, 12, 20, Philipp iv 5

lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.[h]

10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.[i]

11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.[j]

CHAPTER III.

1. "The church in Sardis:"—"Sardis was the chief town of Lydia, and the residence of the Lydian kings until the time of Crœsus, who was subdued by Cyrus of Persia. The city stood on the river Pactolus, in a fertile plain below Mount Tmolus. Wealth, pomp, and luxury characterised this city from very ancient times: it prospered alike under the Persian, Macedonian, and Roman governments. Tiberius, after it had been destroyed by an earthquake, caused it to be rebuilt." He says it was the fifth of the seven Asian churches to which St. John addressed these Epistles. "A mean shepherd's village, called *Sart*, occupies a small part of the site of this once great and wealthy city." "At the western base of the castle wall," says Richter, "lie a few wretched huts, built of mud, as Thyatira and all the other places of this district are; and at its eastern extremity is a garden with a mill. Such is the form of the modern Sardis. Between these points the space is occupied by the ruins of walls and churches of comparatively recent erection, in the building of which the large square marble stones of more ancient edifices had been employed." The learned Thomas Smith, English chaplain at Smyrna, who in 1671 visited the sites of the Seven Churches, paints a lamentable picture of Sardis, and says he found some few Christians still there, very degraded, without a church, and without a minister. Yet Sardis was once famous among the Churches, and some of its bishops, as Melito, were illustrious men. Modern travellers speak highly of the situation of Sardis, but describe it as almost deserted. A few years since, the owner of the mill above-named was the only Christian in the place.

12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, *which is* new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and *I will write upon him* my new name.[a]

13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.[b]

14 And unto the angel of the church [1]of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;[c]

15 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.[d]

16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:[e]

18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and *that* the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.[f]

19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.[g]

20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.[h]

21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.[i]

22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.[j]

CHAPTER IV.

2 *John seeth the throne of God in heaven.* 4 *The four and twenty elders.* 6 *The four beasts full of eyes before and behind.* 10 *The elders lay down their crowns, and worship him that sat on the throne.*

AFTER this I looked, and, behold, a door *was* opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard *was* as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.[k]

2 And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and *one* sat on the throne.[l]

3 And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and *there was* a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.[m]

4 And round about the throne *were* four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.[n]

5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and *there were* seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.[o]

6 And before the throne *there was* a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, *were* four beasts full of eyes before and behind.[p]

7 And the first beast *was* like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast *was* like a flying eagle.[q]

8 And the four beasts had each of them six wings about *him;* and *they were* full of eyes within: and [2]they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.[r]

9 And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,[s]

10 The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,[t]

11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.[u]

CHAPTER V.

1 *The book sealed with seven seals:* 9 *which only the Lamb that was slain is worthy to open.* 12 *Therefore the elders praise him,* 9 *and confess that he redeemed them with his blood.*

AND I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.[v]

2 And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?

3 And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.[w]

4 And I wept much, because no man was found

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m Ezek. i. 28.

a ch. ii. 17; xiv. 1; xxi. 2, 10; xxii 4; 1 Kings vii. 21; Gal. ii. 9; iv. 26, Heb. xii. 22.
n ver. 10; ch. iii. 4, 5; vi. 11, vii. 9, 13, 14; xi. 16; xix. 14.
b ch. ii. 7.
1 Or, *in Laodicea.*
c ch. i. 4 iii. 1, v. 6; viii. 5, xvi. 18, Exod. xxxvii. 23; 2 Chron. iv 20, Ezek. i. 13, Zech. iv. 2.
d ver. 1.
p ver. 8; ch. xv. 2, Exod xxxviii. 8, Ezek i. 5.
q Numb. ii. 2, &c.; Ezek. i. 10; x. 14.
e Hos xii. 8; 1 Cor. iv. 8.
2 Gr. *they have no rest.*
r ver. 6; ch. i. 4, 8, Isa. vi. 2, 3.
f ch. vii. 13; xvi. 15; xix. 8; Isa. lv 1; Matt. xiii. 44; xxv. 9; 2 Cor. v. 3.
s ch i 18; v. 14; xv. 7.
g Job v 17; Prov iii. 11, 12; Heb xii. 5, 6; James i. 12.
h Cant. v. 2; Luke xii. 37; John xiv. 23.
t vs. 4, 9; ch. v. 8, 14.
i ch ii. 26, 27; Matt. xix. 28; Luke xxii. 30; 1 Cor. vi. 2; 2 Tim. ii. 12.
u ch. v 12; x. 6; Gen. i. 1; Acts xvii. 24; Eph. iii. 9; Col. i. 16.
j ch. ii. 7.
v Isa xxix 11; Ezek. ii. 9, 10; Dan. xii. 4
k ch i. 10, 19; xi. 12, xxii. 6
l ch. i. 10; xvii. 3; xxi 10; Isa vi 1, Jer. xvii 12, Ezek i 26; x. 1; Dan. vii 9
w ver. 13.

"The seven Spirits, . . . and the seven stars:"—see chap. i. 4, 16.

7. "The church in Philadelphia"—Philadelphia is about thirty-six miles from Sardis, towards the south-east; it is still a considerable town, called Allah-Shehr. It was formerly the second city in Lydia, and was so well fortified, that among all the places of Asia Minor it withstood the Turks the longest. They took it in 1392 The modern town is beautifully situated at the foot of Mount Tmolus, and contains about 3,000 houses, 250 of which belong to Christians, and the rest to Turks. Its chief interest now arises from the fact that it was the seat of one of the Seven Churches addressed by St. John, from whom it receives a larger measure of commendation than any of the rest, except Smyrna. The Christian reader will not be surprised to learn that it yet contains a community of about 1,000 Christians, who, though sadly debased, still preserve their profession of the Gospel.

"Hath the key of David:"—a key is employed in Eastern countries to denote authority. Our Lord is the only Heir and Sovereign of that kingdom of which David's was the type.

8. "An open door;"—that is, every facility for doing the work of God, and fulfilling their mission on behalf of man.

14. "The church of the Laodiceans:"—Laodicea, on the river Lycus, was one of the most considerable cities in Asia Minor. It was a commercial town of some importance, partly inhabited by Jews. According to the subscription to the First Epistle to Timothy, St. Paul wrote that Epistle from this place. Laodicea is also named as the seat of a Christian church, in the Epistle to the Colossians. In A.D. 65, an earthquake greatly injured the town, but it was rebuilt under Marcus Aurelius. The modern name of the place is *Eski-Hissar,* or the Old Castle. At the entrance to the old

worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

5 And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.[a]

6 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.[b]

7 And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne.[c]

8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four *and* twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of [1]odours, which are the prayers of saints.[d]

9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;[e]

10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.[f]

11 And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;[g]

12 Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.[h]

13 And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, *be* unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.[i]

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[j] ch. iv. 9, 10; xix. 4.

[a] ver. 1; ch. vi. 1; xxii. 16; Gen. xlix. 9, 10; Isa. xi. 1, 10; Rom. xv. 12; Heb. vii. 14.

[b] vs. 9. 12; ch. iv. 5; xiii. 8; Isa. liii. 7; Zech. iii. 9; iv. 10; John i 29, 36; 1 Peter i. 19.

[c] ch. iv. 2.

[k] ch. iv. 7; v. 5—7.

1 Or, *incense.*

[d] ch. iv. 8, 10; viii. 3, 4; xiv. 2; xv. 2; Ps. cxli. 2.

[l] ch. xiv. 14; xix. 11; Ps. xlv. 4, 5 (Septuagint version); Zech. vi. 3, 11.

[m] ch. iv. 7.

[e] ver. 6; ch. iv. 11; vii. 9; xi. 9; xiv. 3, 4, 6; Ps. xl. 3; Dan. iv. 1; vi. 25; Acts xx. 28; Rom. iii. 24; 1 Cor. vi. 20; vii. 23; Eph. i. 7; Col. i. 14; Heb. ix. 12; 1 Peter i. 18, 19; 2 Peter ii 1; 1 John i. 7.

[f] ch i 6; xx. 6; xxii. 5, Exod xix. 6; 1 Peter ii. 5, 9.

[n] Zech. vi. 2.

[g] ch. iv 4, 6; Ps. lxviii. 17; Dan. vii. 10; Heb. xii. 22.

[o] ch. iv. 7; Zech. vi. 2.

2 The word *chœnix* signifieth a measure containing one wine quart, and the twelfth part of a quart.

[h] ch. iv. 11.

[p] ch ix. 4.

[q] ch. iv. 7.

[i] ver. 3; ch. i. 6; vi. 16; vii. 10; 1 Chron. xxix. 11; Rom. ix 5; xvi. 27, Philipp ii. 10; 1 Tim vi. 16; 1 Peter iv. 11; v. 11.

3 Or, *to him.*

14 And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four *and* twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.[j]

CHAPTER VI.

1 *The opening of the seals in order, and what followed thereupon, containing a prophecy to the end of the world.*

AND I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.[k]

2 And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.[l]

3 And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see.[m]

4 And there went out another horse *that was* red: and *power* was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.[n]

5 And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.[o]

6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, [2]A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and *see* thou hurt not the oil and the wine.[p]

7 And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.[q]

8 And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given [3]unto them over the

city stand the massive remains of a bridge; a paved road leads to a triple-arched entrance to the city. There are also extensive traces of other large buildings, but the place is desolate. The old traveller Smith says, "It is now inhabited by no one, save that by night wolves, foxes, and jackals go to search for prey. How miserable and deserted is Laodicea now, where once so many palaces stood! Ruins only now remain, but they show that it merited to be called a famous city. We may gather its greatness and glory from its former buildings. The walls of a very large church show that the ancient Christians spared no expense in constructing edifices for public worship."

"The beginning of the creation of God:"—not that he is to be regarded as included in the creation, and standing at its head, but as its source and origin.

21. "Will I grant to sit with me in my throne:"—all the other promises terminate in this the highest honour. All the glory concentrates in the throne.

CHAPTER IV.

3. "A rainbow round about the throne:"—in the form of a nimbus, and symbolical, like the bow of the covenant, of the grace and mercy of God.

4. "Four and twenty elders:"—these venerable forms, wearing the pontifical robe and mitre, were so many royal priests, corresponding to the heads of the four-and-twenty priestly families to whom David assigned the service of the Temple.

5. "Out of the throne proceeded lightnings;"—the symbols, we imagine, of infinite justice and sovereignty, as also at the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai.

6. "Were four beasts;"—it should be "four living beings, or creatures," symbolic of a higher state of existence; full of eyes, to indicate constant vigilance, while the wings denote activity and alacrity.

CHAPTER V.

2—6. "Who is worthy to open the book?"—that is, by breaking open the seals. To this challenge there was no answer; which filled the Seer with intense grief, till he was assured that the Messiah himself, sprung from the victorious tribe of Judah, and of the family of David, had asserted his power to unfold the roll. On turning to the throne, he beheld an emblematical representation of this illustrious Personage; not, however, in the form of a lion, answering to his royal title, but in that of a lamb; appearing not as a victor, but as a victim.

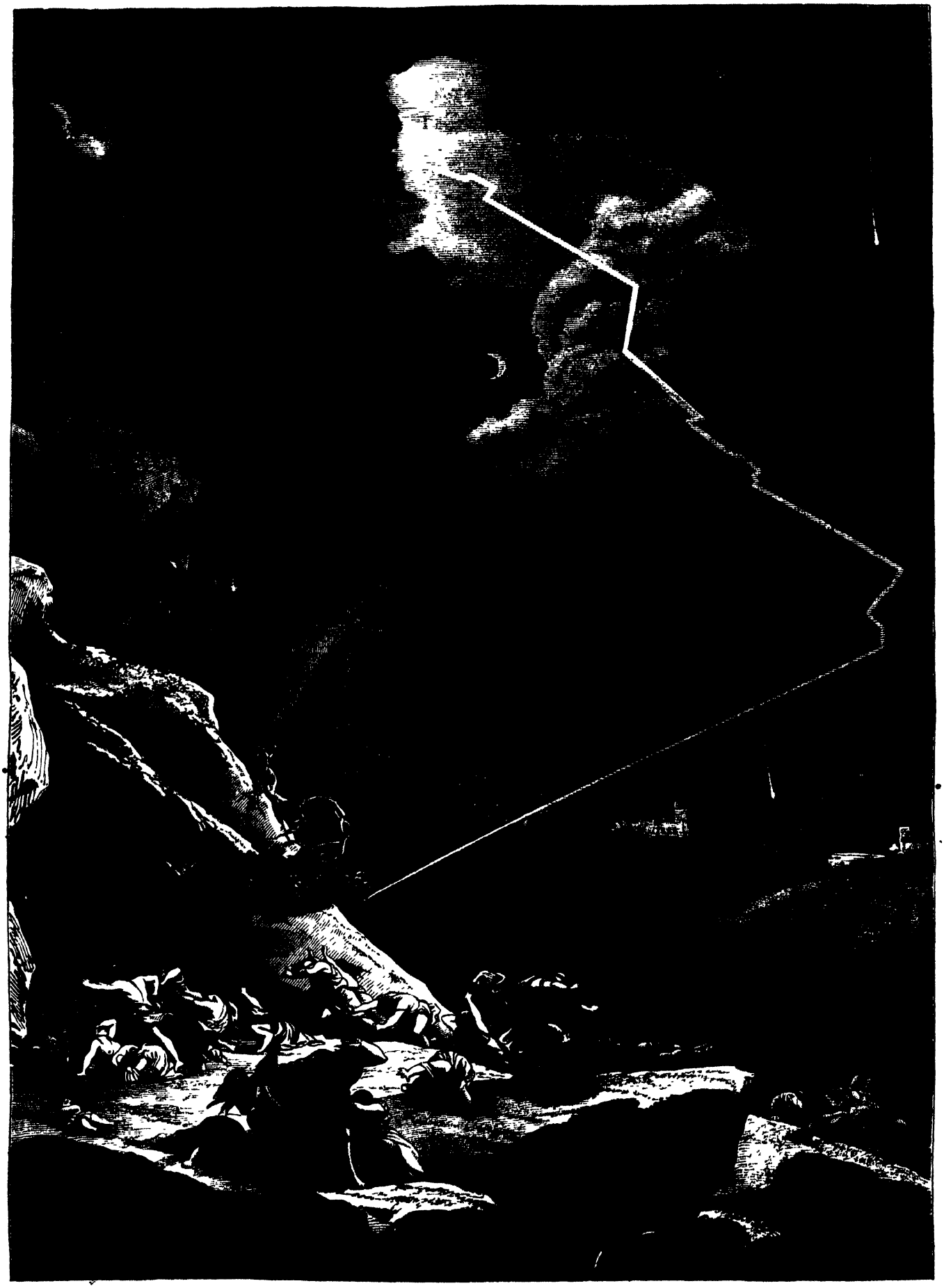
8—14. "Having every one of them harps:"—the harps were symbolical of the worship performed by those in whose hands the harps were found; just as the golden vials, bowls, cups, or censers, were symbolical of the prayers of saints, whose devotion came up from earth to mingle and blend with the worship of the glorified Church.

The design of this second vision seems to be "to represent the mediatorial glory of the Lamb of God in the character of the Revealer of the secret counsels of Deity, introductory to the prophetic disclosures which follow," while the ascriptions offered to him are the expressions of the highest adoration which language can designate, or which any creature can pay to God.

CHAPTER VI.

1, 2. "The Lamb opened one of the seals:"—after the burst of universal praise, the Lamb appeared in the vision to break one of the seven seals, so as to allow part of the mysterious scroll to be unrolled, when one of the four living creatures invited the Seer to come near and see what was inscribed upon it; but instead of any writing, he beheld emblematically a white horse, on which was seated a crowned personage, holding a bow, and riding forth as a conqueror. In connection with the opening of this first seal were to be revealed, it has been supposed, the closing destinies of that fourth and last of the kingdoms prophesied by Daniel—THE PAGAN EMPIRE OF ROME—the continuance of which upon earth alone hindered the development of that fearful apostacy, that mystery of iniquity, which the Apostle Paul foretold should precede the day of the coming of Christ (2 Thess. ii. 1—12).

3, 4. "When he had opened the second seal:"—the white horse, with its prosperity and triumph, here gives place to one that is red, which is to be taken as symbolical of civil wars, revolutions, and bloodshed.



THE OPENING OF THE SIXTH SEAL.—REV. VI. 12—17.

fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.[a]

9 And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:[b]

10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?[c]

11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they *were*, should be fulfilled.[d]

12 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;[e]

13 And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her [1]untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.[f]

14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.[g]

15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;[h]

16 And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:[i]

17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?[j]

ANNO DOMINI 96.

a Lev. xxvi. 22; Ezek. xiv. 21; Zech. vi. 3.
h Isa. ii. 19.
i ch. ix. 6; Hos. x. 8; Luke xxiii. 30.
b ch. i. 9; viii. 3; ix. 13; xii. 17; xiv. 18, xix. 10; xx. 4, 2 Tim. i. 8.
j ch. xvi. 14; Ps. lxxvi. 7; Isa. xlii. 6, &c., Zeph. i. 14, &c.



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c ch iii 7, xi 18, xix. 2, Zech. i. 12.
d ch iii 4, 5; vii 9, 14; xiv. 13; Heb. xi. 40.
e ch xvi 18; Joel ii 10, 31; iii 15; Matt xxiv 29; Acts ii 20.
k ch. ix. 4; Dan. vii. 2.
1 Or, *green figs.*
f ch. viii. 10; ix 1.
g ch. xvi. 20; Ps. civ. 26; Isa. xxxiv. 4, Jer iii 23; iv. 24, Heb. i. 12, 13

CHAPTER VII.

3 *An angel sealeth the servants of God in their foreheads.* 4 *The number of them that were sealed of the tribes of Israel a certain number.* 9 *Of all other nations an innumerable multitude, which stand before the throne, clad in white robes, and palms in their hands.* 14 *Their robes were washed in the blood of the Lamb.*

AND after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.[k]

2 And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

3 Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor

9—11. "When he had opened the fifth seal:"—while the besom of destruction was sweeping over the Roman earth, the Christian Church was called to go through a fierce and fiery persecution, which not only extensively [illegible], but extended from the lowest conditions of the people to the lowest.

12—17. "When he had opened the sixth seal:"—here the whole scene changes. The Seer has his view withdrawn from the altar-court to this lower world, with its sky and its luminaries, probably representing the powers and governors among men.

CHAPTER VII.

1—4. "After these things:"—in commenting upon these mysterious truths, it becomes us to speak with diffidence, for who is sufficient adequately to explain the designs of Him who seeth the end from the beginning? We offer our best conjectures.

the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.[a]

4 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: *and there were* sealed an hundred *and* forty *and* four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.[b]

5 Of the tribe of Juda *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad *were* sealed twelve thousand.

6 Of the tribe of Aser *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nepthalim *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses *were* sealed twelve thousand.

7 Of the tribe of Simeon *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar *were* sealed twelve thousand.

8 Of the tribe of Zabulon *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin *were* sealed twelve thousand.

9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;[c]

10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.[d]

11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and *about* the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,[e]

12 Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, *be* unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.[f]

13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?[g]

14 And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.[h]

15 Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.[i]

16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.[j]

17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.[k]

Anno Domini 96.

a ch. vi. 6, ix. 4, xiv 1; xxii. 4, Ezek. ix. 4.

k ch. xxi. 4; Ps. xxiii 1, xxxvi. 8, Isa xxv. 8, John x. 11, 14.

b ch ix. 16, xiv. 1.

CHAPTER VIII.

1 *At the opening of the seventh seal,* 2 *seven angels had seven trumpets given them.* 6 *Four of them sound their trumpets, and great plagues follow.* 3 *Another angel putteth incense to the prayers of the saints on the golden altar.*

AND when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.[l]

l ch. vi. 1.

2 And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.[m]

m 2 Chron xxix. 25—28. Matt. xviii. 10, Luke i. 19.

3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should [1]offer *it* with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.[n]

1 Or, *add it to the prayers.*

n ch. v. 8; vi. 9; Exod. xxx 1.

4 And the smoke of the incense, *which came* with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.[o]

o Ps. cxli. 2; Luke i. 10.

5 And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast *it* [2]into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.[p]

e ver. 14; ch iii. 5, 18; iv. 4; v. 9; vi. 11, Rom. xi. 25.

2 Or, upon.

p ch. xvi. 18, 2 Sam. xxii. 8; 1 Kings xix. 11; Acts iv. 31.

6 And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

7 The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.[q]

d ch. v. 13.; xix. 1; Ps. iii. 8; Isa. xliii. 11; Jer. iii. 23; Hos. xiii. 4.

8 And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood;[r]

e ch. iv. 6.

q ch. ix. 4; xvi 2; Isa. ii 13, Ezek. xxxviii. 22.

9 And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.[s]

f ch. v. 13, 14.

r ch xvi. 3; Jer li. 25, Ezek. xiv. 19; Amos vii. 4.

10 And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;[t]

g ver. 9.

s ch. xvi. 3.

11 And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.[u]

12 And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the

h ch. i. 5; vi. 9; xvii. 6, Isa. i. 18; Zech. iii. 3—5; Heb. ix. 14, 1 John i. 7.

t ch. ix. 1; xvi. 4; Isa. xiv. 12.

i ch. xxi. 3, Isa. iv. 5, 6.

u Exod. xv. 23; Ruth i 20; Jer ix 15, xxiii. 15.

j ch xxi 4, Ps cxxi. 6; Isa. xlix. 10.

The four angels standing upon the corners of the earth, holding the four winds of heaven, may be taken as symbolical of those desolating invaders who, though repelled for a time, hung upon the frontiers of the Roman empire, as the executioners of Divine wrath, to subvert its very foundations; while the angel coming up from the east, or from the sunrise as low in the earth's horizon, bearing in his hand a seal, and crying to the four tempest-angels not yet to execute their commission, must, we think, be taken as emblematic of God's interposition on behalf of his Church militant.

The baptised converts received at their baptism a mark or seal in their foreheads, but the sealing here indicated refers to the work of the Spirit, by whom we are sealed unto the day of redemption. The wearing of marks in the forehead is an ancient custom, and prevailed through the various grades of society, as marks of ownership or of fellowship.

It will be found in the enumeration of the twelve tribes, that while Levi is inserted, in token of his being no longer detached from the rest, as under the Jewish dispensation, Dan is omitted.

9. "Clothed with white:"—it was customary to robe the newly-baptised converts in white. Here the robe of the redeemed ones is washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb. They are purified from every stain of sin and they bear the victor's palm, "more than conquerors" through Him that hath loved them.

CHAPTER VIII.

The "silence in heaven" is variously interpreted. According to some, it corresponds to the customary interval in the worship of the Jewish sanctuary, during which the priest whose turn it was went in to offer incense, while the worshippers remained silently waiting in the court without; but according to others, it was the anxious hush before the storm—the calm before the tempest.

5. "There were voices:"—these were portents of evil.

7—12. "The first angel sounded:"—the first four trumpets are connected with each other, and point to the fearful desolations which were about to fall upon the land.

moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.[a]

13 And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabiters of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound![b]

CHAPTER IX.

1 *At the sounding of the fifth angel, a star falleth from heaven, to whom is given the key of the bottomless pit.* 2 *He openeth the pit, and there come forth locusts like scorpions.* 12 *The first woe past.* 13 *The sixth trumpet soundeth.* 14 *Four angels are let loose, that were bound.*

AND the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.[c]

2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.[d]

3 And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.[e]

4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.[f]

5 And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment *was* as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.[g]

6 And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.[h]

7 And the shapes of the locusts *were* like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads *were* as it were crowns like gold, and their faces *were* as the faces of men.[i]

8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as *the teeth* of lions.[j]

9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings *was* as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.[k]

10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power *was* to hurt men five months.[l]

ANNO DOMINI 96.

a Isa. xiii. 10; Amos viii. 9.

1 That is to say, *A destroyer.*

m ver. 1; Eph. ii. 2.

n ch. viii. 13.

b ch. ix. 12; xi. 14; xiv. 6; xix. 17.

c ch. xvi. 12.

2 Or, at.

p ch. vii. 4; Ps. lxviii. 17; Dan vii. 10; Ezek. xxxviii. 4.

c vs. 2, 11; ch. viii 10; xvii 8; xx 1; Luke viii. 31; x. 18.

q 1 Chron. xii. 8; Isa. v. 28, 29.

d Joel ii. 2, 10.

e ver 10; Exod. x. 4; Judg vii. 12.

r Isa. ix. 15.

f ch. vi. 6; vii. 3; viii. 7; Exod xii 23; Ezek. ix. 4.

s Lev xvii 7; Deut. xxxi. 29; xxxii. 17; Ps. cvi. 37; cxv. 4; cxxxv. 15; Dan v. 23; 1 Cor x 20.

g ver. 10, ch. xi 7.

t ch. xxii. 15.

h ch vi. 16; Job iii 21; Isa. ii. 19; Jer. viii. 3.

i Joel ii 4; Nahum iii. 17; Dan. vii. 8.

j Joel i. 6.

k Joel ii. 5—7.

u ch i. 15, 16; Ezek. i 28; Matt. xvii. 2.

l ver. 5.

v Matt. xxviii. 18.

11 And they had a king over them, *which is* the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue *is* Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath *his* name [1]Apollyon.[m]

12 One woe is past; *and,* behold, there come two woes more hereafter.[n]

13 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,

14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.[o]

15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared [2]for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

16 And the number of the army of the horsemen *were* two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.[p]

17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses *were* as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.[q]

18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails *were* like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.[r]

20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:[s]

21 Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.[t]

CHAPTER X.

1 *A mighty strong angel appeareth with a book open in his hand.* 6 *He sweareth by him that liveth for ever, that there shall be no more time.* 9 *John is commanded to take and eat the book.*

AND I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow *was* upon his head, and his face *was* as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:[u]

2 And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and *his* left *foot* on the earth,[v]

CHAPTER IX.

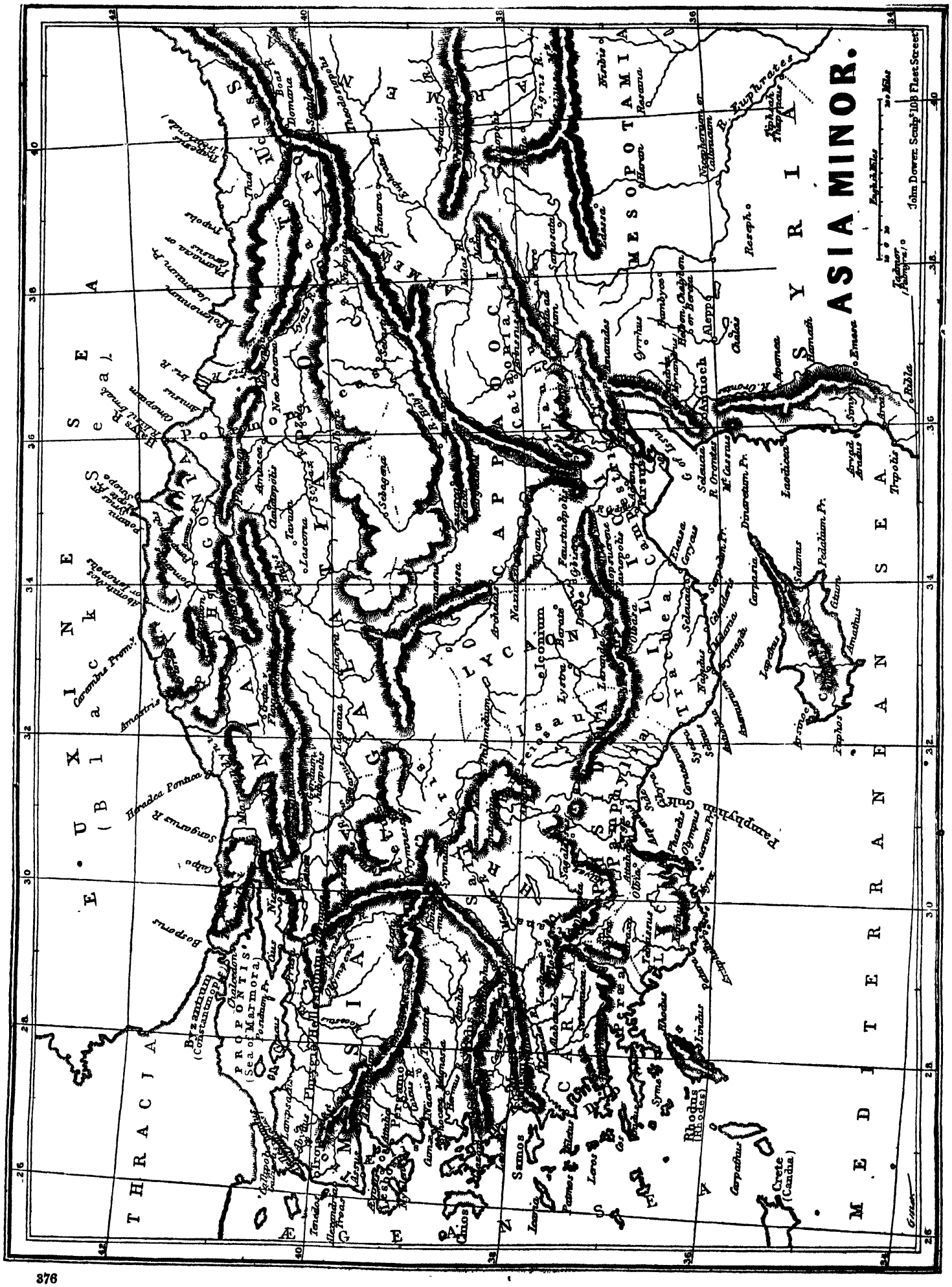
1—11. "The fifth angel sounded:"—the vision recorded in the last verse of the preceding chapter took place between the sounding of the fourth trumpet and the fifth, and seems to point to the interval of some forty years or more which elapsed between the extinction of the Roman government and the rise of the false prophet in the person of Mohammed.

The power to torment the followers of the Lamb was to last five months; that is—taking the prophetic day for a year—for a period of one hundred and fifty years. In connection with this prophecy we are reminded that the duration of the Saracen era was one hundred and fifty years, from the mission of Mohammed, A.D. 612, to the day when Arabia sunk into a mere province of the Mohammedan empire. It is a fact in natural history that the ravages of the locust tribe are confined to the five months from April to September—the period of the insect's life.

13—21. "The sixth angel sounded:"—in April, 1453, Mohammed II, otherwise named "the slayer of man," invested Constantinople with his army. The fortifications which had stood for ages against hostile victories, were dismantled on all sides by the Ottoman cannon, and on May 29th, 1453, "Constantinople was taken, its emperor slain, its empire subverted, and its religion trampled in the dust by its cruel and oppressive conquerors."

CHAPTER X.

The angel mentioned in this chapter is supposed by some writers to be no other than "the Angel of the Covenant, who is arrayed with the emblems of power." This is a point we do not venture to decide. The angel produces a little scroll, and the prophecies therein contained comprehend the next four chapters. Writers on prophecy conceive that in this little scroll is to be found the whole history of Popery during the 1,260 years mentioned in this


ASIA MINOR.
SYRIA
MESOPOTAMIA
CAPPADOCIA
PONTUS
(Sea of Marmora)
THRACIA
MEDITERRANEAN SEA
Euxine (Black) Sea
Aegean Sea
Crete (Candia)
Rhodes (Rhodos)
Cyprus
Samos
Chios
Lesbos
Euphrates R.
Tigris R.
Antioch
Aleppo
Tarsus
Ephesus
Smyrna
Byzantium (Constantinople)
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THE ANGEL WITH THE BOOK.—REVELATION X. 1—6.

3 And cried with a loud voice, as *when* a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.[a]

4 And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.[b]

5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven,[c]

ANNO DOMINI 96

[a] ch. viii. 5.

[d] ch. iv. 11; xiv. 7; xvi. 17. Neh. ix. 6. Dan. xii. 7.

[b] Dan. viii. 26; xii. 4, 9

[c] Exod. vi. 8; Dan. xii. 7

[e] ver. 4

6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer:[d]

7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.[e]

apocalyptic vision vouchsafed to the Evangelist. The events here predicted are thought to be included under the three woes referred to in chapters ix. and xi.

For the guidance of the reader, we may remark that the four chapters which follow—namely, the 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th of Revelation—are said not to refer to events that follow each other in chronological order, but to events that occurred at the same period, and that these four distinct lines of prophecy present a complete history of the Papal Church.

8 And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go *and* take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth.

9 And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take *it*, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey.[a]

10 And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter.[b]

11 And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.

CHAPTER XI.

3 The two witnesses prophesy. 6 They have power to shut heaven, that it rain not. 7 The beast shall fight against them, and kill them. 8 They lie unburied, 11 and after three days and a half rise again. 14 The second woe is passed. 15 The seventh trumpet sounded.

AND there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.[c]

2 But the court which is without the temple [1]leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty *and* two months.[d]

3 And [2]I will give *power* unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.[e]

4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.[f]

5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.[g]

6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.[h]

7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.[i]

8 And their dead bodies *shall lie* in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.[j]

9 And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.[k]

ANNO DOMINI 96.

1 ch. xii. 12; xiii. 8; xvi. 10; Esth. ix. 19, 22.

a Jer. xv. 16; Ezek. ii. 8; iii. 1—3.

m ver 9; Ezek. xxxvii. 5, 9, 10, 14.

n ch. xii. 5; 2 Kings ii 1, 5, 7; Isa. xiv. 13; lx. 8; Acts i. 9.

b Ezek. ii. 10, iii. 3.

3 Gr. *names of men*, ch. iii. 4.

o ch. vi. 12; xiv. 7; xv. 4; xvi. 19; Josh. vii. 19.

p ch. viii. 13; ix. 12; xv. 1.

q ch. x. 7; xii. 10; xvi 17; xix 6; Isa. xxvii. 13; Dan. ii. 44, vii. 14, 18, 27.

c ch xxi.15, Numb xxiii. 18; Ezek. xl. 3, &c.; Zech. ii. 1.

r ch. iv. 4; v. 8; xix. 4.

1 Gr. *cast out.*

s ch. i. 4, 8; iv. 8; xvi. 5; xix. 6.

d ch. xiii. 5; Ps. lxxix. 1; Ezek. xl. 17, 20; Dan. viii. 10, Luke xxi. 24.

2 Or, *I will give unto my two witnesses that they may prophesy.*

e ch. xii. 6; xix. 10; xx. 4

f Ps lii. 8; Jer. xi. 16; Zech. iv. 3, 11, 14.

4 Or, *corrupt.*

t vs. 2, 9; ch. vi. 10; xiii. 10; xviii 6; xix. 5; Dan. vii. 9, 10.

g Numb. xvi. 29; 2 Kings i. 10, 12; Jer i 10, v. 14; Ezek. xliii. 3, Hos vi. 5.

u ch. viii. 5; xv. 5, 8; xvi. 18, 21

h Exod. vii 19; 1 Kings xvii. 1; James v. 16, 17.

5 Or, *sign.*

i ch. ix 2; xiii 1, 11; xvii 8; Dan vii. 21; Zech. xiv. 2, Luke xiii. 32.

j ch. xiv. 8; xvii. 1, 5; xviii. 10, 21; Heb. xiii. 12.

v Isa. lxvi. 7; Gal. iv. 19.

k ch. xvii. 15; Ps. lxxix. 2, 3.

6 Or, *sign.*

10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.[l]

11 And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.[m]

12 And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them.[n]

13 And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain [3]of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.[o]

14 The second woe is past; *and*, behold, the third woe cometh quickly.[p]

15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.[q]

16 And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,[r]

17 Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.[s]

18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest [4]destroy them which destroy the earth.[t]

19 And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of [5]his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.[u]

CHAPTER XII.

1 A woman clothed with the sun travaileth. 4 The great red dragon standeth before her, ready to devour her child: 6 when she was delivered she fleeth into the wilderness. 7 Michael and his angels fight with the dragon and prevail. 13 The dragon being cast down into the earth, persecuteth the woman.

AND there appeared a great [6]wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.[v]

3 And there appeared another [6]wonder in heaven:

CHAPTER XI.

The prophetic history of Popery, or rather of the Western Church, continued in this little Book, is divided into five portions. The first portion is thought to refer to the separation between the godly and the mere professors of godliness—between the nominal and the spiritual followers of Christ. The two witnesses is a subject that has greatly perplexed the student of prophecy. The interpretation which most forcibly commends itself to our acceptance is that which regards the two witnesses as those unerring witnesses for the truth of the living God, the Old and the New Testament; and to these faithful representatives of God, and of his dealings with the sons of men, all that is said will fairly apply. It is said that these witnesses will bear testimony nearly 1,260 years, and at or near the close of this period these witnesses will be killed, but will rise again to triumph over those who rejected their testimony.

5, 6. "If any man will hurt them:"—the power here ascribed to the two witnesses cannot be taken literally, but must be taken figuratively, denoting those divine judgments by which their warnings and denunciations were fulfilled.

and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.[a]

4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.[b]

5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and *to* his throne.[c]

6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days.[d]

7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,[e]

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.[f]

10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.[g]

11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.[h]

12 Therefore rejoice, *ye* heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.[i]

13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man *child.*[j]

14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.[k]

15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.[l]

16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.[m]

CHAPTER XIII.

1 *A beast riseth out of the sea with seven heads and ten horns, to whom the dragon giveth his power.* 11 *Another beast cometh up out of the earth:* 14 *causeth an image to be made of the former beast,* 15 *and that men should worship it,* 16 *and receive his mark.*

AND I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the [1]name of blasphemy.[n]

2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as *the feet* of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.[o]

3 And I saw one of his heads as it were [2]wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.[p]

4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who *is* like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?[q]

5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him [3]to continue forty *and* two months.[r]

6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.[s]

7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.[t]

8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.[u]

9 If any man have an ear, let him hear.[v]

10 He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.[w]

11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.[x]

ANNO DOMINI 96.

a ch. xiii. 1; xvii. 3, 9, 10.

m ch. i. 2, 9; vi. 9; xi. 7; xiii. 7; xiv. 12; xx. 4; Gen. iii. 15; 1 Cor. ii. 1; 1 John v. 10.

b ver. 2; ch. ix. 10, 19; xvii. 18; Exod. i. 16; Dan. viii. 10.

c ch. ii. 27; xix. 15; Ps. ii 9.

d ver. 4; ch. xi. 3.

1 Or, *names*, ch. xvii. 3.

e ver. 3; ch xx. 2; Dan. x. 13, 21; xii. 1.

n ch. xii. 3; xvii. 3, 9, 12; Dan. vii. 2, 7.

o ch. xii. 4, 9; xvi. 10, Dan vii 4–6.

f ch. ix. 1; xx 2, 3; Gen iii 1, 4, Luke x. 18; John xii. 31.

2 Gr. *slain*

p vs 12, 14; xvii 8.

g ch. xi 15; xix. 1; Job i. 9; ii. 5; Zech. iii. 1

q ch. xviii. 18.

h Luke xiv 26; Rom viii. 33, 34, 37, xvi. 20.

3 Or, *to make war*

r ch. xi. 2; xii. 6, Dan. vii. 8, 11, 25; xi. 36.

s John i. 14; Col ii. 9.

i ch. viii 13; x. 6; xi. 10; xviii. 20; Ps. xcvi 11; Isa. xlix. 13.

j ver. 5.

t ch. xi. 7, 18; xii. 17; xvii. 15; Dan. vii. 21

u ch iii. 5; xvii. 8, xx 12, 15; xxi. 27; Exod. xxxii 32; Dan xii. 1, Philipp iv. 3.

v ch ii 7.

k ver 6; ch. xvii. 3; Exod xix 4; Dan. vii. 25, xii. 7.

l Isa. lix 19.

w ch xiv. 12; Gen ix 6; Isa. xxxiii 1; Matt. xxvi. 52

x ch. xi. 7.

CHAPTER XII.

1 "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven:"—in this and the two following chapters the Prophet takes a retrospective view of the entire period embraced in the preceding chapter, and it is supposed that the supplemental vision contained in these three chapters was written on the *outside* of the roll, as being chronologically parallel with the visions *within*.

3. "A great red dragon:"—the symbol, we imagine, of the Pagan Roman power in the third century—"the seven heads" denoting the seven hills on which Rome is built, or the seven forms under which it had up to that time been ruled. "The ten horns" are symbolical of the ten kingdoms into which the Roman empire was divided; his tail sweeping down a third part of the stars, limits his power to one-third part of the political firmament—those who held sway in the Roman empire were to be deposed or destroyed.

7—17. "There was war in heaven:"—Satan having attempted, through his human agents and instruments, to overthrow the Church from *within*, and having been foiled in the attempt, now made another effort to overthrow it from *without*.

CHAPTER XIII

1, 2. "A beast rise up out of the sea:"—this beast represents the same empire as the dragon; only here the crowns are not upon the seven heads, but upon the ten horns—these ten horns being, as we imagine, symbolical of the ten kingdoms into which the Roman empire was divided; but while Rome was no longer the seat and centre of imperial government, it was yet to retain a sovereignty—Rome pagan was to give place to Rome papal. The seventh and last pagan head, which was that of absolute monarchy, was wounded to the death by the sword of Constantine, who made Christianity the religion of the State, and removed the capital of the empire from Rome to Constantinople. Much of the power of the Emperor was afterwards transferred to the Pope, to resuscitate the empire under his spiritual domination; and hence all the world wondered after the beast, because of his pretensions and his claims, his presumption and his power.

If the first beast rising out of the sea is to be regarded as the revived empire of the West, then the second beast coming up out of the earth, with two horns like a lamb, but with the mouth of a dragon, must be interpreted

12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.[a]

13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,[b]

14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by *the means of* those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.[c]

15 And he had power to give [1]life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.[d]

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a ver. 3.

b ch. xvi. 14; Deut. xiii. 1–3; 1 Kings xviii. 38; 2 Kings i. 10, 12; Matt xxiv 24; 2 Thess. ii. 9.

h ch v. 6, vii. 3, 4; xiii. 16.

c ch. xii. 9; xix. 20; 2 Kings xx. 7; 2 Thess. ii. 9, 10.

1 Gr. *breath.*

i ch. i. 15; v. 8; xix. 6.

d ch. xvi. 2, xix. 20; xx 4

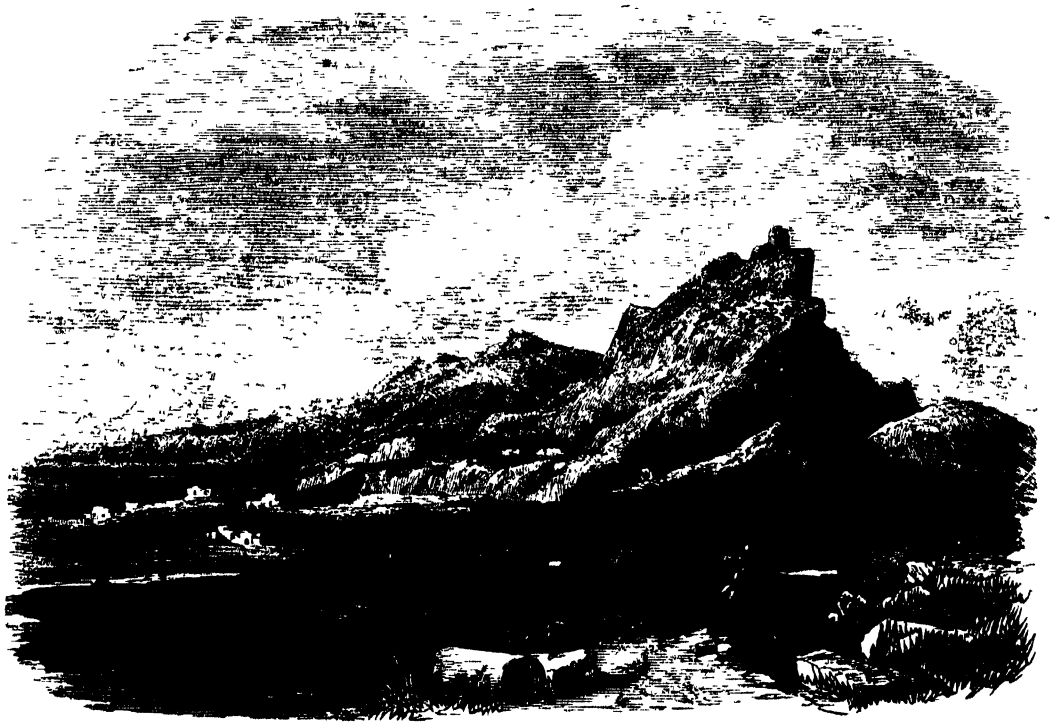
CHAPTER XIV.

1 *The Lamb standing on mount Sion with his company.* 6 *An angel preacheth the gospel.* 8 *The fall of Babylon.* 15 *The harvest of the world, and putting in of the sickle.* 20 *The vintage and winepress of the wrath of God.*

AND I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty *and* four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.[h]

2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:[i]

3 And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and



THE MODERN VILLAGE OF SART, AND THE SITE OF ANCIENT SARDIS.

16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, [2]to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:[e]

17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.[f]

18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number *is* Six hundred threescore *and* six.[g]

2 Gr. *to give them*

e ch xiv 9; xix. 20; xx 4

j ver 1, ch. v. 9; xv 3

f ch xiv 11; xv. 2.

3 Gr. *were bought*

k ch iii. 4; v 9; vii. 15, 17, xvii. 14, 2 Cor xi 2; James i. 18

g ch xv 2; xvii 9; xxi. 17

l Ps xxxii. 2, Zeph iii 13; Eph v. 27; Jude 24

the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred *and* forty *and* four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.[j]

4 These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These [3]were redeemed from among men, *being* the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.[k]

5 And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.[l]

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of the Papacy, with its corrupting superstitions. We read that this two-horned beast exercised all the power of the first beast: this was fulfilled by the Pope's exercise of the imperial power

"The image of the beast," mentioned in the fourteenth verse, is said to denote the Western empire in its ecclesiastical constitution. According to Gibbon, "the Republic of Europe, with the Pope and the Emperor at its head, was never represented with more dignity than in the Council of Constance," when above a thousand bishops and abbots attended, and ambassadors from most of the courts of Europe, and together represented all the Western kingdoms of the Papacy.

"His number is Six hundred threescore and six"—the number of a man; that is, a number to be reached by the ordinary methods of human calculation. Now just as the name LATINI describes the character of the rulers of the former Pagan Roman empire, so it is conjectured with much plausibility that in the Greek word LATEINOS we are to find the designation of the Papal Roman ruler. And it is a remarkable fact that this is the only word which unites the ancient and modern attributes of the two beasts.

L A T E I N O S
30 + 1 + 300 + 5 + 10 + 50 + 70 + 200 = 666.

Hence Papal Rome is spoken of as the Latin empire, and the Papal Church as the Latin Church, with a Latin ecclesiastical language and a Latin service.

6 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,[a]

7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.[b]

8 And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.[c]

9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his

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g ch. xii. 17; xiii. 10.

a ch. viii. 13, xiii 7; Eph. iii. 9—11, Titus i. 2.

1 Or, *from henceforth saith the Spirit, Yea.*

b ch. xi. 18; xv 4; Neh ix 6; Ps xxxiii. 6; cxxiv 8; cxlvi. 5, 6, Acts xiv. 15, xvii. 24.

h ch. vi. 11; xx. 6; Eccles. iv. 1, 2; 1 Cor xv. 18; 1 Thess. iv 16; 2 Thess i. 7; Heb. iv 9, 10.

c ch. xi 8, xvi 19; xvii 2, 5; xviii. 2, 3, 10, 18, 21; xix 2, Isa. xxi 9, Jer li. 7, 8.

i ch i 13, vi. 2, Ezek i 26, Dan. vii 13

12 Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.[g]

13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed *are* the dead which die in the Lord [1]from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.[h]

14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud *one* sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.[i]

15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud,



AK-HISSAR, THE ANCIENT THYATIRA.

image, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand,[d]

10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:[e]

11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.[f]

d ch. xiii. 14—16.

2 Or, *dried.*

j ch xiii 13; xvi 17, Jer li 33, Joel iii 13; Matt xiii. 39

e ch xvi 19; xviii 6, xix 20, xx 10, Ps lxxv. 8; Isa. li 17, Jer. xxv 15

f ch. xix. 3; Isa. xxxiv 10.

k ch. xvi 8; Joel iii 13.

Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is [2]ripe.[j]

16 And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.[k]

CHAPTER XIV.

We have said that some divines are of opinion that the four chapters, of which this is the last, relate to events that run parallel to one another, and consequently they present to the student different views of the same subject during the period mentioned—namely, the 1,260 years. The four chapters may be regarded as the annals of the Church, for they all relate to her conflicts or to her triumphs, and are thus analysed—

Chap. 11. The Church in distress and obscurity.
" 12. The Church in her conflicts with Satan, and victory over him.
" 13. The Church in her sufferings from pagan and from Papal power.
" 14. The Church in her joy and gladness in the day of her deliverance.

1. "A Lamb stood on the Mount Sion:"—our thoughts are here transferred from the two-horned lamb, or second beast—that is, from Papal Rome and her persecuting priesthood—to the Lamb of God surrounded by myriads of his faithful and devoted followers.

6. "I saw another angel:"—possibly denoting the free and full publication of the Gospel.

8. "There followed another angel:"—the fall of Babylon, as of every anti-Christian power, is the necessary result of the universal proclamation of the Gospel. Before the light of truth, darkness and error must disappear.

14—20. "And I looked, and behold a white cloud:"—the angelic forms in these verses may be taken as symbolising human agencies; the golden crown may be the symbol of imperial dominion, and the white cloud the symbol of political elevation; while the harvest and the vintage, we think, indicate impending calamity and judgment. "As, however, the symbolic action in

19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God.[a]

20 And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand *and* six hundred furlongs.[b]

CHAPTER XV.

1 *The seven angels with the seven last plagues.* 3 *The song of them that overcome the beast.* 7 *The seven vials full of the wrath of God.*

AND I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.[c]

2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, *and* over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.[d]

3 And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous *are* thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true *are* thy ways, thou King of [1]saints.[e]

4 Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for *thou* only *art* holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.[f]

5 And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:[g]

6 And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.[h]

7 And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever.[i]

8 And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.[j]

ANNO DOMINI 96.

a ch. xix. 15.

b ch. xi. 8; xix. 14; Isa. lxiii. 3; Lam. i. 15; Heb. xiii. 12.

k ch xiv. 10; xv. 1, 7.

l ch viii. 7; xiii. 14, 16, 17; Exod. ix. 9—11.

c ch xii. 1, 3; xiv. 10; xvi. 1, xxi. 9.

m ch. viii. 8, 9; Exod. vii. 17, 20

n ch. viii. 10; Exod. vii. 20.

o ch. i 4, 8, iv 8; xi. 17, xv. 3.

d ch. iv. 6; v. 8; xiii. 15—17; xiv. 2; xxi. 18; Matt. iii. 11.

p ch xi 18; xiii. 15; xviii 20, Isa xlix. 26; Matt. xxiii. 34, 35.

1 Or, *nations*, or, *ages*.

e ch. xiv. 3; xvi. 7; Exod xv. 1; Deut. xxxi. 30; xxxii. 4; Ps. cxi. 2; cxxxix. 14; cxlv. 17; Hos. xiv. 9.

q ch xiii. 10; xiv. 10; xv. 3; xix. 2.

f Exod xv. 14—16; Isa. lxvi. 23; Jer. x. 7.

r ch. viii. 12; ix. 17, 18; xiv. 18.

2 Or, *burned*.

g ch. xi. 19; Numb. i. 50.

s vs. 11, 21; ch. ix. 20; xi. 13; xiv. 7; Dan v. 22, 23.

h ver 1; ch. i 13; Exod. xxviii 6, 8; Ezek. xliv. 17, 18.

t ch ix 2; xi 10; xiii. 2

i ch. iv. 6, 9; x 6; 1 Thess. i. 9.

u vs 2. 9. 21.

j Exod xl 34; 1 viii 10; 2 Chron 14, Isa. vi. 4; i. 9.

v ch. ix 14; Isa. xli 2, 25; Jer. l 38; li. 36.

CHAPTER XVI.

2 *The angels pour out their vials full of wrath.* 6 *The plagues that follow thereupon.* 15 *Christ cometh as a thief.* *Blessed are they that watch.*

AND I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.[k]

2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and *upon* them which worshipped his image.[l]

3 And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead *man:* and every living soul died in the sea.[m]

4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.[n]

5 And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.[o]

6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.[p]

7 And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous *are* thy judgments.[q]

8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.[r]

9 And men were [2]scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.[s]

10 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,[t]

11 And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.[u]

12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.[v]

the vision is ascribed to two different angels, we must conclude that the harvest and the vintage, though of the same character, prefigure distinct events, both as to the agency employed, and also with respect to the subjects of the predicted judgments. What is stated of the winepress being trodden *without* the city, seems to denote that the Roman territory would not be the actual place where this terrific visitation would occur."

CHAPTER XV.

1. "Is filled up the wrath of God:"—these seven plagues were to exhaust the judgments of God on the earth—to empty the cup of his wrath.

2. "A sea of glass mingled with fire:"—this sea of molten glass mingled with fire, which carries with it "the terrific idea of an eruption from a volcano, is possibly the emblem of the destruction that had overtaken the persecutors of the Church."

6. "Clothed in pure and white linen:"—they were habited as priests, but their functions were judicial. Both were combined in the priesthood of old.

7. "Gave unto the seven angels;"—a vial or bowl, as the symbol of those judgments by which God was about to vindicate the character and the cause of his servants whose blood had been shed on the earth.

CHAPTER XVI.

1. "Go your ways, and pour out the vials:"—between the woes indicated in the first four vials, and the judgments involved in the first four trumpets, there is a striking correspondence. The scene of each successive vial is the same with that of each successive trumpet, with this single difference: that whilst only *one-third* of the earth is affected under the trumpets, the *whole* earth suffers under the vials.

2. "A noisome and grievous sore:"—if the cessation of the Turkish woe be fixed in A.D. 1774, it was shortly after this, according to our view, that the seventh trumpet was sounded: and before twenty short years had rolled away, Calabria had been convulsed and desolated for three years by continual earthquakes; throughout the greater part of France, the richest and most productive provinces were laid waste by storms of hail, and threatened with all the horrors of famine; the French Revolution "burst forth like a volcano, enveloping the heavens in a volume of pitchy darkness, that left nothing to be distinguished on the earth but by the reflection of its own disastrous lustre;" while, in many parts of Europe, there "was a hollow murmuring, a confused movement that foreboded a general breaking up of the political world."

3. "Poured out his vial upon the sea:"—the sea is symbolical of maritime

13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs *come* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.[e]

14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, *which* go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.[h]

15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed *is* he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.[c]

16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.[d]

17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.[e]

18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, *and* so great.[f]

19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.[g]

20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.[h]

21 And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, *every stone* about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.[i]

CHAPTER XVII.

3, 4 *A woman arrayed in purple and scarlet, with a golden cup in her hand, sitteth upon the beast,* 5 *which is great Babylon, the mother of all abominations.* 9 *The interpretation of the seven heads,* 12 *and the ten horns.* 8 *The punishment of the whore.* 14 *The victory of the Lamb.*

AND there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:[j]

2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.[k]

3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.[l]

4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and [1]decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:[m]

5 And upon her forehead *was* a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF [2]HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.[n]

6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.[o]

7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.

8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.[p]

9 And here *is* the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.[q]

10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, *and* the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.[r]

12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.[s]

13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.

14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the

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k ch. xviii. 3; xiv. 8; Jer. li. 7.

a ch. xii. 3, 9; xix. 20; xx. 10; 1 John iv. 1—3.

l vs. 9, 12; ch. xii. 3, 6, 14; xiii. 1.

b ch. xiii. 13, 14; xvii. 14; xix. 19, 20; xx. 8; Luke ii. 1; 2 Thess. ii. 9; 1 Tim. iv. 1; James iii. 15.

1 Gr. *gilded.*

c ch. iii. 3, 4, 18; Matt. xxiv. 43; 2 Cor. v. 3; 1 Thess. v. 2; 2 Peter iii. 10.

m ch. xiv. 8, xviii. 6, 12, 16; Jer. li. 7; Dan. xi. 38.

d ch. xix. 19.

2 Or, *fornications.*

n ch. xi. 8; xiv. 8; xvi. 19; xviii. 2, 9, 10, 21; xix. 2; 2 Thess. ii. 7.

e ch. xxi. 6.

o ch. vi. 9, 10; xii. 11; xiii. 15; xvi. 6; xviii. 24.

f ch. iv. 5; viii. 5; xi. 13, 19; Dan. xii. 1.

g ch. xiv. 8, 10; xvii. 18; xviii. 5; Isa. li. 17, 22; Jer. xxv. 15, 16.

h ch. vi. 14.

p ver. 11; ch. xi. 7; xiii. 1, 3, 8, 10.

i vs. 9, 11; ch. xi. 19; Exod. ix. 23—25.

q ch. xiii. 1, 18.

r ver. 8.

s ch. xiii. 1; Dan. vii. 20; Zech. i. 18, 19, 21.

j ver 15; ch. xvi. 19; xviii. 16, 17, 19, xix 2; xxi. 9; Jer. li. 13, Nahum iii. 4.

power and commerce; and in A.D. 1793, there commenced a naval war which lasted for more than twenty years, and in which all the ships and maritime commerce and power of the Papal nations were swept from the sea by the English fleet, and all their smaller colonies taken from them.

4. "Poured out his vial upon the rivers;"—that is, as we imagine, "upon the valleys of the Rhine and the upper Danube, and the regions in which the European waters had their source." The repeated conflicts between the French and Austrian arms produced a carnage which no words can express. "In the whole history of European wars, from the first rise of the ten Papal kingdoms in the sixth century, there is not recorded any one war in which the three valleys of the Rhine, the Danube, and the Po had such a vial of wrath poured out upon them."

10. "Poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast:"—the throne of the beast, which is identical with the seat of the dragon, points to the seven-hilled city; and hence this vial must be understood as poured out or emptied on the Papal power. In 1797, Rome was threatened by the Republican army, and Pius VI. saved himself by ceding part of his dominions, and by the most costly sacrifices. He was afterwards arrested by the French military, and carried as a prisoner into France, and there died an exile. His successor, Pius VII., was deposed from his temporal authority by Napoleon, because he refused to take an active part in the war against England, and Rome was incorporated with the French empire: the Pope, like his predecessor, was sent into exile; and it was not till A.D. 1814, when Napoleon's fortune began to decline, that the Pope was restored by the Allied Powers to his liberty and his kingdom. The vial was emptied; but still Rome repented not of her deeds.

12—16. "Poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates:"—the Euphrates is here used for "the empire founded by the Euphratean horsemen of the sixth trumpet," and the drying up of its waters "to imply the exhaustion of all the political sources of wealth and power which contribute to the strength and greatness of an empire;" and if the Euphrates was to be dried up as a political boundary, then every political barrier was to be removed which had hitherto obstructed the way of the Eastern kings. The great obstruction to the evangelisation of the Eastern world has been the Mohammedan power, "while the Turkish power has been the great bulwark of the Mohammedan religion." The Turkish flood dried up, or the Turkish power reduced, and the way is open for the princes and the prophets of the East to come and worship.

The "unclean spirits like frogs," coming out of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, are, we conceive, rightly interpreted of the enunciation and propagation of "unholy and anti-Christian principles."

"A place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon:"—that is, the field of destruction, in reference to the scene of ancient conflict and slaughter. No place seems to be pointed at. The kings of the earth are to take counsel together against the Lord, and against his anointed; but he that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh, the Lord shall have them in derision: He shall dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

17—21. "The seventh angel poured out his vial into the air."—this last of the seven plagues being poured into the air, denotes its wide extent, and seems to point to a European revolution more extensive and prodigious than any that has hitherto occurred.



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Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him *are* called, and chosen, and faithful.[c]

15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.[b]

16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.[c]

17 For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.[d]

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a ch. xiv. 4; xvi. 14; xix. 16, 19, Deut. x. 17, Jer. l. 44, 45; 1 Tim. vi. 15

c ch. xii. 4; xvi. 19.

b ver. 1; ch. xiii. 7; Isa. viii. 7.

c ch. xvi. 12; xviii. 8, 16; Jer. l. 41, 42; Ezek. xvi. 37—44.

f ch. xvii. 1; Ezek. xliii. 2.

d ch. x. 7; 2 Thess. ii. 11.

18 And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.[e]

CHAPTER XVIII.

2 *Babylon is fallen.* 4 *The people of God commanded to depart out of her.* 9 *The kings of the earth,* 11 *with the merchants and mariners, lament over her.* 20 *The saints rejoice for the judgments of God upon her.*

AND after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.[f]

2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation

CHAPTER XVII.

1. "And there came one of the seven angels:"—the Apostolic Seer having witnessed the outpouring of the seven vials, the scene changes, and he has an emblematical representation of the anti-Christian Church.

3. "A scarlet coloured beast:"—scarlet, or crimson, is the usual colour of the trappings of the horse or mules used by the Popes and Cardinals of Rome.

8. "Was, and is not:"—the seven-hilled city of Rome we imagine to be the seat of empire under seven forms of government—that of kings, consuls, dictators, decemviri, military tribunes, emperors, and barbarian kings; after the tribunes there was nothing settled till the supremacy of Augustus, who established the imperial form of government. This was the existing head at the time of the vision—five had fallen, the sixth existed; the seventh was yet to come.

11. "He is the eighth, and is of the seven:"—the Papal supremacy was, in fact, a revival or restoration of the imperial power.

CHAPTER XVIII.

1—4. "And after these things I saw another angel:"—this part of the vision, in which Babylon, or Papal Rome, is seen in ruins, belongs still to the future, and therefore nothing can be said definitely as to the time or mode

of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.[a]

3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the [1]abundance of her delicacies.[b]

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.[c]

5 For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.[d]

6 Reward her even as she rewarded you, and

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a ch. xiv. 8; Isa. xiii. 19, 21; xiv. 23; xxi. 8, 9; xxxiv. 11, 14; Jer. l. 39; li. 8, 37; Mark v. 2, 3.

j ver. 3; Ezek. xxvii. 27—36.

2 Or, *sweet.*

1 Or, *power.*

b vs. 11, 15; ch. xiv. 8; xvii. 2; Isa. xlvii. 15.

k ch. xvii. 4

c Isa. xlviii. 20; lii. 11; Jer. l. 8; li. 6, 45; 2 Cor. vi. 17.

d ch. xvi. 19; Gen. xviii. 20, 21; Jer. li. 9; Jonah i. 2.

3 Or, *bodies.*

l Ezek. xxvii. 13.

11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:[j]

12 The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all [2]thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,[k]

13 And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and [3]slaves, and souls of men.[l]



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double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.[e]

7 How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.[f]

8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong *is* the Lord God who judgeth her.[g]

9 And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,[h]

10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.[i]

e ch. xiii. 10; xiv. 10; xvi. 19, Ps. cxxxvii. 8, Jer. l. 15, 29; li. 24, 49; 2 Tim. iv. 14.

f Isa. xlvii. 7, 8; Ezek. xxviii. 2, &c; Zeph. ii. 15

m vs. 3, 11

g ver. 10; ch. xi. 17; xvii. 16; Isa. xlvii. 9; Jer. l. 34.

n ch. xvii. 4.

h vs. 3, 18; ch. xvii. 2; xix. 3; Jer. l. 46, Ezek. xxvi. 16, 17.

o ver. 10; Isa. xxiii. 14; Ezek. xxvii. 29

i vs. 17, 19; ch. xiv. 8; Isa. xxi. 9.

p ver. 9; ch. xiii. 4; Ezek. xxvii. 30, 31.

14 And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all.

15 The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,[m]

16 And saying, Alas, alas that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls![n]

17 For in one hour so great riches is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off,[o]

18 And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What *city is* like unto this great city![p]

of its fulfilment. Rome may be regarded as Babylon commenced; Babylon may be viewed as Rome completed; therefore the interchange of names

8. "Her plagues come in one day:"—it would appear from these words that "the overthrow of the great city is to be sudden, instantaneous, and violent as a physical convulsion." It is not the destruction of Rome as a city (although that may be included in the prediction); but the complete annihilation of the Papacy, as the mystery of iniquity in the world, is, we think, here foretold.

19 And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate.[a]

20 Rejoice over her, *thou* heaven, and *ye* holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her.[b]

21 And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast *it* into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.[c]

22 And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft *he be*, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;[d]

23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.[e]

24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.[f]

CHAPTER XIX.

1 *God is praised in heaven for judging the great whore, and avenging the blood of his saints.* 7 *The marriage of the Lamb.* 10 *The angel will not be worshipped.* 17 *The fowls called to the great slaughter.*

AND after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:[g]

2 For true and righteous *are* his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.[h]

3 And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever.[i]

4 And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.[j]

5 And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great.[k]

6 And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.[l]

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[m] ch. xxi. 2, 9; Matt. xxii. 2; xxv. 10; 2 Cor. xi. 2; Eph. v. 32.

[a] ver. 8; Josh. vii. 6; 1 Sam. iv. 12; Job ii. 12; Ezek. xxvii. 30.

[1] Or, *bright.*

[n] ch. iii. 18; Ps. xlv. 13, 14; cxxxii. 9. Ezek. xvi. 10.

[b] ch. xix 2; Isa. xliv. 23; xlix. 13; Jer. li. 48; Luke xi. 49, 50.

[o] ch xxi 5; xxii. 6; Matt. xxii 2, 3; Luke xiv. 15, 16.

[c] ch xii. 8, xvi. 20; Jer. li. 64.

[p] ch. xii. 17; xxii. 8, 9; Acts x 26; xiv 14, 15; 1 John v. 10.

[d] Isa. xxiv. 8; Jer. vii. 34; xvi 9; xxv. 10; Ezek. xxvi. 13.

[q] ch. iii 14; vi. 2; xv. 5; Isa. xi. 4.

[e] ch. xvii. 2, 5; 2 Kings ix. 22; Isa. xxiii. 8; Jer. vii. 34; xvi. 9; xxv. 10; xxxiii. 11; Nahum iii. 4.

[r] ver. 16; ch i 14; ii. 17, 18; vi. 2.

[s] Isa. lxiii. 2, 3; John i. 1; 1 John v. 7.

[f] ch. xvii. 6; Jer li. 49.

[t] ch. iv. 4; vii. 9; xiv. 20; Matt. xxviii. 3.

[u] ver 21; ch. i. 16; ii. 27; xii. 5; xiv. 19, 20; Ps. ii. 9; Isa. xi. 4; lxiii. 3; 2 Thess. ii. 8.

[g] ch. iv. 11; vii. 10, 12; xi. 15; xii. 10

[v] ver. 12; ch. xvii. 14; Dan. ii. 47; 1 Tim. vi. 15.

[h] ch. vi 10; xv 3; xvi 7; xviii 20; Deut. xxxii 43.

[w] ver. 21; Ezek. xxxix. 17.

[i] ch. xiv 11, xviii. 9, 18; Isa. xxxiv. 10.

[j] ch. iv. 4, 6, 10; v. 14; 1 Chron. xvi 36; Neh. v. 13; viii. 6.

[x] Ezek. xxxix. 18, 20.

[k] ch. xi. 18; xx 12; Ps. cxxxiv. 1, cxxxv 1.

[y] ch. xvi. 16; xvii. 13, 14.

[l] ch. xi. 15, 17; xii 10; xiv. 2; xxi. 22; Ezek. i 24; xliii. 2.

7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.[m]

8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and [1]white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.[n]

9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed *are* they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.[o]

10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See *thou do it* not: I am thy fellow-servant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.[p]

11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.[q]

12 His eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.[r]

13 And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.[s]

14 And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.[t]

15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.[u]

16 And he hath on *his* vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.[v]

17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;[w]

18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all *men*, *both* free and bond, both small and great.[x]

19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.[y]

20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark

CHAPTER XIX

1—4 "And after these things I heard a great voice"—the joy which is expressed on the fall and total destruction of the mystical Babylon, is not confined to earth. Nor can we fail to remark that the language of the song is distinguished by one remarkable peculiarity from that employed in ascriptions of praise in all the preceding visions. The word "Alleluia" is here introduced for the first time, and is repeated once and again; from which it has been inferred that the Jewish nation, having extensively embraced the Christian faith, shall take part, and even the lead, in the Church's song of final and everlasting triumph.

10. "To worship him;"—not in the sense in which we adore the Triune God; but as expressive of the honour due from one servant of Christ to another.

11—21. "And I saw heaven opened"—in this new and wondrous scene which opens upon the vision of the Apostle, the Saviour of the Church appears in royal splendour—divine attributes are united with human qualities. He is seated on a white charger—an emblem, we believe, of authority; he bears the name of "Faithful and True," because he is immutable and infallible; his eyes are as a flame of fire, to indicate his glory; on his head are many crowns, the significant symbol of unbounded empire, with a name written which no one could comprehend or decipher but himself; his vestures of crimson, as if dyed in blood; out of his mouth goes a sharp sword—that word which is quick and powerful, and by which he asserts his dominion over the mind and will of man; on his vesture and his thigh is his regal title, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS; while his personal name is, THE WORD OF GOD. After him comes forth the army of his followers, all seated upon white horses,

of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.[a]

21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which *sword* proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.[b]

CHAPTER XX.

2 Satan bound for a thousand years. 6 The first resurrection: they blessed that have part therein. 7 Satan let loose again. 8 Gog and Magog. 10 The devil cast into the lake of fire and brimstone. 12 The last and general resurrection.

AND I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.[c]

2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,[d]

3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.[e]

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.[f]

5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection.

6 Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.[g]

7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,[h]

8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the sea.[i]

9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.[j]

10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.[k]

11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.[l]

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is *the book* of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.[m]

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and [1]hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.[n]

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.[o]

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.[p]

CHAPTER XXI.

1 A new heaven and a new earth. 10 The heavenly Jerusalem, with a full description thereof. 23 She needeth no sun, the glory of God is her light. 24 The kings of the earth bring their riches unto her.

AND I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.[q]

2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.[r]

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.[s]

4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.[t]

5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold,

ANNO DOMINI 96.

a ch. xiii. 12, 15; xiv. 10; xvi. 13, 14; xx. 10; xxi. 8; Dan. vii. 11.

j Isa. viii. 8; Ezek. xxxviii. 9, 16.

b vs. 15, 17, 18; ch. xvii. 16.

k ver. 8; ch. xiv. 10, 11; xix. 20.

l ch. xxi. 1; Dan. ii. 35; 2 Peter iii. 7, 10, 11.

c ch. i. 18; ix. 1.

m ver. 13; ch. ii. 23; iii. 5; xiii. 8; xix. 5; xxi. 27; xxii. 12; Ps. lxix. 28; Jer. xvii. 10; xxxii. 19; Dan. vii. 10; xii. 1; Matt. xvi. 27; Rom. ii. 6; Philipp. iv. 3.

1 Or, *the grave.*

d ch. xii. 9; 2 Peter ii. 4; Jude 6.

n ver. 12; ch. vi. 8.

o ver. 6; ch. xxi. 8; 1 Cor. xv. 26, 54, 55.

p ch. xix. 20.

e ver. 8; ch. xvi. 14, 16; Dan. vi. 17.

q ch. xx. 11; Isa. lxv. 17; lxvi. 22; 2 Peter iii. 13.

f ch. v. 10; vi. 9; xiii. 12, 15, 16; Dan. vii. 9, 22, 27; Matt. xix. 28; Luke xxii. 30; Rom. viii. 17; 1 Cor. vi. 2, 3; 2 Tim. ii 12

r ver 10; ch. iii. 12; Isa. lii. 1; liv 5; lxi 10; 2 Cor. xi. 2, Gal iv 26; Heb xi 10; xii. 22; xiii. 14.

g ver 4; ch i. 6; ii. 11; v. 10; xxi 8; Isa. lxi. 6; 1 Peter ii. 9.

h ver 2.

s ch vii. 15; Lev. xxvi 11, 12; Ezek xliii 7; 2 Cor. vi. 16.

i vs. 3, 10; ch. xvi. 14; Ezek. xxxviii. 2; xxxix. 1.

t ch. vii. 17; xx 14; Isa xxv 8; xxxv 10, lxi. 3; lxv 19; 1 Cor. xv. 26, 54.

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and clothed in shining robes of the finest linen, symbolical at once of their sanctity and their victory.

The beast, and the kings who are in alliance with the beast, gather their armies to make war against the Lamb and his followers. The battle ensues; the beast and his false prophet both fall before the power of the Lamb. This clearly is the mystical battle of Armageddon, denoting some signal overthrow of the anti-Christian powers, with their adherents.

CHAPTER XX.

1. "I saw an angel come down from heaven:"—the dragon who had ceded his power to the seven-headed monster that rose out of the sea, and from whose mouth one of the three unclean spirits had proceeded that gathered the kings of the earth to the great battle, having survived the destruction of the beast and the false prophet, is represented, though no longer possessed of his ascendancy, as actively employed in the world in the dissemination of unholy principles, by which he deceives the nations and leads them captive. But now his power is to be restrained, and this distracted earth is to enjoy a season of comparative rest.

4. "They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years:"—the thousand years comprise the period during which the dragon is bound and confined.

8. "To deceive the nations . . . Gog and Magog:"—in these geographical names there is supposed to be an allusion to the predictions of Ezekiel (xxxviii. 2; xxxix. 1); while the symbolism which describes the invasion of the Holy Land and the beloved city by an innumerable host of Scythian and other barbarous nations, points to that final outbreak of wickedness and violence which is to follow the thousand years of millennial light, and life, and peace. We are told that "Gog and Magog were Scythian or Turkish nations, occupying the region of the Caucasus and the borders of the Caspian Sea, whence have proceeded, from time to time, those vast hordes who have repeatedly overrun and desolated Western Asia."

11—15. "And I saw a great white throne:"—the next vision vouchsafed to the Evangelist is that of the last judgment, in which he sees the Saviour seated upon a throne radiant with glory, as the Judge of the quick and the dead. He then beholds the dead all gathered before the fearful tribunal, and witnesses the solemn judicial proceedings which terminate in the everlasting separation of the righteous from the wicked, and the final destination of each.

CHAPTER XXI.

The last chapter having closed with a solemn account of the final judgment, and the everlasting condition of both the righteous and the wicked, the

I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.[a]

6 And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.[b]

7 He that overcometh shall inherit [1]all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.[c]

8 But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have

ANNO DOMINI 96.

a ch. iv. 2, 9; v. 1; xix. 9, xx. 11; Isa. xliii. 19; 2 Cor. v. 17.
f ver. 2; ch. i. 10;

b ch. i. 8; xvi. 17; 18, 17; Isa. xii. 3; lv. 1; John iv. 10, 14; vii. 37.
g ver. 23; ch. xxii. 5.

1 Or, these things.

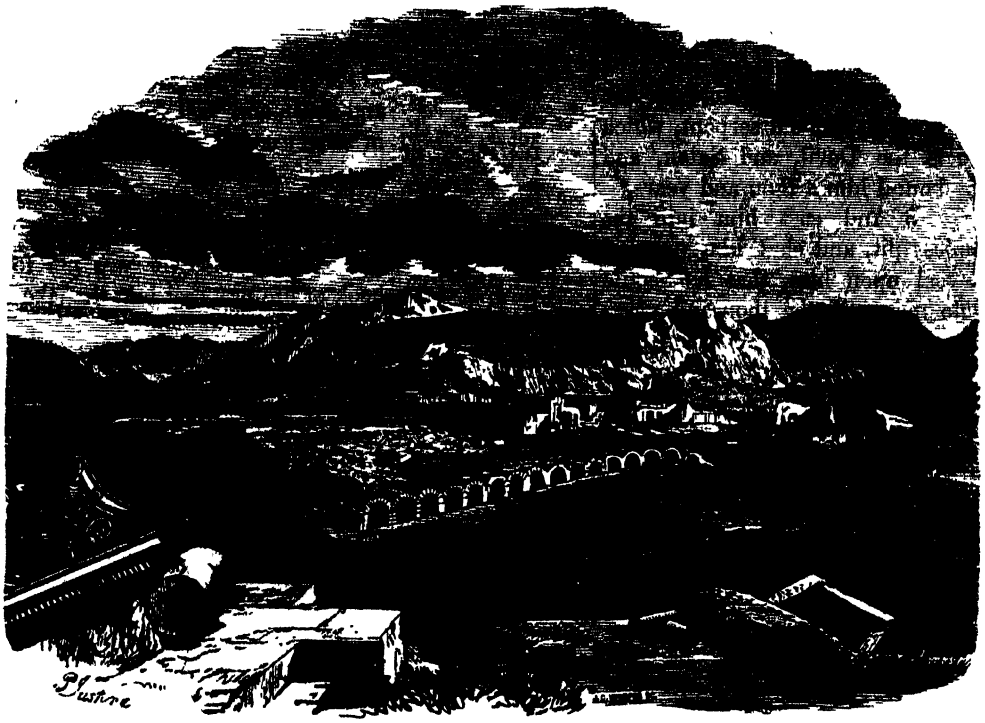
c Zech. viii. 8; Heb. viii. 10.

great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,[f]

11 Having the glory of God: and her light *was* like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper one, clear as crystal;[g]

12 And had a wall great and high, *and* had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are *the names* of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:[h]

13 On the east three gates; on the north three



ESKI-HISSAR, THE ANCIENT LAODICEA.

their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.[d]

9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.[e]

10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a

d ch. xx. 14, 15; xxii. 15; 1 Cor. vi. 9, 10; Gal. v. 19—21; Eph. v. 5; 1 Tim. i. 9; Heb. xii. 14.

h Ezek. xlviii. 31—34.

j Matt. xvi. 18; Gal. ii. 9; Eph. ii. 20.

e ver. 2; ch. xv. 1, 6, 7; xix. 7.

k ch. xi. 1; Ezek. xl. 3; Zech. ii. 1.

gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.[i]

14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.[j]

15 And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.[k]

Apostle proceeds here to describe the new creation, in connection with the commencement of Christ's kingdom, with the perfection and happiness of the redeemed and glorified Church in heaven and through eternity.

1. "A new heaven and a new earth:"—the present visible order of material things having passed away at the final advent of Christ to judgment, there comes into view a new order and constitution of things. Not that the former creation has been annihilated, but purified and fitted for the new constitution, which is to be pure, perfect, and glorious.

"And there was no more sea:"—there are those who understand this literally, but we incline to take it figuratively. In the new order or constitution of things there will be no change, no disturbance, no commotion. All will be hushed with unbroken peace and everlasting quiet, corresponding with the sinless purity and changeless perfection of the heavenly economy.

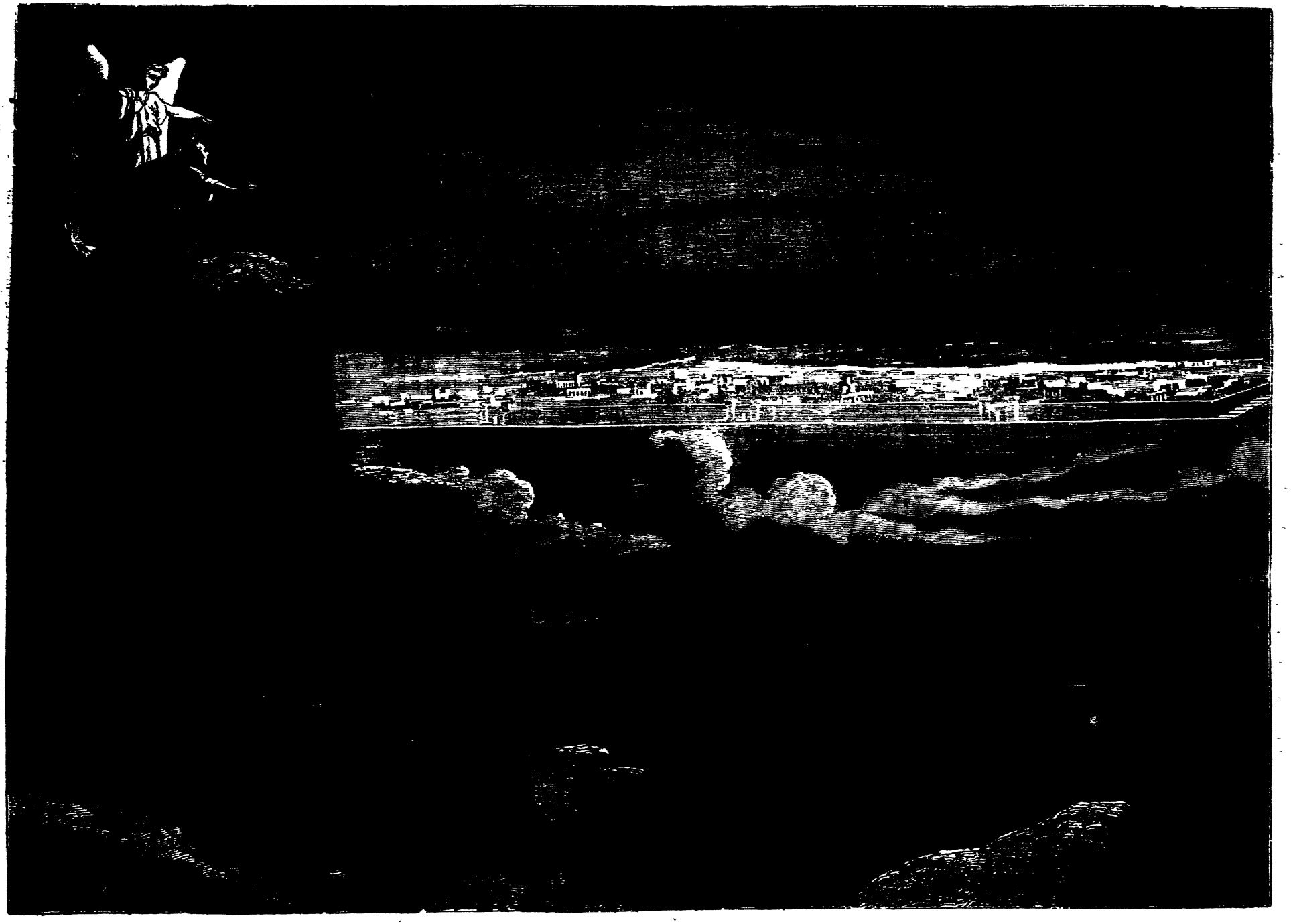
2—4. "And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God:"—it is to be noted that this "holy city" is situated in the purified and renovated earth, as the final dwelling-place of the redeemed and glorified.

On this subject the late distinguished Dr. Chalmers speaks in the most definite words:—"We know, historically, that earth, that a solid, material earth, may form the dwelling of sinless creatures in full converse and friendship with the Being who made them; that instead of a place of exile for outcasts, it may

of communication with the spiritual world, for the descent
m on high—that like the member of an extended family,
it may share in the regard and attention of the other members, and along with
them be gladdened by the presence of Him who is the Father of them all. m-
inquire how this may be, were to attempt a wisdom beyond Scripture; but
this has been, and therefore may be, is to keep most strictly
the limits of the record. For we there read that God
uratus, which, on his own surveying, he pronounced to be all
the leading features of which may still be recognised among
the substances that are around us; and that he created man
and senses which we now wear, and placed him under
now over our heads, and spread around him a scenery
tints, and more smiling and serene in the whole
of it, but certainly made up in the main of the same objects that still
the prospect of our visible contemplations."

5. "Behold, I make all things new:"—he who occupied the mediatorial throne, and to whom had been given all power in heaven and earth, was now engaged in the sublime work of a new and more enduring creation, and was conducting everything forward to the grand consummation just described.

9—11. "There came unto me one of the seven angels:"—the whole series of Apocalyptic predictions having terminated in the establishment of a new



"AND HE CARRIED ME AWAY IN THE SPIRIT TO A GREAT AND HIGH MOUNTAIN, AND SHEWED ME THAT GREAT CITY, THE HOLY JERUSALEM, DESCENDING OUT OF HEAVEN FROM GOD."—REVELATION XXI. 10.

16 And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.

17 And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred *and* forty *and* four cubits, *according to* the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.

18 And the building of the wall of it was *of* jasper: and the city *was* pure gold, like unto clear glass.

19 And the foundations of the wall of the city *were* garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation *was* jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald;[a]

20 The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolyte; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.

21 And the twelve gates *were* twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city *was* pure gold, as it were transparent glass.[b]

22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.[c]

23 And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb *is* the light thereof.[d]

24 And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.[e]

25 And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.[f]

26 And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.[g]

27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither *whatsoever* worketh abomination, or *maketh* a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.[h]

ANNO DOMINI 96.

[a] Ezek. xlviii. 1; Zech. xiv. 8.

[a] Isa. liv. 11.

[j] ch. ii. 7; xxi. 21, 24; Gen. ii. 9; Ezek. xlvii. 12.

[b] ch. xxii. 2.

[k] Zech. xiv. 11; Ezek. xlviii. 35.

[c] John iv. 23.

[l] ch. iii. 12; xiv. 1; Matt. v. 8; 1 Cor. xiii. 12; 1 John iii. 2.

[d] ver. 11; ch. xxii. 5; Isa. xxiv. 23; lx. 19, 20.

[m] ch. iii. 21; xxi. 23, 25; Ps. xxxvi. 9, lxxxiv. 11; Dan. vii. 27; Rom. v. 17; 2 Tim. ii. 12.

[e] Isa. lx. 3, 5, 11; lxvi. 12.

[n] ch. i. 1; xix. 9; xxi. 5.

[f] ch. xxii. 5; Isa. lx. 11, 20; Zech. xiv. 7.

[g] ver. 24.

[o] vs. 10, 12, 20; ch. i. 3; iii. 11.

[h] ch. iii. 5; xiii. 8; xx. 12; xxii. 14, 15; Isa. xxxv. 8; lii. 1; lx. 21; Joel iii. 17; Philipp. iv. 3.

[p] ch. xix. 10.

CHAPTER XXII.

1 *The river of the water of life.* 2 *The tree of life.* 5 *The light of the city of God is himself.* 9 *The angel will not be worshipped.* 18 *Nothing may be added to the word of God, nor taken therefrom.*

AND he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.[i]

2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, *was there* the tree of life, which bare twelve *manner of* fruits, *and* yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree *were* for the healing of the nations.[j]

3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:[k]

4 And they shall see his face; and his name *shall be* in their foreheads.[l]

5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.[m]

6 And he said unto me, These sayings *are* faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.[n]

7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed *is* he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.[o]

8 And I John saw these things, and heard *them*. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.[p]

heaven and a new earth, and the introduction of the whole company of believers into the kingdom of their Father, the Apostle is now permitted, in a vision, to behold the felicity of the redeemed.

12. "And had a wall great and high:"—from what is said of the height of the city, we imagine that "it must have risen upon terraced foundations, each terrace having its distinct wall supporting or encircling it."

"Twelve gates . . . the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:"—the twelve gates correspond with the twelve tribes. On the east, the three gates were for the tribes of Joseph, Benjamin, and Dan; on the north, for the tribes of Reuben, Judah, and Levi; on the south, for Simeon, Issachar, and Zebulun; on the west, for Gad, Asher, and Naphtali. (See Ezek. xlviii.) In the Book of Numbers the order of encampment is set down differently; and in Revelation vii. 6 the tribe of Manasseh is substituted for that of Dan. The twelve angels, at each gate an angel, may be taken as symbolic of the fact that from the city everything is for ever shut out that would either defile or disturb; while the number *twelve*, we presume, must be taken as expressive of completeness, of extent, and immensity.

Though it be the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel which are written on these twelve gates, we are not to suppose that the city is to be inhabited only by the Jewish converts; for we are told in the 14th verse that the wall of the city had twelve foundations, in which were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb; clearly denoting that the whole Church of God, the spiritual Israel, is included—that Church which is "built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone."

19. "The first foundation was jasper:"—the stones here mentioned as lying at the foundation of the walls, and as adding splendour to the walls themselves, are the same as those which were set in the breastplate of the high priest, as we find in Exod. xxviii. 17—20. The chalcedony is supposed to correspond with the agate; the sardonyx is a combination of the sardius and the onyx, both of which are said to be species of the chalcedony. The chrysolite was of a rich golden translucent colour, resembling our modern topaz. The chrysoprasus is a species of the beryl. The jacinth resembles the amethyst, with the colour of the hyacinth.

21. "The twelve gates were twelve pearls:"—the pearl being regarded as something more precious and highly ornamental, is here put for purity and truth, while the precious stones indicate "the preciousness in the sight of God of the chosen nation," and the splendour here described is but the reflected glory of God and the Lamb.

CHAPTER XXII.

1. "A pure river of water of life:"—the whole of this verse describes the plenitude, purity, and perfection of that heavenly joy which is conferred upon the redeemed.

2. "On either side of the river was there the tree of life:"—the city had not only a river passing through it, but it had its parallel streets on either side, while on each side of the streets and of the river stood extended rows of the tree of life. Some conceive that the trees stood in the middle of the space between the street and the river. The idea in the mind of the Apostle to have been that of the original Paradise, in which stood the tree

6. "These sayings are faithful and true:"—the reference is to all which had been revealed to the Apostle in the successive visions with which he had been favoured. And in the prospect of their speedy accomplishment, the Redeemer himself now speaks, and says, "Behold, I come quickly; blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book."

10. "Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book:"—in opposition to this, we find Daniel is commanded to shut up the vision; and the reason assigned is, "that it shall be for many days;" its accomplishment was not only future, but distant; whereas here the time is declared to be at hand—all was speedily to be fulfilled.

18, 19. "If any man shall add unto these things:"—an awful warning and awakening this, to any one who possesses the Book of God, against trifling with its contents, more especially "the words of the book of this prophecy;" lest, by either adding to it or taking from it, he lose the everlasting life and happiness promised to every humble genuine believer.

20. "Surely I come quickly.:"—for the sixth time does the glorified Redeemer give this grand prophetic intimation; and connecting all her hopes and joys with the final advent of her Saviour, when he shall raise the dead and change the living, and take the whole Church robed in spotless

9 Then saith he unto me, See *thou do it* not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.[a]

10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.[b]

11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.[c]

12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward *is* with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.[d]

13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.[e]

14 Blessed *are* they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.[f]

15 For without *are* dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.[g]

ANNO DOMINI 96.

a ch. xix. 10.
h ch. i. 1; ii. 28; v. 5; Numb. xxiv. 17; Zech. vi. 12; 2 Peter i. 19.
b ch. i. 3; x. 4; Dan. viii. 26; xii. 4, 9.
i ch. xxi. 2, 6, 9; Isa. lv. 1; John vii. 37.
c Ezek. iii. 27; Dan. xii. 10; 2 Tim. iii. 13.
j Deut. iv. 2; xii. 32; Prov. xxx. 6.
d ver. 7; ch. xx. 12; Isa. xl. 10, lxii. 11; Rom. ii. 6; xiv. 12.
e ch. i. 8, 11; xxi. 6; Isa. xli. 4, xliv. 6, xlviii. 12
1 Or, *from the tree of life.*
k ch. iii. 5, xiii. 8, xxi. 2; Exod. xxxii. 33; Ps. lxix. 28.
f ver. 2, ch. ii. 7, xxi. 27; Dan. xii. 12; 1 John iii. 24.
l ver. 12; John xxi. 25; 2 Tim. iv. 8.
g ch. ix. 20, 21; xxi. 8; 1 Cor. vi. 9, 10; Gal. v. 19—21, Philipp. iii. 2; Col. iii. 6.
m Rom. xvi. 20, 24; 2 Thess. iii. 18.

16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, *and* the bright and morning star.[h]

17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.[i]

18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:[j]

19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part [1]out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book.[k]

20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.[l]

21 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you all. Amen.[m]

whiteness, into the presence of his Father, she gives back the raptured response: "Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

In this sublime description of the heavenly state, "we are carried backward as well as forward—into the past as well as into the future. 'The primal age was beautiful as gold:'—man fed on the tree of life, and each rivulet was like running nectar. But when sin entered, Eden was blighted, and death o'erflooded life. The waters of affliction took their rise in Paradise, and earth became the land of weeping and of woe. And is the harp for ever broken? Is there no music in its strings? And is there no hand sufficiently skilled to take up those strings again, and bring out their slumbering harmony? The Saviour came to recover our fallen nature. Christianity is the only antidote for human sorrow. It takes the burden of sin from the heart, and for the spirit of heaviness it gives the hope full of glory. 'Light is sown for the righteous;'—however long the night of grief may be prolonged, joy will come in the morning. As the flower may be seen blooming on the margin of the everlasting snows, so the light of immortality may be seen struggling with the shadows of the grave, to reassure us of life and incorruption in the world to come."

To these closing remarks we would add our prayer, in which we trust the readers of our Notes will devoutly join:—May He who instructed his servants to write these hallowed pages, upon which we have offered our humble comment, write his truths upon all our hearts; and may we, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, be led daily to pray to him for the pardon of the past, for wisdom for the present, and for direction for the future. May he grant us grace to live in his fear and to die in his favour, so that we may attain the end of our faith in the salvation of our souls. In the duties of life, and in the hour of death, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all. Amen.



OFFICES AND CONDITIONS OF MEN.

AARONITES, priests of the family of Aaron, who ministered in the service of the sanctuary (Numb. iv. 5; 1 Chron. xii. 27; xxvii. 17). Otherwise called the sons of Aaron (1 Chron. xxiv. 31), and the house of Aaron (Ps. cxv. 10, 12).

ALEXANDRIANS, Jews from Alexandria, who had a synagogue in Jerusalem (Acts vi. 9).

ANAKIMS, or sons of Anak a mysterious people, warlike and gigantic, who inhabited the south of Judea at an early period (Deut. ii 10).

APOSTLE, literally one who is sent a name specially, and in its highest sense, applied to the Lord Jesus (Heb. iii. 1); more commonly to the twelve whom our Lord chose for his personal companions, and as the founders of his Church. To these St. Paul is commonly added; and the word is also used of ministers who laboured in connection with St Paul and the other apostles.

AREOPAGITE, a judge of the chief tribunal at Athens, so called from Areopagus, or the Hill of Mars (Acts xvii. 19, 34).

ASAPH, SONS OF, the descendants or successors of Asaph, an eminent musician, whom David appointed over the service of song in the house of the Lord. The sons of Asaph may be described as the choristers of the temple (1 Chron. vi. 39; xxv. 1).

BISHOP. The literal meaning of this word is "overseer, or superintendent." It is applied to the Lord Jesus, who is called the Bishop of our souls (1 Pet ii. 25). The appellation was formerly applied to ministers in the Christian Church (Phil. i. 1; 1 Tim. iii 1).

CANAANITE, commonly an inhabitant of Canaan. Simon the Canaanite is the same as Simon Zelotes, or the Zealous. In this sense the word is an Aramaic one, of very different origin from the former (Matt. x. 4; Mark iii. 18).

CENTURION, a military officer in the Roman army, having command of one hundred men (Matt. viii. 5; Acts x. 1).

CHALDEAN, properly a native or inhabitant of Chaldea; but sometimes it applies to what may be called a learned and priestly class in Babylon (Dan. ii. 2; iv. 7; v. 7).

CHERETHIMS and CHERETHITES, a class of soldiers in David's army, probably foreign mercenaries (2 Sam viii 18; xx. 7).

CHEMARIMS, idolatrous priests; probably priests of Baal or of Moloch, and connected with fire worship (Zeph. i. 4).

CHERUB, in the plural CHERUBIM; the name of a class of angelic beings, who were represented by symbolical figures in the tabernacle and the temple (Gen. iii 24, Exod. xxv 18; 2 Chron. iii 10)

CHIEF PRIEST, commonly the same as High Priest, which *see*. Sometimes, however, the word is used of the principal priests (1 Chron. xxix. 22, Matt. xvi. 21).

CHILDREN OF THE PROPHETS. *See* Sons of the Prophets.

COUNCIL. *See* Sanhedrim.

CYRENIANS, properly citizens of Cyrene, an African province. The Cyrenian Jews had a synagogue at Jerusalem (Acts vi. 9).

DEACON. In the early age of the Christian Church, the term was used to denote any one who ministered in the service of God.

DISPUTERS, those by whom questions were discussed, according to the practice of ancient schools and academies

DIVINERS, more especially among the heathen, who pretended to foretell events by means of astrology, necromancy, sacrifices, dreams, the flight of birds, and by a variety of other things (Jer. xxix. 8; Zech. x. 2).

DOCTORS, the teachers and expounders of the Jewish law; also called lawyers and rabbis. The same term was applied to evangelists and other Christian teachers (Luke ii. 46; Acts v 34; 1 Cor. xii. 28, 29, in the original).

DUKES, chiefs of Edomite and other tribes (Gen. xxxvi. 15, 21; Josh. xiii. 21).

ELDERS, a term of office applied to the members of the Jewish Sanhedrim, or council, and to others who were invested with certain authority. In the Christian Church the word denotes presbyters, or ministers (Matt. xxviii. 12; Acts xv. 4; James v. 14). *See* Sanhedrim.

ENCHANTERS, a class of diviners (Jer. xxvii. 9). *See* Diviners.

EPICUREANS, the followers of Epicurus, a Greek philosopher, who was born B.C. 344 (Acts xvii. 18).

ESSENES, a Jewish sect of ascetics, not named in Scripture, but mentioned by writers in the New Testament times, as Josephus and Philo.

EVANGELISTS, a class of teachers in the Christian Church (Eph. iv. 11; 2 Tim. iv. 5).

EXCHANGERS, money-changers who gave Roman money for Jewish, and also took money on interest as bankers (Matt. xxv. 27).

EXORCISTS, a class of persons who professed to cast out devils by invoking the name of God over such as were possessed (Acts xix. 13).

GALILEANS, or GAULONITES, a party among the Jews, named after one Judas, and opposed to the Roman taxation and government (Luke xiii. 1; Acts v. 37)

GENTILES, a name applied by the Jews to all who were not descended from Jacob (1 Cor. x. 32).

GRECIANS. This word sometimes applies to the Greeks, and sometimes to Jews who spoke the Greek language (Acts vi. 1; xi. 20).

HEADS OF THE CAPTIVITY, the chiefs of Jewish tribes or families, who exercised authority during the captivity.

HEBREWS, the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob Jews. A *Hebrew of the Hebrews* was one whose ancestors on the father's and the mother's side were Jews of pure extraction (Philipp. iii. 5).

HERODIANS, a party among the Jews in the time of our Lord; but whether political or religious is disputed (Matt. xxii 16; Mark iii 6; xii. 13). The common opinion is, that they adapted their religion to the times, and particularly favoured Herod.

HIGH PRIEST, the chief of all the Jewish priests. The Christian High Priest is Christ (Heb. iii. 1)

ISRAELITES, Hebrews descended from Jacob or Israel. After the revolt of the ten tribes, they were generally called Israelites, to distinguish them from the men of Judah and Benjamin.

JEWS, Hebrews descended from Jacob. Strictly, the name only belongs to the descendants of Judah. It was afterwards used of the tribes of Judah and Benjamin, and eventually of all Hebrews.

JUDGES, chief rulers or presidents among the Hebrews after the death of Moses and Joshua, and before the appointment of kings.

KINGS, chief rulers of nations. Saul was the first king of the Jews; but in the time of Rehoboam, the grandson of David, the kingdom was divided, and Israel and Judah had their own separate kings.

LAWYERS, persons who expounded the Jewish law. *See* Doctors

LEVITES, the tribe of Levi, divinely appointed for the general services of the sanctuary. They were divided into courses, and were distinguished from the *Priests*, who were nevertheless also descendants of Levi.

LIBERTINES, a sect of Jews Among the Romans Libertines were the progeny of emancipated slaves.

LORD, a ruler. Applied to God and man. Sometimes the word is only a sign of respect.

MAGI, or MAGIANS. *See* Wise Men.

MAGICIANS. The same as *Diviners* and *Enchanters*. *See* these words.

MINISTER, properly a servant: hence one who serves in the sanctuary of God, or in the Church of Christ. The word may be used of a king's officer (Luke iv. 20; Eph. vi. 21; 1 Kings x. 5). Angels also are called ministers (Ps. ciii. 21); so, too, the Lord Jesus Christ (Rom. xv. 8).

MYRIAD, properly the number of ten thousand, but the word is often used of any very large number. It is not found in the English version, but is frequent in the original.

NAZARENE, a person from Nazareth. The term was applied to our Lord in his day, and is still used of Christians in some parts of the East.

NAZARITE, one who is separated or set apart by special dedication to God. Such a person was never to drink wine nor strong drink, never to cut his hair, and was to be particularly careful in preserving himself from defilement. The vow of a Nazarite was sometimes made by parents for their child, and sometimes by a person for himself. It was not always for life (Numb. vi. 2).

NECROMANCER, properly one who divines by means of the dead. A class of diviners, who pretended to call up the spirits of the dead, and, by interrogating them, to foretell future events (Deut. xviii. 11). Compare Isa. viii. 19.

NETHINIMS, a class of persons who acted as the servants of the Levites in the work to which they were chosen of God. At first they were wholly Gibeonites (1 Chron. ix. 2; Neh. iii. 26).

NICOLAITANES, certain heretical Christians, referred to in Rev. ii. 6, 15, "who taught that the knowledge of God and Christ was sufficient for salvation; and that, being justified by faith, they were free from the restraints of the law, and might indulge in sin with impunity."

PASTORS, properly "shepherds;" and hence such as have the care of souls, or of men (Jer. xii. 10; Eph. iv. 11).

PATRIARCH, the head of a family, as Abraham.

PHARISEE, literally one who is separated. A powerful sect among the Jews. They made great professions of religion, but were often condemned by our Lord for their formalism and attachment to corrupt traditions (Matt. xxiii. 26; Acts xxiii. 7, 8).

PRIEST; under the Jewish law, a person consecrated to the public service of God. Those who conducted idol worship were also called priests. Under the Gospel, all Christians are called by this honourable name. The head of the Jewish priests was called a high priest (Heb. viii. 4; Rev. i. 6).

PROPHET. True prophets were called and qualified of God to admonish his people, and to foretell future events. The word is occasionally used of ordinary teachers. The great Prophet of the Church is Christ (1 Kings i. 32; Titus i. 12).

PROSELYTES, persons who have been led to change their religion. Gentiles who embraced Judaism were divided into proselytes of various classes (Matt. xxiii. 15; Acts ii. 10).

PUBLICANS, those who collected the public taxes for the Roman government. They were of different orders, and bore an ill name among the Jews (Luke iii. 12; xix. 2).

RABBI, a *doctor*, or *lawyer*, among the Jews. *See* these words. The word means "master."

RABBONI, "my master," or rabbi (John xx. 16).

RECHABITES, descendants of Jonadab, son of Rechab, who obeyed their ancestor's precept not to drink wine, not to build houses, not to sow seed, &c. (Jer. xxxv. 2-10).

RECORDER, an officer of state, who seems to have been the compiler and keeper of public records (1 Kings iv. 3; 2 Kings xviii 18).

REPHAIM, an ancient, warlike, and gigantic people, near Jerusalem, and probably older than the Canaanites (Gen. xiv. 5; 2 Sam. v. 18).

SADDUCEES, a Jewish sect of rationalists, who denied the resurrection and other important doctrines (Matt. xxii. 23; Acts xxiii. 8).

SAMARITANS, the inhabitants of Samaria. By the Jews they were avoided as corrupt heretics, because they were not of pure descent from Israel, and because they did not always conform to the Mosaic religion. In particular they had a temple of their own, and only received a part of the Jewish Scriptures (John iv 9, viii. 48).

SANHEDRIM, the supreme judicial council among the Jews. It consisted of seventy members, with the high priest for their president. *See* Elders.

SCRIBES, writers and expounders of the Old Testament. Sometimes the word means much the same as secretary (2 Sam. xx 25, Luke v. 30).

SEERS, prophets; anciently so called, because they *saw* visions (1 Sam. ix. 9).

SONS OF PROPHETS, disciples and pupils of the prophets, and who seem also in some cases to have acted as their servants (2 Kings ii. 3, 5, 7, 15).

SOOTHSAYERS, persons who pretended to "say the *truth*" as to things hidden or future. They were a class of *diviners*, or *magicians* (Dan. ii. 27).

SORCERER, a magician, or diviner. Such were Elymas and Simon Magus. Sometimes they professed to be supernaturally aided (Acts viii. 11).

STOICS, a sect of ancient philosophers, who are popularly distinguished from the Epicureans in this, that while the Epicureans attached much importance to human enjoyments, the Stoics professed to disregard and despise pleasure and pain (Acts xvii. 18).

TETRARCH, the ruler of a fourth part of a province or district; but sometimes applied to other rulers who held a divided government (Matt. xiv. 1; Luke iii. 19).

TIRSHATHA. Properly one who is austere or severe; a title applied to the Persian governor of Judea (Neh. vii. 65; x. 2; xii. 26).

TORMENTOR, properly one who tortures, but the word seems applied to any gaoler, because in ancient times gaolers were sometimes torturers of their prisoners (Matt. xviii. 34).

WISE MEN.—The wise men from the East who came to Bethlehem were Magians, men eminent in the learning of their time (Matt. ii. 1). *See* Wizard.

WITCH.—In Scripture this word is not used in its modern sense, but to denote a woman who practises divination, sometimes called *wise women*.

WIZARDS, properly *wise men*, or persons who are supposed to know things secret or future; diviners (Isa. viii. 19; xix. 3).

TABLES OF WEIGHTS, MEASURES, MONEY, AND TIME.

WEIGHTS :—	lbs.	oz.	dwts.	gr.
Gerah, 1-20th of a shekel ...	0	0	0	12
Beka, ½ a shekel	0	0	5	0
Shekel *	0	0	10	0
Maneh, 60 shekels	2	6	0	0
Talent, 50 manehs, or 3,000 shekels	125	0	0	0

MEASURES OF LENGTH :—		Ft.	In.
Digit	nearly equal to	0	1
4 Digits = 1 palm ...	rather more than	0	3½
3 Palms = 1 span ...	nearly equal to	0	11
2 Spans = 1 cubit ...	,,	1	10
4 Cubits = 1 fathom..	rather more than	7	3½
1½ Fathoms = Ezekiel's Reed ...	about	10	11½
1½ Ezekiel's Reeds = Arabian pole	,,	14	7
10 Arabian poles = schœnus, or measuring line	about	145	11½

LONGER MEASURES :—	Miles.	Paces.	Ft.	In.
1 Cubit	0	0	1	9½
400 Cubits = 1 stadium, or furlong	0	145	4	6
5 Stadia = Sabbath day's journey	0	729	3	0
2 Sabbath days' journeys = Eastern mile	1	403	1	0
3 Eastern miles = parasang	4	153	3	0
8 Parasangs = day's journey	33	172	4	0

HOLLOW MEASURES, for Liquids, in English Wine Measure :—	Gals.	Pints.
1 Caph	0	0⅛
1¼ Caphs = 1 log	0	0⅛
4 Logs = 1 kab, or cab	0	3¼
3 Kabs = 1 hin	1	2
2 Hins = 1 seah	2	4
3 Seahs = 1 bath, or ephah ...	7	4
10 Baths = 1 cor, or homer ...	75	5

HOLLOW MEASURES, for things dry, in English Corn Measure :—	Pks.	Gals.	Pints
1 Gachal ... ... about ...	0	0	0¼
20 Gachals = 1 cab ... ,, ...	0	2	¾
1⅓ Cabs = 1 omer... ,, ...	0	5	1/10
3⅓ Omers = 1 seah	1	0	1
3 Seahs = 1 ephah ...	3	0	3
5 Ephahs = 1 letek, or letech	16	0	0
2 Leteks = 1 homer, or cor	32	0	1

MONEY, reduced to English and American gold values : † —	£	s.	d.	Dolls.	Cents
1 Gerah ... about	0	0	1¼		02·50
10 Gerahs = 1 beka ,,	0	1	1 1/16		25·00
2 Bekas = 1 shekel ,,	0	2	3½		50·18
50 Shekels = 1 maneh, or Hebrew mina	5	14	0¼	25	09·35
60 Manehs = 1 talent	342	3	9	1,505	62·50
1 Solidus aureus, or sextula	0	12	0½	2	64·09
1 Siclus aureus, or golden shekel ...	1	16	6	8	03·00
1 Talent of gold ...	5,475	0	0	24,309	00·00

* Some make the shekel rather less.

† In this table silver is valued at 5s. or $1·11 per ounce.
,, gold ,, £4 or $17·76 ,,

ROMAN MONEY in the New Testament :—	£	s.	d.	f.	Dolls.	Cents
1 Mite ... about	0	0	0	0¾		00·34
1 Farthing ... ,,	0	0	0	1½		00·69
1 Penny	0	0	7	3		14·35
1 Pound	3	2	6	0	13	88·87

According to another calculation—

The mite was worth	0	0	0	0⅜		00 17
The farthing, or quadrans *	0	0	0	0¼		00·34
The farthing, or assarion †	0	0	0	3		01·38
The penny	0	0	7	2		13 88

THE HEBREW YEAR.

DAYS.

The ordinary day commenced at 6 in the evening, and continued for 24 hours.

The civil day began at 6 in the morning Hence it was divided into 12 hours (John xi. 9), thus :—

1	from	6	to	7	A.M.	7	from	12	to	1 P.M.
2	,,	7	,,	8	,,	8	,,	1	,,	2 ,,
3‡	,,	8	,,	9	,,	9‡	,,	2	,,	3 ,,
4	,,	9	,,	10	,,	10	,,	3	,,	4 ,,
5	,,	10	,,	11	,,	11	,,	4	,,	5 ,,
6§	,,	11	,,	12	,,	12	,,	5	,,	6 ,,

The night was divided into watches. Originally these were three—

1. First watch, from sunset to 10 P.M. (Lam ii. 19).
2. Middle watch, from 10 P.M. to 2 A.M. (Judg. vii. 19).
3. Morning watch, from 2 A.M. to 6 A.M. (Exod. xiv. 24, 1 Sam. xi 11).

After the introduction of Roman customs, the night watches were four, as we find in the New Testament. They were—

The 1st, or Evening.....from	6	to	9 P.M.
2nd, Midnight ..... ,,	9	,,	12 ,,
3rd, Cock-crowing ... ,,	12	,,	3 A.M.
4th, Morning ..... ,,	3	,,	6 ,,

Each day had two evenings—

The 1st Evening began at the 9th hour
2nd ,, ,, 11th ,,

WEEKS.

Seven nights and days constituted a week. Only the last of these days had a name. Thus—

1st day of the week, corresponding with	Sunday.
2nd ,, ,, ,, ,,	Monday.
3rd ,, ,, ,, ,,	Tuesday.
4th ,, ,, ,, ,,	Wednesday.
5th ,, ,, ,, ,,	Thursday
6th ,, ,, ,, ,,	Friday
7th, or the Sabbath ,, ,,	Saturday.

* The quadrans is meant in Matt. v. 26; Mark xii. 42.
† The assarion ,, Matt. x. 29; Luke xii. 6.
‡ These were often called the hours of prayer.
§ This also was by some observed as an hour of prayer (Acts x. 9). Compare Ps. lv. 17.

MONTHS.

Sacred Year	Civil Year	Name of Month.	Corresponds with
1	7	Abib, or Nisan	... March, April.
2	8	Iyar, or Zif	... April, May.
3	9	Sivan ...	... May, June
4	10	Tammuz ...	... June, July.
5	11	Ab	... July, August
6	12	Elul ...	... August, September
7	1	Tishri, or Ethanim	September, October
8	2	Marchesvan, or Bul	October, November
9	3	Chisleu, or Kisleu..	November, Decemb
10	4	Tebeth ...	... December, January.
11	5	Shebat ...	... January, February.
12	6	Adar ...	... February, March.

The months were lunar, and consequently an ordinary lunar year of 12 months consisted of but 354 days and 8 hours. To supply the defect, a month was repeated every three years This was after the month Adar, and was called Ve-Adar. Adar was the last month of the ecclesiastical year, and corresponded with our February and March.

YEAR.

Besides the civil year, commencing with Tishri,* and the sacred year, which began with Nisan, or Abib, there were—

The year of Cattle, commencing with Elul ; and
,, Trees, ,, Shebat.

The SACRED DAYS of the year were principally these :—

The Sabbath, every week ,
The Passover ; including
The Preparation, and
The Feast of Unleavened Bread : in Nisan.
Pentecost, otherwise called the
Feast of Weeks, ,
,, Wheat Harvest,
,, First-fruits . 50 days after Passover.
The Feast of { Tabernacles, or of In-gathering ... } in Tishri.
,, Trumpets ... ,,
,, Expiation, or Atonement ... ... ,,
,, Dedication (John x. 22) in Kisleu.
,, Purim, or Lots (Esth. ix. 24) in Adar.

The New Moons : every month
The Sabbatical Year : every seventh year
The Year of Jubilee : every 50th year

Every day there was a morning and evening service and sacrifice.

* The modern Jews begin their year with Tishri in England, with the names of their months thus :—

1	Tishri	7	Nisan.
2	Heshvon, or Marheshvon.	8	Yiar.
3	Kislev	9	Sivan
4	Tebeth.	10	Thamuz.
5	Shebat.	11	Ab.
6	1st Adar (i.e., first month of the ecclesiastical year).	12	Ellul.

SYNOPSIS OF THE FOUR GOSPELS.

Matthew.	Mark.	Luke.	John.	Matthew.	Mark.	Luke.	John.	Matthew.	Mark.	Luke.	John.
.....	.....	i. 1—80.		xii. 22—45.	iii. 20—30.	xi. 14—36.		xxii. 1—14.			
.....	.....	ii. 1—6.		xii. 46—50.	iii. 31—35.	viii 19—21.		xxii. 15—22.	xii. 13—17.	xx. 20—26.	
i. 1—25.				xiii. 1—30, 36—43.	iv. 1—20, 26—29.	viii. 4—15.		xxii. 23—33.	xii. 18—27.	xx. 27—40.	
.....	.....	iii. 23—38.		xiii 31—35, 44—52.	iv. 30—34.	xiii. 18—21.		xxii. 34—40.	xii. 28—34.		
.....	.....	ii. 7—20.						xxii. 41—46.	xii. 35—37.	xx. 41—44.	
ii. 1—12.								xxiii. 1—39.	xii. 38—40.	xx. 45—47.	
.....	.....	ii. 21—24		xiii. 53—58.	vi. 1—6.	iv. 16—31.			xii. 41—44.	xxi. 1—4.	
.....	.....	ii. 25—35.		xiv. 1—12.	vi. 14—29.	ix. 7—9.		xxiv. 1—51;	xiii. 1—37.	xxi. 5—36.	
.....	.....	ii. 36—38.		xiv. 13—21.	vi. 30—44.	ix. 10, 17.	vi. 1—13	xxv. 1—13.			
ii. 13—15.				xiv. 22—36.	vi. 45—52.	.....	vi. 14;	xxv. 14—30.			
ii. 16—18.							x. 39.	xxv. 31—46.			
ii. 19—23.	.....	ii. 39, 40.		.....	.....	x 1—16.		xxvi. 1—5.	xiv. 1, 2.	xxii. 1, 2.	
.....	.....	ii. 41—50.		.....	.....	xiv. 35.		xxvi. 6—13.	xiv. 3—9.		
.....	vi. 3.	ii. 51, 52.		.....	.....	xv.— xviii. 14.		xxvi. 14—16.	xiv. 10, 11.	xxii. 3—6.	
.....	i 1—3	iii 1—6.						xxvi. 17—19.	xiv. 12—16.	xxii. 7—13.	
iii. 1—6.	iii. 4—6.			xv. 1—20.	vii. 1—23.			.....	.....	.....	xiii. 1—20.
iii. 7—10	.....	iii 7—14.		xv. 21—28.	vii. 24—30.			xxvi. 20—25.	xiv. 17—21.	xxii. 14—18, 21—23.	xiii. 21—30.
iii. 11, 12.	iii. 7, 8.	iii. 15—18.	i. 6—8.	xv. 29—39.	vii. 31—37;						
iii. 13—17.	i. 9—11.	iii. 21, 22.	i. 30—34.		viii 1—8.			xxvi. 26—28	xiv. 22—24.	xxii. 19, 20.	xiii. 31—35.
iv. 1—10.	i. 12, 13.	iv. 1—13.		xvi. 1—4.	viii. 10—12.			.....	.....	.....	xiv.—xvii.
.....	.....	.....	i. 29; v. 47.	xvi. 5—12.	viii. 13—21.			xxvi. 30—35	xiv. 26—31.	xxii. 24—33.	xiii. 36—38.
iv. 12.	i. 14, 15	iii. 19, 20;		xvi. 13—20.	viii. 27—30.	ix. 19—21.		xxvi. 36—46.	xiv. 32—42.	xxii. 39—46.	xviii. 1.
.....	.....	iv. 14, 15.		xvi. 21—28.	viii. 31—35; ix. 1	ix. 21—27.		xxvi. 47—56	xiv. 43—52	xxii. 47—53.	xviii. 2—11.
iv 13—17.	i 21—28.	iv. 31—37.						xxvi. 57—68.	xiv. 53—65.	xxii. 54, 63—65.	xviii. 12—15, 19—24.
iv. 18—22.	i. 16—20			xvii. 1—13.	ix. 2—13.	ix. 28—36.					
iv. 23—25.	i. 39.	iv. 44.		xvii. 14—21.	ix. 14—29	ix 37—48.		xxvi. 69—75.	xiv. 66—72.	xxii. 56—62.	xviii. 16—18, 25—27.
v.—vii.	.....	vi. 17—49		xvii. 22, 23	ix. 30—32.	ix 43—45					
viii. 1—4.	i. 40—45.	v 12—15.		xvii. 24—27.				xxvii. 1, 2.	xv. 1.	xxii. 66;	xviii. 28.
viii. 5—13.	.....	vii. 1—10		xviii. 1—6.	ix. 33—37.	ix. 46—48				xxiii 1.	
viii. 14—17.	i. 29—34.	iv. 38—41		xviii. 7—35.	ix. 38—50.	ix. 49, 50.		xxvii 3—10.			
.....	i. 35—38.	iv 42, 43; v. 1—11.		xix. 1—12.	x 1—12.			xxvii 11—26.	xv. 2—15.	xxiii. 2—25.	xviii. 29—40.
				xix. 13—15.	x. 13—16.	xviii 15—17.		xxvii.27—50.	xv. 16—41.	xxiii 26—49.	xix. 1—37.
viii. 18—34.	iv. 35—41; v. 1—20.	viii 22—39; ix. 37—62		xix. 16—30.	x. 17—31.	xviii. 18—30.		xxvii 57—61.	xv. 42—47.	xxiii. 50—56.	xix. 38—42.
				xx. 1—16.				xxvii 62—66.			
ix. 1—8.	ii. 1—12.	v. 17—26.		xx. 17—19.	x. 32—34.	xviii. 31—34		.....	xvi. 1—8.		
ix. 9—13.	ii. 13—17	v. 27—32		xx. 20—28.	x. 35—45			xxviii.1—10.	xvi. 9—11.	xxiv. 1—12.	xx. 1—18.
ix. 14—17.	ii. 18—22.	v 33—39.		xx. 29—34.	x. 46—52.	xviii 35—43;		.....	xvi. 12, 13.	xxiv.13—35	
ix 18—26.	v. 21—43	viii 41—56.				xix. 1—27.		.....	.....	xxiv.36—49.	xx. 19—25.
ix. 27—38.				.....	.....	.....	x. 39; xii 11.	xxviii. 11—17.			
x. 1—42.	iii. 12—19; vi. 7—13.	vi. 13—16; ix. 1—6.		xxi. 1—17.	xi. 1—11, 15—19.	xix. 29—44.	xii. 12—36.	.....	xvi. 14.	.....	xx. 24—29.
xi. 1—30.	.....	vii. 18—35; x. 13—18, 21, 22		xxi. 18—22.	xi. 12—14, 20—26.			xxviii. 18—20.	xvi. 15—20.	xxiv. 49.	
xii. 1—8	ii. 23—26	vi. 1—5.		xxi. 23—46.	xi. 27—33; xii 1—12.	xx. 1—18.		.....	.....	.....	xx. 30, 31; xxi. 1—25.
xii. 9—21.	iii. 1—6.	vi. 6—11.						.....	.....	xxiv.50—53.	

CHRONOLOGY OF THE BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT.

THE FIVE HISTORICAL BOOKS.

A.D.			Place where Written.
Uncertain.	Gospel of St. Matthew		Judea.
About 63.	,, St. Mark		Perhaps at Rome.
,, 60.	,, St. Luke		,, Cæsarea.
,, 63.	Acts of the Apostles		Uncertain.
,, 96.	Gospel of St. John		Perhaps at Ephesus.

THE SEVEN GENERAL EPISTLES.

About 61.	Epistle of St. James	In Judea.
,, 63.	I. Epistle of St. Peter	Babylon (Qy. Rome).
,, 64.	II. ,, ,,	Perhaps at Rome.
96.	I. ,, St. John	Perhaps at Ephesus.
Unknown.	II. ,, ,,	Unknown.
,,	III. ,, ,,	,,
About 63.	Epistle of Jude	,,
About 96.	The Revelation of St. John	Perhaps at Patmos, or Ephesus.

ST. PAUL'S EPISTLES, ACCORDING TO CONYBEARE AND HOWSON.

A.D.		Place where Written.
52	I. Thessalonians	Corinth.
53	II. Thessalonians	Corinth.
57	I. Corinthians	Ephesus.
57	II. Corinthians	Macedonia.
57	Galatians	Corinth.
58	Romans	Corinth.
62	Philemon	Rome.
62	Colossians	Rome.
62	Ephesians	Rome.
62	Philippians	Rome.
67	I. Timothy	Macedonia.
67	Titus	Ephesus.
68	II. Timothy	Rome.
63	Hebrews	Uncertain.

N.B.—Some of the above dates are uncertain.

CONCORDANCE TO THE HOLY BIBLE

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TO THE

Most Important Passages in the Scriptures.

ABASE—Matt. 23, 12. Phil. 4, 12.
ABBA—Mark 14, 36. Rom. 8, 15. Gal. 4, 6.
ABHOR—Job 42, 6, wherefore I *a.* myself and. Prov. 22, 14, that is *a.* of the Lord. Isa. 66, 24, they shall be an *a.* to. Amos 5, 10, they *a.* him that speaketh. Rom. 12, 9, *a.* that which is evil.
ABIDE—Ps. 15, 1, Lord, who shall *a.* in thy; 91, 1, *a.* under shadow of Almighty. Hos. 3, 3, shalt *a.* for me many. Joel 2, 11, day is terrible, who can *a.* Mal. 3, 2, who may *a.* the day of his. John 5, 38, not his word *a* in you; 14, 16, Comforter, that he may *a*; 15, 4, *a.* in me, and I in you; 7. 1 Cor 3, 14, if any man's work *a*; 13, 13, now *a.* faith, hope. 2 Tim. 2, 13, yet he *a.* faithful. 1 Pet 1, 23, word of God *a.* for ever. 1 John 3, 6, *a.* in him sinneth not; 15, hath eternal life *a*, 24, we know he *a.*
ABLE—Lev 14, 22, such as he is *a.* to get. Deut. 16, 17, man give as he is *a.* 2 Chr. 20, 6, none is *a.* to withstand. Ezek. 46, 11, as he is *a* to give Dan. 3, 17, our God is *a.* to deliver, 4, 37, walk in pride he is *a.* to. Matt. 3, 9, God is *a.* of these stones; Luke 3, 8 Matt. 9, 28, believe ye I am *a.* to do this; 10, 28, are not *a.* to kill the soul; 19, 12, *a* to receive it, let him; 20, 22, are ye *a.* to drink of the cup. Mark 4, 33, as they were *a.* to hear. John 10, 29, no man is *a.* to pluck. Rom 4, 21, promised *a.* to perform; 14, 4, for God is *a.* to make him. 1 Cor 3, 2, neither yet now are ye *a.*; 10, 13, above that ye are *a.* 2 Cor. 9, 8, *a.* to make all grace. Eph. 3, 20, *a.* to do exceeding abundantly Phil 3, 21, *a.* to subdue all to him. 2 Tim. 1, 12, *a.* to keep that committed; 3,15, scripture *a.* to make wise." Heb. 2, 18, *a.* to succour tempted; 5, 7, *a.* to save him from death; 7, 25, *a.* to save to the uttermost; 11, 19, *a.* to raise him from dead. Jam. 1, 21, *a.* to save your souls; 4, 12, *a.* to save and to destroy. Jude 24, *a* to keep from falling.
ABODE—2 Ki. 19, 27. Isa. 37, 28. John 14, 23.
ABOLISH—Isa. 2, 18, idols he shall utterly *a*; 51, 6, righteousness not be *a.* Ezek. 6, 6, your works may be *a.* 2 Cor. 3, 13, to the end of that *a.* Eph. 2, 15, having *a.* in his flesh. 2 Tim. 1, 10, J. C. who hath *a.*
ABOMINABLE—Job 15, 16. Ps. 14, 1; 53, 1. Jer. 44, 4. Rev 21, 8
ABOMINATION—Gen. 43, 32, an *a.* to the Egyptians. Ex. 8, 26, shall sacrifice the *a.* of. 2 Chr. 34, 33, Josiah took away the *a.* Ezra 9, 1, doing according to their *a.* Ps. 88, 8, hast made me an *a.* Prov. 6, 16, seven are an *a.*; 11, 1, false balance is *a.* to Lord; 20, they of froward heart are *a.*; 12, 22, lying lips are *a.* to the Lord; 13, 19, it is *a.* to fools, 15, 8, sacrifice of wicked an *a.*; 26, thoughts of wicked are *a.*; 16, 5, proud is *a.* to Lord; 12, it is an *a.* to kings. 20, 23, divers weights are *a.* to; 28, 9, even his prayer shall be *a.* Isa. 1, 13, incense is an *a.* to me. 41, 24, an *a.* is he that chooseth; 44, 19, make the residue an *a.*; 66, 3, their soul delighteth in their *a.* Jer. 4, 1, if thou put away thine *a.* Dan. 9, 27, for overspreading *a.*; 11, 31, the *a.* that maketh desolate; 12, 11. Zech. 9, 7, *a.* from between his teeth. Matt. 24, 15, the *a.* of desolation; Mark 13, 14. Luke 16, 15, is *a.* in sight of God. Rev 17, 4, a golden cup full of *a.*; 21, 27, whatsoever worketh *a.*
ABOUND—Matt. 24, 12, because iniquity shall *a.* Rom. 5, 20, grace did much more *a.*; 6, 1, continue in sin that grace *a.* 2 Cor. 9, 8, able to make all grace *a.* Phil. 1, 9, that your love may *a.*; 4, 12, I know how to *a.* and how; 18, but I have all and *a.* 1 Thess. 3, 12, Lord make you *a.* 2 Pet. 1, 8, things be in you and *a.*
ABOVE—John 3, 31; 8, 23.
ABSENT—1 Cor. 5, 3, as *a.* in body, but present. 2 Cor. 5, 6, in body *a.* from the; 8, rather to be *a.* from the; 9, whether present or *a.* Col. 2, 5, though I be *a.* in the flesh.
ABSTAIN—1 Thess. 5, 22. 1 Tim. 4, 3. 1 Pet. 2, 11.
ABUNDANCE—Deu. 33, 19, shall suck of *a.* of the seas. 1 Sam. 1, 16, of the *a.* of my complaint. Ps. 37, 11, delight in *a.* of peace; 72, 7, *a.* of peace so long as. Isa. 60, 5, *a.* of the sea be converted. Jer. 33, 6, reveal the *a.* of peace. Matt. 12, 34, out of *a.* of the heart; 13, 12, he shall have more *a.*; 25, 29. Mark 12, 44, cast in of their *a.*; Luke 21, 4. Rom. 5, 17, which receive *a* of grace. 2 Cor. 8, 2, the *a.* of their joy; 12, 7, *a.* of the revelations.
ABUNDANT—2 Cor. 11, 23. 1 Tim. 1, 14. 1 Pet. 1, 3.
ABUSE—1 Cor. 7, 31.
ACCEPT—Lev. 7, 18, it shall not be *a.* Jer. 14, 10, the Lord doth not *a* them; 12, I will not *a* them. Ezek. 20, 40, there will I *a.* them; 41, I will *a.* you; 43, 27. Mal. 1, 13, should I *a* this. Luke 20, 21, neither *a.* the person. Acts 24, 3, we *a* it always. 2 Cor. 5, 9, we may be *a.* of him; 6, 2, heard thee in a time *a.*; 8, 12, is *a.* according to that. Eph 1, 6, *a* in the beloved.
ACCEPTABLE—Eph. 5, 10.
ACCEPTANCE—Isa. 60, 7.
ACCEPTATION—1 Tim 1, 15; 4, 9.
ACCESS—Rom. 5, 2. Eph. 2, 18; 3, 12.
ACCOMPLISH—Lev. 22, 21. Job 14, 6 Ps. 64, 6, they *a.* diligent search. Isa. 40, 2, that her warfare is *a.*; 55, 11, it shall *a.* that I please. Luke 12, 50, straitened till it be *a.* John 19, 28, all things were now *a.* Heb. 9, 6, *a.* the service of God. 1 Pet. 5, 9, same afflictions *a.* in.
ACCOMPLISHMENT—Acts 21, 26.
ACCORD—Lev. 25, 5. Acts 12, 20. 2 Cor. 8, 17. Phil. 2, 2.
ACCOUNT—Job 33, 13, gives not *a.* of his matters. Matt. 12, 36, shall give *a.* thereof; 18, 23, would take *a.* of his servant. Rom. 14, 12, shall give *a.* to God. Philem. 18, put that on my *a.* 1 Pet. 4, 5, who shall give *a.* to him.
ACCURSED—Deu 21, 23. Rom. 9, 3.
ACCUSATION—Matt. 27, 37, over his head his *a.* Luke 6, 7, find an *a.* against him; 19, 8, from any man by false *a.* John 18, 29, what *a.* bring ye. Acts 25, 18, they brought none *a.* 2 Peter 2, 11. Jude 9.
ACCUSER—John 8, 10, where are those thine *a.* Acts 23, 30, gave commandment to his *a*; 24, 8; 23, 35, when thine *a.* are come; 25, 16, have the *a.* face to face. Titus 2, 3, not false *a.* Rev. 12, 10, *a.* of brethren cast down.
ACKNOWLEDGE—Ps. 51, 3, I *a.* my transgressions. Prov. 3, 6, in all thy ways *a.* him. Isa. 33, 13, ye are near *a.* my might; 63, 16, though Israel *a.* us not. Jer. 3, 13, only *a.* thine iniquity; 14, 20, we *a.* our wickedness. Hos. 5, 15, till they *a.* their offence. 1 Cor. 16, 18, *a.* ye them that are. Col. 2, 2, to *a.* of the mystery. 2 Tim. 2, 25, to the *a.* of the truth. 1 John 2, 23, he that *a.* the Son.
ACQUAINT—Job 19, 13, my *a.* are estranged; 22, 21, *a.* thyself with him. Ps. 88, 8, hast put away my *a.*; 18, my *a.* into darkness; 139, 3, thou art *a.* with my ways. Isa. 53, 3, a man of sorrows, *a.* with grief. Luke 23, 49, all his *a.* stood afar off.
ACTS—Deu. 11, 7, your eyes seen *a.* of Ld. Judg. 5, 11, rehearse the righteous *a.* 1 Sam. 12, 7, righteous *a.* of the Lord. Ps. 103, 7, his *a.* to children of Israel; 106, 2, who can utter the mighty *a.*; 145, 4, shall declare thy mighty *a.*; 12, to make known mighty *a.*; 150, 2, praise him for his mighty *a.* Isa. 28, 21, to bring to pass his *a.*; 59, 6, *a.* of violence in their hands.
ADD—Deut. 4, 2, shall not *a.* to the word; 29, 19, *a.* drunkenness to thirst. Prov. 30, 6, *a.* thou not to his words. Isa. 30, 1, that they may *a.* sin to sin. Matt. 6, 27, *a.* one cubit; Luke 12, 25. Phil. 1, 16, to *a.* affliction to my bonds. 2 Pet. 1, 5, *a.* to your faith virtue. Rev. 22, 18, any man *a.* God shall *a.*
ADMINISTRATION—1 Cor. 12, 5. 2 Cor. 9, 12.
ADMONISH—Ecc. 12, 12. Jer. 42, 19. Rom. 15, 14. Col. 3, 16.
ADMONITION—1 Cor 10, 11. Tit. 3, 10.
ADOPTION—Jer 3, 19. Rom. 8, 15, received the Spirit of *a.*; 23, *a.* redemption of our body, 9, 4, to whom pertaineth the *a.* 2 Cor. 6, 18. Gal. 4, 5, might receive *a.* of sons. Eph. 1, 5, predestinated to *a.* of children.
ADORN—Isa. 61, 10 Jer 31, 4 1 Tim. 2, 9. Tit. 2, 10. 1 Pet. 3, 3. Rev. 21, 2.
ADVERSARY—Ex. 23, 22, an *a.* to thine *a.* 1 Ki. 5, 4, *a.* or evil occurrent. Job 31, 35, that my *a.* had written. Ps. 69, 19, my *a.* are before thee; 71, 13, that are *a.* to my soul; 109, 29, let my *a.* be clothed. Isa. 1, 24, will ease me of my *a.*; 50, 8, who is mine *a*; 63, 18, our *a.* have trodden. Jer. 30, 16, thy *a.* shall go to captivity; 46, 10, may avenge him of his *a.* Lam. 1, 5, her *a.* are the chief. Mic. 5, 9, thy hand lifted on thy *a.* Matt. 5, 25, agree with thine *a.*, the *a.* deliver thee to the judge. Luke 12, 58, goest with thine *a*; 13, 17, all his *a.* were ashamed; 18, 3, avenge me of my *a.*, 21, 15, your *a.* not able to gainsay. 1 Cor. 16, 9, there are many *a.* Phil. 1, 28, nothing terrified by your *a.* Heb. 10, 27, shall devour the *a.* 1 Pet. 5, 8, your *a.* the devil.
ADVERSITY—1 Sam. 10, 19, saved you from all *a.* 2 Chr. 15, 6, God vexed them with *a.* Ps. 10, 6, shall never be in *a.*; 35, 15, in my *a.* they rejoiced. Ecc. 7, 14, in day of *a.* consider. Heb. 13, 3, them which suffer *a.*
ADVOCATE—1 John 2, 1.
AFAR—Ps 138, 6, proud he knoweth *a.* off; 139, 2, understandest my thoughts *a.* off. Jer. 23, 23, at hand, not a God *a.* off. Acts 2, 39, promise is to all *a.* off. Eph. 2, 17, preaching peace to you *a.* off. Heb. 11, 13, having seen promises *a.* off. 2 Pet. 1, 9, blind, and cannot see *a.* off.
AFFAIRS—Ps. 112, 5. Phil. 1, 27. 2 Tim. 2, 4.
AFFECTION—2 Cor. 7, 15. Col. 3, 2.
AFFECTIONED—Rom. 12, 10.
AFFLICT—Ex. 1, 12, the more they *a.* them Job 6, 14, to him that is *a.* pity Ps. 88, 15, am *a.* and ready to die; 119, 67, before I was *a.* I went astray; 71, good for me I have been *a.*; 107, I am *a.* very much; 129, 1, many a time *a.* me. Prov. 22, 22, nor oppress the *a.* Isa. 9, 1, did more grievously *a.* her; 51, 21, hear this, thou *a*; 54, 11, O thou *a.*, tossed. Lam. 3, 33, doth not *a.* willingly. Mic. 4, 6, will gather her I have *a.* Nah. 1, 12, though I *a.* I will *a.* no more. Matt. 24, 9, deliver you to be *a.* 2 Cor. 1, 6, whether we be *a.* 1 Tim. 5, 10, have relieved the *a.* Jam. 4, 9, be *a.* and mourn; 5, 13, is any among you *a.*
AFFLICTION—Job 5, 6, *a.* cometh not of dust; 30, 16, days of *a.* taken hold of me; 36, 21, this hast thou chosen rather than *a.* Ps. 22, 24, not despised *a.* of afflicted; 25, 18, look on mine *a.*; 34, 19, many *a.* of the righteous; 44, 24, forgettest our *a.*; 66, 11, laidest *a.* on our loins; 119, 92, have perished in my *a.*; 153, consider my *a.* Isa. 63, 9, in all their *a.* he was afflicted. Jer. 30, 15, why criest thou for thy *a.* Lam. 1, 9, O Lord, behold my *a.*; 3, 1, the man that has seen *a.* Hos. 5, 15, in *a.* they will seek me. Obad. 13, nor have looked on their *a.* Jon. 2, 2, I cried by reason of *a.* Hab. 3, 7, the tents of Cushan in *a.* Mark 4, 17, when *a.* ariseth; 13, 10, in those days shall be *a.*; Acts 7, 34. 2 Cor. 2, 4, out of much *a.* I wrote; 4, 17, our light *a.*; 8, 2, in a great trial of *a.* Phil. 1, 16, to add *a* to my bonds; 4, 14, did communicate with my *a.* Col. 1, 24, behind of *a.* of Christ. 1 Thess. 1, 6, th word in much *a.*; 3, 3, be moved by these *a*; 3, 7, comforted over you in all our *a.* Heb. 11, 25, rather to suffer *a.* 1 Pet. 5, 9, same *a.* are accomplished.
AFRAID—Lev. 26, 6, none shall make you *a.* Neh. 4, 14, be not *a.* of them. Ps. 3, 6, will not be *a.* of ten thousand; 56, 3, what time I am *a.* Isa. 57, 11, of whom hast thou been *a.* Jer. 2, 12, be horribly *a.*; 36, 24, yet were they not *a.* Ezek. 39, 26, none made them *a.* Dan. 8, 17, when he came I was *a.* Heb 11, 23. 1 Pet. 3, 6, 14.
AFRESH—Heb. 6, 6.
AGONY—Luke 22, 44.
AGREE—Amos 3, 3. Matt. 5, 25; 18, 19. 1 John 5, 8.
ALIEN—Ex. 18, 3. Job 19, 15. Isa. 61, 5. Eph. 2, 12. Heb 11, 34.
ALIENATED—Eph. 4, 18. Col. 1, 21.
ALIVE—1 Sam. 2, 6, killeth and maketh *a.* Ps. 33, 19, to keep them *a.* in famine. Dan. 5, 19, whom he would he kept *a.* Luke 15, 24, son was dead and is *a* Rom. 6, 11, *a.* to God through Jesus Christ; 13, as those *a.* from the dead; 7, 9, I was *a.* without the law. 1 Cor. 15, 22, Christ shall all be made *a.* 1 Thess. 4, 15, we who are *a.*; 17. Rev. 1, 18, I am *a.* for evermore; 2, 8, which was dead, and is *a.*
ALLELUIA—Rev. 19, 1; 3, 4, 6.
ALLOW—Rom. 7, 15; 14, 22. 1 Thess. 2, 4.
ALMIGHTY—Gen. 49, 25, by the *A.* who shall bless thee. Nu. 24, 4, saw vision of the *A.* Job 8, 3, doth the *A.* pervert justice; 11, 7, canst thou find out the *A.*; 13, 3, I would speak to the *A.*; 21, 15, what is the *A.*; 22, 23, if thou return to the *A*; 25, the *A.* shall be thy defence; 26, have thy delight in the *A.*; 29, 5, the *A.* was yet with me; 31, 35, that the *A.* would answer; 34, 10, from the *A.* to do iniquity; 12, nor the *A.* to pervert judgment; 40, 2, that contends with the *A.* Ps. 68, 14, when *A.* scattered kings. Rev. 1, 8, is to come, the *A.*; 4, 8; 11, 17; 15, 3; 21, 22.
ALMOST—Ps. 73, 2. Acts 26, 28.
ALMS—Matt. 6, 1. Luke 11, 41; 12, 33. Acts 9, 36; 10, 2; 4.
ALONE—Gen. 2, 18, it is not good for man to be *a.*; 32, 24. Deu. 32, 12, Lord *a.* did lead him. Ps. 136, 4. who *a.* doeth great wonders. Ecc. 4, 10, woe to him that is *a* when. Isa. 63, 3, trodden the winepress *a.* Hos. 4, 17, Ephraim is joined to idols, let him *a.* Matt. 15, 14, let them *a.*, they be blind. John 8, 16, for I am not *a.*; 16, 32, 17, 20, neither pray I for these *a.*
ALPHA—Rev. 1, 8, 11; 21, 6; 22, 13.
ALTAR—Gen. 8, 20, Noah builded an *a.*; 12, 7, there built he an *a.*; 26, 25, Isaac built an *a.*; 33, 20, Jacob erected there an *a.*; 35, 1, make an *a.* to God. Ex 17, 15, Moses built an *a.*; 20, 25, if thou make an *a.* of stone; 24, 4; 32, 5, Aaron built an *a.* before it. Deu. 27, 6, build an *a.* of stones. Josh. 8, 30, Joshua built an *a.*; 22, 10, built an *a.* by Jordan; 11, chil. of Reuben have built an *a.* Judg. 6, 24, Gideon built an *a.* 1 Sam. 2, 28, to offer on my *a.*; 7, 17, there Samuel built an *a.*; 14, 35, Saul bulit an *a.* to the Lord. 2 Sam. 24, 18, rear an *a.* 1 Ki. 8, 22, Solomon stood before the *a.*; 13, 2, he cried against the *a.*, O *a.*, *a.*; 32, against the *a.* of Bethel; 18, 26, they leaped on the *a.* 2 Ki. 16, 10, saw an *a.* at Damascus; 18, 22, worship before this *a.*; 23, 15, the *a.* at Bethel he brake. 2 Chr. 1, 5, the brazen *a.* Bezaleel made; 6, 12, 29, 18, we have cleansed the *a.* Ps. 26, 6, so will I compass thy *a.*; 43, 4, will I go to the *a.* of God. Isa. 19, 19, an *a.* to the Lord in Egypt; 36, 7. Matt. 23, 18, shall swear by the *a.* Luke 11, 51, perished between *a.* Acts 17, 23, an *a.* with this inscription. 1 Cor. 9, 13, wait at *a.* partakers with *a.* Heb. 13, 10, we have an *a.* whereof. Rev. 6, 9, under *a* souls of them slain.

ALTARS—Ex. 34, 13, destroy their *a.* Nu. 23, 1, build here seven *a.* 1 Ki. 19, 10, thrown down thine *a.*; 14. Ezek. 6, 4, your *a.* shall be desolate. Hos. 8, 11, made *a* to sin. Amos 3, 14, will visit *a.* of Bethel. Rom. 11, 3, digged down thine *a.*

ALWAY—Gen. 6, 3, my Spirit not *a* strive. Matt. 28, 20, I am with you *a.* to the end. Luke 18, 1, men ought *a.* to pray. 2 Cor. 6, 10, sorrowful yet *a.* rejoicing. Eph. 6, 18, praying *a.* with all prayer Phil. 1, 4, rejoice in the Lord *a* Col. 4, 6, speech be *a.* with grace.

I AM—Ex. 3, 14. Isa. 47, 8; Zeph. 2, 15; Rev. 1, 11, 18.

AMBASSADOR—Prov. 13, 17, a faithful *a.* is health Isa. 33, 7, the *a* of peace shall weep. Jer. 49, 14, an *a* sent to the heathen 2 Cor. 5, 20, we are *a.* for Christ. Eph. 6, 20, I am an *a.* in bonds.

AMEN—Deu 27, 15, the people shall say *a.* Ps. 106, 48, let all the people say *a* 2 Cor. 1, 20, and in him *a* Rev. 3, 14, these things saith the *a.*, 22, 20, *a.* even so, come.

AMEND—Jer 7, 3, 26, 13, 35, 15

ANATHEMA—1 Cor 16, 22.

ANCHOR—Heb. 6, 19

ANCIENT—Job 12, 12, with the *a* is wisdom. Isa 9, 15, the *a.* he is the head. Dan 7, 9, the *a* of days did sit; 13, one came to the *a.* of days, 22, until the *a.* of days.

ANGEL—Gen. 16, 7, the *a.* of the L found Hagar, 21, 17, the *a* of God called to Hagar, 22, 11, the *a.* called to Abraham, 15, 24, 7, shall send his *a* before thee, 40, 48, 16, the *a.* which redeemed me. Ex. 3, 2, the *a.* appeared to Moses; 14, 19, the *a.* went before them; 23, 20, behold I send an *a.* before thee, 32, 34, my *a* shall go before thee, 33, 2 Isa. 37, 36; 63, 9, *a* of his presence saved. Dan 3, 28 God who sent his *a.*; 6, 22 Hos. 12, 4, had power over the *a.* Zech. 1, 9, the *a.* that talked with me; 2, 3; 3, 5, the *a.* of the Lord stood; 4, 5. Matt. 1, 20, *a.* of Lord appeared; 24, *a.* of the Lord had bidden, 28, 2, the *a.* of the Lord descended. Luke 2, 9, *a* of the L. came, 22, 43, an *a.* strengthening him. John 5, 4, an *a.* went down at a certain season, 12, 29, others said, an *a.* spake to him Acts 7, 30, an *a.* of the L. in a flame, 10, 22, warned by an holy *a* to send, 11, 13, how he had seen an *a.*, 12, 7, *a.* of the L. came upon him, 11, sent his *a* and delivered me; 15, then said they, It is his *a*; 23, *a* of the Lord smote Herod, 27, 23, the *a.* of God, whose. 2 Cor 11, 14, Satan transformed into an *a.* Gal. 1, 8, though we or an *a* preach; 4, 14, received me as an *a* or God

ANGELS—Matt. 4, 6, give his *a* charge, 11, *a* ministered unto him, 13, 39, the reapers are the *a*; 41, Son of man shall send his *a.*; 18, 10, their *a* alway behold the face; 22, 30, are as the *a.*, 24, 31, send his *a*; 36, not the *a.*; 25, 31, the holy *a.*, 26, 53, twelve legions of *a* Mark 1, 13, 12, 25, 13, 32. Luke 4, 10, 20, 36, equal unto the *a* John 1, 51, *a* of God ascending; 20, 12, seeth two *a* in white. 1 Cor. 6, 3, that ye shall judge *a.* Gal 3, 19, ordained by *a* in the. Col. 2, 18, in worshipping of *a.* 1 Tim 3, 16, seen of *a.*, 5, 21, before God, and the elect *a.* Heb 1, 4, better than the *a*; 7, his *a* spirits, 2, 2, word spoken by *a* was stedfast; 5, *a* hath he not put in subjection; 7; 16, he took not the nature of *a*, 12, 22, an innumerable company of *a*, 13, 2, entertained *a* unawares 1 Pet 1, 12, the *a* desire to look into 2 Pet. 2, 4, God spared not the *a.* who Jude 6, *a* which kept not first estate. Rev 7, 1, I saw four *a* standing on the, 11, all the *a.* stood round the throne, 8, 2, the seven *a* which stood before God, 9, 14, loose the four *a* bound

ANGER—Ps 6, 1, rebuke me not in thine *a*, 7, 6, arise, O Lord, in thine *a.*; 30, 5, his anger endureth but a moment, 85, 4, cause thine *a.* toward us to cease, 5, wilt thou draw out thine *a* to all; 90, 7, we are consumed by thine *a*; 11, who knoweth the power of thine *a*, 103, 8, slow to *a.*, 9, nor will he keep his *a* for ever Isa. 5, 25, for all this his *a* is not turned away; 12, 1, thine *a* is turned away, and, 63, 3, I will tread them in my *a*, 65, 3, that provoketh me to *a* Jer 3, 5, will he reserve *a* for ever, 12, will not cause my *a* to fall, 10, 24, correct me not in thine *a*, 12, 13, because of fierce *a* of the L, 36, 7, great is the *a.* and the fury, 42, 18, as my *a.* has been poured Lam. 4, 11, poured out his fierce *a.* Ezek. 43, 8, have consumed them in *a.* Dan. 9, 16, let thine *a.* be turned away Hos. 8, 5, my *a.* is kindled Joel 2, 13. Jon. 3, 9, if God turn from fierce *a* Mic. 7, 18, he retaineth not his *a.* Nah. 1, 3, the Lord is slow to *a.*; 6, who can abide fierceness of his *a.* Hab 3, 8, thine *a.* against rivers. Zeph 2, 2, before fierce *a.* of Lord Mark 3, 5, looked on them with *a.* Col. 3, 8, put off all these, *a.*

ANGRY—Deu. 1. 37, the Lord was *a.* Ps. 79, 5, how long wilt thou be *a.* Jon. 4, 4, doest thou well to be *a.*; 9. Matt. 5, 22, whoso is *a.* with brother. Eph. 4, 26, *a.* and sin not.

ANGUISH—Gen. 42, 21, saw the *a.* of his soul. Ex 6, 9, they hearkened not for *a*, Ps. 119, 143, trouble and *a.* taken. Jer. 6, 24, *a.* hath taken hold of us. Rom. 2, 9, tribulation and *a.* upon every soul.

ANOINT—Dan. 9, 24. Amos 6, 6. Matt. 6, 17. Rev. 3, 18

ANOINTED-ING—1 Sam. 2, 10, exalt the horn of his *a.*; 35, shall walk before my *a.*; 24, 6, seeing he is the Lord's *a.*; 26, 9, against the Lord's *a.*; 11. 2 Sam. 1, 14, to destroy the Lord's *a.*; 19, 21, he cursed the Lord's *a.*; 22, 51, mercy to his *a.* 1 Chr. 16, 22, touch not my *a.* 2 Chr. 6, 42, turn not away face of thine *a.* Ps. 18, 50; 92, 10, I shall be *a.* with fresh oil; 105, 15. Isa. 45, 1, to his *a.* to Cyrus; 61, 1, because the Lord hath *a.* me. Luke 4, 18. 1 John 2, 27, the *a.* ye have received abideth in you.

ANSWER—Job 9, 3, cannot *a* him one of a thousand. Isa. 50, 2, I called, there was none to *a.* Ezek. 14, 4, I the Lord will *a*; 7. Dan. 3, 16, we are not careful to *a.* Matt. 22, 46, no man was able to *a.* him. 1 Cor 9, 3, my *a.* to them that examine me is. 2 Cor 5, 12, have somewhat to *a* Col. 4, 6, know how ye ought to *a* 2 Tim 4, 16, at my first *a.* no man. Titus 2, 9, obedient, not *a* again. 1 Pet. 3, 15, an *a* to every man that, 21, the *a* of a good conscience

ANTICHRIST—1 John 2, 18, 22, 4, 3.

APOSTLE—Matt. 10, 2, names of *a.*; Acts 2, 42, steadfastly in the *a.* doctrine. Rom. 1, 1, called to be an *a.*, 1 Cor 1, 1, 9, 1, am I not an *a.*, am I not, 12, 28, in the church first *a*, 15, 9, for I am least of *a.*, not meet to be called an *a* 2 Cor 11, 5, the chiefest *a.*, 13, such are false *a*, 12, 11 Gal 1, 19, other *a* saw I none. Eph. 3, 5, revealed unto his holy *a.*; 4, 11, he gave some *a.* Heb 3, 1, the *a.* and high priest of Rev. 2, 2, say they are *a.*, 21, 14, twelve *a* of the Lamb.

APOSTLESHIP—1 Cor. 9, 2 Gal. 2, 8.

APPAREL—Isa. 63, 1. Zeph. 1, 8. Acts 1, 10 Jam. 2, 2 1 Pet. 3, 3.

APPEAR—1 John 3, 2, not yet *a.* what.

APPEARANCE-ING—1 Sam 16, 7, looketh on outward *a.* Ezek. 1, 5, this was their *a.* John 7, 24, judge not according to *a* 2 Cor 5, 12, which glory in *a* and; 10, 7, things after outward *a.* 1 Thess. 5, 22, abstain from all *a.* of evil. 1 Tim 6, 14, till *a* of Lord Jesus 2 Tim 1, 10, by the *a.* of our Saviour; 4, 8, all them that love his *a.* Titus 2, 13, looking for glorious *a.* 1 Pet. 1, 7, at *a* of Jesus Christ.

APPLE—Deu. 32, 10. Ps. 17, 8. Prov. 25, 11. Zech. 2, 8

APPOINT—Job 7, 1, is there not an *a* time, 14, 14, all the days of my *a.* time; 30, 23, to house *a.* for all living Ps. 79, 11, preserve those *a.* to die. Isa. 26, 1, salvation will God *a.* for; 61, 3, *a* to them that mourn in Zion. Jer. 5, 24, reserveth the *a.* weeks. Mic. 6, 9, hear rod, and him who *a.* Hab. 2, 3, vision is for an *a* time. 1 Thess. 5, 9, God hath not *a.* us to. Heb 9, 27, *a.* to men once to die

APPREHEND—2 Cor. 11, 32 Phil. 3, 12.

APPROACH—Ps. 65, 4. 1 Tim. 6, 16.

APPROACHING—Isa. 58, 2 Heb 10, 25

APPROVE—Ps 49, 13, posterity *a.* their sayings Acts 2, 22, Jesus, a man *a* of God Rom 14, 18, acceptable to God and *a.* 1 Cor 11, 19, are *a.* may be manifest. 2 Tim 2, 15, shew thyself *a.* unto God.

APPROVEST-ING—Rom 2, 18 2 Cor. 6, 4

ARISE—Ps. 68, 1, let God *a.* and enemies, Amos 7, 2, by whom shall Jacob *a.*; 5 Mic 7, 8, when I fall I shall *a* Mal. 4, 2, Sun of righteousness *a* with. Matt. 13, 21, persecution *a.* because.

ARK—Gen. 6, 14, make thee an *a* Ex 2, 3, took an *a* of bulrushes, 25, 10, make an *a.* of shittim wood. Matt. 24, 38, Noe entered the *a.* Luke 17, 27. Heb 9, 4, had *a.* of the covenant. 1 Pet. 3, 20, while the *a* was a preparing

ARM—Ex. 6, 6, a stretched out *a*; Deu 33, 27, underneath are the everlasting *a* Job 40, 9, hast thou an *a* like God? Isa. 40, 10, his *a* shall rule, 51, 9, put on strength, O *a.* of the L., 53, 1, to whom is *a.* of L. revealed, 59, 16, *a.* brought salvation Mark 10, 16, he took them in his *a.* John 12, 38, the *a.* of Lord been revealed. 1 Pet. 4, 1.

ARMAGEDDON—Rev. 16, 16

ARMOUR—Luke 11, 22, the *a.* wherein he trusted. Rom. 13, 12, put on *a.* of light. 2 Cor 6, 7, by *a* of righteousness. Eph. 6, 11, the whole *a.* of God, 13.

ARMY—Ex 12, 17, brought your *a* out. Ps 44, 9, goest not forth with our *a*; 60, 10, didst not go out with our *a.* Cant. 6, 4, terrible as an *a.* with. Ezek. 37, 10, an exceeding great *a.* Dan. 4, 35, in the *a.* of heaven Matt. 22, 7, sent forth his *a.* Heb. 11, 34, turned to flight *a.* of aliens. Rev 9, 16, the number of the *a.*

ARROW—2 Ki. 13, 17, *a.* of Lord's deliverance Ps 7, 13, *a.* against persecutors; 11, 2, make ready their *a.*; 21, 12, make ready thine *a.*; 38, 2, thine *a.* stick fast in; 45, 5, thine *a.* sharp, 91, 5, the *a.* that flieth by day, 144, 6, shoot out thine *a.* and. Jer 50, 14, spare no *a* Hab. 3, 11, at light of thine *a* they went.

ASCEND—Ps. 68, 18, thou hast *a.* on high. Prov. 30, 4, who hath *a.* into heaven. John 3, 13, no man hath *a.* up to. Eph. 4, 8, when he *a* up on high. Rev. 11, 12, *a.* up to heaven in a cloud.

ASCRIBE—Job 36, 3. Ps. 68, 34.

ASHAMED—Mark 8, 38. Rom. 1, 16; 5, 5; 6, 21.

ASK—Matt. 7, 11, good things to—*a.* him; 20, 22, ye know not what ye *a.* John 14, 13, whatsoever ye *a.* in; 16, 24, *a.* and ye shall receive. Eph. 3, 20, above all we *a.* or think. Jam. 1, 5, lack wisdom, let him *a.* of; 4, 2, *a.* and receive not, because ye *a.* amiss. 1 John 3, 22, whatsoever we *a.*; 5, 14, *a.* according to his will; 15.

ASLEEP—1 Cor. 15, 6. 1 Thess. 4, 15.

ASP—Isa. 11, 8. Rom. 3, 13.

ASS—Isa. 1, 3. Zech. 9, 9; Matt. 21, 5. 2 Pet. 2, 16.

ASSEMBLE—Isa. 45, 20. Joel 3, 11 Heb. 10, 25.

ASSEMBLY—Gen. 49, 6, unto their *a.*, my honour; Ex. 12, 6, whole *a.* shall kill, 16, 3, kill this *a.* with hunger. Lev. 23, 36, a solemn *a.* Nu. 8, 9, gather *a.* together. Ps. 89, 7, to be feared in *a.* of saints; 111, 1, in the *a.* of upright. Joel 1, 14, a solemn *a*; 2, 15. Heb. 12, 23, general *a.* and church James 2, 2, come unto your *a.*

ASSURANCE—Isa. 32, 17, effect of righteousness *a.* Col. 2, 2, full *a.* of understanding 1 Thess. 1, 5, our gospel came in much *a.* Heb 6, 11, to the full *a.* of hope to, 10, 22, draw near in full *a.* of faith. 1 John 3, 19, shall *a* our hearts.

ASTONISHED—Isa. 52, 14, as many were *a.* at thee. Jer. 18, 16, every one shall be *a.*; 19, 8 Ezek 3, 15, remained *a.* seven days. Mark 5, 42, *a.* with great astonishment.

ASTONISHMENT—Deu. 28, 37; 2 Chr. 7, 21; 29, 8; Jer. 8, 21

ATHIRST—Rev 21, 6; 22, 17

ATONEMENT—Exod. 30, 16. Lev 17, 11. Nu. 8, 19. Rom. 5, 11

ATTAIN—Ps. 139, 6. Phil 3, 11, 12.

ATTEND—Ps. 55, 2 Prov. 4, 1.

AUDIENCE—Ex. 24, 7. 1 Chr. 28, 8. Acts 15 12; 22, 22.

AUTHOR—1 Cor 14, 33 Heb. 5, 9; 12, 2

AUTHORITY—Matt. 7, 29. John 5, 27. Acts 9, 14. 1 Cor. 15, 24.

AVENGE—Lev 19, 18, *a.* not, nor; 26, 25, shall *a.* quarrel of my covenant. Deu. 32, 43, he will *a.* blood of his servants Isa. 1, 24, I will *a.* me of mine enemies Luke 18, 7, shall not God *a.* his own elect; 8, he will *a.* them speedily. Rom 12, 19, *a.* not yourselves. Rev 6, 10, dost thou not *a* our blood, 18, 20.

AWAKE—Rom. 13, 11 1 Cor. 15, 34. Eph. 5, 14

AWAY—John 19, 15.

B

BACK—Josh. 23, 12 Ps. 80, 18. Nah. 2, 8.

BACKBITETH—Ps. 15, 3.

BACKSLIDER—Prov. 14, 14

BACKSLIDING—Jer. 2, 19; 3, 22.

BALM—Jer. 8, 22.

BANK—Luke 19, 23.

BANNER—Cant. 2, 4 Isa. 13, 2.

BANISHED—2 Sam. 14, 13

BAPTISM—Matt. 3, 7, Pharisees come to his *b.*; 20, 22, the *b* I am baptized with, 21, 25, *b* of John, whence was it. Mark 1, 4, *b.* of repentance; 10, 38; 11, 30 Luke 7, 29, baptized with *b* of John; 12, 50, a *b* to be baptized with; 20, 4 Acts 13, 24, John preached *b.* of repentance; 18, 25, knowing only the *b.* of John; 19, 3, unto John's *b.* Rom. 6, 4, buried with him by *b* Col. 2, 12 1 Pet. 3, 21, like figure whereunto even *b*

BAPTIZING—Matt. 28, 19

BARE—Jer 50, 12 Luke xi. 27

BARREN—1 Sam. 2, 5. Isa. 54, 1 Luke 23, 29 Gal. 4, 27. 2 Pet 1, 8.

BEAM—Hab 2, 11. Matt 7, 3. Luke 6, 41

BEAR—Deu 1, 9. 2 Ki. 2, 24; Dan 7, 5 Hos. 13, 8 Rev. 13, 2.

BEARD—Lev 21, 5. Ps 133, 2

BEAST—Ps. 49, 12, 20, is like the *b* that perisheth; 73, 22, I was as a *b.* before thee. Prov. 9, 2, she hath killed her *b.* Dan 7, 17, four *b* are four kings 1 Cor 15, 32, I fought with *b* at Ephesus

BEATEN—1 Sam. 14, 16. Acts 16, 37; 21, 32

BEGINNING—Gen. 1, 1; 49, 3. Deu. 21, 17. Job 8, 7.

BEHAVE—Ps. 101, 2; 131, 2 1 Tim. 3, 15.

BEHOLD—Num. 24, 17 Isa. 65, 1.

BEING—Ps. 104, 33; 146, 2. Acts 17, 28.

BELIEF—2 Thess 2, 13.

BELIEVE—Gen. 15, 6, he *b.* in the Lord Ps. 116, 10, I *b.*, therefore have I spoken. Isa. 7, 9, If ye will not *b.*, surely ye. Dan. 6, 23, because he *b.* in his God. Matt 8, 13, as thou hast *b.*; 9, 28. Mark 9, 24, I *b.*, help my unbelief; 11, 24, *b.* that ye receive them. Luke 8, 13, for a while *b.*, and in time John 5, 38, whom he sent ye *b.* not; 8, 24, if ye *b.* not that I am he, 11, 42, may *b* thou hast sent me; 12, 36, *b.* in the light while ye have; 14, 1, *b.* in God, *b.* also in me; 17, 20, which shall *b.* through their word; 20, 31, written that ye might *b.* Acts 8, 37, I *b* Jesus Christ is Son of God; 13, 39, all that *b* are justified from; 16, 31, *b.* on the Lord Jesus Christ. Rom. 3, 22, upon all them that *b.*; 10, 9, and shalt *b.* in thine heart that; 14, how shall they *b.* in him of whom. 2 Cor. 4, 13, we also *b.*, and therefore speak. Phil. 1, 29, not only to *b.*, but also suffer. 1 Tim. 4, 10, specially of those that *b.* 2 Tim. 1, 12, know whom I have *b.* Heb. 10, 39, *b.* to the saving of the soul; 11, 6, cometh to God must *b.* James 2, 19, the devils also *b.* 1 Pet. 2, 7, unto you who *b.* he is precious.

BELIEVERS—Acts 5 14. 1 Tim. 4, 12.

BELIEVETH—Isa. 28 16, *b.* shall not make haste. Mark 16, 16, *b.* and is baptized. John 3, 15, whoso *b.* in him; 18, *b.* on him is not condemned; 12, 44, *b.* on me, *b.* not on me, but. Rom. 9, 33, *b.* on him shall not be ashamed; 10, 11, whosoever *b.* 1 Pet. 2, 6, he that *b.* on him shall not be confounded.

BELIEVING—Rom. 15, 13; 1 Pet. 1, 8.

BELOVED—Deu. 33, 12, *b.* of the Lord shall dwell. Neh. 13, 26, who was *b.* of his God. Ps. 60, 5, thy *b.* be delivered; 127, 2, so he giveth his *b.* sleep. Matt. 3, 17, this is my *b.* Son. Rom. 11, 28, *b.* for the fathers' sakes. Eph. 1, 6, made accepted in the *b.* Rev. 20, 9, they compassed the *b.* city.

BENEFITS—Ps. 68, 19; 103, 2; 116, 12.

BEREAVE—Gen. 42, 36; 43, 14.

BESEECH—Mal. 1, 9. 2 Cor. 5, 20.

BESIDE—Ps. 23, 2. Isa. 56, 8. Mark 3, 21. Acts 26, 24. 2 Cor. 5, 13.

BESOM—Isa. 14, 23.

BEST—Ps 39, 5. Mic. 7, 4. Luke 15, 22. 1 Cor. 12, 31

BESTEAD—Isa. 8, 21.

BESTOW—1 Cor. 13, 3; 15, 10. 2 Cor. 8, 1. 1 John 3, 1.

BETRAY—Matt. 24, 10; 26, 21. Mark 14, 18. John 6, 64; 13, 21.

BETRAYERS—Acts 7, 52.

BETROTH—Hos. 2, 19, 20.

BETTER—1 Sam 1, 8 1 Kings 19, 4, I am not *b.* than my fathers. Prov 15, 16, *b* is little with fear; 17, *b* a dinner of herbs where love, 16, 18, *b* little with righteousness; 16, much *b* to get wisdom; 17, 1, *b.* a dry morsel and quietness; 27, 10, *b.* a neighbour near Ecc. 4, 13, *b.* a poor and wise child; 7, 1, a good name *b* than precious ointment, 2, *b* to go to house of mourning; 3, sorrow *b.* than laughter; 8, patient in spirit *b.* than proud; 9, 16, wisdom *b.* than strength; 18 Phil 1, 23, with Christ, which is far *b.* Heb 1, 4, made so much *b.* than the angels; 6, 9, persuaded *b.* things of you 2 Pet. 2, 21, *b.* not to have known.

BEWARE—Matt. 7, 15, *b* of false prophets; 10, 17; 16, 6, 11, *b.* of leaven of Pharisees. Luke 12, 15, *b.* of covetousness Phil. 3, 2, *b.* of dogs, evil workers, the concision.

BEWITCHED—Acts 8, 11 Gal. 3, 1

BIND—Prov 3, 3, *b.* about thy neck. Isa. 8, 16, *b* up testimony, seal law; 61, 1, *b.* up broken-hearted Hos. 6, 1, hath smitten and will *b* up. Matt. 16, 19, shall *b* on earth; 18, 18.

BIRD—Ps. 11, 1, flee as a *b* to mountain; 104, 17, where *b* make nests. Ecc. 10, 20, a *b* shall carry the voice. Isa. 46, 11, calling ravenous *b* from East. Matt. 8, 20, *b* have nests. Luke 9, 58

BISHOP—Phil. 1, 1. 1 Tim. 3, 1, 2. Titus 1, 7. 1 Peter 2, 25

BITTER—Isa. 5, 20. Jer 2, 19 Col. 3, 19

BITTERLY—Judg. 5, 23, curse ye *b* inhabitants. Ruth 1, 20, Almighty dealt *b.* with me. Ezek 27, 30, they shall cry *b* Zeph. 1, 14 Matt. 26, 75, wept *b.* Luke 22, 62

BITTERNESS—1 Sam 15, 22, surely *b* of death is past 2 Sam 2, 26, it will be *b.* in the end Job, 7, 11, will complain in *b* of soul Prov 14, 10, the heart knows own *b.* Eph 4, 31, let all *b* be put away. Heb 12, 15, lest any root of *b*

BLACKNESS—Job 3, 5. Isa. 50, 3. Joel 2, 6 Heb 12, 18 Jude 13

BLAMELESS—1 Cor. 1, 8, *b* in day of Lord. Phil 2, 15, be *b* and harmless. 1 Thess. 5, 23, be preserved *b* Titus 1, 6, if any be *b* 2 Pet. 3, 14

BLASPHEMED—Isa 52, 5, my name continually *b.* Rom. 2, 24, name of God is *b* through. 1 Tim. 6, 1, name of God be not *b* Titus 2, 5, word of God be not *b.* Rev. 16, 9, 11, 21, *b* the God of heaven.

BLASPHEMER—Acts 19, 37. 1 Tim. 1, 13.

BLASPHEMY—2 Ki 19, 3, a day of *b.* Isa. 37, 3 Matt 12, 31, *b.* against Holy Ghost; 26, 65, he hath spoken *b.* Mark 14, 64. Rev. 2, 9, I know *b* of them that say.

BLEMISH—Dan 1, 4. Eph. 5, 27. 1 Pet. 1, 19.

BLESS—Gen. 1, 22, God *b.* them and; 28; 12, 3, will *b* them that *b.* thee; 27, 29, *b.* is he that *b.* thee; 33, I have *b.* him and he shall be *b*, 34, *b.* me, even me also. Nu. 6, 24, Lord *b.* thee and keep thee; 22, 11, thou hast *b.* them altogether. Deu. 27, 12, stand on Gerizim to *b.*; 28, 3, *b.* shalt thou be in the city; 4, 1 Chr. 4, 10, that thou wouldest *b* me. Ps. 34, 1, will *b.* the Lord at all times; 62, 4, they *b.* with their mouth, but; 132, 15, abundantly *b.* provision. Dan. 12, 12, *b.* is he that waiteth. Matt. 5, 44, *b.* them that curse you; 25, 34, come, ye *b.* of my Father. Luke 6, 28; 24, 51, while he *b.* them he was. Rom. 12, 14, *b.* them that persecute, *b.* and curse not. 1 Cor. 4, 12

BLESSEDNESS—Rom. 4, 6, 9. Gal. 4, 15.

BLESSEST-ETH—Nu. 22, 6. 1 Chron. 17, 27. Isa. 65, 16.

BLESSING—Gen. 27, 35, taken away *b.*; 36. Deu. 11, 26, set before you *b.* and curse; 23, 5, turned curse into *b* Neh. 9, 5, exalted above all *b*; 13, 2. Job 29, 13, *b.* of him ready to perish. Ps. 3, 8, thy *b.* is upon thy people. Prov. 10, 22, *b.* of the L. maketh rich. Isa. 65, 8, destroy it not, a *b.* is in it. Joel 2, 14, leave a *b.* behind. 1 Cor. 10, 16, cup of *b.* which we bless.

BLESSINGS—Gen. 49, 25. Mal. 2, 2. Eph. 1, 3.

BLIND—Job 29, 15, I was eyes to the *b.* Ps. 146, 8, openeth the eyes of the *b.* Isa.

42, 7, to open the *b.* eyes; 42, 19, who is *b.* but my servant; 43, 8, *b.* people that have eyes. Matt. 11, 5, *b.* receive sight; 23, 16, woe unto *b.* guides; 24. Luke 4, 18, recovery of sight to *b.*; 7, 21. Rev. 3, 17, thou art *b.* and naked.

BLOOD—Ps. 9, 12, maketh inquisition for *b.*; 72, 14, precious their *b.* in his. Isa. 26, 21, earth shall disclose her *b.* Ezek. 3, 18, his *b.* will I require at. Mic. 3, 10, build up Zion with *b.* Matt. 26, 28, my *b.* of new testament; 27, 8, the field of *b.*; 25, his *b.* be on us and on our children. Luke 13, 1, whose *b.* Pilate mingled; 22, 44, sweat great drops of *b.* John 1, 13, born not of *b.*, nor of; 6, 54, and drinketh my *b*; 55, and my *b.* is drink indeed; 19, 34, came there out *b.* Acts 1, 19; 5,28; 17, 26, made of one *b.* all nations; 20, 26, I am pure from *b.* of all; 28, purchased with his own *b.* Rom. 3, 25, through faith in his *b.*; 5, 9, being now justified by his *b.* 1 Cor. 11, 27, guilty of body and *b.* of. Eph. 1, 7, redemption through his *b.* Col. 1, 14; 20, peace through *b* of his cross. Heb. 9, 20, this is the *b.* of the testament; 10, 19, into the holiest by *b.* of Jesus; 12, 4, ye have not resisted unto *b*; 24, *b.* of sprinkling, that speaketh better. 1 Pet. 1, 2, sprinkling of the *b.* of Jesus; 19, with the precious *b.* of Christ 1 John 1, 7, the *b.* of J C. cleanseth. Rev. 1, 5, washed us in his own *b*; 7, 14, white in the *b.* of the Lamb; 12, 11, overcame by the *b.* of the Lamb.

BLOSSOM—Isa. 5, 24, their *b.* shall go up as dust; 27, 6, Israel shall *b.* and bud, and; 35, 1, desert shall *b.* as the rose; 2, it shall *b.* abundantly and rejoice. Hab 3, 17, the figtree shall not *b*

BLOT—Ex. 32, 32. Ps. 51, 1. Rev. 3, 5.

BOAST—1 Ki. 20, 11, *b.* as he that putteth it off. Ps. 44, 8, in God we *b.* all the day long. Prov 27, 1, *b.* not of to-morrow. Rom. 11, 18, *b* not against the branches. 2 Cor. 7, 14, if I have *b.* any thing; 10, 8, though I should *b*, 11, 16, that I may *b.* myself. Eph. 2, 9, lest any man should *b.*

BOASTING—Rom. 3, 27. Jam. 4, 16.

BODIES—Matt. 27, 52, *b* of the saints which slept. Rom. 8, 11, quicken your mortal *b* by; 12, 1, your *b.* a living sacrifice, holy 1 Cor. 6, 15, your *b* are members; 15, 40, there are celestial *b.* and. Heb. 10, 22, *b.* washed with; 13, 11.

BODILY—Luke 3, 22. 2 Cor 10, 10 Col. 2, 9 1 Tim 4, 8

BODY—Matt. 5, 29, thy whole *b* cast into hell; 30; 6, 22, light of *b* is the eye, 10, 28, fear not them which kill *b*, 26, 26, eat, this is my *b.* Mark 14, 22 Luke 12, 4; 23, 19 Rom. 6, 6, *b.* of sin might be destroyed; 7, 24, me from *b* of this death; 8, 10, the *b* is dead because of sin, 12, 5, being many are one *b.* 1 Cor. 11, 24; 13, 3, give my *b.* to be burned, and, 15, 35, with what *b.* do they come, 44, it is sown a natural *b*, it is. 2 Cor. 4, 10, bearing about in the *b* the; 5, 8, to be absent from the *b.*; 12, 12, out of *b* I cannot tell. Eph. 1, 23, church, which is his *b*, the; 2, 16, reconcile both to God in one *b*; 4, 4, there is one *b* and one Spirit. Phil. 3, 21, change our vile *b.*, that. Col. 1, 22, in *b* of his flesh; 2, 19, the whole *b.* by joints and bands. Heb. 10, 5, a *b.* hast thou prepared me. Jam. 2, 26, *b.* without spirit is dead.

BOLDLY—Eph. 6, 19, 20 Heb. 4, 16; 13, 6

BOLDNESS—2 Cor. 7, 4, great my *b.* of speech. Eph. 3, 12, in whom we have *b.* Heb. 10, 19, *b* to enter into the holiest. 1 John 4, 17, in the day of judgment.

BOND—Acts 8, 23, in the *b* of iniquity. 1 Cor. 12, 13, *b* or free. Gal. 3, 28 Eph. 4, 3, unity of the Spirit in *b.* of peace; 6, 8; 20, an ambassador in *b.* Phil. 1, 16, add affliction to my *b.* Col. 3, 11. 2 Tim. 2, 9, trouble even unto *b.* Heb 10, 34, had compassion of me in my *b.*; 11, 36, trial of *b* and imprisonment, 13, 3, remember them that are in *b.*

BONDAGE—Ex. 2, 23, by reason of the *b*; 13, 3, out of the house of *b.* John 8, 33, were never in *b* to any man. Acts 7, 6, should bring them into *b.* Rom. 8, 21, from *b.* of corruption 2 Cor 11, 20, a man bring you into *b* Gal. 2, 4, might bring us into *b.*; 4, 9, ye desire to be in *b.*; 5, 1. Heb 2, 15, all lifetime subject to *b.* 2 Pet 2, 19, of same is he brought into *b.*

BONDMAN—Deu. 6, 21; 15, 15. Rev. 6, 15.

BONDWOMAN—Gen. 21, 10. Gal. 4, 23, 30

BONE—Gen. 2, 23, this is *b.* of my *b.* Ex. 12, 46, not break a *b.* of it. Ezek. 37, 7, came together *b.*, to his *b.* Matt. 23, 27, full of dead men's *b.* John 19, 36, a *b.* of him shall not be broken. Eph. 5, 30, we are members of his body, and of his *b.*

BOOK—Ex. 24, 7, he took the *b.* of covenant, 32, 32, blot me out of thy *b* 2 Ki. 22, 8, have found the *b* of law. 2 Chr. 34, 30, all the words of the *b.* Neh. 8, 8, they read in the *b.*; 18, he read in the *b.* of law. Job 19, 23, they were printed in a *b* Ps. 69, 28, blotted out of *b.* of living. Ecc. 12, 12, of making many *b.* is no end. Isa. 34, 16, seek ye out of *b.* of Lord, and. Ezek. 2, 9, a roll of a *b.* therein. Dan. 7, 10, *b.* were opened; 12, 1, every one written in the *b.* Mal. 3, 16, a *b.* of remembrance was. Luke 4, 17, when he opened the *b.* Acts 19, 19, brought their *b.* and burned. Rev. 5, 1, a *b.* written within and; 10, 2, in his hand a little *b.*; 20, 12, the *b.* were opened; 15, not written in the *b.* of life cast; 21, 27, written in the Lamb's *b.* of life; 22, 19, take from words of *b*, God shall take his part out of *b* of life.

BORN—Job 5, 7. Ps. 87, 4, this man was *b.* there; 5, that man was *b.* in her; 6. Prov. 17, 17, a brother *b.* for adversity. Ecc. 3, 2, time to be *b.* and time to die. Isa. 9, 6, unto us a child *b.*, a son given; 66, 8, shall a nation be *b.* at once. Matt. 11, 11, among them *b.* of women. John 3, 4, can a man be *b.* when old; 5, *b.* of water and of the Spirit; 6, *b.* of flesh is flesh, *b.* of Spirit. 1 Pet. 2, 2, as new *b* babes desire. 1 John 2, 29.

BORNE—Ps. 55, 12. Matt. 20, 12. Rev. 2, 3.

BORROWER—Prov. 22, 7. Isa. 24, 2.

BOSOM—Nu. 11, 12, carry them in thy *b.* Ecc. 7, 9, anger resteth in the *b.* of fools. Isa. 40, 11, carry the lambs in his *b.*; 65, 6, recompense into their *b.*; 7 Luke 6, 38, shall men give into your *b.*; 16, 22, carried into Abraham's *b* John 1, 18, who is in the *b.* of the Father; 13, 23.

BOUGHT—Gen. 33, 19, Jacob *b.* field. Deu. 32, 6, father that *b.* thee. Matt. 13, 46, he sold all and *b.* it. 1 Cor. 6, 20, *b.* with a price. 2 Pet. 2, 1, denying the Lord that *b.*

BOUND—Gen. 22, 9, *b.* Isaac his son. Ps 107, 10, being *b.* in affliction and. Prov. 22, 15, foolishness is *b.* in heart of a child. Isa. 61, 1, opening of the prison to them *b.* Ezek. 30, 21, it shall not be *b.* up. Matt. 16, 19, shall be *b* in heaven; 18, 18. Acts 17, 26, *b.* of their habitation; 21, 13, ready not to be *b.* only, but. 2 Tim. 2, 9, word of God is not *b.* Heb. 13, 3, are in bonds as *b.* with them.

BOW—Gen. 9, 13, my *b* in the cloud; 16; 49, 24, *b.* abode in strength. Josh. 24, 12, not with thy sword or *b.* 1 Sam. 2, 4, *b* of mighty broken. 2 Sam. 22, 35, a *b.* of steel broken. 1 Ki 22, 34, drew a *b* at a venture. Ps. 7, 12, he hath bent his *b*; 18, 34; 78, 57, like a deceitful *b* Lam. 2, 4, bent his *b* like an enemy. Rev. 6, 2, that sat on him had a *b.*

BOW—Ex. 20, 5 Ps. 145, 14. Mic. 6, 6. Eph 3, 14.

BOWELS—Isa. 63, 15, the sounding of thy *b.* Phil 1, 8, I long after you all in the *b* of; 2, 1, if any *b*, and mercies. Col. 3, 12, put on *b.* of mercies. Philem. 7, the *b.* of saints are refreshed 1 John 3, 17, shutteth up *b.* of compassion

BRAKE—Ex 32, 19 Judg 7, 19, they *b* the pitchers. Ps. 107, 14, *b* their bands in sunder Jer. 31, 32, my covenant they *b* Dan. 2, 34, *b* them to pieces; 45, 6, 24. Matt. 14, 19, blessed, and *b*, and gave, 15, 36, 26, 26 Mark 6, 41, 8, 6, 14, 3, she *b* the box. Luke 22, 19; 24, 30, 1 Cor. 11, 24.

BRANCH—Job 15, 32, his *b* shall not be green. Ps. 80, 15, *b.* thou madest strong. Prov 11, 28, righteous shall flourish as a *b* Isa. 4, 2, *b.* of the Lord be beautiful, 9, 14, cut off *b* and rush, 11, 1, a *b* shall grow out of his roots; 14, 19, be cast out like an abominable *b.*, 25, 5, *b.* of the terrible ones brought low; 60, 21, the *b* of my planting Jer. 23, 5, raise unto David a righteous *b.*; 33, 15, cause *b.* of righteousness to grow. Zech. 3, 8, bring forth my servant the *b.*; 6, 12, man whose name is the *b.* Mal. 4, 1, leave neither root nor *b.* John 15, 2, every *b.* in me that beareth not, 4, as *b.* cannot bear fruit; 16, he is cast forth as a *b.*

BRANCHES—Lev 23, 40, *b.* of palm trees. Ps. 80, 11, sent out her *b.* unto the river Isa. 18, 5, shall cut down the *b.* Dan. 4, 14, hew down the tree, cut off his *b* Zech. 4, 12, what be these two olive *b.* John 15, 5, I am the vine, ye are the *b.* Rom. 11, 16, if the root be holy, so are the *b.*

BRAND—Judg 15, 5. Zech 3, 2.

BREACH—Judg. 21, 15, Lord made *b* in tribes. Job 16, 14, breaketh me with *b.* upon *b* Ps. 106, 23, Moses stood in the *b* Isa. 30, 26, the day the Lord bindeth up the *b*, 58, 12, repairer of the *b.*

BREAD—Gen. 3, 19, in sweat of thy face shalt eat *b.* Deu. 8, 3, man doth not live by *b.* only; 16, 3, even *b.* of affliction. 1 Ki. 17, 6, ravens brought *b.*; 18, 4, fed them with *b.* and; 22, 27, with *b.* of affliction. 2 Ki. 6, 22, set *b.* and water before them. Ps. 41, 9, which did eat of my *b.*; 78, 20, can he give *b.* also; 80, 5, feedest them with *b.* of tears; 102, 4, I forget to eat my *b.*; 104, 15, *b.* which strengtheneth man's heart; 127, 2, *b.* of sorrows. Prov. 4, 17, they eat the *b* of wickedness; 9, 17, *b.* eaten in secret is pleasant, 31, 27, eateth not the *b.* of idleness. Ecc. 9, 7, eat thy *b.* with joy, and; 11, neither yet *b.* to the wise; 11, 1, cast thy *b.* upon the waters Isa. 30, 20, give you the *b* of adversity; 33, 16, *b.* shall be given him, 55, 10, and *b.* to the eater; 58, 7, deal thy *b* to the hungry. Ezek. 44, 3, to eat *b* before the Lord Hos. 9, 4, as the *b.* of mourners. Amos 4, 6, given you want of *b.* Mal. 1, 7, ye offer polluted *b.* upon. Matt. 4, 3, these stones be made *b.*; 4; 6, 11, this day our daily *b.*; 7, 9, ask *b.* will he give him a stone; 15, 26, take the children's *b.*; 26, 26, Jesus took *b.* and blessed. Luke 4, 4; 14, 15, eat *b.* in kingdom of heaven, 15, 17, servants have *b.* enough; 24, 35, known of them in breaking of *b.* John 6, 32, gave you not that *b.*; 13, 18, that eateth *b.* with me. Acts 2, 42, breaking of *b.* and prayer, 46, breaking *b.* from house to house; 20, 7, came together to break *b.*; 27, 35, took *b.* and gave thanks. 1 Cor. 10, 17, we being many are one *b.*; 11, 23, he was betrayed, took *b.*; 26, as often as ye eat this *b.* 2 Cor. 9, 10. 2 Thess. 3, 8.

BREADTH—Eph. 3, 18. Rev. 20, 9; 21, 16.

BREAK—Ps. 2, 3, let us *b* their bands asunder; 9, shall *b.* them with a rod of iron. Cant. 2, 17, till day *b.* and shadows flee Isa. 42, 3, a bruised reed will he not *b.*; 58, 6, that ye *b* every yoke. Jer. 33, 20, if ye can *b* my covenant of day. Ezek. 4, 16, *b.* the staff of bread. Zech 11, 10, might *b.* my covenant, 14, might *b.* the brotherhood. Matt. 5, 19, *b.* one of least commandments; 9, 17, the bottles *b.* Acts 21, 13, mean ye to *b* my heart. 1 Cor. 10, 16, the bread which we *b.*

BREASTS—Isa. 66, 11. Luke 23, 48 Rev. 15, 6.

BREASTPLATE—Isa. 59, 17. Eph. 6, 14. 1 Thess. 5, 8.

BREATH—Job 12, 10, in whose hand is *b* of mankind, 33, 4, *b.* of Almighty hath given Ps. 33, 6, made by the *b.* of his mouth, 104, 29, thou takest away *b*, they die, 146, 4, *b* goeth forth, he returneth. Isa. 2, 22, whose *b.* is in his nostrils; 11, 4, with *b* of lips shall he slay wicked. Dan. 5, 23, God in whose hands thy *b.* is. Acts 17, 25, life and *b* and all things.

BREATHE—Ps 27, 12. Ezek. 37, 9.

BRETHREN—Ps 133, 1, for *b.* to dwell in unity. Matt. 5, 47, if ye salute *b* only; 19, 29, forsaken houses or *b.*, 23, 8, and all ye are *b*, 25, 40, to least of these my *b.* Mark 10, 29. Luke 18, 29 John 7, 5, neither did his *b.* believe in him. Rom 16, 14; Col 1, 2; 4, 15. 1 Cor 15, 6, seen of above five hundred *b.* Gal. 2, 4, false *b.* unawares brought in. 1 Tim. 4, 6, put the *b* in remembrance; 5, 1, entreat the younger as *b.* Heb 2, 11, not ashamed to call them *b*, 17 1 Pet. 1, 22, unfeigned love of the *b*; 3, 8, love as *b* 1 John 3, 14, because we love the *b*, 16, lay down our lives for the *b* 3 John 3, 5, 10, neither doth he receive the *b* Rev 19, 10, I am of thy *b*; 22, 9.

BRIDE—Isa. 49, 18; 61, 10, as a *b.* adorneth herself Jer 2, 32, or a *b* forget her attire Joel 2, 16, let the *b* go out of her closet. John 3, 29, he that hath the *b* is bridegroom. Rev 21, 2, a *b.* adorned for her husband, 21, 9, I will shew thee the *b.*, the, 22, 17, the Spirit and the *b.* say, Come.

BRIDEGROOM—Ps. 19, 5, a *b.* coming out of his chamber Isa. 61, 10, as a *b* decketh himself, 62, 5, as the *b.* rejoiceth over the bride. Jer. 7, 34, cease the voice of *b* Joel 2, 16 Matt 9, 15, as long as the *b* is with them, 25, 1, went forth to meet the *b.* Mark 2, 19, 20 Luke 5, 34, 35 John 2, 9

BRIGHTNESS—Job 31, 26, or the moon walking in *b* Isa. 62, 1, righteousness go forth as *b.* Ezek 10, 4, court full of *b* of the Lord. Dan. 12, 3, wise shall shine as *b* of the Hab. 3, 4, his *b* was as the light. Acts 26, 13, a light above *b* of sun 2 Thess. 2, 8, the Lord destroy with *b.* of his. Heb 1, 3, being the *b.* of his glory

BRING—Job 14, 4, who can *b* a clean thing out. Ecc. 11, 9, will *b.* thee into judgment, 12, 14. Isa. 43, 6, *b* my sons from far. Luke 3, 10, I *b.* good tidings. John 14, 26, *b* all things to remembrance 1 Cor. 1, 28, *b.* to nought things that are; 4, 5, *b* to light hidden things of darkness. 1 Thess. 4, 14, will God *b* with him. 1 Pet. 3, 18, that he might *b* us to God.

BRING FORTH—Ps. 37, 6, shall *b. f.* thy righteousness; 92, 14, *b f* fruit in old age. Prov 27, 1, what a day may *b. f* Isa. 41, 21, *b f.* your strong reasons Luke 3, 8, *b f* fruits worthy of repentance, 8, 15, *b f.* fruit with patience. John 15, 2, that it may *b f* more fruit. Jam. 1, 15, *b. f.* sin, sin *b f.* death.

BROAD—Ps 119, 96 Matt. 7, 13, 23, 5

BROKEN—Ps. 34, 18, nigh unto them of *b* heart. Isa. 61, 1, to bind up the *b* hearted. Jer 2, 13, hewed out cisterns, *b* cisterns. Matt. 21, 44, fall on this stone shall be *b* John 10, 35, scripture cannot be *b*

BROTHER—Gen. 45, 4, your *b.* whom ye sold. Deu 24, 10, dost lend thy *b* any thing Prov 18, 19, *b.* offended harder to be won; 24, friend that sticketh closer than a *b.* Matt. 10, 21, *b* shall deliver up *b* to death. 1 Cor. 8, 11, shall thy weak *b.* perish. 2 Thess. 3, 15, but admonish as a *b* Jam. 1, 9, let *b* of low degree rejoice 1 John 2, 10, loveth his *b.* abideth in light, 3, 10, that loveth not his *b*; 14; 4, 20, loveth not his *b* whom he hath seen, 5, 16, if any see his *b.* sin a sin.

BROTHERHOOD—Zech. 11, 14. 1 Pet. 2, 17

BROTHERLY—Rom. 12, 10. 1 Thess. 4, 9. Heb 13, 1. 2 Pet. 1, 7.

BRUISE—Isa 42, 3, *b.* reed shall he not break; 53, 5, *b.* for our iniquities; 10, it pleased the Lord to *b* him. Matt. 12, 20; Rom 16, 20, God of peace shall *b.* Satan.

BUILD—Ps. 102, 16, the Lord shall *b.* up Zion, 127, 1, except the Lord *b.* the house, 147, 2, Lord doth *b.* up Jerusalem. Ecc. 3, 3, a time to *b.* up. Acts 20, 32, which is able to *b.* you up. Rom. 15, 20.

BUILDER—Ps. 118, 22. Matt. 21, 42. Mark 12, 10. Luke 20, 17. Acts 4, 11. 1 Pet. 2, 7. Heb. 11, 10.

BUILDING—1 Cor. 3, 9. 2 Cor 5, 1 Eph. 2, 21. Jude 20

BUILT—Matt. 7, 24, *b.* his house on a rock. Eph. 2, 20, *b* on foundation of apostles. Col. 2, 7, rooted and *b* up in him. Heb 3, 4, he that *b* all things is God. 1 Pet. 2, 5, *b* up a spiritual house.

BURDEN—2 Ki. 9, 25, the Lord laid this *b.* upon him. Ps 38, 4, a *b* too heavy for me; 55, 22, cast thy *b.* upon the Lord. Ecc. 12, 5, the grasshopper a *b.* Matt. 11, 30, my yoke easy and *b.* light, 20, 12, borne *b.* and heat of day Acts 15, 28, lay upon you no greater *b* Gal 6, 5, every man shall bear his own *b.* Rev. 2, 24, put on you none other *b*

BURN—Deu 32, 22 Mal. 4, 1 Luke 24, 32 Rev 17, 6.

BURNED—Deu. 9, 15, mount *b.* with fire. Josh 7, 25 Ps. 39, 3, while I was musing, the fire *b* 1 Cor. 3, 15, any man's work be *b* Heb. 6, 8, whose end is to be *b*, 12, 18.

BURNING—Ex. 21, 25, *b* for *b.*, wound for wound. Isa. 3, 24, *b.* instead of beauty; 33, 14, dwell with everlasting *b.* Jer 20, 9, his word was a *b* fire Amos 4, 11, brand plucked out of *b.* Hab 3, 5, and *b.* coals went forth. Luke 12, 35, loins girt and lights *b.*

BURNT OFFERING—Gen. 22, 2, offer him for a *b o.* 1 Sam. 15, 22, hath the Lord as great delight in *b. o* Ps 40, 6, *b o* hast thou not required, 51, 16, delightest not in *b. o.* Isa. 1, 11, I am full of *b o* of rams. Jer 6, 20, your *b o.* are not acceptable. Hos. 6, 6, knowledge of God more than *b o.* Mark 12, 33, more than all *b o* Heb 10, 6, in *b o.* for sin thou hast had no pleasure

BUY—Isa. 55, 1. 1 Cor. 7, 30. James 4, 13 Rev. 3, 18.

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CALAMITY—Job 6, 2, my *c.* laid in balances. Ps 18, 18, prevented me in day of *c.*, 57, 1, till these *c.* be overpast. Prov. 1, 26, I will laugh at your *c.*, 6, 15, *c* shall come suddenly Jer 18, 17, the face in day of their *c*; 46, 21, day of their *c* was come.

CALL—Deu 4, 26, *c.* heaven and earth to witness. Ps. 72, 17, all nations shall *c.* him blessed; 145, 18, nigh unto all that *c.* on him. Isa. 5, 20, woe to them that *c* evil good, 55, 6, *c.* upon him while he is near; 58, 9, *c.* and I will answer; 65, 24, before they *c* I will answer Mal 3, 15, now we *c* the proud happy Matt. 9, 13, not to *c.* the righteous, 22, 3, *c* them that were bidden. Mark 2, 17 Luke 1, 48, generations shall *c.* me blessed, 5, 32. Acts 2, 39, many as the Lord shall *c.* Rom. 9, 25, I will call them my people, 10, 12, rich to all that *c* upon him; 14, how shall they *c* on him Heb 2, 11, not ashamed to *c.* them brethren.

CALLED—Prov 1, 24, I have *c* and ye refused. Isa. 42, 6, I the Lord have *c.* thee; 43, 1, I have *c* thee by thy name, 51, 2, for I have *c* him alone Hos. 11, 1, I *c* my son out of Egypt Matt 20, 16, many *c.* but few chosen, 22, 14 Luke 15, 19, not worthy to be *c* thy son Acts 13, 2, the work whereunto I *c* them Rom. 8, 28, *c.* according to his purpose, 30, predestinate, them he also *c.* 1 Cor. 1, 9, God is faithful, by whom ye are *c*; 24, unto them which are *c* 1 Tim. 6, 12, whereunto thou art also *c* Heb 3, 13, while it is *c* To-day; 5, 10, *c.* of God an high priest. Jam. 2, 7, name by which ye are *c* 1 Pet. 1, 15, as he which *c* you is holy; 2, 9, who *c* you out of darkness; 21, even hereunto were ye *c* 2 Pet. 1, 3, *c.* us to glory and virtue. 1 John 3, 1, we should be *c.* sons of God Rev. 17, 14, with him *c*, and faithful.

CALLING—1 Cor 1, 26, ye see your *c*, brethren. Eph 1, 18, the hope of his *c*, 4, 4, in one hope of your *c* Phil. 3, 14, prize of high *c.* 2 Thess. 1, 11, worthy of this *c.* 2 Tim. 1, 9, called with an holy *c.* Heb 3, 1, partakers of heavenly *c.* 2 Pet. 1, 10, make your *c.* and election sure.

CAMEL—Matt. 3, 4, 19, 24, 23, 24. Mark 1, 6

CAMP—Deu. 23, 14 Heb 13, 13 Rev 20, 9.

CAN—John 3, 9, how *c.* these things be, 5, 19, Son *c.* do nothing of himself; 30; 6, 44, no man *c.* come to me, except, 14, 5, how *c.* we know the way.

CANDLE—Ps. 18, 28. Prov. 31, 18. Matt. 5, 15. Rev. 22, 5.

CANDLESTICK—Zech. 4, 2. Matt. 5, 15. Rev 1, 20; 2, 5.

CANKER—2 Tim. 2, 17 Jam 5, 3.

CAPTAIN—Josh 5, 14, 15 2 Chr 13, 12. Heb. 2, 10.

CAPTIVE—Judg 5, 12, lead thy captivity *c.* Isa. 49, 24, or lawful *c* be delivered, 51, 14, *c.* exile hasteneth, 52, 2, O *c* daughter of Zion 2 Tim. 2, 26, taken *c.* by him at his will; 3, 6.

CAPTIVITY—Deu. 30, 3 Job 42, 10, Lord turned the *c.* of Job Ps. 14, 7, Lord bringeth back the *c*, 68, 18, led *c.* captive, 85, 1, brought back *c* of Jacob, 126, 1, turned again the *c.* of Zion, 4, turn again our *c.* as streams Jer 15, 2, such as are for *c.* to *c.*; 29, 14, will turn away your *c.*; 30, 3, bring again *c* of people. Rom. 7, 23, bringing into *c.* to law of sin 2 Cor. 10, 5, bringing into *c.* every thought, Eph. 4, 8. Rev. 13, 10, that leadeth into *c.* go into *c.*

CARCASE—1 Ki 13, 22; 24. Isa. 14, 19. Matt. 24, 28. Luke 17, 37. Heb 3, 17

CARE—Jer. 49, 31, dwelleth without c. Matt. 13, 22, c. of this world. Mark 4, 19. Luke 8, 14, choked with c. and riches. 1 Cor. 12, 25, same c. one for another. 2 Cor. 11, 28, c. of all the churches. 1 Tim. 3, 5, how shall he take c. of the. 1 Pet. 5, 7, casting all your c. on him.

CAREFUL—2 Ki. 4, 13, thou hast been c. for us. Dan. 3, 16, not c to answer thee. Luke 10, 41, art c. and troubled about. Phil. 4, 6, be c. for nothing, but; 10, c, but ye lacked opportunity. Titus 3, 8, c. to maintain good works.

CAREFULLY—Phil. 2, 28. Heb. 12, 17.

CAREFULNESS—1 Cor. 7, 32. 2 Cor 7, 11.

CARETH—John 10, 13. Acts 18, 17. 1 Cor. 7, 32. 1 Pet. 5, 7.

CARNAL—Rom. 8, 7, the c. mind is enmity against God; 15, 27, to minister in c. things. 1 Cor. 3, 1, not speak but as unto c.; 3, are ye not c., and walk as men. 2 Cor. 10, 4, weapons of warfare are not c. Heb. 7, 16, law of c commandment.

CARRIED—Luke 16, 22. Eph. 4, 14 Heb. 13, 9 Rev. 17, 3; 21, 10.

CARRY—Ecc. 10, 20, bird of the air shall c. the voice. Isa. 40, 11, c. them in his bosom; 46, 4, even to hoar hairs will I c. you. John 21, 18, c. whither thou wouldest not. 1 Tim. 6, 7, certain we can c nothing out.

CAST—Ps 55, 22, c. thy burden on the L. Prov 1, 14, c. in thy lot among us, we; 16, 33, lot is c into the lap. Ecc. 11, 1, c thy bread upon waters. Isa. 2, 20, a man shall c idols; 38, 17, c. all my sins behind. Mic. 7, 19, c all their sins into depths. Matt. 3, 10, c into the fire; 7, 6, neither c pearls before swine; 18, 8; 9, c into prison; 22, 13, c. into outer darkness, 25, 30, c unprofitable servant into Mark 11, 23, be thou c into the sea. Luke 3, 9, 12, 5, hath power to c. into hell; 58, and officer c. thee into prison. John 8, 7, let him first c. a stone. Rev. 2, 10, devil shall c some into prison.

CAST AWAY—Job 8, 20, God will not c. away a perfect. Ps. 2, 3, let us c. their cords; 51, 11, c me not from thy presence. Ezek. 18, 31, c all your transgressions. Rom. 11, 1, hath God c his people. 1 Cor. 9, 27. Heb 10, 35, c not your confidence.

CAST DOWN—Ps. 42, 5, 43, 5. 2 Cor. 4, 9; 7, 6

CAST OFF—Ps. 44, 23, arise, c. us not for ever, 71, 9, c me not in old age; 77, 7, will the L. c for ever, 94, 14, the L will not c his people. Lam. 3, 31. Rom. 13, 12, c works of darkness.

CAST OUT—Isa. 26, 19, earth shall c. the dead, 58, 7, bring the poor that are c; 66, 5, c. you for my name's sake John 6, 37, I will in no wise c; 12, 31, prince of this world be c Rev 12, 9, dragon was c out.

CASTETH—1 John 4, 18. 3 John 10.

CASTING—Rom. 11, 15. 2 Cor. 10, 5. 1 Pet 5, 7.

CAUGHT—John 21, 3, they c. nothing. Acts 8, 39, Spirit of L. c. away Philip 2 Cor 12, 4, was c. up into paradise; 16, I c. you with guile 1 Thess. 4, 17, c. up together with. Rev. 12, 5, child was c. up unto God.

CAUSE—Job 5, 8, to God would I commit my c. Ps 10, 17, wilt c thine ear to hear; 67, 1, c his face to shine, 85, 4, c thine anger to cease, 143, 8, c me to know the way. Prov 18, 17, first in his own c. Isa. 3, 12, lead thee c thee to err; 51, 22, pleadeth c of his people; 58, 14, will c. thee to ride on high Jer. 3, 12, not c. anger to fall upon you; 5, 28, c of the fatherless, 22, 16, 32, 37, I will c. them to dwell safely, 44, c. their captivity to return. Lam 3, 32, though he c. grief, yet. Ezek 36, 27, c. you to walk in statutes; 37, 5, I will c breath to enter. Dan 9, 17, c thy face to shine upon. Rom. 16, 17, mark them which c divisions. 2 Cor 2, 14, always c us to triumph; 4, 16, for which c. we faint not; 5, 13, whether sober, for your c. 1 Tim. 1, 16, for this c. I obtained mercy.

CAUSELESS—Prov 26, 2

CAVE—1 Ki 18, 4. Isa. 2, 19 John 11, 38 Heb. 11, 38

CEASE—Deu 15, 11, poor shall never c Job 3, 17, wicked c from troubling Ps. 46, 9, he maketh wars to c Prov 23, 4, c. from thine own wisdom Isa. 1, 16, c to do evil; 2, 22, c. from man, whose breath. 1 Cor 13, 8, tongues shall c Eph 1, 16, c. not to give thanks. Col. 1, 9, c. not to pray for you.

CEASING—Acts 12, 5. Rom 1, 9 1 Thess. 5, 17 2 Tim. 1, 3.

CEDAR—2 Ki. 14, 9. Ps 29, 5 Amos 2, 9

CELEBRATE—Isa. 38, 18.

CELESTIAL—1 Cor. 15, 40.

CERTAINTY—Luke 1, 4 Acts 21, 34, 22, 30

CHAFF—Ps. 1, 4, like c. which the wind driveth; 35, 5, let them be as c. before wind. Isa. 17, 13, shall be chased as the c Jer 23, 28, what is c. to wheat. Dan. 2, 35, became like the c. of. Hos. 13, 3, as c that is driven. Zeph. 2, 2, before the day pass as c. Matt. 3, 12, will burn up the c. Luke 3, 17.

CHAIN—Prov. 1, 9, c. about thy neck. Acts 28, 20, I am bound with this c. 2 Tim. 1, 16, not ashamed of my c. 2 Pet. 2, 4, delivered into c. of darkness. Jude 6, reserved in everlasting c.

CHAMBER—Job. 9, 9, maketh c. of south. Prov. 7, 27, going down to c. of death. Cant. 1, 4, brought me into his c. Isa. 26, 20, enter into thy c. Matt. 24, 26, he is in the secret c.

CHANCE—Ecc. 9, 11. Luke 10, 31.

CHANGE—Job 10, 17, c. and war against me; 14, 14, I wait till my c. come. Ps. 55, 19, they have no c., therefore. Jer. 13, 23, can the Ethiopian c. his skin. Dan. 7, 25, think to c. times and laws. Mal. 3, 6, I am the Lord, I c. not. Phil. 3, 21, who shall c. our vile body. Heb. 7, 12, of necessity a c. of the law.

CHANGED—Ps. 102, 26, they shall be c. Jer. 2, 11, hath a nation c. gods. Rom. 1, 23, c glory of God into; 25, c truth of God into 1 Cor. 15, 51, we shall all be c; 52. 2 Cor 3, 18, c into same image.

CHARGE—Ps. 91, 11, shall give his angels c. Acts 7, 60, lay not this sin to their c. Rom. 8, 33, any thing to c of God's elect. 1 Cor. 9, 7, warfare at his own c 1 Tim 1, 18, this c I commit. 2 Tim. 4, 16, not be laid to their c.

CHARIOT—Gen. 41, 43, made him ride in second c; 46, 29, Joseph made ready his c. Ex. 14, 6; 7, he took all the c. of Egypt; 28, the waters covered the c; 15, 4, Pharaoh's c he cast in the sea. 2 Ki. 2, 11, there appeared c. of fire; 12, my father, the c of Israel; 13, 14. Ps. 20, 7, some trust in c; 46 9, he burneth the c. in fire; 68, 17, the c. of God are twenty thousand.

CHARITY—1 Cor 8, 1, c edifieth. 1 Cor 13, 1, have not c., I am nothing; 2; 3; 4, c suffereth long, 8, c. never faileth; 13, now abideth, faith, hope, c; 14, 1, follow after c and desire; 16, 14, let all be done with c Col 3, 14, above all things put on c. 1 Thess. 3, 6, tidings of your faith and c 2 Thess. 1, 3, c. of every one of you aboundeth. 1 Tim. 1, 5, end of commandment is c.; 2, 15, if they continue in faith and c.; 4, 12, an example of believers in c. 2 Tim. 2, 22, follow righteousness, faith, c. Titus 2, 2, sound in faith, c., patience. 1 Pet. 4, 8, have fervent c., c shall cover. 2 Pet. 1, 7, add to brotherly kindness c. 3 John 6, borne witness of thy c. Jude 12, spots in your feasts of c.

CHASTEN—Ps. 6, 1, neither c. me in thy; 38, 1. Prov. 19, 1, c thy son while hope. Dan 10, 12, fc. thyself before God. Rev. 3, 19, as many as I love, I rebuke and c.

CHASTENED—Ps, 73, 14, have been c every morning, 118, 18 1 Cor 11, 32, we are c of the Lord. 2 Cor 6, 9, c. and not killed. Heb 12, 10, for a few days c. us.

CHASTENING—Job 5, 17. Isa. 26, 16. Heb. 12, 7; 11.

CHASTENETH—Deu. 8, 5. Ps. 94, 12, blessed the man whom thou c. Prov. 13, 24, loveth him, c. him betimes. Heb. 12, 6, whom Lord loveth he c; 7, what son whom the father c. not.

CHASTISE—1 Ki 12, 11, I will c. you with scorpions; 14. Hos. 7, 12, c them as their congregation, 10, 10, desire that I should c. Luke 23, 16, I will therefore c. him, 22.

CHASTISEMENT—Deu. 11, 2 Job 34, 31. Isa. 53, 5 Heb. 12, 8.

CHATTER—Isa. 38, 14

CHEEK—Isa. 50, 6. Lam. 3, 30. Matt. 5, 39 Luke 6, 29.

CHEER—Matt. 9, 2; 14, 27. Mark 6, 50. John 16, 33. Acts 23, 11

CHEERFULNESS—Rom. 12, 8.

CHERISHETH—Eph 5, 29 1 Thess. 2, 7.

CHERUBIMS—1 Sam. 4, 4. Ps. 99, 1. Ezek. 10. 2 Heb. 9, 5.

CHIEF—Matt. 20, 27. Luke 22, 26. 1 Tim. 1, 15. 1 Pet. 2, 4.

CHILD—Isa. 9, 6, unto us a c. is born; 11, 6, a little c. shall lead them; 49, 15, can a woman forget her sucking c. Jer 1, 6, cannot speak, I am a c; 31, 20, is he a pleasant c. Hos. 11, 1, when Israel was a c. Matt. 23, 15, twofold more the c of hell Mark 9, 36, a c. and set him; 10, 15, kingdom of God as a little c. Luke 1, 66, what manner of c. Acts 4, 27, thy holy c. Jesus, 30; 13, 10, thou c. of the devil. 1 Cor 13, 11, I was a c. I spake as a c. 2 Tim. 3, 15, from a c thou hast known

CHILDHOOD—1 Sam 12, 2. Ecc. 11, 10.

CHILDREN—Prov. 17, 6, glory of c. are their fathers. Isa. 1, 2, brought up c and they rebelled; 3, 12, c are their oppressors, 8, 18, I and the c. whom the Lord; 30, 9; 63, 8, c. that will not lie. Mal. 4, 6, heart of the c. to the. Matt. 3, 9, of stones raise up c to Abraham; 15, 26, not meet to take c. bread. Luke 1, 17; 6, 35, shall be c. of the Highest; 16, 8, c of world wiser than c Acts 3, 25, ye are c of prophets. Rom 8, 17, if c then heirs. 1 Cor. 14, 20, be not c in understanding Eph. 2, 3, by nature c of wrath as others; 4, 14, no more c, tossed to and fro; 5, 6, c. of disobedience; 6, 1, c, obey your parents Col. 3, 6, 20. Heb 2, 13; 12, 5, exhortation speaking as to c. 1 Pet. 1, 14, as obedient c., not fashioning

CHILDREN OF GOD—Matt. 5, 9 Luke 20, 36 John 11, 52. Rom. 8, 21; 9, 8, 26. Gal 3, 26 1 John 3, 10, 5, 2

CHILDREN OF LIGHT—Luke 16, 8. John 12, 36 Eph. 5, 8 1 Thess. 5, 5.

CHOKE—Matt. 13, 7, 22. Mark 4, 7; 5, 13. Luke 14, 33.

CHOOSE—Josh. 24, 15. Prov. 1, 29. Isa. 7, 15. Phil. 1, 22.

CHOOSING—Heb 11, 25

CHOSEN—1 Chr. 16, 13, Jacob his c Ps. 33, 12, c. for his own inheritance. Prov. 22, 1, good name rather to be c. Jer. 8, 3, death be c. rather than life. Matt. 20, 16, many called, but few c.; 22, 14. Luke 10, 42, Mary hath c. that good part. John 15, 16, ye have not c. me, but I have c. you. Acts 22, 14, God of our fathers hath c. thee. 1 Cor. 1, 27, God hath c. foolish things. Eph. 1, 4, hath c. us in him. 2 Thess. 2, 13, from the beginning hath c. you. 1 Pet. 2, 4, c. of God and precious; 9, a c. generation, a royal. Rev. 17, 14, called, and c., and faithful.

CHRIST—Matt. 2, 4; 16, 16; 23, 8, one is your Master, even C.; 10. Luke 24, 26, ought not C. to have suffered; 46, thus it behoved C. to suffer. John 4, 25, the Messias, called C; 12, 34, C. abideth for ever. Rom. 5, 6, C. died for the ungodly; 8, while we were yet sinners, C. died for us; 8, 9, have not the Spirit of C.; 10, if C. be in you, body is dead; 9, 5, C came, who is over all; 10, 4, C. the end of the law. 1 Cor. 1, 24, C the power of God; 3, 23, ye are C.'s, and C is God's; 5, 7, C our passover. 2 Cor. 6, 15, concord hath C. with Belial. Gal. 2, 20, C liveth in me; 3, 13, C. hath redeemed us; 4, 19, until C be formed in; 5, 24, are C.'s have crucified. Eph 2, 12, ye were without C.; 3, 17, that C. may dwell in your hearts; 4, 20, have not so learned C; 5, 14, C. shall give thee light; 25, C. loved the church; 6, 5, in singleness of heart, as unto C. Phil. 1, 21, for me to live is C; 23, to be with C; 3, 8, that I may win C; 4, 13, all things through C. Col. 1, 27, C in you the hope of glory; 3, 4, when C. who is our life, 11 C all and in all.

CHRIST JESUS—Rom 8, 1, to them in C. Jesus, 2, law of Spirit of life in C. Jesus. 1 Cor 1, 30, of him are ye in C 2 Cor. 13, 5, that Jesus C is in you. Gal. 3, 26, 28, all one in C Jesus; 5, 6, in Jesus C neither circumcision. Eph. 2, 10, created in C Jesus unto good. Phil 2, 11, Jesus C. is Lord, 3, 3, rejoice in C. Jesus, 12, apprehended of C Jesus. Col. 2, 6, received C Jesus. 1 Tim. 1, 15, C. Jesus came into the world; 2, 5, mediator, the man C. Jesus. 2 Tim. 3, 12, all that will live godly in C Jesus. Heb. 13, 8, Jesus C. the same yesterday

IN CHRIST—Rom. 12, 5, one body in C.; 16, 3, 7, in C before me; 10 1 Cor. 15, 18, fallen asleep in C. 2 Cor. 5, 17, if any man be in C, 19, God was in C reconciling. Phil. 2, 1, consolation in C Col. 1, 2, faithful brethren in C 1 Thess. 4, 16, dead in C shall rise first. 1 Pet. 3, 16, good conversation in C

WITH CHRIST—Rom 6, 8, be dead with C, 8, 17, joint-heirs with C Gal. 2, 20, crucified with C Eph 2, 5, quickened us together with C. Phil 1, 23, desire to be with C Col. 3, 1, if ye be risen with C.; 3, your life is hid with C. Rev. 20, 4, reigned with C.

CHRISTIANS—Acts 11, 26; 26, 28. 1 Pet. 4, 16.

CHURCH—Matt. 16, 18, on this rock will I build my c.; 18, 17, tell it to the c.—hear the c. Acts 2, 47, the Lord added to the c., 8, 1, persecution against the c; 14, 23, elders in every c. 1 Cor 14, 4, 5, the c. may receive edifying Eph. 1, 22, head over all things to c.; 3, 10, known by c. manifold wisdom, 5, 25, Christ loved the c; 27, to himself a glorious c. Col 1, 18, head of body, the c.; 24, body's sake, which is the c. Heb 12, 23, assembly and c. of first-born. 3 John 6.

CHURCHES—Acts 15, 41, confirming c; 16, 5, so were c established. Rom 16, 16, c. of Christ salute you. 1 Cor. 7, 17, so ordain I in all c.; 11, 16, neither c. of God; 14, 34, women keep silence in c 2 Thess. 1, 4, glory in you in c. Rev 1, 4, seven c. in Asia; 20, seven c, and candlesticks seven c; 2, 7, hear what Spirit saith to c; 23, and c. shall know that I; 22, 16, testify these things in c

CIRCUMCISE—Deut. 30, 6, the Lord will c. thine heart. Jer. 4, 4, c yourselves to the Lord Acts 15, 1, except ye be c. after. Gal. 5, 2, if ye be c., Christ shall profit you. Col 2, 11, in whom also ye are c

CIRCUMCISION—Acts 7, 8, God gave covenant of c Rom. 2, 25, c. verily profiteth if; 3, 1, what profit is there of c.; 4, 9, cometh this blessedness upon c.; 15, 8, Jesus was a minister of c. 1 Cor. 7, 19, c. is nothing Gal. 2, 7, gospel of c. was committed; 5, 6, c. nor uncircumcision availeth. Phil. 3, 3, we are c. which worship God. Col. 2, 11, ye are circumcised with the c Titus 1, 10.

CIRCUMSPECTLY—Eph. 5, 15

CISTERN—Ecc 12, 6. Jer 2, 13

CITIZENS—Luke 19, 14. Eph 2, 19.

CITY—Ps. 107, 4, no c to dwell in; 7, to a c. of habitation; 122, 3, as a c compact together; 127, 1, except the Lord keep the c. Isa. 1, 21, faithful c. become; 23, 7, 8, joyous c.—crowning c; 26, 1, we have a strong c.; 62, 12, sought out, a c not forsaken. Jer. 3, 14, one of a c., two of; 29, 7, seek peace of the c. Amos 3, 6, evil in a c, and the Lord hath. Zeph. 2, 15, rejoicing c. that dwelt; 3, 1, the oppressing c. Zech. 8, 3, be called a c. of truth. Matt. 5, 14, c. that is set on a hill; 23, 34, persecute them from c. to c. Luke 10, 8, into whatsoever c. ye enter; 12, for Sodom than for that c.; 19, 41, he beheld the c. and wept. Heb. 11, 10, he looked for a c.; 16, prepared for them a c.; 12, 22, unto the c. of the living God; 13, 14, we have no continuing c. Rev. 3, 12, the name of c. of my God; 20, 9, camp of the saints and the beloved c.

CLAY—Job 4, 19, dwell in houses of c.; 10, 9. Ps. 40, 2, out of miry c. Isa. 64, 8, we the c. and thou our potter. Dan. 2, 33, part of iron, part of c. Hab. 2, 6, ladeth himself with thick c. Rom. 9, 21, potter power over the c.

CLEAN—Job 14, 4, bring c. thing out of unclean. Ps. 19, 9, fear of the L. is c. Isa. 1, 16, wash ye, make you c.; 52, 11, be ye c. that bear. Ezek. 36, 25, c. water upon you. Matt. 8, 3, be thou c. Luke 5, 13; 11, 41, all things are c. unto you. John 13, 10, ye are c., but not all; 15, 3, ye are c. through the word. Rev. 19, 8, linen c. and white.

CLEANSE—Ps. 51, 2, c. me from my sin; 119, 9, a young man c his way. Jer. 33, 8, will c. them from all iniquity. Ezek. 36, 25, from idols I will c. you. Matt. 10, 8, heal sick, c. lepers. Jam. 4, 8, c. your hands. 1 John 1, 9, c. from all unrighteousness.

CLEANSED-ETH—Ps. 73, 13, c. my heart in vain Matt. 11, 5, lepers are c., the deaf hear. Luke 17, 17, were there not ten c. Acts 10, 15, God hath c.; 11, 9. 1 John 1, 7, blood of Jesus Christ c. us.

CLEAR—Ps. 51, 4 Cant. 6, 10. Zech. 14, 6.

CLEAVE—Deu. 4, 4. Ps. 102, 5. Acts 11, 23. Rom. 12, 9.

CLIMB—Joel 2, 7. Amos 9, 2. John 10, 1.

CLOAK—Isa. 59, 17, clad with zeal as a c. Matt. 5, 40 Luke 6, 29. John 5, 22, no c. for their sin. 1 Thess. 2, 5, used c. of covetousness. 2 Tim. 4, 13. 1 Pet. 2, 16, for c of maliciousness.

CLOSET—Joel 2, 16. Matt. 6, 6. Luke 12, 3.

CLOTHE—Matt. 6, 30. Luke 12, 28.

CLOTHED—Ps. 35, 26, c. with shame; 104, 1, c. with honour and majesty; 132, 9, let thy priests be c. with. Isa. 61, 10, c. me with garments. Ezek. 16, 10, I c. thee with broidered. Zeph. 1, 8, c. with strange apparel. Matt. 11, 8, c. with raiment; 25, 36, ye c. me; 43, c. me not. 2 Cor. 5, 2, be c upon with our house, 3; 4. 1 Pet. 5, 5, be c with humility. Rev 3, 18, that thou mayest be c.; 15, 6, c. in pure and white linen

CLOTHING—Ps. 45, 13, her c. is wrought gold. Prov. 31, 25, strength and honour her c. Isa. 59, 17, garments of vengeance for c. Matt 7, 15, come in sheep's c.; 11, 8, that wear soft c. are.

CLOUD-S—Ex. 13, 21, in a pillar of c.; 19, 16, a thick c. upon the mount; 24, 15, a c. covered the mount; 34, 5, the Lord descended in a c Ps 77, 17, c. poured out water; 78, 14, he led them with a c; 23; 97, 2, c. and darkness round about; 104, 3, maketh c. his chariot. Prov. 3, 20, the c. drop down dew; 8, 28, when he established the c. Ecc. 11, 3, if the c. be full of rain; 4, he that regardeth the c.; 12, 2, nor the c return after rain. Isa. 4, 5, upon her assemblies a c.; 5, 6, I will also command the c.; 44, 22, as a thick c, as a c thy sins; 60, 8, who are these that fly as a c. Hos. 6, 4, as the morning c; 13, 3. Joel 2, 2, a day of c. Nah. 1, 3, c. are dust of his feet Zeph. 1, 15 Zech. 10, 1, Lord shall make bright c. Matt. 17, 5, a bright c. overshadowed them, 24, 30, coming in c. of heaven; 26, 64. Mark 9, 7; 14, 62. Luke 9, 34. Acts 1, 9, a c. received him. 1 Thess. 4, 17, caught up in the c. Heb. 12, 1, so great a c. of witnesses. 2 Pet. 2, 17, c. are carried with tempest. Jude 12, c. without water. Rev. 1, 7, behold he cometh with c.; 11, 12, ascended up to heaven in a c.; 14, 14.

COME—Ex. 20, 24, I will c. unto thee. 1 Chr. 29, 14, for all things c. of thee. Job 22, 21, good shall c. unto thee; 38, 11, hitherto shalt thou c. Ps. 40, 7, lo, I c; 65, 2, unto thee shall all flesh c. Ecc. 9, 2, all things c. alike to all. Cant. 4, 16, awake, O north wind, and c. Isa. 35, 4, he will c. and save you; 55, 1, c. to the waters, yea, c.; 3, incline your ear and c Ezek. 33, 31, c. to thee as the people c. Mic. 6, 6, wherewith shall I c. Hab. 2, 3, it will surely c. Mal. 3, 1, suddenly c. to his temple; 4, 6, lest I c. and smite earth. Matt. 8, 11, many shall c from east; 11, 3, that should c.; 28, c unto me, all ye that labour; 16, 24, if any man will c. after me. Luke 7, 8, I say c and he cometh; 19; 20; 14, 20, married a wife, and cannot c. John 1, 39, c and see; 5, 40, ye will not c to me; 6, 44, no man can c unto me, except; 7, 37, if any man thirst, let him c Acts 16, 9, c over and help us 1 Cor 11, 26, Lord's death till he c. Heb. 4, 16, let us c. boldly to the throne; 7, 25, able to save all that c.; 10, 9; 37, he that shall c will c. Rev. 18, 4, c. out of her, my people; 22, 7, behold, I c. quickly; 17, Spirit and bride say c.; 20, even so c. Lord Jesus.

COMELY—Ps. 33, 1. Cant. 1, 5.

COMETH—Ecc. 11, 8, all that c. is vanity. Isa. 63, 1, who this that c. from Edom. Matt. 3, 11, c. after me mightier than I. Luke 6, 47, whosoever c. to me. John 3, 31, that c. from above, above all; 6, 35, c. to me shall never hunger; 37, c. to me I will

no wise, cast out; 45, learned of the Father *c.* unto; 14, 6, no man *c.* to the Father. Heb. 11, 6, that *c.* to God must believe.
COMFORT—Job 7, 13, my bed shall *c.* me. Ps. 23, 4, thy rod and staff *c.* me; 119, 52, when wilt thou *c.* me. Isa. 40, 1, *c.* ye, *c.* ye, my people; 51, 3, shall *c.* Zion; 61, 2, *c.* all that mourn. Lam. 1, 2, none to *c.* her. Matt. 9, 22, be of good *c.* Acts 9, 31, walking in *c.* of Holy G. Rom. 15, 4, *c.* of the scriptures. 1 Cor. 14. 3, exhortation and *c.* 2 Cor. 1, 3, the God of all *c.* and. Eph. 6, 22, might *c.* your hearts. 1 Thess. 4, 18, *c.* one another with; 5, 11, *c.* yourselves together; 14, *c.* the feeble-minded 2 Thess. 2, 17, *c.* your hearts.
COMFORTABLY—Isa. 40, 2. Hos. 2, 14.
COMFORTED—Ps. 77, 2, my soul refused to be *c.*; 119, 52, I have *c.* myself. Isa. 49, 13, God hath *c.* his people; 54, 11, tossed, afflicted, and not *c.* Matt. 5, 4, mourn, they shall be *c.* Luke 16, 25, now he is *c.*, and thou. Col. 2, 2, their hearts might be *c.*
COMFORTER—Ps. 69, 20. Lam. 1, 9. Nah. 3, 7. John 14, 16, 26; 15, 26; 16, 7.
COMFORTETH—Job 29, 25. Isa. 51, 12; 66, 13 2 Cor. 1, 4; 7, 6.
COMFORTLESS—John 14, 18.
COMING—Ps. 121, 8, L. shall preserve thy *c.* Mal. 3, 2, the day of his *c.*; 4, 5, *c.* of the great day. Matt. 24, 3, sign of thy *c.*; 27, *c.* of the Son of man; 48, lord delayeth his *c.* John 1, 27, *c.* after me is preferred. 1 Cor. 1, 7, waiting for *c.* of Lord; 15, 23, Christ's at his *c.* 1 Thess. 2, 19, Jesus Christ at his *c.* 1 Pet. 2, 4, to whom *c.* as unto a living. 2 Pet. 1, 16, the power and *c.* of our L.; 3, 12, hasting to *c.* of day of God. 1 John 2, 28. Rev. 21, 2.
COMMAND—Gen. 18, 19, he will *c.* his children. Lev. 25, 21, I will *c.* my blessing. Deu. 28, 8, the L. shall *c.* the blessing. Ps. 42, 8, will *c.* lovingkindness. Matt. 4, 3, *c.* that these stones be made bread. John 15, 14, whatsoever I *c.* you. 2 Thess. 3, 4, things which we *c.* 1 Tim. 4, 11, these things *c.* and teach.
COMMANDED—Ps. 111, 9; 133, 3; 148, 5. Matt. 28, 20. Heb 12, 20
COMMANDMENT—Ps 119, 96, thy *c.* is exceeding broad. Prov. 6, 23, the *c.* is a lamp Hos. 5, 11, willingly walked after the *c.* Matt 22, 38, this is the first and great *c.* John 10, 18, this *c.* I have received; 12, 49, the Father—gave me a *c.*; 50; 13, 34, a new *c.* give I to you, 15, 12, this is my *c.* that ye love Rom 7, 8, sin, taking occasion by the *c.*; 9; 12 1 Tim. 1, 5, end of *c.* is charity 1 John 2, 7, an old *c.*; 8, 3, 23, his *c.* that we believe.
COMMANDMENTS—Ex. 34, 28, wrote ten *c.* Deu. 4, 13; 10, 4. Ps. 111, 7, all his *c.* are sure; 112, 1, delighteth greatly in his *c.*; 119, 6, have respect unto all thy *c.*; 10; 19, hide not thy *c.* from me; 32. I will run the way of thy *c.*; 47, will delight myself in thy *c.*; 66, for I have believed thy *c.*; 98, thy *c.* hast made me wiser; 151, all thy *c.* are truth; 172, all thy *c.* are righteousness. Matt. 15, 9, for doctrines *c.* of men; 22, 40, on these *c.* hang all the law. Luke 1, 6, in all the *c.* of the Lord. Col. 2, 22, after the *c.* of men. 1 John 2, 3, if we keep his *c.*; 4; 3, 22, because we keep his *c.*; 5, 3, his *c.* are not grievous. Rev. 12, 17, keep *c.* of God; 14, 12; 22, 14, blessed are they that do his *c.*
COMMEND-ED-ETH-ING—Luke 23, 46, into thy hands I *c.* my spirit. Acts 20, 23, brethren, I *c.* you to God; 14, 32, *c.* them to the Lord. Rom. 5, 8, God *c.* his love toward us. 1 Cor. 8, 8, meat *c.* us not to God. 2 Cor. 4, 2, *c.* ourselves to every man's; 10, 18, not he that *c.* himself.
COMMENDATION—2 Cor. 3, 1.
COMMIT—Job 5, 8, to God I *c.* my cause. Ps. 31, 5, into thy hand I *c.* my spirit. Luke 12, 48, *c.* things worthy of stripes; 16, 11, who will *c.* to your trust. Rom. 1, 32, *c.* things worthy of death. 1 Tim. 1, 18, this charge I *c.* unto thee. 1 Pet. 4, 19, *c.* the keeping of their. 1 John 3, 9, born of God doth not *c.*
COMMITTED—1 Tim. 6, 20. 2 Tim. 1, 12, 14.
COMMON—Acts 2, 44, had all things *c.*; 4, 32; 10, 15, what God hath cleansed call not *c.* 1 Cor. 10, 13, temptation—as is *c.* to man. Jude 3, write of the *c.* salvation.
COMMONWEALTH—Eph. 2, 12.
COMMUNE—Ps. 4, 4. Ecc. 1, 16.
COMMUNICATE—Gal 6, 6. 1 Tim. 6, 18. Heb 13, 16
COMMUNICATION—Matt. 5, 37, let your *c.* be yea, yea. Luke 24, 17, what manner of *c.* are. 1 Cor 15, 33, evil *c.* corrupt good. Eph 4, 29, let no corrupt *c.* proceed. Col 3, 8, filthy *c.* out of your mouth
COMMUNION—1 Cor. 10, 16. 2 Cor. 6, 14; 13, 14
COMPANION-S—Ps. 119, 63, *c.* of them that fear thee. Prov. 13, 20, a *c.* of fools destroyed. Isa. 1, 23, *c.* of thieves. Heb. 10, 33, *c.* of them so used. Rev. 1, 9, your *c.* in tribulation.
COMPANY—Ps. 55, 14, the house of God in *c.* Acts 4, 23, went to their own *c.* Rom. 15, 24, first filled with your *c.* 2 Thess. 3, 14, have no *c.* with him. Heb. 12, 22, innumerable *c.* of angels. Rev. 18, 17.
COMPARED—Ps. 89, 6. Prov. 3, 15. Rom. 8, 18.
COMPARING—1 Cor. 2, 13. 2 Cor. 10, 12.
COMPASS—Ps. 5, 12; 26, 6; 32, 10. Matt. 23, 15.
COMPASSION—Ex. 2, 6, she had *c.* on him. Deu. 13, 17, and have *c.* on; Ps. 78, 38, he being full of *c.*; 86, 15, God full of *c.* Isa. 49, 15, *c.* on the son of her. Jer. 12, 15, return and have *c.* Lam. 3, 22, because his *c.* fail not; 32, yet will he have *c.* Rom. 9, 15, have *c.* on whom. Heb. 5, 2, who can have *c.* on. 1 Pet. 3, 8, *c.* one of another. Jude 22, of some have *c.*
COMPLAIN—Ps. 144, 14. Lam. 3, 39.
COMPLETE—Col. 2, 10; 4, 12.
COMPREHEND-ED—Isa. 40, 12. John 1, 5. Rom. 9, 13. Eph. 3, 18.
CONCEAL—Ps. 40, 10. Prov. 25, 2.
CONCEITS—Rom. 11, 25; 12, 16.
CONCEIVE—Ps. 51, 5. Isa. 7, 14; 33, 11.
CONCLUDED—Rom. 11, 32. Gal. 3, 22.
CONCUPISCENCE—Rom. 7, 8. Col. 3, 5. 1 Thess. 4, 5.
CONDEMN—Job 10, 2, say to God, do not *c.* me. Ps. 37, 33, nor *c.* him when judged. Isa. 50, 9, who is he that shall *c.* me; 54, 17, every tongue thou shalt *c.* Luke 6, 37, *c.* not, ye shall not be *c.* John 3, 17, God sent not his Son to *c.*; 8, 11, neither do I *c.* thee. Rom. 8, 34. 2 Cor. 7, 3. 1 John 3, 20, if our heart *c.* us; 21.
CONDEMNATION—Luke 23, 40, art in the same *c.* John 3, 19, this is the *c.* that; 5, 24. Rom. 8, 1, no *c.* to them in C. 1 Cor 11, 34, come not together to *c.* 2 Cor. 3, 9, if the ministration of *c.* 1 Tim. 3, 6, fall into *c.* of devil. Jam. 3, 1, shall receive greater *c.*; 5, 12, lest ye fall into *c.* Jude 4, of old ordained to this *c.*
CONDEMNED—John 3, 18. Rom. 8, 3. 1 Cor. 11, 32. Titus 2, 8; 3, 11.
CONFESS—Lev. 26, 40, if they *c.* their iniquity. Ps. 32, 5, will *c.* my transgressions. Matt. 10, 32, shall *c.* me before men. Luke 12, 8 Rom. 10, 9, *c.* with mouth L. J.; 14, 11; 15, 9. Phil. 2, 11. Jam. 5, 16, *c.* faults one to another 1 John 1, 9, if we *c.* our sins, he is; 4, 15, *c.* that Jesus is Son of God Rev 3, 5, *c.* his name before.
CONFESSION—Rom. 10, 10 1 Tim 6, 13.
CONFIDENCE—Ps. 65, 5, *c.* of all ends of earth; 118, 8, to put *c.* in man. Prov. 3, 26, the Lord shall be thy *c.* Ezek. 28, 26, they shall dwell with *c.* Mic. 7, 5, put not *c.* in guide. 2 Cor. 2, 3, having *c.* in you all; 7, 16, have *c.* in you in all. Gal. 5, 10, I have *c.* in you. Phil. 1, 25, having this *c.* I; 3, 3, have no *c.* in the flesh; 4. Heb 3, 6, if we hold fast *c.* 14; 10, 35, cast not away your *c.* 1 John 2, 28, we may have *c.*
CONFLICT—Phil 1, 30. Col. 2, 1.
CONFORMED—Rom 8, 29; 12, 2.
CONFUSION—Ps. 35, 4, brought to *c.*; 26; 44, 15, my *c.* continually before me; 71, 1, let me never be put to *c.*; 109, 29, with their own *c.* Isa. 61, 7, for *c.* they shall rejoice in.
CONGREGATION—Ps. 1, 5; 82, 1; 89, 5.
CONQUERORS—Rom. 8, 37.
CONSCIENCE—Acts 23, 1, good *c.*; 24, 16, have a *c.* void of offence. Rom. 2, 15, *c.* bearing witness; 9, 1; 13, 5, not for wrath, but for *c.* 2 Cor. 1, 12, the testimony of *c.* 1 Tim. 1, 19; 3, 9, mystery of the faith in pure *c.*; 4, 2, having *c.* seared with a hot. Titus 1, 15, mind and *c.* defiled. Heb. 9, 14, purge *c.* from dead works; 10, 22, sprinkled from evil *c.*; 13, 18; 1 Pet. 3, 21
CONSENT—Prov. 1, 10. Luke 14, 18. Rom. 7, 16. 1 Tim. 6, 3
CONSIDER—Deu. 32, 29, that they would *c.* their latter. Ps. 8, 3, when I *c.* thy heavens; 50, 22, *c.* this, ye that forget God. Ecc. 5, 1, *c.* not that they do evil; 7, 13, *c.* the work of God; 14, in the day of adversity *c.* Isa. 1, 3, my people doth not *c.*; 5, 12, neither *c.* the operation of his hands. Hagg. 1, 5, *c.* your ways; 2, 15, 18. 2 Tim. 2, 7, *c.* what I say, and the L. Heb. 3, 1, consider the Apostle and High Priest; 10, 24, let us *c.* one another.
CONSOLATION-S—Job 15, 11, are the *c.* of God small. Luke 2, 25, waiting for *c.* of Israel; 6, 24, have received your *c.* Acts 15, 31, they rejoiced for the *c.* 2 Cor. 1, 5, our *c.* also aboundeth; 6; 7; 7, 7, *c.* wherewith he was comforted. Phil. 2, 1, if any *c.* in Christ. Heb 6, 18, might have strong *c.* who.
CONSTRAIN—2 Cor. 5, 14; Gal. 6, 12.
CONSTRAINT—1 Pet. 5, 2.
CONSUME—Ex. 33, 3 2 Thess. 2, 8.
CONSUMED—Ps. 90, 7; 119, 139. Lam. 3, 22.
CONSUMING—Deu 4, 24 Heb. 12, 29.
CONTEMPT—Dan. 12, 2.
CONTEMPTIBLE—Mal 1, 7; 2, 9. 2 Cor. 10, 10
CONTEND—Isa. 49, 25, *c.* with them that *c.*; 50, 8, who will *c.* with me; 57, 16, for I will not *c.* for ever. Jer 12, 5, canst thou *c.* with horses. Amos 7, 4, the L. called to *c.* by fire. Jude 3, *c.* earnestly for the faith.
CONTENT—Phil. 4, 11. 1 Tim. 6, 8. Heb. 13, 5.
CONTENTION—Prov. 13, 10, 17, 14; 22, 10.
CONTENTIOUS—Rom. 2, 8 1 Cor. 11, 16.
CONTINUE—Ps. 36, 10, *c.* thy lovingkindness. John 8, 31, if ye *c.* in my word; 15, 9, *c.* ye in my love. Acts 14, 22, to *c.* in the faith. Rom. 6, 1, shall we *c.* in sin that grace; 11, 22, if thou *c.* in goodness. Col. 1, 23, *c.* in faith, grounded and; 4, 2, *c.* in prayer and watch. 1 Tim. 2, 15, if they *c.* in faith. 2 Tim. 3, 14, *c.* in things thou hast learned. Heb. 13, 1, let brotherly love *c.*
CONTINUED—Luke 6, 12, *c.* all night in prayer; 22, 28, *c.* with me in temptation. Acts 1, 14, *c.* with one accord in; 2, 42; 20, 7, *c.* his speech till midnight. Heb. 8, 9, *c.* not in my covenant. 1 John 2, 19, would have *c.*
CONTINUETH—Gal. 3, 10. 1 Tim. 5, 5. Heb. 7, 24. Jam. 1, 25.
CONTRADICTION—Heb. 7, 7; 12, 3.
CONTRARY—Rom. 16, 17. Gal. 5, 17. 1 Tim. 1, 10.
CONTRITE—Ps. 51, 17. Isa. 57, 15; 66, 2.
CONTROVERSY—Isa. 34, 8 Jer 25, 31. Hos. 4, 1; 12, 2. Mic. 6, 2 1 Tim. 3, 16.
CONVENIENT—Prov. 30, 8. Rom. 1, 28. Eph. 5, 4.
CONVERSATION—Ps. 37, 14, such as be of upright *c.*; 50, 23, ordereth his *c.* aright. 2 Cor. 1, 12, in sincerity had our *c.* Phil. 1, 27, let your *c.* be as becometh; 3, 20, our *c.* is in heaven. Heb. 13, 5, *c.* be without covetousness. 1 Pet. 1, 15, holy in all manner of *c.*; 2, 12, *c.* honest among Gentiles; 3, 16, accuse your good *c.* in Christ. 2 Pet. 2, 7, vexed with filthy *c.* of; 3, 11, in all holy *c.* and godliness.
CONVERSION—Acts 15, 3.
CONVERTED—Ps. 51, 13, sinners shall be *c.* Isa. 60, 5, abundance of sea shall be *c.* Matt. 13, 15, should be *c.* and I; 18, 3. Luke 22, 32, when thou art *c.* Acts 3, 19, be *c.* that your sins. Jam. 5, 19, and one *c.* him; 20.
CONVINCE—John 8, 46. 1 Cor. 14, 24.
CORD—Job 30, 11, he hath loosed my *c.*; 36, 8, holden in *c.* of affliction. Ps. 2, 3, cast away their *c.* from us; 129, 4, cut asunder *c.* of. Prov. 5, 22, holden with *c.* of his sins. Ecc. 4, 12, a threefold *c.* not; 12, 6, or ever the silver *c.* be loosed. Isa. 5, 18, draw iniquity with *c.* of vanity; 54, 2, lengthen thy *c.* and. Hos. 11, 4, drew him with *c.*
CORN—Job 5, 26, as a shock of *c.* cometh. Ps. 72, 16, handful of *c.* in the earth. Hos. 14, 7, shall revive as the *c.* and grow. Zech. 9, 17, *c.* make young men cheerful. Matt. 12, 1, to pluck the ears of *c.* John 12, 24, except a *c.* of wheat fall.
CORNER-STONE—Ps. 118, 22. Isa. 28, 16. Eph. 2, 20. 1 Pet. 2, 6.
CORRECT-ETH—Job 5, 17, happy the man God *c.* Prov. 3, 12, whom the L. loveth he *c.* Jer. 10, 24, *c.* me with judgment; 30, 11, will *c.* in measure; 46, 28.
CORRECTION—Prov. 3, 11, neither be weary of his *c.*; 23, 13, withhold not *c.* from. Hab 1, 12, established them for *c.* Zeph. 3, 2, received not *c.* 2 Tim. 3, 16, profitable for *c.*
CORRUPT—Gen. 6, 11, the earth also was *c.*; 12. Ps. 14, 1, they are *c.* Matt. 7, 17, *c.* tree bringeth forth; 18; 12, 33, make the tree *c.* and his fruit *c.* 1 Cor 15, 33, evil communications *c.* good. 2 Cor. 2, 17, as many which *c.* the word. Eph. 4, 22, put off old man which is *c.*; 29, let no *c.* communication proceed. Jude 10, in those things *c.* themselves.
CORRUPTIBLE—1 Cor. 15, 53.
CORRUPTION—Job 17, 14, said to *c.* thou my father. Ps. 16, 10, thy Holy One to see *c.* Acts 2, 27; 13, 34, no more to return to *c.*; 35; 36; 37. 1 Cor. 15, 42, it is sown in *c.* 2 Pet. 1, 4, *c.* in world through lust.
COUNSEL—Job 12, 13, he hath *c.* and understanding; 21, 16, *c.* of wicked far from; 22, 18; 38, 2, darkeneth *c.* by words; 42, 3. Ps. 1, 1, walketh not in *c.* of ungodly; 16, 7, bless the L. who hath given me *c.*; 33, 10; 11, *c.* of the L. standeth for ever; 55, 14, we took sweet *c.* together; 73, 24, shalt guide me with thy *c.* Prov. 1, 25, set at nought all my *c.*; 8, 14, *c.* is mine and sound wisdom; 11, 14, where no *c.* is, people fall; 21, 30, no wisdom nor *c.* against. Isa. 11, 2, spirit of *c.* and might; 28, 29, L. is wonderful in *c.* 40, 14, with whom took he *c.*; 44, 26, performeth *c.* of his messengers. Jer. 32, 19, great in *c.* and mighty in. Zech. 6, 13, *c.* of peace between them. Luke 7, 30, rejected the *c.* of God; 23, 51. Acts 2, 23, determinate *c.*, 5, 38, if this *c.* be of men, it will; 20, 27, to declare all the *c.* of God. Eph. 1, 11, after *c.* of his own will.
COUNSELLOR-S—Prov. 12, 20, to *c.* of peace is joy. Isa. 1, 26, thy *c.* as at the beginning; 40, 13, being his *c.* hath taught him; 41, 28, there was no *c.* Mic. 4, 9, is thy *c.* perished. Rom. 11, 34, who hath been his *c.*
COUNT—Nu. 23, 10, who can *c.* the dust of Jacob. Job 31, 4, doth not he *c.* all my steps. Ps. 139, 18, if I *c.* them, they are more; 22, I *c.* them mine enemies. Acts 20, 24, neither *c.* I my life dear. Phil. 3, 7; 8, I *c.* all things loss; 13, I *c.* not to have apprehended. Jam. 1, 2, *c.* it all joy when ye fall; 5, 11, we *c.* them happy which endure.
COUNTED—Gen. 15, 6, *c.* to him for Isa. 40, 17, *c.* less than nothing. Hos. 8, 12, they were *c.* a strange thing. Luke 21, 36, *c.* worthy to escape. Acts 5, 41, they were *c.* worthy to suffer. Rom. 4, 3; 5. 2 Thess. 1, 5, be *c.* worthy of the kingdom. 1 Tim. 1, 12, he *c.* me faithful; 5, 17, *c.* worthy of double honour. Heb. 3, 3, *c.* worthy of more glory; 10, 29, hath *c.* blood of covenant.
COUNTENANCE—Nu. 6, 26, lift up his *c.* on thee. Neh. 2, 2, why is thy *c.* sad? Job 29, 24, light of my *c.* cast not down. Ps. 4, 6, the light of thy *c.*; 80, 16; 90, 8, secret sins in light of thy *c.* Matt. 6, 16, hypocrites of a sad *c.* Acts 2, 28, full of joy with thy *c.* Rev. 1, 16.
COUNTRY—Heb. 11, 14, 15, 16.
COURAGE—Josh. 2, 11. Acts 28, 15.
COURSE—Acts 20, 24. Eph. 2, 2. 2 Thess. 3, 1. 2 Tim. 4, 7.
COURTS—Ps. 65, 4, may dwell in thy *c.*; 84, 10, a day in thy *c.* is better than; 92, 13, flourish in *c.* of our God; 100, 4, into his *c.* with praise. Isa. 1, 12, required to tread my *c.*; 62, 9, drink it in *c.* of my holiness. Luke 7, 25, that live delicately are in kings' *c.*
COVENANT—Gen. 9, 12, token of the *c.*; 13, 17; 17, 4, my *c.* is with thee; 11; 13; 14. Ex. 2, 24, God remembered his *c.* with; 31, 16, sabbath for a perpetual *c.* 1 Chr. 16, 15, mindful of *c.* Job 31, 1, made a *c.* with mine eyes. Ps. 25, 14, Lord will show them his *c.*; 50, 5, made a *c.* with me by sacrifice; 55, 20, broken his *c.*; 78, 37, not stedfast in his *c.*; 89, 3, I have made a *c.* with my; 28, my *c.* shall stand fast; 34, 111, 5; 132, 12, thy children will keep my *c.* Isa. 28, 18, your *c.* with death; 33, 8; 42, 6, for a *c.* of the people; 49, 8; 54, 10, nor *c.* of my peace be removed; 56, 4, take hold of my *c.*; 6. Jer. 31, 31, make a new *c.* with Israel; 50, 5, to the Lord in a perpetual *c.* Dan. 9, 27, confirm *c.* with many; 11, 28. Hos. 6, 7, have transgressed the *c.*, 10, 4, swearing falsely in making *c.* Mal 3, 1, messenger of the *c.* Acts 3, 25, the children of the *c.* God. Rom. 1, 31, *c.* breakers. Heb. 8, 6, mediator of a better *c.*; 7; 9.
COVENANTS—Rom. 9, 4. Eph. 2, 12.
COVER—Ex. 33, 22, I will *c.* thee with my hand. Deu. 33, 12, the L. shall *c.* him all day. Neh. 4, 5, *c.* not their iniquity. Job 16, 18, *c.* not thou my blood. Ps. 91, 4, *c.* thee with his feathers. Isa. 11, 9, as the waters *c.* the sea; 58, 7, naked, that thou *c.* him. Hos. 10, 8, to the mountains, *c.* us. Luke 23, 30. 1 Pet. 4, 8, charity shall *c.*
COVERED—Ps. 32, 1; 85, 2. Lam. 3, 44. Matt. 10, 26.
COVERETH—Prov. 10, 12; 28, 13.
COVET—1 Cor. 12, 31; 14, 39.
COVETOUS—1 Cor. 6, 10, nor *c.* shall inherit the kingdom. Eph. 5, 5, nor *c.* who is an idolater. 1 Tim. 3, 3, bishop must not be *c.* 2 Tim. 3, 2, in last days *c.*, boasters. 2 Pet. 2, 14, exercised with *c.*
COVETOUSNESS—Prov. 28, 16, that hateth *c.* shall prolong. Ezek. 33, 31, goeth after their *c.* Luke 12, 15, beware of *c.* Col. 3, 5, *c.* which is idolatry. Heb. 13, 5, conversation without *c.*
CRAFTINESS—1 Cor. 3, 19. 2 Cor. 4, 2. Eph. 4, 14.
CREATE—Ps. 51, 10. Isa. 45, 7; 57, 19; 65, 17.
CREATED—Gen. 1, 1. Ps. 104, 30, they are *c.*; 102, 18, people which shall be *c.*; 148, 5, commanded, and they were *c.* Isa. 43, 7, have *c.* him for my glory. Jer. 31, 22, *c.* a new thing in earth. Mal. 2, 10, hath not one God *c.* us. Eph. 2, 10, *c.* in C. J. unto good works; 3, 9, *c.* all things by Jesus Christ; 4, 24, after God *c.* in righteousness. Col. 1, 16, all things were *c.* by him; 3, 10, image of him that *c.* him. 1 Tim. 4, 3, which God hath *c.* Rev. 4, 11, *c.* all—are and were *c.*; 10, 6, who *c.* heaven, and the things.
CREATOR—Ecc. 12, 1. Isa. 40, 28; 43, 15. Rom. 1, 25. 1 Pet. 4, 19.
CREATURE—Mark 16, 15, preach the gospel to every *c.* Rom. 1, 25; 8, 20, the *c.* made subject to vanity. 2 Cor. 5, 17, be in Christ, a new *c.* Gal. 6, 15, availeth any thing—but a new *c.* Col. 1, 15, first-born of every *c.* 1 Tim. 4, 4, every *c.* of God is good. Heb. 4, 13, nor any *c.* not manifest. Rev. 5, 13, every *c.* in heaven.
CRIMSON—Isa. 1, 18. Jer. 4, 30.
CROOKED—Ps. 125, 5. Ecc. 1, 15. Isa. 27, 1; 40, 4; 59, 8. Lam. 3, 9. Phil. 2, 15.
CROSS—Matt. 10, 38, take not up his *c.*; 16, 24. Luke 9, 23; 14, 27. 1 Cor. 1, 17, lest *c.* of Christ should be; 18, preaching of the *c.* is to them. Gal. 5, 11, is the offence of the *c.* ceased; 6, 12, persecution for the *c.* of Christ; 14, glory in the *c.* of our Lord Phil. 2, 8, obedient unto death of *c.*, 3, 18, are enemies of the *c.* of Christ. Col. 1, 20, through the blood of his *c.*; 2, 14, nailing it to his *c.* Heb. 12, 2, for joy set before him, endured the *c.*
CROWN—Job 31, 36, bind it as a *c.* to me. Ps. 89, 39, hast profaned his *c.* Prov 14, 24, *c.* of the wise is their riches, 16, 31, hoary head is a *c.* of glory; 17, 6. Isa. 62, 3, thou shalt be a *c.* of glory 1 Cor 9, 25, to obtain a corruptible *c.* Phil. 4, 1, my joy and *c.* 1 Thess. 2, 19. 2 Tim 4, 8, for me a *c.* of righteousness. Jam 1, 12, receive a *c.* of life. 1 Pet. 5, 4, receive a *c.* of glory Rev. 2, 10, give thee a *c.* of life; 3, 11, 6, 2; 12, 1; 14, 14
CROWNED—Ps. 8, 5. Prov. 14, 18. Heb. 2, 7, 9. 2 Tim. 2, 5.
CROWNS—Zech 6, 11, 14. Rev. 4, 4, 10; 9, 7; 12, 3; 13, 1; 19, 12.
CRUCIFY—Matt. 20, 19; 23, 34. Luke 23, 21. John 19, 6, 15. Acts 2, 23, *c.* and slain; 4, 10. Rom. 6, 6, our old man *c.* with him. 1 Cor. 1, 13, was Paul *c.*; 23, Christ *c.*; 2, 2, save Jesus Christ and him

c. 2 Cor. 13, 4, was c. through weakness. Gal. 2, 20, I am c. with Christ; 3, 1, Christ set forth c. among you; 5, 24, that are Christ's c. the flesh; 6, 14, world c. unto me. Rev. 11, 8, where also our Lord was c

CRUEL—Job 30, 21. Prov. 12, 10. Heb. 11, 36.

CRY—Ps. 34, 17, the righteous c., the Lord. Isa. 40, 2, 6, the voice said, c.—what shall I c.; 42, 2, he shall not c. nor lift up; 58, 1, c. aloud, spare not. Jer. 7, 16. Ezek 9, 4, c. for all the abominations. Joel 1, 19, to thee will I c. Jon. 3, 8, c. mightily unto God. Matt. 12, 19, shall not strive nor c. Luke 18, 7, c. day and night unto him. Rom. 8, 15, we c Abba, Father Gal. 4, 27

CRYING—Matt. 3, 3 Heb. 5, 7. Rev. 21, 4.

CUMBERED-ETH—Luke 10, 40; 13, 7.

CUP—Ps. 11, 6, portion of their c; 16, 5, Lord the portion of my c., 23, 5, my c. runneth over; 73, 10, waters of a full c; 75, 8; 116, 13, take c. of salvation. Isa. 51, 17, c. of trembling. Jer 16, 7, nor give c of consolation Hab 2, 16, c. of the Lord's hand. Zech 12, 2 Matt. 10, 42, c. of cold water only; 20, 22, are ye able to drink of the c.; 26, 39, let this c. pass. John 18, 11, c. which my Father. 1 Cor 10, 16, c of blessing which we bless; 21, cannot drink c. of the L. and c; 11, 25, this c. is new testament. Rev. 14, 19, c. of wrath, 17, 4; 16, 6.

CURSE—Gen. 27, 12, bring a c upon me; 13 Deu. 11, 26, a blessing and a c, 23, 5, the c. into a blessing Prov. 26, 2, the c. causeless shall not come. Mal. 2, 2, I will send a c.; 3, 9 Gal 3, 10, 13 Rev 22, 3.

CURSE—Gen. 8, 21, not again c the ground. Ex. 22, 28, nor c. ruler of people. Nu. 22, 6, come, c me this people; 17. Deu 23, 4, hired Balaam to c Josh. 24, 9 Judg. 5, 23, c. ye Meroz, c. bitterly. 2 Sam 16, 10, let him c, because; 11. Job 1, 11, will c thee to thy face; 2, 5; 9, c God, and die. Ps. 109, 28, let them c., but bless thou Ecc. 10, 20, c. not the king, c. not rich. Mal 2, 2, I will c. your blessings. Matt. 5, 44, bless them that c you. Rom. 12, 14, bless, and c not.

CURSED—Job 3, 1 Jer 11, 3, 17, 5; 48, 10.

CURSING—Ps. 10, 7. Rom. 3, 14. Heb 6, 8.

CUT—Matt. 5, 30, 24, 51 Luke 12, 46; 13, 7, 9, c. down. Acts 5, 33, c. to the heart. Rom. 11, 22 2 Cor 11, 12. Gal. 5, 12

D

DAINTY—Ps 141, 4. Prov 23, 3, 6.

DAMNATION—Matt. 23, 14, receive greater d.; 33. Mark 3, 29, in danger of eternal d John 5, 29, unto the resurrection of d Rom 3, 8, whose d is just; 13, 2 1 Cor 11, 29, eateth and drinketh d. 2 Pet 2, 3, their d. slumbereth not.

DAMNED—Mark 16, 16 Rom 14, 23 2 Thess. 2, 12

DANGER—Matt. 5, 21, 22 Mark 3, 29

DARE—Rom 5, 7 1 Cor 6, 1 2 Cor. 10, 12.

DARK—Ps. 49, 4; 74, 20. Dan. 8, 23 2 Pet. 1, 19.

DARKENED—Ps 69, 23. Ecc. 12, 2, 3 Rom. 1, 21; 11, 10 Eph. 4, 18

DARKNESS—2 Sam 22, 29, will lighten my d. 1 Ki. 8, 12, L. dwell in thick d. Ps 104, 20, thou makest d; 139, 12, d. and light both alike Isa. 5, 20, d. for light, light for d; 45, 7, I form light, and create d. Matt 6, 23, whole body is full of d.; 8, 12, outer d.; 22, 13; 25, 30 John 1, 5, light shineth in d., and d; 3, 19, men loved d., 12, 35, lest d come upon you. Acts 26, 18, turn from d. to light. Rom. 13, 12, cast off works of d 1 Cor 4, 5, hidden things of d 2 Cor 4, 6, light to shine out of d.; 6, 14, communion hath light with d. Eph. 5, 8, were sometimes d, but now; 11, no fellowship with works of d.; 6, 12, rulers of d of this world. Col 1, 13, deliver from power of d 1 Pet. 2, 9, called you out of d 2 Pet. 2, 4, reserved in chains of d. 1 John 1, 5, in him is no d. at all; 2, 8, d. is past, and true light, 11, d. hath blinded his eyes Jude 13, blackness of d. for ever

DAY—Ps 19, 2, d. unto d. uttereth speech; 84, 10, a d. in thy courts is better than; 118, 24, this is the d. which the L. Prov 27, 1, what a d. may bring forth. Amos 6, 3, put far away the evil d. Zech. 4, 10, despised d. of small things. Matt. 6, 34, sufficient unto the d. is evil, 25, 13, know neither d. nor hour. John 8, 56, rejoiced to see my d. 1 Cor. 3, 13, the d. shall declare it. Phil. 1, 6, till d. of Jesus Christ, 2, 16 1 Thess. 5, 5, ye are the children of the d 2 Thess. 2, 2.

DAY OF JUDGMENT—Matt. 10, 15; 11, 22, 24; 12, 36. Mark 6, 11 2 Pet 2, 9, 3, 7 1 John 4, 17.

DAY OF THE LORD—Isa 2, 12 Jer 46, 10. Lam 2, 22. Joel 1, 15, 3, 14 Mal. 4, 5. 1 Cor 5, 5. 2 Cor. 1, 14 1 Thess. 5, 2. 2 Pet. 3, 10. Rev. 1, 10.

DAY OF TROUBLE—Ps. 20, 1, Lord hear thee in d. of t.; 50, 15, call upon me in d. of t; 59, 16, defence and refuge in d of t.; 77, 2, in d. of t. I sought the Lord, 86, 7, in d. of my t. I will call. Isa. 37, 3, this d. is a d. of t. Ezek. 7, 7, d. of t is near. Nah. 1, 7, strong hold in d. of t. Hab. 3, 16, I might rest in d. of t. Zeph. 1, 15, d. of t. and distress.

DAYS—Job 8, 9, our d. a shadow; 14, 1, few d. and full of trouble; 32, 7, d. should speak, and multitude. Ps. 90, 12, teach us to number our d. Prov. 3, 16, length of d. in her right hand. Ecc. 7, 10, former d. were better; 11, 8, remember d. of darkness; 12, 1, while evil d. come not.

DAYS-MAN—Job 9, 33.

DAY-SPRING—Job 38, 12. Luke 1, 78.

DAY-STAR—2 Pet. 1, 19.

DEACON—Phil. 1, 1. 1 Tim. 3, 8, 10, 12, 13

DEAD—Nu. 16, 48, stood between d. and living. 1 Sam. 24, 14, after a d. dog Ps. 88, 10, to the d.—shall d. arise; 115, 17. Ecc. 9, 5, the d. know not any thing. Matt. 8, 22, let the d. bury their d.; 22, 32, not God of the d., but of living Luke 8, 52, maid not d., but sleepeth John 5, 25, d. shall hear voice of Son; 11, 25, though he were d., yet shall. Rom 6, 8, d. with Christ; 11. Gal. 2, 19, through law am d. to law. Eph. 2, 1, who were d. in trespasses. Col. 2, 13, being d. in your sins; 3, 3, ye are d., and your life is hid. 1 Thess. 4, 16, d. in Christ shall rise first. 2 Tim. 2, 11, d. with him, we shall Heb. 11, 4, being d yet speaketh Rev. 14, 13, blessed the d. which die, 20, 5, 12, 13.

DEAF—Isa. 29, 18, shall the d. hear; 42, 18, hear, ye d, 19, 43, 8, the d, that have ears. Matt. 11, 5, the d. hear. Mark 7, 32, bring unto him one d.; 37. Luke 7, 22.

DEATH—Num 23, 10, let me die d righteous. Deu. 30, 15, before you life and d. Ps. 6, 5, in d. no remembrance; 33, 19, deliver soul from d; 48, 14; 68, 20, belong issues from d., 73, 4; 89, 48, liveth, and shall not see d.; 116, 8, 15, precious is the d. of his saints; 118, 18. Prov. 8, 36, they that hate me love d.; 18, 21, d. and life in power of Ecc. 8, 8, hath no power in day of d. Isa. 25, 8, swallow up d. in victory; 28, 15, we made a covenant with d.; 38, 18, d. cannot celebrate thee. Jer. 8, 3, d. chosen rather than life, 21, 8, the way of life, and of d Ezek. 18, 32, no pleasure in d., 33, 11. Hos. 13, 14, O d., I will be thy plagues. Matt. 16, 28, not taste d.; 26, 38, sorrowful even unto d. Luke 9, 27. John 5, 24, passed from d unto life; 8, 51; 12, 33, what d he should die; 21, 19. Acts 2, 24, loosed the pains of d. Rom. 5, 12, sin entered, and d by sin, 6, 3, baptized into his d.; 4, 5, 9, d. hath no more dominion, 21, end of these things is d.; 23; 7, 5, bring forth fruit unto d; 8, 2, free from law of sin and d., 6, to be carnally minded is d.; 38, d nor life able to. 1 Cor. 3, 22, life, or d, or things present, 11, 26, show the Lord's d till he; 15, 21, by man came d., by man came; 54, d is swallowed up; 55, 56. 2 Cor 1, 9, we had sentence of d in, 10; 2, 16, the savour of d. unto d., 4, 11, delivered unto d. for Jesus, 12 Phil. 2, 8, unto d., even the d of Heb 2, 9, tasted d. for every man, 14, 15, through fear of d. were subject; 11, 5, not see d. Jam. 1, 15, sin bringeth forth d., 5, 20, save a soul from d 1 Pet. 3, 18, put to d. in the flesh. 1 John 3, 14, abideth in d., 5, 16, a sin not unto d, 17. Rev 1, 18, the keys of hell and d., 2, 10, faithful unto d., and I will; 12, 11, loved not lives unto d.; 20, 6, the second d., 21, 4.

DECEIT—Ps. 72, 14. Prov. 20, 17, Isa. 53, 9. Jer. 8, 5 Col. 2, 8.

DECEITFUL—Prov. 31, 30. Jer 17, 9.

DECEIVABLENESS—2 Thess 2, 10.

DECEIVE-D—Matt. 24, 4, that no man d you. Luke 21, 8, be not d 1 Cor. 3, 18, let no man d. Eph 5, 6. Jam. 1, 26. 1, John 1, 8

DECEIVER-S—2 Chr. 6, 8 Job 12, 16. Mal 1, 14. 2 Cor. 6, 8. Titus 1, 10 2 John 7.

DECEIVING—2 Tim 3, 13. 2 Pet 2, 13

DECENTLY—1 Cor. 14, 40.

DECLARE—Ps. 22, 22, will d. thy name unto my; 38, 18, will d. mine iniquity; 50, 16, what hast thou to do to d; 145, 4, shall d thy mighty acts to. Isa. 53, 8, who shall d. his generation. Mic. 3, 8, to d. to Jacob trangression. Acts 17, 23, ye worship, him d. I unto you; 20, 27, not shunned to d unto you Rom. 1, 4, d. the Son of God, 3, 25, to d. his righteousness, I say. Heb 11, 14, they that say such things d. 1 John 1, 3, seen and heard d we.

DECREE—Ps. 2, 7. Prov. 8, 15 Luke 2, 1

DEEDS—John 3, 19, 20; 8, 41. Rom 2, 6; 3, 20 Jude 15.

DEEP—Isa. 44, 27, 63, 13 Rom. 10, 7 2 Cor. 11, 25

DEFENCE—Ps. 7, 10, my d. is of God; 59, 16; 89, 18, the Lord is our d; 94, 22 Isa. 33, 16, his place of d. shall be. Nah. 2, 5, d. shall be prepared. Phil. 1, 7.

DEFILE-D—Matt. 15, 18, they d. the man, 20. 1 Cor. 3, 17, if any d. temple of God. Titus 1, 15, mind and conscience d. Heb. 12, 15, thereby many be d. Rev. 3, 4, have not d. their garments; 14, 4.

DEFRAUD—Mark 10, 19. 1 Cor. 6, 7, 8 2 Cor 7, 2 1 Thess. 4, 6.

DEGREE—Luke 1, 52. 1 Tim. 3, 13. Jam. 1, 9

DELAY-ETH—Ps. 119, 60. Matt. 24, 48.

DELIGHT—Deu. 10, 15, the L. had a d in. 1 Sam. 15, 22, hath the L d. in. Job 22, 26, have thy d. in the A.; 27, 10. Ps. 1, 2, his d is in the law of the L.; 37, 4, d. thyself in the L.; 40, 8, I d. to do thy will, O God, 119, 24, testimonies are my d.; 174 Prov 15, 8, prayer of upright his d. Cant. 2, 3, under his shadow with d. Isa. 42, 1, mine elect, in whom my soul d.; 55, 2, let your soul d. in fatness; 58, 2, d. to know my ways—take d.; 13; 62, 4, the Lord d. in thee. Mic. 7, 18, because he d. in mercy. Mal. 3, 1. Rom. 7, 22.

DELIVER—Job 5, 19, he shall d. in six troubles; 10, 7, none can d out of thine hand. Ps. 33, 19, to d. soul from death; 50, 15, I will d. thee; 56, 13, wilt not thou d. my feet; 91, 3, d. thee from the snare; 15. Ecc. 8, 8, neither shall wickedness d. Dan. 3, 17, our God is able to d. Hos. 11, 8, how shall I d. thee. Rom 7, 24, who shall d. me from body. 1 Cor 5, 5, d. such an one to Satan. 2 Tim. 4, 18, L. shall d. me from every. Heb. 2, 15, d. them who through fear. 2 Pet. 2, 9, the L. knoweth how to d.

DELIVERANCE—Luke 4, 18. Heb 11, 35.

DELIVERED—Isa. 38, 17, hast in love to my soul d. it; 49, 24, the lawful captive d. Ezek. 3, 19, d. thy soul. Matt. 11, 27, all things are d. to me. Acts 2, 23, d. by determinate counsel. Rom. 4, 25, who was d. for our offences; 7, 6, we are d. from the law; 8, 32, God d. him up for us all. 2 Cor. 1, 10, hath d.—doth d.—will d.; 4, 11, alway d. to death for Jesus. 1 Thess. 1, 10, which d. us from wrath. Jude 3, faith once d. to the saints. Rev. 20, 13.

DELUSION—Isa. 66, 4. 2 Thess. 2, 11.

DEMONSTRATION—1 Cor. 2, 4.

DENY—Prov 30, 9, full and d. thee. Matt. 10, 33, d. me before men; 16, 24, let him d. himself; 26, 34, before the cock crow, thou shalt d. Mark 14, 31. 1 Tim 5, 8, hath d. the faith. 2 Tim 2, 12, if we d. him, he will also d., 13. Titus 1, 16, in works they d. him. Rev. 2, 13, hast not d. my faith, 3, 8, not d. my name.

DENYING—2 Tim. 3, 5. Titus 2, 12. 2 Pet. 2, 1

DEPART—Job 28, 28 d. from evil is understanding Ps. 34, 14, d. from evil; 37, 27 Prov 3, 7 Matt 7, 23, d. from me, ye that work, 25, 41, d from me, ye cursed. Luke 2, 29, lettest thy servant d. in peace. Phil 1, 23, having a desire to d. 1 Tim. 4, 1, shall d from the faith. 2 Tim. 2, 19, the name of Christ d from. Heb. 3, 12, d from the living God. Rev. 6, 14, d. as a scroll

DEPTH—Rom 8, 39, 11, 33 Eph 3, 18 Rev 2, 24

DESCEND—Matt. 3, 16. Mark 1, 10. John 1, 32, 33 1 Thess. 4, 16. Rev. 21, 10.

DESIRE—Ps. 38, 9, all my d. before thee; 73, 25, none on earth that I d beside; 145, 16, satisfiest d. of every living Prov. 10, 24, d of the righteous shall Ecc. 12, 5, d. shall fail. Isa. 26, 8, d. of our soul to thy name. Ezek. 24, 16, take away d of thine. Hagg 2, 7, D. of all nations. Luke 22, 15, with d. I have desired. Rev 9, 6, shall d. to die, and death shall flee.

DESIRED—Ps. 19, 10; 27, 4. Isa. 26, 9 Hos 6, 6. Luke 10, 24; 22, 31.

DESOLATE—Ps. 25, 16; 40, 15. Isa. 54, 1; 62, 4. Acts 1, 20 Gal. 4, 27.

DESPAIR—1 Sam. 27, 1. Ecc. 2, 20. 2 Cor. 4, 8.

DESPERATELY—Jer 17, 9.

DESPISE—1 Sam 2, 30, that d me shall be lightly Job 5, 17, d not chastening Ps 102, 17, not d their prayer. Amos 5, 21, I d. your feast-days. Matt. 6, 24, hold to the one and d. Rom. 14, 3, d him that eateth not. 1 Tim. 4, 12, no man d. thy youth.

DESPISED—Isa. 53, 3. Zech 4, 10. Luke 18, 9. Heb. 10, 28 Jam. 2, 6.

DESPISETH-ING—Isa. 33, 15, 49, 7. Luke 10, 16 1 Thess. 4, 8 Heb 12, 2.

DESTROY—Prov 1, 32, prosperity shall d. them. Ecc. 7, 16, why shouldest thou d thyself Matt 5, 17, I am not come to d. law; 10, 28, able to d. both soul and body. John 2, 19, d this temple 1 Cor. 3, 17, temple, him shall God d. Jam 4, 12, able to save and to d. 1 John 3, 8, might d works of devil. Rev. 11, 18.

DESTROYED—Hos. 4, 6; 13, 9 2 Cor. 4, 9

DESTRUCTION—Job 26, 6, d. hath no covering Ps. 90, 3, thou turnest man to d., 91, 6, d. that wasteth Prov. 15 11, hell and d before the L., 16, 18, pride goeth before d, 27, 20, hell and d. never full. Hos. 13, 14, grave, I will be thy d. Matt. 7, 13, way that leadeth to d. Rom 3, 16, d, and misery in their ways. 1 Cor. 5, 5, for the d. of the flesh 1 Thess 5, 3, safety, then sudden d. 2 Thess. 1, 9, with everlasting d. 2 Pet 2, 1, upon themselves swift d.; 3, 16, scriptures to their own d.

DEVICES—Ecc. 9, 10. 2 Cor. 2, 11.

DEVIL—Matt 4, 1, to be tempted of the d., 13, 39, enemy that sowed them is the d.; 25, 41, prepared for d. and angels. John 8, 44, of your father the d.; 48 Eph. 4, 27, neither give place to d 1 Tim. 3, 6, fall into condemnation of d 2 Tim 2, 26, out of snare of the d. Jam 4, 7, resist the d., he will flee 1 Pet. 5, 8, your adversary the d. 1 John 3, 8, destroy works of d.

DEVILS—Lev. 17, 7, sacrifice to d Deu 32, 17, sacrificed to d. Ps. 106, 37, sacrificed sons to d. Matt. 4, 24, possessed with d Luke 10, 17, even d. are subject. 1 Cor. 10, 20, have fellowship with d 1 Tim. 4, 1, doctrines of d. Jam. 2, 19, d. believe, and tremble.

DEVOUR—Matt. 23, 14. Gal. 5, 15 Heb. 10, 27. 1 Pet. 5, 8.

DEVOUT—Luke 2, 25. Acts 2, 5; 8, 2.

DEW—Ps. 110, 3. Isa. 26, 19. Hos. 6, 4; 14, 5. Mic. 5, 7. Zech. 8, 12.

DIADEM—Isa. 28, 5; 62, 3 Ezek. 21, 26.

DIE—Gen. 2, 17, thou shalt surely d. Job 14, 14, if a man d. shall he live. Ps. 82, 7, ye shall d. like men; 118, 17, I shall not d. but live. Ecc. 3, 2, there is a time to d. 7, 17. Isa. 22, 13, to-morrow we shall d. Jer. 31, 30, shall d. for his own. Ezek. 3, 19, d. in his iniquity; 18, 4, soul that sinneth, it shall d.; 31, why will ye d.; 33, 8. Matt. 26, 35, though I should d. Luke 20, 36, neither can they d. John 8, 21, shall d. in your sins; 24; 11, 50, expedient that one d. Rom. 14, 8, whether we d. we d. unto the L. 1 Cor. 9, 15, better for me to d.; 15, 22, as in Adam all d.; 32. Phil. 1, 21, to live is Christ, to d. gain. Heb. 9, 27, appointed unto men once to d. Rev. 3, 2, that are ready to d.; 14, 13, blessed the dead which d.

DIED-ETH—Rom. 5, 6, Christ d. for the ungodly; 8, while yet sinners, Christ d. for us; 6, 10, he d. he d. unto sin once; 14, 7, no man d. to himself; 9, to this end Christ d. and rose. 1 Cor. 15, 3, Christ d. for our sins. 2 Cor. 5, 15, he d. for all, that they. 1 Thess. 5, 10, who d. that we should live. Heb. 11, 13, these all d. in faith.

DIFFER—1 Cor 4, 7.

DIFFERENCE—Acts 15, 9. Rom. 3, 22; 10, 12.

DILIGENCE-ENT—Prov. 4, 23. Luke 12, 58. 2 Pet. 1, 5, 10. 2 Pet. 3, 14.

DIRECT—Ps. 5, 3. Prov. 3, 6. Isa. 61, 8, Jer. 10, 23. 2 Thess. 3, 5.

DISCERN—Mal. 3, 18. Heb. 5, 14.

DISCERNER—Heb. 4, 12.

DISCERNING—1 Cor. 11, 29; 12, 10.

DISCIPLE-S—Matt. 10, 24, d. not above his master; 12, 2, thy d. do what is not lawful; 26, 56, d. forsook him. Mark 14, 14, John 6, 66, many of d. went back, 8, 31, then are ye my d. indeed; 13, 35, all know ye are my d.; 15, 8, so shall ye be my d.; 21, 14; 21, 12

DISHONOUR-ETH—Mic. 7, 6 Rom. 9, 21. 1 Cor. 15, 43. 2 Cor. 6, 8. 2 Tim 2, 20.

DISOBEDIENCE—Rom. 5, 19. 2 Cor. 10, 6 Eph. 2, 2; 5, 6 Col. 3, 6. Heb. 2, 2.

DISOBEDIENT—1 Ki 13, 26, d. unto the word Neh. 9, 26. Luke 1, 17, d. to wisdom of the just. Rom. 1, 30, d. to parents; 10, 21, d. and gainsaying people. 2 Tim. 3, 2, Titus 3, 3, we also were sometimes foolish, d 1 Pet. 2, 7, unto them which be d.; 3, 20, which sometime were d.

DISPENSATION—1 Cor. 9, 17. Eph. 1, 10; 3, 2 Col. 1, 25.

DISPOSING—Prov 16, 33.

DISPUTE-ING—Acts 6, 9; 9, 29; 17, 17; 18, 8, 9 Jude 9

DISPUTER—1 Cor. 1, 20.

DISPUTINGS—1 Tim. 6, 5.

DISSENSION—Acts 15, 2; 23, 7, 10.

DISSIMULATION—Rom. 12, 9. Gal. 2, 13

DISSOLVED—2 Cor 5, 1. 2 Pet 3, 11.

DISTRESS—Ps. 4, 1. Prov. 1, 27. Zeph. 1, 15. Rom. 8, 35. 1 Cor 7, 26.

DISTRIBUTE-ING—Luke 18, 22. Rom. 12, 13 1 Cor 7, 17. 1 Tim 6, 18

DITCH—Matt. 15, 14. Luke 6, 39

DIVERSITIES—1 Cor 12, 4, 6, 28.

DIVIDE—Isa. 53, 12. Luke 12, 13.

DIVIDED—Dan. 5, 28. Matt. 12, 25, 26. Luke 11, 17. 1 Cor 1, 13.

DIVIDING—2 Tim. 2, 15. Heb. 4, 12.

DIVINE—Heb. 9, 1. 2 Pet 1, 3.

DO—Ps. 40, 8. Matt. 7, 12, should d. to you d. ye. John 15, 5, without me ye can d nothing Phil 4, 13, I can d all things. Heb. 4, 13, with whom we have to d.; 10, 9, to d. thy will.

DOCTRINE—Deu. 32, 2. Isa. 28, 9, make to understand d.; 29, 24. Matt. 7, 28, astonished at his d.; 16, 12, beware of the d. of Pharisees. Mark 1, 27, what new d. is this John 7, 17, he shall know of the d. Acts 2, 42, apostles' d. and fellowship. Rom. 6, 17, that form of d which was; 16 17, contrary to d which ye. Eph. 4, 14, with every wind of d. 1 Tim. 5, 17, labour in word and d.; 6, 3, d. according to godliness 2 Tim. 3, 16, profitable for d.; 4, 3 Titus 2, 7, in d. shewing uncorruptness; 10. Heb. 6, 1, the principles of d. of Christ; 2. 2 John 9.

DOCTRINES—Matt. 15, 9 Col. 2, 22. 1 Tim 4, 1. Heb. 13, 9.

DOMINION—Job 25, 2, d and fear are with him Ps. 8, 6, d. over works of thy hands; 19, 13, not have d over me; 49, 14, upright shall have d; 72, 8, d from sea to sea; 145, 13, d. endureth. Isa. 26, 13, other lords have had d. Dan. 4, 3, his d. from generation; 34, an everlasting d.; 7, 14; 27, kingdom and d. Zech. 9, 10. Rom. 6, 9, death hath no more d.; 14, sin shall not have d. 2 Cor. 1, 24, not that we have d. Col 1, 16, thrones, or d. Jude 8, despise d and speak.

DOOR—Gen 4, 7, sin lieth at the d. Prov. 26, 14, d. turneth upon hinges. Hos. 2, 15, valley of Achor, a d. of hope. John 10, 1, entereth not by the d. a thief; 7; 9, I am d. Acts 14, 27, opened the d. of faith. 1 Cor 16, 9, great d. and effectual. 2 Cor. 2, 12, a d. was opened. Col. 4, 3, open a d. of utterance. Jam. 5, 9, judge standeth before d. Rev. 3, 8, before thee an open d.; 20, 1 stand at d.; 4, 1.

DOUBT—Deu. 28, 66. Matt. 14, 31, wherefore didst thou d.; 21, 21. Mark 11, 23, shall not d. in his heart. Rom. 14, 23, he that d, is damned. Gal. 4, 20. 1 Tim. 2, 8.

DOVE—Matt. 3, 16. Luke 3, 22. John 1, 32.

DOWNSITTING—Ps. 139, 2.

DRAGON-S—Ps. 74, 13; 148, 7. Isa. 13, 22; 34, 13; 43, 20; 51, 9. Rev. 12, 3; 13, 2.

DRAW—Ps. 72, 28, good for me to *d.* Ecc. 12, 1, years *d.* nigh. Isa. 5, 18, that *d.* iniquity; 29, 13, *d.* near with mouth. Jer. 31, 3, lovingkindness have I *d.* John 6, 44, Father which hath sent me *d.* him; 12, 32, will *d.* all men. Heb. 7, 19, by which we *d.* nigh; 10, 22, let us *d.* near; 38, if any *d.* back. Jam. 4, 8, *d.* nigh to God, he will *d.*

DREAM—Nu. 12, 6, speak unto him in a *d.* 1 Ki. 3, 5, to Solomon in a *d.* Job 33, 15, in a *d.*, in a vision. Ps. 73, 20, a *d.* when one awaketh. Ecc. 5, 3, *d.* cometh through multitude. Isa. 29, 7. Jer. 23, 28. Joel 2, 28. Matt. 1, 20, angel appeared in a *d.*; 2, 12, warned of God in a *d.*, 27, 19, suffered many things in a *d.* Acts 2, 17, men shall *d.* *d.*

DRINK—Gen. 5, 1, *d.*, yea, *d* abundantly. Isa. 22, 13, let us eat and *d.*; 43, 20, give *d.* to my people; 65, 13. Hos. 4, 18. Amos 4, 1, bring, and let us *d.* Matt. 10, 42, give to *d.* unto one of these; 20, 22, able to *d.* of cup; 25, 35, thirsty, and ye gave me *d.*; 26, 27, *d.* ye all of it; 29; 42. John 6, 55, my blood is *d.* indeed; 18, 11, shall I not *d.* it. Rom. 14, 17, kingdom of God not *d.* 1 Cor. 10, 4, *d.* the same spiritual *d.*, 11, 25, ye *d.* it, in remembrance: 15, 32

STRONG DRINK—Lev. 10, 9, not *d.* wine nor strong *d.* Prov 20, 1, strong *d.* is raging; 31, 6, give strong *d.* unto him Isa. 5, 11, follow strong *d.*; 28, 7, erred through strong *d.* Mic. 2, 11, to thee of strong *d*

DRINKETH—Job 15, 16. John 6, 54, 56. 1 Cor. 11, 29. Heb. 6, 7

DROP—Ps. 65, 11. Prov 5, 3. Cant. 4, 11; 5, 2. Isa. 40, 15. Luke 22, 44.

DRUNKARD—Deu. 21, 20. Prov. 23, 21; 26, 9. Isa. 24, 20. 1 Cor 5, 11.

DUE—Ps. 104, 27, meat in *d.* season. Prov. 15, 23, a word spoken in *d* season Ecc. 10, 17, princes eat in *d.* season. Rom 5, 6, in *d.* time Christ died for the Gal. 6, 9, in *d.* season we shall reap. 1 Tim. 2, 6, to be testified in *d.* time. Titus 1, 3, hath in *d.* time manifested.

DUMB—Ex 4, 11 Ps. 39, 2. Prov. 31, 8 Isa. 35, 6; 53, 7; 56, 10.

DURABLE—Prov. 8, 18. Isa. 23, 18.

DUST—Gen. 3, 19, unto *d* shalt; 13, 16; 18, 27, who am but *d* and ashes Job 30, 19, I am become like *d*, 34, 15; 42, 6, repent in *d.* and ashes. Ps. 22, 15, brought me into the *d.*; 102, 14, servants favour the *d.*; 103, 14, remembereth that we are *d.*; 104 29, die and return to *d.*, 119, 25. Ecc. 3, 20, 12, 7, then shall *d.* return to earth Matt. 10, 14, shake off *d.* of feet. Luke 10, 11.

DUTY—Ecc. 12, 13. Luke 17, 10

DWELL—Ps 23, 6, *d.* in the house of the Lord; 27, 4. 84, 10, *d.* in the tents of wickedness; 120, 5, 132, 14, here will I *d*, 133, 1, pleasant for brethren to *d.* Isa. 33, 14, *d* with devouring fire. Ezek 43, 7, 9. Zech. 2, 10, 11 Rom. 8, 9, Spirit of God *d.* in you; 11 2 Cor 6, 16, I will *d* in them. Eph. 3, 17, that Christ may *d* in hearts. Col. 1, 19, in him all fulness *d*; 3, 16, let word of Christ *d.* in you 1 John 4, 13, that we *d.* in him. Rev. 21, 3, he will *d.* with them.

DWELLETH—John 6, 56, *d.* in me, and I; 14, 10, the Father *d.* in me; 17. Acts 7, 48, *d.* not in temples. Rom. 7, 17, sin that *d.* in me; 8, 11, his Spirit that *d.* in you. 1 Cor 3, 16. Col 2, 9, in him *d* all the fulness of the. 2 Tim. 1, 14, Holy Ghost which *d.* in us. 2 Pet. 3, 13, wherein *d.* righteousness. 1 John 3, 17, how *d.* love of God in him; 24, 4, 12, God *d* in us; 15, 16.

DWELLING—Ps 87, 2. 1 Tim. 6, 16 Heb. 11, 9 2 Pet. 2, 8

DYING—2 Cor. 4, 10; 6, 9

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EAGLE—Deu. 32, 11 Ps. 103, 5 Isa. 40, 31. Matt. 24, 28 Rev. 12, 14.

EAR—Job 12, 11, doth not the *e* try words; 34, 3; 42, 5, by the hearing of the *e.* Ps. 10, 17, cause thine *e.* to hear; 94, 9, planted the *e.*, shall he not hear. Prov. 20, 12, hearing *e.* and seeing eye; 28, 9. Ecc. 1, 8, nor *e.* filled with hearing Isa. 50, 4, wakeneth mine *e.* to hear, 59, 1, neither his *e.* heavy. Jer. 6, 10, their *e.* is uncircumcised; 9, 20, let your *e.* receive the word. Matt. 10, 27, what ye hear in the *e.* 2 Cor. 2, 9, eye hath not seen, nor *e.* Rev. 2, 7, he that hath an *e.* let him hear.

EARS—1 Sam. 3, 11, *e.* shall tingle. 2 Sam. 22, 7, did enter into his *e.* Ps 34, 15, his *e* are open unto their cry; 40, 6, *e.* hast thou opened; 44, 1. Isa. 6, 10, make their *e.* heavy; 35, 5, *e.* of the deaf shall be unstopped. Mat. 13, 15, their *e.* are dull of hearing; 16, blessed are your *e.* Luke 9, 44, sayings sink into your *e.* 2 Tim. 4, 4, turn away their *e.*

EARNEST—Rom. 8, 19. 2 Cor. 1, 22; 5, 5. Eph 1, 14. Heb. 2, 1.

EARTH—Gen 6, 13, the *e.* is filled with violence; 11, 1, the whole *e.* of one language. Ex. 9, 29, the *e.* is the Lord's. Nu. 26, 32, *e.* opened her mouth. Deu. 28, 23, the *e.* under thee iron. 1 Chr. 16, 31, let the *e.* rejoice. Job 26, 7, hangeth the *e.* upon nothing; 38, 4, I laid foundations of the *e.*; Ps. 33, 5, *e.* is full of goodness; 65, 9, visitest *e.* and waterest it; 67, 6, *e.* shall yield her increase; 72, 19, let the whole *e.* be filled; 90. 11, heavens and *e.* are thine; 115, 16, *e.* hath he given to the children. Ecc. 1, 4, the *e.* abideth for ever. Isa. 6, 3, whole *e.* full of his glory; 11, 4, smite the *e.* with rod; 9, *e.* is full of knowledge; 13, 13, *e.* shall remove out of her place; 24, 4, *e.* mourneth; 26, 19, *e.* shall cast out the dead; 21, *e.* shall disclose her blood; 60, 1, *e.* is my footstool Jer. 22, 29, O *e.*, *e.*, *e.*, hear the word. Ezek. 34, 27, *e.* shall yield her increase; 43, 2, *e.* shined with his glory. Hos. 2, 22, *e.* shall hear the corn. Hab. 3, 3, *e.* was full of his praise. Matt. 13, 5, had not much *e.* John 3, 31, he that is of *e.* is earthly. Heb. 6, 7, *e.* which drinketh in the rain. Rev. 12, 16, *e.* opened, and swallowed up.

UPON EARTH—Ps. 67, 2, way may be known upon *e.*; 73, 25, none upon *e.* I desire beside. Ecc. 5, 2, God in heaven, and thou upon *e.*; 7, 20, not a just man upon *e.* Luke 5, 24, Son of man hath power upon *e.* Col. 3, 5, mortify your members upon *e.* Rev. 3, 10; 8, 7; 16, 2.

EARTHLY—John 3, 12, 31. 2 Cor. 5, 1. Phil. 3, 19. Jam. 3, 15.

EARTHY—1 Cor. 15, 47—49.

EASILY—1 Cor 13, 5. Heb 12, 1.

EAST—Isa. 43, 5. Matt. 8, 11. Rev. 16, 12.

EASY—Matt. 11, 30. 1 Cor. 14, 9. Jam 3,17

EAT—Gen. 2, 16, of every tree freely *e.* Ps. 22, 26, the meek shall *e*; 78, 25, man did *e.* angels' food. Prov. 1, 31, *e.* fruit of their own way. Cant. 5, 1, *e.*, O friends, drink. Isa. 1, 19, obedient shall *e.* the good; 55, 1, come ye, buy, and *e.*; 65, 13, my servants shall *e*, but Matt. 6, 25, what ye shall *e.*, or, 26, 26, take, *e.*, this is my body. Mark 2, 16; 6, 44; 14, 12; 22 Luke 10, 8, *e* such things as are set; 15, 23, *e* and be merry; 17, 27, they did *e*, they drank; 28. John 6, 53, except ye *e.* the flesh. 1 Cor. 10, 3, *e* the same spiritual meat; 31, whether ye *e.* or drink; 11, 24 2 Thess. 3, 10, not work, neither should he *e.*

EATETH—John 6, 54, 58 Rom. 14, 6, 20, 1 Cor 11, 29

EATING—Matt 11, 18, 24, 38. 1 Cor 8, 4.

EDIFICATION—Rom 15, 2 1 Cor 14, 3 2 Cor 10, 8; 13, 10.

EDIFYING—1 Cor. 14, 12, 26. 2 Cor. 12, 19. Eph 4, 12, 16, 29 1 Tim 1, 4

EFFECT—Isa. 32, 17, the *e* of righteousness, quietness Matt. 15, 6, commandment of none *e* Mark 7, 13, word of none *e.* Rom. 3, 3, faith without *e*; 4, 14, promise of none *e*; 9, 6, word hath taken none *e.* 1 Cor. 1, 17, cross of Christ of none *e.* Gal. 5, 4, Christ of no *e* unto you.

EFFECTUAL—1 Cor 16, 9. 2 Cor. 1, 6. Eph 3, 7. Jam. 5, 16.

ELDERS—Gen. 25, 23, *e* shall serve younger; Deu. 32, 7, ask *e* and they will tell Joel 2, 16, assemble the *e.* Acts 14, 23, ordained *e.* in every church, 20, 17, called the *e.* Rom. 9, 12 1 Tim 5, 17, *e.* that rule well. Titus 1, 5, ordain *e.* in every city Jam. 5, 14, call for *e.* of the church Rev. 4, 4; 5, 5; 7, 11, 13.

ELECT—Isa. 42, 1, *e.* in whom my soul delighteth; 45, 4, Israel mine *e.* I have called; 65, 9, mine *e* shall inherit it; 22, mine *e.* shall long enjoy Matt 24, 22, *e* sake days shall be shortened, 24, if possible deceive the very *e* Luke 18, 7, God avenge his own *e* Rom 8, 33, to the charge of God's *e.* Col. 3, 12, put on as the *e.* of God. 1 Tim 5, 21, charge thee before *e.* angels. 2 Tim. 2, 10, endure all things for the *e.* sake. Titus 1, 1, according to the faith of God's *e* 1 Pet 1, 2, *e* according to the foreknowledge; 2, 6, chief corner stone, *e*, precious; 5, 13, church *e.* with you.

ELECTION—Rom. 9, 11, purpose of God according to *e.* 11, 5, remnant according to *e*, 28, touching *e.* they are beloved. 1 Thess. 1, 4, knowing brethren your *e.* 2 Pet. 1, 10, make calling and *e.* sure.

ELEMENTS—Gal. 4, 3, 9. 2 Pet. 3, 10, 12.

EMPTY—Hos 10, 1. Luke 1, 53.

END—Ps 37, 37, *e.* of that man is peace; 39, 4; 102, 27, thy years have no *e.*; 119, 96, seen an *e.* of all perfection. Prov. 14, 12, *e.* thereof are ways of death. Ecc. 4, 8, no *e.* of all his labour; 7, 2, the *e* of all men; 8. Isa. 9, 7, government shall be no *e.* Jer. 5, 31, what will ye do in the *e*; 29, 11, to give an expected *e* Dan. 12, 8, what shall be the *e.* Hab. 2, 3, at the *e.* it shall speak. Matt. 13, 39, harvest is *e.* of world; 24, 3, what sign of *e.* of world. Rom. 6, 21, *e.* of those things is death; 22; 10, 4, Christ is *e.* of law; 14, 9, to this *e.* Christ both died. Heb 6, 8, whose *e.* is to be burned; 7, 3, beginning of days, nor *e.* of life; 13, 7, *e.* of their conversation. 1 Peter 1, 9, *e.* of your faith; 4, 7, *e* of all things at hand. Rev. 21, 6, beginning and *e.*

ENDS—Ps. 22, 27, all *e.* of the world; 65, 5, confidence of all *e.* of the earth; 67, 7, all *e.* of the earth shall fear; 98, 3. Isa. 45, 22, saved all *e.* of the earth; 52, 10, all *e.* of the earth shall see. Zech 9, 10, his dominion to *e.* of the earth. 1 Cor. 10, 11, on whom *e.* of the world.

ENDURE—Ps. 30, 5, weeping may *e.* for a night; 102, 26, perish, but thou shalt *e.* Mark 4, 17, and so *e.* but for a time; 13, 13, that shall *e.* to the end. 2 Tim 2, 3, *e.* hardness; 10, I *e.* all things for elect's sake; 4, 3, they will not *e.* sound doctrine; 5. Heb. 12, 7, if ye *e.* chastening. Jam. 5, 11, count them happy which *e.*

ENDURED—Gen. 6, 18; 10, 32; 11, 27; 12, 2.

ENDURETH—Ps. 30, 5, his anger *e.* but for a moment; 52, 1, goodness of God *e.* continually; 100, 5, truth *e.* to all generations; 145, 13, dominion *e.* throughout. Matt. 10, 22, that *e.* to the end. John 6, 27, meat which *e.* unto everlasting. 1 Cor 13, 7, charity *e.* all things. Jam. 1, 12, blessed that *e.* temptation.

ENEMIES—Mic. 7, 6, a man's *e.* men of his house; Rom 5, 10, if when we were *e.*; 11, 28, concerning gospel they are *e.* 1 Cor. 15, 25, put all *e* under his feet. Phil. 3, 18, *e.* of the cross of Christ. Col. 1, 21, were *e.* in your mind.

ENEMY—Job 33, 10, counteth me for his *e.* Ps 7, 5, let the *e.* persecute my soul, 8, 2, that thou mightest still the *e.* Isa. 63, 10, he was turned to be their *e* 1 Cor 15. 26, last *e* destroyed is death. Gal 4, 16, am I become your *e.* 2 Thess. 3, 15, count him not as an *e.* Jam. 4, 4, a friend of the world is the *e* of God.

ENJOY—Lev 26, 34. 1 Tim. 6, 17. Heb. 11, 25.

ENLARGED—Ps. 4, 1, *e* me when in distress; 25, 17, troubles of my heart are *e.* Isa. 5, 14, hell hath *e.* herself; 60, 5, thine heart shall fear and be *e.* 2 Cor. 6, 11, our desire is *e.*

ENLIGHTEN-ING—Ps. 19, 8 Eph. 1, 18. Heb. 6, 4

ENMITY—Gen. 3, 15. Rom 8, 7. Eph. 2, 15

ENOUGH—Mark 14, 41 Luke 15, 17.

ENQUIRE-ED-EST—Job 10, 6, *e* after iniquity Ps. 27, 4, to *e.* in his temple Ecc. 7, 10, not *e* wisely concerning. Isa. 21, 12, if ye will *e*, *e.* ye. Ezek. 14, 3, should I be *e.* of at all; 20, 3, I will not be *e* of; 36, 37, I will be *e* of by Israel. Zeph. 1, 6, nor *e.* for him. Matt. 2, 7, Herod *e.* diligently; 10, 11, *e.* who in it is worthy. 1 Pet. 1, 10, of which salvation prophets *e.*

ENSAMPLE—1 Cor 10, 11. 1 Thess. 1, 7 1 Pet. 5, 3 2 Pet. 2, 6.

ENTER—Job 22, 4, *e.* with thee into judgment. Ps. 100, 4, *e.* his gates with thanksgiving. Isa. 2, 10, *e.* into the rock and hide, 26, 2, righteous nation may *e*; 57, 2, he shall *e.* into peace. Matt. 5, 20, in no case *e.* the kingdom; 6, 6, when thou prayest, *e.* thy closet; 7, 13, *e.* in at the strait gate; 21, shall *e.* the kingdom of heaven; 18, 8, better to *e* life halt or maimed; 19, 23, rich man hardly *e.* the kingdom; 25, 21, *e.* enter into the joy of thy Lord. Mark 14, 38, lest ye *e* into temptation. Luke 13, 24, seek to *e* in, and not be able. John 3, 5, cannot *e* the kingdom of God, 10, 9, by me if any man *e.* in. Heb 4, 3, which have believed do *e* rest; 10, 19, *e.* into the holiest by blood. Rev. 15, 8, no man was able to *e.* into; 21, 27, *e* any thing that defileth.

ENTER NOT—Ps 143, 2 Matt. 26, 41 John 10, 1.

ENTERED—Rom. 5, 12; 20. Heb. 4, 6; 10.

ENTERTAINED—Heb. 13, 2

ENTICE—1 Cor. 2, 4. Col. 2, 4. Jam. 1, 14.

ENVY—Prov. 3, 31, *e.* not the oppressor 23, 17, let not heart *e* sinners. Ecc. 9, 6, their *e* is now perished. Isa. 11, 13, Ephraim not *e* Judah. Rom. 1, 29, full of *e*, murder Phil 1, 15, preach Christ even of *e.* 1 Pet. 2, 1, laying aside all guile, *e*

ENVYING-S—1 Cor. 3, 3. 2 Cor. 12, 20 Gal. 5, 26. Jam. 3, 14; 16.

EPISTLE-S—2 Cor. 3, 1, 2; 7, 8 Col. 4, 16. 1 Thess. 5, 27 2 Pet. 3, 1, 16.

EQUAL—Isa. 40, 25, to whom shall I be *e.*; 46, 5. Ezek. 18, 25, way of the Lord not *e.* Matt. 20, 12, made them *e.* to us. Luke 20, 36, *e* unto the angels. John 5, 18, making himself *e* with God. Phil. 2, 6, not robbery to be *e.* with God.

EQUITY—Ps 98, 9, he shall judge with *e.* Prov. 1, 3, receive instruction of *e.*; 2, 9. Isa. 11, 4, reprove with *e* for the meek, 59, 14, *e.* cannot enter Mic 3, 9, ye that pervert all *e.* Mal. 2, 6, walked with me in *e.*

ERR—Ps. 95, 10, do *e.* in their heart, 119, 21. Prov. 19, 27, instruction that causeth to *e.* Isa. 3, 12, cause thee to *e.*; 35, 8, wayfaring man shall not *e*; 63, 17, why hast thou made us to *e* Mic. 3, 5, that make my people *e.* Matt. 22, 29, do *e.*, not knowing scriptures. Jam. 1, 16, do not *e.*, my brethren; 5, 19, if any do *e* from the truth.

ERRED—Isa. 28, 7; 29, 24. 1 Tim. 6, 10; 21. 2 Tim. 2, 18

ERROR-S—Ps. 19, 12, who can understand his *e.* Isa. 33, 6, to utter *e.* against the Lord. Matt. 27, 64, last *e.* be worse than first. Rom. 1, 27, recompence of their *e.* Heb. 9, 7, for *e.* of the people. Jam. 5, 20, a sinner from the *e.* of his way. 2 Pet. 2, 18, them who live in *e.*; 3, 17. 1 John 4, 6, know we the spirit of *e.*

ESCAPE—Ps. 56, 7, shall they *e.* by iniquity; 141, 10, the wicked fall whilst I *e.* Prov. 19, 5, speaketh lies shall not *e.* Isa. 20, 6, how shall we *e*; 37, 32, that *e.* out of mount Zion. Ezek. 17, 15 shall he *e.* that doeth such. Matt. 23, 33, how can ye *e* damnation. Luke 21, 36, accounted worthy to *e.* Rom. 2, 3, *e.* the judgment of God. 1 Cor 10, 13, make a way to *e.* Heb. 2, 3, shall we *e.* if we neglect; 12, 25, much more shall not we *e.* 2 Pet. 1, 4, *e.* corruption; 2, 18, those that were clean *e.*

ESPECIALLY—Gal. 6, 10. 1 Tim. 4, 10; 5, 8.

ESTABLISH—Gen. 6, 18, *e.* my covenant. 1 Sam. 1, 23, the Lord *e.* his word. 2 Sam. 7, 12, I will *e.* his kingdom. Ps. 89, 2, thy faithfulness shalt thou *e.*; 4, thy seed will I *e.* for ever; 90, 17, *e.* the work of our hands, *e.*; 119, 38. Isa. 9, 7, *e.* it with judgment; 62, 7, no rest till he *e.* Jerusalem. Ezek. 16, 60, *e.* an everlasting covenant. Rom. 3, 31, we *e.* the law; 10, 3, going about to *e.* their own. 1 Thess. 3, 2, sent Timothy to *e.*

ESTABLISHED—Isa. 7, 9, if ye will not believe, ye shall not be *e.*; 16, 5, in mercy shall my throne be *e.* Jer. 10, 12, *e.* the world by wisdom; 51, 15. Rom 1, 11, to the end ye may be *e.* Heb 8, 6, *e.* upon better promises; 13, 9, the heart be *e* with grace. 2 Pet. 1, 12, *e.* in the present truth.

ESTATE—Ps. 136, 23. Luke 1, 48. Rom. 12, 16. Jude 6.

ESTEEM-ED—Deu. 32, 15, lightly *e.* Rock of salvation. 1 Sam. 2, 30, despise me shall be lightly *e.* Isa. 53, 3, despised, and we *e.* him not; 4, did *e.* him stricken. Luke 16, 15, highly *e.* among men. Rom. 14, 5, *e.* one day, another *e.* every day; 14. Phil. 2, 3, let each *e.* other better. 1 Thess. 5, 13, *e.* them highly in love. Heb 11, 26, *e.* reproach of Christ greater.

ETERNAL—Isa. 60, 15, an *e.* excellency. Mark 3, 29, danger of *e.* damnation. Rom. 1, 20, *e* power and Godhead. 2 Cor. 4, 17, *e.* weight of glory, 18, things not seen are *e.*; 5, 1, a house *e.* in the heavens. Eph 3, 11, according to *e.* purpose. 1 Tim. 1, 17, the King *e.* be honour and. Heb 5, 9, author of *e.* salvation; 6, 2, resurrection, and of *e.*; 9, 12, *e* redemption for us; 14, through *e.* Spirit offered; 15, promise of an *e.* inheritance. 1 Pet 5, 10, called us to *e.* glory Jude 7, vengeance of *e.* fire

ETERNAL LIFE—Matt. 19, 16, I may have *e.* life; 25, 46, righteous go into life *e.* Mark 10, 30, in world to come *e.* life. John 3, 15, not perish, but have *e* life; 4, 36, gather fruit to life *e.*; 5, 39, ye think ye have *e.* life, 6, 54, hath *e* life, and I will raise; 68, the words of *e* life; 10, 28, I give unto them *e* life; 12, 25, 17, 2, should give *e.* life. Acts 13, 48, ordained to *e* life. Rom. 2, 7, seek for glory, *e.* life; 5, 21, grace might reign to *e.* life; 6, 23, gift of God, *e.* life. 1 Tim. 6, 12, lay hold on *e.* life. Titus 1, 2, in hope of *e.* life; 3, 7 1 John 1, 2, *e.* life with the Father; 2, 25, promise of us, even *e* life; 3, 15, no murderer hath *e.* life; 5, 11, God hath given to us *e.* life. Jude 21, unto *e* life.

ETERNITY—Isa. 57, 15

EVER—John 8, 35, the Son abideth for *e.* 1 Thess. 4, 17, so shall we *e.* be with the Lord; 5, 15, *e.* follow that which is good. 2 Tim 3, 7, *e.* learning. Heb. 7, 25, he continueth *e*; 25, *e.* liveth to make intercession Jude 25, glory now and *e.*

EVERLASTING—Gen. 17, 8, Canaan an *e.* possession; 21, 33, the name of the *e.* God. Ex. 40, 15, *e.* priesthood. Deu. 33, 27, underneath are the *e.* arms. Ps. 24, 7, be ye lift up, ye *e.* doors; 41, 13, blessed be God from *e.* to *e.*; 90, 2, art from *e* to *e.*; 100, 5; 103, 17, mercy of the Lord from *e.* to *e*, 112, 6, righteousness in *e.* remembrance, 119, 142, thy righteousness is *e.*; 139, 24, lead me in the way *e.*; 145, 13, an *e* kingdom. Prov 10, 25, an *e.* foundation. Isa. 9, 6, the mighty God, the *e* Father; 26, 4, Lord Jehovah is *e.* strength, 33, 14, who shall dwell with *e.* burnings; 35, 10, come to Zion with songs and *e.* joy; 40, 28, the *e.* God, the Creator; 45, 17, be saved with an *e.*; 54, 8, with *e.* kindness will I have mercy; 55, 13, for a name, an *e.* sign; 56, 5, will give them an *e* name; 60, 19, the Lord shall be an *e.* light. Jer. 10, 10, the living God, an *e.* King; 31, 3, loved thee with an *e* love. Dan 4, 34, is an *e.* dominion; 9, 24, bring in *e.* righteousness. Mic. 5, 2, going forth of old from *e.* Hab. 1, 12, art thou not from *e.*; 3, 6, *e.* mountains. Matt. 18, 8, cast into *e.* fire; 25, 46, go into *e* punishment. Luke 16, 9, into *e.* habitations. 2 Thess. 1, 9, punished with *e.* destruction; 2, 16, given us *e.* consolation. Jude 6, reserved in *e.* chains. Rev. 14, 6, the *e* gospel to preach.

EVERLASTING LIFE—Dan. 12, 2, awake, some to *e.* life. Matt. 19, 29, shall inherit *e* life. Luke 18, 30, in the world to come, life *e.* John 3, 16, not perish, but have *e.* life; 4, 14, springing up unto *e.* life; 5, 24, heareth my word hath *e.* life; 6, 27; 40; 12, 50, his commandment life *e.* Acts 13, 46, unworthy of *e.* life. Rom. 6, 22, have the end *e.* life. Gal. 6, 8, of the Spirit shall reap life *e.* 1 Tim. 1, 16, believe on him to life *e.*

EVIDENCE—Jer. 32, 10. Heb. 11, 1.

EVIL—Job 2, 10, receive good, and not *e.*; 30, 26, looked for good, *e.* came. Ps. 23, 4, I will fear no *e.*, for thou; 34, 21, *e.* shall slay the wicked; 91, 10, there shall no *e.* befall thee; 97, 10, that love the Lord, hate *e.* Prov. 15, 3, beholding *e.* and good. Ecc. 5, 13; 9, 3, heart of men is full of *e.* Isa. 5, 20, call *e.* good, and good *e.*; 7, 15, know to refuse the *e.*; 45, 7, make peace, and create *e.*; 57, 1, righteous taken away from *e.* to come; 59, 7, feet run to *e.*, and. Jer. 29, 11, of peace, and not of *e.* Amos 3, 6, shall there be *e.* in a city; 5, 14, seek good, and not *e.*; 15, hate *e.*, love good. Hab. 1, 13, purer eyes than to behold *e.* Matt. 5, 11, all manner of *e.* against; 6, 34, sufficient to day is *e.* Rom. 7, 19, the *e.* which I would not, that I do; 12, 17, recompense no man *e.* for *e.* 1 Cor. 13, 5, charity thinketh no

e 1 Thess. 5, 15, no man render *e.* for *e.*; 22, abstain from all appearance of *e.* 1 Tim. 6, 10, money the root of all *e.*

EXALT—Ex. 15, 2, my father's God, I will *e.* him 1 Sam. 2, 10, *e.* the horn of his anointed. Ps 34, 3. let us *e.* his name together; 37, 34, he shall *e* thee to inherit; 99, 5, *e.* the Lord our God, 118, 28, my God, I will *e* thee. Isa 25, 1 Ezek. 21, 26, *e.* him that is low. 1 Pet 5, 6, may *e.* you in due time.

EXALTED—Neh 9, 5, *e* above all blessing Job 5, 11, may be *e.* to safety Isa. 2, 2, Lord's house *e* above; 11, Lord alone shall be *e.*, 40, 4, every valley shall be *e.*, 52, 13, my servant shall be *e* Matt. 23, 12, humbleth himself shall be *e* Luke 1, 52, *e* them of low degree. Acts 2, 33, right hand of God *e.* 2 Cor. 12, 7, be *e* above measure. Phil. 2, 9, God hath highly *e* him 2 Thess. 2, 4, *e* himself above all.

EXAMINE—Ps. 26, 2 1 Cor 11, 28 2 Cor 13, 5

EXAMPLE—John 13, 5, I have given you an *e.* 1 Cor 10, 6, these things were our *e.* 1 Tim 4, 12, be thou an *e* of believers Heb 4, 11, lest any man fall after same *e*, 8, 5, *e* and shadow of heavenly things. 1 Pet. 2, 21, leaving us an *e.*; 5, 3, being *e* to the flock 2 Pet 2, 6, making them an *e.*

EXCEED—Matt. 5, 20. 2 Cor. 3, 9.

EXCEEDING—Gen 15, 1, *e* great reward Matt. 5, 12, rejoice, and be *e* glad; 26, 38, my soul is *e.* sorrowful 2 Cor 4, 17, worketh a far more *e.*; 7, 4, *e* joyful in all tribulation; 9, 14, *e* grace of God in you. Eph 1, 19, *e.* greatness of his power, 2, 7, *e.* riches of his grace, 3, 20, able to do *e.* abundantly. 1 Tim. 1, 14, grace was *e* abundant. 2 Pet. 1, 4, *e* great and precious. Jude 24, present you with *e* joy

EXCEL—Ps. 103, 20 1 Cor 14, 12

EXCELLENT—Ps. 8, 1, how *e* is thy name, 16, 3, *e.*, in whom is all my delight, 36, 7, how *e* thy lovingkindness, 148, 13, for his name alone is *e* Isa. 12, 5, hath done *e* things, 28, 29, wonderful in counsel, *e* in Dan 5, 12, an *e* spirit, 6, 3 Rom 2, 18, approvest things more *e* 1 Cor 12, 31, unto you a more *e* way Phil. 1, 10, approve things that are *e* Heb 1, 4, obtained a more *e* name, 8, 6, obtained a more *e.* ministry, 11, 4, offered a more *e* sacrifice 2 Pet. 1, 17, a voice from the *e* glory.

EXCHANGE—Matt. 16, 26 Mark 8, 37

EXCLUDE—Rom. 3, 27 Gal 4, 17.

EXCUSED—Luke 14, 18, 19. Rom. 1, 20; 2, 15 2 Cor 12, 19

EXERCISE—1 Tim. 4, 7, 8 Heb 5, 14, 12, 11. 2 Pet. 2, 14

EXHORT—2 Thess 3, 12 Heb 3, 13.

EXHORTATION—Acts 13, 15 Rom. 12, 8 1 Thess 2, 3 Heb 12, 5 13, 22

EXPECTATION—Ps 9, 18, *e* of the poor shall not perish. Prov 10, 28, *e* of wicked shall perish; 11, 7; 23, 18, thine *e* shall not be cut off Isa. 20, 5, ashamed of their *e* Zech 9, 5, her *e.* shall be ashamed. Rom 8, 19, *e* of the creature waiteth. Phil 1, 20, according to my earnest *e*

EXPEDIENT—John 11, 50, 16, 7; 18, 14 2 Cor 8, 10, 12, 1

EXPRESS-LY—Heb 1, 3 1 Tim. 4, 1

EYE—Ex. 21, 24 Deu 32, 10, as the apple of his *e* Ps. 33, 18, *e* of the Lord on them that, 94, 9, formed *e*, shall he not see Prov 20, 12, hearing ear and seeing *e.* Ecc. 1, 8, *e* is not satisfied. Isa. 64, 4, neither hath *e* seen. Matt. 6, 22, light of body is *e*, 18, 9, if thine *e* offend thee Rev 1, 7, every *e* shall see him

EYES—Gen. 3, 5, *e.* shall be opened; 6 Job 10, 4, hast thou *e* of flesh, 29, 15. Ps. 15, 4, 145, 15, the *e* of all wait upon thee Ecc. 2, 14, wise man's *e* are in his head, 6, 9, better the sight of *e* than, 11, 7, pleasant for *e* to behold sun Isa. 5, 15, *e.* of lofty shall be; 29, 18, *e* of blind shall see, 32, 3, *e* of them that see shall, 35, 5, *e* of the blind shall be opened, 42, 7, to open blind *e*, to bring out, 20, 43, 8, bring blind people that have *e.* Jer 5, 21, have *e.*, and see not. Hab 1, 13, of purer *e* than to behold Zech. 3, 9, upon one stone seven *e.* Matt. 13, 16, blessed your *e*, for they see, 18, 9, having two *e* to be cast. Mark 8, 18, having *e*, see ye not. Luke 4, 20, the *e.* of all were fastened; 10, 23, blessed the *e.* which see. John 9, 6, anointed *e.* of blind Rom 11, 8, *e* that they should not see Gal 3, 1, before whose *e.* Jesus Christ. Eph. 1, 18, eyes of understanding being. Heb 4, 13, all things naked unto *e.* of him. 1 John 2, 16, lust of *e.*, and pride of life. Rev 1, 14, his *e.* as a flame; 2, 18; 4, 6, four beasts full of *e*, 5, 6; 19, 12.

EYES OF THE LORD—Gen. 6, 8, found grace in *e.* of the L. Deu. 13, 18, do right in *e* of the L. 2 Sam. 15, 25, find favour in *e.* of the L. 2 Chr. 16, 9, *e.* of the L. run to and fro. Ps. 34, 15, *e* of the L. on the righteous. Prov. 5, 21; 15, 3, *e.* of the L. are in every place; 22, 12, *e.* of the L. preserve knowledge. Isa 49, 5, glorious in *e* of the L. Amos 9, 8, *e* of the L. are upon sinful. Zech 4, 10, *e.* of the L. which run to 1 Pet. 3, 12.

MINE EYES—Ps. 25, 15, *e.* ever toward the L., 119, 123, *e.* fail for thy salvation; 141, 8, *e* are unto thee. Isa. 1, 15, I will hide *e* from you, 38, 14, *e.* fail with looking up. Jer. 9, 1, O that *e.* were a fountain

THINE EYES.—Ps. 139, 16, *e.* did see my substance. Prov 23, 5, *e.* on what is not. Cant. 6, 5, turn away *e* Isa. 30, 20, *e.* shall see teachers, 33, 17, *e.* shall see king; 49, 18, lift up *e*; 60, 4. Jer 5, 3, *e* upon truth Rev 3, 18, anoint *e.*

YOUR EYES.—Mal. 1, 5. Matt. 13, 6 Gal. 4, 15

EYE-SERVICE—Eph. 6, 6. Col 3, 22

EYE-WITNESSES—Luke 1, 2 2 Pet 1, 16.

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FABLES—1 Tim 1, 4, 4, 7 2 Tim 4, 4. Titus 1, 14. 2 Pet 1, 16

FACE—Nu. 6, 25, Lord make *f* to shine 2 Chr 6, 42, turn not away the *f* Ps 17, 15, I will behold thy *f* in, 84, 9, the *f.* of thine anointed 1 Cor 13, 12, but then *f* to *f* 2 Cor. 3, 18, with open *f* beholding; 4, 6, glory of God in *f* of Jesus Christ. James 1, 23, beholding natural *f*

FADE—Isa. 64, 6 Jam 1, 11. 1 Pet. 1, 4; 5, 4

FAIL—Deu. 31, 6, Lord will not *f* Ps. 12, 1, the faithful *f*, 69, 3, mine eyes *f*; 77, 8, doth his promise *f* Lam. 3, 22, his compassions *f* not Luke 16, 9, when ye *f* they may, 22, 32, thy faith *f* not Heb. 12, 15, lest any man *f* of grace.

FAINT-ED—Isa 1, 5, the whole heart *f*; 40, 29, power to the *f*, 30, the youths shall *f*, 31, shall walk and not *f* Luke 18, 1, pray, and not *f* 2 Cor 4, 1, we *f* not Gal. 6, 9, we shall reap, if we *f* not Heb 12, 5, nor *f* when rebuked Rev 2, 3, hast not *f*

FAITH—Deu 32, 20, children in whom is no *f* Matt 6, 30, O ye of little *f*, 8, 10, not found so great *f.*, 17, 20, have faith as a grain of Mark 11, 22, have *f* in God Luke 7, 9, so great *f*, not in Israel; 17, 5, increase our *f*, 6, 18, 8, shall he find *f* on the. Acts 14, 27, God opened door of *f*, 16, 5, established in the *f*, 20, 21, *f* toward our Lord Rom 1, 5, obedience to the *f*, 17, revealed from *f.* to *f*; 3, 3, *f.* of God without effect, 4, 5, *f* counted for righteousness, 11, 12, 13, 16, of *f* that it might be by grace, 10, 8, word of *f* which we preach; 17, *f* cometh by hearing; 14, 22, 23, is not of *f* is sin 1 Cor 12, 9, to another *f* by; 13, 13, now abideth *f*, hope, and charity. 2 Cor 4, 13, the spirit of *f* Gal 1, 23, preacheth the *f*, 3, 2, the hearing of *f*, 7, they which are of *f*, 12, the law is not of *f*; 5, 6, *f* which worketh by love. Eph 4, 5, one Lord, one *f*, 13, the unity of *f.*, 6, 16, taking the shield of *f*; 23, *f* from God the F. Phil. 1, 27, striving together for the *f.* 1 Thess. 1, 3, your work of *f*; 5, 8, breastplate of *f* 2 Thess. 1, 11, fulfil the work of *f*; 3, 2, all men have not *f.* 1 Tim. 1, 19, *f* and good conscience; 3, 9, mystery of the *f* in; 5, 8, denied the *f.*, 12, cast off first *f*, 6, 10, erred from *f*, 12, good fight of *f.* 2 Tim 1, 5, unfeigned *f* in thee, 3, 8, reprobate concerning *f*, 4, 7, good fight, kept the *f.* Titus 1, 1, to the *f* of God's elect Heb 4, 2, not being mixed with *f*, 6, 1, of *f* toward God, 10, 22, in full assurance of *f*, 23, profession of our *f*, 11, 1, *f* is the substance, 6, without *f* it is impossible, 12, 2, Author and Finisher of *f*; 13, 7, whose *f* follow. Jam 2, 14, he hath *f*, can *f* save, 17, *f* if it hath not works; 18, 22, *f* wrought by works, was *f* perfect, 5, 15, prayer of *f* shall save 2 Pet 1, 1, obtained like precious *f* 1 John 5, 4, overcometh the world, even *f* Jude 3, earnestly contend for *f*, 20, building on most holy *f* Rev 2, 13, hast not denied my *f*; 13, 10, the *f* of the saints, 14, 12, keep the *f* of Jesus

BY FAITH—Hab 2, 4, just live by *f* Acts 15, 9, purifying their hearts by *f* Rom. 1, 17, 3, 22, righteousness by *f*, 28, a man justified by *f*, 30, 5, 1, being justified by *f*, 2, access by *f*; 9, 32, sought it not by *f*, 11, 20, standest by *f* 2 Cor 1, 24, by *f* ye stand, 5, 7, we walk by *f* Gal. 2, 16, justified by *f*, 20, live by *f* of the Son, 3, 11, 26, children of God by *f*; 5, 5, hope of righteousness by *f.*; 22, fruit of Spirit is *f* Eph 3, 17, dwell in your hearts by *f* Phil. 3, 9, righteousness of God by *f* Heb. 10, 38; 11, 7, righteousness which is by *f.* Jam. 2, 24, not by *f* only.

IN FAITH—Rom. 4, 20, strong in *f*; 14, 1, weak in the *f* receive. 1 Cor 16, 13, stand fast in *f* 2 Cor 8, 7, abound in *f*, in, 13, 5, examine whether in *f* Col. 1, 23, in the *f* grounded, 2, 7, stablished in *f*. 1 Tim 1, 4, godly edifying in *f*; 2, 15, if they continue in *f*; 3, 13, great boldness in *f*, 4, 12, an example in *f* Titus 1, 13, be sound in *f* Heb. 11, 13, these all died in *f* Jam. 1, 6, let him ask in *f*, 2, 5, rich in *f*. 1 Pet. 5, 9, stedfast in the *f*

THROUGH FAITH—Acts 3, 16, through *f* in his name Rom 3, 25, propitiation through *f* Gal 3, 8, justify heathen through *f*; 14, promise of Spirit through *f* Eph 2, 8, by grace, through *f*. Col 2, 12, through *f* of operation. 2 Tim 3, 15, salvation through *f* Heb 6, 12, through *f.* and patience, 11, 3, through *f* we understand, 33, through *f* subdued. 1 Pet. 1, 5, by power of God through *f*

YOUR FAITH—1 Cor 2, 5, your *f* should not stand, 15, 14, your *f* is vain 2 Cor. 1, 24, dominion over your *f* Eph. 1, 15, I heard of your *f* Phil 2, 17, service of your *f*. Col 1, 4, 2, 5, stedfastness of your *f* 1 Thess 1, 8, your *f* to God. 2 Thess. 1, 3, your *f* groweth Jam. 1, 3, trying of your *f* 1 Pet 1, 7, trial of your *f* precious; 9, receiving end of your *f*. 2 Pet. 1, 5, add to your *f* virtue

FAITHFUL—Ps. 12, 1, the *f* fail, 31, 23, the Lord preserveth the *f* Prov 27, 6, *f* the wounds of a friend Matt 25, 23, *f.* in a few things; Luke 16, 10, *f* in least is *f.* also; 11, not *f.* in the unrighteous; 12, *f.* in that which; 19, 17 1 Cor 1, 9, God is *f.* by whom; 4, 2, stewards that they be *f*; 10, 13, God is *f.* who. 1 Thess. 5, 24, *f.* is he that calleth you. 2 Thess 3, 3, the Lord is *f* who. 1 Tim. 1, 12, he counted me *f*; 15, this is a *f.* saying 2 Tim. 2, 13, yet he abideth *f*. Heb. 2, 17, a *f* high priest, 3, 2, *f.* to him that appointed, 10, 23, he is *f* that promised 1 Pet. 4, 19, unto a *f* Creator 1 John 1, 9, he is *f* to forgive Rev. 1, 5, J. C. the *f* witness, 2, 10, *f* unto death.

FAITHFULNESS—Ps. 40, 10, I have declared thy *f*, 89, 1, make known thy *f*; 24, my *f* shall be with him; 33, nor suffer my *f* to fail, 92, 2, to show thy *f* every night, 119, 75, thou in *f* hast afflicted, 143, 1, in thy *f* answer me Isa. 25, 1, thy counsels of old are *f* Lam. 3, 23, great is thy *f*

FALL—Gen 45, 24, see that ye *f* not out Ps 37, 24, though he *f*, he shall not, 45, 5, the people *f* under thee, 145, 14, Lord upholdeth all that *f* Isa. 8, 15, many shall stumble and *f*, 40, 30, young men shall utterly *f* Hos 10, 8, to the hills, *f* on us, Mic 7, 8, rejoice not when I *f* Matt. 7, 27, great was the *f* of it, 10, 29, sparrow shall not *f*, 21, 44, whomsoever it shall *f* Luke 2, 34, *f* and rising again of, 23, 30 Rom. 11, 11, through their *f* salvation, 12 1 Cor. 10, 12, take heed lest he *f* 1 Tim 3, 6, *f* into condemnation; 6, 9, rich *f.* into temptation Heb 10, 31, a fearful thing to *f* into Jam 1, 2, *f* into divers temptations 2 Pet 1, 10, ye shall never *f*, 3, 17, *f* from your stedfastness, Rev 6, 16.

FALLEN—Ps. 16, 6 Hos 14, 1. Gal 5, 4 Rev 2, 5

FALLING—2 Thess 2, 3 Jude 24

FALSE—Ex 20, 16, *f* witness. Ps 119, 104, I hate every *f* way Prov 11, 1, *f* balance abomination. Zech 8, 17, love no *f* oath Mal 3, 5, witness against *f* swearers Matt 7, 15, *f* prophets, 24, 24, *f* Christs and *f* prophets; 2 Cor 11, 13, *f* apostles, 26, *f* brethren 2 Tim 3, 3, *f* accusers. 2 Pet 2, 1, *f* prophets, *f* teachers

FAMILY—Zech 12, 12 Eph. 3, 15

FAR—Amos 6, 3 Mark 12, 34 Eph. 2, 13

FAST-ED—Isa. 58, 3, 4, 5 Joel 1, 14, 2, 15 Zech 7, 5, did ye at all *f* to me Matt. 2, 4, had *f* forty days, 6, 16, when ye *f* Luke 18, 12, I *f* twice in the week

FASTING—Esth 4, 3, *f* and weeping Ps 35, 13, humbled my soul with *f*. Dan. 9, 3, by prayer and supplications, with *f* Joel 2, 12, turn ye to me with *f* Matt 17, 21, not out but by prayer and *f* Acts 14, 23, and had prayed with *f* 1 Cor 7, 5, give yourselves to *f* 2 Cor 6, 5, labours, in watchings, in *f*

FATHER—Gen 17, 4, a *f* of many nations 2 Sam 7, 14, I will be his *f* Job 29, 16, a *f* to the poor Ps 68, 5, a *f* of the fatherless, 103, 13, as a *f* pitieth children Isa. 9, 6, everlasting *F* Jer 31, 9, I am a *f* to Israel Mal 1, 6, If I be a *f* where, 2, 10, have not all one *f* John 5, 20, *F* loveth the Son, 21, *F* raiseth the dead, 22, *F* judgeth no man, 26, *F* hath life in himself, 8, 18, *F* beareth witness of me, 29, *F* hath not left me alone, 44, a liar, and *f* of it, 16, 32, not alone, because the *F* is. Acts 1, 4, promise of the *F* Rom 4, 11, *f* of all that believe, 16, Abraham, the *f* of us all, 17, a *f* of many nations 2 Cor 1, 3, the God and *F* of our L., 6, 18, I will be a *F* to you. Eph 1, 17, the God and *F* of our L., *F* of glory Heb 1, 5, I will be to him a *F*; 12, 9, subjection to the *F* of spirits. Jam. 1, 17, gift is from the *F* of lights

MY FATHER—John 10, 30, 14, 28, 20, 17

FATHERLESS—Ex. 22, 22, not afflict the *f* Ps. 68, 5, father of the *f* is God; 146, 9, the L relieveth the *f* Isa. 1, 17, judge the *f*, plead for Hos. 14, 3, *f* findeth mercy Jam 1, 27, *f.* in their affliction

FAULT—Matt 18, 15. Gal. 6, 1. Jam 5, 16 1 Pet 2, 20

FAVOUR—Ps. 30, 5 Prov. 31, 30 Luke 2, 52

FEAR—Ps. 90, 11, to thy *f* so is thy wrath. Prov. 1, 26, mock when your *f* cometh; 29, 25, *f* of man bringeth a snare Isa 8, 12, *f* not their *f* nor, 13, let him be your *f* Jer 32, 40, put my *f.* in their hearts Mal 1, 6, a master, where is my *f* Rom 13, 7, render *f* to whom *f* 2 Tim. 1, 7, not the spirit of *f* but. Heb. 2, 15, through *f* of death 1 Pet. 1, 17, sojourning here in *f* 1 John 4, 18, no *f* in love, love casteth out *f*.

FEAR NOT—Gen. 15, 1, *f* not, Abram, I am thy shield; 26, 24, *f* not, for I am with thee. Ps. 56, 4, I will not *f* what flesh. Isa. 41, 10, *f.* not, for I am with thee; 43, 1, *f* not, for I have redeemed. Jer 30, 10, *f.* not, my servant Jacob. Matt. 10, 28, *f.* not them that kill. Luke 12, 32, *f.* not, little flock. Heb. 13, 6.

FEAR OF THE LORD—Job 28, 28, the *f.* that is wisdom. Ps. 19, 9, *f* is clean, enduring; 34, 11, I will teach you the *f.* Prov 8, 13, *f* is to hate evil; 16, 27, *f.* prolongeth days; 14, 26, in *f.* is strong confidence; 27, *f.* a fountain of life; 16, 6, by *f* men depart from evil; 19, 23, *f* tendeth to life; 23, 17, in the *f.* all day. Isa. 33, 6, the *f* is his treasure Acts 9, 31, walking in the *f*

FEARFUL—Ex. 15, 11. Matt. 8, 26. Heb 10, 27; 31. Rev 21, 8.

FEAST—1 Cor 5, 8

FEEBLE—Isa. 35, 3. Heb 12, 12

FEED-ETH—Isa. 40, 20, he *f* on ashes. John 21, 15, *f.* my lambs. Acts 20, 28, *f.* the church of God. Rom. 12, 20, enemy hunger, *f.* him. 1 Cor. 13, 3, my goods to *f* the poor. 1 Pet 5, 2, *f* flock of God.

FEET—Ps. 73, 2, my *f.* almost gone; 116, 8, my *f* from falling; 119, 105, word a lamp to my *f.* Prov 4, 26, ponder path of thy *f* Isa. 59, 7, *f* run to evil. Luke 1, 79, *f* into the way of peace. Heb. 12, 13, straight paths for your *f*.

FELLOW—Ps 45, 7 Zech 13, 7 Heb. 1, 9.

FELLOWSHIP—2 Cor 6, 14, *f.* hath righteousness. Gal 2, 9, the right hand of *f*. Eph. 5, 11, no *f.* with unfruitful. Phil 1, 5, *f.* in the gospel; 2, 1, any *f.* of Spirit; 3, 10, know him, and the *f* of. 1 John 1, 3 *f.* with us—*f* with the Father; 6; 7.

FERVENT—Rom 12, 11. Jam. 5, 16. 1 Pet. 4, 8.

FEW—Matt. 7, 14, 20, 16

FIERY—Eph 6, 16 Heb. 10, 27. 1 Pet 4, 12.

FIGHT—Acts 5, 39, to *f* against God; 23, 9, not *f* against God 1 Cor 9, 26, so *f*, not as one. 1 Tim 6, 12, *f* good *f* of faith 2 Tim 4, 7, fought a good *f* Heb. 10, 32, *f.* of affliction; 11, 34, valiant in *f*

FILL-ED-ETH—Ps 72, 19, earth be *f* with, 81, 10, mouth wide, I will *f.* it. Jer. 23, 24, *f* heaven and earth. Acts 9, 17, *f* with Holy Ghost. Rom 15, 13, *f.* you with peace, 14, *f* with all knowledge 2 Cor 7, 4, *f* with comfort. Eph 1, 23, *f* all in all; 3, 19, *f* with all fulness of God, 5, 18 be *f* with the Spirit. Phil 1, 11, *f* with fruits of righteousness Col 1, 9, *f* with knowledge.

FILTHY—Ps 14, 3 Isa. 64, 6. 1 Tim. 3, 8. Rev 22, 11

FIND-ING—Nu. 32, 23, sin shall *f.* you out. Job 11, 7, who by searching can *f* Jer. 6, 16, *f* rest for your souls, 29, 14, seek me and *f* me Matt. 7, 7, seek and ye shall *f.*, 10, 39, loseth his life shall *f* it; 11, 29, *f.* rest to your souls Rom. 11, 33, ways past *f* out.

FINISH-ED—John 17, 4, 19, 30 Acts 20, 24. 2 Tim. 4, 7 Jam 1, 15

FIRE—Prov 25, 22, heap coals of *f* Isa. 33, 14, dwell with devouring *f*; 43, 2, when thou walkest through the *f.* Jer 23, 29, is not my word like *f* Amos 7, 4, God called to contend by *f* Zech. 2, 5, I will be a wall of *f*; 3, 2, plucked out of the *f* Mal 3, 2, as a refiner's *f*. Matt 3, 10, cast into the *f*, 12, unquenchable *f* Luke 9, 54, command *f* to come; 12, 49, I am come to send *f* Rom. 12, 20, 1 Cor 3, 13, revealed by *f*. Heb 12, 29, God is a consuming *f*. Jude 23, pulling out of the *f*

FIRST—Isa. 41, 4, I the Lord the *f*. Matt 6, 33, *f* the kingdom of God; 19, 30, many *f* shall be last Rom 8, 23, *f.* fruits of Spirit, 29, *f* born among many brethren; 11, 16, *f.* fruit be holy 1 Cor. 15, 20, Christ the *f* fruits, 45, *f* man Adam, 47, *f* man. 2 Cor 8, 12, *f* a willing mind. Col. 1, 15, *f* born of every creature. Heb. 12, 23, church of *f* born 1 Pet. 4, 17, judgment *f* begin at us 1 John 4, 19, he *f* loved us Rev. 2, 4, left *f* love; 5, do *f.* works, 14, 4, *f* fruits to God.

FLAMING—Ps. 104, 4 2 Thess 1, 8

FLEE—Matt. 3, 7 Jam 4, 7. Rev. 9, 6.

FLESH—Jer 17, 5, that maketh *f* his arm Matt. 26, 41, spirit willing, but *f* weak. John 1, 14, Word was made *f*; 3, 6, eat *f* of Son of man, 63, *f* profiteth nothing. Rom 8, 1, walk not after the *f.*, 13, if ye live after *f*. 1 Cor. 1, 26, not many wise after *f*. 2 Cor. 5, 16, know we no man after *f*

ALL FLESH—Isa. 40, 6, all *f* is grass; 49, 26, all *f* shall know Joel 2, 28, my Spirit upon all *f* Luke 3, 6, all *f.* see salvation. John 17, 2, power over all *f*. 1 Peter 1, 24.

IN THE FLESH—Rom 8, 8. 1 Tim. 3, 16. 1 Pet. 3, 18. 1 John 4, 2.

OF FLESH—John 1, 13; 3, 6. Gal. 5, 19; 6, 8 Eph 2, 3. Col. 2, 11.

FLESH AND BLOOD—Matt. 16, 17 1 Cor 15, 50 Gal 1, 16. Eph. 6, 12 Heb. 2, 14.

FLOCK—Luke 12, 32 Acts 20, 28. 1 Pet. 5, 2.

FLOURISH—Ps. 72, 7; 132, 18.

FOLLOW—Isa. 51, 1, *f.* after righteousness Hos. 6, 3, *f.* on to know the Lord. Matt. 16, 24, up his cross and *f.* me Luke 18, 22, sell that thou hast and *f* me. John 12, 26, if any serve me, let him *f.* me. 1 Cor 14, 1, *f.* after charity Phil 3, 12, I *f.* after, if that. 1 Thess. 5, 15, *f.* that which is good. 1 Tim 6, 11, *f.* after righteousness. Heb. 12, 14, *f.* peace with all; 13, 7, whose faith *f.*, considering 1 Pet. 2, 21, ye should *f.* his steps. Rev. 14, 13, works do *f.* them.

FOLLY—Job 4, 18. Ps. 49, 13; 85, 8.

FOOD—Job 23, 12. Ps 78, 25. Prov. 30, 8. Acts 14, 17. 1 Tim. 6, 8.

FOOLISH—Matt. 7, 26; 25, 2. Rom. 1, 21 Gal. 3, 1 1 Pet 2, 15
FOOLISHNESS—1 Cor 1, 18, preaching of cross *f*.; 21, by the *f* of preaching; 23, to the Greeks *f*, 25, the *f* of God is wiser, 2, 14, they are *f*. unto him; 3, 19, wisdom of world *f*.
FOOT—Ecc 5, 1 Isa. 58, 13. 1 Cor. 12, 15 Heb 10, 29. Rev 1, 13, 11, 2
FOREIGNER—Ex 12, 45 Obad. 11
FOREKNOW—Rom 8, 29; 11, 2
FOREKNOWLEDGE—Acts 2, 23 1 Pet. 1, 2
FOREORDAINED—1 Pet 1, 20.
FORERUNNER—Heb 6, 20
FORGET—Job 8, 13 Ps. 45, 10; 50, 22, 103, 2, *f* Isa. 49, 15 Jer 2, 32 Heb 6, 10.
FORGIVE—Ex. 32, 32, if thou wilt *f* their sin Jer 31, 34, I will *f* their iniquity Matt. 6, 12, *f* us our debts as we; 9, 6, power on earth to *f* sin Luke 6, 37, *f* and ye shall be *f*, 17, 3, if he repent, *f* him; 23, 34, Father, *f* them 1 John 1, 9, faithful to *f* us
FORGIVEN—Ps 32, 1, transgression is *f* Matt. 9, 2, thy sins be *f* thee; 12, 31, sin be *f*, but, 32, against H Ghost not be *f* Luke 7, 47, to whom little is *f* Rom 4, 7, whose iniquities are *f* Eph 4, 32, as God hath *f* you 1 John 2, 12, your sins are *f*
FORGIVENESS—Ps 130, 4, there is *f* with thee. Dan. 9, 9, to the Lord belong mercies and *f* Mark 3, 29, hath never *f* Acts 5, 31, to give repentance and *f*, 13, 38, 26, 18, that they may receive *f* of sins Eph 1, 7, *f* of sins, according to the riches. Col 1, 14, redemption, even the *f* of sins
FORGOTTEN—Ps. 10, 11, God hath *f*, 77, 9, hath God *f* to be gracious, 119, 61, I have not *f* thy law Isa 17, 10, hast *f* the God of thy; 49, 14, Zion said, the Lord hath *f* Jer 2, 32, my people have *f* me, 3, 21 have *f* their God, 50, 5, coven that shall not be *f* Heb 12, 5, have *f* the exhortation.
FORM—Isa. 53, 2, no *f* nor comeliness Rom 2, 20, *f* of knowledge, 6, 17, that *f* of doctrine Phil. 2, 6, in the *f*. of God, 7, the *f*. of a servant 2 Tim 1, 13, the *f* of sound words, 3, 5, a *f* of godliness
FORMED—Deu 32, 18, forgott n God that *f*. Ps 94, 9, he that *f* the eye shall Isa. 44, 21, I have *f* thee, thou art, 54, 17, no weapon *f* against thee Rom. 9, 20, thing *f* say Gal 4 19, till Christ be *f* in you.
FORSAKE—Deu 4, 31, thy God will not *f*. thee Josh 1, 5, not fail thee, nor *f* thee. 1 Sam 14, 22, will not *f* his people. 2 Chr 15, 2, if ye *f* him he will *f* you Ps. 27, 10, father and mother *f* me Isa. 55, 7, let wicked *f* his way Jon. 2, 8, *f* their own mercy
FORSAKEN—Ps 22, 1, my God, why hast thou *f* me, 37, 25, not seen the righteous *f* Isa 54, 7, moment have I *f* thee Jer 2, 13, *f* me, the fountain Matt 19, 27, we have *f* all, 29, hath *f* houses, 27, 46. 2 Cor 4, 9, persecuted, but not *f*
FOUND—Isa. 55, 6, 65, 1 Phil 3, 9 2 Pet 3, 14
FOUNDATION-S—Job 4, 19, whose *f* in the dust Ps 11, 3, if the *f* be destroyed Isa 28, 16, I lay in Zion a sure *f* Rom 15, 20, build upon ano her's *f* 1 Cor 3, 10, I have laid the *f* and mother, 12, if any build on this *f* Eph 2, 20, built on *f* of prophets 1 Tim 6, 19, a good *f* against the time 2 Tim 2, 19, *f* of God standeth sure Heb 11, 10 a city which hath *f*
FOUNTAIN—Ps 36, 9, with thee the *f* of life Prov 14, 27, fear of the L a *f* of life Ecc. 12, 6, pitcher broken at the *f* Jer 2, 13, *f* of living waters, 9, 1, mine eyes a *f* of tears. Zech. 13, 1, a *f* opened for sin. Rev 1, 6 *f* of the water of life.
FRAME—Ps 103, 14. Ezek 40, 2
FREE—Ps 51, 12, with thy *f* Spirit. John 8, 32, truth shall make you *f*, 33, 36, Son shall make you *f*, ye shall be *f* Rom 5, 15, so also the *f* gift. Gal 3, 28, neither bond nor *f*, 5, 1, Christ hath made us *f*
FREELY—Hos. 14, 4, I will love them *f*. Matt. 10, 8, *f* ye have received, *f* give Rom 3, 24, justified *f* by grace, 8, 32, *f* give us all things. 1 Cor 2, 12, things that are *f*. given. Rev. 21, 6, of the fountain of life *f*; 22, 17, let him take *f*
FRIEND-S—Ex. 33, 11, as a man to his *f* 2 Sam 16, 17, this kindness to thy *f* 2 Chr 20, 7, Abraham thy *f* for ever. Prov 17, 17, *f*. loveth at all times; 18, 24, *f* that sticketh closer; 27, 10, own *f*., and father's *f* John 15, 13, lay down life for *f*; 14, my *f*. if ye do what; 15, I have called you *f* Jas. 4, 4, *f* of the world.
FRUIT—2 Ki. 19, 30, bear *f* upward. Ps. 92, 14, *f*. in old age. Prov 11, 30. *f*. of the righteous a tree Cant. 2, 3, *f* sweet to my taste. Isa. 3, 10, eat *f*. of their doings, 57, 19, create *f* of lips. Hos. 10, 1, Israel bringeth forth *f* to himself; 14, 8, from me is thy *f* Matt. 7, 17, good tree bringeth good *f*, 12, 33, tree known by its *f*. John 4, 36, *f* to life eternal; 15, 2, beareth not *f*. Rom. 6, 21, what *f*. had ye. Gal. 5. 22, *f* of the Spirit. Eph 5, 9, *f*. of the Spirit. Heb. 12, 11, *f*. of righteousness. Jam. 3, 18, *f*. of righteousness.
FRUITS—Matt. 3, 8; 7, 16. 2 Cor. 9, 10. Phil. 1, 11 Jam. 3, 17.
FRUSTRATE—Isa. 44, 25. Gal. 2, 21.
FULFIL—Gen. 29, 27. Ex. 23, 26. Ps. 145, 19, *f*. desire of them that fear. Matt. 3, 15, to *f* all righteousness; 5, 17, not to destroy the law, but to *f* Gal. 6, 2, and so *f* the law. Phil. 2, 2, *f* ye my joy. 2 Thess. 1, 11, *f* all good pleasure Jam 2, 8, if ye *f*. the royal law. Rev. 17, 17, put it in their hearts to *f*
FULL—Deu. 34, 9, Joshua was *f* of the spirit. Job 14, 1, few days, and *f* of trouble. Prov. 30, 9, lest I be *f*. and deny Luke 4, 1, Jesus being *f* of the Holy Ghost. John 1, 14, of the Father, *f* of grace Phil 4, 12, both to be *f*. and hungry. Col 2, 2, riches of *f* assurance. 2 Tim. 4, 5, *f* proof of thy ministry Heb 6, 11, to the *f* assurance of, 10, 22, draw near in *f* assurance
FULNESS—Ps. 16, 11, in thy presence is *f* of joy. John 1, 16, of his *f* have we all Rom. 11, 25 *f* of the Gentiles be, 15, 29, *f* of the blessing Gal 4, 4, *f* of time was come. Eph 1, 10, dispensation of the *f* of times, 23, *f* of him who filleth all, 3, 19, filled with the *f* of God, 4, 13, stature of the *f* of Christ Col 1, 19, in him should all *f* dwell, 2, 9, in him dwelleth all the *f* of the Godhead
FURNACE—Isa. 48, 10 Dan 3, 6
FURNISHED—2 Tim 3, 17
FURY—Isa 27, 4. Jer 10, 25 Dan 3, 19

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GAIN-ED—Matt 16, 26, should *g* the whole world, 18, 5, hast *g* thy brother Luke 19, 16, thy pound hath *g* ten. Phil 1, 21, and to die is *g*, 3, 7, what things were *g* 1 Tim 6, 5, supposing *g* is godliness, 6, with contentment is great *g*
GALL—Psa. 69, 21. Lam 3, 19 Matt. 27, 34 Acts 8, 23
GARMENT-S—Ps. 22, 18, they parted my *g* Isa 9, 5, with *g* rolled in blood; 59, 17, put on *g* of vengeance, 61, 3, *g* of praise for spirit of Joel 2, 13, your heart, and not your *g* Acts 9, 39, the *g* which Dorcas made Jam 5, 2, your *g* are moth-eaten Rev 3, 4, have not defiled their *g*, 16, 15, watcheth and keepeth his *g*
GATE—Gen 28, 17 Matt 7, 13. Luke 13, 24 Acts 3, 2, 10 Heb 13, 12
GATES—Ps 24, 7, 87, 2, 100, 4, 118, 19 Matt 16 19 Acts 9, 24 Rev 21, 12, 25
GATHER-ED-ETH—Ps 26, 9, *g* not my soul with sinners. Zeph 3, 18, *g* them that are sorrowful. Matt 3, 12, *g* wheat into the garner, 7, 16, do men *g* grapes of thorns, 23, 37, *g* thy children as a hen *g* John 4, 36, *g* fruit unto eternal life Eph. 1, 10, *g* into one all things
GAVE—Job 1, 21, L *g* and the L hath taken Ecc 12, 7, return to God that *g* it. Isa. 42, 24, who *g* Jacob for a spoil John 1, 12, to them *g* he power, 3, 16, God *g* his only-begotten Son 1 Cor 3, 6, God *g* the increase 2 Cor 8, 5, *g* themselves to the L. Gal 1, 4, *g* himself for our sins, 2, 20, *g* himself for me Eph 4, 8, *g* gifts to men, 4, 11, he *g* some, apostles. 1 Tim 2, 6, *g* himself a ransom
GENERATION-S—Deu 32, 5, a perverse and crooked *g* Ps 22, 30, accounted to the L for a *g*, 24, 6, the *g* of them that seek him; 102, 18, written for the *g* to come Isa 53, 8, declare his *g* Luke 16, 8, wiser in their *g* than Acts 8, 33 Col 1, 26, hid from ages and *g* 1 Pet 2, 9, ye are a chosen *g*
GENTILES—Isa. 11, 10, to it shall the *g* seek, 42, 6, a light to the *g*, 60, 3, *g* shall come to thy light, 62, 2, *g* shall see thy righteousness Matt 6, 32, after these things do the *g* seek. Acts 13, 46, lo, we turn to the *g*, 14, 27, opened door of faith to *g* Rom 11, 25, till fulness of *g* be come, 15, 12, in his name *g* trust Eph 3, 6, *g* should be fellow-heirs, 8, preach among the *g* 1 Tim 2, 7, teacher of the *g*, 3, 16, preached to the *g*
GENTLE—2 Tim 2, 24. Titus 3, 2. Jam. 3, 17 1 Pet 2, 18
GENTLENESS—Ps. 18, 35 2 Cor 10, 1 Gal 5, 22
GIFT—John 4, 10, if thou knewest *g* of God. Rom 6, 23, the *g* of God eternal life Eph 2, 8, faith the *g* of God 1 Tim 4, 14, neglect not *g* that is in thee 2 Tim 1, 6, stir up *g* of God. Heb 6, 4, tasted of the heavenly *g* Jam 1, 17, every good and perfect *g*
GIFTS—Ps 68, 18. Matt. 7, 11 Rom. 11, 29 Eph 4, 8.
GIRD—John 21, 8 1 Pet 1, 13.
GIVE—Ps 2, 8, I will *g* the heathen for, 84, 11, will *g* grace and glory; 109, 4, I *g*. myself unto prayer Jer 17, 10, *g* every man according to his ways Hos 11, 8, how shall I *g* thee up John 10, 28, I *g*. to them eternal life Acts 3, 6, such as I have *g* I thee; 20, 35, more blessed to *g* than to receive Rom 8, 32, freely *g* us all things.
GIVEN—Matt 13, 11, is *g* unto you to know; 12, hath, to him shall be *g* Luke 12, 48, unto whomsoever much is *g* of. John 6, 39, of all which he hath *g*; 65, can come unto me, except it were *g*, 19, 11, except it were *g* thee. Rom 11, 35, who hath first *g* to him. 1 Cor. 2, 12, things freely *g* us of God.
GIVETH—Isa. 40, 29, *g* power to the faint; 42, 5, *g*. breath unto the people. 1 Tim. 6, 17, *g*. us richly all things. Jam 1, 5, *g*. to all men liberally; 4, 6, *g* grace unto the humble. 1 Pet. 4, 11, ability which God *g*.
GLAD—Ps. 31, 7, 64, 10; 104, 34; 122, 1. Luke 1, 19.
GLADNESS—Ps 4, 7, put *g* in my heart; 30, 11, hast girded me with *g*; 45, 7, anointed with oil of *g*, 51, 8, make me to hear joy and *g*; 97, 11, *g* is sown for upright; 100, 2, serve the Lord with *g* Isa. 35, 10, shall obtain joy and *g*, 51, 3, joy and *g* shall be found Acts 2, 46, did eat their meat with *g* Heb 1, 9
GLASS—1 Cor 13, 12 2 Cor 3, 18 Jam 1, 23 Rev 4, 6, 21, 18
GLORY—1 Sam. 4, 21, *g* is departed from Israel. Ps 8, 5, crowned with *g* and honour, 73, 24, afterward receive me to *g*, 145, 11, speak of *g* of thy kingdom Prov 3, 35, wise shall inherit *g*, 16, 31, hoary head crown of *g* Isa. 4, 5, upon all the *g* a defence, 28, 5, shall be for a crown of *g* Jer 2, 11, have changed their *g* Ezek. 20, 6, the *g*. of all lands Hos. 4, 7, change *g* into shame. Hag 2, 7, will fill this house with *g*; 9, *g* of this latter house Zech 2, 5, *g* in midst of her Matt 16, 27, come in *g* of Father Luke 2, 14, *g* to God in the highest; 32, Gentiles, *g* of thy people. John 1, 14, *g* the *g* as of the only, 17, 5, *g* which I had with thee, 22, *g* which thou gavest I have Rom. 2, 7, seek for *g* and honour, 11, 36, to whom be *g* for ever 1 Cor 15, 43, sown in dishonour, raised in *g* 2 Cor 3, 18, changed from *g* to *g*, 4, 17, eternal weight of *g* Eph 1, 6, praise of the *g* of his grace, 3, 21, unto him be *g* in the church Phil 3, 19, whose *g* is in their shame Col 1, 27, Christ in you the hope of *g*; 3, 4, shall appear with him in *g* 1 Thess 2, 12, hath called you unto *g* 1 Tim 3, 16, received up into *g* Heb 2, 7 1 Pet 1, 8, joy unspeakable and full of *g*, 11, sufferings of Christ, and *g*, 4, 13, when his *g* shall be revealed, 14, spirit of *g* and of God, 5, 4, shall receive a crown of *g*, 10, called us unto *g* by Christ 2 Pet. 1, 3, called us to *g* and virtue, 17, voice from the excellent *g* Rev 4, 11, worthy to receive *g*
GLORY—Isa 41, 16, *g* in the Holy One of Israel, 45, 25, shall be justified, and shall *g* Jer 9, 24, let him that glorieth *g* in this Rom 5, 3, we *g* in tribulations 1 Cor 1, 31, that glorieth let him *g* in the Lord, 3, 21, let no man *g* in men. 2 Cor 5, 12, *g* in appearance; 12, 1, not expedient for me to *g*, 9, rather *g* in my infirmities. Gal 6, 14, God forbid that I should *g*
GLORIFY—Isa. 60, 7, *g* house of my glory Matt 5, 16, *g* Father in heaven. John 12, 28, Father, *g* thy name; 17, 1, *g* thy Son, that thy Son may *g*, 21, 19, by what death he should *g* 1 Cor 6, 20, *g* God in your body 1 Pet 2, 12, *g* God in the day of
GLORIFIED—Matt 9, 8, they *g* God. John 7, 39, Jesus was not yet *g*, 15, 8, herein is my Father *g* Acts 3, 13, God of our fathers hath *g* Rom 1, 21, *g* him not as God; 8, 30, justified, them he also *g* Gal 1, 24, they *g* God in me 2 Thess. 1, 10, to be *g* in his saints; 3, 1, word have free course, and be *g* Heb 5, 5, Christ *g* not himself 1 Pet 4, 11, God may be *g* through Jesus, 14, on your part he is *g*
GLORIOUS—Ex 15, 11, who is like thee, *g* in holiness Deu. 28, 58, fear this *g* and fearful name. 1 Chr 29, 13, praise thy *g* name Ps. 45, 13, king's daughter all *g* within; 72, 19, blessed be his *g* name, 87, 3, *g* things are spoken of thee, 145, 5, speak of the *g* honour of Isa. 4, 2, shall the branch of the L. be *g*; 11, 10, his rest shall be *g*, 30, 30, cause his *g* voice to be heard, 33, 21, *g* L. will be unto us a place, 49, 5, *g* in the eyes of the L., 60, 19, the place of my feet *g*, 63, 1, who is this *g* in his apparel, 12, his *g* arm. Jer. 17, 12, *g* high throne from Rom. 8, 21, *g* liberty of children of God. 2 Cor 3, 7, ministration was *g*; 4, 4, light of the *g* gospel. Eph 5, 27, present to himself a *g* church. Phil 3, 21, fashioned like his *g* body Col 1, 11, according to his *g* power. 1 Tim 1, 11, according to the *g* gospel. Titus 2, 13, looking for that *g*. appearing.
GOATS—Isa 1, 11. Matt. 25, 32. Heb 9, 12.
GOD—Job 33, 12, *G* is greater than man. Ps. 18, 31, who is *G* save the Lord Dan. 9, 4, the great and dreadful *G* Mic. 7, 18, who is a *g* like unto thee Matt 6, 24, cannot serve *G* and mammon, 19, 17, none good but one, that is, *G* Mark 12, 27, not the *G* of the dead, 32, there is one *G* and none other but he. John 17, 3, the only true *G* Acts 7, 2, the *G* of glory appeared Rom 3, 4, let *G* be true, but every, 8, 31, if *G* be for us, who can be; 9, 5, over all, *G* blessed for ever; 15, 5, *G*. of patience; 13, *G* of hope. 1 Cor 15, 28, *G* may be all in all. 2 Cor 1, 3, *G* of all comfort. 2 Thess. 2, 4, above all that is called *G*. 1 Tim 3, 16, *G* manifest in the flesh Heb. 8, 10, I will be to them a *G*. 1 Pet. 5, 10, *G* of all grace. 1 John 4, 12, no man hath seen *G*
GODHEAD—Acts 17, 29, the *G*. like to gold. Col 2, 9, fulness of *G* bodily.
GODLINESS—1 Tim 4, 7, exercise thyself unto *g*.; 8, *g* is profitable unto all things, 6, 6, *g* with contentment. 2 Tim. 3, 5, having a form of *g*. 2 Pet. 1, 3, pertain unto life and *g*, 6, and to patience *g*, 7, to *g*. brotherly kindness; 3, 11, ought ye to be in all *g*.
GODLY—2 Cor 1, 12, simplicity and *g* sincerity 2 Tim. 3, 12, that will live *g* Tit. 2, 12, soberly, righteously, and *g* Heb 12, 28, serve God acceptably with *g* fear. 2 Pet 2, 9, how to deliver the *g*
GOING-S—Ps 17, 5, hold up my *g*; 19, 6, his *g* forth from end of heaven, 40, 2, established my *g*; 68, 24, they have seen thy *g*, 121, 8, shall preserve thy *g* out Prov 5, 21, pondereth all his *g* Jer 50, 4, *g* and weeping Hos. 6, 3, his *g* forth is prepared Mic 5, 2, *g* forth of old.
GOLD—Job 23, 10, I shall come forth as *g* Ps 19, 10, more to be desired than *g* Prov. 8, 19, my fruit is better than *g* Isa 13, 12, man more precious than *g* Zech 13, 9, try them as *g* is tried 1 Cor 3, 12, build upon this foundation *g* 1 Tim 2, 9, not with *g* 1 Pet 1, 7, faith more precious than *g* Rev 3, 18, buy of me *g* tried
GOOD—Ps 34, 8, taste and see that the L is *g*, 73, 1, truly God is *g*. to Israel, 86, 5, thou, L., art *g*, ready to forgive, 119, 68, thou art *g*, and doest *g*, 145, 9, the L is *g* to all. Mic. 6, 8, shewed thee, O man, what is *g* Matt 19, 17, me *g*? there is none *g* Rom 3, 8, evil, that *g* may come, 7, 18, to perform *g* I find not
GOOD *WORK*—2 Cor 9, 8, abound to every *g w* Phil 1, 6, begun a *g w*, will finish it Col 1, 10, fruitful in every *g w* 2 Thess. 2, 17, stablish you in every *g w* 2 Tim 2, 21, prepared unto every *g w* Heb 13, 21, perfect in every *g w*
GOOD *WORKS*—Matt 5, 16, may see your *g w* Acts 9, 36, Dorcas, full of *g w* Rom. 13, 3, rulers not a terror to *g w* Eph 2, 10, created in C J unto *g w* 1 Tim. 5, 25, the *g w* of some are manifest. Tit 3, 8, careful to maintain *g w* Heb 10, 24, provoke unto love and to *g w* 1 Pet. 2, 12, may by your *g w* glorify
GOODNESS—Ex 33, 19, make all my *g*. pass; 34, 6, God, abundant in *g* Neh 9, 25, delighted themselves in thy *g* Ps. 16, 2, *g* extendeth not to thee, 23, 6, *g* and mercy shall follow; 27, 13, believed to see the *g* of the L, 31, 19, great is thy *g*, 33, 5, earth full of the *g* of L., 65, 4, with the *g*. of thy house, 11, crownest year with thy *g* Isa. 63, 7, great *g* bestowed on them. Rom 2, 4, *g* of God leadeth to repentance; 11, 22, *g* and severity of God. Eph 5, 9, fruit of the Spirit is in all *g*.
GOSPEL—Matt 4, 23, *g* of the kingdom. Mark 16, 15, the *g* to every creature. Acts 20, 24, *g* of the grace of God Rom 1, 1, *g* of God. 2 Cor 4, 3, if our *g* be hid, 4, glorious *g*, 11, 4, preacheth another *g* Gal. 1, 8, preach any other *g* Eph 1, 13, *g* of your salvation, 6, 15, preparation of *g* of peace Phil. 1, 5, fellowship in the *g* Col 1, 5, truth of the *g*, 23, moved from hope of the *g* 1 Thess 1, 5, our *g* came in power Heb 4, 2, unto us was *g* preached. 1 Pet 4, 6, *g* preached to them that are dead Rev 14, 6, having everlasting *g*
GOVERNMENT—Isa. 9, 6, 7
GRACE—Ps 84, 11, the L will give *g* and glory Prov 3, 34, giveth *g* unto the lowly. Zech 4, 7, shoutings, crying, *g*, *g*. unto it; 12, 10, spirit of *g* and supplications. John 1, 14, only begotten of Father, full of *g*, 16, all received, and *g* for *g*, 17, *g* and truth by Jesus Christ. Acts 18, 27, them which believed through *g* Rom 1, 7, *g* to you and peace, 3, 24, justified freely by his *g*; 5, 20, *g* did much more abound, 21, *g* reign through righteousness; 6, 14, not under the law, but under *g*, 11, 5, according to the election of *g*., 6, if by *g*, then not of works. 2 Cor 12, 9, my *g* sufficient for thee. Eph 2, 5, by *g* ye are saved, 7, exceeding riches of his *g* Tit 3, 7, being justified by his *g* Heb 4, 16, come boldly unto throne of *g*.; 12, 28, let us have *g*, whereby, 13, 9, heart established with *g* 1 Pet. 3, 7, heirs of *g* of life, 5, 5, giveth *g* to the humble. 2 Pet. 3, 18, grow in *g* and in knowledge
GRACE *OF GOD*—Luke 2, 40 2 Cor 1, 12, by *g of G* we have had; 6, 1, receive not *g of G* in vain, 8, 1, *g of G* bestowed on the churches, 9, 14, exceeding *g of G* in you. Gal 2, 21, do not frustrate *g of G*. Col 1, 6, knew *g of G* in truth 1 Pet 4, 10, good stewards of manifold *g of G*, 5, 12, the true *g of G* wherein. Jude 4, turn *g of G* into lasciviousness.
GRACIOUS—Ex. 33, 19, *g* to whom I will be *g*, 34, 6, God, merciful and *g* Ps. 77, 9, hath God forgotten to be *g*, 86, 15, full of compassion, and *g* Isa. 30, 18, wait, that he may be *g*; 19, he will be very *g* Amos 5, 15, may be the L will be *g* Jon 4, 2, knew that thou art a *g* God Mal 1, 9, beseech God that he will be *g* 1 Pet. 2, 3, tasted that the L is *g*
GRASS—Ps. 103, 15. Isa 40, 6. 1 Pet. 1, 24. Matt. 6, 30
GRAVE—Job 14, 13, hide me in the *g*. Ps. 6, 5, in *g* who shall give thanks. Ecc. 9, 10, there is no wisdom in the *g*. Isa. 38, 18, *g* cannot praise thee Hos. 13, 14, power of the *g*. 1 Cor. 15, 55, *g*. where is thy victory
GREATER—Job 33, 12, God is *g* than man. Matt. 12, 42, *g* than Solomon here. John 1, 50, shalt see *g* things; 4, 12, art thou *g*. than our father, 10, 29, my Father *g* than all; 14, 28, my Father *g*. than I. 1 John 4, 4, *g* is he that is in you; 5, 9, witness of God is *g*.

GREATLY—1 Kl. 18, 3. Ps 89, 7, 116, 10. Dan. 9, 23 Zech 9, 9
GREATNESS—Ex. 15, 7. Deu. 32, 3 Ps 66, 3, 145, 3 Isa. 63, 1.
GRIEF—Isa. 53, 3, 4, 10. Heb 13, 17
GRIEVE-D—Ps. 95, 10 Lam 3, 33
GRIEVOUS—Heb 12, 11 1 John 5, 3
GROANED-ETH—John 11, 33 Rom. 8, 22
GROUNDED—Eph 3, 17 Col 1, 23
GROW—Ps. 92, 12, *g* like a cedar in Lebanon. Hos 14, 5, *g* as the lily, 7, *g* as the vine Mal 4, 2, *g* up as calves of the stall Eph. 4, 15, *g* up into him in all things 1 Pet 2, 2, that ye may *g* thereby 2 Pet 3, 18, *g* in grace, and in knowledge
GUIDE—Ps 73, 24 Isa. 58, 11 Jer 3, 4 Luke 1, 79 John 16, 13
GUILE—Ps 32, 2, 34, 13. John 1, 47 1 Pet 2, 1, 22
GUILTY—Ex 34, 7. Rom 3, 19 1 Cor 11, 27 Jam. 2, 10
GULF—Luke 16, 26

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HABITATION—Deu 26, 15, look down from holy *h* Ps 26, 8, loved the *h* of thy house, 71, 3, be thou my strong *h*, 89, 14, the *h* of thy throne, 91, 9, the most High thy *h*, 107, 7, might go to a city of *h*. Eph 2, 22, *h* of God through the Spirit. Jude 6, angels left their own *h*
HAIR—Matt. 5, 36 1 Tim. 2, 9 1 Pet 3, 3.
HALT—1 Ki 18, 21. Jer. 20, 10 Matt 18, 8
HAND—Deu. 33, 3 Ezra 7, 9 Isa. 1, 12 Matt 22, 13. 1 Pet 5, 6
HANDS—Ex 17, 12, Moses' *h.* were heavy Job 17, 9, clean *h* shall be stronger Ps. 24, 4, clean *h* and a pure heart, 119, 73, thy *h* made and fashioned Isa. 1, 15, forth your *h* I will hide Mic 7, 3, evil with both *h.* earnestly Luke 9, 44, into the *h* of men John 13, 3, all things into his *h.*, 9, also my *h* and my head 2 Cor 5, 1, house not made with *h* Eph 4, 28, working with his *h* 1 Tim 2, 8, lifting up holy *h* Heb 9, 11, tabernacle not made with *h*, 10, 31, fearful to fall into the *h* 1 John 1, 1, our *h* have handled
HANG-ED-ING—Deu 28, 66 Job 26, 7 Matt 18, 6, 22, 40 Heb. 12, 12
HAPPEN-ED-ETH—Prov 12, 21 Ecc 2, 14, 9, 11 1 Cor 10, 11
HAPPY—Job 5, 17, *h* is the man whom God correcteth. Ps 144, 15, *h* people whose God. Prov. 3, 13, *h* the man that findeth, 28, 14, *h* the man that feareth alway Mal. 3, 15, now we call the proud *h* John 13, 17, *h* are ye if ye do them Rom 14, 22, *h.* is he that condemneth not. Jam 5, 11, count them *h* who endure. 1 Pet 3, 14, for righteousness, *h.* are ye, 4, 14, reproached for name of Christ, *h.* are ye
HARD—Prov 13, 15 Jer 32, 17 Mark 10, 24. John 6, 60. Acts 9, 5
HARDEN-ED-ETH—Job 9, 4, who hath *h* himself Isa. 63, 17, *h* our heart from thy fear. Mark 6, 52, for their heart was *h* Rom 9, 18, whom he will he *h* Heb. 3, 8, *h* not your heart, 13, lest any of you be *h*
HARDNESS—Matt 19, 8 Mark 3, 5. Rom 2, 5 2 Tim 2, 3
HARM—1 Chr 16, 22 1 Pet 3, 13
HARMLESS—Matt. 10, 16 Phil 2, 15 Heb 7, 26.
HARVEST—Isa 9, 3, according to the joy of *h* Jer 8, 20, *h* is past, summer is ended, 51, 33, her *h* shall come Matt 9, 37, *h* truly is plenteous, 38, pray the L of the *h*, 13, 39, *h* is the end of the world. Rev 14, 15, *h* of the earth is ripe
HASTE—Ps. 31, 22, 38, 22, 119, 60. Isa. 28, 16, 49, 17
HATE—Lev 19, 17, not *h* thy brother Ps 68, 1, let them that *h* him flee, 97, 10, ye that love the Lord, *h* evil, 119, 104, I *h* every false way, 113, I *h* vain thoughts, 139, 21, I *h* them that *h* thee. Prov 8, 13, fear of the Lord is to *h* evil, 36, all that *h* me love death Jer 44, 4, abominable thing which I *h* Amos 5, 15, *h* the evil and love the good Mic 3, 2, *h* the good and love the evil Luke 14, 26, *h* not his father. John 7, 7, it cannot *h* you, but me, 15, 18, world *h* you, it hated me Rom 7, 15, what I *h* that do I 1 John 3, 13, marvel not if the world *h* you
HATED—Prov 1, 29, they *h* knowledge, 5, 12, how have I *h* instruction Isa. 66, 5, your brethren that *h* you Mal. 1, 3, Esau have I *h* Matt 10, 22, be *h* of all men. Mark 13, 13 Luke 19, 14, citizens *h* him and 21, 17 John 15, 24, *h* both me and my Father Rom 9, 13
HATEST-ETH—2 Sam 19, 6, *h* thy friends Ps 5, 5, thou *h* all workers of iniquity, 50, 17, seeing thou *h* instruction Prov 13, 24, spareth the rod *h* his son. John 12, 15, *h* his life in this world. 1 John 2, 9, *h.* his brother is in darkness.
HAUGHTY—Ps 131, 1. Prov 16, 18; 21, 24 Zeph 3, 11
HEADS—Gen 3, 15, it shall bruise thy *h* Ezra 9, 6, iniquities increased over our *h* Ps. 24, 7, lift up your *h*; 38, 4, iniquities are gone over my *h* Prov 16, 31, hoary *h* a crown of glory Ecc 2, 14, man's eyes are in his *h* Cant. 5, 2, *h.* filled with dew. Isa 1, 5, whole *h* sick, and heart faint, 6, from sole of foot unto *h.*, 51, 11, everlasting joy on *h* ye shall have gladness and joy, sorrow and mourning flee away, 59, 17, helmet of salvation on his *h* Jer 2, 37, thou shalt go forth from him with your *h* upon your *h* Lam 2, 10, dust on their *h* they girded with sackcloth Ezek 7, 18, baldness upon all *h* 9, 10, their way on their *h.* Dan 2, 28, visions of thy *h.* upon; 38, thou art this *h* of gold Zech 4, 7, bring forth the *h* stone Matt. 8, 20, not where to lay his *h.*, 14, 8, the *h.* of John the Baptist Luke 7, 38 Rom. 12, 20, fire on his *h* 1 Cor 11, 3, the *h* of the man is Christ, *h* of Christ is God Eph 1, 22, to be the *h* over all, 4, 15, into him which is the *h*, 5, 23, husband *h* of wife, C. *h* of church Col 1, 18, he is the *h.* of the body Rev 19, 12, on his *h* were many crowns.
HEAL—Deu 32, 39, make alive, I wound, I *h.* Ps. 41, 4, *h.* my soul, for I have sinned Isa 57, 18, seen his ways, and will *h* him Jer. 3, 22, I will *h* your backslidings, 17, 14, *h.* me, and I shall be healed Hos 6, 1, hath torn, and he will *h* us, 11, 4 Luke 4, 18, sent me to *h.* the broken-hearted; 23, physician *h* thyself John 12, 40, be converted, and I should *h* them
HEALED—Ps 30, 2, thou hast *h.* me, 107, 20, sent his word and *h.* them Isa 6, 10, convert, and be *h*, 53, 5, by his stripes we are *h* Jer 6, 14, have *h* hurt slightly, 15, 18, refuseth to be *h* Hos 7, 1, I would have *h.* Israel Acts 28, 27 Heb 12, 13, but let it rather be *h* Jam. 5, 16, pray that ye may be *h* 1 Pet 2, 24
HEALETH—Ps 103, 3, 147, 3 Isa 30, 26
HEALING—Jer 30, 13. Mal 4, 2 Matt. 4, 23 1 Cor 12, 9 Rev 22, 2
HEALTH—Ps 42, 11, 67, 2 Jer. 8, 15, 30, 17
HEAP—Job 36, 13 Ps. 33, 7 2 Tim 4, 3
HEAR—1 Ki. 8, 30, *h* thou in heaven 2 Ki 19, 16, bow down thine ear and *h* 2 Chr 6, 21, *h* from thy dwelling-place Ps 4, 1, *h* my prayer, 5, the Lord will *h.*, 51, 8, make me to *h* joy and, 59, 7, who, say they, doth *h*, 66, 16, come and *h.*, all ye that, 115, 6, have ears, but they *h* not. Prov 19, 27, cease to *h* instruction that causeth Ecc 5, 1, more ready to *h* than to give. Isa 1, 2, *h* O heavens, and give ear, 6, 10, lest they *h* with their ears, 55, 3, *h* and your soul shall live Matt 10, 27, what ye *h* in the ear, 13, 17, to *h* those things which ye *h*, 17, 5, my beloved Son, *h* ye him Mark 4, 24, take heed what ye *h* Luke 8, 18, take heed how ye *h*, 16, 29, the prophets, let them *h* them John 5, 25, they that *h* shall live Jam 1, 19, every man be swift to *h* Rev 2, 7, let him *h* what the Spirit saith, 3, 20, if any man *h* my voice
HEARD—Ex 3, 7, I have *h* their cry; 6 5, I have *h.* their groanings, 16 12 1 Ki 9, 3, I have *h* thy prayer Ps 6, 9, L. hath *h* my supplication, 34, 4, sought the Lord, and he *h* me, 61, 5, thou hast *h* my vows, 66, 19, verily God hath *h* me Isa. 40, 28, not *h* that the everlasting, 49, 8, in accepted time I *h*, 60, 18, violence no more *h.*, 64, 4, since beginning men not *h* Jer 31, 18, *h* Ephraim bemoaning himself Mal. 3, 16, L. hearkened and *h.* Matt. 6, 7, *h.* for much speaking John 3, 32, what he hath seen and *h* Rom 10, 14, whom they have not *h* 1 Cor 2, 9, eye hath not seen, nor ear *h* Heb 4, 2, faith in them that *h* it, 5, 7, *h* in that he feared Jam 5, 11, have *h* of the patience of Job Rev 3, 3, remember how thou hast *h*
HEARERS—Rom. 2, 13 Eph 4, 29. Jam 1, 22
HEAREST—Ps 65, 2 John 11, 42
HEARETH—1 Sam 3, 9, speak, thy servant *h* Prov 8, 34, blessed is the man that *h* Matt. 7, 24, whosoever *h.* these. Luke 10, 16, he that *h* you *h* me John 9, 31, God *h* not sinner 1 John 5, 14, ask according to his will he *h* Rev. 22, 17, let him that *h* say
HEARING—Job 42, 5 Prov 20, 12. Matt 13, 14 Rom 10, 17 Heb 5, 11
HEARKEN—Deu 28, 13 1 Sam 15, 22 Isa. 46, 12, 51, 1, 55, 2
HEART—1 Sam. 16, 7, but the Lord looketh on the *h* 2 Chr 17, 6, his *h* was lifted up, 30, 19, prepareth his *h* to seek God Ps 34, 18, nigh to them of a broken *h*, 37, 31, the law of God is in his *h*; 51, 17, a broken and a contrite *h*, 112, 7, his *h* is fixed, trusting Prov 4, 23, keep thy *h* with all diligence, 16, 9, man's *h* deviseth his way; 27, 19, *h* of man answereth man Ecc 10, 2, wise man's *h* at his right hand Isa. 6, 10, make the *h* of this people fat, 57, 15, to revive the *h* of the contrite Jer 11, 20, triest the reins and the *h*; 12, 11, no man layeth it to *h*, 17, 9, *h* is deceitful above all things; 24, 7, I will give them a *h* to know; 32, 39, I will give them one *h* Ezek 11, 19, the stony *h*, the *h* of flesh, 18, 31, a new *h.* and new spirit, 36, 26, new *h.*—stony *h*—*h* of flesh Joel 2, 13, rend your *h*, and not Mal 4, 6, turn the *h* of the fathers. Matt. 6, 21, there will your *h* be also, 12, 34, out of the abundance of the *h*, 35, out of good treasure of the *h*, 15, 19, out of the *h.* proceed evil Luke 24, 25, fools, and slow of *h* to believe, 32, did not our *h* burn within John 14, 1, let not your *h* be troubled Acts 5, 33, they were cut to the *h* Rom. 10, 10, with the *h* man believeth 1 Cor 2, 9, nor entered into the *h* of man 2 Cor 3, 3, in fleshly tables of the *h* 1 Pet 3, 4, the hidden man of the *h.* 1 John 3, 20, *h.* condemn us, God is greater than our *h*
ALL THE HEART—Deu 11, 13, serve him with all your *h*, 13, 3, love the Lord your God with all your *h*, 30, 2, return to the Lord with all thine *h* 1 Ki. 2, 4, in truth with all their *h.*; 8, 48, return with all their *h* 2 Chr. 15, 12, seek the Lord with all their *h.*; 22, 9, sought Lord with *h* Ps. 86, 12, praise thee with my whole *h.* Prov 3, 5, trust in the Lord with all thine *h.* Jer 29, 13, search for me with all your *h.* Zeph 3, 14, rejoice with all the *h* Acts 8, 37, if thou believest with all thine *h*
MY HEART—Ps. 45, 1, my *h* is inditing a good, 57, 7, my *h.* is fixed; 61, 2, my *h* is overwhelmed; 73, 26, my flesh and my *h* faileth, 84, 2, my *h* and my flesh crieth Cant 5, 2, I sleep, but my *h* waketh. Jer 3, 15, pastors according to mine *h* Hos 11, 8, mine *h* is turned within me.
HEATHEN—Ps. 2, 1, 8. Gal 3, 8.
HEAVEN—Ps 103, 11, *h.* is high above the earth, 115, 16, *h*, even the heavens, are the Lord's Isa. 66, 1, *h.* is my throne Jer 31, 37, if *h* above can be measured Hagg 1, 10, *h* over you is stayed from dew. Matt 5, 18, till *h* and earth pass away Luke 15, 18, I have sinned against *h.* John 1, 51, see *h* open, and angels. Acts 3, 21, whom *h.* must receive Heb. 10, 34, in *h* a better substance. 1 Pet 1, 4, an inheritance reserved in *h*
HEAVENS—Ps 8, 3, I consider thy *h*, the work, 19, 1, *h* declare the glory of God 89, 11, *h* are thine, the earth also Isa. 65, 17, new *h* and a new earth 2 Cor 5, 1, an house eternal in the *h* Eph 4, 10, ascended up far above all *h*
HEAVENLY—Matt 6, 14, *h* Father John 3, 12, if I tell you of *h* things 1 Cor 15, 48, as is the *h*, such are the *h.* Eph 1, 3, in *h* places 2 Tim 4, 18, me unto his *h* kingdom Heb 3, 1, partakers of the *h* calling
HEAVINESS—Ps 69, 20, I am full of *h*, 119, 28, my soul melteth for *h* Prov 12, 25, *h* in the heart maketh it stoop, 14, 13, the end of that mirth is *h* Isa. 61, 3, garment of praise for the spirit of *h* Rom 9, 2, I have great *h* and continual sorrow 1 Pet. 1, 6, ye are in *h* through manifold
HEED—Deu 2, 4 Ps 119, 9 Ecc 12, 9. Jer 18, 18
HEEL—Ps 41, 9 John 13, 18
HEIGHT—Rom 8, 39 Eph 3, 18
HEIR—Matt. 21, 38, the *h*, let us kill him Rom 4, 13, Abram should be *h.* of the world, 8, 17, if children, then *h* of God, and joint-*h* with Christ. Gal 3, 29, seed, and *h* according to the promise; 4, 7, an *h.* of God Eph 3, 6, Gentiles should be fellow-*h* Heb 1, 2, God hath appointed *h* of all, 6, 17, 11, 7, *h* of righteousness by faith. 1 Pet 3, 7, *h* together of grace of life
HELL—Deu 32, 22, shall burn to lowest *h* 2 Sam 22, 6, sorrows of *h* compass me Job 11, 8, deeper than *h*, what canst thou, 26, 6, *h* is naked before him Ps 9, 17, wicked shall be turned into *h*, 16, 10, not leave my soul in *h*, 86, 13, delivered my soul from lowest *h*, 116, 3, pains of *h* gat hold on me. Prov 15, 11, *h* and destruction before the, 24, may depart from *h* beneath, 23, 14, deliver his soul from *h*, 27, 20, *h* and destruction never full Isa 5, 14, *h* hath enlarged herself, 14, 9, *h* from beneath is moved, 15, shalt be brought down to *h*, 28, 15, with *h* are we at agreement; 57, 9, debase thyself even to *h* Amos 9, 2, though they dig into *h* Hab 2, 5, enlargeth his desire as *h* Matt 5, 22, in danger of *h* fire, 29, whole body be cast into *h*, 10, 28, destroy both soul and body in *h*, 11, 23, brought down to *h*, 16, 18, gates of *h* shall not prevail against Luke 12, 5, power to cast into *h*, 16, 23, and in *h* he lifted up his eyes Acts 2, 31, his soul not left in *h* Rev 1, 18, keys of *h* and of death, 20, 13, *h* delivered up the dead, 14, and *h* were cast into the fire
HELMET—Isa 59, 17. Eph 6, 17 1 Thess 5, 8
HELP—Judg 5, 23, came not to the *h* of the Ps 27, 9, hast been my *h*, leave me not, 33, 20, he is our *h* and shield, 40, 17, my *h.* and deliverer; 46, 1, God is a present *h* in trouble, 60, 11, vain is the *h* of man, 89, 19, laid *h* on one that is mighty, 115, 9, Lord is their *h.* and shield, 124, 8, our *h* in the name of the Hos 13, 9, me is thine *h* Acts 16, 9, come into Macedonia, and *h* us. Heb 4, 16, grace to *h.* in time of need
HELPED-ETH—1 Sam 7, 12, hitherto hath the Lord *h* us. Ps 118, 13, I might fall, but the Lord *h* Isa 49, 8, day of salvation have I *h.* thee Zech 1, 15, *h.* forward the affliction Rom 8, 26, Spirit *h* our infirmities Rev. 12, 16, earth *h* the woman
HELPER—Ps. 54, 4 2 Cor 1, 24. 3 John 8
HERESY—Acts 24, 14. 1 Cor. 11, 19. Gal. 5, 20 2 Pet 2, 1.
HERETIC—Titus 3, 10.
HERITAGE—Ps. 16, 6 Isa. 54, 17. Joel 2, 17. 1 Pet 5, 3.
HEW—Jer 2, 13. Hos. 6, 5. Matt. 3, 10 Luke 3, 9
HID—Ps. 119, 11. Matt. 11, 25 2 Cor 4, 3. Col. 2, 3, 3, 3.
HIDDEN—1 Cor. 4, 5 1 Pet 3, 4 Rev. 2, 17.
HIDE—Ps. 17, 8, *h* me under shadow of thy wings; 27, 5, in time of trouble he shall *h*; 30, 7, didst *h* thy face, 31, 20, *h* them in secret of thy, 51, 9, *h.* thy face from my sins, 143, 9, I flee unto thee to *h.* me. Isa. 26, 20, *h.* thyself for a little moment. Jam. 5, 20, *h.* a multitude of sins. Rev 6, 16, *h.* us from the face of him
HIDING PLACE—Ps. 32, 7; 119, 114. Isa. 32, 2. Hab. 3, 4
HIGH—Deu 26, 19, thee *h.* above all nations. 1 Chr. 17, estate of man of *h* degree Job 11, 8, *h* as heaven, what canst. Ps. 49, 2, low and *h.*, rich and poor; 89, 13, *h* is thy right hand; 103, 11, as heaven is *h.* above earth, 138, 6, though the Lord be *h*, yet. Ecc. 12, 5, afraid of that which is *h* Isa. 57, 15, I dwell in *h* and holy place Rom 12, 16, mind not *h.* things 2 Cor 10, 5, every *h.* thing that exalteth Phil 3, 14, for the prize of the *h* calling
MOST HIGH—Nu 24, 16 Ps 47, 2, 83, 18, 92, 8. Acts 7, 48.
ON HIGH—Job 16, 19 Luke 24, 49
HIGHER—Ecc 5, 8 Isa 55, 9 Heb 7, 26
HIGHEST—Ps. 87, 5 Ecc. 5, 8. Luke 1, 35, 2, 14; 6, 35.
HILL-S—Ps 2, 6, 65, 12. Hos 10, 8 Hab 3, 6 Luke 23, 30
HIRE—Isa 23, 18 Jam 5, 4
HIRELING—Job 7, 1. John 10, 12, 13
HITHERTO—1 Sam 7, 12 Job 38, 11 John 16, 24 1 Cor 3, 2
HOLD—Job 17, 9, righteous shall *h.* on his way. Isa 41, 13, I the Lord will *h* thy right hand, 62, 1, I will not *h* my peace Jer 2, 13, cisterns, that can *h* no water Matt. 6, 24, *h* to the one, and despise Rom 1, 18, *h* the truth in unrighteousness 1 Thess. 5, 21, prove all things, *h* fast 2 Tim 1, 13, *h.* fast the form of sound words Heb. 3, 6, *h* fast the confidence, 14, *h* the beginning of our, 4, 14, *h* fast our profession, Rev 2, 25, *h* fast till I come, 3, 3, *h* fast, and repent, 11, *h* fast that which thou hast
HOLDING—Phil 2, 16 Col 2, 19 1 Tim 1, 19, 3, 9 Titus 1, 9
HOLINESS—Ex 15, 11, glorious in *h*, 28, 36, *h* to the Lord, 1 Chr 16, 29, beauty of *h* Ps 30, 4, remembrance of his *h*, 47, 8, God sits on throne of his *h*; 60, 6, God has spoken in his *h*, 89, 35, I have sworn by my *h*, 93, 5, *h* becometh thine house Isa 35, 8, shall be called the way of *h*; 62, 9, drink it in courts of my *h*, 63, 15, habitation of thy *h* Jer 23, 9, Lord, and words of his *h* Zech 14, 20, bells of the horses, *h* Luke 1, 75, in *h* and righteousness before Rom 1, 4, according to Spirit of *h*; 6, 22, fruit unto *h*, and end everlasting 2 Cor 7, 1, perfecting *h* in fear Eph 4, 24, in righteousness and *h* 1 Thess 3, 13, unblameable in *h* before Titus 2, 3, behaviour as becometh *h* Heb 12, 10, partakers of his *h*, 14, *h*, without which no man
HOLY—Lev 11, 45, be *h*, for I am *h* 1 Sam 2, 2, none *h* as the Lord Ps 22, 3, thou art *h*, that inhabitest, 99, 5, his foot-stool, for he is *h*, 145, 17, the Lord is *h* in all his works Isa 6, 3, *h*, *h*, *h*, Lord God of hosts Ezek 22, 26, no difference between *h* and. Matt 7, 6, give not *h* to the dogs Luke 1, 35, that *h* thing born of thee Acts 4, 27, thy *h* child Jesus Rom 7, 12, law is *h*, commandment *h*, 11, 16, firstfruit be *h*, lump also *h*, 12, 1, a living sacrifice, *h* and Eph 1, 4, be *h* and without blame 2 Tim 1, 9, called us with an *h* calling, 3, 15, hast known the *h* scripture 1 Pet 1, 15, *h* in all manner of, 2, 5, *h* priesthood, 9, an *h* nation 2 Pet 1, 21, *h* men of God spake, 3, 11, *h* conversation and godliness Rev 4, 8, *h*, *h*, *h*, Lord God Almighty, 15, 4, for thou only art *h*, 20, 6, and *h* is he that hath part, 22 11, that is *h*, let him be *h* still.
MOST HOLY—Ex 26, 33, the most *h* place Lev 6, 25, most *h* offering; 21, 22, of the most *h* and of the *h.*, 27, 28, thing is most *h* Ezek 43, 12, the whole limit shall be most *h* Dan 9, 24, seventy weeks to anoint most *H* Jude 20, build yourselves on most *h* faith
HOLY GHOST—Matt 3, 11, baptise you with the *H G.*; 12, 31, blasphemy against the *H G* Mark 12, 36, David said by *H G*, 13, 11, not ye that speak, but *H G* Luke 1, 35, *H G* shall come upon thee, 2, 25, *H G* was upon him, 26, revealed unto him by the *H G*, 3, 22, *H G* descended in bodily shape; 12, 10, blasphemeth against *H G*, 12, *H G* shall teach you. John 7, 39, *H G* was not yet given, 14, 26, Comforter, which is *H G*; 20, 22, receive ye *H G* Acts 1, 2, through *H G* had given, 8, after that *H G* is come, 2, 33, promise of *H G*, 38, gift of *H G*, 5, 3, filled thine heart to lie to *H G*, 32, his witnesses, also *H G*, 7, 51, ye do always resist *H G*, 8, 15, might receive *H G*, 18, saw that *H G* was given, 9, 31, walking in comfort of *H G*, 10, 38, anointed Jesus with *H G*, 44, *H G.* fell on all them; 13, 2, *H G* said, separate unto me; 4, being sent forth by *H G*, 15, 28, it seemed good to *H G.*; 16, 6, forbidden of *H G.* to preach; 20, 23, save that *H G* witnesseth; 28, flock over which *H. G.*; 21, 11, saith *H G.*, so shall; 28, 25, well spake *H. G* by Esaias. Rom. 5, 5, love of God shed by *H G*, 9, 1, bearing me witness in *H G.*, 14, 17, peace and joy in *H G*; 15, 13, through power of *H G.*; 16, Gentiles sanctified by *H. G* 1 Cor. 2, 13, words which the *H. G* teacheth; 6, 19, temple of *H. G* in you; 12, 3, say Jesus is L. but by *H G.* 2 Cor. 6, 6, by *H. G*, by love; 13, 14, com-

munion of *H G* 1 Thess. 1, 5, gospel came in *H. G* ; 6, word with joy of *H G* 2 Tim. 1, 14, good thing keep by *H. G* Titus 3, 5, by renewing of *H. G* Heb 2, 4, miracles and gifts of *H G* ; 3, 7, *H G* saith, To-day, if ye will ; made partakers of *H G* , 10, 15, whereof *H. G* is a witness

HOLY SPIRIT—Ps. 51, 11, take not thy *H S.* from me. Isa. 63, 10, rebelled, and vexed his *H S* , 11, where is he that put his *H S.* Luke 11, 13, give *H. S* to them that ask. Eph 1, 13, ye were sealed with *H S.*, 4, 30, grieve not *H. S.* of God. 1 Thess 4, 8, he hath given us his *H S*

HOME—Ps 68, 12. Ecc 12, 5 2 Cor 5, 6.

HONEST—Acts 6, 3, men of *h.* report, full of Holy Ghost Rom. 12, 17, provide things *h.* 2 Cor 8, 21, providing for *h* things, 13, 7, ye should do that which is *h* Phil. 4, 8, whatsoever things are *h.* 1 Pet. 2, 12, having your conversation *h.*

HONEY—Ps 19, 10 Isa. 7, 15. Matt. 3, 4 Rev 10, 9

HONOUR—Ex 20, 12, *h* thy father and mother. 1 Sam 2, 30, them that *h* me I will *h* 1 Chr 29, 12, riches and *h* come of thee. Ps. 7, 5, let the enemy lay mine *h.* in the dust, 8, 5, crowned him with glory and *h* , 26, 8, place where thine *h.* dwelleth, 49, 12, man in *h* abideth not, 20, man in *h.* and understandeth, 149, 9, this *h* have all his saints. Prov 3, 9, *h* the Lord with thy substance, 16, in her left hand riches and *h* , 15, 33, before *h* is humility Isa. 29, 13, with their lips they do *h* me. Mal 1, 6, if I be a father, where is my *h* Matt. 13, 57, a prophet is not without *h* , save, 15, 4. John 5, 23, *h* the Son as they *h.* the Father, 41, I receive not *h.* from men, 12, 26, him will my Father *h* Rom 2, 7, glory, *h* , and immortality, 9, 21, one vessel to *h* and another; 13, 7, give *h* to whom *h* is due 2 Cor 6, 8, *h* and dishonour, by evil report 1 Tim 5, 17, counted worthy of double *h* 2 Tim 2, 20, some to *h* and some to dishonour Heb 5, 4, no man taketh this *h* to himself 1 Pet 1, 7, found unto praise, and *h* , and glory, 2, 17, *h* all men, love the brotherhood.

HOOK—Isa. 2, 4 , 37, 29 Mic 4, 3.

HOPE—Job 8, 13, hypocrite's *h* shall perish. Ps 39, 7, my *h* is in thee, 71, 5, thou art my *h* , 78, 7, might set their *h* in God, 119, 116, not be ashamed of my *h.*, 146, 5, whose *h* is in the Lord Prov 10, 28, *h* of righteous shall be gladness, 11, 7, *h* of unjust men perisheth, 13, 12, *h* deferred maketh heart sick, 14, 32, righteous hath *h* in death, 19, 18, chasten son while *h* is a. 57, 10, sadst there is no *h* Jer 17, 7, blessed the man whose *h* the L. Lam 3, 29, if so be there may be *h* Hos 2, 15, valley of Achor for a door of *h.* Joel 3, 16, Lord will be *h* of his people Zech 9, 12, turn to stronghold, prisoners of *h* Acts 24, 15, and have *h* towards God Rom 5, 4, and experience *h* , 5, *h* maketh not ashamed, 8, 24, saved by *h* , but *h* seen is not *h* , 25, 15, 4, of scriptures might have *h* 1 Cor 9, 10, should be partakers of his *h* , 13, 13, abideth faith, *h* , charity, 15, 19, if in this life only we have *h* Gal 5, 5, wait for the *h* of righteousness Eph 2, 12, having no *h* , and without God Col 1, 23, not moved from *h.* of gospel, 27, Christ in you, *h.* of glory 1 Thess 4, 13, sorrow as others who have no *h.*, 5, 8, an helmet *h* of salvation. 1 Tim 1, 1, of Jesus Christ, who is our *h* Titus 2, 13, looking for blessed *h* , 3, 7, according to the *h* of eternal life Heb 6, 11, full assurance of *h* , 19, *h* we have as an anchor 1 Pet. 1, 3, begotten again to a lively *h* , 21, your faith and *h* might be, 3, 15, a reason of the *h* in you 1 John 3, 3, that hath this *h* in him

MY HOPE—Ps 16, 9 Rom 4, 18, 5, 2 Titus 1, 2

HOPED-EITH—Ps 119, 74, 166 1 Cor 13, 7 Heb 11, 1

HORN-S—Ps 75, 4, lift not up the *h* , 92, 10, *h.* shalt thou exalt like *h* of, 148, 14, exalteth the *h* of his people Hab 3, 4, had *h.* coming out of his Rev 5, 6, a Lamb having seven *h* , 13, 1, beast having ten *h*

HORSE—Ps 32, 9, be not as the *h.* or mule, 33, 17, *h* a vain thing for safety, 147, 10, delighteth not in strength of *h* Jer 8, 6, as *h* rusheth into battle, 12, 5, how canst thou contend with *h* Hos 14, 3, we will not ride upon *h*

HOSPITALITY—Rom 12, 13. 1 Tim 3, 2 Titus 1, 8 1 Pet 4, 9

HOUR—Matt 10, 19, shall be given you the same *h* , 24, 36, day and hour knoweth no man, 25, 13, know neither day nor *h* Luke 12, 12, Holy G teach you the same *h* ; 22, 53, your *h* and the power of darkness. John 2, 4, my *h* is not yet come, 4, 23, but the *h.* cometh, and now, 7, 30, his *h* was not yet come, 12, 27, Father, save me from this *h.* Rev 3, 3, not know what *h* I will come, 10, keep thee from hour of temptation; 18, 10, in one *h* is thy judgment.

HOUSE—Ex 12, 30, not an *h* where one was not dead. Job 30, 23, death, the *h.* appointed for all. Ecc 7, 2, go to the *h.* of mourning, 12, 3, keepers of the *h.* tremble Cant 2, 4, me to the banqueting *h.* Isa. 5, 8, woe to them that join *h.* to *h* , 60, 7, glorify the *h* of my glory ; 64, 11, holy and beautiful *h* Matt 10, 13, if *h* be worthy, let your peace, 12, 25, *h.* divided against itself ; 23, 38, your *h.* is left desolate. Luke 12, 3, proclaimed on the *h* -tops John 14, 2, in my Father's *h.* are many Rom 16, 5, the church in their *h* 2 Cor 5, 1, earthly *h.* be dissolved—*h.* not made with hands, 2, *h.* from heaven. Heb 3, 3, built *h.* hath more honour than *h*

HIS HOUSE—Ps 112, 3, riches shall be in his *h.* John 4, 53, whole *h* believed. Acts 10, 2, feared God with all his *h* ; 16, 34, believing in God with all his *h* Heb 3, 2, Moses faithful in his *h* , 11, 7, an ark to the saving of his *h*

MY HOUSE—Josh. 24, 15 2 Sam. 23, 5. Isa. 56, 7. Acts 16, 15

HOUSES—Job 4, 19, dwell in *h* of clay Ps 49, 11, *h* shall continue for ever Matt. 11, 8, wear soft clothing in kings' *h* , 19, 29, that hath forsaken *h* , 23, 14, that devour widows' *h.* Luke 16, 4, receive me into their *h* 1 Tim 3, 12, ruling their *h* well. 2 Tim 3, 6, creep into *h* and lead Titus 1, 11, who subvert whole *h*

HOUSETOP-S—Matt. 10, 27 , 24, 17. Luke 12, 3 Acts 10, 9.

HUMBLE—Ex 10, 3, wilt thou refuse to *h* thyself 2 Chr 17, 4, people shall *h* themselves , 34, 27, because thou didst *h* thyself. Ps 9, 12, forgetteth not cry of *h* , 34, 2, *h* shall hear of it and be glad, 69, 32, *h* shall see this and be glad Prov 16, 19, of *h.* spirit with the lowly Isa 57, 15, contrite and *h* spirit—spirit of *h.* and. Matt. 18, 4, *h.* himself shall be exalted. 2 Cor 12, 21, God will *h* me among Jam. 4, 6, giveth grace to the *h* , 10, *h* yourselves in sight of Lord 1 Pet. 5, 6, *h* yourselves therefore

HUMBLED—2 Ki 22, 19, *h* thyself before the Lord. Ps 35, 13, I *h* my soul with fasting, 113, 6, Lord *h* himself to behold Isa. 2, 11, lofty looks of man shall be *h* , 5, 15, mighty man shall be *h* , and eyes of lofty shall be *h* , 10, 33, the haughty shall be *h* Lam. 3, 20, my soul is *h.* within me Dan 5, 22, thou hast not *h* thine heart. Phil 2, 8, he *h* himself and became

HUMILITY—Acts 20, 19 Col. 2, 18 1 Pet 5, 5

HUNGER—Prov 19, 15, idle soul shall suffer *h* Isa. 49, 10, shall not *h* nor thirst. Matt 5, 6, blessed are they that *h.* Luke 6, 21, blessed are ye that *h* —woe to you that are full, ye shall *h* John 6, 35, that cometh to me shall never *h* Rom 12, 20, if thine enemy *h* , feed 1 Cor 4, 11, we both *h* and thirst. Rev 7, 16, they shall *h* no more

HUNGRY—Ps 107, 9, he filleth the *h* with good Prov 25, 21, if thine enemy be *h* give Isa 58, 7, to deal thy bread to the *h* , 10, if thou draw out thy soul to the *h* , 65, 13, servants shall eat, but ye shall be *h* Luke 1, 53, he hath filled the *h* with good things Phil 4, 12, how to be full, and how to be *h*

HURT—Ps 15, 4 Ecc 5, 13 Jer 6, 14 Rev 2, 11

HUSBAND-S—Isa 54, 5 Jer 31, 32 1 Cor 7, 14 2 Cor 11, 2 Eph 5, 22, 23, 25 1 Pet 3, 1

HUSBANDMAN—2 Tim 2, 6 Jam 5, 7

HYMN—Matt 26, 30 Eph 5, 19 Col 3, 16

HYPOCRISY—Isa 32, 6 Matt 23, 28 Mark 12, 15 Luke 12, 1

HYPOCRITE—Job 8, 13, the *h* shall perish, 15, 34, congregations of the *h* shall be desolate, 34, 30, that the *h* reign not. Isa 9, 17, every one is a *h* , 33, 14, surprised the *h* Matt 6, 2, as the *h* do, 5, shall not be as the *h* , 16

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IDLE—Prov. 19, 15 Matt 12, 36, 20, 6 Luke 24, 11 1 Tim 5, 13

IDOLS—Ps. 96, 5, the gods of the nations are *i* Isa 2, 8, land full of the *i* they worship Hos 4, 17, Ephraim is joined to *i* Rom 2, 22, thou that abhorrest *i* dost. 2 Cor 6, 16, the temple of God with *i* 1 John 5, 21, keep yourselves from *i* Rev 2, 14, to eat things sacrificed to *i*

IDOLATRY—Acts 17, 16 1 Cor 10, 14 Gal 5, 20 Col 3, 5 1 Pet. 4, 3

IGNORANCE—Acts 3, 17 , 17, 30 Eph 4, 18

IGNORANT—Ps 73, 22 Isa. 63, 16 Heb 5, 2

ILLUMINATED—Heb 10, 32

IMAGE—Ps 73, 20, thou shalt despise their *i* Matt 22, 20, whose is this *i* Rom 8, 29, conformed to the *i* of his Son. 1 Cor 15, 49, borne the *i* of the earthy 2 Cor 3, 18, into same *i* from glory, 4, 4, Christ the *i* of God Heb 1, 3, the express *i* of his person

IMAGINATION-S—Gen 6, 5, every *i* of his heart, 8, 21, *i* of man's heart is evil Deu 29, 19, in the *i.* of my heart, 31, 21, I know their *i* 1 Chr 28, 9, understands all the *i* Jer 3, 17, after *i* of their evil heart. Rom 1, 21, vain in their *i.* 2 Cor 10, 5, casting down *i*

IMMORTAL—1 Tim 1, 17

IMMORTALITY—Rom 2, 7 1 Cor. 15, 53 1 Tim 6, 16 2 Tim 1, 10

IMMUTABLE—Heb 6, 17, 18

IMPENITENT—Rom 2, 5

IMPORTUNITY—Luke 11, 8

IMPOSSIBLE—Luke 1, 37, 17, 1 Heb 6, 4, 18, 11, 6.

IMPUTE—Ps, 32, 2, to whom the L *i* not Rom 4, 6, God *i.* righteousness without works, 8, to whom the L will not *i* sin; 11, righteousness might be *i.*, 22, *i.* to him for righteousness, 5, 13, sin not *i* when no law Jam. 2, 23, *i* to him for righteousness.

INCORRUPTIBLE—1 Cor 9, 25, 15, 52. 1 Pet 1, 4, 23.

INCREASE—Deut. 16, 15, bless thee in all thy *i.* Ps 62, 10, if riches *i* , set not your heart, 67, 6, earth shall yield her *i* , 115, 14, Lord shall *i* you more Prov 1, 5, a wise man will *i* learning, 3, 9, first-fruits of all thy *i* Isa. 9, 7, of *i* of his government no end; 29, 19, meek shall *i.* their joy Luke 17, 5, Lord, *i* our faith. John 3, 30, he must *i.*, but I must decrease. 1 Cor. 3, 6, God gave the *i* Col. 2, 19, whole body with *i* of God

INDIGNATION—Isa. 10, 5, in their hand is my *i* , 26, 20, hide thyself till *i* be overpast. Mic 7, 9, I will bear the *i* of the L. Nah 1, 6, who can stand before his *i.* Rom 2, 8, *i* and wrath, tribulation 2 Cor 7, 11, what *i* , yea, what fear Heb 10, 27, fiery *i.* which shall. Rev 14, 10, poured into cup of his *i*

INEXCUSABLE—Rom 2, 1

INFANT-S—Isa. 65, 29 Hos 13, 16 Luke 18, 15

INFIDEL—2 Cor 6, 15 1 Tim 5, 8

INFINITE—Job 22, 5 Ps 147, 5, 3, 9

INFIRMITY-IES—Prov 18, 14, spirit of man will sustain his *i* Matt 8, 17, himself took our *i* Rom 8, 26, Spirit also helpeth our *i* , 15, 1, ought to bear *i* of the weak 2 Cor 12, 9, glory in my *i* , 10, pleasure in *i* 1 Tim 5, 23, use a little wine for thine *i* Heb 4, 15, with feeling of our *i.*, 5, 2, himself is compassed with *i*

INHABIT—Prov 10, 30 Isa 57, 15

INHERIT—Ps 25, 13, seed shall *i* the earth, 37, 29, righteous shall *i* Prov 3, 35, wise shall *i* glory Matt 5, 5, 25, 34, *i* the kingdom prepared. Mark 10, 17, that I may *i* eternal life 1 Cor 6, 9, unrighteous shall not *i* , 15, 50, flesh and blood cannot *i* kingdom Gal 5, 21, do such things shall not *i* Heb 6, 12, through faith *i* the promises 1 Pet 3, 9, ye should *i* a blessing Rev 21, 7, overcometh shall *i.* all things

INHERITANCE—Nu. 18, 20, I am thine *i.* Deu 4, 21, giveth thee for an *i* Ps 16, 5, L the portion of my *i* , 47, 4, shall choose our *i* for us Ecc 7, 11, wisdom good with an *i* Acts 20, 31, *i* among sanctified Eph 1, 11, in whom we have obtained an *i* , 14, earnest of our *i* till redemption Col 1, 12, partakers of *i* of the saints, 3, 24, receive reward of the *i* Heb 9, 15, promise of eternal *i* 1 Pet 1, 4, to an *i* incorruptible.

INIQUITIES—Ezra 9, 6, our *i* are increased, 13, less than our *i* deserved Job 13, 23, how many are mine *i* Ps 51, 9, blot out all mine *i* , 65, 3, *i* prevail against me, 79, 8, remember not former *i* , 90, 8, hast set our *i* before thee, 103, 3, forgiveth all thine *i* , 10, nor rewarded us after *i* , 130, 3, if thou shouldest mark *i* Prov 5, 22, *i.* shall take wicked Isa. 43, 24, wearied me with *i* , 53, 5, was bruised for our *i* , 11, he shall bear their *i* , 59, 2, your *i.* have separated, 64, 6, our *i* like the wind, 65, 7, your *i* and *i* of your fathers Jer 14, 7, though our *i* testify, 33, 8, will pardon all their *i* Ezek. 28, 18, by multitude of thine *i* , 36, 31, loathe yourselves for your *i* , 33, cleansed you from all your *i.* Dan 4, 27, break off thine *i* , 9, 13, might turn from our *i* Mic 7, 19, will subdue our *i.* Acts 3, 26, turning every one from *i* Rom 4, 7, whose *i.* are forgiven Rev 18, 5, God remembered her *i*

INIQUITY—Ex. 20, 5, visiting *i.* of fathers. Nu 23, 21, not beheld *i* in Jacob 2 Chr 19, 7, no *i* with the Lord Job 4, 8, they that plough *i* , 5, 16, *i* stoppeth her mouth, 11, 6, less than thine *i* deserveth, 15, 16, drinketh *i* like water Ps 32, 5, forgavest the *i* of my sin, 39, 11, when thou dost correct man for *i* , 51, 5, behold I was shapen in *i* , 66, 18, if I regard *i* in my heart, 119, 133, let not *i* have dominion Prov. 22, 8, that soweth *i* shall reap Ecc. 3, 16, place of righteousness, *i* was there Is. 1, 4, a people laden with *i* , 5, 18, woe to them that draw *i* , 40, 2, her *i* is pardoned, 53, 6, Lord laid on him the *i* of us all. Jer 3, 13, only acknowledge thine *i* ; 31, 30, every one shall die for his own *i* , 50, 20, the *i.* of Israel shall be sought Ezek 18, 18, die in his *i.*, 30, so *i* shall not be your ruin Dan. 9, 24, make reconciliation for *i* Hos 14, 2, take away all *i* and receive. Mic 7, 18, who is a God like thee, pardoneth *i* Hab. 1, 13, thou canst not look on *i.* Matt. 7, 23, depart from me, ye that work *i* Acts 8, 23, bond of *i.* 2 Thess 2, 7, mystery of *i* doth already 2 Tim 2, 19, nameth Christ, depart from *i* Titus 2, 14, might redeem us from all *i* Jam. 3, 6, the tongue a world of *i*

INK—2 Cor 3, 3 2 John 12 3 John 13

INNOCENCY—Gen 20, 5 Ps 26, 6, 73, 13 Dan 6, 22 Hos 8, 5

INNUMERABLE—Ps. 40, 12 Heb 11, 12.

INSPIRATION—Job 32, 8 2 Tim 3, 16

INSTANT—Luke 2, 38, 23, 23 Rom 12, 12

INSTRUCT-ED-ING—Neh 9, 20, gavest thy Spirit to *i* Ps 32, 8, I will *i* thee and teach thee. Isa 28, 26, God doth *i* him to discretion. Dan 11 33, that understand shall *i* many 1 Cor 2, 16, the Lord, that he may *i* him. Phil 4, 12, in all things I am *i* 2 Tim. 2, 25, *i.* those that oppose

INSTRUCTION—Ps. 50, 17. Prov. 4, 13, 5, 12; 19, 27; 23, 12. 2 Tim. 3, 16.

INTEGRITY—Job 2, 3, 27, 5 Ps 7, 8, 25, 21. Prov 11, 3

INTERCESSION—Isa. 53, 12 Rom 8, 26, 27, 34 1 Tim 2, 1 Heb 7, 25.

INTERCESSOR—Isa. 59, 16

INTERPRETATION—Gen. 40, 5 Dan 4, 24. 1 Cor 12, 10 2 Pet 1, 20

INTREAT—Ex 8, 8 1 Sam 2, 25 1 Cor 4, 13 1 Tim. 5, 1

INTRUDING—Col 2, 18

INVENTIONS—Ps 99, 8, 106, 29 Prov 8, 12 Ecc 7, 29

INVISIBLE—Rom. 1, 20 Col. 1, 15, 16 1 Tim 1, 17 Heb 11, 27

INWARD—Rom 7, 22 2 Cor 4, 16

IRON—Dan 2, 33 1 Tim 4, 2 Rev 2, 27

ISSUES—Ps. 68, 20 Prov. 4, 23

ITCHING—2 Tim. 4, 3

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JEALOUS—1 Kings 19, 20, very *j* for the Lord Ezek. 39, 25, be *j* for my holy name Joel 2, 18, will the Lord be *j* for his land Nah 1, 2, God is *j* and the L revengeth Zech 1, 14, I am *j* for Jerusalem. 2 Cor 11, 2, *j* over you with godly *j*

JEWELS—Gen 24, 53 Ex. 3, 22 Mal. 3, 17

JOIN—Prov 11, 21. Jer 50, 5 Acts 5, 13, 8, 29, 9, 26

JOINED—Hos 4 17. Zech 2, 11 Matt 19, 6 1 Cor 1, 10, 6, 17

JOINTS—Col. 2, 19 Heb 4, 12

JOY—Neh 8, 10, *j* of the L your strength Ps 16, 11, in thy presence fulness of *j* ; 30, 5, *j.* cometh in the morning, 51, 8, make me to hear *j* and gladness, 12, restore to me *j* of salvation, 126, 5, sow in tears shall reap in *j* ; 137, 6, Jerusalem above my chief *j* Ecc. 9, 7, eat thy bread with *j* Isa 9, 3, not increased the *j* , according to the *j* , 12, 3, with *j* shall we draw water, 35, 10, everlasting *j.*, shall obtain *j* , 61, 3, oil of *j* for mourning, 7, everlasting *j* ; 66, 5, Lord shall appear to your *j* Zeph 3, 17, the Lord will *j* over thee. Matt 13, 20, the word, and anon with *j* , 25, 21, the *j* of thy Lord Luke 15, 7, *j* in heaven over one sinner John 15, 11, that your *j* might, 16, 20, sorrow shall be turned into *j.*; 22, your *j* no man taketh, 17, 13, have my *j* fulfilled Acts 20, 24, finish my course with *j.* Rom. 15, 13, with all *j* in believing Phil 4, 1, my *j* and crown 1 Thess 1, 6, received the word with *j* Heb 12, 2, for the *j* set before him, 13, 17, give account with *j* Jam. 1, 2, count it all *j* when 1 Pet. 1, 8, with *j* unspeakable, 4, 13, glad with exceeding *j* 1 John 1, 4, that your *j* may be full

JOYFUL—Ps. 35, 9, my soul shall be *j* in the Lord, 89, 15, blessed that know the *j* sound Ecc 7, 14, in the day of prosperity be *j* Isa. 56, 7, *j* in my house of prayer; 61, 10, my soul *j* in my God 2 Cor 7, 4, I am exceeding *j* in

JOYING—Col. 2, 5

JUDGE—Gen. 18, 25, shall not the *J* of all the earth Ex 2, 14, who made thee a *j* Deu 22, 36 Judg. 11, 27, Lord the *J* be *j* this day 1 Sam 2, 25, the *j* shall *j* him. Ps 68, 5, Father of the fatherless, *J* of widow, 75, 7, but God is the *J* Isa 33, 22, the Lord is our *j* Luke 12, 14, who made me a *j* Acts 10, 42, *J* of quick and dead 2 Tim 4 8, Lord, the righteous *J* Heb 12, 23, to God, the *J* of all Jam. 5, 19, the *J* standeth before the door

JUDGE—Gen 16, 5, L *j* between me and thee Deu 32, 36, L shall *j* his people Ps 7, 8, Lord shall *j* the people, 96, 14, shall *j* the world Matt 7, 1, *j* not that ye be not judged John 5, 30, as I hear, I *j* , 12, 47, I came not to *j* the world Acts 17, 31 Rom 2, 16, God shall *j* the secrets, 3, 6, how then shall God *j* 1 Cor 6, 3, we shall *j* angels, 11, 31, if we would *j* ourselves, Col 2, 16, let no man *j* you in meat 2 Tim 4, 1, shall *j* the quick and dead 1 Pet 4, 5

JUDGETH—Ps 7, 11, 58, 11 John 5, 2 1 Cor 2, 15, 4, 4

JUDGMENT—Deu 32, 4, all his ways are *j* Ps. 1, 5, ungodly shall not stand in *j* , 9, 16, Lord known by *j* , 101, 1, I will sing of mercy and *j* , 143, 2, enter not into *j* with. Ecc 11, 9, God will bring thee into *j* , 12, 14 Isa 1, 27, Zion shall be redeemed with *j* ; 28, 17, *j* also will I lay to the line, 30, 18, for the Lord is a God of *j* , 42, 1, bring forth *j* to the Gentiles, 53, 8, taken from prison and from *j* , 61, 8, I the Lord love *j* Dan 7, 22, *j* was given to the saints. Matt 5, 21, in danger of the *j* , 12, 20, till he send forth *j* unto victory John 5, 22, Father hath committed all *j* , 27, given authority to execute *j* also, 9, 39, for *j* I am come into this world, 16, 8, he will reprove the world of *j.* Acts 24, 25, he reasoned of *j* Rom 5, 16, *j* came on all men, 14, 10, all stand before the *j* seat. 2 Cor 5, 10 Heb 9, 27, to die, but after this the *j* 1 Pet 4, 17, *j* must begin at the house. Jude 15, to execute *j* upon all

JUDGMENTS—Ps 36, 6, thy *j* a great deep, 119, 75, thy *j* are right, 120, I am afraid of thy *j.* Isa. 26, 8, in the way of thy *j* we waited, 9, when thy *j* are in the earth. Jer 12, 1, let me talk with thee of thy *j.* Rom 11, 33, unsearchable are his *j*

JUST—Deu. 32, 4, God of truth, *j* and right. 2 Sam. 23, 3, ruleth over men must be *j.* Job 4, 17, shall man be more *j* than God;

9, 2, how should man be *j.* with God. Prov. 4, 18, path of the *j.* as shining; 20, 7, a *j.* man walketh in integrity; 21, 15, joy to the *j.* to do judgment; 24, 16, a *j.* man falleth seven times. Ecc. 7, 20, not a *j* man upon earth; 8, 14, *j.* men to whom it happeneth. Isa. 26, 7, way of the *j* uprightness—weigh the path of the *j.* Ezek. 18, 9, he is *j*, he shall surely live. Hab. 2, 4, the *j* shall live by faith. Zech. 9, 9, *j* and having salvation. Matt. 5, 45, rain on the *j.* and unjust. Luke 15, 7, ninety and nine *j* persons. John 5, 30, my judgment is *j.* Acts 7, 52, coming of the *J.* One, 24, 15, resurrection both of *j* and. Rom. 2, 13, not hearers of the law are *j*, 3, 26, might be *j* and the justifier; 7, 12, commandment holy, *j* Phil. 4, 8, whatsoever things are *j.* Heb 12, 23, spirits of *j* men. 1 Pet 3, 18, suffered once, *j* for unjust. 1 John 1, 9, *j* to forgive us our sins. Rev 15, 3, *j* and true are thy ways.

JUSTICE—Gen. 18, 19 Prov 8, 15 Isa. 9, 7 Jer 23, 5 Ezek 49, 9

JUSTIFICATION—Rom 4, 25, 5, 16, 18.

JUSTIFIED—Job 25, 4, how can man be *j.* with God, 32, 2, *j.* himself rather than God. Ps. 51, 4, mightest be *j* when thou, 143, 2, shall no man living be *j* Isa. 43, 9, that they may be *j*, 45, 25, in Lord shall seed of Israel be *j* Matt 11, 19, wisdom is *j*; 12, 37, by thy words thou shalt be *j* Luke 18, 14, *j* rather than the other Acts 13, 39, *j* from all from which ye could not be *j.* by the law Rom 2, 13, doers of the law shall be *j*; 3, 20, no flesh be *j* in his sight, 24, *j* freely by his grace, 28, *j* by faith without deeds, 4, 2, if Abraham were *j.* by works; 5, 1, *j* by faith we have peace; 9, now *j* by his blood, 8, 30, whom he *j* he glorified 1 Cor. 6, 11, *j* in the name of the L. J Gal 2, 16, not *j* by works of the law—*j* by faith; 3, 11, no man is *j* by the law; 24, we might be *j* by faith, 5, 4, *j* by law, are fallen from grace. 1 Tim 3, 16, manifest in flesh, *j* in Spirit. Titus 3, 7, *j.* by his grace Jam. 2, 21, not Abraham *j.* by works, 24; 25

JUSTIFIETH—Isa. 50, 8 Rom 4, 5, 8, 33.

JUSTIFY—Job 9, 20, if I *j* my mouth Isa. 5, 23, *j* the wicked for reward, 53, 11, righteous servant shall *j* Luke 10, 29, he willing to *j* himself, 16, 15, ye are they which *j.* Rom 3, 30, God would *j.* the heathen.

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KEEP—Gen 18, 19, shall *k* the way of the L., 28, 15, I am with thee to *k* thee, 20, if God will be with me, and *k* me Ex. 23, 20, I send an angel to *k* thee. Nu. 6, 24, L. bless thee, and *k* thee Deu. 23, 9, *k* thee from every wicked thing, 29, 9, *k* words of this covenant. 1 Sam 2, 9, he will *k* the feet of his saints 1 Chr 4, 10, wouldest *k* me from evil Ps 17, 8, *k* me as apple of eye, 25, 10, such as *k* his covenant, 89, 28, mercy will I *k* for him, 91, 11, angels to *k* thee in all, 103, 9, neither *k* his anger, 127, 1, except the L *k* city Ecc 5, 1 *k* thy foot when thou goest. Isa. 26, 3, *k* him in perfect peace, 27, 3, I the L. do *k* it, I will *k* it. Jer 3, 12, I will not *k* anger for ever Hos. 12, 6, *k* mercy and judgment. Mal 2, 7, priests' lips *k.* knowledge Luke 11, 28, hear the word of God, and *k* it. John 12, 25, that hateth his life shall *k* it, 14, 23, love me, he will *k* my words, 17, 11, holy Father, *k* through thine, 15, *k* them from the evil. 1 Cor 5, 8, let us *k* the feast. Eph. 4, 3, endeavouring to *k* unity Phil 4, 7, peace of God shall *k* your hearts 1 Tim. 5, 22, of other men's sins *k.* thyself, 6, 20, *k* that committed to thy trust. 2 Tim, 1, 12, able to keep that which, 14, good thing committed to thee, *k.* Jam 1, 27, *k* himself unspotted, 2, 10, *k* the whole law, and yet Jude 21, *k* yourselves in love of God, 24, able to *k* you from falling Rev 1, 3, blessed are they that hear, and *k*, 3, 10, will *k* thee from the hour, 22, 9, of them which *k* the sayings

KEEP COMMANDMENTS—Deu. 6 17, shall *k.* com. Ps 119, 60, I delayed not to *k* thy com Prov 4, 4, *k* my com, live Ecc. 12, 13, fear God, and *k* his com Matt. 19, 17, if thou wilt enter into life, *k* the. John 14, 15, if ye love me, *k* my com 1 John 2, 3, we know him, if we *k* his com

KEEPER-S—Ps 121, 5, the Lord is thy *K* Ecc. 12, 3, when *k* of house tremble. Cant 1, 6, made me *k* of vineyards. Jer. 4, 17, as the *k* of the field Matt. 28, 4, the *k* did shake Acts 5, 23, *k.* standing before doors, 12, 6; 19.

KEEPETH—Ps. 121, 3, that *k.* thee will not slumber; 146, 6, which *k* truth for ever Prov 13, 3, that *k* his mouth *k* his life, 29, 18, that *k.* the law, happy is he. 1 John 5 18, begotten of God *k.* himself. Rev 16, 15, blessed he that *k.* his garments; 22, 7, blessed he that *k* the sayings.

KEEPING—Ex. 34, 7. Ps. 19, 11. Dan. 9, 4 Luke 2, 8. 1 Cor. 7, 19. 1 Pet. 4, 19.

KEPT—Deu. 32, 10, *k.* them as apple of his eye, 33, 9, *k* thy covenant. Josh. 14, 10, L. hath *k.* me alive. 2 Sam. 22, 22, *k.* ways of the L. Ps. 17, 4, *k* from paths of destroyer; 30, 3, hast *k.* me alive. Cant. 1, 6, own vineyard have I not *k.* Matt. 19, 20, have I *k.* from my youth. Luke 2, 19, Mary *k.* all these things. John 17, 6, they have *k.* thy word; 12, those thou gavest me I have *k.* Rom. 16, 25, *k.* secret since the world. 2 Tim. 4, 7, have *k.* the faith. 1 Pet 1, 5, *k* by power of God through. Rev. 3, 8, hast *k.* my word, and not denied.

KEY-S—Isa. 22, 22, *k.* of David will I lay. Matt. 16, 19, *k.* of the kingdom. Luke 11, 52, *k.* of knowledge. Rev. 1, 18, *k* of hell; 3, 7, hath the *k.* of David; 9, 1, *k.* of bottomless pit.

KILL—Ex. 20, 13, thou shalt not *k* Deu. 32, 39, I *k.*, and I make alive. Ecc 3, 3, a time to *k.*, and a time. Matt. 10, 28, fear not them who *k.* the body, but are not able to *k* the soul. Mark 3, 4, lawful to save life or to *k.*; 10, 19, do not *k* Luke 18, 20.

KILLED-ETH—Ps. 44, 22, are we *k* all day long. John 16, 2, whoso *k.* you will think. Acts 3, 15, *k.* the Prince of life. Rom. 8, 36. 2 Cor. 3, 6, the letter *k*, the Spirit, 6, 9, chastened, and not *k.* 1 Thess. 2, 15, *k.* the Lord and their prophets.

KIND—Luke 6, 35. 1 Cor 13, 4 Eph 4, 32

KINDNESS—2 Sam. 16, 17, is this thy *k* to thy friend. Neh. 9, 17, slow to anger, and of great *k.* Ps. 117, 2, his merciful *k* is great; 141, 5, smite me, it shall be a *k* Prov. 31, 26, in her tongue is the law of *k.* Isa. 54, 8, with everlasting *k* will I, 10, my *k.* shall not depart. Joel 2, 13, God of great *k.* Col. 3, 12, put on bowels of mercies, *k.* 2 Pet. 1, 7, add to godliness, brotherly *k.*, to *k.* charity.

KINDLED—Ps. 2, 12. Isa. 50, 11 Hos. 11, 8. Luke 12, 49.

KING—Job 18, 14, bring him to *k* of terrors, 34, 18, to say to a *k.*, thou art wicked Ps 10, 16, L. is *K.* for ever, 24, 7, *K* of glory shall come in; 47, 7, God is *K* of all the earth. Isa. 32, 1, *K* shall reign in righteousness; 33, 22, L. is our lawgiver, our *K*; 43, 15, Creator of Israel, your *K.* Jer 10, 10, true God and everlasting *K*, 23, 5, a *K.* shall reign and prosper. Hos. 3, 5, seek the L., and David their *k* Zech 9, 9, rejoice, O Zion, thy *K* cometh Matt. 25, 34, then shall the *K* say. Luke 23, 2, that he himself is Christ a *K.* John 6, 15, take by force, to make him a *k*, 19, 14, Pilate saith, Behold your *K.*, 15, we have no *k* but Cæsar. 1 Tim. 1, 17, to *K* eternal, 6, 15, *K.* of kings. 1 Pet 2, 17, fear God, honour the *k* Rev 15, 3, true are thy ways, thou *K.*; 17, 14; 19, 16

KINGS—Ps. 102, 15, *k.* of the earth fear, 149, 8, bind their *k* with chains. Prov 8, 15, by me *k.* reign Hos. 8, 4, have set up *k.*, but not. Matt. 11, 8, soft clothing are in *k.* houses. Luke 22, 25, *k* of the Gentiles exercise. 1 Cor. 4, 8, ye have reigned as *k.* 1 Tim. 2, 2, for *k* and all in authority Rev. 1, 6, made us *k* and priests; 16, 12, way of the *k.* of the east; 17, 10; 21, 24.

KINGDOM—Ex. 19, 6, be unto me a *k* of priests. 1 Chr. 29, 11, thine is the *k.* Ps 22, 28, the *k* is the Lord's, and he. Dan. 2, 44, in last days God shall set up a *k*; 4, 17, God ruleth in the *k.* of men; 7, 27, whose *k.* is an everlasting *k* Matt. 6, 13, 12, 25, every *k.* divided against itself; 13, 19, heareth the word of the *k.*, 38, good seed are children of the *k*; 25, 34, inherit the *k.* prepared for. Luke 12, 32, Father's pleasure to give you the *k*, 19, 12, to receive for himself a *k*; 22, 29, I appoint unto you a *k.* John 18, 36, my *k.* is not of this world. 1 Cor 15, 24, delivered up the *k.* to God. Col 1, 13, translated us into the *k.* 2 Tim. 4, 18, preserve me unto his heavenly *k.* Heb 12, 28, receiving a *k* which cannot. Jam. 2, 5, heirs of the *k* 2 Pet. 1, 11, everlasting *k* of our L Rev 1, 9, *k.* and patience of Jesus, 11, 15, *k* of this world become the *k*

KINGDOM OF GOD—Matt. 6, 33, the *k* of God. John 3, 3, cannot see the *k* of God. Rom. 14, 17, *k.* of God not meat and drink. 1 Cor 4, 20, *k.* of God not in word; 6, 9, unrighteous shall not inherit *k* of God, 15, 50 flesh and blood cannot inherit *k* of God Eph. 5, 5, inheritance in *k.* of God 2 Thess 1, 5, counted worthy of *k* of God. Rev 12, 10, now is come *k.* of our God

KINGDOM OF HEAVEN—Matt. 3, 2, *k* of heaven at hand; 4, 17; 5, 19, least in *k* of heaven, 20, enter into *k.* of heaven; 10, 7, 11, 12, *k.* of heaven suffereth violence, 18, 1, greatest in *k* of heaven; 19, 14, of such is *k* of heaven; 23, 13, shut up *k* of heaven

KISS—Ps. 2, 12, *k* the Son, lest he be angry; 85, 10, righteousness and peace *k.* Luke 7, 45, gavest me no *k.*, 22, 48, betrayest thou with a *k.* Rom. 16, 16, with an holy *k* 1 Pet. 5, 14, with a *k.* of charity.

KNEE—Isa. 35, 3, 45, 23. Heb. 12, 12

KNEW—Deu. 34, 10. Matt. 7, 23. Rom. 1, 21 2 Cor 5, 21.

KNIT—1 Sam 18, 1 Col. 2, 2, 19.

KNOCK—Matt. 7, 7. Rev. 3, 20.

KNOW—1 Sam 3, 7, Samuel did not *k.* the L 1 Ki. 8, 38, every man shall *k.* the plague of 1 Chr 28, 9, *k.* thou the God of thy father Job 5, 27, *k.* thou it for thy good; 8, 9, of yesterday, and *k.* nothing. Ps 4, 3, *k* that the Lord hath set apart; 9, 10, *k* thy name will put trust; 39, 4, make me to *k* mine end; 46, 10, *k* that I am God; 73, 16, when I thought to *k.* this, it was, 89, 15, that *k* the joyful sound, 139, 23, *k.* my heart, *k* my thoughts Ecc. 11, 9, *k.* thou that for all these things. Isa. 58 2, they delight to *k* my ways. Jer. 17, 9, heart is deceitful, who can *k*, it; 24, 7, I will give them an heart to *k.* me; 31, 34, *k* the Lord, for they shall all *k.* me. Matt. 7, 11, *k.* how to give gifts, 13, 11, to *k.* the mysteries. John 7, 17, he shall *k.* of the doctrine; 10, 4, sheep follow, for they *k.* his voice; 14, I *k.* my sheep, and am known; 13, 17, if ye *k.* these things, happy. Acts 1, 7, not for you to *k.* the times. Rom. 10, 19, did not Israel *k.* 1 Cor 2, 14, neither can he *k.* them; 8, 2, knoweth nothing as he ought to *k.* Eph. 3, 19, to *k* the love of Christ. Titus 1, 16, they profess that they *k.* God.

I KNOW—Gen. 18, 19, I *k.* him, that he will com.; 22, 12, I *k.* that thou fearest God. Job 19, 25, I *k.* that my Redeemer liveth. Jer 10, 23, I *k* that the way of man, 29, 11, I *k.* the thoughts that I think. Matt. 25, 12, I *k* you not. John 13, 18, I *k.* whom I have chosen. Rom 7, 18, I *k.* that in me dwelleth no good. 1 Cor. 4, 4, I *k.* nothing by myself; 13, 12, I *k* in part. Phil. 4, 12, I *k.* how to be abased. 2 Tim. 1, 12, I *k* whom I have believed. 1 John 2, 4, he that saith, I *k.* him, and. Rev 2, 2, I *k.* thy works.

WE KNOW—Hos. 6, 3. 1 Cor. 2, 12.

KNOWETH-EST—Ps. 94, 11, *k* the thoughts of man, 103, 14, he *k.* our frame; 138, 6, proud he *k.* afar off, 139, 14, my soul *k.* right well. Isa. 1, 3, ox *k.* his owner. Jer. 8, 7, stork *k.* her appointed times; 9, 24, he understandeth and *k.* me. Matt. 6, 8, *k.* what things ye need; 24, 36, of that day and hour *k* no man John 16, 30, thou *k.* all things; 21, 17, *k* all things—*k* that I love thee 2 Tim 2, 19, *k* them that are his. Jam. 4, 17, *k* to do good, and doeth it not. 2 Pet. 2, 9, L. *k* how to deliver Rev. 2, 17, which no man *k* saving he that.

KNOWLEDGE—1 Sam. 2, 3, Lord is a God of *k.* 2 Chr. 1, 10, give me wisdom and *k.* Ps. 19, 2, night unto night sheweth *k*, 73, 11, *k.* in the Most High; 94, 10, he that teacheth man *k.*; 139, 6, such *k.* is too wonderful. Prov. 19, 2, soul be without *k.* not good. Ecc. 9, 10, nor device nor *k* in the grave. Isa 28, 9, whom shall he teach *k*, 53, 11, by his *k.* shall my righteous servant. Jer 3, 15, shall feed you with *k* Dan. 12, 4, run to and fro, and *k* Hos. 4, 6, destroyed for lack of *k.* Hab. 2, 14, filled with *k.* of the Lord. Mal. 2, 7, priest's lips should keep *k* Rom 2, 20, hast the form of *k*, 3, 20, by the law is the *k.* of sin; 10, 2, of God, but not according to *k.* 1 Cor. 8, 1, all have *k.*—*k* puffeth up. Eph. 3, 19, love of Christ passeth *k* Phil. 3, 8, for the excellency of the *k.* Col. 2, 3, treasures of wisdom and *k*, 3, 10, renewed in *k* after the image of him 2 Pet. 1, 5, 6, add to virtue *k*, to *k.*, 3, 18, grow in grace and in *k.*

KNOWN—Ps 9, 16, the Lord is *k* by the; 67, 2, thy way may be *k* upon. Isa. 45, 4, thou hast not *k.* me Matt 10, 26, hid that shall not be *k* Luke 19, 42, if thou hadst *k* in this. Acts 15, 18, *k* unto God are all his Rom 7, 7, I had not *k* sin but by the 1 Cor 8, 3, same is *k* of Gal. 4, 9, *k* G, or rather are *k* of 2 Tim 3, 15, from a child *k* the holy Rev 2, 24, not *k.* the depths of Satan

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LABOUR—Ps. 90, 10, their strength *l* and sorrow, 104, 23, man goeth to his *l* until evening Prov 14, 23, in all *l* there is profit. Ecc. 1, 8, all things are full of *l*, 4, 8, yet there is no end of his *l* Isa. 55, 2, *l* for that which satisfieth not Hab 3, 17, *l* of the olive shall fail 1 Cor 15, 58, your *l* is not in vain 1 Thess 1, 3, work of faith, and *l* of love. Heb 6, 10, to forget your *l* of love.

LABOUR-ED—Job 9, 29, why *l* I in vain. Isa 47, 15, with whom thou hast *l* Matt. 11, 28, come, all ye that *l* John 4, 38, other men *l.* 1 Cor. 15, 10, *l.* more abundantly Eph 4, 28, *l.*, working with hands Col. 1, 29, whereunto I also *l* Rev. 2, 3, for my name's sake *l.*

LABOURER-S—Matt. 9, 37; 20, 1. Luke 10, 7 1 Cor. 3, 9

LABOURETH-ING—Prov. 16, 26. Col. 4, 12.

LACK—Hos. 4, 6. Matt. 19, 20 Jam. 1, 5.

LADEN—Isa. 1, 4. Matt. 11, 28

LAID—Ps 89, 19, I *l.* help on one mighty. Isa. 53, 6, Lord *l.* on him iniquity of. Matt 3, 10, ax is *l.* unto the root. 1 Cor. 3, 10, I have *l* foundation. Col. 1, 5, hope *l.* up for you in heaven. 2 Tim. 4, 8, *l.* up for me a crown of.

LAMB—2 Sam. 12, 3, save one little ewe *l.* Isa. 11, 6, wolf shall dwell with the *l.*; 53, 7, brought as a *l.* to slaughter. John 1, 29, behold the *L.* of God. 1 Pet. 1, 19, of a *l.* without blemish. Rev. 5, 12, worthy the *L* that was slain; 6, 16, hide us from the wrath of the *L*; 7, 14, in the blood of the *L.*, 17, *L* in the midst of the throne; 13, 8, *L.* slain from the foundation.

LAME—Job 29, 15. Isa. 35, 6. Heb. 12, 13.

LAMP—2 Sam. 22, 29, thou art my *l.*, O Lord. Ps 119, 105, thy word a *l.* unto my feet; 132, 17, I have ordained a *l.* for mine. Prov. 6, 23, command, is *l.*, and the law; 13, 9, *l* of the wicked shall be put out. Isa. 62, 1, salvation thereof as a *l.* that.

LANDMARK—Deu. 19, 14, 27, 17. Prov. 22, 28.

LANGUAGE—Gen. 11, 1. Ps. 81, 5. Isa. 19, 18. Zeph. 3 9

LANGUISH-ETH—Ps. 41, 3. Isa. 24 4.

LASCIVIOUSNESS—Eph. 4, 19. 1 Pet. 4, 3. Jude 4.

LAST—Luke 11, 26. 2 Tim. 3, 1. 1 Pet. 1, 5. Jude 18.

LATTER—Job 19, 25. Hagg. 2, 9. 1 Tim. 4, 1.

LAUGH—2 Chr. 30, 10, they *l.* them to scorn. Ps. 2, 4, sitteth in the heavens shall *l.*; 37, 13, L. shall *l.* at him. Prov. 1, 26, I will *l.* at your calamity. Luke 6, 21, blessed ye that weep, for ye shall *l.*; 25, woe to you that *l.* now.

LAUGHTER—Prov 14, 13. Ecc. 2, 2 Jam. 4, 9.

LAW—Deu. 33, 2, from his right hand fiery *l.* Job 22, 22, receive the *l.* from his mouth. Ps. 1, 2, in his *l* doth he meditate; 19, 7, the *l.* of the Lord is perfect. Prov. 6, 23, and the *l.* is light; 7, 2, keep my *l.* as apple of thine eye; 29, 18, keepeth the *l.* happy is he. Isa. 2, 3, out of Zion shall go forth *l*; 8, 20, to the *l* and to the testimony, 42, 21, magnify the *l.* and make it; 51, 7, people in whose heart is my *l.* Jer 31, 33, I will put my *l.* in their inward. Mal. 2, 7, should they seek the *l* at his mouth. Luke 16, 16, *l.* and prophets till John. John 1, 17, *l.* was given by Moses. Acts 13, 39, not justified by the *l.* of Moses. Rom. 2, 12, without *l* shall perish without *l*; 13, not hearers of *l.*, but doers; 14, having not the *l.* are a *l* unto; 3, 20, by deeds of *l.* no flesh shall—by *l.* is knowledge of sin, 21, do we then make void the *l.*; 4, 15, *l.* worketh wrath, for there no *l.*, 5, 13, sin not imputed where no *l.*, 7, 7, had not known sin but by the *l.*; 9, without *l* sin was dead, 9, alive without the *l* once, 12, *l* is holy, just, and good; 14, *l* spiritual, 22, I delight in the *l.* of God; 8, 2, *l.* of the Spirit of life; 10, 4, Christ the end of the *l.*; 5, righteousness of the *l* Gal. 2, 16, not justified by works of *l.*; 19, through the *l.* am dead to the *l*; 3, 12, *l.* not of faith, but, 13, redeemed from curse of *l.* 1 Tim. 1, 8, *l.* good if a man use it lawfully; 9, *l* not made for a righteous man. Heb 7, 19, *l.* made nothing perfect. Jam 1, 25, perfect *l.* of liberty, 2, 8, royal *l.* according to scripture. 1 John 3, 4, for sin is transgression of *l.*

THE LAW—Neh 9, 26, cast *t l.* behind their backs. Ps. 40, 8, *t l.* is within my heart; 94, 12, teachest him out of *t. l*; 119, 18, wondrous things out of *t. l*, 70, I delight in *t l.*; 97, how I love *t l.*; 109, not forget *t l.*

LAWFUL—Ezek 18, 5 1 Cor. 6, 12

LAWGIVER—Gen. 49, 10. Ps. 60, 7; 108, 8. Isa. 33, 22 Jam. 4, 12.

LAWLESS—1 Tim 1, 9

LAWS—Esth. 3, 18 Isa. 24, 5 Ezek. 44, 24. Dan 9, 10. Heb. 8, 10; 10, 16

LAY—Ecc 7, 2, living will *l.* it to heart. Isa. 28, 16, *l.* in Zion a tried stone. Mal. 2, 2, will not *l* it to heart. Matt. 6, 20, *l* up for yourselves treasures. John 10, 15, *l.* down my life Rom 8, 33, *l* anything to charge of God's elect. 1 Tim 5, 22, *l.* hands suddenly, 6, 12, *l* hold on eternal life Heb 6, 18, *l* hold on hope set before, 12, 1, *l.* aside every weight.

LAYETH-ING—Job 21, 19, God *l* up his iniquity Isa. 56, 2, blessed is the man that *l* hold, 57, 1, no man *l* it to heart. Jer 12, 11, man *l.* it to heart. 1 Tim 6, 19, *l* in store a good. Heb. 6, 1, not *l.* again the foundation 1 Pet. 2, 1

LEAD—Ps. 5, 8, *l.* me in thy righteousness; 25, 5, *l.* me in thy truth; 27, 11, *l.* me in a plain path; 61, 2, *l* me to the Rock, 139, 24, *l.* me in the way everlasting; 143, 10, *l.* me to the land of uprightness. Isa 11, 6, a little child shall *l.* them, 40, 11, gently *l* those with young Matt. 15, 14, if the blind *l.* the blind. Luke 13, 15, *l.* him to watering. Rev 7, 17, *l.* to living fountains.

LEADETH—Ps. 23, 2, *l.* me beside still waters. Isa. 48, 17, thy God which *l.* thee. Matt 7, 13, gate that *l* to destruction, 14, way that *l.* unto life. John 10, 3, his sheep and *l* them. Rom 2, 4, goodness of God *l.* thee to. Rev. 13, 10, *l.* into captivity.

LEAF—Ps. 1, 3. Isa. 1, 30. Ezek. 47, 12

LEAN—Prov. 3, 5. Mic 3, 11. John 13, 23.

LEAP—Ps. 68, 16. Isa. 35, 6 Luke 6, 23.

LEARN—Ps. 119, 71, I might *l.* thy statutes. Prov. 22, 25, lest thou *l* his ways. Isa. 1, 17, *l.* to do well; 26, 10, will not *l* righteousness. Jer. 10, 2, *l* not way of the heathen. Matt. 9, 13, *l* what that meaneth; 11, 29, *l* of me, for I am meek. 1 Tim. 2, 11, let woman *l* in silence. Rev. 14, 3, no man could *l* that song.

LEARNED—Ps 106, 35, they *l.* their works. Isa. 50, 4, given me the tongue of the *l.* John 6, 45, hath *l.* of the Father cometh. Acts 7. 22, Moses was *l.* in all the wisdom. Eph. 4, 20, have not so *l.* Christ. Phil. 4, 11, have *l.* in whatsoever state. Heb. 5, 8, yet *l.* he obedience by the.

LEARNING—Prov. 1, 5; 9, 9. Acts 26, 24. Rom. 15, 4. 2 Tim. 3, 7.

LEAST—Jer. 31, 34. Matt. 11, 11. Luke 16, 10. 1 Cor. 15, 9. Eph. 3, 8.

LEAVE—Ps. 16, 10, not *l.* my soul in hell; 27, 9, *l.* me not, neither forsake. Matt. 5, 24, *l.* thy gift; 23, 38, not *l.* the other undone. John 14, 18, not *l.* you comfortless; 27, peace I *l.* with you. Heb. 13, 5, never *l.* nor forsake thee.

LEAVEN-ETH—Matt. 13, 33; 16, 6. 1 Cor. 5, 7; 8, 6. Gal. 5, 9.

LEES—Isa. 25, 6. Jer. 48, 11. Zeph. 1. 12.

LEND—Deu. 15, 6. Luke 6, 35; 11, 5.
LESS—Mark 4, 31. Eph. 3, 8. Heb. 7, 7.
LETTER—Rom 7, 6. 2 Cor. 3, 6. Gal. 6, 11.
LETTEST—Luke 2, 29. 2 Thess. 2, 7.
LIAR—John 8, 44. Rom. 3, 4. John 1, 10; 2, 4; 5, 10.
LIBERAL—Isa. 32, 8. 2 Cor. 9, 13. Jam. 1, 5.
LIBERTY—Isa. 61, 1, to proclaim *l.* to captives. Luke 4, 18, set at *l* them that are bruised. Rom. 8, 21, glorious *l.* of the children of God. 2 Cor 3, 17, where Spirit of L. is, there is *l.* Gal. 5, 1, stand fast in the *l.* wherewith; 13, called to *l.*, use not *l.* for. Jam. 1, 25, the law of *l.* 1 Pet. 2, 16, not using your *l.* for. 2 Pet. 2, 19.
LIE—Nu. 23, 19, God not man that he should *l.* Isa. 63, 8, children that will not *l.* Hab. 2, 3, it shall speak and not *l.* Col. 3, 9, *l.* not one to another. 2 Thess. 2, 11, that they should believe a *l.* Tit. 1, 2, God that cannot *l.* promised. Heb. 6, 18, impossible for God to *l.* Rev. 22, 15, loveth and maketh a *l*
LIFE—Deu 30, 15, set before thee *l* and good. 1 Sam. 25, 29, bound in bundle of *l.* Job 10, 12, granted *l.* and favour. Ps. 16, 11, wilt shew me the path of *l.*; 21, 4, he asked *l.* of thee, 30, 5, in his favour is *l*; 36, 9, with thee the fountain of *l.*; 63, 3, lovingkindness better than *l.*; 91, 16, with long *l.* will I satisfy. Prov. 8, 35, whoso findeth me findeth *l.*; 15, 24, way of *l* above to the wise; 18, 21, death and *l.* are in the power of. Matt. 6, 25, no thought for your *l.* Luke 12, 15, man's *l* consisteth not. John 1, 4, in him was *l.*, and the *l*; 3, 36, believeth on Son hath everlasting *l*; 5, 40, that they might have *l.*; 6, 35, I am bread of *l*; 53, his blood, ye have no *l*; 8, 12, shall have light of *l*; 10, 10, they might have *l*, 11, 25, the resurrection and the *l.*; 14, 6, way, the truth, and the *l* Rom 5, 17, reign in *l.* by Jesus, 8, 2, law of the Spirit of *l.*, 6, to be spiritually minded is *l* 2 Cor 2, 16, savour of *l* unto *l*, 3, 6, letter killeth, Spirit giveth *l*, 4, 10, *l.* of Jesus might be manifested; 5, 4, mortality might be swallowed up of *l.* Gal 2, 20, *l* I now live in the flesh. Eph 4, 18, alienated from *l.* of God. Col. 3, 3, your *l.* hid with Christ; 4, Christ who is our *l* 1 Tim 4, 8, godliness hath promise of *l.* 2 Tim 1, 10, brought *l* and immortality 2 Pet. 1, 3, pertain to *l.* and godliness. 1 John 5, 12, hath the Son hath *l*
HIS LIFE—Matt. 10, 39, he that findeth his *l.* John 15, 13, a man lay down his *l.* Acts 8, 33, his *l* taken from earth, 20, 10, his *l* is in him Rom. 5, 10, shall be saved by his *l* Phil. 2, 30, not regarding his *l.* 1 John 3, 16, laid down his *l.* for us.
MY LIFE - John 10, 15; 13, 37 Acts 20, 24.
THY LIFE—Luke 16, 25. John 13, 38.
LIFT—Ps. 4, 6, *l.* up light of thy countenance, 24, 7, *l* up your heads, O ye gates, 110, 7, *l* up his head; 121, 1, I will *l* up mine eyes. Isa. 42, 2, not cry nor *l.* up his voice Lam. 3, 41, let us *l* up our hearts Luke 21, 28, and *l.* up your heads. Heb. 12, 12, & up hands which hang. Jam. 4, 10, and he shall *l* you up
LIFTED—Isa. 26, 11. Hab 2, 4. John 3, 14, 8, 28; 12, 32. Acts 4, 24. Rev. 10, 5
LIGHT-LY—1 Sam 18, 23 Isa. 49, 6 Matt 11, 30, *22*, 5. 2 Cor 4, 17.
LIGHT—Ps 4, 6, *l.* of thy countenance upon; 36, 9, in thy *l* shall we see *l*, 43, 3, send out thy *l* and thy truth, 97, 11, *l.* sown for the righteous; 104, 2, coverest thyself with *l*; 112, 4, to the upright ariseth *l*, 119, 105, thy word *l.* to my path; 139, 12, darkness and *l* are both alike. Prov. 4, 18, path of the just as the shining *l.*; 13, 9, *l.* of the righteous rejoiceth Ecc. 11, 7, *l* is sweet. Isa 5, 20, darkness for *l.* and *l* for darkness, 30, *l* is darkened; 8, 20, because there is no *l* in them; 9, 2, in darkness have seen a great *l*; 30, 26, *l* of moon as *l.* of sun, and *l* of sun as *l* of; 42, 6, give thee for *l* of Gentiles, 45, 7, I form *l.* and create darkness; 50, 10, in darkness, and hath no *l.*, 58, 8, *l.* break forth as morning, 60, 1, arise, shine, thy *l.* is come. Zech. 14, 6, the *l* shall not be clear; 7, at evening time it shall be *l* Matt. 5, 14, ye are the *l* of the world; 5, 16, let your *l.* so shine, 6, 22, *l.* of the body is the eye. Luke 2, 32, *l* to lighten the Gentiles; 16, 8, wiser than the children of *l* John 1, 4, life was the *l.* of men; 3, 19, loved darkness rather than *l*, 20, hateth *l.*, neither cometh to the *l.*, 21, doeth truth cometh to the *l.*; 5, 35, a burning and a shining *l*, 8, 12, I am the *l.* of the world—the *l.* of life; 12, 35, a little while is *l.* with you. Acts 13, 47, I have set thee to be a *l*; 26, 18, from darkness to *l.* Rom. 13, 12, put on the armour of *l.* 2 Cor. 4, 4, lest the *l.* of the gospel; 6, 14, what communion hath *l.* Eph 5, 8, *l.* in the Lord, walk as children of *l.*; 14, Christ shall give thee *l.* 1 Thess. 5, 5, all children of the *l.* 1 Pet. 2, 9, called you into his marvellous *l.* 1 John 1, 5, God is *l*, and in him is no. Rev. 21, 23, Lamb is the *l* thereof.
LIKE—1 Cor. 16, 13. Heb. 2, 17. Phil. 2, 2. 1 John 3, 2. Rev. 1, 13.
LIKENESS—Gen. 1, 26. Ps. 17, 15. Isa. 40, 18. Rom. 6, 5; 8, 3. Phil. 2, 7.
LINE—Isa. 28, 10, 13, 17. 2 Cor. 10, 16
LINEN—Rev. 15, 6; 18, 16; 19, 8.
LION—Prov. 22, 13, there is a *l.* in the way; 28, 1, the righteous are bold as a *l.* Isa. 11, 6, the calf and the young *l.*; 35, 9, no *l.* shall be there. 2 Tim. 4, 17, delivered out of the mouth of the *l.* 1 Pet. 5, 8, the devil as a roaring *l.* goeth about. Rev. 5, 5, the *L.* of the tribe of Judah.
LIPS—Ps. 51, 15, open thou my *l.*, and my mouth; 63, 3, my *l.* shall praise thee. Isa. 6, 5, man of unclean *l.*, people of unclean *l.*; 57, 19, create fruit of the *l.* Hos. 14, 2, the calves of our *l.* Mal. 2, 7, priest's *l.* should keep knowledge. Heb. 13, 15.
LITTLE—Ps. 2, 12, when his wrath is kindled but a *l.*; 8, 5, a *l.* lower than the angels, 37, 16, a *l.* that a righteous man hath. Prov. 6, 10, a *l.* sleep, a *l.* slumber; 15, 16, better is a *l.* with fear. Isa. 28, 10, here a *l.* there a *l*; 54, 8, in a *l.* wrath I hid my face. Luke 12, 32, fear not, *l.* flock, it is your 1 Tim 4, 8, bodily exercise profiteth *l.* Heb. 2, 7 Rev. 3, 8, thou hast a *l.* strength.
LIVE—Lev. 18, 5, which if a man do he shall *l.* Deu. 8, 3; 32, 40, *l.* for ever. Job 14, 14, if a man die shall he *l.* again Ps. 63, 4, will I bless thee while I *l.*; 118, 17, I shall not die, but *l.* Isa. 38, 16, by these things men *l*; 55, 3, hear, and your soul shall *l.* Ezek. 18, 32, turn yourselves, and *l.* Hab. 2, 4, the just shall *l.* by faith Matt. 4, 4, man shall not *l* by bread. John 14, 19, because I *l.* ye shall *l.* also. Acts 17, 28, in him we *l.* and move. Rom 1, 17; 8, 13, if ye *l.* after the flesh; 14, 8, whether we *l.* we *l.* unto. 2 Cor. 5, 15, who *l* should not *l.* to themselves; 6, 9, as dying, and behold we *l* Gal 2, 20, I *l.*, yet not I, but Christ *l.* in me, 5, 25, if we *l* in the Spirit Phil. 1, 21, to me to *l.* is Christ 2 Tim 3, 12, all that will *l* godly. Titus 2, 12, should *l* soberly 1 Pet. 2, 24, should *l* to righteousness. 1 John 4, 9, that we might *l* through him. Rev. 20, 4, they *l.* and reigned with Christ.
LIVETH—Job 19, 25. Rom 6, 10, in that he *l* he *l* unto God; 14, 7, none *l* to himself or dieth. 1 Tim. 5, 6, *l* in pleasure is dead while she *l.* Heb. 7, 25, ever *l* to make intercession Rev. 1, 18, he that *l* and was dead, 3, 1, a name that thou *l.* and art dead.
LIVELY—Acts 7, 38. 1 Pet. 1, 3, 2, 5
LIVING—Ecc. 7, 2, the *l* will lay it to heart. Isa. 38, 19, the *l.* the *l* shall praise thee. Jer 2, 13, the fountain of *l.* waters. Matt. 22, 32, not God of dead, but of *l* John 4, 10, given thee *l.* water Rom. 12, 1, present your bodies a *l.* sacrifice, 14, 9, L both of the dead and *l.* 1 Cor 15, 45, first Adam was made a *l* soul. Heb 10, 20, a new and *l* way 1 Pet. 2, 4, coming as unto a *l* stone. Rev 7, 17, lead them to *l.* fountains.
LOFTY—Isa. 2, 11; 57, 15.
LOINS—Ex. 12, 11. Luke 12, 35 Eph 6, 14 1 Pet. 1, 13.
LONG-SUFFERING—Nu. 14, 18, the Lord is *l.* Rom. 9, 22, endured with much *l* 1 Tim. 1, 16, might shew all *l.* 2 Tim 4, 2, exhort with all *l* 1 Pet 3, 20, once the *l* of God. 2 Pet. 3, 9, *l* to us-ward; 15, *l.* of Lord is salvation
LOOK—Isa. 45, 22, *l* unto me, and be ye saved, 66, 2, to this man will I *l* Mic. 7, 7, I will *l* to the Lord Luke 7, 19, do we *l.* for another 2 Cor 4, 18, we *l.* at things which are. Phil. 2, 4, *l* not every man on his own; 3, 20, whence we *l* for the Saviour. Heb 9, 28, to them that *l* for him. 1 Pet. 1, 12, angels desire to *l* into. 2 Pet. 3, 14, seeing ye *l.* for such things.
LOOKED—Gen 29, 32, the Lord *l* on my affliction. Ps 34, 5, they *l.* to him and were Isa. 5, 7, he *l* for judgment, but, 64, 3, terrible things we *l* not for Jer 8 15, we *l* for peace. Obad 13, shouldest not have *l.* on affliction Hagg 1, 9, ye *l* for much, and lo Luke 2, 38, *l.* for redemption in Jerusalem. Heb 11, 10, *l* for a city which hath foundations. 1 John 1, 1, that which we have *l.* upon.
LOOKETH—1 Sam 16, 7 Ps. 33, 13 Matt. 24, 50. Jam 1, 25
LOOKING—Isa. 38, 14, mine eyes fail with *l.* Luke 9, 62, no man *l.* back is fit for Titus 2, 13, *l* for that blessed hope. Heb 10, 27, a certain fearful *l.* for of; 12, 2, *l.* to Jesus, the Author and; 15, *l* diligently, lest any. 2 Pet 3, 12, *l.* for and hasting to. Jude 21, *l.* for mercy of Jesus C
LOOSE-ED-ETH—Ps. 102, 20, *l.* appointed to; 146, 7, L. *l* prisoners. Ecc. 12, 6, silver cord be *l.* Isa 58, 6, *l.* bands of wickedness. Matt. 16, 19, *l.* on earth, *l.* in. Acts 2, 24, *l* pains of death.
LORD—Ex 34, 6, *L.* God merciful and gracious. Deu. 4, 35, *L.* is God; 6, 4, *L.* our God is one *L.*; 10, 17, *L.* of lords. Neh. 9, 6, art *L.* alone Ps. 118, 27, God is the *L.* Zech 14, 9, one *L.* and his name one. Mark 2, 28, Son of man *L.* of sabbath. Acts 2, 36, God hath made him *L.* and Christ. Rom. 10, 12, same *L.* over all; 14, 9, *L.* both of dead and living. 1 Cor. 2, 8, have crucified *L.* of glory; 8, 6, and one *L.* Jesus Christ. Eph. 4, 5, one *L.*, one faith, one
IN THE LORD—Gen. 15, 6, he believed in the *L.* 1 Sam. 2, 1, my heart rejoiceth in the *L.* 2 Ki. 18, 5, trusted in the *L.* Ps. 31, 24, hope in the *L.*; 34, 2, my soul shall boast in the *L.* 37, 4, delight thyself in the *L.* Isa. 45, 17, Israel shall be saved in the *L.*; 24, in the *L.* have I righteousness; 25, in the *L.* seed of Israel be justified. Rom. 16, 12, laboured in the *L.* Eph. 6, 10, be strong in the *L.* Rev. 14, 13, dead which die in the *L*
LOSE—Matt. 10, 39; 42; 16, 26. John 6, 39. 2 John 8
LOSS—1 Cor. 3, 15. Phil. 3, 7, 8.
LOST—Ps. 119, 176, gone astray like *l.* sheep. Ezek. 37, 11, our hope is *l.* Matt. 5, 13, if salt have *l* savour; 10, 6, to *l.* sheep of Israel; 18, 11, save that which was *l.* Luke 15, 32, brother was *l.* and is found. John 18, 9, gavest me have I *l.* none. 2 Cor 4, 3, if gospel be hid, it is hid to *l.*
LOT—Ps. 16, 5, thou maintainest my *l.*; 22, 18, cast *l.* upon my vesture. Prov. 16, 33, *l* is cast into the lap; 18, 18, *l.* causeth contentions to cease. Acts 1, 26, *l.* fell on Matthias; 8, 21, neither part nor *l* in.
LOVE—Lev. 19, 18, thou shalt *l.* thy neighbour. Deu. 6, 5, shalt *l* Lord thy God. 2 Sam. 1, 26, passing the *l.* of women Ps. 31, 23, O *l.* the Lord, all ye saints; 145, 20, Lord preserveth them that *l* him Ecc 9, 1, no man knoweth either *l* or hatred. Cant. 1, 4, the upright *l.* thee. Isa. 38, 17, in *l* to my soul delivered. Jer. 2, 2, *l.* of thy espousals; 31, 3, loved thee with everlasting *l* Ezek. 33, 31, with mouth they shew much *l* Hos. 11, 4, drew them with bands of *l.* Mic. 6, 8, do justly and *l.* mercy. Zech. 8, 19, *l.* the truth and peace. Matt. 5, 44, *l* your enemies; 24, 12, *l.* of many shall wax cold. John 13, 34, *l* one another; 14, 23, if a man *l.* me, my Father will *L*; 15, 9, continue in my *l.*; 13, greater *l.* hath no man. Rom. 8, 35, separate us from *l.* of; 12, 9, *l.* be without dissimulation; 13, 10, *l* the fulfilling of the law. 1 Cor 16, 22, if any man *l* not L. J. 2 Cor 5, 14, *l.* of Christ constraineth us. Gal. 5, 6, faith which worketh by *l*; 13, by *l.* serve one another. Eph 5, 25, *l* your wives. 1 Thess. 1, 3, labour of *l.*, 5, 8, breastplate of faith and *l* 2 Thess. 2, 10, received not the *l* of truth. 2 Tim 4, 8, all them that *l* his appearing. Heb 13, 1, let brotherly *l* continue. 1 Pet. 1, 8, whom having not seen, ye *l*; 2, 17, *l.* the brotherhood. 1 John 2, 15, *l.* not the world, 3, 1, what manner of *l* the Father, 4, 7, *l* is of God, 16, God is *l*; 18, perfect *l.* casteth out fear, 19, we *l.* him because he first *l* us. Rev. 2, 4, thou hast left thy first *l.*
I LOVE—Ps. 116, 1, 119, 97. John 21, 15. 2 John 1. Rev 3, 19
IN LOVE—Eph. 1, 4, without blame before him in *l*, 3, 17, rooted and grounded in *l*; 4, 2, forbearing one another in *l*; 15, speaking truth in *l.*, 5, 2, walk in *l*, as Christ hath *l.* us. Col 2, 2, knit together in *l* and unto 1 Thess. 3, 12, increase and abound in *l.*, 5, 13, esteem them highly in *l* 1 John 4, 16, he that dwelleth in *l*
LOVE OF GOD—Luke 11, 42 John 5, 42. Rom. 5, 5, *l.* of *G.* shed abroad 1 John 2, 5, in him is *l* of *G* perfected; 3, 16, hereby perceive we the *l* of *G.*; 17, how dwelleth the *l* of *G.* in him; 4, 9, in this was manifested the *l.* of *G.*, 5, 3, this is the *l* of *G.*, that we keep.
LOVED—Deu. 7, 8, because the Lord *l.* 1 Sam. 18, 1, Jonathan *l* David 2 Sam 12, 24, the Lord *l.* him. 1 Ki 3, 3, Solomon *l* the Lord; 10, 9, Lord *l* Israel for ever. Hos. 11, 1, Israel was a child, I *l.* him. Luke 7, 47, forgiven, for she *l* much John 3, 16, God so *l.* the world; 19, men *l.* darkness; 11, 36, behold how he *l.* him, 12, 43, *l.* the praise of men more; 13, 1, having *l.* his own, he *l* them; 23, disciple whom Jesus *l.*, 14, 21, *l.* me shall be *l.* of my Father; 28, if ye *l* me, ye would rejoice; 15, 9, Father *l.* me, so have I *l.* you, 16, 27, Father himself *l.* you, because ye *l.* me; 17, 23, *l* them as thou hast *l* me; 26, *l.* wherewith thou hast *l.* me. Rom. 8, 37, through him that *l.* us; 9, 13, Jacob I *l.*, Esau I hated Gal 2, 20, the Son of God who *l* me. Eph 2, 4, *l.* wherewith God *l.* us, 5, 2, walk in *l* as Christ also *l* us; 25, Christ also *l.* the church. 2 Thess. 2, 16, our Father hath *l.* us. 2 Tim. 4, 10, having *l.* this present world. Heb 1, 9, hast *l.* righteousness 2 Pet. 2, 15, *l.* wages of unrighteousness. 1 John 4, 10, not we *l* God, but he *l* us. Rev 1, 5, unto him that *l* us, and washed us; 12, 11, *l* not their lives unto the death
LOVELY—Cant 5, 16 Phil. 4, 8.
LOVER-S—2 Tim 3, 2, 4; Titus 1, 8.
LOVETH—Ps. 146, 8, the Lord *l.* the righteous Prov 3, 12, whom Lord *l.* correcteth; 17, 17, a friend *l.* at all times; 21, 17, who *l* pleasure shall be. John 3, 35, Father *l.* the; 16, 27, Father himself *l* you. 2 Cor 9, 7, God *l.* a cheerful giver. 3 John 9, *l.* to have preeminence. Rev. 22, 15, whoso *l.* and maketh a lie.
LOVINGKINDNESS—Ps. 25, 6, remember thy *l.*; 36, 7, how excellent thy *l*; 10, O continue thy *l*; 63, 3, thy *l.* is better than; 103, 4, crowneth with *l.* Isa. 63, 7, mention *l* of Lord. Jer. 9, 24, Lord which exercise *l.*; 31, 3, with *l.* have I drawn; 32, 18, shewest *l* to thousands. Hos. 2, 19, I will betroth thee in *l.*
LOW—Ps. 49, 2, high and *l*, rich and poor. Prov 29, 23, pride shall bring him *l* Isa. 26, 5, lofty city he layeth *l.*; 32, 19, city shall be *l.* in a *l.* place. Luke 1, 48, regarded the *l.* estate; 52, exalted them of *l* degree; 3, 5, every mountain shall be brought *l.* Rom 12, 16, to men of *l.* estate.
LOWLINESS—Eph. 4, 2. Phil. 2, 3.
LOWLY—Ps. 138, 6 Prov. 3, 34; 11, 2 Matt. 11, 29.
LUCRE—1 Tim. 3, 3, 8. Titus 1, 7. 1 Pet. 5, 2.
LUKEWARM—Rev. 3, 16
LUMP—Rom. 9, 21; 11, 16. 1 Cor. 5, 6, 7. Gal. 5, 9.
LUST—Rom. 6, 12, obey it in *l.* thereof Gal. 5, 16, not fulfil *l.* of flesh Eph 2, 3, in *l.* of our flesh; 4, 22, according to deceitful *l* 1 Tim. 6, 9, foolish and hurtful *l* 2 Tim 2, 22, flee youthful *l.*; 4, 3, after their *l* shall. Titus 2, 12, denying worldly *l.* Jam 1, 15, when *l* hath conceived. 1 Pet. 1, 14, the former *l.*; 2, 11, abstain from fleshly *l.* 2 Pet 3, 3, walking after their *l.* 1 John 2 16, *l.* of the flesh, *l.* of the eyes.
LUSTED—Ps. 106, 14. 1 Cor. 10, 6.
LYING—Ps. 119, 163 Prov. 12, 19. Jer. 7, 4. Hos. 4, 2 Jonah 2, 8.

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MAD—Ecc. 2, 2. Hos. 9, 7. John 10, 20. Acts 26, 11, 24.
MADE—Ps. 139, 14, and wonderfully *m* Prov. 16, 4, L. *m.* all things for himself John 1, 3, all things were made by him Rom 1, 20, understood by things that are *m* 1 Cor. 9, 22, *m.* all things to all men. Gal 4, 4, *m.* of woman, *m.* under the law Phil. 2, 7, *m.* in the likeness of men.
MAGNIFY—Job 36, 24, remember that thou *m* his work. Ps 34, 3, *m.* the Lord with me. Isa. 42, 21, *m.* the law, and make it Luke 1, 46, my soul doth *m.* the L. Acts 10, 46, speak with tongues, and *m.* God Rom. 11, 13, as I am the apostle, I *m.* my office. Phil. 1, 20, Christ shall be *m.* in my
MAINTAIN-EST—Ps. 16, 5 Titus 3, 8
MAJESTY—1 Chr. 29, 11, thine, O Lord, is the *m.* Job 37, 22, with God is terrible *m.* Ps. 29, 4, voice of the Lord full of *m.*, 93, 1, L. clothed with *m*, 145, 5, glorious honour of thy *m.*; 12, glorious *m.* of his kingdom. Isa. 2, 19, for the glory of his *m* Heb 1, 3, at right hand of *m* on high; 8, 1, of throne of the *m.* in the heavens. 2 Pet 1, 16, eye-witnesses of his *m.* Jude 25, to wise God be glory and *m.*
MAKER—Job 4, 17, man be more pure than his *M.*; 32, 22, my *M* would soon take me away; 35, 10, where is God my *M*; 36, 3, ascribe righteousness to my *M.* Ps. 95, 6, kneel before the Lord our *M.* Prov. 14, 31, reproacheth his *M.* Isa. 17, 7, shall a man look to his *M.*; 45, 9, him that striveth with his *M.*; 51, 13, forgettest the Lord thy *M*; 54, 5, thy *M.* is thine husband. Heb. 11, 10, whose builder and *M.* is God.
MALICE—1 Cor. 14, 20 Eph. 4, 31 Titus 3, 3.
MAMMON—Matt 6, 24. Luke 16, 9
MAN—Job 4, 17, shall *m.* be more just than God, 5, 7, *m.* is born unto trouble, 7, 17, what is *m.*, thou shouldest; 9, 2, how should *m.* be just with God; 11, 12, vain *m.* would be wise; 14, 1, *m.* born of woman is of few days, 15, 14, what is *m.*, that he should be clean; 25, 4, can *m* be justified; 28, 28, unto *m.* he said, Behold. Ps. 8, 4, what is *m.*, that thou art mindful; 49, 12, *m.* in honour abideth not; 90, 3, turnest *m.* to destruction; 104, 23, *m.* goeth forth unto work; 144, 3, Lord, what is *m.*, that. Prov. 20, 24, *m's.* goings are of the Lord. Ecc. 7, 29, God made *m.* upright; 12, 5, *m.* goeth to his long home. Isa. 2, 22, cease ye from *m.*, whose breath. Jer. 17, 5, cursed be the *m.* that trusteth in *m.* Zech. 13, 7, the *m.* that is my fellow. Matt. 4, 4, *m.* shall not live by bread alone, 26, 74, I know not the *m.* John 7, 46, never *m.* spake like this *m.* Rom. 6, 6, our old *m.* is crucified. 1 Cor 2, 11, what *m.* knoweth the things of a *m.*, 14, natural *m.* receiveth not things; 15, 47, the first *m.* is earthy, the second *m.* 2 Cor. 4, 16, outward *m.* perish, inward *m.* renewed. 1 Pet 3, 4, hidden *m.* of the heart.
A MAN—Nu. 23, 19, God is not a *m.*, that he. Isa. 53, 3, a *m.* of sorrows, and acquainted with. Jer. 31, 22, a woman shall compass a *m.* Matt. 16, 26, what shall a *m.* give. John 3, 3, except a *m.* be born again. Acts 10, 26, I myself also am a *m.* 2 Cor. 12, 2, I knew a *m.* in Christ. Phil 2, 8, found in fashion as a *m.* 2 Tim 2, 5, if a *m.* strive for masteries.
MANIFEST—Luke 8, 17, made *m.* John 14, 21, *m.* myself to him. 1 Cor 4, 5, make *m.* counsels of hearts. Gal. 5, 19, works of flesh are *m.* 2 Thess. 1, 5, *m.* token of righteous judgment. 1 Tim. 3, 16, God was *m.* in the flesh. Heb 4, 13, any creature not *m.* in his sight. 1 John 3, 10, in this children of God are *m*
MANIFESTATION—Rom. 8, 19 1 Cor. 12, 7. 2 Cor. 4, 2.
MANIFESTED—Mark 4, 22. John 2, 11; 17, 6; 1 John 3, 5; 4, 9
MANIFOLD—Ps 104, 24, how *m* are thy works. Amos 5, 12, I know your *m.* transgressions. Luke 18, 30, *m.* more in this present. Eph 3, 10, *m.* wisdom of God 1 Pet. 1, 6, through *m.* temptations, 4, 10, of the *m* grace
MANNA—Neh 9, 20. Ps. 78, 24. John 6, 31. Rev. 2, 17.
MANNER—Acts 13, 18; 26, 4. Rom. 6, 19 Heb. 10, 25.
MANSIONS—John 14, 2.
MARK—Ezek 9, 4. Phil. 3, 14. Rev. 13, 16; 14, 9; 19, 20.
MARK—Ps. 37, 37; 130, 3. Rom. 16, 17. Phil. 3, 17.

MARRIAGE—Matt. 22, 2, 30; 24, 38. Heb. 13, 4. Rev 19, 7.
MARROW—Isa. 25, 6. Heb 4, 12.
MARRY—Matt. 5, 32; 19, 10. 1 Tim. 4, 3
MARTYRS—Acts 22, 20. Rev. 2, 13, 17, 6.
MARVEL—Ecc. 5, 8 Mark 5, 20. John 5, 28. Acts 3, 12 1 John 3, 13.
MARVELLOUS—Job 5, 9 Ps. 17, 7, 98, 1; 118, 23. 1 Pet. 2, 9
MASTER—Matt. 23, 10, one is your *m.*, even Christ. John 3, 10, art thou a *m.* of Israel; 13, 13, ye call me *m.*, and ye say well; 14, if I then, your *m.*, have washed. Rom. 14, 4, to his own *m.* he standeth. Col. 4, 1, ye have a *m.* in heaven. 1 Tim. 6, 1, *m.* worthy of all honour. 2 Tim. 2, 21, meet for *m.*'s use. Jam. 3, 1, be not many *m.*
MATTERS—Ex. 24, 14. 1 Sam. 16, 18. Job 33, 13 Matt. 23, 23. 1 Pet. 4, 15.
MEASURE—Job 11, 9, *m.* longer than the earth. Ps. 39, 4, know the *m.* of my days. Jer 30, 11, I will correct thee in *m.* Matt. 7, 2, with what *m.* ye mete; 23, 32, fill up the *m* of your fathers. John 3, 34, giveth not the Spirit by *m.* Rom. 12, 3, God dealt to every man the *m.* 2 Cor. 1, 8, we were pressed out of *m.*, 12, 7, lest I should be exalted above *m.* Eph. 4, 7, according to *m.* of, 13, *m.* of stature of fulness.
MEAT—Ps. 104, 27, give *m.* in due season; 111, 5, given *m.* unto them that fear. Hab. 3, 17, the fields shall yield no *m.* Matt. 6, 25, the life more than *m.*; 10, 10, workman is worthy of his *m.* John 4, 32, *m.* to eat that ye know not, 34, my *m.* to do will of him; 6, 27, labour not for *m* which perisheth; 55, my flesh *m.* indeed, and Rom. 14, 17, kingdom of God not *m.* and. 1 Cor 10, 3, all eat the same spiritual *m.*
MEDIATOR—Gal. 3, 19. 1 Tim. 2, 5 Heb 8, 6, 9, 15, 12, 24
MEDITATE—Josh 1, 8 Ps. 63, 6; 77, 12 Luke 21, 14 1 Tim 4, 15
MEDITATION—Ps. 5, 1, 19, 14, 49, 3, 104, 34; 119, 97
MEEK—Ps 22, 26, *m.* shall eat and be satisfied; 25, 9, *m.* will he guide in judgment, 37, 11, *m* shall inherit the earth. Isa. 29, 19, *m.* shall increase their joy, 61, 1, preach good tidings unto the *m* Amos 2, 7, turn aside the way of the *m.* Zeph. 2, 3, seek the L., all ye *m.* Matt. 5, 5, blessed are the *m.*, for, 11, 29, I am *m.* and lowly in heart; 21, 5, thy King cometh, *m.*, and. 1 Pet. 3, 4, ornament of a *m* and.
MEEKNESS—Ps. 45, 4, because of truth and *m.* 1 Cor. 4, 21, come in spirit of *m.* 2 Cor 10, 1, beseech you by *m.* of Christ. Gal. 6, 1, restore such in the spirit of *m.* Eph 4, 2, with all lowliness and *m.* Titus 3, 2, shewing all *m.* unto all men. Jam. 1, 21, receive with *m* the engrafted, 3, 13, works with *m.* of wisdom. 1 Pet. 3, 15, hope that is in you with *m.*
MEET—Matt 3, 8. 1 Cor 15, 9 Col. 1, 12. 2 Tim 2, 21. Heb 6, 7.
MEET—Prov 22, 2 Isa. 47, 3. Amos 4, 12 1 Thess. 4, 17
MELODY—Isa. 23, 16 Amos 5, 23 Eph. 5, 19
MEMBERS—Ps. 139, 16, in thy book all my *m.* were. Matt. 5, 29, one of thy *m* should perish. Rom. 6, 13, your *m* as instruments, 7 23, law in my *m.*, warring, 12, 5, *m.* one of another 1 Cor 6, 15, your bodies *m.* of Christ; 12, 12, body is one, and hath many *m.* Eph. 4, 25, we are *m.* one of another; 5, 30, *m.* of his body
MEMORIAL—Ex. 3, 15, this is my *m.* to all, 12, 14, this day shall be a *m.*; 13, 9, a *m.* between thine eyes, 30, 16, that it may be a *m.* Ps 135, 13, thy *m.* throughout all generations Hos 12, 5, the Lord is his *m.* Matt. 26, 13, be told for a *m.* Acts 10, 4, come up for a *m* before God.
MEMORY—Ps. 109, 15, cut off *m*; 145, 7, utter *m.* of thy great. Prov 10, 7, the *m* of just is blessed. Ecc 9, 5, *m.* of them is forgotten. Isa. 26, 14, made all their *m* to 1 Cor 15, 2, if ye keep in *m* what.
MEN—Ps 9, 20, nations may know themselves but *m.*; 62, 9, *m.* of low degree, *m* of high degree a lie; 82, 7, ye shall die like *m.*, and. Ecc. 12, 3, strong *m* shall bow Isa. 31, 3, Egyptians are *m* and not God; 46, 8, shew yourselves *m.* Hos. 6, 7, they like *m* have transgressed
MENTION—Ps. 71, 16. Isa. 26, 13; 62, 6. Rom 1, 9 Eph. 1, 16. Heb. 11, 12.
MERCHANDISE—Isa. 23, 18 2 Pet. 2, 3
MERCIES—Gen. 32, 10, worthy of least *m* 1 Chr 21, 13, great are his *m.* Ps. 69, 16, multitude of thy tender *m.* Isa. 55, 3, sure *m* of David Lam. 3, 22, of the L s *m* we are not consumed. Dan. 9, 9, L. belong *m.* and forgivenesses. Acts 13, 34, sure *m* of David. 2 Cor 1 3, Father of *m.* Col. 3, 12, put on bowels of *m.*
MERCIFUL—Ps. 18, 25, with *m.* shew thyself *m.*; 117, 2, his *m.* kindness great. Prov. 11, 17, *m* man doeth good. Isa. 57, 1, *m* men are taken away. Jer. 3, 12, I am *m.*, saith the Lord. Matt. 5, 7, blessed are *m.* Luke 6, 36, be *m.* as your Father is *m.* Heb. 2, 17, might be a *m.* high priest; 8, 12, I will be *m.* to their unrighteousness.
MERCY—Gen. 19, 19, hast magnified thy *m.* Ex 20, 6, shewing *m.* to thousands; 33, 19, will shew *m.* on whom I will; 34, 7, keeping *m.* for thousands Deu. 7, 9, *m.* with them that love. 2 Sam. 7, 15, my *m.* shall not depart: 15, 20, *m.* and truth be with thee; 22, 51, sheweth *m.* to his anointed. 1 Chr. 16, 34, his *m.* endureth for ever. Ps. 23, 6, goodness and *m.* shall; 66, 20, not turned away his *m.*; 86, 5, plenteous in *m.* to all, 101, 1, I will sing of *m.* and judgment, 103, 11, great is his *m.*; 17, *m.* of L. from everlasting; 106, 1, his *m.* endureth for ever Isa. 27, 11, he that made them will not have *m.*; 49, 10, he that hath *m.* on them; 55, 7, will have *m.* upon him, 60, 10, in my favour have I had *m.* Jer. 31, 20, I will surely have *m.*; 42, 12, that he may have *m.* Hos. 2, 23, will have *m.* upon her; 6, 6, for I desired *m.*, not sacrifice. Mic. 6, 8, to love *m.*, 7, 18, because he delighteth in *m.* Hab. 3, 2, in wrath remember *m.* Luke 1, 50, his *m.* is on them that fear him; 78, tender *m.* of our God. Rom. 9, 15, have *m.* on whom I will have *m.*, 23, on the vessels of *m.* 2 Cor. 4, 1, as we received *m.*, we faint not. 1 Tim 1, 2, *m.* and peace; 13, I obtained *m.*, because I did it ignorantly 2 Tim. 1, 18, he may find *m* of the L. Titus 3, 5, according to his *m.* he saved Heb 4, 16, may obtain *m.*, and find. Jam 2, 13, *m* rejoiceth against judgment, 3, 17, full of *m.* and good fruits, 5, 11, L. is pitiful and of tender *m* Jude 21, looking for *m.* of our Lord Jesus Christ.
MERRY—Luke 12, 19, 15, 24. Jam 5, 13.
MESSAGE—Judg 3, 20 1 John 1, 5
MESSENGER-S—Job 33, 23. Isa. 42, 19; 44, 26. Mal. 2, 7; 3, 1. 2 Cor 12, 17.
MIDNIGHT—Ex 11, 4; 12, 29. Matt. 25, 6. Luke 11, 5. Acts 16, 25; 20, 7.
MIGHT—Deu. 6, 5, love the L. with all thy *m.* Ecc. 9, 10, findeth to do, do it with thy *m.* Isa. 40, 29, that have no *m.* he increaseth. Zech 4, 6, not by *m.*, but by my Spirit. Eph. 3, 16, with *m.* by his Spirit; 6, 10, strong in the power of his *m.* Col. 1, 11, strengthened with all *m.*
MIGHTY—Judg 5, 23, help of the L. against *m.* Ps. 24, 8, the Lord *m* in battle; 89, 19, help upon one that is *m* Isa. 5, 22, woe to them that are *m.* to drink; 63, 1, *m* to save. Jer 5, 15, a *m.* nation; 32, 19, *m.* in work. 1 Cor 1, 26, not many *m.* called. 2 Cor. 10, 4, *m.* through God.
MILK—Isa. 55, 1. Heb. 5, 12. 1 Pet. 2, 2
MIND—1 Chr. 28, 9, serve him with a willing *m* Job 23, 13, he is in one *m.*, who can turn him? Isa. 26, 3, whose *m.* is stayed on thee. Luke 12, 29, neither be ye of doubtful *m.* Rom. 7, 25, with *m.* I serve the law; 8, 7, carnal *m.* enmity against God; 11, 34, who hath known *m.* of the Lord. 2 Tim. 1, 7, spirit of love, and a sound *m.* Titus 1, 15, *m.* and conscience defiled
MINDS—2 Cor 3, 14. Phil. 4, 7. Heb. 10, 16, 12, 3 2 Pet. 3, 1.
MINDED—Rom. 8, 6; 11, 20 1 Tim. 6, 17. 2 Tim. 3, 4. Titus 2, 6 Jam 1, 8
MINISTER—Matt. 20, 26, let him be your *m.* Acts 26, 16, a *m.* and a witness. Rom 13, 4, *m.* of God to thee; 15, 8, Christ a *m.* of circumcision. Gal. 2, 17, is Christ the *m.* of sin. 1 Tim 4, 6, a good *m.* of Jesus Christ. Heb 8, 2, a *m* of the sanctuary.
MINISTER—Rom. 15, 25. 1 Cor. 9, 13. 2 Cor 9, 10. Eph 4, 29. 1 Pet 4, 11
MINISTERS—Ps 103, 21, bless the L., ye *m.* of his; 104, 4, his *m.* a flaming fire. Isa. 61, 6, call you *m.* of our God. Joel 1, 9, the Lord's *m.* mourn. 1 Cor 3, 5, *m* by whom ye believed, 4, 1, account of us, as of *m.* of C 2 Cor 3, 6, able *m.* of the new testament; 11, 23, are they *m.* of Christ. Heb 1, 7, his *m.* a flame of fire
MINISTERING—Rom 15, 16 Heb. 1, 14.
MINISTRY—Acts 20, 24, finish my course, and the *m.* 2 Cor. 5, 18, to us *m* of reconciliation; 6, 3, that *m.* be not blamed. Col. 4, 17, take heed to the *m.* that. 1 Tim. 1, 12, putting me into the *m.* 2 Tim 4, 5, make full proof of thy *m.* Heb 8, 6, a more excellent *m*
MISERABLE—Job 16, 2 1 Cor 15, 19 Rev 3, 17
MISERY—Prov 31, 7 Ecc. 8, 6 Lam 3, 12. Rom 3, 16
MOCKERS—Isa. 28, 22. Jer. 15, 17. Jude 18.
MOCKING-S—Ezek 22, 4. Heb. 11, 36
MODERATION—Phil. 4, 5
MOMENT—Numb 16, 21, consume them in a *m.* Ps 30, 5, anger endureth but a *m.* Isa. 26, 20, hide thyself for a little *m.*, 54, 7, *m.* have I forsaken thee. 1 Cor. 15, 52, in a *m.*, in the twinkling of an eye. 2 Cor 4, 17, affliction, which is but for a *m.*
MONEY—Ecc. 10, 19, *m.* answereth all things. Isa. 55, 1, he that hath no *m*; 2, wherefore spend *m.* for that. Mic. 3, 11, prophets divine for *m.* Acts 8, 20, thy *m.* perish with thee. 1 Tim. 6, 10, love of *m.* the root of all evil.
MORROW—Prov. 27, 1. Isa. 22, 13; 56, 12. Matt. 6, 34 1 Cor. 15, 32. Jam 4, 13, 14.
MORTAL—Rom. 6, 12; 8, 11. 1 Cor. 15, 53, 54. 2 Cor. 4, 11
MORTALITY—2 Cor 5, 4
MORTIFY—Rom 8, 13. Col. 3, 5.
MOTE—Matt 7, 3, 4, 5 Luke 6, 41, 42
MOTH—Job 4, 19. Isa. 50, 9 Matt. 6, 20.
MOTHER—Job 17, 14 Ps. 27, 10. Matt. 12, 49 John 2, 1 Gal 4, 26
MOURN—Isa. 61, 2. Matt. 5, 4 Jam. 4, 9.
MOURNERS—Job 29, 25 Ecc. 12, 5.
MOURNFULLY—Mal. 3, 14
MOURNING—Ps. 30, 11. Isa. 61, 3 Jer. 9, 17; 31, 13. Joel 2, 12 Jam. 4, 9.
MOUTH—Matt. 12, 34. Luke 21, 15. Rom. 10, 10, 14.
MY MOUTH—Ps. 17, 3, my *m.* shall not transgress; 39, 1, keep my *m* with a bridle; 49, 3, *m.* shall speak of wisdom; 51, 15, *m.* shall shew forth, 81, 10, open thy *m.* wide, I will fill it; 103, 5, satisfieth thy *m.* with good. Eph. 6, 19, I may open my *m.* boldly.
MOVE-D—Acts 17, 28, in him we live and *m.*; 20, 24, none of these things *m.* me. Col. 1, 23, *m.* from hope of the gospel. 1 Thess. 3, 3, no man should be *m.* by. Heb 12, 28, kingdom which cannot be *m.* 2 Pet. 1, 21, spake as they were *m.* by Holy Ghost.
MULTITUDE—Job 32, 7. Ps. 51, 1, 94, 19. Ecc. 5, 3. Matt. 15, 32. Jam. 5, 20.
MURDERER—John 8, 44. Acts 28, 4. 1 Pet. 4, 15. 1 John 3, 15.
MUSTARD—Matt. 13, 31; 17, 20.
MUZZLE—Deut. 25, 4. 1 Cor. 9, 9.
MYSTERY-IES—Rom. 11, 25, ignorant of this *m.*, 16, 25, revelation of the *m.* 1 Cor 2, 7, wisdom of God in a *m.*; 4, 1, stewards of the *m*; 13, 2, understand all *m.*; 15, 51, I shew you a *m.*, we shall. Eph. 1, 9, *m.* of his will, 3, 3; 4, my knowledge in the *m.*; 9, the fellowship of the *m.*, 5, 32, this is a great *m.*; 6, 19, the *m.* of the gospel. Col. 1, 26, the *m.* which hath been hid; 27, glory of this *m.* among the; 2, 2, acknowledgment of the *m.* of God; 4, 3, to speak the *m.* of Christ. 2 Thess. 2, 7, *m.* of iniquity doth already. 1 Tim. 3, 9, holding the *m.* of the faith; 16, great is the *m* of godliness. Rev 1, 20, *m.* of seven stars; 10, 7, *m.* of God be finished; 17, 5, *m.*, Babylon the great.

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NAIL-S—Ezra 9, 8. Ecc. 12, 11 Isa. 22, 23. Zech. 10, 4. John 20, 25
NAKED—Matt. 25, 36 1 Cor 4, 11. 2 Cor 5, 3. Heb 4, 13 Rev 3, 17.
NAME—Prov 10, 7, *n.* of wicked shall rot, 22, 1, good *n.* rather to be chosen than riches. Ecc. 7, 1, good *n* better than precious ointment. Isa. 55, 13, to the L for a *n*, 56, 5, a *n.* better than of sons; 62, 2, shalt be called by a new *n.* Acts 4, 12, none other *n* under heaven. Eph. 1, 21, and every *n* that is named. Phil 2, 9. Col. 3, 17, all in the *n.* of the Lord. 2 Tim 2, 19, nameth the *n.* of Christ. Heb. 1, 4, a more excellent *n.* than. 1 Pet. 4, 14, reproached for *n.* of Christ. 1 John 3, 23, believe on the *n.* of his Son Rev 2, 17, a new *n.* written, 3, 1, a *n.* that thou livest; 12, on him the *n.* of my God, 14, 1, Father's *n* written in their foreheads.
HIS NAME—Ps. 72, 17. Isa. 9, 6. Zech 14, 9 John 20, 31. Rev 3, 5
MY NAME—Ex. 3, 15, this is my *n* for ever, 23, 21, for my *n.* is in him Judg 13, 18, askest after my *n.* Mal. 1, 14, my *n.* is dreadful, 2, 2, to give glory to my *n* Matt 10, 22, hated of all for my *n*'s sake John 14, 13, ask in my *n*, 16, 24, ye have asked nothing in my *n* Rev 2, 13, holdest fast my *n*, 3, 8, hast not denied my *n*
THY NAME—2 Chr. 14, 11, in thy *n.* we go against this Ps 8, 1, 9, excellent is thy *n* in all, 9, 10, know thy *n* will put, 138, 2, magnified thy word above all thy *n* Isa. 26, 8, desire of our soul is to thy *n*, 64, 7, none that calleth upon thy *n* John 17, 12, I kept them in thy *n* Rev 15, 4, glorify thy *n.*
NAMES—Luke 10, 20 Acts 1, 15, 18, 15 Phil. 4, 3. Rev 3, 4, 13, 8.
NARROW—Nu. 22, 26 Isa 49, 19 Matt. 7, 14
NATION—Ps 33, 12, blessed is the *n* whose God, 147, 20, not dealt so with any *n.* Isa. 1, 4, sinful *n*, a people laden, 2, 4, *n.* shall not lift up sword against *n*, 49, 7, whom the *n.* abhorreth Isa. 66, 8, a *n.* be born at once. Jer 2, 11, a *n* changed their gods Matt 24, 7, *n.* shall rise against *n.* Acts 10, 35, in every *n.* he that feareth Rom 10, 19, by a foolish *n* Phil 2, 15, crooked *n.* 1 Pet 2, 9, an holy *n.* Rev. 5, 9
NATIONS—Isa. 2, 2, all *n.* shall flow unto it, 40, 17, all *n.* before him nothing; 55, 5, *n.* that knew not thee shall run. Zech 2, 11, *n* shall be joined to the L. Acts 14, 16, suffered all *n* to walk in. Rev. 21, 24, *n* of them which are saved.
NATURAL—1 Cor 2, 14; 15, 44, 46.
NATURE—Rom. 2, 14, do by *n.* things contained. Gal. 2, 15, we are Jews by *n*, 4, 8, which by *n.* are no gods. Eph. 2, 3, by *n.* children of wrath. Heb. 2, 16, took not on him the *n.* of angels. 2 Pet. 1, 4, be partakers of the divine *n.*
NECESSITY-IES—Luke 23, 17. Acts 20, 34. Rom. 12, 13. 1 Cor. 9, 16.
NECK-S—2 Kings 17, 14. Prov 29, 1. Isa. 48, 4. Acts 15, 10. Rom. 16, 4.
NEED—Matt. 9, 12, whole *n.* not physician. Luke 15, 7, *n.* no repentance. Heb. 4, 16, grace to help in time of *n.* Rev. 3, 17, have *n* of nothing; 21, 23, no *n.* of the sun, 22, 5, they need no candle.
NEEDFUL—Luke 10, 42. Phil. 1, 24. Jude 3.
NEEDY—Ps. 9, 18; 72, 12. Jer. 22, 16.
NEGLECT—Matt. 18, 17. 1 Tim. 4, 14. Heb. 2, 3
NEIGHBOUR—Ex. 20, 16, false witness against thy *n.* Lev. 19, 13, not defraud thy *n.*, 17, rebuke thy, *n*; 18, love thy *n* as thyself. Ps. 15, 3, nor doeth evil to his *n.* Jer. 31, 34, teach no man his *n.* Matt. 7, 12; 19, 19, 22, 39. Luke 10, 29, who is my *n.* Rom. 13, 9. Gal. 5, 14. Heb. 8, 12. James 2, 8.
NEST—Hab. 2, 9. Matt. 8, 20.
NET—Hab. 1, 15, 16. Matt. 13, 47.
NEW—Ecc. 1, 9, no *n.* thing under the sun. Isa. 65, 17, *n.* heavens and *n.* earth; 66, 22. Jer 31, 22, created a *n.* thing. Lam. 3, 23, mercies *n.* every morning. Ezek. 11, 19, a *n.* spirit within you; 18, 31, a *n.* heart and a *n.* spirit; 36, 26, a *n.* heart will I give, a *n.* spirit. Matt. 13, 52, out of his treasure things *n.* Mark 1, 27, what *n.* doctrine is this. John 13, 34, *n.* commandment. Acts 17, 21, hear some *n.* thing. 2 Cor. 5, 17, in Christ he is a *n.* creature. Gal. 6, 15, but a *n.* creature. Eph. 4, 24, put on the *n.* man. Col. 3, 10. 1 Pet. 2, 2, as *n.* born babes desire. 2 Pet. 3, 13. 1 John 2, 7, 8. Rev. 2, 7, a *n.* name; 5, 9, sung a *n.* song; 21, 1, 5.
NEWNESS—Rom. 6, 4; 7, 6
NIGH—Deu. 4, 7, who hath God so *n.*; 30, 14, word is *n* unto thee. 2 Sam. 11, 20. Ps. 34, 18, *n.* to them of broken heart; 85, 9, salvation *n.* them that fear him; 145, 18, *n* to all that call. Matt. 15, 8, draweth *n.* with the mouth. Rom 10, 8. Eph. 2, 13, *n.* by the blood of Christ; 17, peace to them that are *n.*
NIGHT—Ps 19, 2, *n* unto *n.* sheweth knowledge; 30, 5, weeping may endure for a *n.*; 139, 11, *n.* shall be light about me. Isa. 21, 11, what of the *n.*, what of *n.* Luke 12, 20, this *n.* thy soul shall be required. John 9, 4, *n.* cometh when no man. Rom. 13, 12, *n.* is far spent. 1 Thess. 5, 5, not of the *n.* Rev. 21, 25, there is no *n* there.
NOBLE—Acts 17, 11. 1 Cor. 1, 26.
NOISOME—Ps. 91, 3. Rev. 16, 2.
NOTHING—2 Sam. 24, 24, offer that which doth cost me *n.* 1 Kings 8, 9, *n.* in ark save two tables. Neh. 8, 10, for whom *n.* is prepared. Job 26, 7, hangeth the earth upon *n.* Ps. 39, 5, mine age as *n* before thee; 49, 17, dieth, he shall carry *n.* Isa. 40, 17, nations as *n.* and less than *n.* Lam. 1, 12, is it *n* to you, all ye. Hagg. 2, 3, not in comparison of it as *n.* Luke 1, 37, with God *n.* impossible John 8, 28, I do *n.* of myself, but; 14, 30, prince of this world hath *n.* in me; 15, 5, without me ye can do *n.* 1 Cor. 1, 19, bring to *n.* understanding; 13, 2, I am *n.* 2 Cor 6, 10, *n.*, yet possessing all things. 1 Tim. 6, 7, brought *n.* into the world.
NOUGHT—Isa. 41, 12, shall be as a thing of *n.*; 49, 4, spent my strength for *n.*; 52, 3, sold yourselves for *n.* Amos 6, 13, rejoice in a thing of *n.* Luke 23, 11, and Herod set him at *n.* Acts 19, 27, danger to be set at *n.* Rom. 14, 10, why set at *n.* thy.
NOVICE—1 Tim 3, 6.
NUMBER—Ps. 90, 12 Rev. 7, 9; 13, 17.
NUMBERED—Isa. 53, 12. Dan. 5, 26.
NURSE—Gen. 24, 59. Ruth 4, 16. 1 Thess 2, 7

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OATH—Luke 1, 73 Heb 6, 16. Jam 5, 12.
OBEDIENCE—Rom 5, 19, by *o* of one made righteous, 6, 16, *o* unto righteousness, 16, 26, made known for *o* of faith, 2 Cor 10, 5, every thought to *o.* of Christ. Heb 5, 8, learned *o* by things he suffered 1 Pet. 1, 2, sanctification of Spirit unto *o*
OBEDIENT—Deu. 4, 36, be *o* to his voice, 8, 20, because not *o* to the L. 2 Sam. 22, 45, strangers shall be *o* Isa. 1, 19, if ye be *o*, ye shall eat, 42, 24, not *o.* to the law. Acts 6, 7, priests *o* to the faith Rom. 15, 18, Gentiles *o* by word and deed. Eph 6, 5, be *o* to your masters. Phil. 2, 8, became *o* to death Titus 2, 5, be *o* to your husbands, 9, be *o* to their own masters. 1 Pet. 1, 14, as *o* children
OBEY—Deu 11, 27, a blessing if ye *o* the. Josh 24, 24, his voice will we *o* 1 Sam. 15, 22, to *o* is better than sacrifice. Jer. 7, 23, *o* my voice, and I will be; 26, 13, amend your ways and *o* Acts 5, 29, *o.* God rather than men. Rom 2, 8, and do not *o* the truth; 6, 16, servants ye are to whom ye *o* Eph 6, 1, *o* your parents. Col. 3, 22, *o.* in all things your masters. 2 Thess 1, 8, that *o.* not the gospel; 3, 14, if any man *o* not our word Titus 3, 1, in mind to *o.* magistrates. Heb 5, 9, author of salvation to all that *o*, 13, 17, *o.* them that have the rule Jam 3, 3, that they may *o.* 1 Pet. 3, 1, if any *o* not the word; 4, 17, end be of them that *o* not.
OBSERVATION—Luke 17, 20.
OBSERVE—Ps 107, 43. Jon. 2, 8. Matt. 28, 20 Gal. 4, 10
OBTAIN—Isa. 35, 10, *o.* joy and gladness. Luke 20, 35, worthy to *o.* that world. 1 Cor 9, 24, so run, that ye may *o* Heb. 4, 16, *o* mercy, and find, 11, 35, *o.* a better resurrection. Jam. 4, 2, desire, and cannot *o.*
OBTAINED—Hos. 2, 23, had not *o.* mercy. Acts 26, 22, having *o* help of God. Rom. 11, 7, the election hath *o.* it. Eph 1, 11, we *o.* an inheritance. 1 Tim. 1, 13, but I *o.* mercy Heb 1, 4, *o.* a more excellent name; 6, 15, *o.* the promise; 9, 12, *o.* eternal redemption; 11, 2, the elders *o.* good report.
OCCASION—Dan 6, 4. Rom. 7, 8. 1 Tim. 5, 14. 1 John 2, 10.
OCCUPY—Ezek. 27, 9. Luke 19, 13.
ODOUR-S—Phil. 4, 18. Rev. 5, 8.
OFFENCE-S—Ecc. 10, 4, yielding pacifieth *o.* Isa. 8, 14. Matt. 18, 7, woe to world because of *o.*—*o.* come, but woe to that man by whom *o.* cometh. Acts 24, 16, conscience void of *o.* Rom. 4, 25, delivered for our *o*; 5, 15, not as *o.*, so gift—*o.* of one; 17, by

one man's *o.* death reigned; 9, 33, lay a rock of *o.*; 14, 20, it is evil for that man who eateth with *o.* 1 Cor. 10, 32, give none *o.* 2 Cor. 6, 3, no *o.* in any thing. Gal. 5, 11, *o.* of the cross ceased. Phil. 1, 10, without *o.* till the day. 1 Pet. 2, 8.

OFFEND—Matt. 5, 29, right eye *o.*; 30, right hand *o.*; 13, 14, out of his kingdom all that *o*; 18, 6, *o.* one of these little ones. 1 Cor. 8, 13, meat make my brother to *o.* Jam. 2, 10, *o.* in one point; 3, 2, in many things *o.* all—if any man *o.* not in word.

OFFENDED—Prov. 18, 19. Matt. 11, 6; 26, 33. Rom 14, 21 2 Cor. 11, 29

OFFER-ED-ETH—Ps 50, 14, *o.* unto God thanksgiving; 23, whoso *o.* praise glorifieth. Mal. 1, 11, incense shall be *o.* unto my name. Matt. 5, 24, come and *o.* thy gift. Phil. 2, 17, if I be *o* upon the sacrifice. 2 Tim. 4, 6, now ready to be *o.* Heb. 9, 14, Christ *o.* himself without spot; 11, 4, Abel *o.* unto God a more, 17, Abraham *o.* up Isaac, 13, 15, let us *o* sacrifice of praise. Rev. 8, 3, *o* it with the prayers of all saints.

OFFERING—Eph 5, 2. Heb. 10, 5; 14

OFFSCOURING—Lam. 3, 45. 1 Cor 4, 13

OFFSPRING—Acts 17, 28. Rev 22, 16.

OIL—Ps. 45, 7, with the *o.* of gladness; 89, 20, with my holy *o.* have I anointed, 92, 10, anointed with fresh *o.*; 104, 15, and *o* to make his face to shine; 141, 5, *o.*, which shall not break my head. Isa. 61, 3, give *o.* of joy for mourning Matt 25, 3, foolish took no *o*; 4, wise took *o.*, 8, give us of your *o.*, for our lamps are Luke 10, 34, wounds, pouring in *o* and wine. Heb. 1, 9.

OINTMENT—Ps 133, 2. Isa. 1, 6. Luke 7, 37.

OLD—Ps. 37, 25, young, and now am *o.*; 71, 18, when I am *o.* and greyheaded Prov. 22, 6, when he is *o.*, he will not. Jer 6, 16, for the *o.* paths. Rom. 6, 6, *o.* man. 1 Cor. 5, 7, purge out *o* leaven. 2 Cor. 5, 17, *o* things are passed away Eph. 4, 22. Col. 3, 9 2 Pet. 1, 9, purged from his *o.* sins

OMEGA—Rev. 1, 8, 11; 21, 6; 22, 13.

ONE—Jer 3, 14, *o* of a city Zech. 14, 9, *o* Lord, and his name *o.* Matt. 19, 17, none good but *o* 1 Cor 8, 4, none other God but *o*; 10, 17, many are *o.* bread. Gal. 3, 20, mediator not of *o.*, but God is *o.* 1 John 5, 7, these three are *o.*

ONE *THING*—Ps 27, 4. Mark 10, 21 Luke 10, 42. Phil. 3, 13

OPEN—Ps. 81, 10, *o* thy mouth wide; 119, 18, *o* mine eyes, that I may behold. Isa. 22, 22, he shall *o.*, and none shut, 42, 7, to *o.* the blind eyes. Matt 25, 11, Lord, *o* to us. Acts 26, 18, to *o* their eyes, and to Col 4, 3, *o* unto us a door of utterance. Rev 5, 2, is worthy to *o* the book.

OPENED—Isa 35, 5, eyes of blind shall be *o*, 53, 7, he *o.* not his mouth Matt. 7, 7, knock, and it shall be *o.* Luke 24, 45, *o* he their understanding. Acts 14, 27, *o* the door of faith, 16, 14, Lydia, whose heart the Lord *o* 1 Cor 16, 9, a door is *o* unto me 2 Cor. 2, 12, a door was *o* unto me. Heb 4, 13, and *o* unto the eyes of him.

OPERATION—1 Cor 12, 6 Col 2, 12

OPINION—1 Ki. 18, 21 Job 32, 6, 10.

OPPORTUNITY—Matt 26, 16 Gal. 6, 10

OPPOSE—Acts 18, 6 1 Tim 2, 25

OPPRESS—Ex. 22, 21, a stranger, nor *o.* him. Lev 25, 14, not *o* one another Deu. 24, 14, not *o* an hired servant Prov. 22, 22, neither *o* the afflicted in the gate Zech 7, 10, *o.* not widow nor fatherless. Mal. 3, 5, swift witness against those that *o.* Jam. 2, 6, do not rich men *o* you

OPPRESSED—Ps 9, 9 Isa. 1, 17, 53, 7

OPPRESSION—Ps 12, 5. Isa. 5, 7

ORACLES—2 Sam 16, 23. Acts 7, 38. Rom. 3, 2 Heb 5, 12 1 Pet 4, 11

ORDAINED—Ps 8, 2, hast thou *o* strength Isa. 30, 33, Tophet is *o.* of old. Acts 13, 48, were *o* to eternal life, 14, 23, had *o* them elders, 17, 31, by that man whom he hath *o* Rom. 7, 10, commandment which was *o* to life, 13, 1, powers that be are *o* of God. 1 Cor 9, 14, the L. *o.* that they which. Gal. 3, 19, it was *o* by angels in the hand of Eph. 2, 10, which God hath before *o.* that we 1 Tim. 2, 7, I am *o* a preacher and teacher. Heb 5, 1, *o* for men in things pertaining to Jude 4, before *o.* to this condemnation.

ORDER—Job 23, 4, *o.* my cause before him Ps. 40, 5, cannot be reckoned up in *o*, 50, 21, I will set them in *o.*, 119, 133, *o* my steps in thy word. 1 Cor. 14, 40, decently and in *o.* Col. 2, 5, beholding your *o.* Titus 1, 5, set in *o.* things wanting.

ORDINANCE-S—Isa. 58, 2 Rom. 13, 2. Eph. 2, 15. Col. 2, 14. 1 Pet. 2, 13.

ORNAMENT-S—Isa. 49, 18, 61, 10, Jer 2, 32

OUTCASTS—Isa. 11, 12; 27, 13

OUTER—Matt. 8, 12, 22, 13; 25, 30.

OUTGOINGS—Josh. 17, 9. Ps. 65, 8.

OUTRAGEOUS—Prov. 27, 4.

OUTSIDE—Ezek. 40, 5. Matt. 23, 25.

OUTSTRETCHED ARM—Deu. 26, 8. Jer. 21, 5; 27, 5.

OUTWARD—1 Sam. 16, 7. 2 Cor. 4, 16; 10, 7. 1 Pet. 3, 3

OUTWARDLY—Matt. 23, 28. Rom. 2, 28.

OVEN—Mal. 4, 1

OVERCOME—John 16, 33. Rom. 12, 21. 1 John 2, 13; 4, 4. Rev. 17, 14.

OVERCOMETH—1 John 5, 4, victory that *o.* the world. Rev. 2, 7, to him that *o.* will I give; 11, he that *o.* shall not be hurt of second; 26, he that *o.* to him will I give power; 3, 5, he that *o* shall be clothed in white; 12, him that *o.* will I make a pillar; 21, him that *o.* will I grant to sit on; 21, 7, he that *o* shall inherit all things.

OVERSEERS—Acts 20, 28.

OVERSIGHT—1 Pet. 5, 2

OVERTAKE-EN—Gal 6, 1. 1 Thess. 5, 4.

OVERTURN—Ezek. 21, 27.

OVERWHELMED—Ps. 61, 2; 77, 3.

OWE—Rom. 13, 8.

OWN—Deu. 24, 16. Judg. 7, 2. John 1, 11, came unto his *o.* and his *o.* received. 1 Cor. 6, 19, ye are not your *o.*; 10, 24. Phil. 2, 4, 21

OX—Isa. 1, 3.

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PACIFIETH—Prov. 21, 14 Ecc. 10, 4.

PAINS—Ps. 116, 3 Acts 2, 24

PALM—Ps. 92, 12

PANTETH—Ps. 42, 1

PARABLE—Ps. 49, 4; 78, 2. Matt. 13, 34.

PARADISE—Luke 23, 43. 2 Cor. 12, 4 Rev. 2, 7.

PARCHMENTS—2 Tim 4, 13

PARDON-ETH—Nu. 14, 19, *p* iniquity 1 Sam. 15, 25, *p.* my sin. 2 Chr 30, 18, the good L. *p.* every one. Neh. 9, 17, thou art a God ready to *p.* Ps. 25, 11, name's sake *p* mine iniquity. Isa. 55, 7, for he will abundantly *p.* Jer 5, 7, how shall I *p* thee; 33, 8, I will *p* all their iniquities Mic. 7, 18, a God that *p* iniquity

PARENTS—Matt. 10, 21. Luke 18, 29 Rom. 1, 30.

PART—Nu. 18, 26, even a tenth *p* of tithe. Ps. 5, 9, inward *p* is wickedness. Luke 10, 42, Mary hath chosen that good *p* John 13, 8, hast no *p.* with me Acts 8, 21, neither *p* nor lot in this 1 Cor 13, 9, know in *p*, we prophesy in *p*; 10, that which is in *p.* shall be

PARTAKER-S—Rom 15, 27, *p* of spiritual things. 1 Cor. 9, 12, be *p* of their power, 13, are *p* with the altar, 23, might be *p.* thereof with you, 10, 17, *p* of that one bread; 18, *p* of the altar, 30, by grace be a *p* 2 Cor 1, 7, *p.* of the sufferings. Eph 3, 6, *p.* of his promise, 5, 7, be not *p* with them. Phil 1, 7, are *p.* of my grace. Col 1, 12, meet to be *p.* 1 Tim. 5, 22, *p.* of other men's sins, 6, 2, *p* of the benefit. 2 Tim 1, 8, *p* of the afflictions, 2, 6, first *p.* of the fruits. Heb. 3, 1, *p.* of heavenly calling, 14, are made *p* of Christ, 6, 4, *p* of Holy Ghost; 12, 10, *p* of his holiness. 1 Pet. 4, 13, *p.* of Christ's sufferings, 5, 1, a *p* of glory. Rev. 18, 4, ye be not *p* of her sins.

PASSEST-ETH—Isa. 43, 2, when thou *p* through waters. Mic 7, 18, *p* by transgression 1 Cor 7, 31, fashion of this world *p.* away Eph 3, 19, love of Christ *p* knowledge. Phil. 4, 7, peace of God *p* all understanding 1 John 2, 17, world *p.* away

PASSOVER—Ex. 12, 11 1 Cor. 5, 7

PATH-S—Ps 16, 11, shew me the *p.* of life; 27, 11, lead me in a plain *p*, 139, 3, compassest my *p* and. Prov 4, 18, *p* of just as shining light; 26, ponder *p* of thy feet Isa 26, 7, dost weigh the *p* of the just, 59, 8, have made them crooked *p.* Jer 6, 16, ask for the old *p* Matt 3, 3, make his *p.* straight. Heb. 12, 13, straight *p.* for your feet.

PATIENCE—Luke 8, 15, bring forth fruit with *p.*, 21, 19, in *p* possess ye your souls Rom 5, 3, tribulation worketh *p*, 4, *p* experience, 8, 25, we with *p* wait for it, 15, 4, through *p* might have hope, 5, God of *p* grant you to be. Col. 1, 11, all *p* and longsuffering 1 Thess. 1, 3, *p* of hope in our L. J 2 Thess. 1, 4, *p.* and faith in all your 1 Tim 6, 11, follow after godliness, *p* 2 Tim. 3, 10, longsuffering, charity, *p.* Titus 2, 2, in faith, in charity, in *p* Heb 6, 12, through *p* inherit promises; 10, 36, ye have need of *p*; 12, 1, run with *p.* the race. Jam. 1, 3, trying of your faith worketh *p*; 4, let *p.* have her perfect work, 5, 11, heard of the *p.* of Job. 2 Pet. 1, 6, to temperance *p.*, to *p.* godliness. Rev 1, 9, the kingdom and *p.* of J. C.; 2, 2, thy works and thy *p*; 3, and hast borne, and hast *p*; 13, 10, *p.* of the saints.

PATIENT—Rom 2, 7, by *p.* continuance, 12, 12, *p* in tribulation. 1 Thess. 5, 14, *p.* toward all men. 2 Thess. 3, 5, *p.* waiting for Christ. 2 Tim. 2, 24, apt to teach, *p.* Jam. 5, 7, be *p* therefore; 8, be ye also *p.*

PATTERN—1 Tim. 1, 16 Titus 2, 7.

PEACE—Job 22, 21, be at *p.* Ps. 34, 14, seek *p.* and pursue it, 37, 37, end of that man is *p*; 85, 8, will speak *p.* unto his people; 122, 6, pray for *p.* of Jerusalem; 125, 5, *p.* shall be upon Israel. Isa. 9, 6, Prince of *p.*, 26, 3, keep him in perfect *p.*; 45, 7, I make *p.*, and create, 48, 18, thy *p.* had been as a river, 22, no *p.* unto the wicked; 57, 2, enter into *p.*, 19, *p.*, *p* to him that is far; 59, 8, way of *p* they know not; 60, 17, make thy officers *p*; 66, 12, extend *p.* to her like a river Jer 6 14, saying *p.*, *p*, when there is no *p*, 29, 11, thoughts of *p.* and not evil. Matt. 10, 34, not I am come to send *p.* Luke 2, 14, on earth *p.*, good will; 29, lettest thy servant depart in *p.*; 19, 42, things which belong unto thy *p.* John 14, 27, *p.* I leave with you; 16, 33, in me ye might have *p.* Rom. 3, 17; 5, 1, we have *p.* with God; 8, 6, spiritually minded life and *p.*; 14, 17, kingdom of God is righteous, *p*, joy; 15, 13, fill you with all joy and *p.* 1 Cor. 7, 15, but God hath called us to *p.* 2 Cor. 13, 11, live in *p.*—God of *p.* be with you. Gal. 5, 22, fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, *p* Eph 2, 14, he is our *p.*; 15, making *p.* Phil. 4, 7, and the *p.* of God. Col. 3, 15 1 Thess. 5, 13, be at *p.* among yourselves. Heb. 12, 14, follow *p.* with all men. Jam. 3, 18, sown in *p.* of them that make *p.* 1 Pet. 3, 11, seek *p*, and ensue it. 2 Pet. 3, 14, found of him in *p*

PEACEABLE-Y—1 Tim 2, 2. Heb. 12, 11. Jam. 3, 17.

PEACEMAKERS—Matt 5, 9

PEARL—Matt. 7, 6, 13, 46 Rev 21, 21

PECULIAR—Deu. 14, 2 Titus 2, 14. 1 Pet. 2, 9

PEOPLE—Ps. 73, 10, his *p* return hither, 100, 3, *p*, and the sheep of his pasture, 144, 15, happy that *p* whose God Isa. 1, 4, a *p* laden with iniquity; 27, 11, a *p* of no understanding Hos. 4, 9, like *p.*, like priest. Matt 1, 21, Jesus shall save his *p* Rom 11, 2, God hath not cast away his *p.* Heb 11, 25, with the *p* of God. 1 Pet 2, 10

PERDITION—John 17, 12. Phil. 1, 28 2 Thess 2, 3 Heb. 10, 39. Rev. 17, 8, 11

PERFECT—Gen. 6, 9, a just man, and *p.* in; 17, 1, and be thou *p.* Deu. 18, 13, be *p.* with the L.; 32, 4, his work is *p.* 2 Sam. 22, 31, his way is *p.* Job 1, 1, was *p* and upright. Ps 19, 7, law of the Lord is *p*, 37, 37, mark the *p* man. Matt. 5, 48, be *p* as your Father in heaven is *p*; 19, 21, if thou wilt be *p* 2 Cor 12, 9, made *p* in weakness; 13, 11, be *p*, be of good Eph. 4, 13, unto a *p* man. Phil 3, 12, not as though already *p*, 15, let as many as be *p* be thus. Col. 1, 28, every man *p.* in Christ, 4, 12, stand *p* and complete. 2 Tim. 3, 17, man of God may be *p.* Heb 2, 10, Captain of their salvation *p.*; 7, 19, law made nothing *p*, 12, 23, spirits of just men made *p*; 13, 21, God make you *p* Jam 1, 4, be *p* and entire, 17, *p* gift. 1 Pet. 5, 10, God of all grace make you *p* 1 John 4, 18, *p* love Rev 3, 2, not found thy works *p*

PERFECTION—Job 11, 7. Ps. 119, 96. Luke 8, 14 2 Cor 13, 9. Heb 6, 1.

PERFORM—Isa. 9, 7, 44, 28. Rom 4, 21; 7, 18. Phil. 1, 6

PERILOUS—2 Tim. 3, 1.

PERISH—Esth 4, 16, to the king, and if I *p.* I *p.* Ps 2, 12, and ye *p* from the way Prov 29, 18, where no vision the people *p.* Matt. 8, 25, Lord, save us, we *p.* John 3, 15, believeth in him shall not *p*, 10, 28, and they shall never *p* 2 Pet. 3, 9, not willing that any should *p*

PERMIT—1 Cor 16, 7 Heb 6, 3.

PERNICIOUS—2 Pet. 2, 2

PERPETUAL—Jer 50, 5, 51, 39

PERPLEXED—2 Cor. 4, 8.

PERSECUTE—Matt 5, 11, 44, 10, 23. John 15, 20 Rom. 12, 14.

PERSECUTED-EST—Acts 9, 4, Saul, why *p.* thou me, 22, 4, I *p* this way; 26, 11, I *p* them to strange cities 1 Cor 4, 12, being *p* we suffer it, 15, 9, I *p* the church of God. 2 Cor 4, 9, *p* but not forsaken Gal 1, 13, I *p* the church, 4, 29, *p* him that was born after the Spirit. 1 Thess. 2, 15, have *p* us, and please not God.

PERSECUTION—Mark 10, 30 Rom. 8, 35. 2 Cor 12, 10 Gal 5, 11. 2 Tim. 3, 12.

PERSECUTOR—1 Tim 1, 13

PERSON—Mal. 1, 8 Heb 1, 3.

PERSONS—Acts 10, 34 2 Pet. 3, 11. Jude 16

PERSUADE-ED-EST-SION—Acts 13, 43, *p* them to continue in, 21, 14, when he would not be *p* we ceased, 26, 28, almost thou *p* me to. Rom. 8, 38, I am *p* that neither death, nor 2 Cor 5, 11, we *p* men. Gal. 1, 10, for do I now *p* men or God, or do, 5, 8, this *p* cometh not of him. Heb 6, 9, we are *p* better things of you, 11, 13, having seen afar off, were *p.* of them.

PERVERT—Acts 13, 10 Gal. 1, 7

PESTILENCE—Ps. 91, 6 Hab. 3, 5. Matt. 24, 7

PETITION—Ps. 20, 5. 1 John 5, 15

PHILOSOPHY—Col. 2, 8.

PHYSICIAN—Jer 8, 22 Matt. 9, 12. Luke 4, 23

PIECE—Matt. 9, 16 Luke 14, 18.

PIERCE—Nu 24, 8 2 Kings 18, 21 Ps 22, 16 Zech 12, 10 Luke 2, 35. 1 Tim 6, 10 Rev 1, 7

PIETY—1 Tim. 5, 4

PILGRIMS—Heb 11, 13 1 Pet 2, 11

PILLAR—Ex. 13, 21 Jer. 1, 18. 1 Tim. 3, 15 Rev 3, 12

PIPE—Zech. 4, 2, 12 Matt. 11, 17

PIT—Ps. 40, 2 Isa. 38, 17, 51, 1. Rev 9, 1

PITY-ETH-FUL—Deu 7, 16; 13, 8, 19, 13. Job 6, 14, to the afflicted *p.* should be shewn, 19, 21, have *p.* on me, have *p.* on me. Prov. 19, 17, he that hath *p* on the poor Isa. 63, 9, in his *p.* he redeemed them. Ezek. 36, 21, I had *p.* for mine holy name. Matt. 18, 33, even as I had *p.* on thee. Ps. 103, 13, as a father *p* his children, so the Lord *p.* them that fear him. Jam 5, 11, the Lord is very *p.* 1 Pet. 3, 8.

PLACE—Ps 26, 8, *p.* where thine honour dwelleth; 32, 7, thou art my hiding-*p.*; 90, 1, hast been our dwelling-*p.* Prov 15, 3, eyes of the L. in every *p.* Ecc. 3, 20, all go to one *p.* Isa. 66, 1, where is the *p.* of my rest. John 8, 37, my word hath no *p.* in you. 1 Cor. 4, 11, no certain dwelling-*p.* Eph. 4, 27, neither give *p.* to the devil. 2 Pet. 1, 19, light that shineth in a dark *p* Rev. 12, 6, hath a *p.* prepared of God.

PLACES—Ps. 16, 6 Isa. 40, 4 Eph. 1, 3.

PLAGUE—Hos. 13, 14 Rev 22, 18

PLAIN-LY-NESS—Gen. 25, 27, Jacob was a *p.* man. Ps 27, 11, lead me in a *p* path. Prov 8, 9, all *p* to him that understandeth; 15, 19, way of the righteous is made *p.* Zech. 4, 7, Zerubbabel thou become a *p.* John 16, 29, lo, now speakest thou *p.* 2 Cor. 3, 12, we use great *p.* of speech.

PLAITED-ING—Matt. 27, 29. 1 Pet. 3, 3

PLANT—Ps. 128, 3, children like olive *p.* Isa. 53, 2, grow up as a tender *p.* Jer 2, 21, degenerate *p*; 18, 9, to build and to *p* it. Ezek. 34, 29, will raise up a *p.* of renown.

PLANTED—Ps 1, 3, like a tree *p.* by river; 92, 13, that be *p.* in the house of; 94, 9, he that *p* the ear. Isa. 40, 24, they shall not be *p* Jer 2, 21, I *p.* thee a noble vine, 17, 8, as a tree *p.* by the waters. Matt. 15, 13, Father hath not *p.* Rom 6, 5, *p* together in the likeness. 1 Cor. 3, 6, I have *p*, Apollos watered.

PLANTING—Isa. 60, 21; 61, 3.

PLAY—Ex. 32, 6. 1 Cor. 10, 7.

PLEAD—Job 16, 21, O that one might *p.* for me; 23, 6, will he *p* against me. Isa. 1, 17, *p* for the widow, 66, 16, by fire and sword will the Lord *p.* Jer 2, 9, *p* with you, and children *p.*, 29, wherefore will ye *p* with me, 12, 1, righteous art thou, O Lord, when I *p*; 25, 31, he will *p.* with all flesh Hos. 2, 2, *p* with your mother, for she is not. Joel 3, 2, I will *p.* with them for my people.

PLEASANT—Ps 16, 6, lines fallen to me in *p* places, 133, 1, *p* for brethren to dwell, 147, 1, it is *p.*, praise is comely Prov 2, 10, knowledge is *p* to thy soul. Jer 31, 20, my dear son, is he a *p* child? Dan. 8, 9, *p* land.

PLEASE—Ps. 69, 31, shall *p.* the Lord better Prov. 16, 7, when man's ways *p.* the L Isa. 55, 11, accomplish that which I *p* Rom 8, 8, in the flesh cannot *p.* God, 15, 1, ought not to *p.* ourselves; 2, every one *p.* his neighbour 1 Cor. 7, 32, how he may *p.* the Lord. Gal. 1, 10, do I seek to *p* men. 1 Thess. 4, 1, how to walk and to *p* God. Heb 11, 6, without faith impossible to *p*

PLEASED—Ps 51, 19, be *p.* with sacrifices, 115, 3, L do whatever he *p.* Isa. 42, 21, L. well *p.* for his righteousness, 53, 10, *p* the L. to bruise him. Mic. 6, 7, will the Lord be *p.* with thousands. Matt. 3, 17, Son in whom I am well *p* Rom. 15, 3, Christ *p* not himself Col. 1, 19, *p* the Father that in him Heb. 13, 16, with such sacrifices God is well *p*

PLEASING—Phil. 4, 18, a sacrifice well *p.* to God. Col. 1, 10, worthy of the L. unto all *p*; 3, 20, obey parents, well *p.* to the Lord. 1 Thess 2, 4, not as *p* men. Heb. 13, 21, in you that which is well *p* 1 John 3, 22, do things *p* in his sight.

PLEASURE—1 Chr 29, 17, hast *p* in uprightness. Ps 51, 18, do good in thy good *p*, 102, 14, servants take *p.* in her stones. Ecc. 12, 1, thou shalt say, I have no *p.* in them Isa. 44, 28, he shall perform all my *p*, 53, 10, the *p.* of the Lord shall prosper; 58, 13, not finding thine own *p* Ezek. 18, 32, no *p.* in the death. Luke 12, 32, your Father a good *p* to give. 2 Cor. 12, 10, I take *p* in infirmities. Eph. 1, 5, the good *p* of his will. Phil. 2, 13, to do of his good *p.* 2 Thess 1, 11, fulfil all the good *p* Heb. 10, 38, soul shall have no *p* in him; 12, 10, chastened us after their *p* Rev. 4, 11, for thy *p.* they were created.

PLEASURES—Ps. 16, 11; 36, 8. 2 Tim. 3, 4. Heb. 11, 25.

PLEDGE—Ex. 22, 26. Deu. 24, 6.

PLEIADES—Job 9, 9, 38, 31.

PLENTY—Job 37, 23. Prov. 3, 10.

PLENTEOUS—Ps. 86, 5, 130, 7 Matt. 9, 37

PLOW—Deu. 22, 10 Job 4, 8, they that *p.* iniquity reap the same. Prov 20, 4 Isa. 28, 24, doth the plowman *p* all day. Luke 9, 62, no man having put his hand to the *p.* 1 Cor. 9, 10, he that ploweth should *p* in hope.

PLOWSHARES—Isa. 2, 4. Joel 3, 10. Mic. 4, 3.

PLUCK-ED—Jer. 12, 14, will *p* them out; 18, 7, speak of a nation to *p* up, 22, 24, yet would I *p* thee thence, 31, 28, to *p.* up, and to break down, 40, it shall not be *p.* up Ezek. 19, 12, she was *p.* up in fury

POISON—Deu. 32, 24. Ps. 140, 3. Rom 3, 13 Jam. 3, 8

PONDER—Prov 5, 21; 21, 2 Luke 2, 19.

POOR—Deu. 15, 11, *p.* shall never cease. 1 Sam. 2, 7, Lord maketh *p*; 8, raiseth *p.* out of the dust. Job 5, 16, the *p.* hath hope. Ps. 68, 10, goodness for the *p.*; 72, 4, he shall judge the *p*; 132, 15, satisfy her *p.* with bread. Prov 22, 2, rich and *p* meet together; 30, 9, lest I be *p* and steal. Isa. 41, 17, *p.* and needy seek water; 58, 7, *p.* that are cast out into, 66, 2, *p.* and of a contrite spirit. Jer. 5, 4, surely these are *p.*, they are foolish Zeph 3, 12, afflicted and *p.* people. Zech. 11, 11, the *p.* of the flock waited. Matt. 5, 3, blessed are the *p.* in spirit; 11, 5, *p.* have the gospel preached; 26, 11, *p.* always with you. Luke 6, 20, blessed be ye *p.*; 14, 13, call the *p.*,

the maimed. 2 Cor. 6, 10, *p.* yet making many rich; 8, 9, for your sakes he became *p.* Gal. 2, 10, remember the *p.* Jam. 2, 5, God hath chosen the *p.* Rev 3, 17, knowest not that thou art *p.*

PORTION—Deu. 32, 9, the Lord's *p* is his people. 2 Ki. 2, 9, a double *p* of thy spirit be. Job 20, 29, the *p.* of a wicked man. Ps. 17, 14, have their *p.* in this life; 73, 26, God is my *p.* for ever; 142, 5, my *p* in the land of living Ecc. 11, 2, *p* to seven, and also to eight. Isa. 53, 12, divide him a *p.* with the great. Jer 10, 16, *p* of Jacob not like them. Lam. 3, 24, L is my *p*, saith my soul. Matt 24, 51, appoint him his *p*

POSSESS-ED-ING—Gen. 22, 17; Judg. 11, 24. Job 7, 3, so am I made to *p.* months of vanity; 13, 26, makest me to *p* the iniquities of my Luke 21, 19, in your patience *p* ye your souls. 1 Cor 7, 30, they that buy as though they *p* not. 2 Cor 6, 10, nothing, yet *p.* all things. 1 Thess. 4, 4, should know how to *p* his vessel.

POSSIBLE—Matt 24, 24, if *p* deceive the very elect. Mark 9, 23, all things *p* to him that; 14, 36, Father, all things are *p.* unto. Luke 18, 27, impossible with men, *p.* with God. Rom 12, 18, if it be *p.*, as much as. Heb 10, 4, it is not *p.* that the blood.

POTENTATE—1 Tim. 6, 15.

POTSHERD—Job 2, 8. Isa. 45, 9.

POTTER—Isa. 30, 14, the *p.* vessel; 41, 25, as the *p* treadeth clay. Jer 18, 2, go to *p* house; 6, cannot I do as this *p* Zech 11, 13, cast it unto the *p.* Matt 27, 7, *p.* field. Rom. 9, 21, *p* power over clay. Rev. 2, 27.

POUND—Luke 19, 13. John 19, 39

POUR—Ps. 62, 8, 79, 6 Prov. 1, 23 Isa. 44, 3. Joel, 2, 28

POURED—Ps. 45, 2, grace is *p.* into thy lips. Cant. 1, 3, thy name as ointment *p* forth Isa. 26, 16, *p.* out a prayer; 32, 15, spirit be *p* upon us; 53, 12, *p* out his soul unto death Jer 7, 20, my fury shall be *p* out. Rev 16, 17, *p* out his vial into the air.

POVERTY—Prov 6, 11, so shall thy *p.* come, 23, 21, glutton shall come to *p*; 30, 8, neither *p* nor riches. 2 Cor 8, 2, *p* abounded unto the; 9, ye through his *p.* might be rich. Rev 2, 9, I know thy *p.*

POWDER—Matt. 21, 44 Luke 20, 18

POWER—1 Chr 29, 11, thine is the *p* and glory Job 26, 14, thunder of his *p* who can Ps. 62, 11, *p* belongeth unto God, 90, 11, *p* of thine anger Prov 3, 27, in the *p.* of thine hand; 18, 21, are in *p* of the tongue. Ecc. 8, 8, hath *p* over the spirit. Isa. 40, 29, giveth *p* to the faint, and. Jer. 10, 12, made the earth by his *p* Hos. 12, 3, he had *p* with God Mic. 3, 8, full of *p.* by the spirit. Hab 3, 4, there was the hiding of his *p* Zech 4, 6, not by might nor by *p* Matt 9, 6, Son of man hath *p* on earth; 22, 29, not knowing scriptures nor *p.* of God, 28, 18, all *p* is given unto me. Mark 9, 1, kingdom of God come with *p* Luke 1, 35, *p* of the Highest shall overshadow, 4, 32, his word was with *p*; 22, 53, the *p* of darkness; 24, 49, until ye be endued with *p* John 1, 12, to them gave he *p* to, 10, 18, *p* to lay it down, *p* to take it again, 17, 2, given him *p.* over all flesh; 19, 11, no *p.* against me except. Acts 26, 18, from the *p* of Satan. Rom. 1, 16, gospel the *p.* of God; 20, eternal *p.* and Godhead; 9, 22, willing to make his *p* known. 1 Cor. 1, 24, Christ the *p.* of God; 2, 4, demonstration of Spirit and of *p*; 4, 19, know not the speech, but the *p*; 5, 4, gathered together with *p.* of our Lord; 6, 12, I will not be brought under *p.* of any, 9, 4, have we not *p.* to eat. 2 Cor. 4, 7, excellency of the *p*; 8, 3, to their *p*, and beyond their *p.* Eph 1, 19, exceeding greatness of his *p*; 2, 2, prince of *p* of the air; 6, 12, principalities, against *p* Phil 3, 10, *p* of his resurrection Col. 1, 11, according to his glorious *p*; 13, us from the *p* of darkness. 1 Thess 1, 5, not in word, but in *p* 2 Thess 1, 9, glory of his *p*; 11, work of faith with *p.* 2 Tim. 1, 7, spirit of *p.* and of love; 3, 5, godliness, denying *p.* thereof. Heb. 1, 3, all things by word of his *p.*; 2, 14, that hath *p.* of death; 6, 5, tasted *p.* of the world to come. 1 Pet 1, 5, kept by *p.* of God. 2 Pet. 1, 3, divine *p.* hath given unto us. Rev 2, 26, I will give *p.* over the nations; 4, 11, worthy to receive *p*; 11, 17, taken to thee thy great *p.*

PRAISE—Deu. 10, 21, he is thy *p.* and thy God. Neh. 9, 5, above all blessing and *p.* Ps. 22, 25, my *p.* shall be of thee; 33, 1, *p.* is comely; 34, 1, *p* shall continually be in my mouth; 50, 23, offereth *p.* glorifieth me; 65, 1, *p.* waiteth for thee in Sion. Isa. 60, 18, walls Salvation, thy gates *P*; 62, 7, Jerusalem a *p* in the earth. Jer 13, 11, for a *p*, and for a glory; 17, 26, sacrifices of *p* Hab. 3, 3, earth was full of his *p.* John 12, 43, loved *p.* of men more than *p.* of God. Rom. 2, 29, whose *p.* is not of men. Eph. 1, 6, *p.* of glory of his grace. Phil. 4, 8, if there be any *p*, think. Heb. 13, 15, offer sacrifice of *p.* to God. 1 Pet. 2, 14, for *p.* of them that do well.

PRAISE—Ps. 30, 9, shall the dust *p.* thee; 63, 3, my lips shall *p.* thee; 72, 15; 88, 10, shall the dead arise and *p.*; 119, 164, seven times a day do I *p.*; 145, 10, all thy works shall *p.* thee. Prov. 27, 2, let another man *p.* thee; 31, 31, her works *p.* her. Isa. 38, 18, the grave cannot *p.* thee; 19, living, he shall *p.* thee. Dan. 2, 23, I thank and *p.* thee. Joel 2, 26, be satisfied, and *p.* the.

PRAY—1 Sam. 7, 5, I will *p.* for you Ps. 55, 17, morning and noon will I *p.*; 122, 6, *p.* for peace of Jerusalem. Jer. 7, 16, *p.* not thou for this people. Matt. 5, 44, *p.* for them which despitefully; 26, 41, *p.* that ye enter not into. Mark 11, 24, what things ye desire, when ye *p.*; 13, 33, *p.*, for ye know not the. Luke 11, 1, teach us to *p*, as John, 18, 1, men ought always to *p*; 21, 36, *p.* always. John 16, 26, will *p* the Father; 17, 9, I *p.* for them, I *p.* not for world; 20, neither *p.* I for these alone. Acts 8, 22, repent, and *p.* God, 24, *p* ye to the Lord, 9, 11, 10, 9, went upon the housetop to *p.* Rom 8, 26, know not what we should *p.* for. 1 Cor 14, 15, I will *p.* with the spirit. 2 Cor 5, 20, we *p* you in Christ's stead. Col 1, 9, we do not cease to *p.* for you. 1 Thess. 5, 17, *p* without ceasing; 25, *p* for us 1 Tim 2, 8, men *p.* everywhere. Jam. 5, 13, afflicted, let him *p*; 16, *p* one for another

PRAYED—Luke 22, 32, 44. Acts 10, 2; 20, 36. Jam. 5, 17.

PRAYER—1 Ki 8, 38, what *p* and supplication; 49, hear thou their *p* 2 Chr 30, 27, their *p.* came up Neh 4, 9, we made our *p* unto our God. Job 15, 4, restrainest *p.* before God Ps. 65, 2, hearest *p* unto thee shall all, 109, 4, but I give myself unto *p* Prov 15, 8, *p.* of the upright his delight; 29, heareth *p.* of the righteous; 28, 9, his *p* shall be abomination. Isa. 56, 7, make them joyful in my house of *p* Jer. 7, 16, cry nor *p.* for them. Dan 9, 3, *p* and supplications. Matt. 17, 21, not out but by *p.* and fasting Acts 6, 4, continually to *p*; 16, 13, *p* was wont to be made. 1 Cor 7, 5, to fasting and *p* 2 Cor 1, 11, helping together by *p.* Eph. 6, 18, praying always with all *p* Phil. 4, 6, in everything by *p* 1 Tim 4, 5, sanctified by word of God and *p.* Jam 5, 15, *p.* of faith shall save the sick, 16, effectual fervent *p.* 1 Pet. 4, 7, be sober and watch unto *p.*

PRAYERS—Ps. 72, 20, *p.* of David are ended. Isa. 1, 15, when ye make *p* I will not hear Acts 10, 4, thy *p* and thine alms. 1 Tim 2, 1, *p*, intercessions, and 1 Pet 3, 7, that your *p* be not hindered; 3, 12, his ears are open unto their *p.* Rev. 5, 8, which are the *p* of saints.

PRAYING—Dan. 9, 20. 1 Cor. 11, 4 1 Thess 3, 10. Jude 20.

PREACH—Isa. 61, 1, me to *p* good tidings. Jon. 3, 2, *p* unto it the preaching Matt. 4, 17, Jesus began to *p*; 10, 27, *p* on the housetops. Mark 1, 4, *p.* baptism of repentance. Luke 4, 18, *p* deliverance to captives; 9, 60, *p* the kingdom of God Acts 15, 21, in every city them that *p* Rom 10, 8, word of faith, which we *p*, 15, shall they *p.* except they. 1 Cor. 1, 23, *p.* Christ crucified; 15, 11, we *p*, and so ye believed 2 Cor 4, 5, *p* not ourselves, but. Phil 1, 15, *p* Christ of envy and strife. Col 1, 28, we *p*, warning every man. 2 Tim. 4, 2, *p* the word, be instant

PREACHED—Ps 40, 9, I have *p* righteousness. Mark 6, 12, *p*, that men should repent; 16, 20, went and *p.* everywhere. Luke 4, 44, he *p* in the synagogues; 24, 47, remission of sins be *p* Acts 5, 5, Philip *p.* Christ; 9, 20, *p* Christ in the, 13, 38, through this man is *p* unto you 1 Cor 9, 27, when I have *p* to others, 15, 12, if Christ be *p.* that he rose Eph 2, 17, *p* peace to you Col. 1, 23, *p* to every creature 1 Tim 3, 16, *p* unto the Gentiles. Heb 4, 2, word *p* did not profit. 1 Pet. 3, 19, *p.* unto spirits in prison

PREACHER—Ecc 1, 1. Rom. 10, 14 1 Tim. 2, 7 2 Pet 2, 5.

PREACHING—Jon 3, 2 Matt 3, 1 Acts 10, 36 1 Cor 1, 18, 21; 2, 4; 15, 14.

PRECEPTS—Ps 119, 4, commanded us to keep thy *p*; 15, meditate in *p*, 40, longed after thy *p.*, 56, I kept thy *p*; 87, I forsook not thy *p*; 94, I have sought thy *p*, 104, through thy *p* I get understanding; 128, esteem all thy *p.* to be right; 141, do not I forget thy *p.*, 159, I love thy *p.*; 173, chosen thy *p* Isa. 28, 10, *p* must be upon *p*, *p* upon *p*; 29, 13, taught by *p.* of men.

PRECIOUS—1 Sam. 3, 1, word of the L *p* in; 26, 21, my soul was *p* 2 Ki 1, 13, let my life be *p* Ps. 49, 8, redemption of their soul is *p*, 72, 14, *p* shall their blood be; 116, 15, *p* in sight of Lord is death of saints, 126, 6, bearing *p* seed; 139, 17, how *p.* are thy thoughts unto me. Ecc 7, 1, good name is better than *p* Isa. 13, 12, more *p* than fine gold; 28, 16, a *p.* corner stone; 43, 4, since thou wast *p.* in. Jer 15, 19, if thou take the *p* Lam. 4, 2, *p* sons of Zion. Jam. 5, 7, waits for *p* fruit. 1 Pet. 1, 7, faith more *p.* than gold; 19, the *p* blood of Christ; 2, 4, chosen of God, and *p.*; 7, unto you which believe he is *p* 2 Pet. 1, 1, like *p* faith with us; 4, great and *p.* promises.

PREDESTINATE-ED—Rom. 8, 29, 30. Eph. 1, 5, 11.

PREEMINENCE—Col. 1, 18. 3 John 9.

PREFER-ED-ING—Ps. 137, 6. Dan 6, 3. John 1, 15. Rom. 12, 10. 1 Tim. 5, 21.

PREPARE—1 Sam 7, 3, *p.* your hearts. Ps. 61, 7, *p* mercy and truth. Isa. 40, 3, *p.* ye way of the Lord Amos 4, 12, *p.* to meet thy God. Mic. 3, 5, they *p.* war against him. Matt. 11, 10, which shall *p.* thy way before. John 14, 2, I go to *p.* a place for you.

PREPARED—2 Chr. 19, 3, hast *p.* thine heart, 27, 6, hast *p.* his ways; 29, 36, God had *p.* the people. Neh. 8, 10, for whom nothing is *p.* Ps. 68, 10, hast *p.* of thy goodness. Isa. 64, 4, what he hath *p.* for him. Matt. 20, 23, to them for whom it is *p.*; 22, 4, I have *p.* my dinner; 25, 34, the kingdom *p* for you. Luke 1, 17, a people *p.* for the Lord; 12, 47, knew his Lord's will, and *p* not. Rom. 9, 23, vessels of mercy *p.* unto glory. 1 Cor. 2, 9. 2 Tim. 2, 21, *p.* unto every good work. Heb. 10, 5, a body hast thou *p.* me; 11, 7, *p.* an ark; 16, he hath *p.* for them a city. Rev. 21, 2, *p.* as a bride

PREPARATION-S—1 Chr 22, 5. Prov 16, 1 Mark 15, 42. John 19, 14. Eph 6, 15

PRESENCE—Gen. 3, 8, hid themselves from the *p* of; 4, 16, Cain went out from *p* of the Lord. Job 23, 15, troubled at his *p* Ps. 16, 11, in thy *p* is fulness of joy; 31, 20, hide them in secret of thy *p*; 51, 11, not away from thy *p*; 100, 2, come before his *p* with, 114, 7, tremble thou earth at his *p*, 139, 7, whither shall I flee from thy *p*, 140, 13, upright shall dwell in thy *p.* Isa. 63, 9, the angel of his *p.* saved. Jer. 5, 22, will ye not tremble at my *p* Luke 13, 26, have eaten and drunken in thy *p.* Acts 3, 19, times of refreshing from *p* of. 1 Cor. 1, 29, that no flesh should glory in his *p.* 2 Cor. 10, 1, who in *p* am base among; 10. 2 Thess 1, 2, everlasting destruction from *p* of the Lord. Rev 14, 10, *p* of holy angels.

PRESENT—Acts 10, 33, all here *p* before God Rom 7, 18, to will is *p*; 21, evil is *p*; 8, 38, neither death, nor things *p.* 1 Cor. 5, 3, but *p* in spirit. 2 Cor 5, 8, to be *p.* with the Lord, 9, whether *p* or absent. Gal. 1, 4, from this *p* evil world 2 Tim 4, 10, loved this *p.* world Heb 12, 11, no chastening for the *p* seemeth joyous. 2 Pet. 1, 12, established in the *p* truth.

PRESENT—Rom 12, 1. 2 Cor 11, 2 Eph 5, 27 Col. 1, 22, 28. Jude 24

PRESERVE—Ps. 25, 21, integrity and uprightness *p.* me, 32, 7, *p* me from trouble, 86, 2, *p.* my soul; 121, 7, Lord shall *p* thee Prov. 2, 11, discretion shall *p.* thee Luke 17, 33, lose his life shall *p* it. 2 Tim. 4, 18, *p* me unto his heavenly kingdom

PRESERVED—2 Sam. 8, 6 Job 10, 12 Ps 37, 28 Matt. 9, 17. 1 Thess. 5, 23 Jude 1

PRESS-ED-ETH—Ps. 38, 2, and thy hand *p* me sore. Amos 2, 13, I am *p* under you as a cart. Luke 6, 38, give good measure, *p.* down; 8, 19; 16, 16, every man *p* into it; 19, 3 Acts 18, 5, Paul was *p* in the spirit 2 Cor 1, 8, that we were *p* out of measure. Phil 3, 14, I *p* toward the mark

PRETENCE—Matt 23, 14 Phil 1, 18.

PREVAIL-ED—Gen. 32, 28, as a prince hast thou *p* Ex. 17, 11, Moses held up his hand Israel *p* 1 Sam. 2, 9, by strength shall no man *p* Ps. 9, 19, let not man *p*, 65, 3, iniquities *p* against me Hos 12, 4 Matt 16, 18, gates of hell shall not *p*

PREVENT-ED—2 Sam 22, 6 Job 3, 12 Ps 59, 10; 79, 8, 88, 13, 119, 148. Amos 9, 10 1 Thess 4, 15

PREY—Isa. 49, 24, 59, 15. Jer 21, 9

PRICE—Job 28, 13, man knoweth not the *p* Isa. 55, 1, and milk without *p* Matt 13, 46, one pearl of great *p* Acts 5, 2, kept back part of the *p* 1 Cor 6, 20, bought with a *p* 1 Pet. 3, 4, in the sight of God of great *p*

PRIDE—Job 33, 17, hide *p* from man Ps. 10, 2, wicked in *p* doth persecute, 73, 6, *p* compasseth them Prov 8, 13, *p* and arrogancy, 11, 2, when *p* cometh, then, 13, 10, by *p* cometh contention, 16, 18, *p.* goeth before destruction, 29, 23, man's *p* shall bring him low Jer 13, 17, weep in secret for your *p* Ezek 7, 10, *p.* hath budded. Dan. 4, 37, walk in *p*, he is able to abase. Hos. 5, 5, the *p* of Israel doth testify Obad 3, *p.* of thine heart hath deceived 1 Tim 3, 6, lifted up with *p* 1 John 2, 16, and the *p* of life.

PRIEST—Isa. 24, 2, as with people, so with *p.*; 28, 7, *p.* and prophet have erred Jer. 23, 11, prophet and *p* are profane Ezek 7, 26, law shall perish from *p* Hos 4, 9, like people, like *p* Mal 2, 7, *p's* lips should keep knowledge. Heb 2, 17, merciful and faithful high *p.*; 5, 6, art a *p* for ever

PRIESTS—Ps 132, 9, let thy *p.* be clothed with, 16, clothe her *p* with salvation Isa. 61, 6, named the *p* of the Lord. Jer 5, 31, *p* bear rule by their means Joel 1, 9, *p*, Lord's ministers, mourn. Matt. 12, 5, *p.* in temple profane sabbath. Acts 6, 7, *p* were obedient. Rev. 1, 6, kings and *p* unto God.

PRIESTHOOD—Ex. 40, 15. Heb 7, 11, 12, 24 1 Pet. 2, 5, 9.

PRINCE—Gen. 32, 28, as a *p* hast thou power Ex. 2, 14, who made thee a *p* 2 Sam 3, 38, a *p.* and a great man fallen. Isa. 9, 6, the *P.* of peace. Dan. 10, 21, Michael your *p*; 12, 1, great *p.* which standeth. Hos. 3, 4, many days without a *p* John 12, 31, shall the *p.* of this world be, 14, 30, *p.* of this world cometh; 16, 11, *p* of this world is judged. Acts 3, 15, killed the *P.* of life; 5, 31, a *P* and a Saviour. Eph. 2, 2, the *p* of the power of. Rev. 1, 5, *p.* of the kings of the earth.

PRINCES—Job 12, 19, he leadeth *p.* away spoiled; 21, poureth contempt on *p.*; 34, 18, is it fit to say to *p.* ye are ungodly, 19, accept th not the persons of *p.* Ps. 45, 16, whom thou mayest make *p*; 76, 12, cast off the spirit of *p*; 82, 7, ye shall fall like one of the *p.*; 118, 9, to put confidence in *p.*; 119, 23, *p.* also did speak against me; 161, *p* persecuted me without cause; 146, 3, put not your trust in *p.* Prov. 8, 15, by me *p.* decree justice; 17, 26, not good to strike *p.*; 28, 2, transgression of a land many are *p.*; 31, 4, not for *p.* to drink. Ecc. 10, 7, *p.* walking as servants. Isa. 3, 4, give children to be their *p.* Hos. 7, 5, *p* have made our king sick Matt. 20, 25, *p.* of Gentiles exercise dominion. 1 Cor. 2, 6, wisdom of *p.* of this world; 8, none of *p.* of this world knew.

PRINCIPALITY—Eph. 1, 21; 3, 10; 6, 12. Col 2, 15. Titus 3, 1.

PRINCIPLES—Heb. 5, 12; 6, 1.

PRISON—Isa. 53, 8, taken from *p.* and from judgment; 61, 1, opening of *p.* to the bound. Matt. 5, 25, and thou be cast into *p.*; 18, 30, into *p* till he should pay; 25, 36, in *p.* and ye came unto me 1 Pet. 3, 19, the spirits in *p* Rev. 2, 10, cast some of you into *p.*

PRISONER-S—Isa. 49, 9, mayest say to *p.*, Go forth Zech. 9, 12, ye *p.* of hope. Matt. 27, 15, to release a *p.* Mark 15, 6. Acts 16, 25, the *p* heard them; 27, supposing the *p* were fled; 25, 27, unreasonable to send a *p*, 27, 42, to kill the *p*; 28, 16, centurion delivered the *p.*, 17, yet was I delivered a *p* Eph 3, 1, the *p* of Jesus. Philem. 1. 2 Tim 1, 8, nor of me his *p.*

PRIZE—1 Cor. 9, 24 Phil 3, 14.

PROCEED—Isa. 51, 4 Jer 9, 3. Matt. 15, 19 Eph 4, 29 2 Tim. 3, 9

PROCEEDETH—Deu 8, 3, by every word that *p.* 1 Sam 24, 13, wickedness *p* from the wicked Lam. 3, 38, Most High *p* not evil. John 15, 26, Spirit of truth, which *p.* Jam 3, 10, out of the same mouth *p*

PROCLAIM-ETH—Ex 33, 19 Prov 20, 6. Isa 61, 1, 2 Prov 12, 23

PROFANE—Neh 13, 17 Ezek. 22, 26 1 Tim 1, 9 4, 7, 6, 20

PROFANED—Ps. 89, 39. Ezek. 22, 8 Mal. 1, 12, 2, 11

PROFESS—1 Tim 6, 12 Titus 1, 16

PROFESSION—Heb 3, 1, 4, 14

PROFIT-ED—Matt. 16, 26 John 6, 63. 2 Tim 2, 14 Heb. 4, 2, 12, 10.

PROFITABLE—1 Tim 4, 8 2 Tim. 3, 16.

PROLONG—Ecc. 8, 13. Isa. 53, 10

PROMISE—Ps 77, 8, doth his *p.* fail for ever; 105, 42, he remembered his holy *p.* Luke 24, 49, *p* of my Father Acts 1, 4, wait for *p.* of my Father, 2, 39, *p* is to you and children Rom 9, 8, children of the *p* Eph 1, 13, Holy Spirit of *p*, 2, 12, strangers from covenants of *p*, 6, 2, commandment with *p* 1 Tim 4, 8, having *p.* of the life Heb. 4, 1, lest a *p* being left us, 6, 17, shew unto the heirs of *p*, 9, 15, receive the *p* of eternal life. 2 Pet. 3, 4, where is the *p* of his coming. 1 John 2, 25, *p* he hath promised

PROMISES—Rom 9, 4, to whom pertain the *p*, 15, 8, *p* made to the fathers. 2 Cor 1, 20, all *p* are yea and Amen, 7, 1, having these *p*, dearly beloved Gal 3, 21, is the law against the *p.* Heb 6, 12, inherit the *p*, 11, 13, not having received the *p.* 2 Pet 1, 4, great and precious *p.*

PROPHECY—1 Tim. 4, 14, given thee by *p* 2 Pet. 1, 19, more sure word of *p*, 20, no *p* of scripture, 21, *p* came not in old time Rev 1, 3, hear words of this *p.*; 22, 7, sayings of *p.* of this book.

PROPHESY—Isa. 30, 10, *p.* deceits. Jer. 14, 14, *p.* lies in my name Joel 2, 28, sons and daughters shall *p.* Amos 3, 8, the Lord hath spoken, who can but *p* 1 Cor 13, 9, we *p.* in part. Rev 10, 11, *p.* again before nations

PROPHESIED—Matt 7, 22 John 11, 51. 1 Pet 1, 10 Jude 14

PROPHET—Deu 18, 15, I will raise up a *p.* 2 Ki 5, 13, if the *p* had bid thee. Ezek. 33, 33, a *p.* hath been among Hos. 9, 7, the *p.* is a fool, 12, 13, by a *p.* was he preserved Amos 7, 14, no *p.*, neither a *p's* son. Matt 10, 41, a *p* in the name of a *p*; 11, 9, a *p.* and more than a *p.*; 13, 57, a *p* is not without honour. Luke 7, 28, not a greater *p.* than John. John 7, 40, this is the *p.* Acts 3, 22, a *p* shall the Lord raise up Titus 1, 12, a *p* of their own.

PROPHETS—Nu. 11, 29, Lord's people were *p* 1 Sam. 10, 12, is Saul among the *p.* Ps. 105, 15, do my *p* no harm Lam. 2, 14, *p.* have seen vain things. Mic. 3, 11, *p.* divine. Zeph. 3, 4, *p* are treacherous persons. Zech. 1, 5, *p.* do they live for ever. Matt. 5, 17, not come to destroy law or *p.*; 7, 12, this is the law and the *p*; 13, 17, *p.* have desired to see; 22, 40, hang all the law and *p.* Luke 1, 70, by the mouth of his holy *p*; 16, 29, Moses and the *p*; 24, 25, believe all that *p.* Acts 10, 43, to him give all the *p.* witness; 13, 27, know not the voices of the *p*; 26, 27, believest thou the *p.* Rom. 1, 2, promised afore by his *p.*; 3, 21, witnessed by the law and the *p.* 1 Cor. 12, 28, God set some in the church *p* 1 Thess. 2, 15, killed their own *p.* Heb. 1, 1, spake to the fathers by the *p.* Jam 5, 10, *p* for an example of suffering. 1 Pet. 1, 10, of which salvation the *p.* Rev. 18, 20, holy apostles and *p.*; 22, 6 God of the holy *p.*

PROPITIATION—Rom. 3, 25. 1 John 2, 2; 4, 10.

PROSPER—Gen 39, 3, Lord made all to *p.* in his house. Deu. 29, 9, ye may *p.* in all

ye do. 2 Chr 20, 20, believe prophets, so shall ye *p*. Ps. 1, 3, whatsoever he doeth shall *p*.; 122, 6, shall *p*. that love thee. Prov. 28, 13, covereth his sins shall not *p*. Isa. 53, 10, pleasure of the Lord shall *p*. in, 54, 17, no weapon formed against thee *p*; 55, 11, it shall *p*. in the thing. Jer. 23, 5, a king shall reign and *p*. 3 John 2, *p*. as thy soul prospereth

PROSPERITY—Ps. 30, 6, in my *p* I said; 73, 3, the *p*. of the wicked; 118, 25, send now *p*; 122, 7, *p*. be within thy palaces. Prov 1, 32, *p*. of fools shall destroy them. Ecc. 7, 14, in the day of *p*. be joyful

PROUD—Ecc. 7, 8. Mal 3, 15 Luke 1, 51. 1 Tim 6, 4 Jam 4, 6

PROVE—Mal 3, 10, bring tithes—*p*. me now herewith. Rom 12, 2, *p*. what is that good will. 2 Cor. 8, 8, to *p* the sincerity of your love; 13, 5, *p* your own selves. Gal. 6, 4, every man *p* his own work. 1 Thess. 5, 21, *p* all things, hold fast that.

PROVERB—Ps 69, 11. Isa. 14, 4 2 Pet. 2, 22.

PROVIDE—Gen. 22, 8, God will *p*. himself a lamb; 30, 30, when shall I *p*. for my house. Ps 78, 20, can he *p* flesh for his people. Matt 10, 9, *p*. neither gold, nor silver. Luke 12, 33, *p* bags which wax not old. Rom. 12, 17, *p* things honest. 1 Tim. 5, 8, if any *p* not for his own house.

PROVOKE—Deu 31, 20, *p*. me and break my covenant. Job 12, 6, that *p* God are secure. Isa 3, 8, to *p* the eyes of his glory Jer 44, 8, ye *p* me to wrath Luke 11, 53, *p* him to speak of many. Rom 10, 19, I will *p* you to jealousy 1 Cor 10, 22, do we *p* the Lord Eph. 6, 4, *p* not your children. Heb 3, 16, when they had heard did *p*, 10, 24, to *p* to love and to good.

PROVOKED—Deu 9, 8, *p* the Lord to wrath 1 Ki 14, 22, *p* him to jealousy. 1 Chr 21, 1, Satan *p* David Ezra 5, 12, after that our fathers had *p* Ps 78, 56, they tempted and *p*. God Zech 8, 14, your fathers *p* me to wrath. 1 Cor 13, 5, not easily *p* 2 Cor. 9, 2, your zeal hath *p* very many

PRUDENT—Prov 12, 23, *p* concealeth knowledge, 14, 15, *p* man looketh well to his, 15, 5, he that regardeth reproof is *p*, 16, 21, wise in heart shall be called *p*, 18, 15, heart of the *p* getteth knowledge, 19, 14, *p* wife is from the Lord, 22, 3, *p* man foreseeth the evil Isa. 5, 21, *p*. in their own sight. Jer 49, 7, counsel perished from the *p* Hos 14, 9, *p* and he shall know Amos 5, 13, *p* shall keep silence. Matt. 11, 25, things from the wise and *p* 1 Cor 1, 19, understanding of the *p*

PSALM-S—1 Chr 16, 9, sing *p* unto him. Ps 95, 2, a joyful noise to him with *p*, 105, 2, sing *p*, talk ye of all Eph. 5, 19, in *p* and hymns. Col 3, 16, one another in *p* and. Jam 5, 13, is any merry, let him sing *p*

PUBLICAN-S—Matt. 5, 46, do not *p* the same, 11, 19, a friend of *p* and, 21, 32, *p* and harlots believed him Luke 3, 12, *p*. to be baptized, 7, 29, *p* justified God, being baptized, 18, 13

PUBLISH-ED-ETH—Deu 32, 3, *p* the name of the Lord. 2 Sam. 1, 20, *p* it not in Askelon. Ps 26, 7, *p* with the voice of thanksgiving Isa. 52, 7, feet of him that *p* Jer 4, 15, a voice *p* affliction Mark 13, 10, gospel must first be *p*. Acts 13, 49, word of the Lord was *p*

PUFFED—1 Cor 4, 6, 19, 5, 2; 8, 1, 13, 4; Col. 2, 18

PULLING—Isa. 22, 19 Matt 7, 4. 2 Cor 10, 4 Jude 23

PUNISH-ED—Prov 17, 26, to *p* the just is not good. Isa 10, 12, *p* the fruit of the king of, 14, 11, *p* the world for their evil Jer 9, 25, *p* the circumcised with the Hos. 4, 14, not *p* your daughters, 12, 2, *p* Jacob according to 2 Thess. 1, 9, be *p*. with everlasting. 2 Pet. 2, 9, day of judgment, to be *p*

PUNISHMENT—Gen. 4, 13, my *p* is greater than I Job 31, 3, *p* to workers of iniquity Lam. 3, 39, for the *p*. of his sins Amos 1, 3, not turn away *p* thereof Matt. 25, 46, go into everlasting *p* Heb 10, 29, of how much sorer *p* 1 Pet. 2, 14, for the *p*. of evil doers.

PURCHASED—Eph 1, 14 1 Tim 3, 13

PURE—2 Sam. 22, 27, with the *p* show thyself *p*. Job 4, 17, shall a man be more *p*, 25, 5, stars are not *p* in his sight. Ps 12, 6, words of the L are *p* words, 19, 8, commandment of the L is *p*., 24, 4, clean hands and a *p*. heart. Prov 15, 26, words of the *p*. pleasant; 20, 9, I am *p*. from my sin, 30, 5, word of God is *p*., 12, *p*. in their own eyes Zeph 3, 9, a *p* language. Acts 20, 26, *p*. from the blood of all. Rom. 14, 20, all things indeed are *p* Phil. 4, 8, whatsoever things are *p*. 1 Tim 3, 9, mystery of the faith in a *p*. Titus 1, 15, to the *p* all things are *p*. Heb. 10, 22, bodies washed with *p*. water. Jam. 1, 27, *p*. religion and undefiled; 3, 17, wisdom from above is first *p*. 2 Pet. 3, 1, I stir up your *p*. minds. 1 John 3, 3, purifieth himself, even as he is *p*.

PURGE—Ps. 51, 7. Mal. 3, 3. Matt. 3, 12. 1 Cor. 5, 7. Heb. 9, 14.

PURGED-ETH—1 Sam. 3, 14, thou shalt not be *p*. from. Isa. 6, 7, iniquity is taken away, and thy sin *p*.; 27, 9, iniquity of Jacob be *p*. Ezek. 24, 13, *p*. thee, and thou wast not *p* John 15, 2, he *p*. it to bring forth fruit. Heb. 1, 3, he had by himself *p*. our sins. 2 Pet. 1, 9, forgotten he was *p* from his sins.

PURIFY-ETH-ED—Ps. 12, 6, silver *p*. seven times. Dan. 12, 10, many shall be *p*. Titus 2, 14, *p*. to himself a peculiar people. Jam. 4, 8, *p* your hearts. 1 Pet. 1, 22, *p*. your souls in obeying. 1 John 3, 3, *p* himself, even as he is pure.

PURPOSE—Job. 33, 17, withdraw man from his *p*. Prov. 20, 18, every *p*. is established by. Ecc. 3, 17, a time for every *p*. Isa. 14, 26, *p*. that is purposed. Jer. 51, 29, every *p*. of the Lord shall be. Acts 11, 23, with *p* of heart they would cleave. Rom. 8, 28, called according to his *p*. Eph. 1, 11, according to the *p* of him; 3, 11, eternal *p*. purposed in Christ. 2 Tim. 1, 9, according to his own *p*. and grace. 1 John 3, 8, for this *p* the Son of God was.

PURSUE—Ex 15, 9. Job 13, 25 Ps. 34, 14. Prov 28, 1

PUT—Ps. 4, 7, *p*. gladness in my heart; 8, 6, *p* all things under his feet; 9, 20, *p* them in fear. Isa. 5, 20, woe to them that *p*. darkness; 42 1, I have *p* my spirit upon him, 43, 26, *p*. me in remembrance; 53, 10, *p*. him to grief; 63, 11, that *p* his holy Spirit. Jer. 31, 33, *p*. my law in their inward parts; 32, 40, *p*. my fear in their hearts. Ezek. 11, 19, *p* a new spirit within you; 21, 26, *p*. no difference between holy and, 36, 27, I will *p*. my spirit within. Mic. 7, 5, *p*. ye not confidence in a guide Matt. 5, 15, light a candle, *p* it under a bushel, 19, 6, what God hath joined, let not man *p* Luke 1, 52, *p* down mighty from their seats Acts 1, 7, the Father hath *p* in his own power, 13, 46, seeing ye *p* it from you Eph 4, 22, *p* off the old man. 2 Pet. 1, 14, *p* off this my tabernacle.

PUT *ON*—Job 29, 14, I *p*. *on* righteousness. Isa. 51, 9, awake, *p* *on* strength, 59, 17, he *p* *on* righteousness Matt. 6, 25, what ye shall *p* *on*. Rom. 13, 12, *p* the armour of light, 14, *p*. *on* the Lord Jesus Christ. Gal. 3, 27, baptized into Christ have *p* *on* Eph 4, 24, *p* *on* the new man, 6, 11, *p* *on* the whole armour of God Col. 3, 12, *p* *on* bowels of mercies, 14, *p*. *on* charity, which is the bond.

PUTTETH—Nu 22, 38, the word that God *p* in my Job 15, 15, he *p* no trust in his saints. Ps 15, 5, that *p* not out his money to usury, 75, 7, God *p* down one, and setteth up Cant 2, 13, the fig-tree *p*. forth. Lam. 3, 29, *p* his mouth in the dust. Mic. 3, 5, *p* not into their mouths

PUTTING—Mal. 2, 16, he hateth *p*. away Eph 4, 25, *p* away lying Col. 2, 11, *p* off the body of the sins 1 Thess. 5, 8, *p* on the breast-plate of faith 2 Tim. 1, 6, gift in thee by the *p* on of 1 Pet. 3, 3, *p* on of apparel, 21, *p*. away of filth of the flesh

Q

QUAKE-ED—Ex. 19, 18, mount *q* 1 Sam 14, 15, earth *q* Joel 2, 10, earth shall *q* Nah. 1, 5, mountains *q*. Matt 27, 51, earth did *q* Heb 12, 21, Moses said, I exceedingly fear and *q*

QUAKING—Ezek. 12, 18. Dan 10, 7.

QUARREL—Col 3, 13

QUEEN—Isa. 49, 23 Matt. 12, 42

QUENCH—2 Sam 21, 17, *q* not the light of Israel. Cant. 8, 7, many waters cannot *q* love Isa. 42, 3, smoking flax shall he not Mark 9, 43, the fire never be *q* Eph 6, 16, *q* the fiery darts of the wicked 1 Thess 5, 19, *q* not the Spirit.

QUICK—Ps 124, 3 Isa. 11, 3. Acts 10, 42 2 Tim 4, 1

QUICKEN—Ps 71, 20, thou shalt *q* me again, 80, 18, *q*. us, and we will call, 119, 25, *q* me according to thy word, 37, *q*. thou me in thy way, 40, *q* me in thy righteousness, 88, *q* me after thy loving-kindness; 149, *q* me according to thy judgment Rom 8, 11, shall *q* your mortal bodies

QUICKENED-ING—Ps. 119, 50, thy word hath *q* me. John 5, 21, the Father *q*.; 6, 63, it is the Spirit that *q*. 1 Cor. 15, 45, last Adam a *q* spirit Eph. 2, 1, you hath he *q* who were dead, 2, 5, *q*. us together with Christ. Col. 2, 13 1 Pet. 3, 18, but *q*. by the Spirit.

QUICKLY—Ecc. 4, 12. Matt. 5, 25. Rev. 3, 11.

QUIET—Ecc 9, 17, words of wise are heard in *q*. Isa. 7, 4, take heed and be *q*; 33, 20, Jerusalem a *q*. habitation. 1 Thess. 4, 11, study to be *q* 1 Tim. 2, 2, *q*. and peaceable life. 1 Pet. 3, 4, a meek and *q*. spirit.

QUIETNESS—Job 34, 29, when he giveth *q* Prov. 17, 1, better is a dry morsel and *q*. Ecc. 4, 6, better is an handful with *q*. Isa. 30, 15, in *q* and confidence; 32, 17, effect of righteousness *q* 2 Thess. 3, 12, that with *q* they work.

QUIT—1 Sam 4, 9. 1 Cor. 16, 13.

QUIVER—Isa. 49, 2. Jer. 5, 16.

R

RACE—Ps. 19, 5. Ecc. 9, 11. 1 Cor. 9, 24. Heb. 12, 1.

RAGE-ETH-ING—Ps. 2, 1. Prov. 6, 34; 14, 16; 20, 1. Jude 13.

RAGS—Prov. 23, 21. Isa. 64, 6.

RAILER—1 Cor. 5, 11.

RAILING—1 Tim 6, 4. 1 Pet. 3, 9. 2 Pet. 2, 11. Jude 9.

RAIMENT—Deut. 8, 4, thy *r*. waxed not old. Zech. 3, 4, clothe thee with change of *r*. Matt. 6, 25, body more than *r*.; 11, 8, a man clothed in soft *r*.; 17, 2, his *r*. was white as the light. 1 Tim 6, 8, food and *r*. let us be content. Rev. 3, 5, clothed in white *r*.

RAIN—Deut. 32, 2, doctrine shall drop as the *r*. 2 Sam. 23, 4, clear shining after *r*. 2 Chr. 7, 13, shut up heaven that there be no *r* Job 5, 10, who giveth *r*. upon the earth; 28, 26, a decree for the *r*. Ps. 68, 9, didst send a plentiful *r*, 72, 6, come down like *r*; 147, 8, prepareth *r* for the earth Prov. 16, 15, his favour is as the latter *r*. Cant. 2, 11, winter is past, the *r*. is over Isa. 4, 6, covert from storm and from *r*.; 5, 6, clouds that they *r*. no *r*. upon it; 55, 10, as the *r* cometh down. Amos 4, 7, withholden the *r*. from you Zech 10, 1, ask *r* in the time of the latter *r*., 14, 18, Egypt that have no *r*. Matt. 5, 45, *r* on the just and unjust. Heb. 6, 7, earth, which drinketh in *r*. Jam 5, 18, the heaven gave *r*

RAINBOW—Rev 4, 3; 10, 1.

RAINED—Gen. 19, 24, Lord *r*. upon Sodom. Ex. 9, 23, Lord *r*. hail. Ps. 7, 34, *r*. manna, 27. Luke 17, 29, *r*. fire from heaven. Jam. 5, 17, *r*. not.

RAINY—Prov. 27, 15.

RAISE—Isa. 44, 26; 58, 12. Hos. 6, 2 Amos 9, 11. John 6, 40.

RAISED—Ex. 9, 16, I *r*. thee up, to shew. Matt 11, 5, the dead are *r*. Luke 1, 69, *r* up an horn of salvation. Rom. 4, 25, *r*. again for our justification; 6, 4, Christ was *r* by glory of F. 1 Cor 6, 14, *r*. up the Lord, and will *r* us. 2 Cor. 4, 14, *r*. up the L J, *r*. us up also Eph 2, 6, *r*. us up together 1 Thess. 1, 10, Son whom he *r*. from dead 2 Tim. 2, 8, Jesus was *r* Heb 11, 35, *r* to life. 1 Pet. 1, 21, believe in God that *r* up from dead.

RAISER—Dan 11, 20

RAISETH—1 Sam 2, 8, *r* the poor. Job 41, 25, when he *r*. himself, mighty are afraid Ps 107, 25, *r* stormy wind; 113, 7, 145, 14, *r* bowed, 146, 8. John v 21, as the Father *r* up the dead. 2 Cor 1, 9

RAISING—Hos. 7, 4. Acts 24, 12.

RANSOM—Ex. 21, 30, give for the *r* of his life; 30, 12; Job 33, 24, I have found a *r*, 36, 18, a great *r* Ps. 49, 7, nor give to God a *r* Prov. 6, 35, he will not regard any *r* Isa. 43, 3, I gave Egypt for thy *r* Hos 13, 14, *r* them from the power Matt. 20, 28, his life a *r* for many. 1 Tim. 2, 6, gave himself a *r* for all.

RANSOMED—Isa. 35, 10, 51, 10

RASH—Ecc. 5, 2 Isa. 32, 4.

REACH—Gen. 11, 4, top may *r* unto heaven Nu 34, 11, *r* unto sea. Job 20, 6, *r* unto clouds Zech 14, 5, valley *r* unto John 20, 27, *r* hither thy finger 2 Cor 10, 13

REACHED—Gen 29, 12 Ruth 2, 14. Dan. 4, 11 2 Cor 10, 14 Rev. 18, 5

REACHETH—2 Chr 28, 9, *r* unto heaven Ps 36, 5, faithfulness *r*, unto the clouds. Prov 31, 20, *r* her hands. Jer 4, 10, sword 51, 9, *r* unto heaven. Dan. 4, 20, whose height *r*. unto heaven

REACHING—Phil 3, 13.

READ-ETH—Deu 17, 19, *r* therein all his life. Neh 13, 1, *r*. in the book of Moses Luke 4, 16, and stood up to *r* Acts 15, 21, *r* in the synagogue. 2 Cor 3, 2, known and *r* of all men. Rev 1, 3, blessed is he that *r*

READING—Neh 8, 8 1 Tim. 4, 13

READY—Ps. 45, 1, the pen of a *r* writer, 86, 5, good, and *r* to forgive. Ecc. 5, 1, be more *r* to hear. Matt. 24, 44, be ye also *r* Mark 14, 38, the spirit is *r*, but. Luke 12, 40 Acts 21, 13 *r* not to be bound only. 1 Tim 6, 18, *r* to distribute. 2 Tim. 4, 6, *r* to be offered Tit 3, 1, *r* to every good work. 1 Pet. 5, 2, but of a *r* mind. Rev. 3, 2, things that are *r* to die.

REAP—Lev 19, 9, not wholly *r* the corners, 25, 5, groweth of own accord thou shalt not *r*, 11, not sow, neither *r* Ruth 2, 9, field they *r*. Job 4, 8, *r*. the same; 24, 6, *r* every one his corn Ps 126, 5, *r*. in joy Prov. 22, 8, *r*. vanity Ecc. 11, 4, regards clouds, not *r*. Jer. 12, 13, *r* thorns. Hos 8, 7, *r* the whirlwind; 10, 12, *r* in mercy Mic. 6, 15, thou shalt sow, but shalt not *r*. Matt. 6, 26, fowls of the air *r* not, 25, 26, knewest I *r*. John 4, 38, to *r*. whereon. 1 Cor 9, 11, *r*. your carnal 2 Cor. 9, 6, *r*. sparingly Gal 6, 7, that shall he *r*; 9, in due season *r* Rev 14, 15, thrust in thy sickle, and *r*. for the time.

REAPED—Hos. 10, 13 Jam 5, 4 Rev. 14, 16.

REAPER-S—Ruth 2, 3, 7 2 Ki. 4, 18. Amos 9, 13. Matt. 13, 39

REAPEST-ETH-ING—1 Sam. 6, 13. Isa. 17, 5. Matt. 25, 24. Luke 19, 21. John 4, 36, 37.

REASON—Isa. 41, 21. Acts 18, 4. 1 Pet. 3, 15.

REBELLED—Neh 9, 26. Isa. 63, 10

REBELLIOUS—Ps. 68, 18. Isa. 30, 9; 50, 5; 65, 2. Jer. 4, 17

REBUKE—2 Ki. 19, 3, a day of *r*. Ps. 6, 1, *r*. me not in thine anger. Prov. 9, 8, *r* a wise man; 13, 1, scorner heareth not *r*; 27, 5, open *r*. better than secret love. Zech. 3, 2, unto Satan, the Lord *r*. thee. Luke 17, 3, if thy brother trespass, *r*. him. Phil. 2, 15, sons of God, without *r*. 1 Tim. 5, 20, them that sin *r* before all. Tit. 1, 13, *r*. them sharply; 2, 15, *r*. with all authority. Rev. 3, 19, many as I love, I *r*.

REBUKED—Neh. 5, 7, I *r*. nobles. Ps. 9, 5, *r*. heathen; 106, 9, *r*. the Red Sea, 119, 21, thou hast *r* the proud. Matt 8, 26, he *r*. the winds; 17, 18, *r*. the devil, 19, 13, disciples *r*. them; 20, 31, the multitude *r*. them. Mark 8, 33, *r* Peter, saying. Luke 9, 55, *r*. them; 23, 40, the other *r* him. Heb. 12, 5, nor faint when *r*. 2 Pet. 2, 16, was *r*.

REBUKER-ETH—Prov 9, 7, 28, 23 Hos. 5, 2. Amos 5, 10 Nah 1, 4.

REBUKES—Ps 39, 11. Ezek. 5, 15

REBUKING—2 Sam 22, 16. Luke 4, 41.

RECEIVE—Job 22, 22, *r*, I pray thee, the law Ps. 6, 9, Lord will *r* my prayer, 49, 15, he shall *r* me, 73, 24, afterward *r*. me to glory Hos. 14, 2, *r*. us graciously. Matt. 10, 41, shall *r*. a prophet's reward, 18, 5, *r*. one such little child; 19, 11, cannot *r*. this saying, save; 21, 22, believing, ye shall *r* Mark 4, 16, heard the word, *r*. it with; 11, 24, believe that ye *r* them. Luke 16, 9, *r*. you into everlasting. John 3, 27, a man can *r*. nothing, except; 5, 44, *r*. honour one of another; 16, 24, ask, and ye shall *r*. Acts 2, 28, *r* the gift of the Holy Ghost, 7, 59, Jesus *r* my spirit 10, 43, shall *r*. remission; 20, 35, blessed to give than to *r*; 26, 18, *r* forgiveness of sin Rom. 14, 1, weak in the faith *r* ye. 1 Cor. 3, 8, shall *r*. his own reward 2 Cor 5, 10, *r* the things done in his body; 6, 1, *r* not grace of God in vain Gal. 3, 14, *r* the promise of the Spirit; 4, 5, *r* the adoption of sons. Eph 6, 8, shall he *r* of the Lord Col 3, 24, *r* reward of inheritance. Jam. 1, 21, *r*. with meekness engrafted, 3, 1, *r* the greatest condemnation 1 Pet 5, 4, *r* a crown of glory that. 1 John 3, 22, we ask we *r* of him 2 John 8, we *r* a full reward.

RECEIVED—Ps. 68, 18, hast *r* gifts for men Jer. 2, 30, *r* no correction. Matt. 10, 8, freely ye have *r*, freely. Luke 6, 24, have *r* your consolation; 16, 25, in thy life *r*. thy good. John 1, 11, his own *r*. him not, 12, as many as *r* him, to them, 16, of his fulness have we all *r* Acts 8, 17, they *r* the Holy Ghost; 17, 11, *r* the word in all readiness; 20, 24, *r*. of the Lord. Rom 5, 11, we *r* the atonement; 8, 15, *r*. the Spirit of adoption; 14, 3, God hath *r*. him, 15, 7, *r* ye one another, as Christ also *r* us. 1 Tim 3, 16, *r*. up into glory; 4, 3, to be *r* with thanks Heb 11, 13, not having *r* the promises

RECEIVETH-ING—Matt. 7, 8, every one that asketh *r*; 10, 40, that *r* you, *r*. me, and he that *r*; 13, 20, word, and with joy *r* it. John 3, 32, no man *r* his testimony, 12, 48, and *r* not my words. 1 Cor 2, 14, natural man *r* not the. Heb 12, 28, *r* a kingdom that cannot. 1 Pet. 1, 9, *r* the end of your faith.

RECKON—Ps. 40, 5 Luke 22, 37. Rom. 4, 4, 6, 11; 8, 18.

RECOMPENCE—Deu. 32, 35, to me belongeth *r* Job 15, 31, vanity shall be his *r* Prov 20, 22, say not, I will *r* evil. Isa 34, 8, year of *r* for the controversy, 66, 6, *r*. to his enemies. Jer 25, 14, *r* your iniquity, 51, 56, the God of *r* Hos. 9, 7, the days of *r* are come Luke 14, 14, they cannot *r* thee Rom 12, 17, *r* to no man evil for evil Heb 2, 2, disobedience received a just *r* of, 10, 35, confidence hath great *r*, 11, 26, respect unto the *r*

RECOMPENSED—Nu 5, 8, trespass *r* 2 Sam 22, 21, cleanness of my hands *r* Ps. 18, 20 Prov 11, 31, righteous be *r* Jer 18, 20, evil be *r* Ezek. 22, 31, own way I *r* Luke 14, 14, shalt be *r* Rom. 11, 35, and it shall be *r* to him again.

RECOMPENSEST—Jer. 32, 18.

RECOMPENSETH—Ps. 137, 8

RECOMPENSING—2 Chron. 6, 23

RECONCILE—Lev 6, 30. 1 Sam. 29, 4 Ezek 45, 20 Eph 2, 16 Col 1, 20

RECONCILED—Matt. 5, 24, first be *r*. Rom 5, 10, *r* to God. 1 Cor 7, 11, *r* to her husband 2 Cor 5, 18, *r* us to himself, 19, 20, be ye *r* to God Col. 1, 21, that were enemies, but now hath he *r*.

RECONCILIATION—Lev 3, 15, to make *r* 2 Chr 29, 24, made *r*. Ezek 45, 15, to make *r* Dan 9, 24, *r* for iniquity 2 Cor. 5, 18, ministry of *r*, 19, word of *r* Heb 2, 17, *r* for the sins

RECONCILING—Lev 16, 20. Rom 11, 15. 2 Cor. 5, 19

RECORD—Deu. 30, 19, take heaven and earth to *r*. Job 16, 19, witness in heaven, my *r* on high. John 1, 32, John bear *r*. 2 Cor 1, 23, I call God for a *r* 1 John 5, 7, three that bear *r* in heaven; 11, this is the *r* God hath. Rev 1, 2, bare *r* of the word of God.

RECOVER—Jer 8, 22. Luke 4, 18. 2 Tim. 2, 26.

RED—Isa. 63, 2

REDEEM—2 Sam. 7, 23, God went to *r* himself Job 5, 20, he shall *r* thee from. Ps. 44 26, *r*. us for thy mercies' sake, 49, 7, none can *r* his brother; 15, God will *r* my soul. Hos. 13, 14, *r* them from death. Titus 2, 14, *r*. us from all iniquity.

REDEEMED—Gen. 48, 16, Angel which *r*. me. Ex. 15, 13, people which thou hast *r*. 2 Sam. 4, 9, Lord hath *r*. my soul. Ps. 136, 24, he hath *r*. us. Isa. 1, 27, Zion shall be *r*.; 51, 11, *r*. of the Lord shall return; 52, 3, shall be *r*. without money; 63, 9, in his love and pity he *r*. them. Luke 1, 68, visited and *r* his people; 24, 21, should have *r*. Israel. Gal. 3, 13, Christ

hath *r.* us. 1 Pet. 1, 18, not *r.* with corruptible things. Rev. 5, 9, *r.* us to God by thy blood; 14, 4, *r.* from among men.
REDEEMER—Job 19, 25. I know that my *R.* liveth. Ps. 19, 14, my strength and my *R.*; 78, 35, high God was their *R.* Prov. 23, 11, their *R.* is mighty. Isa. 63, 16, art our Father, our *R.* Jer 50, 34, their *R.* is strong
REDEMPTION—Ps. 49, 8, *r.* of their soul is precious; 111, 9, *r.* unto his people, 130, 7, with the Lord is plenteous *r.* Luke 2, 38, looked for *r* in Jerusalem; 21, 28, your *r.* draweth nigh. Rom. 3, 24, the *r.* in Christ Jesus, 8, 23, even the *r.* of our body. Eph 1, 7, in whom we have *r*, 14, till *r* of the purchased; 4, 30, sealed unto the day of *r* Heb. 9, 12, obtained eternal *r.*
REFINE—Isa. 48, 10. Zech. 13, 9. Mal. 3, 2.
REFORMATION—Heb. 9, 10.
REFORMED—Lev 26, 23.
REFRAIN—Gen. 45, 1, Joseph could not *r* Job 7, 11, I will not *r* my. Prov. 1, 15, *r* thy foot. Isa. 48, 9, will I *r.* for thee; 64, 12, wilt thou *r.* Jer 31, 16, *r.* thy voice. Acts 5, 38, *r.* from these men. 1 Pet. 3, 10, let him *r* his tongue from evil.
REFRAINED—Gen 43, 31, Joseph *r.* Job 29, 9, princes *r.* talking. Ps. 40, 9, not *r.* my lips, 119, 101, I *r.* my feet. Isa. 42, 14, I have been still, and *r* myself. Jer. 14, 10, not *r.* their feet.
REFRAINETH—Prov 10, 19.
REFRESH—1 Ki. 13, 7. Acts 27, 3
REFRESHED—Ex. 23, 12, may be *r* 1 Sam. 16, 23, Saul was *r* Job 32, 20, I may be *r.* Rom. 15, 32, I may be *r* 1 Cor. 16, 18, *r* my spirit 2 Cor. 7, 13, Titus was *r.* 2 Tim. 1, 16, often *r.* me Philem. 7, *r* by thee.
REFRESHETH—Prov 25, 13.
REFRESHING—Isa. 28, 12 Acts 3, 19
REFUGE—Nu. 35, 13, six cities shall ye have for *r* Deu 33, 27, the eternal God is thy *r* Josh 20, 3, be your *r.* 2 Sam 22, 3, he is my *r.* Ps. 9, 9, L. is his *r*, 46, 1, God is our *r.*, 48, 3, God is known in her palaces for a *r*; 57, 1, in shadow of thy wings I will make my *r*, 59, 16, hast been my *r*; 62, 7, my *r* is in God, 8, God is a *r.* for us, 71, 7, my strong *r.*; 91, 2, he is my *r.*, 142, 4, *r* failed me; 5, thou art my *r.* and fort. Prov. 14, 26, a place of *r*, 25, 4, *r.* from storm. Isa. 28, 15, have made lies our *r*, 17, sweep away *r.* of lies. Jer 16, 19, O Lord, my *r* Heb 6, 18, fled for *r.* to
REFUSE—1 Sam. 15, 9 Lam. 3, 45. Amos 8, 6
REFUSE—Ex. 4, 23, if thou *r*; 10, 3, how long wilt thou *r* to humble thyself; 16, 28, *r.* ye to keep my laws. Job 34, 33, *r* or choose Prov 8, 33, *r.* it not, 21, 7, *r* to do judgment; 25, *r.* to labour Isa. 1, 20, but if ye *r.*, 7, 15, to *r.* the evil, 16 Jer 6, 5, they *r* to return; 9, 6, they *r.* to know, 13, 10, *r* to hear my words, 25, 28, if they *r.*; 38, 21, if thou *r* to go. Acts 25, 11, I *r* not to. 1 Tim. 4, 7, *r* profane fables. Heb 12, 25, see that ye *r.* not him that speaketh.
REFUSED—Gen 37, 35, Jacob *r.* to be comforted; 48, 19, his father *r.* to. 1 Sam. 8, 19, *r.* to obey; 16, 7, I have *r* him. 2 Sam. 2, 23, he *r* to turn. 1 Ki. 20, 35, *r.* to smite him. 2 Ki. 5, 16, to take it, but he *r* Job 6, 7, things my soul *r.* Ps. 77, 2, *r* to be comforted, 78, 10, *r* to walk, 67, he *r* the tabernacle; 118, 22, stone which builders *r* Prov 1, 24, called, and ye *r.* Isa. 54, 6, when thou wast *r* Jer 5, 3, *r* to receive correction; 11, 10, *r.* to hear my words, 50, 33, *r* to let them go. Ezek. 5, 6, *r* my judgments. Hos. 11, 5, they *r.* to return. Zech. 7, 11, they *r* to hearken Acts 7, 35, Moses whom they *r.* 1 Tim. 4, 4, nothing to be *r.* if it be received Heb 11, 24, by faith Moses *r.*, 12, 25, *r* him that spake.
REFUSETH—Ex 7, 14, *r.* to let the people go. Num. 22, 13, L. *r* to give me leave. Deu 25, 7, *r* to raise up Prov 10, 17, he that *r* reproof erreth; 13, 18, *r* instruction; 15, 32 Isa. 8, 6, *r.* waters. Jer. 15, 18, *r* to be healed.
REGARD—Ex. 5, 9, not *r* vain words Deu 28, 50, shall not *r.* the person of the old. 1 Sam. 25, 25, let not my lord *r* Job 3, 4, let not God *r.* it, 35, 13, nor Almighty *r.* it; 36, 21, *r.* not iniquity Ps. 28, 5, *r.* not works; 31, 6, *r* lying vanities, 66, 18, if I *r* iniquity; 94, 7, nor G of Jacob *r* it Prov. 5, 2, *r.* discretion; 6, 35, not *r.* any ransom. Isa. 5, 12, *r* not work of L. Dan. 11, 37, not *r.* any god. Hab 1, 5, *r* and wonder. Mal. 1, 9, will he *r.* your Luke 18, 4, nor *r.* man. Rom. 14, 6, to the Lord he doth not *r* it.
REGARDED—Ex. 9, 21, he that *r* not. 1 Ki 18, 29, nor any that *r.* Ps. 106, 44, *r.* their affliction. Prov. 1, 24, no man *r* Dan. 3, 12, not *r.* thee. Luke 1, 48, *r.* low estate, 18, 2, nor *r.* man. Heb. 8, 9, I *r.* them not.
REGARDEST—2 Sam. 19, 6. Job 30, 20. Matt. 22, 16.
REGARDETH—Deu. 10, 17, *r* not persons. Job 34, 19, nor *r* the rich, 39, 7, neither *r.* crying. Prov. 12, 10, *r.* life of his beast; 19, 18, *r.* reproof; 15, 5; 29, 7, wicked *r.* not to know. Ecc. 11, 4, *r* the clouds. Isa. 33, 8, he *r.* no man. Dan 6, 13, *r.* not thee, O king. Mal. 2, 13, *r* not offering. Rom. 14, 6, *r.* a day, *r.* it unto the Lord.
REGENERATION—Matt. 19, 28. Titus 3, 5.
REIGN—Ex. 15, 18, Lord shall *r.* for ever. Prov. 8, 15, by me kings *r.*, and princes. Isa. 32, 1, king shall *r.* in righteousness. Jer. 23, 5, King shall *r.* and prosper. Luke 19, 14, not have this man to *r.* over us. Rom. 5, 17, *r.* in life by one. 2 Tim. 2, 12, if we suffer, we shall also *r.* Rev 5, 10, we shall *r.* on the earth; 22, 5, shall *r* for ever and ever.
REIGNED-ETH—Isa. 52, 7. Rom 5, 14, 21. Rev. 20, 4.
REINS—Ps. 7, 9; 16, 7, my *r* also instruct me; 73, 21, I was pricked in my *r.*, 139, 13, thou hast possessed my *r.* Prov 23, 16, my *r.* shall rejoice when. Jer. 12, 2, thou art far from their *r.*
REJECTED—1 Sam. 8, 7, not *r.* thee, but *r.* me. Isa. 53, 3, despised and *r.* of men Jer. 2, 37, Lord hath *r* thy confidences; 6, 19, my law *r.* it; 30, the Lord *r* them Hos 4, 6, thou hast *r.* knowledge, I will also *r.* Luke 7, 30, Pharisees *r* counsel of God. Heb 12, 17, inherited the blessing, he was *r.*
REJOICE—Deu. 28, 63, Lord will *r.* over you. 1 Sam 2, 1, I *r.* in thy salvation. Neh 12, 43, God made them *r.* with great joy. Ps. 2, 11, and *r.* with trembling; 5, 11, trust in thee *r*, 9, 14, *r.* in thy salvation, 51, 8, the bones thou hast broken may *r.*, 58, 10, the righteous shall *r.* when, 63, 7, shadow of thy wings will I *r*, 65, 8, outgoings of morning and evening *r.*, 68, 3, righteous *r* before God; 85, 6, thy people may *r.* in thee, 86, 4, *r* the soul of thy servant; 104, 31, the Lord shall *r* in his works; 119, 162, I *r.* at thy word as one Ecc 11, 9, *r.*, O young man. Isa. 62, 5, shall thy God *r* over thee; 65, 13, my servants shall *r*, but. Jer 32, 41, I will *r* over them to Zeph. 3, 17, Lord will *r* over thee Luke 6, 23, *r* ye in that day, 10, 20, *r* because your names are. John 5, 35, a season to *r.* in his light; 14, 28, loved me ye would *r* Rom 5, 2, *r* in hope of the glory of God, 12, 15, *r* with them that do; 1 Cor. 7, 30, that *r* as though they *r.* not. Phil 3, 3, *r* in Christ Jesus. Col. 1, 24, *r* in my sufferings for you. 1 Thess 5, 16, *r* evermore. 1 Pet. 1, 8, *r.* ye with joy unspeakable
REJOICED—Luke 1, 47; 10, 21 John 8, 56
REJOICETH—1 Sam 2, 1, my heart *r.* Ps 16, 9, my glory *r.*, 19, 5, *r* as a strong man; 28, 7, therefore my heart greatly *r* Prov 11, 10, the city *r*; 13, 9, light of the righteous *r*; 15, 30, light of eyes *r*; 29, 3, *r* his father. Isa. 5, 14, he that *r.*; 62, 5, as the bridegroom *r*, 64, 5, meetest him that *r* Ezek. 35, 14, earth *r.* Matt 18, 13, I say to you, he *r.* more of that sheep John 3, 29, the friend of the bridegroom *r* 1 Cor 13, 6, *r* in the truth. Jam 2, 13, mercy *r* against judgment
REJOICEST—Jer. 11, 15
REJOICING—Ps. 19, 8, statutes of the Lord *r* the heart. Isa. 65, 18, Jerusalem a *r* Jer. 15, 16, thy word was the *r* of mine heart. Acts 8, 39, went on his way *r* Rom 12, 12, *r* in hope 2 Cor. 1, 12, our *r* is this, the testimony, 6, 10, as sorrowful, yet alway *r* Gal. 6 4, have *r* in himself alone. Heb 3, 6, *r* of the hope firm unto the end
RELEASE—Deu. 15, 1, at the end of seven years make a *r*, 2, this is the manner of the *r*, every creditor lendeth shall *r* it—it is the Lord's *r*, 3, thine hand shall *r*; 9, year of *r.* at hand. Esth 2, 18, he made a *r.* Matt. 27, 15, wont to *r.*; 17, will ye that I *r.* John 19, 10, power to *r.*, 12, Pilate sought to *r.*
RELEASED—Matt 27, 26 Mark 15, 6 Luke 23, 25
RELIEF—Acts 11, 29
RELIEVE—Lev 25, 35 Isa. 1, 17 Lam. 1, 16 1 Tim 5, 16
RELIEVED-ETH—Ps 146, 9 1 Tim 5, 10
RELIGION—Acts 26, 5 Gal. 1, 13 Jam 1, 26, 27.
RELIGIOUS—Acts 13, 43. Jam 1, 26
REMAIN—1 Thess. 4, 15 Rev 3, 2.
REMAINETH—John 9, 41. 2 Cor. 9, 9 Heb 4, 9; 10, 26 1 John 3, 9
REMEMBER—Gen. 40, 23, yet did not the butler *r.* Joseph Ex. 13, 3, *r* this day, 20, 8, *r* sabbath-day to, 32, 13, *r* Abraham, Isaac, and Israel. Deu 5, 15, *r* thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, 7, 18, *r* what the L. did; 8, 2, *r.* all the way; 18, *r* the L giveth; 9, 7, *r* how provokedst, 16, 3, *r* the day, 24, 9, *r.* what God did to Miriam, 25, 17, *r.* what Amalek did; 32, 7, *r* days of old. Josh. 1, 13, *r.* word 2 Sam. 14, 11, *r.* the L. 2 Ki. 20, 3, *r* how I have walked before thee. 1 Chr. 16, 12, *r* his marvellous works 2 Chr 6, 42, *r* the mercies of David thy servant. Neh. 1, 8, *r.* the word. Job 4, 7, *r.* who ever perished, being innocent, 7, 7, O *r* my life is wind. Ps. 20, 3, *r* thy offerings; 7, but we will *r* the name of the Lord; 22, 27, *r.* and turn unto L.; 25, 6, *r* thy mercies, 7, *r.* not the sins of my youth, *r.* thou me; 74, 2, *r.* thy congregation, 79, 8, O *r.* not against us former iniquities, 89, 47, *r* how short my time is, 103, 18, *r.* commandments; 119, 49, *r.* the word, 132, 1, *r.* David; 137, 7, *r* children of Edom Prov. 31, 7, drink, and *r.* his misery no more. Ecc. 5, 20, not much *r.*; 11, 8, *r.* days of darkness; 12, 1, *r.* thy Creator; Cant. 1, 4, *r.* thy love. Isa. 43, 18, *r.* ye not the former things; 25, I will not *r.* thy sins; 44, 21, *r.* these, O Jacob; 46, 8, *r.* this; 47, 7, neither didst *r.* latter end; 54, 4, not *r.*; 64, 5, meetest those that *r.*; 9, be not wroth, neither *r.* iniquity for ever. Jer. 3, 16, neither *r.* it; 14, 10, *r.* their iniquity; 21, *r.*, break not covenant; 17, 2, *r.* altars; 31, 20, I do earnestly *r.* him still. Ezek. 16, 61, thou shalt *r* thy ways; 36, 31, *r.* your own evil ways. Hab 3, 2, in wrath *r.* mercy. Luke 1, 72, to *r* his holy covenant; 16, 25, *r.* that thou in thy lifetime; 17, 32, *r* Lot's wife. Gal. 2, 10, *r* the poor Col. 4, 18, *r.* my bonds. Heb 8, 12, their iniquities will I *r.* no more, 13, 3, *r* them in bonds, as bound.
REMEMBERED—Gen. 8, 1, and God *r.* Noah, 19, 29, God *r* Abraham, and sent Lot out of, 30, 22, God *r.* Rachel. Ex 2, 24, God *r* his covenant with; 6, 5. Nu 10, 9, ye shall be *r* before the Lord. Ps. 77, 3, I *r.* God, and was troubled; 78, 39, he *r* that they were but flesh; 98, 3, hath *r* his mercy and truth; 105, 8, hath *r* his covenant for ever, 119, 52, I *r.* thy judgments of old, O Lord; 55, I have *r.* thy name in the night, 136, 23, *r.* us in our low estate; 137, 1, wept when we *r* Zion. Matt. 26, 75, Peter *r.* the word. Luke 24, 8, they *r.* his words. John 12, 17, his disciples *r* that it was. Rev 18, 5, God hath *r* her iniquities.
REMEMBRANCE—1 Ki. 17, 18, to call my sin to *r* Ps. 6, 5, in death there is no *r* of thee. Isa. 26, 8, desire of our soul is to the *r*; 43, 26, put me in *r* Mal. 3, 16, a book of *r.* was written Luke 22, 19, this do in *r* of me John 14, 26, bring all things to your *r* 1 Cor. 11, 24, 25 2 Tim. 1, 6, I put thee in *r* Rev 16, 19, Babylon came in *r* before God.
REMISSION—Matt. 26, 28 Luke 24, 47. Acts 10, 43 Rom. 3, 25 Heb 10, 18.
REMIT—John 20, 23
REMNANT—Isa 10, 21. Jer. 15, 11 Ezek 6, 8 Rom 9, 27
REMOVE—2 Sam 6, 10, not *r* ark 2 Ki 23, 27, I will *r* Judah Job 27, 5, I will not *r* mine integrity from me Ps 36, 11, let not wicked *r* me; 39, 10, *r* thy stroke, 119, 22, *r* from me reproach, 29, *r* way of lying Prov 4, 27, *r* thy foot from evil, 22, 28, *r* not landmark Ecc 11, 10, *r* sorrow Isa. 13, 13, earth shall *r* Jer 27, 10, to *r* you far, 32, 31, *r* it before my face Ezek. 21, 26, *r* the diadem Hos. 5, 10, *r* the bound Mic 2, 3, not *r* your necks Zech. 3, 9, *r.* the iniquity, 14, 4, half *r* towards the north Matt 17, 20, *r* hence, it shall *r* Luke 22, 42, *r* this cup from me 1 Cor 13, 2, so that I could *r* mountains Rev 2, 5, will *r* thy candlestick.
REMOVED—Ex. 14, 19, angel of God *r* Deu 28, 25, shalt be *r.* into all kingdoms 1 Sam 6, 3, known why hand is not *r* 1 Ki. 15, 14, high places were not *r* Job 14, 18, rock is *r.*, 18, 4, shall rock be *r.*; 19, 10, mine hope hath he *r* Ps 46, 2, not fear, though earth be *r*, 81, 6, I *r* his shoulder, 103, 12, so far hath he *r* our transgressions; 104, 5, earth not be *r*, 125, 1, cannot be *r* Prov 10, 30, the righteous shall never be *r* Isa. 10, 13, I *r* the bounds, 24, 20, earth shall be *r*, 26, 15, *r* it unto ends of earth, 30, 20, shall not teachers be *r*, 38, 12, mine age is *r* Jer 15, 4, cause them to be *r* Lam. 1, 8, she is *r*, 3, 17, *r* my soul from peace. Ezek 23, 46, give them to be *r.* Mic 2, 4, *r* it from me; 7, 11, decree be *r* Matt. 21, 21, if ye say, Be thou *r.*
REMOVETH—Deu 27, 17. Job 9, 5 Ecc. 10, 9 Dan. 2, 21
REMOVING—Isa. 49, 21 Ezek 12, 3. Heb. 12, 27
REND—2 Chr 34, 27
RENDER—Nu 18, 9, offering they *r.* Deu 32, 41, *r.* vengeance, 43 1 Sam 26, 23, Lord *r.* to every man. Job 33, 26, *r* unto man his righteousness Ps 116, 12, what shall I *r* unto the Lord Hos 14, 2, *r.* the calves of our lips. Matt 22, 21, *r* unto Cæsar the things. Rom 13, 7, *r* to all their dues 1 Thess. 5, 15, none *r* evil for evil
RENDEREST-ETH-ING—Ps. 62, 12. Isa. 66, 6 1 Pet 3, 9
RENEW—1 Sam. 11, 14 Ps 51, 10 Isa 40, 31 Heb 6, 6
RENEWED—2 Chr. 15, 8, Asa *r* altar of the Lord Job 29, 20, my bow was *r* Ps 103, 5, youth *r* like the eagle's. 2 Cor. 4, 16, inward man *r* Eph 4, 23 Col. 3, 10.
RENEWEST-ING—Job 10, 17. Ps. 104, 30. Rom. 12, 2 Titus 3, 5
RENOUNCED—2 Cor 4, 2.
REPAIRER—Isa 58, 12
REPAY—Deu. 7, 10, *r* him to his face. Job 21, 31, who shall *r*; 41, 11, I should *r* Isa. 59, 18, *r.* fury. Luke 10, 35, I will *r* thee. Rom. 12, 19, I will *r.*, saith the Lord Philem. 19, I will *r.* it
REPENT—Nu. 23, 19, God is not man, that he should *r.* Deu. 32, 36, Lord *r* himself for his servants. 1 Sam 15, 29, not a man, that he should *r.* 1 Ki. 8, 47, *r*, and make supplication. Job 42, 6, I *r* in dust and ashes. Ps. 90, 13, *r.* thee concerning thy servants; 135, 14, *r.* himself concerning. Jer 18, 8, *r.* of the evil that I thought. Ezek. 14, 6, *r.*, and turn yourselves. Joel 2, 14, *r.*, and leave a blessing. Jon. 3, 9, if God will turn and *r* Matt. 3, 2, *r.* ye, for the kingdom. Mark 1, 15, *r* ye, and believe the gospel; 6, 12, preached that men should *r.* Luke 13, 3, except ye *r.*, ye shall all; 16, 30, if one went unto them, they will *r.*; 17, 3, if thy brother *r.*, forgive. Acts 2, 38, *r.*, and be baptized; 3, 19, *r.* ye, and be converted; 8, 22, *r.* of this thy wickedness; 17, 30, commandeth all men to *r.*; 26, 20, *r.*, and turn to God. Rev. 2, 16, *r.*, or else I will come; 21, gave her space to *r.*, and she; 3, 19, be zealous therefore, and *r.*
REPENTED-ETH—Matt. 21, 29; 27, 3 Luke 15, 7.
REPENTANCE—Hos. 13, 14, *r.* be hid from mine eyes. Matt. 3, 8, bring fruits meet for *r.*, 11, baptize you with water unto *r.*; 9, 13, not righteous, but sinners to *r* Mark 1, 4, baptism of *r.* Luke 15, 7, just persons need no *r.*; 24, 47, *r.* and remission of sins. Acts 5, 31, *r.* to Israel, and forgiveness; 11, 18, to the Gentiles granted *r*; 13, 24, baptism of *r.* to Israel; 20, 21, testifying *r.* toward God. Rom. 2, 4, goodness of God leadeth to *r*; 11, 29, calling of God without *r.* 2 Cor. 7, 10, godly sorrow worketh *r.* Heb. 6, 1, not laying foundation of *r*, 12, 17, he found no place of *r.* 2 Pet. 3, 9, that all should come to *r.*
REPETITIONS—Matt. 6, 7.
REPLIEST—Rom 9, 20.
REPORT—Ex 23, 1, not raise a false *r.* Nu. 13, 32, brought an evil *r.* 1 Sam. 2, 24, it is no good *r.* I hear. 1 Ki 10, 6, it was a true *r.* Neh 6, 13, might have an evil *r* Isa. 23, 5, as at *r.* concerning Egypt, so shall they be pained at *r*, 53, 1, who hath believed our *r.* John 12, 38 Acts 6, 3, seven men of honest *r*; 10, 22, of good *r* among Jews. Rom 10, 16 2 Cor 6, 8, by evil *r.* and good *r* Heb 11, 39, a good *r* through faith 3 John 12, Demetrius hath good *r*
REPORTED—Neh. 6, 6 Rom 3, 8
REPROACH-ED-ES—Ps 69, 9, *r* of them that *r*, 20, *r* hath broken my heart Prov. 14, 34, sin a *r* to any people Isa 51, 7, fear not *r.* of men 2 Cor 12, 10, pleasure in *r.* Heb 11, 26, esteeming the *r* of Christ 1 Pet 4, 14, if ye be *r* for name of Christ
REPROBATE-S—Jer 6, 30, *r* silver Rom 1, 28, *r* mind. 2 Cor 13, 5, except ye be *r.*, 6, we are not *r.* 2 Tim 3, 8, *r* concerning the faith. Titus 1, 16, being *r.*
REPROOF—Job 26, 11, astonished at his *r* Prov 1, 23, turn you at my *r.*, 25, none of my *r*, 30, despised my *r*, 10, 17, refuseth *r*, 12, 1, he that hateth *r*, 15, 5, that regardeth *r*, 17, 10, a *r* entereth, 29, 15, rod and *r* 2 Tim. 3, 16, scripture profitable for *r.*
REPROOFS—Ps 38, 14 Prov 6, 23
REPROVE—Job 6, 25, but what doth your arguing *r*, 26, imagine to *r.*, 13, 10, he will surely *r*, 22, 4, *r* for fear Ps. 50, 8, I will not *r* thee, 141, 5, let him *r* me Prov. 9, 8, *r* not a scorner Isa. 11, 3, neither *r* after the hearing of his ears. Jer 2, 19, backslidings *r* John 16, 8, *r.* the world Eph 5, 11, but rather *r* 2 Tim. 4, 2, *r.*, rebuke
REPROVED—1 Chr 16, 21 Prov 29, 1 Hab 2, 1 John 3, 20 Epk 5, 13
REPROVETH—Job 40, 2 Prov 9, 7. Isa. 29, 21
REPUTATION—Ecc 10, 1 Acts 5, 34. Gal 2, 2 Phil 2, 7, 29
REQUEST-S—Judg 8, 24, I desire a *r* 2 Sam. 14, 15, that king will perform the *r* Ezra 7, 6, granted his *r.* Neh. 2, 4, for what *r* Esth 4, 8, to make *r*; 5, 3, what is thy *r*, 7, 3, my people at my *r*, 7, *r.* for his life. Job 6, 8, O that I might have my *r.* Psa 21, 2, *r* of his lips, 106, 15, gave their *r* Rom 1, 10, making *r.* for a prosperous journey Phil 1, 4, *r* with joy, 4, 6, *r* be made known to God.
REQUESTED—1 Chr. 4, 10.
REQUIRE—Gen 9, 5, blood will I *r* Deu 10, 12, what doth the Lord *r*, 23, 21, Lord will surely *r.* it. Josh 22, 23, let the Lord himself *r.* it. 2 Sam 3, 13, one thing I *r* 1 Chr. 21, 3, why doth my lord *r.* Ps. 10, 13, wilt not *r* Ezek 3, 18, his blood will I *r*, 20, 40, *r* your offerings. 1 Cor 1, 22, Jews *r* a sign
REQUIRED—Gen. 42, 22, his blood is *r* 1 Chr 16, 37, to minister as every day's work *r* 2 Chr 8, 14, as duty of every day *r*; 24, 6, why hast thou not *r* Ps. 40, 6, hast not *r*; 137, 3, *r* of us mirth Prov. 30, 7, two things I *r* Isa 1, 12, who hath *r* Luke 11, 50, *r* of this generation, 12, 20, soul be *r.*, 12, 48, be much *r*; 19, 23, *r* mine own, 23, 24, as they *r.* 1 Cor. 4, 2, *r.* of stewards.
REQUITE—Gen. 50, 15, *r* us the evil. Deu. 32, 6, do ye thus *r.* 2 Sam. 16, 12, L. will *r* Ps 10, 14, beholdest to *r* it. Jer. 51, 56, surely *r* 1 Tim. 5, 4, learn to *r.*
REQUITING—2 Chr 6, 23.
REREWARD—Isa. 52, 12; 58, 8.
RESCUE-D—Ps. 35, 17. Hos. 5, 14. Acts 23, 27.
RESCUETH—Dan. 6, 27, delivereth and *r.*,
RESEMBLANCE—Zech. 5, 6, is their *r.*
RESEMBLE—Luke 13, 18, whereto shall I *r.*
RESERVE—Jer 3, 5; 50, 20. 2 Pet. 3, 9.
RESERVED—Gen. 27, 36, not *r* a blessing Nu. 18, 9, holy things *r.* Ruth 2, 18, that she had *r.* Job 21, 30, wicked is *r* Acts 25, 21, to be *r.* Rom. 11, 4, *r.* seven thousand men. 1 Pet. 1, 4, *r.* in heaven 2 Pet. 2, 4, *r.* to judgment; 17, is *r* for ever; 5, 7, *r.* unto fire. Jude 6, *r* in everlasting chains.
RESIDUE—Ex. 10, 5, Locusts eat the *r.* Isa.

21, 17, r. of archers; 38, 10, r. of my years; 44, 17, r. a god. Jer. 15, 9, r. I will deliver; 24, 8, r. of Jerusalem; 27, 19, r. of the vessels; 41, 10, carried captive r. Ezek. 9, 8, wilt destroy r.; 23, 25, r. be devoured, 34, 18, tread r. of pastures. Dan. 7, 7, stamped r. Zeph. 2, 9, r shall spoil. Mal. 2, 15, r of the spirit. Mark 16, 13, told it unto the r Acts 15, 17, r. might seek the Lord.

RESIST—Zech 3, 1, Satan at right hand to r. Matt. 5, 39, r. not evil. Luke 21, 15, not able to r. Acts 6, 10, not able to r.; 7, 51, ye do always r. Rom. 13, 2, they that r. 2 Tim. 3, 8, r truth. Jam. 4, 7, r. the devil. 1 Pet. 5, 9, whom r. stedfast.

RESISTED—Rom. 9, 19. Heb. 12, 4.

RESISTETH—Rom. 13, 2. Jam. 4, 6. 1 Pet. 5, 5.

RESPECT—Deu. 1, 17. 2 Chr. 19, 7. Ps. 138, 6. Heb. 11, 26.

REST—Ps. 95, 11, shall not enter into my r; 116, 7, return to thy r. O my soul; 132, 14, this is my r., here will I. Isa. 11, 10, his r. shall be glorious; 30, 15, in returning and r. shall ye; 62, 7, give him no r. till he. Jer. 6, 16, ye shall find r. for your souls. Mic. 2, 10, this is not your r. Matt. 11, 28, I will give you r. 2 Thess. 1, 7, you who are troubled r. with us. Heb. 3, 11; 4, 9, remaineth a r. for the people; 11, labour to enter into that r.

REST—Ps. 16, 9; 37, 7. Isa. 57, 20. Zeph. 3, 17. Rev. 14, 13.

RESTITUTION—Ex. 22, 3. Acts 3, 21.

RESTORE—Ps. 51, 12 Gal. 6, 1

RESTRAIN—1 Sam 3, 13. Job 15, 4. Ps. 76, 10 Isa. 63, 15

RESURRECTION—Luke 20, 36, children of the r. John 5, 29, good, to r. of life—done evil, to r of, 11, 25, I am the r Acts 17, 18, Jesus and the r, 24, 15, shall be a r. of the dead. Rom. 6, 5, in the likeness of his r Phil. 3, 10, the power of his r, 11, attain r 2 Tim 2, 18, that the r is past Heb 11, 35, they might obtain a better r Rev. 20, 5, things the first r.

RETAIN—Ecc. 8, 8. John 20, 23 Rom.1,28

RETURN-ED—1 Ki 8, 48, r. unto thee with all, Job 1, 21, naked shall I r. Ps. 73, 10, his people r. hither, 90, 3, r, ye children of men, 116, 7, r to thy rest Ecc 12, 7, dust shall r to the earth Isa 10, 21, the remnant shall r, 21, 12, inquire ye, r, come, 30, 15, in r and rest shall ye be saved, 35, 10, ransomed of Lord shall r, 55, 11, word shall not r unto thee void Jer 3, 12, r, thou backsliding Israel, 4, 1, if thou wilt r., r unto me, 5, 3, they refused to r; 15, 19, let them r to thee, but r. not thou. Hos. 2, 7, and r to my first husband Mal. 3, 7, r. to me, and I will r. to you, 18, ye shall r, and discern. Gal. 1, 17, I r. to Damascus Heb 11, 15, to have r 1 Pet. 2, 25, now r to the shepherd of your souls.

RETURNETH—Ps. 146, he r. to his earth Prov 26, 11, as a dog r. to his vomit. Ecc 1, 6, the wind r. Isa. 55, 10, r. not thither, Ezek. 35, 7, cut off him that r. Zech. 9, 8, because of him that r 2 Peter 2, 22.

RETURNING—Isa. 30, 15 Acts 8, 28 Heb 7, 1

REVEAL-ED—Deu. 29, 29, things which are r belong Isa. 22, 14, it was r in mine ears, 53, 1, the arm of the Lord r. Matt 10, 26, covered that shall not be r; 11, 25, but r. unto babes; 16, 17, flesh and blood hath not r. Rom. 1, 17, righteousness of God r., 8, 18, glory that shall be r 1 Cor. 2, 10, hath r. them unto us. Gal. 1, 16, to r his Son in me. Phil. 3, 15, God shall r. even this. 2 Thess 1, 7, when the Lord Jesus shall be r, 2, 3, that man of sin be r

REVELATION-S—Rom. 16, 25, r. of the mystery. 2 Cor. 12, 7, abundance of r. Gal. 1 12, taught it but by r. Eph. 3, 3, by r. made known 1 Pet. 1, 13, the r of Jesus. Rev. 1, 1, the r of Jesus Christ

REVELLINGS—Gal 5, 21. 1 Pet. 4, 3.

REVENGE—Jer 15, 15; 20, 10. Ezek. 25, 15. 2 Cor. 7, 11

REVENGER-S—Nu. 35, 19. 2 Sam. 14, 11

REVENGETH—Nah 1, 2

REVENGING—Ps. 79, 10.

REVENUE-S—Prov. 8, 19, 15, 6; 16, 8. Isa. 23, 3. Jer. 12, 13.

REVERENCE—Ps. 89, 7 Eph. 5, 33. Heb. 12, 28.

REVEREND—Ps. 111, 9

REVILE—1 Cor. 4, 12. 1 Pet. 2, 23

REVILERS-INGS—Isa. 51, 7 1 Cor 6, 10

REVIVE-ED—Ps. 85, 6. Isa. 57, 15, r spirit of humble, to r Hos. 6, 2, after two days he will r. us; 14, 7, dwell under his shadow shall r. Hab. 3, 2, r thy work in midst of the years. Rom. 7, 9, sin r., and I died; 14, 9, Christ rose, and r.

REVOLT-ED—Isa. 1, 5; 31, 6. Jer. 5, 23.

REWARD—Ps. 19, 11, in keeping of them there is great r., 58, 11, a r. for the righteous; 103, 10, he hath not rewarded us according to. Isa. 3, 11, the r. of his hands be given; 5, 23, justify the wicked for r. Mic. 7, 3, the judge asketh for a r. Matt. 5, 12, great is your r. in heaven; 6, 2, hypocrites have their r.; 4, Father shall r. thee openly; 10, 41, a prophet's r. Rom. 4, 4, r. is not reckoned of grace. 1 Cor. 3, 8, every man shall receive his own r. Col. 2, 18, beguile you of your r.; 3, 24, r. of the inheritance. Heb. 2, 2, just recompence of r.; 11, 26, the recompence of the r. Rev. 22, 12, my r. is with me; 18, 6, r. her, even as she r.

REWARDER—Heb. 11, 6.

RICH—Prov. 10, hand of diligent maketh r.; 22, blessing of the L. maketh r.; 22, 2, r. and poor meet together; 23, 4, labour not to be r.; 28, 20, maketh haste to be r. Ecc. 5, 12, abundance of the r. Jer. 9, 23, let not the r. man glory. Matt. 19, 23, r. man shall hardly enter Luke 1, 53, r. he hath sent empty away, 6, 24, woe to you r., for ye have received; 12, 21, not r. toward God; 16, 1, a certain r. man which; 18, 23, sorrowful, for he was very r. 2 Cor. 6, 10, as poor, yet making r.; 8, 9, he was r., yet he became poor. Eph. 2, 4, who is r. in mercy, hath. 1 Tim. 6, 9, they that will be r fall, 18, r. in good works. Jam. 2, 5, r. in faith. Rev. 2, 9, poverty, but thou art r; 3, 17, sayest I am r., 18, mayest be r.

RICHES—1 Chr. 29, 12, r. and honour come of thee Ps. 39, 6, heapeth up r, and; 49, 6, boast themselves in the multitude of r; 52, 7, trusted in the abundance of his r.; 62, 10, if r. increase, set not your heart; 104, 24, the earth is full of thy r.; 112, 3, wealth and r. shall be in his house; 119, 14, in testimonies as much as in r. Prov. 3, 16, left hand r. and honour, 11, 4, r. profit not in the day of wrath; 28, trusteth in his r shall fall, 13, 8, ransom of a man's life are his r.; 14, 24, crown of the wise is their r; 23, 5, r. certainly make themselves wings; 27, 24, for r are not for ever; 30, 8, give me neither poverty nor r. Jer. 17, 11, getteth r, and not by right. Matt. 13, 22, deceitfulness of r choke the word. Luke 16, 11, commit to your trust the true r Rom. 2, 4, the r of his goodness; 9, 23, the r of his glory; 11, 12, be r. of the world Eph 1, 7, the r. of his grace; 2, 7, the exceeding r. of his. Phil. 4, 19, his r in glory. Col 2, 2, to all r of the full assurance 1 Tim 6, 17, nor trust in uncertain r. Heb. 11, 26, the reproach of Christ greater r.

RICHLY—Col. 3, 16 1 Tim 6, 17.

RIDE—Ps 45, 4.

RIGHT—Gen 18, 25, Judge of earth do r. Ezra 8, 21, seek of him a r. way Job 34, 23, he will not lay upon man more than r. Ps 19, 8, statutes of the Lord are r, 51, 10, renew a r spirit within, 119, 128, I esteem all thy precepts to be r Prov 4, 11, I led thee in r paths, 25, let thine eyes look r. on before thee, 8, 9, all r to them that find knowledge, 12, 5, thoughts of the righteous are r, 14, 12, way which seemeth r, 21, 2, way of man is r in eyes. Isa. 30, 10, prophesy not to us r Ezek 18, 5, man be just, do lawful and r. Hos. 14, 9, ways of Lord are r. Amos 3, 10, know not to do r Mark 5, 15, in his r mind Luke 12, 57, judge not what is r Acts 4, 19, whether r. in sight of, 8, 21, heart is not r in sight of, 13, 10, cease to pervert r. ways. Eph. 6, 1, children obey parents, this is r. 2 Pet. 2, 15, forsaken the r. way Rev. 22, 14, have r to tree of life.

RIGHTEOUS—Nu. 23, 10, die the death of the r Deu. 25, 1, justify the r 1 Ki. 8, 32, condemning wicked, justifying r Job 4, 7, where were the r. cut off, 17, 9, r. shall hold on his way. Ps 1, 6, Lord knoweth the way of the r; 5, 12, thou wilt bless the r; 7, 11, God judgeth the r, 11, 5, the Lord trieth the r; 34, 17, r. cry, the Lord heareth; 19, many are the afflictions of the r 37, 25, not seen the r forsaken, 55, 22, never suffer the r to be moved; 58, 11, a reward for the r, 92, 12, r shall flourish like the palm-tree, 97, 11, light is sown for the r; 112, 6, r. shall be in everlasting remembrance, 141, 5, let the r smite me, 145, 17, the Lord is r, 146, 8, Lord loveth the r. Prov. 3, 32, his secret is with the r.; 10, 3, not suffer the soul of the r to famish, 16, labour of the r tendeth to life; 21, lips of the r feed many; 24, the desire of the r. shall be granted; 25, r is an everlasting foundation; 28, hope of the r shall be gladness; 30, r. shall never be removed; 32, lips of the r. know what is acceptable; 11, 8, r. is delivered out of trouble; 21, seed of the r. shall be delivered; 28, r. shall flourish as a branch, 30, fruit of the r. is a tree of life; 31, r shall be recompensed in the, 12, 3, root of the r. shall not be moved; 5, thoughts of the r. are right; 7, house of the r shall stand; 10, r. man regardeth the life of his beast; 12, the root of the r. yieldeth fruit; 26, r. more excellent than his neighbour; 13, 9, light of the r. rejoiceth, but the; 25, r. eateth to satisfying of his soul; 14, 32, r. hath hope in his death; 15, 6, in the house of the r. is much treasure; 19, way of the r is made plain; 29, Lord heareth prayer of the r.; 18, 10, r. runneth into it, and is safe; 28, 1, r. are bold as a lion. Ecc. 7, 16, be not r. overmuch; 9, 2, one event to r. and wicked. Isa. 3, 10, to the r. it shall be well; 41, 2, the r. man from the east; 57, 1, the r perisheth, the r. is taken away; 60, 21, thy people also shall be all r. Ezek. 18, 24, when the r. turneth away. Mal. 3, 18, discern between r. and wicked. Matt. 9, 13, not come to call r.; 25, 46, r. shall go into life eternal. Luke 18, 9, that they were r., and despised. Rom. 3, 10, none r, no, not one; 5, 7, scarcely for a r. man will one die; 19, by obedience of one many made r. 1 Tim. 1, 9, law not made for a r. man. Jam. 5, 16, prayer of a r. man availeth. 1 Pet. 4, 18, if the r. scarcely be saved. Rev. 22, 11, he that is r let him be r. still.

RIGHTEOUSNESS—Deu. 6, 25, it shall be our r.; 33, 19, sacrifices of r. Job 36, 3, I will ascribe r to my Maker. Ps 11, 7, righteous Lord loveth r; 35, 10, r. and peace have kissed; 97, 2, r. and judgment are the habitation Prov. 10, 2, r. delivereth from death; 11, 19, r. tendeth to life; 12, 28, in the way of r is life; 14, 34, r. exalteth a nation, 16, 8, better is a little with r.; 31, if it be found in the way of r. Isa. 11, 5, r shall be the girdle of his loins; 26, 9, inhabitants of world will learn r; 28, 17, judgment to line, r to plummet; 32, 17, work of r. shall be peace; 45, 24, in the Lord have I r.; 46, 12, ye that are far from r.; 13, I will bring near my r; 54, 17, their r. is of me; 61, 3, trees of r., the planting; 10, covered me with the robe of r.; 62, 1, till the r. thereof go forth; 64, 5, meetest him that worketh r. Jer 23, 6, called the Lord our r. Dan. 4. 27, break off thy sins by r.; 9, 7, r. belongeth unto thee, 24, finish transgression, and bring in r; 12, 3, that turn many to r. Zeph. 2, 3, seek r., seek meekness. Mal. 4, 2, Sun of r. arise with healing. Matt. 3, 15, it becometh us to fulfil all r.; 5, 6, hunger and thirst after r., 20, except your r. exceed the r. of; 21, 32, John came in the way of r. Luke 1, 75, in holiness and r. before him John 16, 8, reprove the world of r. Acts 10, 35, that worketh r. is accepted, 13, 10, enemy of r.; 24, 25, reasoned of r, temperance Rom. 1, 17, is the r. of God revealed; 3, 22, r of God by faith of Jesus; 4, 6, unto whom God imputeth r.; 11, a seal of the r of faith; 5, 18, by the r of one the free gift; 21, grace reign through r, 6, 13, members as instruments of r, 18, the servants of r.; 8, 4, r of the law might be fulfilled; 9, 30, which followed not after r.; 10, 3, ignorant of God's r., and; 5, r which is of the law; 14, 17, kingdom of God is r. 1 Cor. 1, 30, of God is made to us r; 15, 34, awake to r. 2 Cor. 5, 21, the r of God in him; 6, 7, armour of r; 14, fellowship hath r, 9, 10, increase the fruits of your r; 11, 15, ministers into ministers of r. Gal. 2, 21, if r come by the law. Eph 6, 14, the breastplate of r. Phil. 1, 11, filled with the fruits of r, 3, 6, the r. in the law blameless, 9, not mine own r.—but the r of God. 1 Tim. 6, 11, follow r. Titus 3, 5, not by works of r. Heb. 12, 11, the peaceable fruit of r. Jam. 1, 20, wrath of man worketh not r; 3, 18, fruit of r. sown in peace. 1 Pet. 3, 14, if ye suffer for r, happy are ye. 2 Pet. 1, 1, through r. of God; 2, 5, Noah a preacher of r.; 3, 13, new earth, wherein dwelleth r. 1 John 2, 29, that doeth r. is born; 3, 7, he that doeth r is righteous. Rev 19, 8, fine linen the r. of saints; 11, in r he doth judge.

HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS—Job 33, 26, render unto man his r. Ps 7, 17, according to his r, 22, 31, declare his r unto a people; 98, 2, his r hath he openly shewed; 103, 17, his r unto children's children; 111, 3, his r endureth for ever. Isa. 42, 21, well pleased for his r.; 59, 16, his r sustained him Ezek 3, 20, turn from his r—his r not be remembered; 18, 22, his r., he shall live; 33, 12, not be able to live for his r Mic. 7, 9, I shall behold his r Rom. 3, 25, to declare his r. 2 Cor. 9, 9, his r. remaineth for ever.

MY RIGHTEOUSNESS—2 Sam. 22, 21, according to my r. Job 27, 6, my r I hold fast. Ps. 4, 1, hear me, O God of my r., 7, 8, judge me according to my r Isa. 46, 13, I bring near my r.; 51, 5, my r. is near; 6, my r shall not be abolished, 56, 1, my r to be revealed Phil. 3, 9, not having mine own r.

THY RIGHTEOUSNESS—Ps. 5, 8, lead me in thy r., 31, 1, deliver me in thy r; 35, 24, judge me according to thy r; 36, 10, continue thy r to the upright; 37, 6, he shall bring forth thy r.; 40, 10, I have not hid thy r.; 71, 15, my mouth shew thy r; 16, will make mention of thy r.; 72, 1, thy r. unto the king's son; 89, 16, in thy r. shall be exalted; 119, 40, quicken me in thy r.; 142, thy r. an everlasting r.; 145, 7, shall sing of thy r. Isa. 48, 18, thy r. as the waves, 57, 12, I will declare thy r.; 58, 8, thy r. shall go before thee.

RIGHTEOUSNESSES—Isa. 64, 6. Ezek. 33, 13.

RIOT-ING-OUS—Prov. 23, 20. Luke 15, 13 Rom. 13, 13. Titus 1, 6. 1 Pet. 4, 4. 2 Pet. 2, 13.

RIPE—Joel 3, 13. Mic. 7, 1. Rev. 14, 15, 18.

RIPENING—Isa. 18, 5.

RISE—Ex. 21, 19, if he r. again. Ps. 18, 38, not able to r.; 27, 3, though war r.; 36, 12, not able to r.; 119, 62, at midnight r. Isa. 26, 14, they shall not r.; 43, 17, they shall not r; 54, 17, every tongue that r. Matt. 20, 19, third day r. again.; 24, 7, nation shall r.; 11, many false prophets shall r.; 26, 46, r., let us be going; 27, 63, r. again. Mark 4, 27, r. night and day; 12, 23, in resurrection when they r Luke 22, 46, r. and pray; 24, 46, to r. from dead. John 5, 8, Jesus saith, r., take up thy bed, and walk; 11, 23, thy brother shall r. again. Rom. 15, 12, r. to reign. 1 Cor. 15, if dead r. not. 1 Thess. 4, 16, dead in Christ r. first, Heb. 7, 11, Rev. 11, 1.

RISEN—Ps. 27, 12, false witnesses r.; 54, 3, strangers r.; 86, 14, proud are r. Isa. 60, 1, glory is r. Ezek. 7, 11, violence is r. Matt. 11, 11, not r. a greater; 14, 2, John is r.; 17, 9, until Son of man be r.; 26, 32, after I am r.; 27, 64, say, He is r.; 28, 6, he is r. Mark 16, 9, Jesus was r. early. Luke 7, 16, great prophet is r.; 24, 34 the Lord is r. John 2, 22, when he was r. Acts 17, 3, needs have r. Rom 8, 34, is r. again. 1 Cor. 15, 13, then is Christ not r.; 14; 20, now is Christ r. Col. 2, 12, r. with him; 3, 1, if ye be r. with Christ.

RISETH—Josh. 6, 26. Job 9, 7; 14, 12. Prov. 24, 16.

RISING—Isa. 60, 3. Mark 9, 10. Luke 2, 34.

RIVER—Isa. 48, 18; 66, 12 Rev. 22, 1, 2.

ROB-ED—Isa. 42, 22. Mal. 3, 8. 2 Cor. 11, 8.

ROBBERY—Phil. 2, 6.

ROBE—Isa. 61, 10 Rev. 7, 9; 13.

ROCK—Ps. 18, 2, Lord is my r; 31, who is a r. save our God; 31, 3, thou art my r and fortress; 61, 2, to the r. higher than I; 62, 2, he only is my r. and my; 71, 3, thou art my r. and my fortress; 89, 26, r. of my salvation; 94, 22, the r. of my refuge Matt. 7, 24, built his house upon a r.; 16, 18, upon this r. I will build my church. 1 Cor. 10, 4, drank of the R., that R was Christ. Rev 6, 16, said to the r., Fall on us.

ROD—Ps 23, 4, thy r. and thy staff, they comfort me, 125, 3, r. of the wicked shall not rest upon Prov 13, 24, that spareth his r. hateth; 22, 15, r. of correction shall drive it from; 23, 14, thou shalt beat him with the r; 29, 15, the r. and reproof give wisdom. Isa. 10, 5, O Assyrian, the r. of mine anger Ezek. 20, 37, cause to pass under r Mic 6, 9, hear the r. Rev. 12, 5, rule with a r. of iron.

ROOM—Luke 14, 2. Acts 1, 13; 24, 27.

ROOT—Deu. 29, 18, r. that beareth gall. Job 19, 28, r of the matter is found. Isa. 11, 10, there shall be a r of Jesse; 37, 31, shall take r. downward. Matt. 3, 10, ax laid unto the r.; 13, 6, because they had no r Luke 17, 6, plucked up by the r. Rom 11, 16, if the r. be holy. 1 Tim. 6, 10, love of money the r. of all evil. Heb. 12, 15, r. of bitterness springing.

ROOTED—Eph. 3, 17 Col. 2, 7.

ROSE—Cant. 2, 1. Isa. 35, 1.

ROYAL—Isa. 62, 3 Jam. 2, 8. 1 Pet. 2, 9.

RUBIES—Job 28, 18. Prov. 3, 15.

RUDIMENTS—Col. 2, 8, 20.

RULE-ETH-ING—2 Sam 23, 3, he that r. over men must be just, r. in the fear of God. Ps. 103, 19, kingdom r. over all. Prov 16, 32, r his spirit is better than. Hos. 11, 12, Judah yet r. with God. Gal. 6, 16, as walk according to this r. Phil. 3, 16, walk by the same r Col. 3, 15, peace of God r in your. 1 Tim. 3, 5, not how to r. his own house; 5, 17, elders that r. well. Heb. 13, 7, them that have r over you. Rev. 12, 5, man child, who was to r. all nations.

RULER—Mic. 5, 2 Matt. 25, 21. Acts 23, 5 Rom. 13, 3 Eph 6, 12

RUN-ETH—2 Chr 16, 9, eyes of the L. r. to and fro. Ps 119, 32, r the way of thy commandments. Isa. 40, 31, r and not be weary Dan 12, 4, many shall r. to and fro Rom 9, 16, not of him that r 1 Cor. 9, 24, so r that ye may obtain. Gal 2, 2, lest I should r. or had r. in vain; 5, 7, ye did r well. Heb 12, 1, let us r. with patience. 1 Pet. 4, 4, r. not to the same excess.

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SABBATH—Lev. 23, 3, seventh day is the s. of rest. Neh. 9, 14, madest known unto them thy holy s; 13, 18, wrath upon Israel by profaning the s. Isa. 56, 2, keepeth the s from polluting it; 58, 13, call the s a delight. Matt. 12, 5, priests profane the s

SACRIFICE—1 Sam 15, 22, to obey is better than s Ps. 40, 6, s and offering thou didst not desire; 50, 5, a covenant with me by s; 51, 16, thou desirest not s; 141, 2, lifting up of hands as the evening s. Prov 15, 8, the s of the wicked; 21, 3, justice more acceptable than s Ecc. 5, 1, than to give the s. of fools Dan 8, 11, the daily s was taken away; 9, 27, cause s. and oblation to cease; 11, 31, take away daily s. Hos. 6, 6, I desired mercy, not s., Matt. 9, 13. Rom. 12, 1, present your bodies a living s Eph 5, 2, s. to God for a sweet savour. Phil. 2, 17, upon the s. of your faith; 4, 18, a s acceptable, well. Heb 9, 26, put away sin by s of himself; 13, 15, let us offer the s. of praise.

SACRIFICES—Ps 4, 5, offer the s. of righteousness; 51, 17, s of God are a broken spirit; 107, 22, let them sacrifice the s. Heb. 13, 16, with such s God is well pleased. 1 Pet. 2, 5, offer up spiritual s.

SACRILEGE—Rom. 2, 22.

SAFE—Ps. 119, 117. Prov. 18, 10; 29, 25.

SAINTS—Deu. 33, 2, came with ten thousands of s; 3, all his s. are in thy hand. 1 Sam. 2, 9, will keep the feet of his s. 2 Chr 6, 41, let thy s. rejoice. Job 15, 15, putteth no trust in his s. Ps. 16, 3, the s. that are in the earth; 37, 28, the Lord forsaketh not his s.; 50, 5, gather my s. together unto me; 97, 10, he preserveth the souls of his s.; 106, 16, envied Aaron, the s of the Lord; 116, 15, precious to Lord is death of his s.; 149, 9, this honour have all his s. Prov. 2, 8, he preserveth the way of his s. Dan. 7, 18, s. shall take kingdom. Hos. 11, 12, Judah is faithful with the s. Zech. 14, 5, and all the s. with thee. Rom.

1, 7, called to be *s.*; 8, 27, intercession for the *s.*; 12, 13, the necessity of *s.*; 15, 25, minister to the *s.*; 26; 31. 1 Cor. 6, 2, the *s.* shall judge the world; 16, 1. 2 Cor. 8, 4; 9, 1; 12. Eph. 3, 8, less than the least of all *s.*; 4, 12, perfecting of the *s.*, 6, 18. 1 Thess. 3, 13, Lord Jesus with all *s* 2 Thess. 1, 10, to be glorified in his *s* Heb. 6, 10. Jude 14, with ten thousand of his *s.* Rev. 5, 8, the prayers of *s*; 11, 18, give reward to thy *s.*; 13, 7, to make war with the *s.*; 14, 12, patience of *s*; 16, 6, shed blood of *s*; 19, 8, is righteousness of *s*; 20, 9, compassed the camp of the *s*

SALT—Lev 2, 13. Matt. 5, 13. Mark 9, 49.

SALVATION—Ex. 14, 13, see the *s.* of the Lord. Ps. 3, 8, *s* belongeth unto the Lord, 37, 39, the *s* of the righteous is of the Lord; 50, 23, shew the *s* of God, 68, 20, our God is the God of *s.*, 85, 9, *s.* is nigh them that fear him, 98, 2, made known his *s*; 119, 155, *s.* is far from the wicked; 132, 16, clothe her priests with *s*, 149, 4, beautify the meek with *s.* Isa. 25, 9, rejoice in his *s.*; 26, 1, *s.* will God appoint; 33, 2, be thou our *s*, 45, 17, saved in the Lord with everlasting *s*; 46, 13, I will place *s* in Zion for Israel; 52, 7, publisheth *s*; 59, 16, his arm brought *s* unto him, 17, put on the helmet of *s*, 60, 18, shalt call thy walls *S.*; 61, 10, clothed me with garments of *s.*, 62, 1, *s* thereof as a lamp. Lam. 3, 26, quietly wait for *s* of Lord. Jon. 2, 9, *s* is of the Lord. Zech 9, 9, just, and having *s.* Luke 19, 9, this day is *s.* come John 4, 22, *s* is of the Jews. Acts 4, 12, neither is there *s* in any other, 13, 26, the word of *s.* sent. Rom. 1, 16, power of God unto *s*; 11, 11, through their fall *s.* is come unto Gentiles; 13, 11, now is *s* nearer 2 Cor 1, 6, we be comforted, it is for your *s*, 6, 2, now is the day of *s.* Eph. 1, 13, the gospel of your *s.*; 6, 17, take the helmet of *s.* Phil. 2, 12, work out your own *s* 1 Thess. 5, 8, the hope of *s* 2 Thess 2, 13, God hath chosen you to *s* 2 Tim. 2, 10, obtain *s.* with eternal glory, 3, 15, able to make thee wise unto *s* Titus 2, 11, grace of God that bringeth *s.* Heb. 1, 14, who shall be heirs of *s.*; 2, 3, if we neglect so great *s*; 10, captain of their *s* perfect, 5, 9, author of eternal *s.*, 6, 9, things that accompany *s.*; 9, 28, without sin unto *s* 1 Pet. 1, 5, kept through faith unto *s*, 9, the *s.* of your souls. Jude 3, of the common *s* Rev 7, 10, *s.* to our God.

SAME—Ps 102, 27 Heb 13, 8

SANCTIFICATION—1 Cor 1, 30. 1 Thess. 4, 3 2 Thess 2, 13 1 Pet. 1, 2.

SANCTIFIED—Gen. 2, 3, God blessed the seventh day, and *s* Job 1, 5, Job sent and *s.* them. Isa. 13, 3, I have commanded my *s* ones. Jer 1, 5, I *s* thee and ordained. John 10, 36, him whom Father hath *s.* Acts 20, 32, inheritance among *s.* 1 Cor 1, 2, that are *s.* in Christ Jesus; 6, 11, but ye are *s* in the name. 1 Tim. 4, 5, it is *s.* by the word 2 Tim 2, 21, *s* for the master's use. Heb 2, 11, who sanctifieth and they who are *s*, 10, 14, perfected for ever them *s.*

SANCTIFY—Isa. 8, 13, *s* the Lord of hosts himself Ezek 38, 23, thus will I *s* myself Joel 1, 14, *s* a fast, call an assembly John 17, 17, *s* them through thy truth, 19, for their sakes I *s* myself, that they might be *s.* Eph 5, 26, that he might *s* and cleanse it. 1 Thess 5, 23, the God of peace *s.* you wholly Heb 13, 12, might *s* the people with his blood. 1 Pet. 3, 15, *s* the Lord God in your hearts

SANCTUARY—Ps 63, 2; 73, 17 Isa. 8, 14. Ezek. 11, 16

SATAN—Job 1, 6, *S.* came also among them. Ps 109, 6, let *S.* stand at his right hand Matt 4, 10, get thee hence, *S* Luke 10, 18, I beheld *S* as lightning fall; 22, 31, *S.* hath desired to have you. Acts 26, 18, from power of *S.* unto God. Rom. 16, 20, God shall bruise *S* 2 Cor. 2, 11, lest *S.* should get an advantage, 11, 14, *S* is transformed into angel of light, 12, 7, messenger of *S* to buffet me. Rev. 2, 9, synagogue of *S*, 24, not known the depths of *S*

SATISFIED—Ps. 17, 15, I shall be *s*; 22, 26, meek shall eat and be *s*; 36, 8, abundantly *s* with the fatness, 63, 5, soul shall be *s.* with marrow; 65, 4, *s.* with goodness of thy house, 105, 40, *s* them with bread of heaven. Prov 14, 14, good man *s.* from himself, 20, 13, thou shalt be *s.* with bread, 30, 15, three things that are never *s* Ecc 1, 8, eye is not *s* with seeing; 4, 8, 5, 10, shall not be *s.* with silver. Isa. 9, 20, shall eat, and not be *s.*; 44, 16, he roasteth roast, and is *s*; 53, 11, see travail of his soul, and be *s*; 66, 11, *s* with the breasts of her consolations. Jer 31, 14, people be *s.* with my goodness.

SATISFIEST-ETH—Ps. 103, 5; 107, 9; 145, 16. Isa. 55, 2.

SATISFY—Job 38, 27, to *s.* desolate and waste ground. Ps. 90, 14, O *s.* us early with thy mercy; 91, 16, with long life will I *s* him; 132, 15, I will *s.* her poor with bread. Prov. 5, 19, let her breasts *s.* thee; 6, 30, if he steal to *s.* his soul. Isa. 58, 10, *s.* the afflicted soul; 11, Lord *s.* thy soul. Ezek. 7, 19, shall not *s.* their souls. Mark 8, 4, whence can a man *s.* these men.

SAVE—Ps. 69, 35, for God will *s.* Zion; 72, 4, *s.* the children of the needy; 13, *s.* the souls of the needy; 76, 9, *s.* all the meek of the earth. Prov. 20, 22, wait on the Lord, and he will *s.* Isa. 35, 4, he will come and *s.* you; 45, 20, pray unto a god that cannot *s.* Ezek. 18, 27, he shall *s.* his soul alive; 36, 29, will *s.* you from uncleanesses. Hos. 1, 7, I will *s.* them by the L. Zeph. 3, 17, Lord thy God will *s.* Zech. 8, 7, I will, *s.* my people. Matt. 1, 21, *s.* his people from their sins; 16, 25, whosoever will *s.* his life shall lose it; 18, 11, Son of man come to *s.* Mark 3, 4, to *s.* life, or to kill. John 12, 47, not to judge, but to *s.* the world. Acts 2, 40, *s.* yourselves. 1 Cor. 1, 21, foolishness of preaching to *s*, 9, 22, all things to men, that I might *s* some. 1 Tim. 1, 15, Christ Jesus came to *s.* sinners; 4, 16, thou shalt both *s* thyself Heb. 7, 25, able to *s.* to the uttermost. Jam. 1, 21, word which is able to *s* your souls; 2, 14, can faith *s.* him; 5, 15, prayer of faith shall *s.* the sick; 20, converteth the sinner shall *s.* a soul. Jude 23, others *s.* with fear.

SAVED—Isa. 45, 22, look unto me, and be ye *s.* Jer. 4, 14, mayest be *s.* Matt. 19, 25, who then can be *s.* Luke 1, 71, should be *s.* from our enemies; 7, 50, thy faith hath *s* thee. John 3, 17, world through him be *s.* Acts 2, 47, added to church such as should be *s*; 4, 12, name whereby we must be *s*; 16, 30, what must I do to be *s.* Rom 8, 24, we are *s* by hope; 10, 1, that they might be *s.* 1 Cor 1, 18, unto us which are *s* it is the power; 5, 5, be *s* in day of the Lord. Eph. 2, 5, by grace ye are *s.* 1 Tim. 2, 4, will have all men to be *s.* Titus 3, 5, according to his mercy he *s.* us. 1 Pet. 4, 18, if the righteous scarcely be *s* Rev. 21, 24, nations of them which are *s.*

SAVING—Heb. 10, 39.

SAVIOUR-S—2 Sam. 22, 3, God is my refuge, my *s.* 2 Kings 13, 5, God gave Israel a *s* Ps. 106, 21, forgat God their *s.* Isa. 43, 3, I am thy *S.*; 11, besides me there is no *s.*; 45, 15, God of Israel, the *S.* Obad 21, *s.* shall come up on mount Zion. Luke 1, 47, spirit rejoiced in God my *S.*; 2, 11, unto you is born a *S* Acts 5, 31, exalted to be a Prince and a *S* Eph. 5, 23, Christ is the *S.* of the body 1 Tim. 1, 1, God our *S*, 4, 10, who is the *S* of all. 2 Pet. 2, 20, knowledge of the L and *S.*

SAVOUR—2 Cor. 2, 14, 15, 16. Eph. 5, 2

SAYINGS—Ps. 49, 13, posterity approve their *s*; 78, 2, utter dark *s.* Prov 1, 6, dark *s*; 4, 10, receive my *s*; 20 Matt 7, 24, whoso heareth these *s.* John 14, 24, keepeth not *s.* Acts 14, 18, with these *s* Rom. 3, 4, justified in thy *s.* Rev 19, 9, true *s.*, 22, 6, *s.* are true; 7, *s.* of this book; 9; 10.

SCARCELY—Rom. 5, 7 1 Pet. 4, 18.

SCATTERED—Nu. 10, 35 Matt. 9, 36 Luke 1, 51.

SCEPTRE—Nu. 24, 17 Ps. 45, 6. Heb 1, 8.

SCHISM—1 Cor. 12, 25

SCHOLAR—1 Chr 25, 8 Mal 2, 12.

SCHOOLMASTER—Gal. 3, 24

SCOFF-ERS—Hab 1, 10 2 Pet 3, 3

SCOURGE-ETH—Job 5, 21 Isa. 28, 15 Heb 12, 6.

SCRIPTURE-S—Dan 10, 21, in the *s* of truth Matt. 22, 29, not knowing *s.* Mark 14, 49, *s* must be fulfilled. Luke 4, 21, this day is this *s.* fulfilled, 24, 32, while he opened to us the *s* John 5, 39, search the *s.*, 10, 35, *s* cannot be broken, 20, 9, they knew not the *s.* Acts 1, 16, this *s* must be fulfilled, 8, 35, began at the same *s.*; 17, 11, searched the *s* daily, 18, 24, mighty in the *s* Rom 11, 2, what *s.* saith of Elias. 2 Tim. 3, 16, all *s.* is given. 2 Pet. 3, 16, as they do other *s*

SEA—Ps 72, 8 Isa. 48, 18; 57, 20.

SEAL—John 3, 33 Rom 4, 11. 1 Cor 9, 2 2 Tim. 2, 19 Rev 7, 2

SEALED—John 6, 27. 2 Cor 1, 22.

SEARCH-ED-ETH—Ps. 139, 23, *s.* me, O God Jer 17, 10, I the Lord *s* the heart; 29, 13, ye shall *s* for me with all. Lam 3, 40, let us *s* and try our ways. Zeph 1, 12, *s* Jerusalem with candles John 5, 39 Acts 17, 11, *s* the scriptures daily. 1 Cor 2, 10, the Spirit *s.* all things. Rev. 2, 23, I am he that *s.* the reins.

SEARED—1 Tim. 4, 2.

SEASON-S—Ps. 1, 3, that bringeth forth fruit in his *s.* Ecc. 3, 1, to every thing a *s* and time Isa. 50, 4, how to speak a word in *s.* John 5, 35, willing for a *s.* to rejoice. Acts 1, 7, to know times and *s.*; 14, 17, rain from heaven and fruitful *s.* 1 Thess. 5, 1, of times and *s* ye have. 2 Tim. 4, 2, be instant in *s.* and out of *s.* Heb. 11, 25, enjoy pleasures of sin for a *s.* 1 Pet. 1, 6, for a *s* ye are in heaviness.

SECRETS—Ps. 25, 14, *s.* of the Lord with them; 27, 5, in *s.* of his tabernacle hide; 31, 20, hide in *s.* of tabernacle Prov. 3, 32, his *s* is with the righteous; 9, 17, bread eaten in *s.* pleasant. Amos 3, 7, revealeth his *s.* to his servants. Matt. 6, 4, thine alms in *s* John 18, 20, in *s.* have I said nothing. Rom. 2, 16, God shall judge the *s.* of men.

SECT—Acts 24, 5; 26, 5; 28, 22.

SEDUCE-ER-ING—Mark 13, 22. 1 Tim. 4, 1. 2 Tim 3, 13.

SEE—Job 7, 7, no more *s.* good; 8, *s.* me no more; 10, 15, *s.* mine affliction; 19, 26, yet in my flesh shall I *s.* God; 20, 9, *s.* him no more; 22, 19, righteous *s.* it; 24, 15, no eye shall *s*; 28, 27, then did he *s.* it; 33, 26, *s.* his face with joy. Ps. 10, 11, G. will never *s.* it; 16, 10, nor *s.* corruption; 27, 13, believed to *s.*; 34, 8, O taste and *s.*; 40, 3, many shall *s.*; 49, 19, never *s.* light; 59, 10, *s.* desire on enemies; 63, 2, to *s.* thy power; 66, 5, come and *s* works, 86, 17, hate me may *s.*; 97, 6, all *s.* his glory; 106, 5, *s.* good of chosen; 107, 24, *s* works of L.; 128, 6, *s.* thy children's children, and peace; 139, 16, *s.* my substance. Ecc 1, 10, *s.* this is new; 2, 3, *s.* what was good; 3, 18, men might *s.*; 7, 11, that *s.* the sun. Isa. 6, 10, lest they *s.* with; 26, 11, *s.* and be ashamed; 30, 20, *s.* thy teachers; 33, 17, *s* king in his beauty; 35, 2, *s.* glory of Lord; 40, 5, all flesh shall *s.*; 41, 20, they may *s* and know. 49, 7, kings shall *s.*; 52, 8, *s.* eye to eye; 10, earth *s.* salvation; 15, shall they *s.*; 53, 2, when we *s.* him; 10, *s.* his seed, 66, 5, *s.* and flow; 66, 18, and *s.* my glory Jer. 2, 10, *s.* if there be such a thing; 6, 16, stand in ways, *s.* Lam. 1, 12, *s.* if any sorrow. Ezek. 8, 6, shalt *s.* greater abominations; 13, 16, *s.* visions of peace. Dan. 3, 25, I *s.* four men loose, walking in. Joel 2, 28, young men shall *s.* visions. Mal. 1, 5, your eyes shall *s.*, and you shall say. Matt. 5, 8, shall *s.* God; 16, *s.* your good works; 11, 7, what went ye out to *s.*; 12, 38, would *s.* a sign; 13, 16, blessed, for they *s.*; 17, desired to *s.*; 16, 28, till they *s.* Son of; 24, 30, *s* the Son of man; 28, 6, *s.* where the L. lay. Mark 8, 24, I *s.* men as trees. Luke 3, 6, all flesh shall *s*; 8, 20, desiring to *s* thee; 17, 23, *s* here, or *s* there; 19, 3, Zacchæus sought to *s* Jesus who; 24, 39, handle me, and *s* John 1, 39, come and *s.*; 4, 29, come, *s.* a man; 8, 51, never *s.* death; 56, rejoiced to *s* my day, 9, 25, blind, now I *s*; 39, *s.* not, might *s.*; 11, 40, *s* glory of God; 12, 21, would *s.* Jesus; 16, 22, I will *s.* you again. Acts 2, 17; 27; 31; 20, 25, ye shall *s* my face no more, 22, 14, *s* that Just One Rom 7, 23, I *s* a law 1 Thess. 2, 17, to *s* your face, 5, 15, *s* none render evil. 1 Tim 6, 16, nor can *s.* 2 Tim 1, 4, desiring to *s* Heb. 12, 25, *s* ye refuse not. 1 Pet. 1, 22, *s* ye love one another. 1 John 5, 16, *s.* his brother sin. Rev. 1, 7, every eye shall *s.*; 18, 7, *s.* no sorrow, 9, *s* smoke of her burning; 19, 10, said to me, *s* thou do it not; 22, 4, and they shall *s.* his face.

SEEN—Matt. 6, 1, do not alms to be *s* of men; 13, 17, men desired to see, and have not *s.* John 1, 18, no man hath *s* God 2 Cor 4, 18, look not at things *s*, but not *s* 1 Tim. 6, 16, whom no man hath *s.*, nor can see Heb 11, 1, faith the evidence of things not *s.* 1 Pet. 1, 8, whom having not *s* ye love. 1 John 1, 1, have *s.* with our eyes; 4, 12, no man hath *s.* God at any time.

SEED—Ps. 37, 28, *s* of wicked shall be cut off; 69, 36, *s.* of his servants shall inherit it; 126, 6, bearing precious *s.* Ecc. 11, 6, in the morning sow thy *s* Isa. 1, 4, ah sinful nation, a *s.* of evildoers, 14, 20, *s* of evildoers shall never be, 45, 25, all the *s* of Israel be justified, 53, 10, he shall see his *s*; 55, 10, give *s* to the sower. Mal 2, 15, that he might seek a godly *s* Matt. 13, 38, good *s* are the children. Luke 8, 11, the *s* is the word of God Rom. 9, 8, children—are counted for the *s*; 9, 29, Lord of Sabaoth had left us a *s.* Gal. 3, 16, Abraham and his *s* promises made. 1 Pet. 1, 23, born again, not of corruptible *s.* 1 John 3, 9, his *s* remaineth in him.

SEEK—Deu. 4, 29, *s* him with all thy heart. 2 Chr 19, 3, prepared heart to *s* God, 30, 19 Ezra 8, 22, for good that *s* him Ps 9, 10, not forsaken them that *s* thee, 27, 4, I desired, that will I *s* after, 63, 1, my God, early will I *s.* thee; 119, 2, blessed are they that *s* him. Prov 8, 17, that *s* me early shall find. Cant 3, 2, I will *s* him whom my soul loveth Isa 26, 9, with my spirit will I *s* thee early; 45, 19, Jacob, *s* ye me in vain. Jer 29, 13, ye shall *s* me, and find me Amos 5, 4, *s* me, and ye shall live, 8, 12, *s* the word of the Lord Zeph. 2, 3, *s* Lord—*s.* righteousness. Mal. 2, 7, *s.* the law Matt. 6, 33, *s* ye first the kingdom; 7, 7, *s* and ye shall find. Luke 13, 24, many will *s.* to enter in, 19, 10, come to *s* and save. John 8, 21, ye shall *s.* me, and die in. Rom. 2, 7, *s* for glory. 1 Cor. 10, 24, no man *s.* his own. Phil. 2, 21, all *s* their own. Col. 3, 1, *s.* things which are above. 1 Pet. 3, 11, let him *s.* peace; 5, 8, *s* whom he may devour.

SEEMETH—Gen. 27, 12, *s.* to him. Luke 8, 18, take that which he *s.* to have. 1 Cor. 3, 18, if any man *s* to be wise in this world; 11, 16, if any man *s.* to be contentious. Heb. 4, 1, lest any of you *s.* to come short of it; 12, 11, no chastening for present *s* joyous Jam. 1. 26, if any man *s.* to be religious.

SELL—Prov. 23, 23. Matt. 13, 44; 19, 21, 25, 9

SEND—Ps 43, 3; 57, 3. Matt, 9, 38. John 14, 26 2 Thess. 2, 11.

SENSE—Heb. 5, 14

SENTENCE—Prov. 16, 10. Ecc. 8. 11. 2 Cor. 1, 9

SEPARATE—Gen. 49, 26, him that was *s.* Deu. 29, 21, Lord shall *s.* him unto evil. Acts 13, 2, *s.* me Barnabas and Saul. Rom. 8, 35, who shall *s.* us. 2 Cor. 6, 17, come out, and be ye *s.* Heb. 7. 26, harmless, and *s.* from sinners.

SERAPHIMS, Isa. 6, 2, 6.

SERPENT—Prov. 23, 32, it biteth like *s.* and stingeth. Ecc. 10, 11, *s.* will bite without enchantment. Matt. 7, 10, a fish, will he give him a *s.*; 10, 16, be wise as *s.* John 3, 14, Moses lifted up the *s.* in the. 2 Cor. 11, 3, the *s.* beguiled Eve. Rev. 12, 9, cast out that old *s.*

SERVANT—Isa. 42, 1, behold my *s.* Matt. 20, 27, let him be your *s.*; 25, 21, good and faithful *s* John 8, 34, committeth sin is the *s* of sin; 13, 16, *s.* is not greater than his lord. 1 Cor. 7, 21, art thou called, be ing a *s.* Gal. 1, 10, not be the *s.* of Christ. Phil. 2, 7, took upon him the form of a *s* 2 Tim. 2, 24, *s* of the Lord must not strive.

SERVANTS—Ezra 5, 11, the *s.* of God. Rom. 6, 16, yield yourselves *s.* to obey; 17, ye were the *s.* of sin. 1 Cor. 7, 23, be not ye the *s.* of men. 2 Pet. 2, 19, they are the *s* of corruption.

SERVE—Deu. 13, 4, ye shall *s.* him. Josh. 24, 14, *s.* him in sincerity; 15, choose you this day whom ye will *s.* 1 Sam. 12, 24, *s.* him in truth. 1 Chr 28, 9, *s.* him with a perfect heart. Job 21, 15, what is the Almighty, that we should *s.* him. Ps 2, 11, *s* the Lord with fear. Isa. 43, 24, made me to *s* with thy sins. Matt. 6, 24, no man can *s.* two masters—cannot *s.* God and mammon. Luke 1, 74, *s.* him without fear John 12, 26, if any *s* me, let him follow me Acts 27, 23, whose I am, and whom I *s.* Rom. 1, 9, *s.* with my spirit; 7, 6, *s* in newness of spirit; 25, with the mind I *s* the law of God; 16, 18, *s* not the Lord Jesus Christ. Gal. 5, 13, by love *s.* one another. 1 Thess. 1, 9, *s* the living God. Heb. 12, 28, may *s.* God acceptably. Rev 7, 15, *s* him day and night; 22, 3, and his servants shall *s.* him.

SERVING—Luke 10, 40, cumbered about much *s* Acts 20, 19, *s* the Lord with all humility; 26, 7, twelve tribes, instantly *s.* God. Rom. 12, 11, fervent in spirit, *s.* the Lord. Titus 3, 3, deceived, *s.* divers lusts

SET—Ps. 2, 6. Rom. 3, 25. Col. 3, 2.

SETTLE-ED—Col 1, 23. 1 Pet. 5, 10

SEVERITY—Rom. 11, 22.

SHADOW—Ps. 17, 8, hide me under the *s.* of thy wings Isa. 4, 6, for a *s* from heat, 49, 2, in the *s.* of his hand he hid me Col. 2, 17, *s.* of things to come, Heb. 10, 1, a *s.* of good things to come. Jam. 1, 17, no variableness, neither *s* of turning.

SHAKE-EN—Hag 2, 7, *s.* all nations, and the desire. Matt. 10, 14, *s* off the dust of your feet; 11, 7, a reed *s* with the wind. Luke 6, 38, give good measure, *s.* together 2 Thess 2, 2, that ye be not soon *s* in mind. Heb 12, 26, *s* not the earth only

SHAME—Ps 119, 31, O Lord, put me not to *s.* Prov 3, 35, *s* shall be the promotion of fools. Isa. 50, 6, I hid not my face from *s* Dan 12, 2, awake, some to *s* and contempt Hos. 4, 7, change their glory into *s.* Ps. 4, 2 Acts 5, 41, worthy to suffer *s.* for his name Phil 3, 19, whose glory is in their *s* Heb. 12, 2, endured the cross, despising the *s*

SHAPE—Luke 3, 22. John 5, 37

SHARP—Ps 45, 5, arrows *s*; 57, 4, a *s.* sword. Prov 5, 4, *s.* as a sword. Isa 5, 28, arrows are *s*, 49, 2, made my mouth like a *s* sword Ezek 5, 1, take a *s* knife. Acts 15, 39, was so *s* Rev 1, 16, a *s* two-edged sword; 2, 12, a *s.* sword, 14, 14, a *s.* sickle.

SHARPER—Mic 7, 4 Heb 4, 12.

SHARPLY—Judg 8, 1 Titus 1, 13.

SHARPNESS—2 Cor 13, 10

SHED—Matt. 26, 28 Acts 2, 33. Rom. 5, 5 Titus 3, 6

SHEDDER—Ezek. 18, 10

SHEDDETH—Gen 9, 6. Ezek. 22, 3.

SHEDDING—Heb 9, 22.

SHEEP—Ps 44, 22, as *s.* for the slaughter, 79, 13, *s* of pasture, 119, 176, gone astray like a lost *s* Isa. 53, 6, like *s.* are gone astray Zech 13, 7, *s.* shall be scattered. Matt 10, 6, lost *s.* of the house, 18, 12, hundred *s*, and one be gone; 25, 32, *s.* from goats; 33, *s.* on his right. John 21, 16, 17, Jesus saith unto him, Feed my *s* Rom. 8, 36. 1 Pet. 2, 25, as *s.* going astray.

SHEPHERD—Nu. 27, 17, as sheep which have no *s* Ps. 23, 1, the Lord is my *s.*; 80, 1, give ear, O *S* of Israel. Ezek. 37, 24, all shall have one *s.* Zech. 13, 7, O sword, against my *s* John 10, 14, I am the good *s.*; 16, shall be one fold, one *s.* Heb. 13, 20, that great *s.* of the sheep. 1 Pet. 2, 25, to the *S.* of your souls; 5, 4, when the chief *S* shall appear.

SHEW—Ps. 4, 6, who will *s.* us any good; 16, 11, *s* me the path of life; 91, 16, will *s.* him my salvation; 92, 15, *s.* that the Lord is upright. John 5, 20, will *s.* him greater works. 1 Cor. 11, 26, do *s.* the Lord's death. 1 Pet. 2, 9, *s.* forth the praises of him Rev. 22, 6, angel to *s* to his servants.

SHIELD—Deu. 33, 29, saved by the Lord, the *s* of thy help. Ps. 3, 3, Lord art a *s.* for me, 18, 35, the *s.* of thy salvation; 33, 20, our help and our *s*; 84, 11, Lord God a sun and *s.*; 115, 9, their help and their *s.* Prov. 30, 5, a *s.* unto them that put trust. Eph. 6, 16, taking *s.* of faith to quench.

SHINE—Nu. 6, 25, Lord make his face *s.* upon thee. Ps. 31, 16, make thy face to *s.* upon thy servant. Ecc. 8, 1, wisdom maketh his face to *s.* Dan. 12, 3, wise shall *s.* as the firmament. Matt. 5, 16, let your light *s.* before men; 13, 43, righteous *s.* forth as the sun. 2 Cor. 4, 6, God commanded the light to *s.* Phil. 2, 15, among whom ye *s.* as lights.

SHIPWRECK—2 Cor. 11, 25 1 Tim. 1, 19.
SHORT-ENED—Ps. 89, 47; 102, 23. Isa 50, 2. Matt. 24, 22. Rom. 3, 23.
SHOUT—Ps. 47, 5. 1 Thess. 4, 16.
SHRINES—Acts 19, 24.
SHUT—Isa. 22, 22. Matt. 23, 13. Gal. 3, 23. Rev. 3, 8.
SICK-NESS-ES—Ps. 41, 3. Isa. 1, 5. Matt. 8, 17. Jam. 5, 14, 15.
SIFT—Isa. 30, 28. Amos 9, 9 Luke 22, 31
SIGHT—Ex. 3, 3. 2 Cor. 5, 7 Heb. 12, 21.
SIGNS—Ex. 4, 17. Isa. 8, 18. Rom. 15, 19
SILENCE—Job 4, 16, was *s.*, and I heard; 29, 21, kept *s.* at my counsel. Ps. 32, 3, when I kept *s.*; 35, 22, keep not *s*; 50, 3, shall not keep *s.*; 83, 1, keep not thou *s*, O God. Isa. 41, 1, keep *s* before me; 65, 6, I will not keep *s*. Jer. 8, 14, the Lord hath put us to *s*. Amos 8, 3, cast them forth with *s*. Acts 21, 40, there was made a great *s*; 22, 2, they kept the more *s*. Rev. 8, 1, there was *s*. in heaven.
SILENT—Ps 28, 1, 30, 12; 31, 17. Isa. 47, 5. Jer. 8, 14. Zech 2, 13
SILVER—Jer. 44, 2. Matt. 27, 6 Acts 19, 24.
SIMPLE—Ps. 19, 7, making wise the *s.*; 116, 6, Lord preserveth the *s*; 119, 130, understanding unto the *s*. Prov. 14, 15, the *s.* believeth every word; 22, 3, the *s.* pass on, and are Rom 16, 19, have you *s.* concerning evil.
SIN—Gen 4, 7, *s* lieth at the door Job 10, 6, thou searchest after my *s* Ps 4, 4, stand in awe, and *s* not; 32, 1, blessed is he whose *s* is covered, 5, I acknowledged my *s*, 38, 18, I will be sorry for my *s*; 51, 3, my *s* is ever before me; 5, in *s* did my mother conceive me; 119, 11, might not *s* against thee Prov 14, 34, *s* is a reproach to any people Isa. 30, 1, counsel, that they may add *s* to *s*; 53, 10, his soul an offering for *s*; 12, bare the *s.* of many. John 1, 29, taketh away *s* of the world; 5, 14, *s.* no more, lest a worse thing. Rom. 5, 12, by one man *s.* entered; 6, 14, *s.* shall not have dominion; 7, 9, *s* revived, and I died, 13, *s*, that it might appear *s*, 14, I am carnal, sold under *s*, 17, *s* that dwelleth in me, 25, with flesh the law of *s* 1 Cor 15, 34, awake to righteousness, and sin not. 2 Cor 5, 21, him to be *s* for us who knew no *s* Eph 4, 26, be ye angry, and *s* not Jam. 1, 15, bringeth *s.*, and *s* bringeth death 1 Pet. 2, 22, who did no *s.*, neither 1 John 1, 8, If we say we have no *s*, we, 2, 1, you, that ye *s* not—if any man *s*, 3, 9, he cannot *s*, because he is born, 5, 16, there is a *s.* unto death
SINS—Ps 19, 13, servant from presumptuous *s*, 25, 7, remember not the *s* of my youth Isa. 43, 25, not remember thy *s* Ezek 33, 16, none of his *s* shall be mentioned Dan 9, 24, to make an end of *s* 1 Tim 5, 22, neither be partaker of other men's *s*. 1 John 2, 2, propitiation for the *s* of the whole world
SINFUL—Nu 32, 14, an increase of *s* men. Isa. 1, 4, ah *s* nation Amos 9, 8, eyes of the Lord upon the *s.* kingdom Mark 8, 38, shall be ashamed in this *s.* generation Luke 5, 8, I am a *s.* man, 24, 7, delivered into the hands of *s.* men Rom 7, 13, that sin might become exceeding *s*; 8, 3, sending his own Son in likeness of *s* flesh
SINNED—Ex. 32, 33, whosoever hath *s* against me. Job 1, 22, in all this Job *s* not. Lam. 1, 8, Jerusalem hath grievously *s*; 5, 7, our fathers have *s* Rom 2, 12, as many as have *s.* without law; 3, 23, all have *s.*, and come short. 1 John 1, 10, if we say we have not *s*
SINNETH—1 Ki. 8, 46 Prov 8, 36 Ecc. 7, 20 Ezek. 18, 4. 1 John 5, 18
SINNER—Ecc. 9, 18, one *s.* destroyeth much good. Isa. 65, 20, the *s* a hundred years old. Luke 15, 7, joy in heaven over one *s*; 18, 13, God be merciful to me a *s* Jam. 5, 20, he that converteth the *s.* 1 Pet. 4, 18, where shall the *s* appear
SINNERS—Gen. 13, 13, *s* before the Lord exceedingly. Ps 1, 1, nor standeth in the way of *s.*; 25, 8, Lord will teach *s* in the way; 51, 13, *s* shall be converted unto thee. Isa. 33, 14, *s.* in Zion are afraid. Matt. 9, 13, come to call *s.* to repentance. Luke 13, 2, *s.* above all Galileans. John 9, 31, God heareth not *s* Rom 5, 8, while we were yet *s*, Christ died; 19, many were made *s*. 1 Tim. 1, 15, Christ came to save *s* Heb. 7, 26, separate from *s.*; 12, 3, endured such contradiction of *s.*
SINCERE—Phil. 1, 10, 16. 1 Pet. 2, 2.
SINCERITY—Josh. 24, 14, serve him in *s.* 1 Cor. 5, 8, with the unleavened bread of *s.* 2 Cor. 1, 12, in godly *s.* we had our conversation; 2, 17, but as of *s* in the sight of God; 8, 8, to prove the *s.* of your love. Eph. 6, 24, with all them that love Lord Jesus in *s*. Titus 2, 7, doctrine shewing gravity, *s.*
SING—Nu. 21, 17, *s.* ye unto it. 1 Sam. 21, 11, did they not *s* one to another. 1 Chr. 16, 9, *s.* psalms unto him; 33, then shall the trees *s*. Job 29, 13, I caused widow's heart to *s* for joy. Ps. 21, 13, so will we *s.*; 33, 3, *s.* unto him a new song; 51, 14, my tongue shall *s.* of thy righteousness; 65, 13, the pastures also *s.*; 71, 22, unto thee will I *s.*; 104, 12, fowls which *s.* among branches; 105, 2, *s.* psalms unto him; 137, 3, *s.* us songs of Zion; 4, how shall we *s*. Isa. 24, 14, they shall *s.* for the majesty; 26, 19, awake and *s.*, ye that; 35, 6, tongue of dumb shall *s.*; 42, 11, let the inhabitants of rock *s.*; 44, 23, *s.*, O ye heavens, for the Lord; 52, 8, with the voice shall they *s.*; 54, 1, *s.*, O barren; 65, 14, my servants shall *s.* for joy of heart. Zeph 3, 14, *s.*, O daughter of Zion. Jam. 5, 13, let him *s.* psalms. Rev 15, 3, they *s.* the song of Moses.
SINGERS—1 Ki. 10, 12, made psalteries for *s*. 2 Chr. 5, 13, trumpeters and *s* were as one. Ps. 68, 25, the *s.* went before; 87, 7, as well the *s.* as the players. Ecc. 2, 8, I gat me men. *s.* and women *s.* Ezek. 40, 44, chambers of the *s.*
SINGETH—Prov. 25, 20
SINGING—1 Sam. 18, 6, *s.* and dancing. Neh. 12, 27, to keep the dedication with gladness, with *s.* Ps 100, 2, come before his presence with *s.*; 126, 2, tongue filled with *s* Cant. 2, 12, the time of the *s.* of birds is come. Isa. 14, 7, they break into *s.*; 16, 10, there shall be no *s.*; 35, 2, rejoice with joy and *s.*; 44, 23, break into *s*, ye mountains, 49, 13; 51, 11, come with *s.* unto Zion, 54, 1, break forth into *s.* Zeph. 3, 17, he will joy over thee with *s.* Eph. 5, 19, *s* and making melody to the Lord.
SINGED—Dan 3, 27.
SINGLE—Matt. 6, 12. Luke 11, 34.
SINGLENESS—Acts 2, 46. Eph. 6, 5. Col. 3, 22.
SINK—Ps 69, 2 14. Luke 5, 7, 9, 44
SISTER—Cant. 4, 9; 5, 1; 8, 8. Matt. 12, 50
SITUATION—2 Ki. 2, 19 Ps 48, 2.
SKIN-S—Job 2, 4, 10, 11, 19, 26. Jer 13, 23. Mark 1, 6 Heb. 11, 37.
SKIP-PED-ING—Ps. 29, 6; 114, 4. Cant. 2, 8
SLACK—Deut. 7, 10. Josh 18, 3. Prov. 10, 4. Zeph. 3, 16. 2 Pet. 3, 9
SLAIN—Eph. 2, 16. Rev 5, 9; 6, 9; 13, 8
SLAY—Prov 1, 32, turning away of simple shall *s.* them Isa. 11, 4, with breath shall he *s* wicked, 27, 1, he shall *s.* the dragon; 65, 15, Lord God shall *s.* thee. Jer. 5, 6, a lion shall *s* them, 15, 3, will appoint the sword to *s*, 18, 23, knowest all their counsel to *s* me Ezek. 9, 6, *s* utterly old and young, 13, 19, to *s.* the souls, 40, 39, two tables, to *s* thereon the burnt-offering Dan 2, 14, gone forth to *s* wise men Hos. 2, 3, *s* her with thirst. Amos 9, 1, I will *s* last of them with the sword. Hab 1, 17, shall they not spare to *s.* the nations. Luke 11, 49, some they shall *s* John 5, 16, Jews sought to *s* Acts 5, 33, 9, 29 Rev. 9, 15.
SLEEP—Ps. 90, 5, they are as a *s.*; 127, 2, he giveth his beloved *s.*; 132, 4, not give *s* to mine eyes Prov 3, 24, thy *s* shall be sweet, 6, 4, give not *s* to thine eyes; 10, a little *s*, a little slumber, 20, 13, love not *s.*, lest thou come to poverty Ecc 5, 12, *s.* of labouring man is sweet. Jer. 31, 26, I awaked, my *s* was sweet to me; 51, 39, they may *s* a perpetual *s.* Luke 9, 32, eyes were heavy with *s.* Rom. 13, 39, it is high time to awake out of *s* 1 Cor 11, 30, for this cause many *s*; 15, 51, we shall not all *s* 1 Thess. 4, 14, them which *s.* in Jesus, 5, 6, let us not *s.*, as do others; 7, they that *s*, *s* in the night; 10, that whether we wake or *s*
SLEEPEST—Ps. 44, 23. Prov 6, 22. Mark 14, 37 Eph 5, 14
SLEEPETH-ING—Prov 10, 5 Isa. 56, 10 Matt 9, 24 Mark 13, 36 John 11, 11
SLEIGHT—Eph. 4, 14
SLEPT—Ps. 3, 5 Matt. 13, 25, 27, 52, 28, 13 1 Cor 15, 20
SLIP—2 Sam. 22, 37 Ps. 18, 36 Heb 2, 1
SLOTHFUL—Prov. 12, 27, *s* roasteth not that he took; 15, 19, way of the *s* is an hedge of thorns; 18, 9, *s.* is brother to a great waster; 19, 24, *s.* hideth his hand, 21, 25, desire of the *s* killeth him, 22, 13, *s* saith, There is a lion; 24, 30, I went by the field of the *s* Rom. 12, 11, not *s.* in business, fervent in. Heb. 6, 12. be not *s.*, but followers of them
SLOW—Neh 9, 17 Luke 24, 25 Jam. 1, 19.
SLUGGARD—Prov. 6, 6, 9, 20, 4.
SLUMBER-ED-ETH—Ps. 121, 3. Matt. 25, 5 Rom. 11, 8 2 Pet. 2, 3.
SMITE—Ps. 141, 5 Jer 18, 18 Matt. 5, 39.
SMITTEN—Isa. 53, 4. Hos. 6, 1.
SMOKE—Deu. 29, 20. Ps. 74, 1; 102, 3.
SMOKING—Isa. 42, 3. Matt. 12, 20.
SNARE-S—Ps. 69, 22, table become a *s.*; 91, 3, from the *s.* of the fowler; 119, 110, the wicked have laid a *s.* for me; 124, 7, *s.* is broken, and we are escaped. Prov. 13, 14, depart from the *s.* of death; 29, 25, fear of man bringeth a *s.* 1 Tim 6, 9, that will be rich fall into *s.* 2 Tim. 2, 26, out of the *s.* of the devil
SNOW—Ps. 51, 7. Isa. 1, 18 Rev. 1, 14.
SOBER—1 Thess. 5, 6, watch and be *s.* 1 Tim. 3, 2, bishop must be vigilant, *s*; 11, wives not slanderers, *s.* Titus 1, 8, *s*, just, holy, temperate; 2, 2, aged men be *s.*; 4, teach young women to be *s.*; 6, young men exhort to be *s.* minded. 1 Pet. 1, 13, gird up your loins, be *s.*; 4, 7, be ye *s.* and watch; 5, 8, be *s.*, be vigilant
SOBERLY—Rom. 12, 3 Titus 2, 12.
SOBERNESS—Acts 26, 25.
SOFT—Prov. 15, 1. Matt. 11, 8 Luke 7, 25.
SOJOURNING—Ex. 12, 40. 1 Pet. 1, 17.
SOLD—1 Ki. 21, 20. 2 Ki. 17, 17. Rom. 7 14.
SOLDIER—2 Tim. 2, 3, 4.
SON—Ps. 2, 7, thou art my *s.*; 12, kiss the *s.*; 72, 1, righteousness unto the king's *s.*; 86, 16, give strength unto *s.* of thine handmaid; 116, 16, I am the *s.* of thine handmaid. Prov. 1, 10, my *s.*, if sinners entice thee; 3, 1, my *s.*, forget not; 11, my *s.*, despise not; 4, 3, I was my father's *s.*; 6, 1, my *s.*, if thou be surety; 10, 1, a wise *s.* maketh a glad father; 17, 2, rule over a *s.* that causeth shame; 23, 26, my *s*, give me thine heart, and; 24, 21, my *s.*, fear the L.; 27, 11, my *s.*, be wise; 29, 21, shall have him become his *s.* at length; 31, 2, what, my *s*? and what, the *s.* of my vows? Ecc. 12, 12, by these, my *s*, be admonished. Isa. 7, 14, conceive and bear a *s.*, 9, 6, unto us a *s.* is given; 14, 12, Lucifer, *s.* of the morning, 19, 11, I am the *s.* of the wise; 56, 3, the *s.* of the stranger Jer 6, 26, mourning, as for an only *s.* Ezek. 18, 4, the soul of the *s.* is mine; 19, doth not the *s* bear iniquity of father; 21, 10, sword contemneth the rod of my *s.* Dan. 5, 22, thou his *s.*, O Belshazzar, hast not humbled. Hos. 11, 1, called my *s.* out of Egypt Amos 7, 14, neither was I a prophet's *s.* Zech. 12, 10, as one mourneth for his only *s.* Mal 1, 6, a *s* honoureth his father. Matt. 1, 21, she shall bring forth a *s.*; 2, 15, out of Egypt have I called my *s.*; 3, 17, this is my beloved *S.*; 11, 27, no man knoweth the *S.*; 13, 55, is not this the carpenter's *s*; 16, 16, thou art Christ, the *S.* of the living God; 17, 15, have mercy on my *s.*; 21, 37, they will reverence my *s.*; 22, 42, whose *s.* is he. Mark 14, 61, the Christ, the *S.* of the Blessed. Luke 1, 32, *S.* of the Highest, 2, 48, *s*, why hast thou; 10, 6, if the *s.* of peace be there, 15, 19, am no more worthy to be called thy *s*; 24, my *s* was dead; 31, *s.*, thou art ever with me; 16, 25, *s.*, remember that thou in thy lifetime; 19, 9, is a *s.* of Abraham. John 1, 18, the only begotten *S.*; 3, 16, gave his only begotten *S.*, 18; 35, loveth the *S*; 36, he that believeth on the *S*; 5, 19, the *S* can do nothing; 21, *S.* quickeneth whom he will; 23, all men should honour the *S.*; 26, to *S.* to have life in himself; 8, 35, the *S.* abideth ever; 36, if the *S.* make you free; 14, 13, Father may be glorified in the *S.*; 17, 1, Father, glorify thy *S.*; 12, none lost but *s* of perdition; 19, 26, behold thy *s*; 21, 15, Simon, *s.* of Jonas, lovest thou me Acts 3, 13, hath glorified his *S.*, 4, 36, *s* of consolation; 7, 21, nourished him for her own *s* Rom. 1, 3, concerning his *S* Jesus Christ; 9, gospel of his *S.*; 5, 10, reconciled to God by the death of his *S*; 8, 3, God sending his own *S.*; 29, conformed to the image of his *S*; 32, he that spared not his *S.* 1 Cor 1, 9, called unto the fellowship of his *S.*; 15, 28, then shall the *S.* also himself be subject. Gal. 1, 16, to reveal his *S.* in me; 4, 4, God sent his *S*; 6, God hath sent Spirit of his *S.*; 7, if a *s*, then an heir, 30, cast out the bondwoman and her *s.* Phil. 2, 22, as a *s* with the father, he hath served Col 1, 13, into kingdom of his dear *S.* 1 Thess. 1, 10, wait for his *S.* from heaven. 2 Thess. 2, 3, that man of sin, the *s* of perdition. 1 Tim 1, 2, my own *s* in the faith; 18, commit unto thee, *s* Timothy 2 Tim. 2, 1, my *s.*, be strong in the grace. Titus 1, 4, my own *s* after the faith. Philem. 10, I beseech thee for my *s* Onesimus. Heb. 1, 2, spoken unto us by his *S.*; 8, but unto the *S.* he saith, 5, 8, though he were a *S.*, yet learned, 7, 28, word of the oath, maketh the *S.*; 11, 24, refused to be called *s* of Pharaoh's daughter; 12, 5, my *s*, despise not thou the chastening Jam 2, 21, Abraham offered Isaac his *s* 1 John 1, 7, blood of Jesus his *S* cleanseth; 2, 22, he is antichrist that denieth the *S.*, 23; 3, 23, that we believe on the name of his *S*; 5, 9, witness of God hath testified of his *S*; 10, the record that God gave of his *S*; 11, eternal life is in his *S.*; 12; 20, in him that is true, even in his *S.* 2 John 9, he hath both the Father and the *S.* Rev. 21, 7, I will be his God, and he shall be my *s*
SONS—Ps. 144, 12, our *s.* may be as plants. Isa. 60, 10, *s* of strangers. Mal. 3, 3, shall purify the *s* of Levi; 6, *s.* of Jacob are not consumed 1 Cor. 4, 14, beloved *s.*, I warn you. Gal 4, 6, *s.*, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son. Heb. 2, 10, bringing many *s.* unto glory; 12, 7, God dealeth with you as with *s.*; 8, bastards, and not *s.*
SON *OF GOD*—Dan. 3, 25, fourth like *S* of God. Matt. 4, 3, if thou be *S* of God; 14, 33, thou art the *S.* of God; 27, 54, this was *S.* of God. Luke 1, 35, be called *S.* of God John 1, 34, that this is *S.* of God; 3, 18, in only begotten *S* of God; 9, 35, dost thou believe on *S* of God; 10, 36, I said, I am *S.* of God; 11, 4, *S.* of God might be glorified; 19, 7, made himself *S* of God Rom. 1, 4, declared *S* of God. 2 Cor 1, 19, *S.* of God preached among you was not yea and nay. Heb. 6, 6, crucify *S.* of God afresh; 7, 3, made like *S.* of God; 10, 29, trodden under foot *S.* of God. 1 John 3, 8, *S.* of God was manifested; 5, 10, believeth on *S.* of God; 20, we know *S.* of God is come. Rev. 2, 18, these things saith *S.* of God.
SON *OF MAN*—Matt. 8, 20, *S.* of man not where to lay his head; 9, 6, *S.* of man hath power on earth; 10, 23, till *S.* of man be come; 11, 19, *S.* of man came eating; 12, 8, *S.* of man is Lord of the Sabbath; 32, speaketh against *S.* of man; 40, *S.* of man be three days; 13, 41, *S.* of man send angels; 16, 13, I. the *S.* of man am; 27, *S.* of man shall come; 28, see *S.* of man coming; 17, 9, till *S.* of man be risen; 12, shall *S* of man suffer; 18, 11, *S.* of man come to save; 25, 31, when *S.* of man shall come. Mark 8, 38, *S.* of man be ashamed; 9, 31, *S.* of man is delivered. Luke 6, 22, reproach you for *S.* of man's sake; 12, 8, shall *S.* of man confess; 17, 22, one of the days of *S.* of man; 24, so shall *S.* of man be; 21, 36, to stand before *S* of man. John 3, 13, *S.* of man which is in heaven. 6, 62, see *S* of man ascend; 8, 28, have lifted up *S* of man, 12, 23, *S.* of man glorified; 34, *S.* of man must be lifted up—who is this *S* of man, 13, 31, now is *S.* of man glorified. Acts 7, 56, I see *S.* of man standing
SONS *OF GOD*—Gen 6, 2, *s* of God saw the daughters. Job 1, 6, *s* of God came to, 2, 1; 38, 7, *s.* of God shouted for joy. Hos. 1, 10, ye are the *s.* of living God. John 1, 12, to become *s.* of God. Rom. 8, 14, they are the *s.* of God, 19, manifestation of *s.* of God. Phil. 2, 15, that ye may be harmless, the *s.* of God. 1 John 3, 1, that we should be called the *s.* of God; 2, now are we the *s* of God.
SONG-S—Ex. 15, 2, Lord is my *s.* Job 30, 9, am I their *s.* Ps. 32, 7, compass with *s* of deliverance; 33, 3, sing a new *s.*; 119, 54, been my *s.* in the house of pilgrimage, 137, 3, require a *s.*, one of the *s.* of Zion. Ezek. 33, 32, as a very lovely *s.* Eph 5, 19, speaking to yourselves in spiritual *s* Rev. 14, 3, no man could learn that *s*, 15, 3, *s.* of Moses, and *s* of the Lamb
SOON—Ps. 58, 3, go astray as *s* as; 106, 13, *s.* forgat his works. Prov 14, 17, he that is *s* angry Gal. 1, 6, marvel ye are so *s.* 2 Thess. 2, 2, be not *s.* shaken. Titus 1, 7, bishop must not be *s* angry
SOPE—Jer 2, 22. Mal. 3, 2.
SORCERER-S—Acts 13, 6. Rev. 21, 8.
SORE-S—Isa. 1, 6. Heb. 10, 29.
SORROW—Prov 15, 13, by *s* of heart the spirit is broken. Ecc. 1, 18, knowledge increaseth *s*, 7, 3, *s.* better than laughter. Isa. 35, 10, *s.* and sighing flee away, 50, 11, ye shall lie down in *s.* Lam. 1, 12, if any *s.* like unto my *s.* John 16, 6, *s.* hath filled your heart, 20, your *s.* shall be turned into joy. 2 Cor. 2, 7, swallowed up with overmuch *s.*; 7, 10, godly *s.* worketh repentance. Phil. 2, 27, lest I have *s.* upon *s.* 1 Thess. 4, 13, that ye *s.* not as others. Rev. 21, 4, no more death, neither *s.*
SORROWS—Ps 18, 5, the *s* of hell; 127, 2, vain to eat the bread of *s.* Isa. 53, 3, man of *s.*; 4, carried our *s.* Matt 24, 8, the beginning of *s.* 1 Tim. 6, 10, pierced themselves through with many *s.*
SORROWFUL—1 Sam. 1, 15, of a *s.* spirit. Prov. 14, 13, in laughter the heart is *s.* Jer 31, 25, replenished every *s* soul. Zeph. 3, 18, *s.* for the solemn assembly. Matt. 19, 22, young man went away *s*, 26, 22, 38, my soul is exceeding *s* 2 Cor. 6, 10, as *s.*, yet alway rejoicing.
SOUGHT—Ps 34, 4, I *s* the Lord, 111, 2, *s.* out of all that take pleasure, 119, 10, with my whole heart I *s.* thee. Ecc. 7, 29, *s.* out many inventions. Isa. 62, 12, shalt be called, *s* out; 65, 1, found of them that *s.* me not. Rom. 9, 32, they *s.* it not by faith. Heb. 12, 17, though he *s.* it carefully.
SOUL—Gen 2, 7, man became a living *s.* Deu. 11, 13, serve him with all your *s.*, 13, 3, love the Lord with all your *s* 1 Sam. 18, 1, *s* of Jonathan was knit with the *s.* of David. 1 Chr 22, 19, set your *s.* to seek the Lord. Ps. 19, 7, converting the *s.*; 34, 22, redeemeth the *s.* of his; 49, 8, redemption of their *s.* is precious. Prov. 10, 3, not suffer the *s.* of the righteous; 19, 2, *s* be without knowledge. Isa. 55, 2, let your *s* delight itself; 58, 10, satisfy the afflicted *s.*, 66, 3 Jer. 31, 25, satiated the weary *s.* Ezek 18, 4, *s.* that sinneth, it shall die. Matt. 10, 28, are not able to kill *s.* Rom. 13, 1, let every *s.* be subject. 1 Thess. 5, 23, *s* and body preserved blameless. Heb. 4, 12, dividing asunder of *s* and spirit, 10, 39, believe to the saving of the *s.*
HIS SOUL—Judg 10, 16. 2 Ki. 23, 25. Job 27, 8. Hab. 2, 4. Matt. 16, 26.
MY SOUL—Ps. 16, 10, not leave my *s.* in hell; 31, 7, known my *s.* in adversities, 35, 3, say to my *s.*, I am thy salvation, 9, my *s* shall be joyful; 42, 5, why cast down, O my *s*; 62, 1, my *s.* waiteth upon God, 63, 1, my *s.* thirsteth for thee; 8, my *s.* followeth hard after thee Isa. 26, 9, with my *s.* have I desired; 61, 10, my *s.* shall be joyful in my God. Luke 1, 46, my *s.* doth magnify the Lord. John 12, 27, now is my *s.* troubled.
OWN SOUL—Deu. 13, 6, is as thine own *s* 1 Sam. 18, 1, loved him as his own *s.* Ps 22, 29, and none can keep alive his own *s.* Prov. 6, 32, destroyeth his own *s.*; 8, 36, he that sinneth wrongeth his own *s.*; 11, 17, merciful man doeth good to his own *s.*; 15, 32, refuseth instruction despiseth his own *s.*; 19, 8, getteth wisdom loveth his own *s*; 16, keepeth commandment keepeth his own *s.*; 20, 2, sinneth against his own *s.*; 29, 24, partner with thief hateth his own *s.* Matt. 16, 26, gain world, and lose his own *s.* Luke 2, 35, a sword shall pierce through thy own *s.*
THY SOUL—Deut. 4, 29, seek him with all thy *s.*; 6, 5, love God with all thy *s.*; 13, 15, whatsoever thy *s.* lusteth after; 26, 16, do them with all thy *s.*; 30, 2, obey with all thy *s.*; 10, if thou turn with all thy *s.* 1 Ki.

11, 37, according to all thy *s.* desireth Prov 2, 10, knowledge pleasant unto thy *s.*; 3, 22, *so* life unto thy *s.*; 22, 25, get a snare to thy *s.*; 24, 12, he that keepeth thy *s.*; 29, 17, yea, he shall give delight unto thy *s.* Isa. 58, 10, if thou draw out thy *s*; 11, the Lord shall satisfy thy *s* in drought. Jer. 38, 17, thy *s.* shall live. Ezek 3, 19, thou hast delivered thy *s.* Hab. 2, 10, and thou hast sinned against thy *s.* Matt. 22, 37, love God with all thy *s* Luke 12, 20, this night thy *s* shall be required. 3 John 2, even as thy *s* prospereth.

SOULS—Ex 30, 15, atonement for *s.* Nu. 16, 38, censers of these sinners against their *s.*; 30, 9, every vow wherewith they have bound their *s.* Josh 23, 14, ye know in all your hearts and *s* 1 Sam. 25, 29, *s* of thine enemies shall he sling out. Ps. 72, 13, save *s.* of needy; 97, 10, preserveth *s* Prov 11, 30, winneth souls is wise. Isa. 57, 16, spirit should fail, and the *s.* I made. Jer. 2, 34, blood of *s*; 6, 16, rest for your *s.* 26, 19, procure evil against our *s.* Ezek. 7, 19, not satisfy their *s.*; 14, 14, deliver but own *s*, 18, 4, all *s.* are mine. Luke 21, 19, in your patience possess your *s.* Acts 2, 41, added unto them three thousand *s*; 14, 22, confirming the *s.* of the disciples; 15, 24, subverting your *s.* 1 Thess. 2, 8, to have imparted unto you our own *s.* Heb. 13, 17, watch for your *s.* Jam. 1, 21, receive meekness, which is able to save your *s* 1 Pet. 1, 9, salvation of your *s.*, 22, purified *s.*, 2, 25, Bishop of your *s.*; 4, 19, keeping of their *s.* 2 Pet. 2, 14, unstable *s* Rev. 6, 9, *s* of slain; 18, 13, *s* of men; 20, 4, I saw *s*

SOUND—Ps. 89, 15, people that know the joyful *s.* Eec. 12, 4, *s* of the grinding is low Rom. 10, 18, their *s* went into all the earth. 1 Tim. 1, 10, contrary to *s* doctrine. 2 Tim. 1, 7, spirit of *s* mind, 13, form of *s.* words. Titus 1, 9, by *s.* doctrine to exhort.

SOUTH—Isa. 43, 6. Ezek. 20, 46; 40, 24 Dan. 11, 5

SOW-N—Ps. 126, 5, *s* in tears shall reap in joy. Ecc. 11, 4, observeth wind shall not *s* Isa. 32, 20, blessed that *s* beside all waters. Hos. 10, 12, *s.* in righteousness Mic. 6, 15, *s.*, but thou shalt not reap Matt. 13, 3, sower went forth to *s.* Luke 12, 24, ravens neither *s* nor reap; 19, 22, reaping that I did not *s* 1 Cor 9, 11, *s.* unto you spiritual things; 15, 42, *s* in corruption. 2 Cor. 9, 10, multiply your seed *s* Jam. 3, 18, fruit of righteousness *s.* in peace.

SOWETH—Prov. 11, 18, *s.* righteousness shall be; 22, 8, *s.* iniquity shall reap vanity John 4, 37, one *s.* and another reapeth. 2 Cor. 9, 6, *s* sparingly shall reap sparingly—*s.* bountifully. Gal. 6, 7, what a man *s* that shall he reap, 8, *s.* to his flesh, shall of the.

SPARE-ED—Neh. 13, 22, *s* me according to thy mercy. Ps. 39, 13, *s* me, that I may recover strength. Joel 2, 17, *s.* thy people. Mal. 3, 17, *s.* them as a man spareth his own. Rom. 8, 32, he that *s.* not his own; 11, 21, God *s* not the natural branches. 2 Pet. 2, 4, God *s* not the angels

SPARROW—Ps. 84, 3; 102, 7 Matt. 10, 29

SPEAK—Gen. 18, 27, taken upon me to *s.* unto the Lord. Ex. 4, 14, Aaron thy brother can *s* well; 34, 35, until he went in to *s.* with the Lord. 1 Sam. 3, 9, *s.*, Lord, for thy servant. Ps. 85, 8, hear what the Lord will *s.* Isa. 8, 20, if they *s.* not according to this word, 50, 4, how to *s* a word in season. Jer. 18, 7, at what instant I shall *s.* Hab. 2, 3, at the end it shall *s* and not lie. Matt. 10, 19, no thought what ye shall *s.*; 12, 34, how can ye, being evil, *s.* good. Luke 6, 26, when all men *s.* well of you. John 3, 11, we *s.* that we do know, Acts 4, 20, cannot but *s.* the things. 1 Cor. 1, 10, all *s* the same thing; 2, 6, *s* wisdom among them that are perfect. Titus 3, 2, to *s.* evil of no man. Jam 1, 19, swift to hear, slow to *s* 1 Pet. 2, 12, *s.* against you as evildoers. 2 Pet. 2, 10, *s.* evil of dignities Jude 10, *s.* evil of things they know not.

SPEAKETH—Matt. 12, 32 Heb. 11, 4; 12, 24, 25.

SPEAKING—Isa. 58, 13, nor *s* thine own words; 65, 24, while they are *s.* I will hear. Matt. 6, 7, be heard for much *s.* Eph. 4, 15, *s.* the truth in love, 5, 19, *s.* to yourselves in psalms. 1 Tim. 4, 2, *s.* lies in hypocrisy. Rev. 13, 5, a mouth *s.* great things.

SPECTACLE—1 Cor 4, 9

SPEECH—Gen. 11, 1, earth was of one *s* Ex. 4, 10, slow of *s.* Deu. 32, 2, my *s.* distil. Job 12, 20, he removeth away *s* of the trusty; 29, 22, my *s* dropped. Ps. 19, 2, day unto day uttereth *s.*; 3, there is no *s.* Prov. 7, 21, with her fair *s.*; 17, 7, excellent *s.* becometh not a fool. Cant. 4, 3, thy *s* is comely. Isa. 29, 4, thy *s.* shall whisper; 33, 19, people of a deeper *s.* Jer. 31, 23, as yet they shall use this *s.* in Judah. Ezek. 3, 5, people of strange *s.* Hab. 3, 2, I heard thy *s.* Matt. 26, 73, *s.* bewrayeth thee. Mark 7, 32, impediment in his *s.* John, 8, 43, why do ye not understand my *s.* Acts 14, 11, *s* of Lycaonia; 20, 7, continued his *s.* 1 Cor 2, 1, excellency of *s.*; 4, 19, not the *s.* 2 Cor. 3, 12, plainness of *s.*; 7, 4, boldness of *s*; 10, 10, his *s.* contemptible; 11, 6, though rude in *s.* Col. 4, 6, *s.* be with grace Titus 2, 8, sound *s.*

SPEECHES—Nu. 12, 8 Job 6, 26; 32, 14. Rom. 16, 18. Jude 15.

SPEECHLESS—Matt. 22, 12. Luke 1, 22. Acts 9, 7

SPEED—Gen. 24, 12. Esra 6, 12. Isa. 5, 26. Acts 17, 15. 2 John 10.

SPEEDILY—1 Sam. 27, 1, should *s* escape to. Ps. 31, 2, deliver me *s.*; 69, 17, hear me *s.*; 79, 8, *s* prevent us; 102, 2, answer me *s.* Ecc. 8, 11, because sentence is not executed *s.* Isa. 58, 8, thine health spring forth *s* Joel 3, 4, recompense me *s.* Zech. 8, 21, let us go *s.* Luke 18, 8, he will avenge them *s.*

SPEEDY—Zeph. 1, 18.

SPEND—Ps. 90, 9. Isa. 55, 2 2 Cor. 12, 15.

SPENT—Isa. 49, 4. Luke 15, 14 Rom. 13, 12.

SPIRIT—Job 32, 8, is a *s* in man. Ps. 31, 5, into thine hand I commit my *s*; 32, 2, in whose *s.* there is no guile, 51, 10, a right *s.* within me; 11, take not thy Holy *S.* from me; 12, uphold me with thy free *s.*; 17, sacrifices of G. a broken *s.*; 76, 12, cut off the *s.* of princes; 78, 8, *s* was not stedfast with God; 104, 30, sendest forth thy *s.*; 139, 7, whither shall I go from thy *s.*; 142, 3, my *s.* was overwhelmed. Prov. 16, 18, an haughty *s.* before a fall; 32, ruleth his *s.* better than he, 18, 14, wounded *s.* who can bear. Ecc. 3, 21, who knoweth the *s.* of man; 8, 8, power over the *s.* to retain; 11, 5, knowest not the way of the *s.*; 12, 7, *s* shall return unto God. Isa. 32, 15, till the *S.* be poured; 57, 16, *s* should fail before me; 61, 3, garment of praise for *s.* of heaviness. Zech. 12, 1, formeth the *s.* of man; 10, pour the *s* of grace Mal. 2, 15, take heed to your *s.* Matt 22, 43, David in *s.* call him Lord, 26, 41, the *s* is willing. Luke 1, 80, child waxed strong in *s.*; 2, 27, came by the *S* into the temple; 9, 55, know not what manner of *s.* ye are, 24, 39, *s.* hath not flesh and bones. John 3, 5, born of water and of the *S.*, 6, that which is born of the *S* is *s*; 34, God giveth not the *S.* by measure; 4, 24, God is a *S*, worship in *s.*; 6, 63, the *S* quickeneth, the words are *s.* Rom 8, 1, but after the *S.*; 2, *s* of life in Christ Jesus; 9, if any have not the *s.* of Christ, 13, if ye through *S* mortify; 15, *s.* of bondage, *S* of adoption; 16, *S.* beareth witness with our *s*, 26, *S* helpeth our infirmities. 1 Cor 2, 10, *S.* searcheth all things, 5, 3, present in *s*; 6, 17, joined unto the Lord is one *s* 2 Cor 3, 3, written with the *S* of God; 6, not of the letter, but of the *s*; 17, where the *S.* of the Lord is. Gal. 3, 3, having begun in the *S.*; 4, 6, sent forth the *S.* of his Son; 5, 18, led of the *S.* not under the law; 25, if we live in *S.*, let us walk in *S.* Eph. 1, 13, sealed with Holy *S*, 4, 23, renewed in *s* of your mind; 5, 18, but filled with the *S.* 1 Thess. 5, 23, whole *s.* and soul. Heb. 4, 12, dividing asunder of soul and *s.*; 9, 14, through the eternal *S.* offered. 1 Pet. 3, 4, meek and quiet *s.*; 18, but quickened in the *S*, 4, 6, live according to God in the *s.* 1 John 4, 1, believe not every *s* Jude 19, having not the *S* Rev 1, 10, in the *S.* on the Lord's day, 11, 11, *S* of life from God entered; 14, 13, yea, saith the *S*, that they; 22, 17, *S* and bride say, Come

SPIRIT *OF GOD*—Gen 1, 2, *S.* of *G* moved; 41, 38, in whom *S.* of *G* is. Nu. 24, 2, *s* of *G* came on Balaam Job 27, 3, *s* of *G* in my nostrils. Matt. 3, 16, *S.* of *G* descending. Rom 8, 9, *S.* of *G.* dwell in you, 14, led by *S.* of *G* 1 Cor. 2, 11, things of God knoweth no man, but *S* of *G*, 14, receiveth not things of *S* of *G.*; 3, 16, *S* of *G* dwelleth in you; 12, 3, speaking by *S.* of *G.* 2 Cor. 3, 3, with *S.* of living *G* Eph. 4, 30, grieve not Holy *S.* of *G.* 1 John 4, 2, hereby know ye *S.* of *G.*

SPIRIT *OF THE LORD*—Judg. 6, 34, *S.* of *L* on Gideon; 11, 29, *S* of *L.* on Jephthah 13, 25, *S* of *L* began to move Samson 1 Sam. 16, 13, *S.* of *L.* came on David; 14, *S* of *L.* departed from Saul. 2 Sam. 23, 2, *S* of *L* spake by me. 1 Ki 18, 12, *S* of *L* carry thee; 22, 24, which way went *S* of *L* 2 Ki. 2, 16, lest *S* of *L.* hath taken him up Isa. 11, 2, *s* of *L* shall rest on him, 40, 7, *s.* of *L.* bloweth upon it; 13, hath directed *S* of the *L.*; 59, 19, *S* of *L* lift up a standard, 61, 1, *S.* of *L* is upon me; 63, 14, *S* of *L* caused him to rest. Ezek. 11, 5, *S* of *L* fell upon me; 37, 1, carried me in *s* of *L.* Mic. 2, 7, *s* of the *L.* straitened. Luke 4, 18. Acts 5, 9, to tempt *S* of *L*; 8, 39, *S.* of *L.* caught away Philip. 2 Cor. 3, 17, where *S* of *L* is; 18, as by *S.* of the *L*

HIS **SPIRIT**—Nu. 11, 29, that the Lord would put his *s* upon them. Deu. 2, 30, Lord had hardened his *s.* Ps. 106, 33, they provoked his *s.* Prov. 16, 32, he that ruleth his *s.* Isa. 34, 16, his *s.* hath gathered them. Zech. 7, 12, his *s.* by former prophets. Acts 17, 16, his *s* stirred in him. 2 Cor. 7, 13, his *s.* was refreshed. 1 John 4, 13, given us of his *S.*

MY **SPIRIT**—Gen. 6, 3, my *S.* shall not always strive. Ps. 31, 5, I commit my *s.*; 77, 3, my *s.* was overwhelmed; 143, 7, my *s* faileth. Prov. 1, 23, I will pour out my *S* Isa 26, 9, with my *s.* will I seek; 42, 1, I have put my *S.* on him; 44, 3, will pour my *S.* on thy seed; 59, 21, my *S.* that is upon thee. Ezek. 36, 27, put my *s* within you; 39, 29, I have poured out my *S.* Joel 2, 28, will pour out my *S.* Hagg. 2, 5, my *S.* remaineth among you. Zech. 4, 6, by my *S.*, saith the Lord. Matt. 12, 18, put my *S.* upon him. Luke 1, 47, my *s.* hath rejoiced. Acts 2, 17, pour out my *S.* Rom. 1, 9, I serve with my *s.* 1 Cor. 14, 14, my *s.* prayeth; 16, 18, refreshed my *s*

SPIRITS—Nu. 16, 22, God of *s.* of all. Ps. 104, 4, maketh his angels *s* Prov. 16, 2, the Lord weigheth the *s* Heb. 12, 23, *s.* of just men made perfect. 1 Pet. 3, 19, preached unto *s.* in prison. 1 John 4, 1, try the *s.* whether.

SPIRITUAL—Rom. 1, 11, impart to you some *s.* gift; 7, 14, law is *s.*, but I am carnal. 1 Cor. 2, 13, comparing *s* things with *s.*; 15, *s.* judgeth all things; 3, 1, not speak unto you as *s*; 9, 11, we have sown unto you *s* things; 10, 3, eat same *s.* meat; 4, same *s.* drink; 15, 44, it is raised a *s* body Gal. 6, 1, *s.*, restore such an one. Eph 1, 3, blessed us with all *s.* blessings, 5, 19, speaking in *s.* songs; 6, 12, wrestle against *s* wickedness Col. 1, 9, all *s* understanding; 3, 16 1 Pet. 2, 5, built a *s.* house, *s.* sacrifices

SPIRITUALLY—Rom. 8, 6. 1 Cor. 2, 14. Rev 11, 8.

SPIT—Matt. 26, 67; 27, 30. Mark 7, 33; 14, 65

SPITE—Ps. 10, 14.

SPITEFULLY—Matt. 22, 6. Luke 18, 32.

SPITTED-ING—Isa. 50, 6. Luke 18, 32.

SPOIL-ED-ING—Ps. 119, 162. Isa. 53, 12. Col. 2, 8, 15. Heb. 10, 34.

SPOT—Deu. 32, 5, their *s.* is not the *s.* of his children Job 11, 15, shalt lift up thy face without *s.* Eph. 5, 27, not having *s.* 1 Tim. 6, 14, without *s.* Heb. 9, 14. 1 Pet 1, 19 2 Pet. 3, 14, that ye may be found of him without *s.*

SPREAD—Ps. 140, 5, they *s.* a net. Prov. 1, 17, surely in vain the net is *s.* in sight. Isa. 1, 15, when ye *s* hands; 14, 11, the worm is *s*; 25, 7, vail that is *s* over all; 11, he shall *s* forth his hands; 42, 5, *s.* forth the earth; 58, 5, *s.* sackcloth; 65, 2, *s* out my hands. Jer 8, 2, *s.* before the sun. Hos. 14, 6, his branches *s.* Joel 2, 2, as morning *s* Matt 9, 31, *s* abroad his fame, 21, 8, *s* their garments. Acts 4, 17, it *s.* no further 1 Thess 1, 8, faith is *s* abroad.

SPREADETH—Deu. 32, 11, as an eagle *s* Job 9, 8, *s.* the heavens, 36, 30, *s* his light upon it. Prov. 29, 5, that flattereth his neighbour *s* a net. Isa. 25, 11, *s.* forth his hands, 40, 22, *s.* out the heavens; 44, 24, *s.* abroad earth Jer. 4, 31, daughter of Zion *s* her hands, 17, 8, a tree that *s.* out her roots by the river.

SPRINKLE-ED-ING—Isa. 52, 15. Ezek. 36, 25. Heb. 10, 22, 12, 24. 1 Pet. 1, 2

SPY—Nu. 13, 16 Gal. 2, 4.

STABILITY—Isa. 33, 6

STAFF—Ps. 23, 4. Isa. 3, 1; 9, 4. Heb 11, 21.

STAGGER-ED—Ps 107, 27. Rom. 4, 20.

STAIN—Isa 23, 9, 63, 3

STAKES—Isa. 33, 20; 54, 2.

STAND—Job 19, 25, *s* at the latter day upon earth. Ps. 76, 7, who may *s* in thy sight, 130, 3, Lord, who shall *s.* Isa. 46, 10, my counsel shall *s* Mal. 3, 2, who shall *s* when he appeareth. Matt. 12, 25, divided against itself shall not *s* Rom 5, 2, this grace wherein we *s*, 14, 4, God is able to make him *s* 2 Cor 1, 24, by faith ye *s.* Eph. 6, 13, done all to *s* 1 Pet. 5, 12, grace of God wherein ye *s.* Rev. 3, 20, behold, I *s* at the door.

STANDETH—Ps. 1, 1. Rom. 14, 4. 1 Cor. 10, 12 2 Tim 2, 19 Jam. 5, 9.

STAND *FAST*—1 Cor 16, 13, *s.* fast in the faith, be strong Gal. 5, 1, *s* fast in the liberty. Phil. 1, 27, *s.* fast in one spirit, 4, 1, *s.* fast in the Lord. 1 Thess. 3, 8, we live, if ye *s.* fast in the Lord 2 Thess. 2, 15, *s* fast and hold the traditions.

STAR—Nu. 24, 17, a *S.* out of Jacob Isa. 47, 13, *s*-gazers. Amos 5, 26, but ye have borne the *s* of your god. Matt. 2, 2, we have seen his *s* in the east Acts 7, 43, *s.* of your god 1 Cor 15, 41, one *s* differeth. 2 Pet. 1, 19, until the day *s* arise in your hearts. Rev 2, 28, morning *s.*; 8, 10, fell a great *s* from heaven, 22, 16, morning *s.*

STARS—Gen 1, 16, he made the *s.* also; 15, 5, tell the *s.*; 37, 9, sun, and eleven *s.* Judg. 5, 20, *s* in their courses. Neh. 4, 21, till *s* appeared; 9, 23, as *s.* of heaven. Job 3, 9, let *s.* be dark; 9, 7, sealeth up the *s*; 25, 5, *s.* are not pure; 38, 7, when the morning *s.* sang together. Ps. 8, 3, moon and *s.*; 136, 9, 148, 3, praise him ye *s* Ecc. 12, 2, moon or *s.* Isa. 13, 10, *s* of heaven; 14, 13, above the *s.* of God. Jer. 31, 35, *s.* for a light. Dan. 8, 10, cast down *s.*; 12, 3, shine as the *s.* Joel 2, 10, *s.* shall withdraw their shining. Amos 5, 8, the seven *s.* Nah. 3, 16, above the *s.* Matt. 24, 29, *s.* shall fall. Acts 27, 20, sun nor *s* 1 Cor. 15, 41, glory of the *s.* Heb 11, 12, many as *s.* Jude 13, wandering *s* Rev 8, 12, third part of the *s*; 12, 1 and upon her head a crown of twelve *s.*

STATURE—Matt. 6, 27. Eph. 4, 13.

STATUTES—Ps. 19, 8. Ezek. 20, 25.

STAY—Gen. 19, 17, neither *s.* thou in all the plain. 2 Sam. 24, 16, *s.* now thine hand. Job 38, 37, who can *s.* Prov. 28, 17, let no man *s.* him. Isa. 10, 20, no more *s.* on him; 50, 10, and *s.* upon his God. Jer. 4, 6, retire, *s.* not; 20, 9, I could not *s.* Dan. 4, 35, none can *s.* his hand.

STAYED—Num. 16, 48, stood between dead and living, plague was *s.* Deu. 10 10, I *s.* forty days. Josh. 10, 13, moon *s.* 2 Ki. 4, 6, the oil *s.*; 13, 18, smote thrice, and *s.* Job 38, 11, thy proud waves be *s.* Isa. 26, 3, whose mind is *s.* Ezek. 31, 15, great waters *s.* Hagg. 1, 10, heaven is *s.* from dew.

STAYETH—Isa. 27, 8.

STEAD—Job 16, 4. Prov. 11, 8. 2 Cor. 5, 20.

STEAL—Prov. 6, 30; 30, 9. Jer. 23, 30. Matt. 6, 19 Eph. 4, 28.

STEDFAST-LY—Ps. 78, 8. Acts 2, 42. 1 Cor 15, 58. Heb. 3, 14. 1 Pet. 5, 9.

STEPS—Ps. 37, 23, *s.* of a good man are ordered; 31, none of his *s.* shall slide; 119, 133, order my *s.* in thy word. Prov. 16, 9, Lord directeth his *s.* Jer. 10, 23, not in man to direct his *s.* Rom. 4, 12, walk in the *s.* of that faith. 1 Pet. 2, 21, ye should follow his *s.*

STEWARD-S—Luke 12, 42. 1 Cor. 4, 1. Titus 1, 7 1 Pet. 4, 10.

STIFFNECKED—Ex. 32, 9 Acts 7, 51.

STILL—Ps. 4, 4; 46, 10. Isa. 30, 7. Rev. 22, 11.

STING—1 Cor. 15, 55, 56.

STIR—Ps. 35, 23; 78, 38. 2 Tim. 1, 6. 2 Pet 1, 13.

STONE—Ps. 118, 22, *s.* which builders refused. Isa. 8, 14, a *s.* of stumbling; 28, 16, tried *s.*, a precious corner *s.* Dan. 2, 34, *s.* was cut out without. Hab. 2, 11, *s.* shall cry out of the wall. Zech. 3, 9, upon one *s* shall be seven eyes. Matt 7, 9, will he give him a *s.* Rom. 9, 32, 33. 1 Pet. 2, 4, living *s.*; 5, ye as lively *s.* are built; 6, chief corner *s.*

STORE—1 Cor. 16, 2 1 Tim 6, 19

STORM—Ps 107, 29. Isa. 4, 6; 25, 4. Nah. 1, 3. Mark 5, 37.

STOUT—Isa. 10, 12. Dan. 7, 20 Mal 3, 13.

STRAIGHT—Ps. 5, 8, make thy way *s.* Ecc. 7, 13, who can make *s.* crooked. Isa. 40, 3, make *s.* a highway for our God, 4, crooked shall be made *s.* Heb. 12, 13, make *s.* paths for your feet.

STRAIN—Matt. 23, 24.

STRAIT—2 Ki. 6, 1. Isa. 49, 20. Matt. 7, 13, 14

STRAITENED—Job 18, 7 Mic. 2, 7. Luke 12, 50 2 Cor 6, 12

STRANGE—Isa 28, 21 Hos. 8, 12. Heb. 13, 9 1 Pet 4, 4.

STRANGER-S—Gen. 23, 4, *s.* and sojourner Prov 14, 10, a *s* doth not intermeddle Jer 14, 8, why shouldest thou be as a *s* Matt. 25, 35, a *s*, and ye took me in. John 10, 5, a *s* will they not follow. Eph 2, 12, *s.* from the covenants of promise; 19, no more *s* and foreigners. Heb. 11, 13, confessed that they were *s.*; 13, 2, not forgetful to entertain *s* 1 Pet. 2, 11, as *s* and pilgrims.

STREAM—Nu 21, 15, *s* of the brooks Ps 124, 4, *s* gone over Isa. 30, 33, *s* of brimstone, 66, 12, glory like a flowing *s* Dan 7, 10, a fiery *s.* issued. Amos 5, 24, righteousness as a mighty *s.* Luke 6, 48, *s* beat vehemently upon that house

STREAMS—Ex. 7, 19, stretch out thine hand upon *s* Ps. 46, 4, *s* make glad, 78, 16, *s* out of rock, 20, *s.* overflowed; 126, 4, turn captivity as *s* in the south. Cant. 4, 15, well of living waters, and *s.* Isa. 11, 15, smite in the seven *s*, 30, 25, there shall be *s* of waters, 33, 21, be unto us a place of broad rivers and *s*, 35, 6, *s* in the desert.

STREET—Rev 11, 8, 21, 21; 22, 2.

STRENGTH—1 Sam 2, 9, by *s* shall no man prevail; 15, 29, *S* of Israel will not lie. Job 9, 19, if I speak of *s.*, lo, he; 12, 13, with him is wisdom and *s.* Ps. 18, 32, God girdeth me with *s*; 27, 1, the *s.* of my life, of whom; 33, 16, man not delivered by much *s.*; 39, 13, spare me, that I may recover *s*; 46, 1, God is our refuge and *s.*; 73, 26, God is the *s.* of my heart; 84, 5, the man whose *s.* is in thee; 7, they go from *s.* to *s*; 138, 3, strengthenedst me with *s*; 140, 7, the *s* of my salvation. Ecc 9, 16, wisdom is better than *s.* Isa 25, 4, *s* to the poor, a *s* to the needy; 26, 4, in Jehovah is everlasting *s.*; 40, 29, that have no might he increaseth *s*; 45, 24, have I righteousness and *s.* Luke 1, 51, shewed *s.* with his arm. Rom. 5, 6, without *s.*, in due time. 1 Cor. 15, 56, *s* of sin is the law. 2 Cor. 1, 8, out of measure, above *s.* Rev. 3, 8, thou hast a little *s.*; 5, 12, worthy is the Lamb to receive *s.*; 12, 10, now is come salvation and *s*

HIS **STRENGTH**—Deu. 21, 17, beginning of his *s.* 1 Chr 16, 11, seek the Lord and his *s.* Job 18, 12, his *s* shall be hunger-bitten; 21, 23, one dieth in his full *s.* Ps. 33, 17, deliver any by his great *s.*; 52, 7, made not God his *s.*, 59, 9, because of his *s.* will I wait; 65, 6, his *s.* setteth fast mountains; 68, 34, his *s* is in the clouds Isa. 44, 12, hungry, and his *s* faileth; 63, 1, travelling in greatness of his *s* Hos. 7, 9, strangers devoured his *s.*; 12, 3, by his *s.* had power with God.

MY **STRENGTH**—Gen. 49, 3, beginning of my *s* Ex 15, 2, Lord is my *s.* and song. 2 Sam. 22, 33, God is my *s.* Job 6, 11, what is my *s.* Ps. 22, 15, my *s.* is dried up; 28, 7, the Lord is my *s.* and shield; 31, 4, for thou art my *s.*; 10, my *s.* faileth; 102, 23, weakened my *s.* in the way; 118, 14, the Lord is my *s.* Isa. 27, 5, let him take hold of my *s.*; 49, 4, I have spent my *s.* for nought; 5, my God shall be my *s.* Jer. 16, 19, O Lord, my *s.* Lam. 3, 18, my *s.* is perished. Zech. 12, 5, shall be my *s.* in the Lord. 2 Cor. 12, 9, my *s* is made perfect.

THY STRENGTH—Ex. 15, 13, thou hast guided them in thy *s.* Deu. 33, 25, as thy days, so thy *s.* Judg. 16, 6, wherein thy *s.* lieth. Ps. 21, 13, be thou exalted in thine own *s.*; 68, 28, God commanded thy *s.*; 71, 18, until I have shewed thy *s.*; 77, 14, thou hast declared thy *s*; 80, 2, stir up thy *s.*; 86, 16, give thy *s.* unto thy servant. Prov. 31, 3, give not thy *s.* unto women. Amos 3, 11, shall bring down thy *s.*

STRENGTHEN—Ps 20, 2, Lord *s* thee out of Zion; 31, 24, be of good courage, and he shall *s.*; 119, 28, *s* me according unto thy word. Isa. 35, 3, *s* ye the weak hands, 41, 10, I will *s.* thee; 54, 2, *s* thy stakes Zech. 10, 12, I will *s* them in the Lord. Luke 22, 32, when thou art converted, *s* 1 Pet. 5, 10, perfect, stablish, *s* you. Rev. 3, 2, watchful, and *s* the things.

STRENGTHENED—Dan 10, 18, he *s.* me: 19. Hos 7, 15, though I have *s.* their arms. Acts 9, 19, Saul was *s.* Eph. 3, 16, be *s* with might. Col 1, 11, *s* with all might. 2 Tim. 4, 17, the Lord stood with me, and *s.* me

STRENGTHENEDST—Ps. 138, 3

STRENGTHENETH—Ps. 104, 15. Ecc. 7, 19. Phil 4, 13

STRENGTHENING—Luke 22, 43 Acts 18, 23

STRETCH—Ex. 7, 19, *s* out thy hand, 8, 16, *s.* out thy rod Job 11, 13, if thou *s* thy hands Ps 68, 31, shall soon *s* out her hands to God Isa. 54, 2, *s.* forth the curtains of. Matt. 12, 13, *s* forth hand 2 Cor 10, 14, for we *s* not ourselves beyond.

STRETCHED—Gen 48, 14, Israel *s* out his right hand. Ps 44, 20, or *s* our hands to a strange god, 136, 6, him that *s* out the earth. Isa 3, 16, because they walked with *s* forth necks; 5, 25, his hand is *s.* out still; 14, 26, hand that is *s* out on; 16, 8, her branches are *s.* out, 23, 11, he *s* his hand over the sea; 42, 5, that *s.* out the heavens. Jer. 6, 4, the shadows of the evening are *s* out, 10, 12, he *s.* out the heavens. Hos 7, 5, *s.* out his hand Amos 6, 7, *s* themselves. Zech 1, 16, line be *s* Luke 22, 53, ye *s* forth no hands. Rom. 10, 21, all day long I *s* forth my hands.

STRETCHEDST—Ex 15, 12

STRETCHEST—Ps. 104, 2

STRETCHETH—Job 15, 25, *s* hand against God, 26, 7, *s* out the north Prov. 31, 20, *s* her hand Isa. 40, 22, *s.* out heavens, 44, 13, *s* his rule, 44, 24, *s* forth the heavens alone. Zech. 12, 1

STRETCHING—Isa. 8, 8 Acts 4, 30.

STRICKEN—Isa. 1, 5, 53, 4 Jer 5, 3.

STRIFE-S—Prov 10, 12, hatred stirreth up *s*; 15, 18, wrathful man stirreth up *s*, 16, 28, froward man soweth *s*, 20, 3, an honour to cease from *s*, 26, 20, where no talebearer is, *s* ceaseth, 28, 25, proud heart stirreth up *s*, 29, 22, angry man stirreth up *s* Isa 58, 4, ye fast for *s* and debate Jer 15, 10, hast borne a man of *s* 1 Cor 3, 3, among you envying and *s* Phil. 1, 15, some indeed preach Christ of *s*, 2, 3, let nothing be done through *s* 1 Tim. 6, 4, whereof cometh envy, *s* 2 Tim 2, 23, gender *s.* Jam 3, 14, envying and *s*

STRIKE—Ex. 12, 7, and *s* the blood. Job 17, 3, who will *s.* hands Ps 110, 5, the Lord shall *s* through kings in day of his wrath. Prov 22, 26, one that *s.* hands Hab. 3, 14, didst *s* through. Mark 14, 65, did *s* Jesus.

STRIKER—1 Tim. 3, 3 Titus 1, 7

STRIKETH—Prov. 17, 18 Rev 9, 5

STRING-S—Ps 11, 2, 33, 2. Mark 7, 35

STRIPES—Isa. 53, 5 1 Pet. 2, 24

STRIVE—Gen 6, 3, shall not always *s.* with. Prov. 3, 30, *s.* not with a man without cause. Hos. 4, 4, let no man *s.* as they that *s* with Matt 12, 19, not *s.* nor cry, neither. Luke 13, 24, *s.* to enter in at the strait gate 2 Tim 2, 24, servant of the Lord must not *s*

STRIVING—Phil 1, 27 Heb. 12, 4.

STRONG—Ps. 24, 8, the Lord *s.* and mighty; 30, 7, made my mountain to stand *s*, 31, 2, be thou my *s.* rock, 71, 7, thou art my *s.* refuge Prov 10, 15, wealth is his *s.* city; 14, 26, in the fear of the Lord is *s.*; 18, 10, the name of the Lord is a *s.* tower, 24, 5, a wise man is *s.* Ecc. 9, 11, nor the battle to the *s.*, 12, 3, *s.* men shall bow. Isa. 1, 31, *s.* shall be as tow, 26, 1, we have a *s* city; 35, 4, be *s.*, fear not; 53, 12, divide the spoil with the *s.* Jer. 50, 34, their Redeemer is *s.* Joel 3, 10, let the weak say, I am *s.* Luke 11, 21, a *s* man armed. Rom. 4, 20, *s.* in faith; 15, 1, *s* ought to bear the infirmities. 2 Cor 12, 10, weak, then am I *s* Heb. 11, 34, out of weakness were made *s* 1 John 2, 14, ye are *s*, and the word. Rev. 18, 8.

STUBBLE—Mal. 4, 1. 1 Cor 3, 12.

STUBBORN—Deu. 21, 18 Ps 78, 8.

STUDY—Ecc. 12, 12. 1 Thess. 4, 11. 2 Tim. 2, 15.

STUMBLE-TH—Prov. 4, 12, thou runnest shalt not *s*; 19, know not at what they *s.* Isa. 5, 27, none shall be weary or *s*; 8, 15, many shall fall and *s.*; 28, 7, err in vision, *s.* in judgment. Mal. 2, 8, have caused many to *s* John 11, 9, in the day he *s.* not. Rom. 14, 21, whereby thy brother *s.*

STUMBLING-BLOCK—Rom. 11, 9; 14, 13. 1 Cor. 1, 23; 8, 9. Rev. 2, 14.

SUBDUE—Mic. 7, 19. Phil. 3, 21. Heb. 11, 33.

SUBJECT—Rom. 8, 7, not *s.* to the law of God, 20, creature *s.* to vanity, 13, 1, let every soul be *s.* 1 Cor. 14, 32, spirits of the prophets are *s.*; 15, 28, Son himself shall be *s* Eph. 5, 24, the church is *s.* unto Christ. Titus 3, 1, *s.* to principalities and powers. Heb. 2, 15, all their lifetime *s* to bondage Jam. 5, 17, Elias was *s* to like passions. 1 Pet 3, 18, be *s* to your masters; 3, 22, angels and authorities *s.* to him; 5, 5, be *s.* one to another

SUBJECTED—Rom. 8, 20

SUBJECTION—Ps 106, 42, enemies into *s.* Jer. 34, 11, brought into *s*, 16 1 Cor 9, 27, body in *s* 2 Cor. 9, 13, professed *s* Gal. 2, 5, gave place by *s* 1 Tim. 2, 11, in silence, with all *s.* Heb 2, 5, put in *s.* the world, 8, all things in *s.*, 12, 9, rather be in *s* 1 Pet. 3, 1, wives, be in *s.*

SUBMIT—2 Sam 22, 45, strangers shall *s* Ps 66, 3, enemies *s*, 68, 30, till every one *s* 1 Cor. 16, 16, *s* yourselves. Eph. 5, 22 Col. 3, 18 Heb 13, 17. Jam 4, 7. 1 Pet. 2, 13; 5, 5

SUBMITTED—Ps. 81, 15 Rom. 10, 3.

SUBMITTING—Eph. 5, 21.

SUBVERTING—Acts 15, 24. 2 Tim 2, 14

SUCK-ED—Isa. 60, 16, 66, 11. Luke 11, 27

SUCKLINGS—Ps 8, 2. Matt. 21, 16

SUDDEN—Prov 3, 25 1 Thess 5, 3

SUFFER—Ps 55, 22, never *s* the righteous to be moved, 89, 33, nor *s* my faithfulness to fail, 121, 3, not *s* thy foot to be moved Matt. 16, 21, must *s* many things, 19, 14, *s* little children to come. Rom 8, 17, if we *s* with him 1 Cor 4, 12, being persecuted, we *s* it, 10, 13, not *s* you to be tempted Phil. 1, 29, to *s.* for his sake 2 Tim 2, 12, if we *s.*, we shall also reign Heb 11, 25, rather to *s* affliction, 13, 3, who *s* adversity, 22, *s.* the word of exhortation 1 Pet 4, 15, let none *s* as a murderer, 19, that *s* according to the will.

SUFFERED—Luke 24, 26, ought not Christ to have *s.* Acts 13, 18, *s* their manners, 14, 16, *s* all nations, 17, 3, needs have *s* 2 Cor 7, 12, that *s* wrong, 11, 25, I *s* shipwreck. Gal 3, 4, have ye *s* in vain Phil 3, 8, *s* the loss 1 Thess. 2, 2, after we had *s*, 14, ye *s* like things Heb 2, 18, *s* being tempted, 5, 8, by things he *s*, 7, 23, not *s* to continue, 9, 26, often have *s*, 13, 12, wherefore Jesus also *s* without the gate. 1 Pet 2, 21, Christ *s* for us; 23, when he *s*, he, 3, 18, Christ once *s.*, 5, 10, after ye have *s*

SUFFEREST—Rev. 2, 20

SUFFERETH—Matt. 11, 12 Acts 28, 4. 1 Cor 13, 4

SUFFERING—Heb 2, 9 Jam. 5, 10 1 Pet. 2, 19 Jude 7

SUFFERINGS—Rom 8, 18, *s* of this present 2 Cor 1, 5, *s* of Christ abound, 6, of the same *s* Phil 3, 10, fellowship of his *s* Col 1, 24, who rejoice in my *s* Heb 2, 10, perfect through *s.* 1 Pet. 1, 11, *s* of Christ, 4, 13, partakers of Christ's *s*, 5, 1, *s.* of Christ

SUFFICE—Deu 3, 26 1 Pet. 4, 3

SUFFICIENT—Matt. 6, 34 2 Cor 2, 16, 3, 5, 12, 9

SUM—Ps 139, 17 Heb 8, 1

SUMMER—Ps 74, 17 Prov. 6, 8. Isa. 18, 6. Zech 14, 8

SUMPTUOUSLY—Luke 16, 19.

SUN—Ps. 19, 4, set a tabernacle for the *s*; 74, 16, prepared the light and the *s*, 104, 19, *s* knoweth his going down; 121, 6, *s* shall not smite; 136, 8, *s* to rule by day Ecc. 12, 2, *s* or stars be not darkened. Cant. 6, 10, fair as the moon, clear as the *s* Isa. 30, 26, light of the *s.* sevenfold, 38, 8, *s* returned ten degrees, 60, 19, *s* be no more thy light; 20, *s.* shall no more go down. Jer 31, 35, *s.* for a light by day. Mal. 4, 2, to you that fear shall the *S.* of righteousness arise. Matt. 5, 45, his *s* to rise on evil; 13, 43, righteous shall shine as the *s.* 1 Cor. 15, 41, one glory of the *s.* Eph 4, 26, let not the *s.* go down. Rev. 7, 16, neither *s.* light on them; 10, 1, his face as the *s.*; 21, 23, the city had no need of *s.*

SUP—Luke 17, 8 Rev. 3, 20

SUPPER—Luke 14, 16, 22, 20 1 Cor. 11, 20. Rev. 19, 9; 17

SUPERSTITION—Acts 25, 19.

SUPERSTITIOUS—Acts 17, 22.

SUPPLIANTS—Zeph 3, 10

SUPPLICATION—1 Sam. 13, 12, not made *s.* 1 Ki 8, 28, have respect to his *s.*; 30, hearken thou to the *s*, 33, and make *s* unto thee; 9, 3, I heard thy *s.* 2 Chr. 33, 13, heard his *s.* Esth 4, 8, should make *s* to him for her people. Job 8, 5, *s.* to the Almighty Ps. 6, 9, heard my *s*; 55, 1, hide not from my *s.* Isa. 45, 14, they shall make *s.* Jer 37, 20, let my *s.* be accepted. Dan 6, 11, found Daniel making *s.* Hos. 12, 4, wept and made *s* Eph 6, 18, *s.* in the Spirit. Phil 4, 6, prayer and *s.*

SUPPLICATIONS—Ps 28, 2, hear voice of my *s.*; 6, he hath heard voice of my *s.*; 130, 2, let thine ears be attentive to voice of my *s.* Jer 3, 21, weeping and *s* Dan. 9, 3, to seek by *s.*, 17, and his *s*; 18, we do not present our *s* Zech 12, 10, I will pour the spirit of grace and *s* 1 Tim. 2, 1, *s.* for all men; 5, 5, continueth in *s* Heb. 5, 7, when he had offered up prayers and *s*

SUPPLY—2 Cor. 8, 14. Phil. 1, 19; 2, 30, 4, 19

SUPPLIED—1 Cor 16, 17 2 Cor. 11, 9.

SUPPLIETH—2 Cor. 9, 12. Eph. 4, 16.

SUPPORT—Acts 20, 35 1 Thess. 5, 14.

SUPREME—1 Pet. 2, 13

SURE—2 Sam 23, 5, ordered in all things and *s* Neh 9, 38, a *s* covenant. Ps 19, 7, testimony of the Lord is *s*; 111, 7, commandments are *s* Isa. 22, 23, as a nail in a *s* place; 28, 16, in Zion a *s.* foundation, 33, 16, his waters shall be *s*; 55, 3, the *s* mercies of David. 2 Tim. 2, 19, foundation of God standeth *s* 2 Pet. 1, 10, calling and election *s.*, 19, more *s* word of prophecy

SURETY—Ps 119, 122 Heb. 7, 22.

SURFEITING—Luke 21, 34

SUSTAIN-ED—Ps 55, 22 Prov. 18, 14. Isa 59, 16.

SWALLOW-ED—Isa. 25, 8 Matt. 23, 24 2 Cor 2, 7; 5, 4.

SWEAR—Isa. 45, 23, 65, 16 Zeph. 1, 5 Matt. 5, 34

SWEARERS—Mal 3, 5

SWEARETH—Lev 6, 3, and *s* falsely Ps 15, 4, he that *s* to his own hurt, 63, 11, every one that *s* Ecc. 9, 2, he that *s* Isa. 65, 16, he that *s* in the earth Zech. 5, 3, that *s* be cut off. Matt. 23, 18, *s.* by the gift.

SWEARING—Lev. 5, 1. Jer. 23, 10. Hos 4, 2; 10, 4

SWEAT—Gen. 3, 19 Luke 22, 44.

SWEET—Ps. 104, 34, meditation of him shall be *s*, 119, 103, how *s* are thy words. Prov 3, 24, sleep shall be *s*; 9, 17, stolen waters are *s.*, 13, 19, desire accomplished is *s.* Ecc 5, 12, sleep of a labouring man is *s*; 11, 7, truly the light is *s* Cant 2, 3, his fruit was *s.* to my taste. Isa. 5, 20, bitter for *s*, and *s* for bitter Phil 4, 18, odour of a *s* smell, a sacrifice Rev 10, 9, in thy mouth *s* as honey

SWELLING—Jer 12, 5 2 Pet. 2, 18

SWIFT—Ecc 9, 11 Rom 3, 15 Jam. 1, 19 2 Pet 2, 1.

SWIFTER—2 Sam 1, 23 Job 7, 6 Jer 4, 13 Lam 4, 19 Hab 1, 8.

SWIFTLY—Ps 147, 15 Isa. 5, 26 Joel 3, 4.

SWORD—Gen 3, 24, Cherubims, and a flaming *s.* Deu 33, 29, the *s* of thy excellency. Judg 7, 20, *s* of the Lord. 2 Sam 12, 10, *s* shall never depart Ps. 17, 13, the wicked, which is thy *s* Jer 9, 16, I will send a *s* after them, 15, 2, such as are for the *s.* to the *s.* Zech 11, 17, *s.* shall be on his arm, 13, 7, awake, O *s.*, against my shepherd Matt 10, 34, not to send peace, but a *s*, Luke 2, 35, *s* shall pierce through thy soul Rom 13, 4, beareth not the *s* in vain. Eph 6, 17, *s* of Spirit, which is word of God. Heb 4, 12, sharper than a two-edged *s.* Rev. 1, 16, a sharp two-edged *s*

SWORN—Gen 22, 16 Ps. 24, 4, 119, 106

SYNAGOGUE-S—Ps 74, 8 Matt. 6, 5. Acts 15, 21. Rev 2, 9, 3, 9

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TABERNACLE—Job 5, 24, thy *t.* shall be in peace Ps. 15, 1, who shall abide in thy *t*, 27, 5, in the secret of his *t.* shall he hide Isa. 33, 20, *t* that shall not be taken down Amos 9, 11, raise up the *t* of David 2 Cor 5, 1, earthly house of this *t.*, 4, that are in this *t* do groan Heb 8, 2, a minister of the true *t* 2 Pet. 1, 13, I am in this *t*, 14, put off *t* Rev. 21, 3, the *t.* of God is with men.

TABERNACLES—Ps 84, 1, 118, 15 Heb. 11, 9

TABLE—Ps 23, 5, preparest a *t* before me; 69, 22, let their *t.* become a snare; 128, 3, like plants round about thy *t* Prov. 3, 3, upon the *t.* of thine heart. Jer. 17, 1, graven upon the *t* of their heart. Mal. 1, 7, *t* of the Lord contemptible. Matt. 15, 27, fall from their masters' *t.* 1 Cor. 10, 21, partakers of the Lord's *t.* and of the *t.*

TABLES—Ex. 32, 15, *t* were written, 19, cast the *t.*; 34, 1, I will write on these *t.* Deu. 10, 4, he wrote on the *t.* according to first, 5, and I put the *t.* in the ark. Hab. 2, 2, plain upon *t* Matt. 21, 12, overthrew *t* Acts 6, 2, serve *t*. 2 Cor 3, 3, but in fleshy *t* Heb 9, 4, and the *t.* of the covenant.

TAKE—Ex 20, 7, not *t.* name of L. in vain; 34, 9, *t.* us for thine inheritance. Ps. 27, 10, the Lord will *t* me up, 51, 11, *t* not thy Holy Spirit from; 116, 13, I will *t* cup of salvation; 119, 43, *t* not the word of truth utterly Hos 14, 2, *t.* with you words—say, *t* away all. Matt. 16, 24, *t* up his cross and follow me, 18, 16, *t* with thee one or two more; 20, 14, *t.* that thine is; 26, 26, *t.*, eat, this is my body. Luke 12, 19, soul, take thine ease. Eph. 6, 13, *t* the whole armour of God. Rev 3, 11, that no man *t.* thy crown.

TAKEN—Ps. 119, 111, testimonies have I *t.* as heritage. Isa. 53, 8, *t* from prison and from Lam. 4, 20, anointed of the Lord was *t.* Matt. 21, 43, kingdom of God shall be *t*; 24, 40, one shall be *t* Mark 4, 25, shall be *t* even that which Luke 10, 42, good part shall not be *t* away 2 Cor. 3, 16, the vail shall be *t.* away. 2 Tim. 2, 26, *t* captive by him

TAKETH—Ex. 20, 7, *t* his name in vain. Deu. 10, 17, nor *t* reward Josh. 15, 16, and *t* it. Job 5, 13, he *t* the wise; 21, 6, trembling *t* hold. Ps. 15, 3, nor *t.* up reproach; 118, 7, Lord *t* my part; 147, 11, *t* pleasure in them that fear Prov 16, 32, that *t* a city. Ecc. 2, 23, heart *t* not rest. Isa 13, 14, no man *t* up; 40, 15, he *t.* up isles; 51, 18, *t* her by the hand. Ezek. 33, 4, *t.* not warning. Matt. 4, 5, devil *t* him up; 10, 38, *t.* not his cross, 12, 45, *t.* seven other spirits; 17, 1, *t* Peter, James, and John Mark 4, 15, Satan *t* away the word. Luke 6, 29, *t.* thy cloke, 16, 3, *t.* from me stewardship John 1, 29, *t.* away sin, 10, 18, no man *t* it, 15, 2, he *t* away; 16, 22, joy no man *t.* Rom. 3, 5, *t* vengeance. 1 Cor 11, 21 Heb 5, 4, *t.* this honour; 10, 9, *t.* away the first

TAKING—Ps. 119, 9, by *t* heed. Ezek. 25, 12, *t* vengeance. Matt 6, 27, which of you by *t* thought. Mark 13, 24, Son of man is as a man *t* a far Luke 4, 5, devil *t.* him; 19, 22, *t* up that I laid. Rom 7, 8, sin, *t.* occasion 2 Cor 11, 8, *t* wages of them. Eph. 6, 16, *t* shield of faith 2 Thess. 1, 8, *t.* vengeance 1 Pet 5, 2, *t* overslight

TALE-S—Ps 90, 9 Luke 24, 11

TALENT-S—Matt 18, 24, 25, 15, 25

TALK—Ps 71, 24, tongue *t* of thy righteousness, 105, 2, *t* ye of all his wondrous works; 145, 11, *t* of thy power John 14, 30, I will not *t.* much with you

TALKETH—Ps. 37, 30. John 9, 37

TALKING—Gen. 17, 22, he left off *t* with. 1 Kin. 18, 27, he is *t*, or. Esth 6, 14, while yet *t.* Job 29, 9, refrained *t* Ezek 33, 30, *t.* against thee. Matt 17, 3, Moses and Elias *t* with; Mark 9, 4 Eph 5, 4, nor foolish *t* Rev 4, 1, *t.* with me.

TARRY—Prov 23, 30, that *t* long at the wine. Isa 46, 13, my salvation shall not *t* Hab 2, 3, though it *t* wait—come, not *t* Matt 26, 38, *t* ye here, and watch John 21, 22, that he *t* till I come 1 Cor 11, 33, when ye come to eat, *t* one

TASTE-D—Ps. 34, 8, *t* and see that the Lord is good, 119, 103, sweet are thy words unto my *t* Cant. 2, 3, his fruit was sweet to my *t* Matt 16, 28, shall not *t* of death till. Luke 14, 24, shall *t* of my supper John 8, 52, he shall never *t* death Col. 2, 21, touch not, *t* not Heb. 2, 9, *t* death for every man, 6, 4, *t* the heavenly gift 1 Pet 2, 3, if ye have *t* that the Lord

TEACH—Deu 4, 9, *t* them thy sons, 43, 10, *t* Jacob thy judgments 1 Sam 12, 23, I will *t* you the good way Job 21, 22, shall any *t* God knowledge Ps. 25 8, *t.* sinners in the way, 9, the meek will he *t.* his way; 32, 8, I will *t* thee in the way which thou; 51, 13, will I *t* transgressors; 90, 12, so *t.* us to number our days. Isa 2, 3, he will *t* us of his ways Jer 31, 34, *t.* no more every man his Matt. 28, 19, *t.* all nations, baptizing John 14, 26, Holy Ghost shall *t* you all things 1 Tim 3, 2, apt to *t* 2 Tim 2, 2, able to *t* others. Heb 5, 12, need that one *t* you 1 John 2, 27, need not that any man *t* you

TEACHER-S—Isa 30, 20, thy *t* be removed; 43, 27, *t* have transgressed John 3, 2, *t.* come from God. Rom 2, 20, *t* of babes 1 Tim. 1, 7, *t* of the law 2 Tim. 4, 3, heap to themselves *t* Heb 5, 12, ye ought to be *t.* 2 Pet. 2, 1, false *t* among you.

TEACHEST—Ps. 94, 12 Matt. 22, 16 Rom. 2, 21.

TEACHETH—2 Sam 22, 35, *t* my hands to war Job 36, 22, who *t* like God Ps 18, 34, 94, 10, he that *t* man, 144, 1, *t* my hands to war Prov 6, 13, he *t* with his fingers, 16, 23, the heart of the wise *t* Isa. 9, 15, prophet that *t* lies, he, 48, 17, God, which *t* to profit. Acts 21, 28, *t* all men. Rom 12, 7, he that *t*, on teaching 1 Cor. 2, 13, in words which man's wisdom *t* Gal. 6, 6, communicate unto him that *t* in all good. 1 John 2, 27, *t* all things, ye shall

TEACHING—2 Chr 15, 3, without a *t.* priest. Jer. 32, 33, *t* them Matt 4, 23, Jesus went *t.* in their synagogues, 15, 9, *t* for doctrines the commandments, 21, 23, priests came as he was *t*, 28, 20, *t.* them to observe all. Acts 5, 25, the men are *t* the people; 15, 35, continued *t* and preaching. 18, 11, *t* the word of God, 28, 31, *t* those things which concern. Rom. 12, 7, or he that teacheth, on *t* Col 1, 28, warning and *t*; 3, 16, *t* in psalms. Titus 2, 11, *t.* things they ought not.

TEARS—2 Ki 20, 5, I have seen thy *t.* Job 16, 20, mine eye poureth *t.* Ps. 6, 6, water my couch with my *t*, 39, 12, hold not thy peace at my *t*, 56, 8, put my *t* into thy bottle, 80, 5, feedest them with bread of *t*, 116, 8, delivered mine eyes from *t*, 126, 5, they that sow in *t* Ecc 4, 1, behold *t* of such as were oppressed. Isa. 16, 9, I will water thee with *t.*; 25, 8, Lord will wipe away *t* Jer 9, 1, mine eyes a fountain of *t*; 18, that our eyes may run down with *t*; 13, 17, mine eyes shall run down with *t* Ezek. 24, 16, neither *t* run down. Mal 2, 13, covering altar with *t* Luke 7, 38, she began to wash his feet with *t* Acts 20, 19, serving the Lord with many *t* 2 Cor 2, 4, I wrote with *t* 2 Tim. 1, 4, being mindful of thy *t.* Heb. 5, 7, offered supplications with *t*; 12, 17, sought repentance with *t.* Rev 7, 17, God shall wipe away all *t.*

TEDIOUS—Acts 24, 4.

TEETH—Job 4, 10, *t.* of young lions are broken; 19, 20, escaped with skin of my *t.* Ps 3, 7, broken *t* of ungodly; 124, 6, not given us to their *t.* Prov. 10, 26, as vinegar to *t.* Cant 4, 2, thy *t.* are like a flock of sheep. Isa 41, 15, a sharp instrument having *t.* Jer 31, 29, children's *t* set on edge Lam 3, 16, broken my *t.* with gravel stones. Dan. 7, 7, beast had great iron *t.* Amos 4, 6, given you cleanness of

t. Mic. 3, 5, prophets that bite with t Zech 9, 7, abominations from between his t Matt 27, 44, cast the same in his t.

TELL—Ps. 48, 13, tell it to the generation Matt. 8, 4, t. no man; 18, 15, t him his fault between; 17, t. it unto the church John 3, 8, canst not t whence it cometh, 4, 25, Messias cometh, he will t us all; 8, 14, cannot t. whence I come 2 Cor 12, 2, in the body I cannot t. Gal 4, 16, am I your enemy because I t. you

TEMPERANCE—Acts 24, 25. Gal. 5, 23 2 Pet 1, 6

TEMPERATE—1 Cor 9, 25 Titus 1, 8; 2, 2

TEMPLE—Ps. 27, 4, to enquire in his t, 48, 9, loving-kindness in midst of thy t Isa. 6, 1, Lord's train filled the t, 44, 28, to the t., thy foundation; 66, 6, a voice from the t, a voice of the Lord. Jer 50, 28, vengeance of his t Ezek. 41, 1, he brought me to the t. Dan. 5, 2, vessels out of the t Amos 8, 3, songs of the t howlings. Zech 8, 9, t. might be built. Mal. 3, 1, the Lord shall suddenly come to his t Matt. 4, 5, setteth him on a pinnacle of t.; 12, 5, priests in the t.; 6, greater than the t.; 23, 16, swear by the t—gold of the t.; 35, slew between t and altar; 24, 1, shew him buildings of the t.; 26, 55, I sat daily teaching in t.; 27, 51, veil of the t. was rent. Luke 1, 21, tarried so long in the t; 2, 27, came into the t; 37, departed not from the t.; 46, found him in t.; 18, 10, into t to pray; 24, 53, continually in the t, praising God. Acts 2, 46, they continuing daily in t.; 3, 1, Peter and John went up into t, 2, at gate of t. called Beautiful, 5, 20, go, stand and speak in t, 19, 27, t of Diana be despised; 21, 26, Paul entered into t.; 28, brought Greeks into the t; 22, 17, while I prayed in t., I was 24, 6, hath gone about to profane t.; 18, Jews found me purified in t., 25, 8, neither against t. have I offended, 26, 21, Jews caught me in t 1 Cor. 3, 16, ye are the t. of God; 8, 10, sit at meat in the idol's t. 2 Thess. 2, 4, he as God sitteth in the t of God. Rev 3, 12, a pillar in the t; 7, 15, serve day and night in his t; 11, 19, t. of God was opened; 15, 5, t. of tabernacle was opened; 8, t was filled with smoke; 16, 1, I heard voice out of t; 17; 21, 22, I saw no t. therein.

TEMPLES—Hos. 8, 14. Joel 3, 5, Acts 7, 48, 17, 24.

TEMPORAL—2 Cor. 4, 18.

TEMPT—Ex 17, 2, wherefore do ye t. the L. Deu 6, 16, not t. the L your God. Isa. 7, 12, neither will I t. the L. Mal. 3, 15, that t God are delivered. Matt. 4, 7, thou shalt not t the L Acts 5, 9, agreed together to t. the Spirit; 15, 10, why t. ye God 1 Cor 10, 9, neither t. Christ as some t

TEMPTED—Ex. 17, 7, because they t the Lord. Ps. 78, 18, t. God in their heart; 56, t. and provoked the Most High; 95, 9, when your fathers t. Matt. 4, 1, to be t. of the devil. 1 Cor 10, 13, not suffer you to be t. Gal 6, 1, lest thou also be t. 1 Thess. 3, 5, lest the tempter have t you. Heb 2, 18, being t is able to succour them that are t.; 3, 9; 4, 15, in all points t like as we Jam. 1, 13, no man say when he is t, I am t of God, 14, every man t when.

TEMPTATION—Ps. 95, 8, as in the day of t Matt 6, 13, lead us not into t. Luke 8, 13, in time of t fall away 1 Cor. 10, 13, no t hath taken you—will with t make a way to escape 1 Tim. 6, 9, that will be rich fall into t. Heb 3, 8, the day of t. in the wilderness. Jam 1, 12, the man that endureth t. Rev 3, 10, from the hour of t.

TEMPTATIONS—Deu 4. 34 Luke 22, 28, Acts 20, 19 James 1, 2. 1 Pet. 1, 6 2 Pet 2, 9

TEMPTER—Matt. 4, 3 1 Thess. 3, 5.

TEMPTETH—Jam. 1, 13

TEMPTING—Matt. 16, 1 19, 3; 22, 35. Mark 8, 11, 10, 2; Luke 11, 16 John 8, 6

TENDER—Luke 1, 78 Jam. 5, 11

TENTS—Gen 25, 27 Nu 24, 5 1 Ki 12, 16. Ps 84, 10, 120, 5.

TERRESTRIAL—1 Cor. 15, 40.

TERRIBLE—Deu. 7, 21, a mighty God and t., 10, 21, done t things 2 Sam 7, 23, great things and t Neh. 1, 5, great and t God; 4, 14, great and t, 9, 32, t God Job 37, 22, with God is t. majesty. Ps 45, 4, right hand shall teach thee t things; 47, 2, for the Lord most high is t; 65, 5, by t. things in righteousness, 66, 3, how t. art thou; 68, 35, thou art t, 76, 12, t. to the kings of the earth; 99, 3, thy great and t. name. Cant. 6, 4, t as an army with banners. Isa. 64, 3, when thou didst t. things. Jer. 20, 11, Lord is with me as a mighty t. one. Joel 2, 11, day of the Lord is very t. Heb. 12, 21, so t was the sight.

TERROR—Isa. 33, 18, thine heart shall meditate t Jer. 17, 17, be not a t. to me; 20, 4, t to thyself. Rom. 13, 3, rulers not a t. to good works. 2 Cor. 5, 11, knowing the t. of the L. 1 Pet. 3, 14, be not afraid of their t

TESTAMENT—Matt. 26, 28, my blood of the new Mark 14, 24. Luke 22, 20, this cup is the new t. 1 Cor. 11, 25. 2 Cor. 3, 6, ministers of new t.; 14, the old t. Gal. 3, 15, though it be but a man's t. Heb. 7, 22, Jesus made surety of a better t.; 9, 15, he is mediator of new t.; 16, where a t. is, there must; 17, a t is of force after; 20, blood of the t; 12, 24, Jesus the mediator of new t. Rev. 11, 19, ark of his t.

TESTATOR—Heb. 9, 16, necessity be the death of the t

TESTIFIED—Ex. 21, 29, t. to his owner. Deu 19, 18, if witness hath t. falsely. Ruth 1, 21, Lord hath t against me. 2 Sam 1, 16, thy mouth hath t against thee 2 Ki 17, 13, Lord t against Israel. 2 Chr 24, 19, prophets t. against them; Neh 9, 26; 13, 15, I t. against them. Jer. 42, 19. John 4, 39, saying of the woman which t, 44, Jesus himself t; 18, 21. Acts 8, 25, t and preached; 18, 5, Paul t. to Jews, 23, 11, hast t of me; 28, 23, to whom he t 1 Cor 15, 15, we have t of God 1 Thess. 4, 6 1 Tim. 2, 6, t. in due time Heb 2, 6, but one in a certain place t 1 Pet. 1, 11, when it t. beforehand 1 John 5, 9, t. of his Son 3 John 3, t. of the truth.

TESTIFIEDST—Heb 9, 29

TESTIFIETH—Hos. 7, 10 John 3, 32; 21, 24. Heb. 7, 17 Rev 22, 20

TESTIFY—Isa. 59, 12, sins t against us. Hos. 5, 5, pride of Israel doth t. John 3, 11, we t. that we have seen; 5, 39, they are they which t of me Acts 20, 24, t the gospel of grace. 1 John 4, 14, do t that the Father Rev. 22, 16, 18.

TESTIFYING—Acts 20, 21. Heb. 11, 4. 1 Pet 5, 12

TESTIMONY—Ps 78, 5, established a t in Jacob Isa. 8, 16, bind up the t; 20, the law and the t. Matt 10, 18, for a t against them. John 3, 32, no man receiveth his t Acts 14, 3, gave t unto the word. 2 Cor 1, 12, t of our conscience. Heb. 11, 5, translation he had this t Rev 1, 9, t of Jesus Christ; 11, 7, when they shall have finished their t., 12, 11; 19, 10

THANK-S—Ps. 30, 4, give t. at remembrance, 12, I will give t to thee. Luke 6, 32, what t have ye 1 Cor 11, 24, when he had given t.; 15, 57, t. be to God Eph 1, 16, cease not to give t; 5, 4, rather giving of t Col 1, 3, we give t to God, 12, giving t. to the Father. 1 Thess 1, 2, give t to God; 3, 9, what t. can we render, 5, 18, in every thing give t., Rev. 11, 17, give thee t, O Lord

THANKED—Acts 28, 15 Rom. 6, 17

THANKFUL—Ps. 100, 4. Rom. 1, 21. Col. 3, 15

THANKFULNESS—Acts 24, 3.

THANKING—2 Chr 5, 13.

THANKSGIVING-S—Ps. 50, 14, offer to God t, 147, 7, sing to Lord with t Jon. 2, 9, with voice of t. 2 Cor 4, 15, through the t of many Col 2, 7, abounding with t, 4, 2, watch in same with t. 1 Tim. 4, 3, to be received with t

THANKWORTHY—1 Pet. 2, 19.

THIEF—Ex 22, 2, if a t be found. Deu. 24, 7, t. shall die. Ps. 50, 18, thou sawest a t Prov. 29, 24, partner with t Jer 2, 26, as a t. is ashamed. Hos. 7, 1, t cometh Joel 2, 9, like a t Zech 5, 4, into house of the t Matt. 24, 43, watch t would come, 26, 55, as against a t Luke 12, 33, in heaven, where no t approacheth John 10, 1, same is a t; 10, t cometh not. 1 Thess. 5, 2, day of L. cometh as a t 1 Pet. 4, 15, suffer as a t 2 Pet. 3, 10, as a t in the night Rev 3, 3, come upon thee as a t

THIEVES—Isa. 1, 23, companions of t Jer 48, 27, found among t Matt. 6, 19, where t break through and steal, 21, 13, a den of t, 27, 38, two t crucified with him Luke 10, 30, down to Jericho, and fell among t. John 10, 8, before me are t. 1 Cor 6, 10, nor t inherit.

THINK—Gen 40, 14, but t on me, when Neh. 5, 19, t upon me. Esth 4, 13, t not thou shalt escape Ecc. 8, 17, though a wise man t to know it. Isa. 10, 7, neither does his heart t. so Jer. 29, 11, I know the thoughts that I t Dan 7, 25, he shall t to change Jon 1, 6, God will t. on us. Matt 3, 9, t. not to say, We have, 5, 17, t not, I am come to destroy; 6, 7, t they shall be heard; 9, 4, wherefore t ye evil, 24, 44, in such an hour as ye t not. Luke 13, 4, t ye that they were sinners John 5, 39, search scriptures, in them ye t; 45, do not t I will accuse you, 16, 2, t. he doeth God service Acts 13, 25, whom t ye that I am; 17, 29, we ought not to t Godhead, 26, 2, I t myself happy. Rom. 12, 3, t soberly 1 Cor. 4, 6, not to t of men. 2 Cor 3, 5, not sufficient to t. anything; 11, 16, let no man t me a fool; 12, 6, lest any t of me above. Gal. 6, 3, if a man t to be something Eph 3, 20, able to do above all we ask or t Phil 4, 8, t on these things. Jam. 1, 7, let not that man t. 1 Pet. 4, 4, t it strange, 12 2 Pet. 1, 13, t. it meet.

THINKEST—Job 35, 2. Matt. 26, 53. Luke 10, 36 Rom. 2, 3.

THINKETH—Ps. 40, 17. Prov. 23, 7. 1 Cor 10, 12; 13, 5 Phil. 3, 4.

THIRST—Ex. 17, 3, to kill us with t. Deu. 28, 48, serve thine enemies in t.; 29, 19, to add drunkenness to t. Judg 15, 18, I die for t. Neh. 9, 15, water for their t. Ps. 69, 21, in my t Isa. 5, 13, dried up with t. 41, 17, faileth for t.; 49, 10, hunger nor t; 50, 2, dieth for t. Hos. 2, 3, slay her with t. Amos 8, 11, not a t. for water; 13, faint for t. Matt 5, 6, which hunger and t. after righteousness John 4, 13, shall t. again; 14, never t; 7, 37, if any man t; 19, 28, Jesus saith I t Rom. 12, 20, if thine enemy t. give him drink. 1 Cor. 4, 11, we hunger and t. 2 Cor. 11, 27, in hunger and t

THIRSTED—Ex. 17, 3 Isa. 48, 21

THIRSTETH—Ps. 42, 2; 63, 1, 143, 6. Isa. 55, 1.

THIRSTY—Ps 63, 1, a t. land, 107, 5, hungry and t; 143, 6 Prov. 25, 21, enemy be t, 25, t soul Isa. 21, 14, water to t; 29, 8, as when a t. man; 32, 6, drink of t to fail, 35, 7, the t. land; 44, 3, pour water upon t, 65, 13, ye shall be t. Ezek 19, 13, t ground. Matt. 25, 35, I was t

THORN-S—Gen. 3, 18, t and thistles shall it bring forth. Nu. 33, 55, t. in your sides Josh 23, 13, be t. in your eyes. Job 5, 5, taketh it out of the t. Prov. 22, 5, t are in way of froward; 24, 31, it was grown over with t Isa. 32, 13, upon the land shall come up t; 33, 12, as t. shall they be burned; 34, 13, t shall come up in palaces; 55, 13, instead of t shall come up. Jer. 4, 3, sow not among t; 12, 13, they shall reap t. Ezek 28, 24, no more any grieving t Hos. 2, 6, hedge up thy way with t Mic. 7, 4, sharper than a t. hedge. Matt. 7, 16, do men gather grapes of t; 13, 7, some fell among t. 2 Cor. 12, 7, a t. in the flesh. Heb 6, 8, which beareth t.

THOUGHT—Gen 50, 20, ye t. evil. Ps 48, 9, we t. of thy loving-kindness; 50, 21, thou t I was like thyself; 73, 16, when I t. to know this; 119, 59, I t. on thy ways, and Mal. 3, 16, for them that t. upon his. Mark 14, 72, t thereon, he wept. 1 Cor. 13, 11, I t as a child, spake. Phil. 2, 6, t. it not robbery to be equal with God.

THOUGHT—Ps. 139, 2, understandest my t Prov 24, 9, t of foolishness is sin Ecc. 10, 20, curse not king in t Matt. 6, 25, take no t. for life; take no t for the morrow—morrow shall take t Mark 13, 11, take no t beforehand. Luke 12, 22. 2 Cor 10, 5, bringing into captivity every t.

THOUGHTS—Gen. 6, 5, imagination of t of heart. 1 Chr. 28, 9, understandeth all imagination of t Ps 10, 4, God is not in all his t; 33, 11, the t of his heart to all generations; 40, 5, many are thy t to us-ward, 94, 11, L. knoweth t. of man; 19, in multitude of my t within, 119, 113, I hate vain t, but thy law I love; 139, 17, how precious are thy t.; 23, try me, and know my t Prov 12, 5, t. of righteous right; 15, 26, t of wicked are an abomination to the L., 16, 3, thy t. shall be established. Isa. 55, 7, unrighteous man forsake his t, 8, my t are not your t, 59, 7, their t. are t of iniquity; 66, 18, I know their works and t Jer. 4, 14, how long shall vain t, 29, 11, t I think towards you, t. of peace. Mic. 4, 12, know not t of Lord Matt. 15, 19, out of the heart proceed evil t. Luke 2, 35, t. of hearts revealed, 24, 38, why do t arise in your hearts. Rom 2, 15, their t accusing or excusing. 1 Cor 3, 20, Lord knoweth t of wise. Heb 4, 12, discerner of t and intents of the heart. Jam 2, 4, judges of evil t

THREATENING—Eph 6, 9 1 Pet. 2, 23.

THREE—1 Cor. 14, 27 1 John 5, 7, 8.

THRESH—Jer 51, 33. Mic. 4, 13

THROAT—Ps. 5, 9; 69, 3. Jer. 2, 25 Matt. 18, 28 Rom 3, 13

THRONE—Ps. 9, 4, satest in the t, 7, hath prepared his t, 11, 4, the Lord's t is in heaven; 45, 6, thy t, O God, is for ever, 47, 8, God sitteth upon the t of his holiness; 89, 4, I will build thy t; 29, t endure as days, 97, 2, habitation of t., 103, 19, Lord hath prepared his t in heavens, 132, 11, will I sit upon thy t. Prov 20, 8, t of judgment. Isa. 6, 1, sitting upon a t; 9, 7, upon t of David, 14, 13, exalt my t; 22, 23, be a glorious t, 47, 1, there is no t, 66, 1, heaven is my t Jer. 3, 17, call Jerusalem t of, 14, 21, do not disgrace t. of, 22, 2, that sittest upon the t; 36. 30, none to sit upon t., 49, 38, I will set my t in Elam Ezek 1, 26, upon the likeness of t Zech 6, 13, shall be a priest upon his t Matt 5, 34, heaven God's t, 19, 28, Son of man shall sit in the t. Luke 1, 32, t of David Acts 2, 30, to sit on his t, 7, 49, heaven is my t Heb 4, 16, t of grace. Rev 1, 4, before his t.; 3, 21, to sit in my t; 4, 2, one sat on the t., 3, rainbow about t, 5, 6, in midst of t.; 11, angels about the t; 13, that sitteth upon the t.; 12, 5, unto God and his t, 16, 17, from the t.; 20, 11, a great white t.; 22, 1, river out of t, 3, t of God and of the Lamb shall be in it.

THRONES—Ps. 122, 5, set t. of judgment. Isa. 14, 9, raised from t. Dan. 7, 9, I beheld till the t. were cast down. Matt. 19, 28, ye shall sit upon twelve t Col. 1, 16, whether they be t. Rev. 20, 4, I saw t.

THROUGH—Acts 13, 38, t. this man is preached; 18, 27, believed t. grace. Rom. 3, 25, t. faith; 5, 1, t. our Lord Jesus Christ, 8, 13, if t. the Spirit; 11, 36, of him, t him. Gal. 2, 19, I t the law. Eph. 4, 6, above all, t. all. Phil. 4, 13, I can do all t Christ. Col. 2, 12, t. faith. Heb 9, 14, t the eternal Spirit; 10, 20, t. the veil

THRUST—Luke 13, 28. John 20, 25. Acts 16, 37

THUNDER—Job 26, 14. Mark 3, 17.

TIDINGS—Luke 1, 19. Acts 13, 32. Rom. 10. 15.

TIME—Ps. 27, 19, evil t.; 41, 1, t. of trouble; 69, 13, accepted t.; 89, 47, remember how short my t. is. Ecc. 3, 1—8, a t. to every purpose; 9, 11, t. and chance happeneth to all. Isa. 49, 8. Ezek. 16, 8, thy t. was the t. of love. Dan. 7, 25, a t. and t. and dividing of t.; 12, 7, for a t. and an half. Amos 5, 13, it is an evil t. Luke 19, 44, knowest not the t. of thy. John 7, 6, my t is not yet come, your t. Acts 17, 21, spent t. in nothing else. Rom. 5, 6, in due t Christ died; 13, 11, it is high t. to awake out of sleep. 1 Cor. 4, 5, judge nothing before t; 7, 29, t is short; 15, 8, born out of due time. 2 Cor 6, 2. Gal. 4, 2, till t. appointed; 4, fulness of t; 5, 21, t past. Eph. 2, 12, that at that t ye; 5, 16, redeeming the t., because. 1 Thess. 2, 5, not at any t used. 2 Thess. 2, 6, revealed in his t. 2 Tim, 4, 3, t. will come; 6, time of my departure. Heb. 1, 5, said he at any t.; 13; 2, 1, lest at any t.; 4, 7, so long a t; 16, grace to help in t. of need; 5, 12, for the t. ye ought; 9, 10, till the time of reformation. Jam. 4, 14, a vapour that appeareth a little t. 1 Pet. 1, 5, in last t.; 11, what manner of t.; 17, pass the t.; 2, 10, which in t past; 3, 5, in old t.; 4, 2, live the rest of his t, 3, t. past suffice; 17, t. is come; 5, 6, due t. 1 John 2, 18, it is the last t.; 4, 12, seen God at any t. Jude 18, there should be mockers in the last t. Rev. 1, 3, t. is at hand, 10, 6, be t. no longer; 11, 18, t. of the dead, 12, 12, but a short t.; 14, t. and half a t., 14, 15, t is come.

TIMES—Gen. 27, 36, supplanted me these two t Job 24, 1, t. are not hidden from the Almighty. Ps. 9, 9, t of trouble; 31, 15, t. in thy hand; 34, 1, bless at all t.; 44, 1, didst in t. of old; 62, 8, trust in him at all t., 106, 3, doeth righteousness at all t. Prov. 5, 19, satisfy at all t; 17, 17, loveth at all t. Isa. 33, 6, stability of thy t; 46, 10, from ancient t. Ezek. 12, 27, he prophesieth of the t. afar off. Dan. 2, 21, changeth t.; 7, 25, to change t; 9, 25, even in troublous t.; 11, 14, in those t; 12, 7, for a time, t. Matt. 16, 3, signs of t Acts 1, 7, to know the t; 3, 19, t. of refreshing; 21, t of restitution, 14, 16, who in t. past; 17, 26, determined the t, 3, t of ignorance. Gal. 1, 23, persecuted in t past; 4, 10, observe t. Eph. 1, 10, fulness of t. 1 Thess. 5, 1, but of the t. 1 Tim 4, 1, in latter t; 6, 15, in his t. shew. 2 Tim 3, 1, perilous t. Titus 1, 3, hath in due t Heb. 1, 1, God who at sundry t. spake to fathers

TIN—Isa. 1, 25. Ezek. 22, 18, 20; 27, 12.

TITHES—Mal 3, 8 Luke 18, 12.

TITTLE—Matt. 5, 18

TOGETHER—Rom. 8, 28 1 Cor. 3, 9. 2 Cor. 6, 1. Eph. 2, 5, 6

TOKEN—Gen 9, 12, t of covenant. Ex 3, 12, t. that I sent thee, 12, 13, blood for t, 13, 16, be for a t. Ps. 86, 17, t for good. Mark 14, 44, given a t Phil 1, 28, evident t of perdition. 2 Thess. 1, 5, a manifest t., 3, 17, t in every epistle.

TOKENS—Job 21, 29. Ps. 65, 8, 135, 9 Isa. 44, 25.

TONGUE—Job 5, 21, hid from scourge of t Ps 34, 13, keep thy t from evil. Prov 18, 21, life in the power of the t, 21, 23, keepeth his t keepeth his soul. Isa 30, 27, his t as a devouring fire, 50, 4, given me t of the learned Jer 9, 5, taught their t to speak lies; 18, 18, let us smite him with the t. Jam 1, 26, bridleth not his t, 3, 8, the t. can no man tame. 1 Pet. 3, 10, let him refrain his t. John 3, 18, not love in t, but in truth.

TOOK—Gen 5, 24, Enoch was not, God t him Nu. 11, 25, L. t of Spirit. 2 Sam 6, 6, t hold of ark Ps 48, 6, fear t. hold, 55, 14, t. sweet counsel. Jer 31, 32, day I t them by the hand Ezek 33, 5, t not warn Amos 7, 15, Lord t. me Zech. 11, 13, I t thirty pieces Matt. 8, 17, himself t our infirmities, and bare; 25, 3, t no oil, 43, and ye t me not in John 19, 27, t her unto his own home. Acts 28, 15, Paul t courage Phil 2, 7, t upon him the form of a servant. Col 2, 14, t. it out of the way, nailing it to cross. Heb. 2, 14, t. part; 8 9, when I t. them by the hand; 10, 34, t joyfully the spoiling. Rev 5, 7, t. the book; 10, 10

TORMENT—Luke 16, 28. Rev. 14, 11, 18, 7.

TORMENTED—Luke 16, 24; 25. Heb. 11, 37.

TORN—Hos. 6, 1. Mal 1, 13

TOSS—Ps. 109, 23. Prov 21, 6. Isa. 54, 11. Eph. 4, 14.

TOUCH—Job 5, 19, in seven shall no evil t. thee. Isa. 52, 11, t. no unclean thing. Matt. 9, 21, if I may but t. his garment; 14, 36, only t the hem of his garment. Mark 10, 13, children that he should t them Luke 11, 46, yourselves t not the burden. John 20, 17, t me not, for I am not yet. 2 Cor. 6, 17, t. not the unclean thing. Col. 2, 21, t. not, taste not. 1 John 5, 18, wicked one t. him not.

TOWER—Ps. 61, 3.

TRADITION—Matt. 15, 2, why transgress the t. Mark 7, 3, holding the t. of the elders. Gal. 1, 14, zealous of t. Col. 2, 8, t. of men. 2 Thess. 2, 15, hold the t; 3, 6, t. received of us. 1 Pet. 1, 18, received by t. from your fathers.

TRAIN—Prov. 22, 6. Isa. 6, 1.

TRAITOR—Luke 6, 16. 2 Tim 3, 4.

TRAMPLE—Isa. 63, 3. Matt. 7, 6.

TRANCE—Acts 10, 10; 11, 5; 22, 17.

TRANSFIGURED—Matt. 17, 2. Mark 9, 2.

TRANSFORMED—Rom. 12, 2 2 Cor. 11, 14, 15.

TRANSGRESS—1 Sam. 2, 24, make Lord's people to *t* 2 Chr. 24, 20, why *t.* ye the commandments. Neh. 1, 8, if ye *t*, I will scatter you abroad, 13, 27, great evil to *t* against God. Ps. 17, 3, that my mouth shall not *t.*; 25, 3, ashamed which *t.* without cause. Rom. 2, 27, circumcision dost *t.* the law.

TRANSGRESSED—Josh. 7, 11, have *t* my covenant. Isa. 43, 27, thy teachers have *t.* Jer 2, 8, pastors also *t.* against me. Lam. 3, 42, we have *t.* and have rebelled. Ezek. 2, 3, they and their fathers have *t.* Dan. 9, 11, all Israel have *t.* thy law. Hos. 6, 7, like men have *t.* the covenant. 1 John 3, 4, that committeth sin *t* the law.

TRANSGRESSION—Ezra 10, 6, mourned because of the *t* Job 13, 23, make me to know my *t.* Ps 19, 13, innocent from great *t*; 32, 1, blessed is he whose *t.* is forgiven, 89, 32, then will I visit their *t*; 107, 17, fools because of *t* are afflicted Prov. 17, 9, he that covereth *t.* seeketh love. Isa. 53, 8, for the *t.* of my people; 58, 1, shew my people their *t.*; 59, 20, unto them that turn from *t* in. Dan 9, 24, to finish *t.* Mic. 3, 8, declare unto Jacob his *t*; 6, 7, my first-born for my *t*; 7, 18, passed by the *t.* of the remnant. Rom. 4, 15, no law is, there is no *t* 1 John 3, 4, sin is the *t.* of the law.

TRANSGRESSIONS—Josh 24, 19, he will not forgive your *t* Job 31, 33, if I covered my *t.* as Adam Ps. 25, 7, remember not my *t*; 32, 5, I will confess my *t.* unto the; 39, 8, deliver me from all my *t*; 51, 1, blot out my *t.*, 3, I acknowledge my *t.*; 65, 3, our *t*, thou shalt purge them, 103, 12, removed our *t* from us. Isa. 43, 25, he that blotteth out thy *t*; 44, 22, blotted out as a thick cloud thy *t*; 53, 5, he was wounded for our *t*; 59, 12, our *t* are multiplied Ezek 18, 31, cast away all your *t.* Gal 3, 19, law added because of *t.* Heb. 9, 15, redemption of the *t*

TRANSGRESSORS—Ps 51, 13, teach *t* thy ways, 119, 158, I beheld the *t* Prov 13, 15, the way of *t* is hard Isa. 53, 12, numbered with the *t*—made intercession for the *t* Hos 14, 9, *t* shall fall therein Mark 15, 28 Jam 2, 9, convinced of the law as *t*

TRAVAILEST—Gal 4, 27

TRAVAILETH—Ps 7, 14 Jer. 31, 8. Rom. 8, 22

TRAVELLETH-ING—Prov 6, 11. Isa. 63, 1

TREACHEROUSLY—Isa. 33, 1, 48, 8. Jer 12, 1 Hos 5, 7 Mal 2, 10.

TREACHERY—2 Ki 9, 23

TREAD—Ps 7, 5 Isa. 1, 12; 63, 3. Rev 11, 2

TREASURE—Ex. 19, 5, peculiar *t* unto me. Isa 33, 6, fear of the Lord is his *t* Matt. 6, 21, where your *t* is, there, 12, 35, a good man out of the good *t*, 13, 52, out of his *t* things new, 19, 21, shalt have *t* in heaven Luke 12, 21, that layeth up *t* for himself. 2 Cor. 4, 7, this *t* in earthen vessels.

TREASURES—Prov. 2, 4, searchest for her, as for hid *t*; 10, 2, *t.* of wickedness profit nothing. Matt 6, 19, lay not up *t* upon earth, 20, lay up for yourselves *t* in heaven. Col 2, 3, in whom are hid all the *t* Heb. 11, 26, greater riches than the *t* of Egypt

TREE—Ps. 1, 3, *t* planted by the rivers, 37, 35, like a green bay *t*, 52, 8, like a green olive *t* Prov 3, 18, *t* of life to them that Jer 17, 8, a *t* planted by the waters Matt 3, 10, every *t* which bringeth not, 7, 17, good *t* bringeth forth good, 12, 33, make the *t* good, *t* is known by 1 Pet 2, 24, in his own body on the *t* Rev 2, 7, give to eat of the *t* of life, 22, 2, *t* of life, which bare twelve; 14, may have right to the *t.*

TREES—Isa. 61, 3, *t* of righteousness. Ezek 47, 12, by the river shall grow all *t* Mark 8, 24, I see men as *t*, walking Jude 12, *t* whose fruit withereth.

TREMBLE—Ecc. 12, 3, keepers of the house shall *t* Isa 66, 5, ye that *t.* at his word Jer. 5, 22, will ye not *t* at my presence. Dan 6, 26, that men *t* and fear. Jam. 2, 19, devils also believe and *t*

TREMBLED—1 Sam 4, 13, Eli's heart *t.* Ezra 9, 4, every one that *t* Jer 4, 24, and lo, the mountains *t* Dan. 5, 19, all people *t* Mark 16, 8, for they *t.* Acts 7, 32, then Moses *t.*; 24, 25, Felix *t.*

TREMBLETH—Job 37, 1. Ps. 119, 120. Isa. 66, 2

TREMBLING—Ex. 15, 15, mighty men of Moab *t* Ezra 10, 9, people sat *t.* Job 21, 6, *t.* taketh hold. Ps. 2, 11, rejoice with *t.* Isa. 51, 17, the cup of *t*; 22. Jer. 30, 5, voice of *t.* Ezek. 12, 18, drink with *t*; 26, 16, clothe with *t.* Dan. 10, 11, I stood *t.* Hos. 13, 1, Ephraim spake *t* Zech. 12, 2, Jerusalem a cup of *t.* Acts 16, 29, jailer came *t.* 1 Cor. 2, 3, in much *t.* 2 Cor. 7, 15, fear and *t.* Eph. 6, 5, servants, be obedient with fear and *t.* Phil. 2. 12, work out your salvation with fear and *t.*

TRESPASS-ES—Gen. 31, 36, Jacob said, What is my *t* 2 Chr. 28, 13, for our *t.* is great Ezra 9, 2, the princes chief in this *t*, 6, our *t.* grown up unto the heavens; 10, 10, to increase the *t.* of Israel. Ezek. 15, 8, have committed a *t.*; 17, 20, plead with him for his *t.*; 18, 24, in his *t.* he hath; 20, 27, they committed a *t.* Dan. 9, 7, because of their *t.* Matt. 6, 14, forgive men their *t.* Mark 11, 25, forgive your *t.* 2 Cor. 5, 19, not imputing their *t.* Eph. 2, 1, who were dead in *t.* Col 2, 13, forgiven you all *t.*

TRIAL—Job 9, 23, laugh at *t.* of innocent. Ezek. 21, 13, because it is a *t.* 2 Cor. 8, 2, a great *t.* of afflictions. Heb. 11, 36, *t.* of cruel mockings. 1 Pet. 1, 7, the *t.* of your faith; 4, 12, concerning the fiery *t*

TRIBES—Ps. 122, 4. Matt. 24, 30 Acts 26, 7.

TRIBULATION—Judg. 10, 14, deliver you in time of *t* 1 Sam. 26, 24, deliver me out of all *t.* Matt. 13, 21, *t.* or persecution ariseth; 24, 21, then shall be great *t*, 29, immediately after the *t.* John 16, 33, in the world ye shall have *t.* Acts 14, 22, through much *t* enter kingdom. Rom. 2, 9, *t* and anguish; 5, 3, *t* worketh patience, 12, 12, patient in *t.* 2 Cor 1, 4, comforteth us in all our *t.* 1 Thess 3, 4, we should suffer *t* 2 Thess. 1, 6, recompense *t* Rev. 1, 9, your companion in *t*, 2, 9, I know thy works, and *t*; 10, shall have *t.* ten days, 22, will cast them into great *t*, 7, 14, came out of great *t.*

TRIBULATIONS—Rom. 5, 3. Eph 3, 13. 2 Thess. 1, 4

TRIBUTE—Matt. 17, 24, 22, 17. Rom. 13, 7

TRIED—2 Sam 22, 31, word of Lord is *t* Ps. 12, 6, words of the Lord as silver *t* in a furnace; 17, 3, thou hast *t* me, 66, 10, *t.* us as silver is *t*, 105, 19, until word of L. *t.* him. Dan. 12, 10, many shall be purified and *t.* Heb. 11, 17, Abraham, when he was *t.* Jam. 1, 12, when he is *t.* he shall receive crown of life. 1 Pet 1, 7, though it be *t* with fire. Rev 2, 2, hast *t.* them, found liars; 10, cast into prison that ye may be *t*; 3, 18, buy of me gold *t* in the fire.

TRIEST-ETH—1 Chr 29, 17, knowest thou *t* heart. Ps. 7, 9, righteous God *t* hearts, 11, 5, the Lord *t* the righteous. Prov 17, 3, pot for silver, the Lord *t.* the hearts Jer 11, 20, O Lord, thou *t* reins; 20, 12, that *t* righteous and seest. 1 Thess. 2, 4, God which *t* our hearts

TRIMMED—Matt 25, 7

TRIUMPH—2 Sam. 1, 20, lest daughters *t* Ps 25, 2, enemies *t*, 41, 11, enemy doth not *t*; 47, 1, voice of *t*, 92, 4, I will *t*, 94, 3, shall the wicked *t*; 106, 47, *t* in thy praise. 2 Cor. 2, 14, always causeth us to *t* in Christ.

TRIUMPHED—Ex 15, 1, 21

TRIUMPHING—Job 20, 5. Col 2, 15

TRODDEN—Isa. 63, 3. Luke 21, 24 Heb 10, 29.

TROUBLE—2 Chr 15, 4, in *t* did turn unto the L. Neh. 9, 32, let not all the *t.* seem little before. Job 3, 26, yet *t.* came, 5, 6, doth *t.* spring; 7, man is born unto *t*, 14, 1, and full of *t*, 15, 24, *t* make him afraid, 30, 25, did not I weep for him that was in *t.*, 34, 29, who can make *t*; 38, 23, time of *t* Ps 9, 9, a refuge in times of *t*, 10, 1, why hidest thou thyself in times of *t*; 22, 11, *t* is near, 27, 5, in *t* he shall hide me, 31, 7, considered my *t*, 32, 7, preserve me from *t.*; 41, 1, deliver in time of *t*, 46, 1, help in *t*, 54, 7, for he hath delivered me out of *t*, 73, 5, not in *t.*; 81, 7, calledst in *t.*, 91, 15, be with him in *t*, 107, 6, cried to the L in their *t*, 26, melted because of *t*, 116, 3, I found *t*, 119, 143, *t* and anguish, 138, 7, though I walk in *t.*, 142, 2, I shewed him my *t* Prov 11, 8, righteous is delivered out of *t.*, 15, 6, in revenues of wicked is *t*, 25, 19, confidence in an unfaithful man in *t* Isa. 1, 14, a *t* to me, 8, 22, behold *t*, 26, 16, in *t* they visited thee, 33, 2, be thou our salvation also in time of *t*; 46, 7, not save out of *t* Jer 2, 27, in time of *t* they will say, Arise, 8, 15, behold *t*, 11, 14, cry to me for *t.* Dan. 12, 1, be a time of *t* 1 Cor 7, 28, *t* in flesh 2 Cor 1, 4, which are in *t* 2 Tim. 2, 9, wherein I suffer *t* as an evil doer

TROUBLE—Judg 11, 35, thou art one of them that *t* me Ps 3, 1, increased that *t*; 13, 4, *t.* me rejoice. Ezek. 32, 13, nor foot of man *t* them any more Dan 4, 19, let not the interpretation *t* thee; 5, 10, O king, let not thy thoughts *t* thee; 11, 44, tidings out of the north shall *t.* him. Luke 7, 6, Lord, *t.* not thyself, 11, 7, shall say, *t* me not. Acts 15, 19, that we *t* not Gentiles turned to God, 16, 20, exceedingly *t.* Gal 1, 7, some that *t* you; 5, 12, cut off that *t*; 6, 17, let no man *t.* me, for I bear in my body 2 Thess. 1, 6, tribulation to them that *t* you. Heb 12, 15, lest any root of bitterness *t.* you

TROUBLES—Deu 31, 17, many *t.* befall. Job 5, 19, he shall deliver thee in six *t.*, yea. Ps. 25, 17, *t.* enlarged; 22, out of all his *t*; 34, 6, the Lord saved him out of all his *t*; 71, 20, shewed me sore *t.*, 88, 3, soul is full of *t* Prov. 21, 23, keepeth his soul from *t.* Isa. 65, 16, former *t.* forgotten Mark 13, 8, and there shall be famines and *t.*

TROUBLED—Ex 14, 24, *t* the host. 1 Sam. 16, 14, evil spirit *t* Job 21, 4, why not spirit be *t*, 23, 15, therefore am I *t.* at his presence; 34, 20, and the people shall be *t.* at midnight. Ps. 30, 7, didst hide thy face, and I was *t.*; 48, 5, the kings were *t.*; 77, 4, I am so *t.* I cannot speak, 90, 7, by thy wrath *t.*; 104, 29, they are *t* Prov. 25, 26, *t.* fountain. Isa. 32, 10, shall ye be *t.*; 11, be *t*, ye careless ones, 57, 20, but the wicked are like the *t.* sea. Jer. 31, 20, bowels are *t.* for him. Dan. 2, 1, Nebuchadnezzar's spirit was *t.*; 4, 5, and the visions of my head *t.* me; 19, and his thoughts *t.* him Zech. 10, 2, they were *t*, because there was no shepherd Luke 10, 41, Martha, thou art *t.*, 24, 38, why are ye *t.* Acts 15, 24, have *t.* you; 17, 8, *t* the people. 2 Cor 4, 8, we are *t.* on every side. 2 Thess. 1, 7, to you who are *t.*; 2, 2, be not shaken, or be *t* 1 Pet. 3, 14, be not afraid of their terror, neither be *t.*

TROUBLEDST—Ezek. 32, 2.

TROUBLER—1 Chr 2, 7

TROUBLEST—Mark 5, 35.

TROUBLETH—1 Sam 16, 15, an evil spirit *t.* 1 Ki. 18, 17, Ahab said, Art thou he that *t.* Israel. Job 22, 10, sudden fear *t*; 23, 16, Almighty *t.* Prov 11, 17, *t.* his own flesh, 29, *t* his house, 15, 27, *t* his own house Dan. 4, 9, no secret *t* Luke 18, 5 widow *t* me. Gal 5, 10, he that *t* you.

TROUBLING—Job 3, 17 John 5, 4.

TROUBLOUS—Dan. 9, 25.

TRUCEBREAKERS—2 Tim. 3, 3

TRUE—Ps. 19, 9, judgments of the Lord are *t*, 119, 160, thy word is *t.* Ezek 18, 8, *t* judgment. Matt. 22, 16, we know that thou art *t* Luke 16, 11, the *t* riches John 1, 9, the *t* light, 4, 23, *t.* worshippers, 7, 28, he that sent me is *t*, 8, 14, my record is *t* 2 Cor 1, 18, as God is *t*, our word; 6, 8, as deceivers, and yet *t.* Phil. 4, 8, whatsoever things are *t* 1 John 5, 20, know him that is *t.* Rev 3, 7, he that is *t*, 14, faithful and *t* witness, 19, 11, called Faithful and *T.*

TRUMP—1 Cor 15, 52. 1 Thess. 4, 16.

TRUMPET—Isa. 27, 13; 58, 1. Matt. 6, 2.

TRUST—Job 4, 18, put no *t.* in his servants; 8, 14, *t.* shall be a spider's web Ps. 4, 5, put your *t* in the Lord, 9, 10, will put their *t* in thee; 40, 4, blessed the man that maketh L his *t*; 71, 5, my *t.* from my youth, 141, 8, in thee is my *t.* Prov 22, 19, that thy *t* may be in the L. 1 Tim. 6, 20, committed to thy *t*

TRUST—Ps 37, 3, *t* in the Lord, 62, 8, *t* in him at all times, ye people, 118, 8, better to *t* in the Lord, 119, 42, I *t* in thy word, 125, 1, they that *t* in the Lord. Prov 3, 5, *t.* in the L with all thine heart. Isa 26, 4, *t* in the L for ever; 50, 10, let him *t* in the name of the L. Jer 7, 4, *t* not in lying words Mark 10, 24, hard for them that *t* in riches. 2 Cor. 1, 9, not *t.* in ourselves

TRUSTED—2 Ki 18, 5, he *t* in the Lord God of Israel. Ps. 13, 5, *t* in thy mercy, 22, 4, fathers *t*, 8, *t* on the Lord; 33, 21, *t* in his holy name, 41, 9, in whom I *t.*, 52, 7, *t* in riches, 78, 22, *t* not in his salvation. Isa. 47, 10, *t* in wickedness Jer. 48, 7, *t.* in thy works Dan. 3, 28, God delivered his servants that *t* Matt 27, 43, he *t* in God Luke 11, 22, wherein he *t.*, 18, 9, *t.* in themselves, 24, 21, we *t* it had been he which should Eph 1, 12, first *t.* in Christ, 13, in whom ye *t* 1 Pet. 3, 5, holy women who *t* in God, adorned themselves.

TRUSTETH—Ps 32, 10, that *t.* in the L, 34, 8, blessed is the man that *t* in thee, 86, 2, thy servant that *t* in thee. Jer. 17, 5, cursed be the man that *t.* in man, 7, blessed is the man that *t.* 1 Tim. 5, 5, widow indeed *t* in God

TRUTH—Ex 34, 6, abundant in goodness and *t* Deu 32, 4, a God of *t* Ps. 15, 2, speaketh *t* in his heart, 25, 10, paths of the Lord are mercy and *t*, 51, 6, thou desireth *t*, 91, 4, his *t* shall be thy shield, 117, 2, his *t* endureth for ever, 119, 30, I have chosen the way of *t*, 142, thy law is the *t*; 151, thy commandments are *t* Prov 12, 19, lip of *t* shall be established, 23, 23, buy the *t*, and sell it not. Isa. 59, 14, for *t* is fallen Jer 9, 3, not valiant for the *t* Dan. 4, 37, all whose works are *t.* Zech 8, 16, speak ye every man the *t*—execute the judgment of *t* Mal. 2, 6, law of *t* was in his mouth John 1, 14, full of grace and *t.* 8, 32, know the *t*, and the *t* shall, 14, 6, I am the way, the *t*, and, 17, the Spirit of *t*, whom the, 16, 13, will guide you into all *t*, 17, 17, sanctify them through thy *t*; thy word is *t.*, 18, 37, witness unto *t*—every one of the *t* heareth my voice, 38, what is *t.*? Acts 26, 25, words of *t* and soberness Rom 1, 18, hold *t* in unrighteousness, 25, changed the *t* of God into a lie, 2, 2, judgment of God according to *t.*; 20, the form of *t.* in the law 2 Cor. 13, 8, nothing against *t*, but for *t* Gal. 3, 1, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the *t* Eph 4, 15, speaking the *t* in love, 21, as the *t* is in Jesus, 5, 9, fruit of the Spirit is in all *t*, 6, 14, your loins girt with *t.* 2 Thess. 2, 10, received not the love of the *t* 1 Tim. 3, 15, pillar, and ground of *t*; 6, 5, destitute of the *t.* 2 Tim. 2, 18, concerning the *t* have; 25, to acknowledging the *t*, 3, 7, never come to the knowledge of *t*, 8, resist the *t*, 4, 4, turn away their ears from the *t* Jam 3, 14, lie not against the *t* 1 Pet. 1, 22, in obeying the *t* 2 Pet 1, 12, established in the present *t* 1 John 1, 8, deceive ourselves, the *t* is not, 5, 6, because the Spirit is *t.*

TRY—Ps. 11, 4, his eyelids *t.* the children of men, 26, 2, *t.* my reins and my heart, 139, 23, *t.* me, and know my thoughts Jer. 17, 10, Lord search heart and *t* reins. Lam. 3, 40, let us search and *t* our ways. Zech. 13, 9, I will *t* them as gold 1 Cor. 3, 13, fire shall *t.* every man's work 1 Pet. 4, 12, trial which is to *t.* you. Rev. 3, 10, *t.* them that dwell upon the earth.

TURN—2 Ki. 17, 13, *t.* from your evil ways Job 23, 13, who can *t.* him? Prov 1, 23, *t* you at my reproof. Isa. 31, 6, *t* ye unto him. Jer. 18, 8, *t.* from their evil; 31, 18, *t* thou me. Lam. 5, 21, *t.* us unto thee. Ezek. 3, 19, and he *t.* not from his wickedness, 18, 30, *t* yourselves, 32 Zech 1, 3, *t* unto me, and I will *t* unto you Mal 4, 6, *t* the heart of fathers. Acts 26, 18, *t.* them from darkness; 20, *t.* to God, do works. 2 Pet. 2, 21, than to *t.* from holy commandment.

TURN *AGAIN*—1 Ki. 8, 33, when Israel shall *t* again to thee. 2 Chr 30, 6, *t* again unto the Lord; 9. Job 34, 15, *t.* again unto dust. Ps 18, 37, neither did I *t* again, 60, 1, O *t.* to us again, 80, 3, *t* us again, 85, 8, not *t* again to folly; 104, 9, that they *t* not again; 126, 4, *t* again captivity Jer 25, 5, *t.* ye again, 31, 21, *t.* again, O virgin Lam. 3, 40, *t* again to the Lord Mic. 7, 19, he will *t.* again Luke 10, 6, it shall *t.* to you again. Gal. 4, 9, how *t.* ye again to the weak elements?

TURN *ASIDE*—Ex. 3, 3, I will now *t* aside Deu. 5, 32, shall not *t.* aside; 11, 16, and ye *t* aside and serve; 17, 20, that he *t* not aside; 31, 29, ye will *t.* aside. Josh. 23, 6, that ye *t.* not aside. Ps. 40, 4, such as *t.* aside to lies; 101, 3, them that *t.* aside Isa. 10, 2, *t* aside needy, 29, 21, *t.* aside just. Lam. 3, 35, to *t* aside right of a man.

TURN *AWAY*—Gen. 27, 44, brother's fury *t* away Nu. 32, 15, if ye *t.* away. Deu 7, 4, they will *t.* away, 17, 17, his heart *t* not away. 2 Ki. 18, 24, how *t.* away face of one captain? 2 Chr 6, 42, *t.* not away face of thine anointed, 25, 27, Amaziah did *t* away from following Lord; 29, 10, wrath may *t* away, 30, 9, the Lord will not *t* away his face from you. Ps. 119, 37, *t* away mine eyes, 39, *t.* away my reproach. Cant. 6, 5, *t* away thine eyes Isa 58, 13, if thou *t.* away. Jer. 2, 24, who can *t* her away; 29, 14, I will *t* away your captivity Amos 1, 3, not *t* away punishment. Jon 3, 9, if God will *t.* away Mal. 2, 6, did *t* away. Matt 5, 42, *t.* not thou away Acts 13, 8, seeking to *t.* away. 2 Tim 3, 5, from such *t* away; 4, 4, *t.* away their ears. Heb 12, 25, if we *t.* away from him

TURN *BACK*—Ps. 44, 10. Isa. 14, 27. Jer. 6, 9; 49, 8.

TURN *IN*—Gen 19, 2 Judg 4, 18 2 Ki. 4, 10

TURN *TO THE LORD*—2 Chr 15, 4, did *t* unto the Lord Ps. 22, 27, world shall *t.* unto the Lord Lam. 3, 40, let us *t* to the Lord Hos. 14, 2, words, and *t* to the Lord. Joel 2, 13, rend your heart, and *t* to the Lord Luke 1, 16, Israel shall he *t* to the L. 2 Cor 3, 16, shall *t* to the L

TURNED—Ps. 9, 17, wicked shall be *t* into hell, 30, 11, *t* for me my mourning into dancing, 119, 59, *t.* my feet unto thy testimonies Isa. 53, 6, *t* every one to his own way, 63, 10, he *t* to be their enemy Jer 2, 27, *t* their back unto me, 8, 6, every one *t* to his course. Hos 7, 8, Ephraim is a cake not *t*; 11, mine heart is *t* within me John 16, 20, your sorrow shall be *t.* into joy 1 Thess. 1, 9, how ye *t* from idols Jam 4, 9, laughter be *t* to mourning 2 Pet 2, 22, the dog is *t* to his vomit

TURNED *ASIDE*—Ex 3, 4, he *t* aside to see, 32, 8, they have *t* aside quickly Judg 14, 8, Samson *t* aside to see the lion's carcase 1 Sam 8, 3, *t* aside after lucre 1 Ki 15, 5, David *t* not aside 2 Ki 22, 2, Josiah *t* not aside Ps 78, 57, they were *t* aside. 1 Tim 1, 6, *t* aside unto vain jangling

TURNED *AWAY*—Nu 20, 21, Israel *t* away, 25, 4, anger may be *t* away 2 Chr 29, 6, our fathers *t* away their faces Ps 66, 20, not *t* away my prayer Isa 5, 25, anger is not *t* away, 12, 1, anger is *t* away Jer 5, 25, iniquities *t* away, 38, 22, *t* away back, 50, 6 shepherds *t* them away Dan. 9, 16, fury be *t* away Hos. 14, 4, anger is *t* away Acts 19, 26, *t* away much people

TURNED *BACK*—1 Ki 18, 37, *t* their heart back. 2 Ki 1, 5, why are ye *t* back Ps. 9, 3, enemies *t* back; 35, 4, let them be *t.* back, 44, 18, our heart is not *t* back; 78, 9, Ephraim *t.* back; 41; 57; 129, 5. Isa. 42, 17, they shall be *t.* back Jer 4, 8, anger not *t* back; 11, 10, they are *t* back. Zeph 1, 6, that are *t.* back from the Lord. Luke 17, 15, one of the lepers *t.* back. Acts 7, 39, hearts *t.* back again

TURNETH—Ps. 146, 9 Prov. 15, 1. Isa. 9, 13 Jer 14, 8

TURNING—Jam 1, 17 Jude 4.

TUTORS—Gal 4, 2.

TWAIN—Matt. 5, 41; 19, 5 Eph. 2, 15

TWICE—Job 33, 14 Ps 62, 11. Jude 12.

TWINKLING—1 Cor 15, 52.

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UNACCUSTOMED—Jer 31, 18.

UNADVISEDLY—Ps 106, 33

UNAWARES—Gen 31, 20, stole away *u.* Num 35, 11, slayer may flee which killeth any person *u* Ps. 35, 8, let destruction come on him at *u.* Luke 21, 34, come upon you *u.* Gal. 2, 4, *u* brought in. Heb 13, 2, entertained angels *u.* Jude 4, crept in *u*

UNBELIEF—Matt. 13, 58, not many works because of *u.* Mark 6, 6, and he marvelled because of their *u.*; 9, 24, help mine *u*; 16, 14, upbraided their *u.* Rom 3, 3, shall their *u.* make faith of God; 4, 20, staggered

not through *u*, 11, 20, because of *u*, 23, abide not still in *u*, 30, through their *u*, 32, for God hath concluded them all in *u* 1 Tim 1, 13, did it in *u*. Heb 3, 12, lest be in any an evil heart of *u*, 19, they could not enter in because of *u*, 4, 11, lest any fall after the same example of *u*.

UNBELIEVERS—Luke 12, 46 1 Cor 6, 6, 14, 23. 2 Cor 6, 14

UNBELIEVING—Acts 14, 2 1 Cor 7, 14, 15 Titus 1, 15 Rev 21, 8

UNBLAMEABLE—Col 1, 22 1 Thess 3, 13

UNBLAMEABLY—1 Thess. 2, 10

UNCERTAIN—1 Cor 14, 8 1 Tim. 6, 17.

UNCERTAINLY—1 Cor 9 26

UNCHANGEABLE—Heb 7, 24

UNCIRCUMCISION—Rom 2, 25, is made *u* 26, *u* be counted, 27, shall not *u* judge, 3, 30, justify *u* 4, 10, not in circumcision, but in *u* 1 Cor 7, 18, called in *u*., 19, *u* is nothing Gal 2, 7, gospel of *u*, 5, 6, not *u*, but Eph 2, 11, called *u* Col 2, 13, *u* of your flesh, 3, 11, neither circumcision nor *u*, but Christ is all.

UNCLEAN—Isa 6, 5 Ezek. 22, 26 Acts 10, 28 Rom 14, 14 Eph 5, 5

UNCLEANNESS—Zech 13, 1, fountain opened for sin and *u* Matt 23, 27, full of all *u* Rom 6, 19, your members servants to *u* Eph 4, 19, all *u* with greediness, 5, 3, all *u*, let it not be once named 1 Thess 4, 7, God hath not called us to *u*

UNCLOTHED—2 Cor 5, 4

UNCORRUPTNESS—Titus 2, 7

UNCTION—1 John 2, 20

UNDEFILED—Heb 7, 26. Jam 1, 27 1 Pet 1, 4

UNDER—Matt 2, 16 Rom 3, 9 1 Cor 9, 27 Gal 3, 10

UNDERSTAND—Ps. 19, 12, who can *u* his errors, 107, 43, *u*. the lovingkindness Prov 2, 5, *u* the fear of the Lord, 8, 5, simple, *u* wisdom, 28, 5, that seek the Lord *u* all things Isa. 32, 4, rash shall *u* knowledge Dan 12, 10, none of the wicked shall *u*, wise shall *u* 1 Cor 13, 2, *u* all mysteries

UNDERSTANDEST—Job 15, 9 Ps 139, 2, Jer 5, 15 Acts 8, 30

UNDERSTANDETH—Job 28, 23, G *u* the way Ps 49, 20, man that *u* not is like Prov 8, 9, they are plain to him that *u* Jer 9, 24, let him glory in this, that he *u* me Matt. 13, 19, heareth word and *u* it not, 23, he that heareth the word and *u*. it Rom 5, 11, none that *u*, none that seeketh God 1 Cor 14, 2, no man *u*, 16, seeing he *u* not.

UNDERSTANDING—1 Ki 3, 11, asked for thyself *u*, 4, 29, gave Solomon wisdom and *u* 1 Chr 12, 32, men that had *u* of the times. Job 28, 12, and where is the place of *u*., 28, to depart from evil is *u* Ps 119, 99, more *u* than my teachers, 104, through thy precepts I get *u*, 130, giveth *u* to the simple, 147, 5, Lord, his *u*. is infinite Prov. 2, 2, apply thine heart to *u*; 11, *u* shall keep thee, 3, 5, lean not to thine own *u*, 13, happy is the man that getteth *u*, 4, 7, with all thy getting get *u*, 8, 1, doth not *u*, 8, 14, I am *u*, I have strength, 9, 6, go in the way of *u*, 10, knowledge of the holy *u*, 14, 29, slow of wrath, of great *u*, 16, 22, *u* is a wellspring of life, 19, 8, keepeth *u* shall find good, 21, 30, there is no *u* nor counsel against the Lord, 23, 23, instruction and *u*, 24, 3, buy *u* a house established, 30, 2, I have not *u* of man. Ecc. 9, 11, nor riches to men of *u* Isa. 11, 2, spirit of wisdom and *u*, 3, make him quick of *u*. in, 27, 11, it is a people of no *u*, 40, 28, is no searching of his *u* Jer 51, 15, stretch out heaven by his *u* Matt 15, 16, are ye also without *u* Mark 12, 33, love him with all *u* Luke 2, 47, astonished at his *u*., 24, 45, then opened he their *u* Rom. 1, 31, without *u* 1 Cor 1, 19, to nothing *u* of the prudent, 14, 15, I will pray with the *u*, 20, in malice children, in *u* men Eph 1, 18, eyes of *u*. being enlightened, 4, 18 having *u* darkened Phil 4, 7, peace of God that passeth all *u* Col 1, 9, filled with all spiritual *u*, 2, 2, riches of full assurance of *u*. 2 Tim 2, 7, give thee *u* in all 1 John, 5 20, given us an *u*

UNDERSTOOD—Deu 32, 29 Ps. 73, 17 Dan 9, 2 1 Cor 13, 11 2 Pet 3, 16.

UNDERTAKE—Isa 38, 14

UNDONE—Isa. 6, 5 Matt 23, 23

UNEQUAL—Ezra 18, 25

UNFEIGNED—2 Cor 6, 6 1 Tim. 1, 5 2 Tim 1, 5 1 Pet 1, 22

UNFRUITFUL—Matt 13, 12 Eph 5, 11 Titus 3, 14 2 Pet. 1, 8

UNGODLINESS—Rom 1, 18, 11, 26 2 Tim. 2, 16 Titus 2, 12

UNGODLY—2 Sam 22, 5 *u* men. 2 Chr 19, 2, shouldst help the *u* Job 16, 11, hath delivered me to *u*., 34, 18, to say to princes, ye *u* Ps 1, 1, walk not in counsel of *u*, 4, the *u* are not so 5, *u* not stand in judgment, 6, way of *u* shall perish, 3, 7, hath broken teeth of the *u*, 43, 1, plead my cause against *u*., 73, 12, these are *u* that prosper. Prov 16, 27, *u* man diggeth up evil, 19, 28, an *u*. witness scorneth judgment. Rom. 4, 5, him that justifieth the *u*; 5, 6, Christ died for the *u* 1 Tim 1, 9, law not for righteous but for the *u* 1 Pet 4, 18, where shall *u*. appear 2 Pet. 2, 5, flood on the world of *u*.; 6, to those that after should live *u*.

UNHOLY—Lev. 10, 10 1 Tim. 1, 9. 2 Tim. 3, 2 Heb 10, 29.

UNITE—Ps. 86, 11 Gen. 49, 6.

UNJUST—Ps 43, 1, deliver from *u*. Prov 11, 7, hope of *u* perisheth; 28, 8, by usury and *u* gain increase substance, 29, 27, *u* man is an abomination. Zeph 3, 5, *u* knoweth no shame. Matt. 5, 45, rain on just and *u*. Luke 16, 8, Lord commended the *u* steward; 10, *u*. in least *u* in much; 18, 6, hear what *u*. judge saith.

UNKNOWN—2 Cor 6, 9

UNLAWFUL—Acts 10, 28 2 Pet. 2, 8

UNLEARNED—Acts 4, 13 2 Tim. 2, 23 2 Pet. 3, 16.

UNLEAVENED—1 Cor 5, 7

UNMERCIFUL—Rom 1, 31

UNMOVEABLE—1 Cor 15, 58

UNPROFITABLE—Matt. 25, 30, cast the *u* servant into outer Luke 17, 10, we are *u* servants. Rom 3, 12, are together become *u* Titus 3, 9, they are *u* and vain Philem 11, in time past was to thee *u* but. Heb 13, 17, grief, that is *u* for you

UNPUNISHED—Prov 11, 21, 16, 5, 17, 5 Jer. 30, 11, 49, 12

UNQUENCHABLE—Matt 3, 12 Luke 3, 17

UNREASONABLE—Acts 25, 27 2 Thess. 3, 2

UNREBUKEABLE—1 Tim 6 14

UNREPROVEABLE—Col 1, 22

UNRIGHTEOUS—Isa. 10, 1, *u* decrees, 55, 7, and the *u*. man his thoughts. Luke 16, 11, not been faithful in the *u* mammon. Rom. 3, 5, God *u* that taketh vengeance 1 Cor 6, 9, *u* shall not inherit the kingdom. Heb 6, 10, not *u* to forget your work

UNRIGHTEOUSNESS—Lev 19, 15, ye shall do no *u* Ps. 92, 15, the Lord upright, no *u* in him. Jer 22, 13, buildeth his house by *u*. Luke 16, 9, friends of mammon of *u* John 7, 18, the same true, and no *u* in him Rom 1, 18, who hold truth in *u*, 2, 8, obey not truth, but obey *u*, 6, 13, your members instruments of *u*, 9, 14, is there *u* with God 2 Cor 6, 14, hath righteousness with *u* 2 Thess. 2, 10, with all deceivableness of *u*, 12, the truth, but had pleasure in *u*. Heb 8, 12, I will be merciful to their *u*. 2 Pet. 2, 15, loved the wages of *u* 1 John 1, 9, to cleanse us from all *u*, 5, 17, all *u* is sin

UNRULY—1 Thess 5, 14 Titus 1, 6, 10 Jam 3, 8

UNSAVOURY—Job 6, 6

UNSEARCHABLE—Job 5, 9 Ps 145, 3 Prov. 25, 3 Rom. 11, 33 Eph 3, 8

UNSEEMLY—Rom 1, 27 1 Cor 13, 5

UNSKILFUL—Heb 5, 13

UNSPEAKABLE—2 Cor 9, 15, 12, 4 1 Pet. 1, 8

UNSPOTTED—Jam. 1, 27

UNSTABLE—Gen 49, 4 Jam 1, 8 2 Pet 2, 14, 3, 16

UNTHANKFUL—Luke 6, 35 2 Tim 3, 2

UNTOWARD—Acts 2, 40

UNWISE—Deu 32, 6 Hos 13, 13 Rom 1, 14 Eph 5, 17

UNWORTHY—Acts 13, 46 1 Cor 6, 2

UNWORTHILY—1 Cor 11, 27, 29

UPBRAID-ETH—Matt 11, 20 Jam 1, 5

UPHOLD—Ps 51, 12, 119, 116 Isa 41, 10, 42, 1

UPHOLDETH-ING—Ps 37, 17, 41, 12, 63, 8, 145, 14 Heb 1, 3

UPRIGHT—Ps 11, 7, his countenance doth behold the *u*, 18, 25, with an *u* man thou wilt, 19, 13, then shall I be *u*, 25, 8, good and *u* is the Lord, 37, 37, behold the *u*, 64, 10, *u* in heart shall glory, 112, 4, unto the *u* ariseth light, 140, 13, *u* shall dwell in thy presence Prov 2, 21, *u* shall dwell in the land, 10, 29, way of the Lord strength to *u*, 11, 3, integrity of *u* shall guide them, 20, are *u* in their way are his delight, 13, 6, righteousness keepeth *u*, 15, 8, the prayer of the *u* is his delight, 28, 10, *u* shall have good things in possession. Ecc 7, 29, God hath made man *u*, but Cant 1, 4, the *u* love thee Hab 2, 4, his soul is not *u* in him

UPRIGHTLY—Ps. 15, 2. Isa. 33, 15 Amos 5, 10

UPRIGHTNESS—Deu. 9, 5, not for *u* of heart 1 Chr 29, 17, thou hast pleasure in *u* Job 33, 23, interpreter to shew man his *u* Ps 25, 21, let integrity and *u*. preserve, 143, 10, lead me into the land of *u* Isa 26, 7, the way of the just *u*., 10, in the land of *u* will he deal

USE—Jer 23, 31, *u* their tongues and say; 46, 11, in vain *u* medicines Ezek 12, 23, no more *u* as a proverb, 21, 21, king of Babylon stood to *u*. divination Matt 5, 44, which despitefully *u*. you; 6, 7, *u*. not vain repetitions. 1 Cor 7, 31, they that *u* this world 2 Cor 1, 17, did I *u* lightness, 3, 12, *u*. plainness of speech, 13, 10, I should *u* sharpness. Gal 5, 13, *u* not liberty for an occasion 1 Tim. 1, 8, *u*. it lawfully, 5, 23, *u* a little wine. 1 Pet. 4, 9, *u*. hospitality one to another

USED—2 Ki 17, 17, they *u*. enchantments. Ezek 22, 29, people have *u*. oppression. Hos. 12, 10, I have *u*. similitudes. Acts 8, 9, *u* sorcery, and bewitched, 19, 19, many which *u* curious arts. Rom. 3, 13, they have *u*. deceit 1 Cor. 9, 15, but I have *u*. none of these things. 1 Thess. 2, 5, neither at any time *u* flattering words. 1 Tim. 3, 13, *u*. office of deacon.

USETH—Deut 18, 10 Prov. 15, 2. Jer. 22, 13. Ezek. 16, 44. Heb. 5, 13,

USING—Col. 2, 22. 1 Pet. 2, 16.

USURP—1 Tim. 2, 12

USURY—Matt. 25, 27. Luke 19, 23

UTTER-ED-ETH—Ps. 19, 2, 106, 2. Rom. 8, 26. 2 Cor. 12, 4 Heb 5, 11.

UTTERANCE—Acts 2, 4 1 Cor. 1, 5. Eph. 6, 19. Col. 4, 3.

UTTERMOST—Ps. 2, 8, *u* parts of earth. Matt. 5, 26, till thou hast paid *u*. farthing, 12, 42, *u*. parts of earth to hear Mark 13, 27, elect from *u* part. 1 Thess 2, 16, wrath to *u*. Heb 7, 25, save to the *u*

V

VAIL—Isa. 25, 7 2 Cor 3, 13, 15.

VAIN—Deu 32, 47, it is not a *v* thing for you 1 Sam. 12, 21, turn not after *v* things Job 11, 12, *v* man would be wise. Ps. 39, 6, every man walks in *v* shew; 60, 11, *v* is the help of man, 119, 113, I hate *v* thoughts, 127, 2, *v*. for you to rise up early Jer 4, 14, how long shall *v* thoughts Mal. 3, 14, ye have said it is *v* to serve God Matt. 6, 7, use not *v* repetitions Rom 1, 21, *v* in their imaginations. 1 Cor. 3, 20, thoughts of the wise are *v* Eph 5, 6, deceive you with *v*. words Col 2, 8, spoil you through *v* deceit Jam 1, 26, this man's religion is *v*. 1 Pet. 1, 18, from your *v* conversation

IN **VAIN**—Ps 73, 13, I have cleansed my heart in *v*; 127, 1, labour in *v* waketh in *v* Isa. 45, 19, I said not, Seek ye me in *v*, 49, 4, laboured in *v* spent my strength in *v* Jer 3, 23, in *v* salvation hoped for from the hills. Matt 15, 9, but in *v* they do worship Rom 13, 4, he beareth not the sword in *v* 1 Cor 15, 58, labour is not in *v* in the Lord 2 Cor 6, 1, receive not grace of God in *v* Phil 2, 16, not run in *v* neither laboured in *v* Jam 4, 5, think ye Scripture saith in *v*.

VALIANT—Jer 9, 3 Heb 11, 34

VANITIES—Ps. 31, 6 Jer 10, 8 Jon 2, 8 Acts 14, 15

VANITY—Job 7, 3, made to possess months of *v*., 16, my days are *v* Ps 12, 2, they speak *v* every one with his neighbour, 24, 4, not lifted up his soul unto *v*, 39, 5, man at best estate altogether *v*, 11, surely every man *v*, 62, 9, men of low degree *v*, 119, 37, mine eyes from beholding *v*, 144, 4, man like to *v*, 8, whose mouth speaketh *v* Ecc 1, 2, *v* of vanities, all is *v*, 11, 10, childhood and youth are *v* Isa 5, 18, iniquity with cords of *v*, 40, 17, nations less than nothing and *v*, 41, 29, they are all *v* Hab 2, 13, weary themselves for very *v* Rom 8, 20, creature was made subject to *v* Eph 4, 17, walk in *v* of their mind 2 Pet. 2, 18, speak swelling words of *v*

VARIABLENESS—Jam 1, 17

VARIANCE—Matt 10, 35 Gal 5, 20

VEIL—Matt 27, 51 Heb 6, 19, 10, 20

VENGEANCE—Deu 32, 35, to me belongeth *v* Ps 58, 10, rejoice when he seeth the *v*, 99, 8, *v* of their inventions Isa 34, 8, day of Lord's *v* Jer 11, 20, let me see thy *v* Luke 21, 22, these be days of *v* 2 Thess 1, 8, in flaming fire taking *v* Jude 7, suffering *v* of eternal fire

VERITY—Ps 111, 7 1 Tim 2, 7

VESSEL—Jer 22, 28, *v* wherein is no pleasure, 48, 11, been emptied from *v* to *v* Acts 9, 15, a chosen *v*. to me Rom 9, 21, make one *v* to honour 2 Tim 2, 21, be a *v* unto honour 1 Pet 3, 7, honour unto the wife as the weaker *v*

VESSELS—Rom 9, 22, 23 2 Cor 4, 7

VESTURE—Deu 22, 12, make fringes upon thy *v* Ps 22, 18, cast lots upon my *v*, 102, 26, as a *v* shalt change them Matt 27, 35, upon my *v* cast lots John 19, 24 Heb 1, 12, as a *v* shalt thou fold them Rev 19, 13, a *v* dipped in blood, 16, on his *v* and on his thigh

VEXED—Isa 63, 10 2 Pet. 2, 7.

VIALS—Rev 5, 8, 16, 1

VICTORY—Ps 98, 1, holy arm hath gotten him *v* Isa 25, 8, will swallow up death in *v*, 1 Cor 15, 55, grave, where is thy *v*, 57, thanks to God which giveth us *v* 1 John 5, 4, the *v* that overcometh

VIGILANT—1 Tim 3, 2 1 Pet 5, 8

VILE—Job 40, 4 Ps 15, 4 Jer 15, 19 Phil 3, 21

VINE—Deu 32, 32, their *v* is the *v* of Sodom. Ps. 128, 3, wife shall be as fruitful *v* Jer 2, 21, I had planted thee a noble *v*. Hos 10, 1, Israel an empty *v*, 14, 7, revive as the corn, grow as the *v* Matt 26, 29, not drink fruit of the *v* John 15, 5, I am the *v*, ye

VINEYARD-S—Gen 9, 20, Noah planted a *v* Ps 80, 15, the *v*. thy hand planted. Prov. 24, 30, *v*. of man void of understanding Ecc. 2, 4, I planted me *v* Cant. 1, 6, mine own *v*. have I not kept. Isa. 5, 1, touching his *v*., 3, judge betwixt me and my *v*, 7, the *v* of Lord is house of Israel, 27, 2, a *v*. of red wine, 65, 21, they shall plant *v* Jer. 12, 10, many pastors destroyed my *v* Hos. 2, 15, give her *v* from thence. Amos 5, 11, ye have planted *v* Matt 21, 28, work to day in my *v* Luke 13, 6, a fig tree planted in his *v* 1 Cor. 9, 7, who planteth a *v*.

VIOLENCE—Gen. 6, 11, earth was filled with *v*. Ps. 72, 14, redeem their soul from *v*.; 73, 6, *v*. covereth them as a garment. Matt. 11, 12, kingdom of heaven suffereth *v*. Luke 3, 14, do *v*. to no man. Heb. 11, 34, faith quenched the *v*. of fire.

VIRGIN—Gen. 24, 16. Lev. 21, 3. Isa. 7, 14. 2 Cor. 11, 2. Rev. 14, 4

VIRTUE—Phil 4, 8. 2 Pet. 1, 3, 5.

VISAGE—Isa. 52, 14. Lam. 4, 8.

VISIBLE—Col 1, 16

VISION—Prov. 29, 18. Rev. 9, 17.

VISIONS—Ezek 13, 16. Hos. 12, 10. Joel 2, 28. 2 Cor. 12, 1

VISIT—Job 7, 18, shouldest *v*. him every morning Ps. 106, 4, *v* me with thy salvation. Jer. 5, 9, shall I not *v*. for these things. Lam. 4, 22, *v*. iniquity. Acts 15, 14, declared how God did *v*. the Gentiles. Jam. 1, 27, to *v*. the fatherless

VISITED—Ex 3, 16, I have *v*. you, and seen. Ps. 17, 3, thou hast *v* me Isa 26, 16, in trouble have they *v* thee. Matt. 25, 36, sick, and ye *v* me Luke 1, 68, *v* and redeemed his people, 78, dayspring from on high hath *v*.

VISITATION—Job 10, 12, thy *v*. hath preserved my spirit. Isa 10, 3, what will ye do in the day of *v* Jer. 8, 12, in the time of their *v*.; 10, 15, in time of *v* shall perish; 23, 12, the year of their *v*., 46, 21, time of their *v* was come. Hos. 9, 7, days of *v*. are come Mic 7, 4, day of thy *v*. cometh. Luke 19, 44, the time of thy *v*.

VOCATION—Eph 4, 1

VOICE—Gen 4, 10, *v* of thy brother's blood Ps 5, 3, my *v* shalt thou hear, 42, 4, house of God with *v* of joy, 95, 7, to day if ye will hear his *v*; 103, 20, hearkening unto *v* of his word. Ecc 12, 4, rise up at the *v* of the bird. Isa. 30, 19, gracious at the *v* of thy cry, 50, 10, obeyeth the *v* of his servant. Ezek 33, 32, one that hath a pleasant *v* John 5, 25, shall hear *v* of the Son, 10, 3, sheep heareth his *v* 1 Thess 4, 16, descend with *v* of arch-angel. Rev. 3, 20, if any hear my *v*

VOID—Ps 89, 39, made *v* covenant of thy servant, 119, 126, they have made *v*. thy law Isa. 55, 11, word shall not return unto me *v*. Acts 24, 16, a conscience *v* of offence Rom 3, 31, do we then make *v* the law. 1 Cor 9, 15, than any should make my glorying *v*.

VOLUME—Ps 40, 7 Heb 10, 7

VOMIT—Isa. 19, 14 2 Pet 2, 22

VOW—Ps 65, 1, 76, 11 Ecc. 5, 4 Isa. 19, 21 Jon 2, 9

VOWS—Job 22, 27, thou shalt pay thy *v* Ps. 22, 25, I will pay my *v*; 50, 14, pay thy *v* unto the most High, 56, 12, thy *v* are upon me, O God, 61, 5, hast heard my *v*, 8, I may daily perform my *v* Prov 31, 2, the son of my *v* Jon 1, 16, offered sacrifice and made *v*

W

WAGES—Jer 22, 13. Hagg 1, 6 Mal 3, 5 Luke 3, 14 Rom 6, 23

WAILING—Jer 9, 18, 19 Ezek. 1, 11 Amos 5, 16 Matt 13, 42

WAIT—Job 14, 14, *w* till my change come Ps 25, 5, on thee do I *w* all day; 27, 14, *w* on Lord, *w* I say, on the Lord, 37, 34, *w* on the Lord and keep, 62, 5, *w* thou only upon God, 104, 27, these all *w* upon thee, that thou, 130, 5, I *w* for the Lord, my soul doth *w*, 145, 15, eyes of all *w*. upon thee Prov 20, 22, *w* on the Lord Isa. 8, 17, I will *w* upon the Lord, 30, 18, Lord *w* to be gracious, blessed are all they that *w* for him, 40, 31, *w* upon the Lord shall renew Lam 3, 25, Lord is good to them that *w*, 3, 26, quietly *w* for salvation of the L Hos 12, 6, *w* on thy God continually Mic. 7, 7, will *w* for the God of my salvation Hab 2, 3, *w* for it, it will surely come Luke 12, 36, like men that *w* for their Lord Gal 5, 5, through the Spirit *w* for 1 Thess 1, 10 *w* for his Son from heaven

WAITED—Gen 49, 18, *w* for thy salvation Ps 40, 1, *w* patiently for the Lord Isa. 25, 9, our God, we have *w* for; 26, 8, in way of thy judgments we *w*, 33, 2, gracious to us, we have *w* Zech 11, 11, poor of flock that *w* upon thee Mark 15, 43, *w*. for the kingdom 1 Pet. 3, 20, long-suffering of God *w*

WAITETH—Ps 33, 20, 65, 1, 130, 6 Isa 64, 4

WAITING—Prov 8, 34 Luke 2, 25. Rom 8, 23. 1 Cor 1, 7 2 Thess. 3, 5

WAKE-ETH—Ps 127, 1. 1 Thess. 5, 10

WALK—Gen 17, 1, *w* before me, and be perfect, 24, 40, the Lord before whom I *w* Lev 26, 12, I will *w* among you. Deu 5, 33, *w* in the ways of the Lord, 13, 4, ye shall *w* after the Lord your God Ps. 23, 4, though I *w*. through the valley; 84, 11, from them that *w*. uprightly, 116, 9, I will *w*. before the Lord; 119, 3, they *w* in his ways. Isa 2, 3, we will *w*. in his paths, 5, *w*. in the light of the Lord; 40, 31, shall *w* and not faint. Dan. 4, 37, that *w*. in pride he is able. Hos 14, 9, just shall *w* in them Mic 6, 8, *w*. humbly with thy God. Amos 3, 3, can two *w* together except. Luke 13, 33, I must *w*, to-day. John 8, 12, shall not *w* in darkness; 11, 9, *w* in day, he stumbleth not. Rom. 4, 12, *w*. in the steps of that faith, 6, 4, we shall *w* in newness of life; 8, 1, *w*. not after the flesh 2 Cor. 5, 7, *w*. by faith, not by sight. Gal. 6, 16, as many as *w*. according. Eph. 2, 10, good works, that we should *w*.; 4, 1, *w*, worthy of the vocation; 5, 15, *w* circumspectly. Phil. 3, 17, mark them which *w*. so.

Col." 1, 10, might *w.* worthy of the L. 1 Thess 2, 12, would *w.* worthy of God, 4, 1, how ye ought to *w.* 1 John 1 7, if we *w* in the light, 2, 6, ought himself so to *w.* as he *w* 3 John 4, that my children *w* in truth Rev 3, 4, shall *w.* with me in white, 21, 24, nations of saved shall *w.* in the light.

WALKED—Gen. 5, 22, Enoch *w.* with God; 6, 9, Noah *w.* with God. Ps. 55, 14, we *w* unto the house of God; 81, 12, they *w* in their own counsels; 13, that Israel had *w* in my ways. Isa. 9, 2, people that *w.* in darkness. 2 Cor. 10, 2, as if we *w* according to; 12, 18, *w* we not in the same spirit Eph. 2, 2, in time past ye *w* 1 Pet 4, 3, *w* in lasciviousness.

WALKEST—Isa. 43, 2. Rom. 14, 15

WALKETH—Ps 15, 2, he that *w.* uprightly; 39, 6, every man *w* in a vain shew Prov 10, 9, that *w* uprightly, *w* surely, 13, 20, *w* with wise men shall be wise. Isa. 50, 10, *w* in darkness. Jer 10, 23, not in man that *w.* to direct. 2 Thess. 3, 6, brother that *w* disorderly 1 Pet. 5, 8, devil *w* about, seeking Rev. 2, 1, *w.* in the midst of the seven

WALKING—Gen. 3, 8, voice of the Lord *w* Isa. 57, 2, *w* in his uprightness Mic. 2, 11, if a man *w* in the spirit. 2 Cor 4, 2, not *w* in craftiness. 2 Pet. 3, 3, scoffers *w* after lusts 2 John 4, found thy children *w* in truth

WALL-S—Ps 51, 18 Isa. 26, 1, 60, 18 Eph 2, 14

WANDER-ED—Isa. 47, 15. Jer. 14, 10 Lam 4, 14

WANDERINGS—Ps 56, 8 Ecc 6, 9

WANT-ING—Ps 23, 1; 34, 9 Prov 6, 11 Jam 1, 4

WAR—Ps. 18, 34, teacheth my hands to *w*, 120, 7, for peace, they are for *w* Prov 20, 18, with good advice make *w* Ecc 8, 8, no discharge in that *w.* Isa. 2, 4, not learn *w* any more Mic 4, 5, prepare war against him 2 Cor 10, 3, do not *w* after the flesh 1 Tim 1, 18, a good warfare 2 Tim 2, 4, no man that *w* entangleth. 1 Pet 2, 11, fleshly lusts which *w* Rev 12, 7, *w* in heaven, 17, 14, make *w* with the Lamb, 19, 11, in righteousness he doth make *w*

WARS—Num 21, 14 Ps 46, 9 Matt. 24, 6 Jam 4, 1

WARFARE - Isa 40, 2 1 Cor 9, 7 2 Cor 10, 4 1 Tim 1, 18

WARN-ING—Ezek 3, 18, 33, 3 Acts 20, 31 1 Cor 4, 14 1 Thess 5, 14

WARNED—Ps 19, 11 Col 1, 28 Matt. 3, 7 Heb 11 7

WASH—Ps 26, 6, *w* my hands in innocency, 51, 2, *w* me throughly from mine iniquity, 7, *w* me, and I shall be whiter Isa. 1, 16, *w* you, make you clean Jer 2, 22, thou *w* thee with nitre Luke 7, 38, *w* the feet with tears John 13, 5, to *w* the disciples' feet, 8, if I *w* thee not, thou Acts 22, 16, *w* away thy sins.

WASHED—Ezek 16, 4, neither wast *w* in water 1 Cor 6, 11, ye are *w*, sanctified Heb 10, 22, bodies *w* with pure water Rev 1, 5, *w* us from our sins, 7, 14, *w* their robes, and made

WASHING—Eph 5, 26 Titus 3, 5

WASTE-ED—1 Ki 17, 14, barrel shall not *w* Ps 80, 13, boar doth *w* it 137, 3, they that *w* us Isa. 6, 11, until cities be *w*, 60, 12, nations shall be utterly *w* Joel, 1, 10, field is *w*, corn is *w* Luke 15, 13, *w* his substance Gal. 1, 13, *w* it.

WASTER—Isa. 54, 16

WASTES—Isa. 61, 4 Jer 49, 13 Ezek. 33, 24, 36, 4, 10.

WASTETH—Job 14, 10 Ps 91, 6

WASTING—Isa 59, *w* and destruction, 60, 18, *w* nor destruction

WATCH—Job 14, 16, dost thou not *w* over my sin. Ps 102, 7, *w*, and am as a sparrow, 130, 6, that *w* for the morning, 141, 3, set a *w* before my mouth. Jer 44, 27, I will *w* over them Matt. 24, 42, *w* for ye know not; 26, 41, *w.* and pray Mark 13, 33, take heed, *w* and pray 1 Cor 16, 13, *w* ye, stand fast. Col 4, 2, *w* in same with thanksgiving 1 Thess 5, 6, *w*, and be sober 2 Tim 4, 5, *w* thou in all things Heb 13, 17, they *w.* for your souls. 1 Pet 4, 7, *w* unto prayer. Rev 3, 3, not *w*, I will come as a thief

WATCHED—Jer 20, 10, 31, 28 Matt 24, 43, 27, 36 Mark 3, 2.

WATCHER—Jer. 4, 16. Dan 4, 13

WATCHING—Prov 8, 34 Matt. 27, 54. Luke 12, 37 2 Cor. 6, 5, 11, 27. Eph 6, 18.

WATCHMAN—Ps. 127, 1 Isa. 21, 6, 11. Ezek 3, 17 Hos 9 8

WATCHMEN—Isa. 52, 8, 56, 10; 62, 6 Jer. 6, 17, 31, 6.

WATER—2 Sam 14, 14, as *w* spilt on the ground. Job 15, 16, drinketh iniquity like *w* Ps. 22, 14, I am poured out like *w* Isa 12, 3, *w* out of the wells of salvation, 27, 3, I will *w.* it every moment, 44, 3, I will pour *w* on the thirsty, 58, 11, be like a spring of *w* Ezek. 36, 25, sprinkle clean *w* upon you. Matt 3, 11, baptize you with *w*; 10, 42, cup of cold *w* in the name. Luke 16, 24, tip of his finger in *w.* John 3, 5, except a man be born of *w*; 23 because there was much *w.*; 4, 14, be in him a well of *w.*; 7, 38, shall flow rivers of living *w.*; 19, 34, came out blood and *w.* Acts 8, 38, went down into the *w.*; 10, 47, can any forbid *w.* Eph. 5, 26, with the washing of *w.* 1 John 5, 6, came by *w.* and blood, 8, spirit, *w*, and blood. Jude 12, clouds without *w*, carried about. Rev 21, 6, fountain of the *w.* of life, 22, 17, take the *w.* of life freely.

WATERS—Ps. 23, 2, he leadeth me beside the still *w.*; 69, 1, *w* are come in unto my soul; 124, 4, *w* had overwhelmed us. Prov. 5, 15, *w.* out of thine own cistern; 9, 17, stolen *w.* are sweet. Ecc. 11, 1, cast thy bread upon the *w.* Cant. 4, 15, a well of living *w* and streams. Isa. 32, 20, ye that sow beside all *w*, 33, 16, bread given him, his *w.* sure, 35, 6, in the wilderness *w.* break out, 54, 9, as the *w.* of Noah unto me, 55, 1, come ye to the *w.*, buy and eat. Jer 2, 13, fountain of living *w*, 9, 1, Oh that my head were *w* Hab 2, 14, as the *w* cover the sea. Rev. 7, 17, living fountains of *w.*

WATER BROOKS—Ps. 42, 1.

WATER COURSES—Job 38, 25 Isa. 44, 4.

WATERED—Gen. 2, 6, 13, 10 Isa 58, 11. Jer. 31, 12 1 Cor 3, 6

WATER FLOOD—Ps 69, 15

WATER POT-S—John 2, 6, 7, 4, 28

WATER SPOUTS—Ps. 42, 7.

WAVERETH—Jam 1, 6

WAVERING—Heb 10, 23 Jam 1, 6

WAVES—2 Sam 22, 5, when *w* of death compassed me. Ps. 42, 7, all thy *w* are gone over me, 65, 7, stilleth noise of their *w*, 88, 7, afflicted me with all thy *w*, 93, 3, floods lift up *w*; 107, 25, stormy wind lifteth up the *w* Isa 48, 18, thy righteousness as *w* of the sea. Zech 10, 11, shall smite *w*

WAY—Ezra 8, 21, seek of him a right *w* Ps 2, 12, lest ye perish from the *w*; 49, 13, this their *w* is their folly, 67, 2, *w* may be known upon earth Prov. 14, 12, is a *w* seemeth right; 15, 9, *w* of the wicked is abomination Isa. 30, 21, this is the *w*, walk ye in it, 35, 8, the *w* of holiness, 40, 3, prepare *w* of the L; 43, 19, a *w.* in the wilderness, 59, 8, *w* of peace they know not Jer 6, 16, the good *w* and walk, 10, 23, *w* of man not in himself, 21, 8, before you *w* of life, 32, 39, give them one heart, one *w*, 50, 5, they shall ask the *w* to Zion Amos 2, 7, turn aside the *w* of the meek. Mal 3, 1, he shall prepare the *w.* Matt. 7, 13, broad the *w* to destruction, 22, 16, teachest *w* of God in truth John 1, 23, make straight the *w* of the L., 14, 4, the *w* ye know, 6, I am the *w* Acts 16, 17, shew us the *w* of salvation, 18, 25, instructed in *w* of the L. 1 Cor 10, 13, with temptation make a *w.*, 12, 31, a more excellent *w* 2 Pet 2, 2, *w* of truth be evil spoken of

HIS WAY—1 Ki 8, 32, his *w* upon his head Job 17, 9, righteous shall hold on his *w* Ps 18, 30, God, his *w* is perfect, 37, 23, Lord delighteth in his *w.*, 34, wait on the Lord, keep his *w.*, 119, 9, wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his *w* Prov 16, 9, man's heart deviseth his *w* Isa. 55, 7, let wicked forsake his *w*

THE WAY—Ps 25, 8, teach sinners in the *w*, 139, 24, lead me in the *w* everlasting Isa 26, 8, in the *w* of thy judgments Matt 5, 25, adversary whiles in the *w*, 21, 32, in the *w* of righteousness. Luke 1, 79, our feet into the *w* of peace.

WAYS—Ps 84, 5, in whose heart are the *w* Prov 3, 17, *w* are *w* of pleasantness, 5, 21, *w* of man before the eyes; 16, 2, *w.* of man clean in his own eyes, 7, when a man's *w* please the L. Jer 7, 3, amend your *w* and Zech 1, 6, according to our *w.* Luke 1, 76, to prepare his *w*, 3, 5, rough *w* be made smooth Acts 2, 28, made known *w* of life, 13, 10, right *w* of the L Rom 3, 16, misery in their *w*, 11, 33, his *w* past finding 1 Cor 4, 17, remembrance of my *w* Jam 1, 8, unstable in all his *w* 2 Pet. 2, 2, follow their pernicious *w* Rev 15, 3, true are thy *w*

WAYFARING—2 Sam. 12, 4 Isa. 33, 8, 35, 8 Jer 9, 2

WEAK—Isa 35, 3, strengthen the *w* hands Ezek 16, 30, how *w* is thine heart. Matt 26, 41, spirit willing, the flesh *w.* Rom 4, 19, and being not *w* in faith, 14, 1, *w* in faith, receive ye. 1 Cor 9, 22, to the *w* became I as *w*, 11, 30, this cause many are *w* 2 Cor 11, 29, who is *w*, and I am not *w*, 12, 10, when I am *w*, then am I strong 1 Thess 5, 14, support the *w*, be patient.

WEAKNESS—1 Cor 2, 3, 15, 43. 2 Cor. 13, 4 Heb 7, 18; 11, 34.

WEALTH—Ps. 49, 6, 10 Prov. 13, 22; 19, 4 1 Cor 10, 24

WEANED—Ps 131, 2 Isa 11, 8

WEAPON—Isa 13, 5, 54, 17 2 Cor. 10, 4

WEAR—Dan 7, 25 Matt 11, 8. Jam. 2, 3 1 Pet. 3, 3

WEARIED—Isa. 43, 23, nor *w* thee with incense; 24, thou hast *w* me, 47, 13, thou art *w* in the multitude Jer 12, 5, if footmen have *w* thee Mic 6, 3, wherein have I *w* thee? Mal. 2, 17, ye have *w* the Lord John 4, 6, Jesus, being *w*, sat on the well. Heb 12, 3, lest ye be *w.* in your minds.

WEARINESS—Ecc. 12, 12. Mal. 1, 13. 2 Cor. 11, 27.

WEARISOME—Job 7, 3.

WEARY—Job. 3, 17, there the *w.* be at rest; 10, 1, my soul is *w.* of my life. Prov. 3, 11, neither be *w.* of his correction. Isa. 7, 13, *w.* men will ye *w.* my God; 40, 28, Lord fainteth not, neither is *w.*; 31, shall run, and not be *w.*, 43, 22, hast been *w.* of me, O Israel; 50, 4, speak a word in season to the *w* Jer 9, 5, *w.* themselves to commit iniquity; 15, 6, *w* with repenting; 31, 25, satiated the *w* soul. Gal. 6, 9, not be *w* in well-doing 2 Thess. 3, 13.

WEB—Job 8, 14 Isa. 59, 5, 6

WEDDING—Matt 22, 3, 8, 11. Luke 14, 8

WEEK—Dan 9, 27 Luke 18, 12. Acts 20, 7. 1 Cor 16, 2

WEEP—Luke 6, 21, blessed are ye that *w*, 23, 28, *w.* not for me, but *w.* for Acts 21, 13, what mean ye to *w* Rom. 12, 15, *w* with them that *w* 1 Cor 7, 30, *w* as though they *w.* not. Jam. 5. 1, ye rich men, *w.* and howl.

WEEPING—Ps 30, 5, *w* may endure for a night Isa 22, 12, to *w* and to mourning Jer 31, 9, shall come with *w* Joel 2, 12, turn to me with fasting and *w.* Mal 2 13, covering altar of Lord with *w* Matt 8, 12, *w* and gnashing of teeth

WEIGHT—2 Cor 4, 17 Heb 12, 1

WELL—Ps 119, 65, 128, 2 Ecc 8, 12 Isa 3, 10 1 Pet. 2, 20

WELL-ADVISED—Prov 13, 10

WELL-BELOVED—Isa. 5, 1

WELL-DOING—Rom 2, 7. Gal 6, 9 2 Thess. 3, 13. 1 Pet 2, 15, 3, 17

WELL-PLEASING—Col 3, 20 Heb 13, 21

WEPT—Matt. 26, 75 Luke 19, 41 John 11, 35 1 Cor 7, 30

WHEAT—Jer 12, 13, sown *w*, but shall reap thorns Amos 8, 5, Sabbath gone that we may sell *w.* Matt 3, 12, gather his *w* into the garner Luke 22, 31, may sift you as *w* John 12, 24, except a corn of *w* 1 Cor 15, 37 thou sowest, it may chance of *w*

WHILE—Job 24, 24 Isa. 10, 25 John 12, 35, 16, 16 Heb 10, 37

WHIT—John 7, 23, 13, 10 2 Cor 11, 5

WHITE—Ps 68, 14, *w* as snow Ecc 9, 8, let thy garments be always *w.* Cant 5, 10, my beloved is *w* and ruddy Isa. 1, 18, shs as scarlet, *w* as snow Matt. 17, 2, raiment *w* as light Rev 2, 17, give him a *w* stone, 4, 4, clothed in *w* raiment

WHOLE—Job 5, 18, and his hands made *w* Matt 9, 12, *w* need not a physician Mark 5, 34, faith hath made thee *w* John 5, 4, *w* of whatsoever disease, 6, wilt thou be made *w.*; 14, thou art made *w*, sin no more Acts 9, 34, Jesus Christ maketh thee *w*

WHOLLY—1 Chr 28, 21, Jer 46, 28 Acts 17, 16 1 Thess 5, 23 1 Tim 4, 15

WICKED—Gen 18, 25, slay the righteous with *w* 1 Sam 2, 9, *w* shall be silent. Job 21, 30, *w* reserved to the day Ps 7, 11, angry with the *w* every day, 9, 17, *w* shall be turned into hell, 11, 6, upon the *w* he shall rain snares, 119, 155, salvation far from the *w*, 145, 20, all the *w* will he destroy Prov 28, 1, *w* flee when no man pursueth Ecc. 7, 17, be not over much *w* Isa. 55, 7, let the *w* forsake his way, 57, 20, *w* like the troubled sea. Jer 17, 9, heart deceitful, and desperately *w* Dan 12, 10, *w* shall do wickedly Matt. 18, 32, thou *w* servant Acts 2, 23, by *w* hands crucified and slain 1 Cor 5, 13, put away that *w* person Col. 1, 21, were sometime enemies by *w* works 2 Thess 2, 8, then shall that *W* be revealed.

WICKEDLY—Gen 19, 7. Neh 9, 33 Job 13, 7

WICKEDNESS—Gen 6, 5, God saw the *w* of man, 39, 9, how can I do this great *w* Isa. 9, 18, *w.* burneth as the fire Jer. 2, 19, thine own *w* shall correct thee, 4, 14, wash thine heart from *w* Hos. 10, 13, plowed *w*, ye have reaped. 1 John 5, 19, whole world lieth in *w*

WIDE—Deu 15, 8, 11 Ps 35, 21, 81, 10 Prov 13, 3 Matt. 7, 13

WIDOW—Luke 18, 3, 5. 1 Tim 5, 5

WIFE—Prov 5, 18, rejoice with the *w* of thy youth, 18, 22, findeth a *w* finds a good, 19, 14, prudent *w* from the Lord Ecc 9, 9, joyfully with the *w* thou lovest. Mal 2, 15, none deal treacherously against *w* of youth Eph. 5, 31, leave father and mother, and be joined unto wife, 33, every one of you love his *w* as himself Rev 21, 9, the bride, the Lamb's *w*

WILDERNESS—Isa. 35, 1, 6, 41, 18, 19, 42, 11, 43, 19, 20 Luke 15, 4

WILL—Matt. 7, 21, doeth *w* of my Father John 1, 13, not of the *w* of flesh, nor of *w* of man, 4, 34, my meat is to do the *w* of him, 6, 40, *w* of him that sent me, 7, 17 if any man do his *w* Acts 21, 14, *w* of the Lord be done Rom. 12, 2, perfect will of God Eph 6, 6, doing the *w* of God 1 Thess. 4, 3, this is the *w* of God Heb 10, 7, to do thy *w* O God, 10, by which *w* we are sanctified 1 Pet. 4, 19, suffer according to *w* of God. 1 John 2, 17, doeth *w* of God abideth Rev 17, 17, to fulfil his *w*

WILL—Matt. 26, 39, not as I *w*, but as thou John 15, 7, ask what ye *w*, 17, 24, I *w* that they whom thou hast given Rom 7, 18, to *w* is present; 9, 18, mercy on whom he *w* Phil. 2, 13, worketh in you to *w* Rev 22, 17, whosoever *w*, let him take.

WILLING—Ex 35, 22, as many as were *w* hearted. Ps. 110, 3, thy people shall be *w* Matt. 26, 41, spirit *w*, but flesh weak. John 5, 35, *w.* for a season to rejoice. 2 Cor 5, 8, *w* rather to be absent. Heb. 13, 18, *w* to live honestly. 2 Pet. 3, 9, not *w* that any should perish.

WILLINGLY—Judg. 5, 2. 1 Chr 29, 6. Lam. 3, 33. John 6, 21. Rom. 8, 20.

WILLOWS—Job 40, 22 Isa. 15, 7, 44, 4.

WIN-NETH—Prov 11, 30 Phil. 3, 8

WIND—Prov 11, 29, shall inherit the *w*; 30, 4, gathered *w* in his fists. Ecc. 11, 4, observeth the *w.* shall not sow Isa. 27, 8, stayeth his rough *w* in day. Jer 10, 13, bringeth the *w.* out of his treasures. Hos 8, 7, they have sown the *w* John 3, 8, *w* bloweth where it listeth. Eph. 4, 14, every *w* of doctrine.

WINDOW-S—Gen 7, 11, *w* of heaven were opened Josh 2, 15, let them down by a cord through the *w* 2 Kings 7, 2, if the Lord make *w* in heaven Isa. 24, 18, *w.* from on high are open, 54, 12, I will make thy *w* of agates, 60, 8, as doves to their *w.* Mal 3, 10, will not open *w* of heaven 2 Cor. 11, 33, through a *w* was I let down

WINE—Prov. 20, 1, *w* is a mocker, 23, 30, they that tarry long at the *w*, 31, look not thou upon *w* when it is red; 31, 6, give *w* to those of heavy hearts Isa. 28, 7, they have erred through *w*, 55, 1, come, buy *w* and milk. Hos. 4, 11, *w* and new *w* take away the heart. Eph 5, 18, be not drunk with *w.* 1 Tim 3, 3, not given to *w*, 5, 23, use a little *w* for stomach s sake Rev 14, 10, drink *w* of the wrath

WINE-BIBBER-S—Prov. 23, 20 Matt. 11, 19 Luke 7, 34

WINGS—Ps 17, 8, 18, 10. Prov. 23, 5 Isa. 6, 2 Mal 4 2

WINK-ED-ETH—Job 15, 12 Ps. 35, 19. Prov 6, 13 Acts 17, 30

WINTER—Gen 8, 22 Ps. 74, 17 Cant. 2, 11 Matt. 24, 20 John 10, 22

WIPE—Isa. 25, 8 Rev 7, 17, 21, 4

WISDOM—Ex 28, 3, filled with spirit of *w* Deu. 4, 6, your *w* and understanding 2 Sam 14, 20, according to *w* of an angel 1 Ki 2, 6, do according to thy *w*; 3, 28, they saw the *w* of God was in him, 4, 29, God gave Solomon *w*, 30, Solomon s *w* excelled *w* of Egypt, 34, to hear the *w* of Solomon Job 4, 21, they die without *w*, 12, 2, *w* die with you, 28, 28, fear of L., that is *w*, 32, 7, years should teach *w* Ps 51, 6, make me to know *w*, 90, 12, may apply our hearts unto *w*, 104, 24, in *w* made them all, 136, 5, to him that by *w.* made the heavens Prov 2, 2, incline ear to *w*, 3, 13, happy the man that findeth *w*; 4, 5, get *w*, 7, 11, taught in the way of *w.*, 5, 1, attend unto my *w.*, 7, 4, say to *w*, Thou art, 8, 5, O ye simple, understand *w*, 12, I *w* dwell with prudence, 9, 1, *w* hath builded her house; 10, 13, in lips of understanding *w* is found, 21, die for want of *w*, 11, 2, with lowly is *w*, 12, 8, a man commended according to his *w*, 13, 10, with the well advised is *w*, 14, 8, *w* of prudent is to understand, 16, 16, much better to get *w* than gold, 17, 16, price in hand of a fool to get *w*, 18, 1, intermeddleth with all *w*, 23, 4, cease from thine own *w* Ecc. 1, 13, to search by *w*, 18, in much *w* is grief, 7, 11, *w* is good with an inheritance, 12, *w* is a defence, 23, I proved by *w*, 9, 10, nor *w* in the grave, 15, poor man by his *w*, 16, *w* is better than strength, 18, *w* better than weapons of war, 10, 1, him that is in reputation for *w.*; 10, *w* profitable to direct Isa. 11, 2, spirit of *w* and understanding, 47, 10, thy *w.* hath perverted thee Jer 10, 12, he established the world by his *w*; 49, 7, is *w* no more in Teman? Dan. 2, 30, not for any *w* Mic. 6, 9, the man of *w* shall see thy name. Matt. 11, 19, *w* is justified of her children; 12, 42, to hear *w* of Solomon Luke 1, 17, to *w* of the just; 2, 52, Jesus increased in *w*, 11, 49, therefore said the *w* of God; 21, 15, for I will give you a mouth and *w* Acts 6, 10, not able to resist *w*; 7, 10, gave him favour and *w* Rom 11, 33, O depth of the riches of *w* of God 1 Cor. 1, 17, not with *w* of words, 20, *w.* of this world, 21, world by *w* knew not, 22, Greeks seek *w*, 24, Christ the *w* of God, 30, made unto us *w.*, 2, 4, words of man's *w*, 6, we speak *w* among them, 13, not in words which man s *w* teacheth, 3, 19, *w* of this world is foolishness. 2 Cor 1, 12, not with fleshly *w*, but by the grace. Eph 1, 8, abounded toward us in all *w*, 3, 10, manifold *w* of God Col 2, 3, are hid treasures of *w*, 23, which have a shew of *w* Jam 1, 5, if any lack *w*, 3, 13, with meekness of *w*, 15, this *w* descendeth not; 17, *w* from above is first pure Rev. 13, 18, here is *w*

WISE—Deu. 4, 6, this great nation a *w* people, 32, 29, O they that were *w* Job 5, 13, the *w* in their own craftiness, 11, 12, vain man would be *w*, 32, 9, great men not always *w* Ps 2, 10, be *w*, O kings, 19, 7, making *w* the simple, 107, 43, whoso is *w*, and will. Prov 3, 7, be not *w* in thine own eyes, 35, *w* shall inherit glory, 9, 12, if thou be *w*, be *w* for thyself, 13, 20, walketh with *w* men shall be *w*, 26, 12, seest thou a man *w* in his Ecc. 7, 4, heart of the *w* in the house of mourning, 9, 1, *w* and their works Jer. 4, 22, they are *w* to do evil Dan. 12, 3, *w.* shall shine as the brightness. Matt. 10, 16, be *w.* as serpents, 11, 25, hid these things from the *w.* Rom 1, 22, professing themselves *w*; 16, 19, *w.* unto that which is good. 1 Cor 3, 18, seemeth to be *w*, 4, 10, ye are *w.* in Christ. Eph. 5, 15, not as fools, but as *w.* 2 Tim. 3, 15, able to make thee *w.* unto salvation

IN NO WISE—Matt. 10, 42. Luke 18, 17, John 6, 37. Rev 21, 27.

WITHDRAW—Job 9, 13. Prov. 25, 17. 2 Thess. 3, 6. 1 Tim. 6, 5.
WITHHOLD—Ps. 84, 11 Prov. 3, 27, 23, 13. Ecc. 11, 6 Jer. 2, 25.
WITHIN—Ps. 45, 13. Matt. 23, 27 Mark 7, 21. Luke 17, 21. 2 Cor 7, 5
WITHOUT—2 Chr 15, 3, Israel hath been *w.* the true God. Isa. 55, 1, buy *w* money. Jer 33, 10, *w.* man, *w* beasts, *w* inhabitant. Hos. 3, 4, Israel *w* a king, *w* a prince, *w.* ephod. Mark 3, 31, his brethren standing *w.*; 7, 15, nothing from *w.* 2 Cor 7, 5, *w* were fightings. Eph 2, 12, *w.* God in the world Col. 4, 5, towards them that are *w* Heb 7, 3, *w* father, *w* mother Rev. 22, 15, *w* are dogs.
WITHSTAND—Nu 22, 32 Esth. 9, 2. Ecc. 4, 12. Acts 11, 17 Eph 6, 13
WITHSTOOD—Dan 10, 13. Gal. 2, 11 2 Tim 3, 8, 4, 15
WITNESS—Nu. 35, 30, one *w* not testify. Judg. 11, 10, Lord be *w* Job 16, 19, my *w* is in heaven. Ps. 89, 37, a faithful *w* in heaven. Prov 14, 5, faithful *w* will not lie; 25, true *w* delivereth souls; 24, 28, be not *w* against thy neighbour Isa. 55, 4, a *w.* to the people Mal. 3, 5, I will be a swift *w* John 3, 11, ye receive not our *w.*; 5, 36, greater *w* than John; 37, the Father hath borne *w.* Acts 14, 17, left not himself without *w.* 1 John 5, 10, hath the *w* in himself. Rev. 1, 5, the faithful *w*, 20, 4, beheaded for the *w* of Jesus
WITNESSES—Deu. 17, 6, two or three *w*; Josh. 24, 22, *w.* against themselves. Isa. 8, 2, I took faithful *w*; 43, 10, ye are my *w.*, saith the Lord. Jer 32, 10, I sealed evidence, and took *w* Matt. 18, 16, mouth of two or three *w*, 26, 65, what need of *w* Luke 24, 48, and ye are *w.* of these things Acts 1, 8, ye shall be *w*; 2, 32, we are *w*; 5, 32, we are his *w* of these things. Heb 10, 28, two or three *w.*; 12, 1, a cloud of *w* Rev. 11, 3, I will give power unto my two *w*
WITNESSED—Rom. 3, 21. 1 Tim. 6, 13. Heb. 7, 8.
WIVES—1 Cor. 7, 29 Eph. 5, 22 Col. 3, 18. 1 Tim. 4, 7. 1 Pet. 3, 1
WOE—Prov 23, 29. Jer. 4, 31 Rev. 9, 9, 12; 11, 14
WOLF—Gen. 49, 27. Isa. 11, 6 John 10, 12.
WOLVES—Matt. 7, 15. Acts 20, 29
WOMAN—Prov. 12, 4, a virtuous *w.* a crown to her husband; 14, 1, wise *w* buildeth her house, 31, 10, who can find a virtuous *w.*, 30, a *w.* that feareth the Lord. Isa. 49, 15, can a *w* forget her sucking child. Jer. 31, 22, a *w* shall compass a man Matt. 15, 28, O *w.*, great is thy faith; 26, 13, this *w.* hath done. John 2, 4, *w.*, what have I to do; 19, 26, *w*, behold thy son. 1 Cor 11, 7, *w.* is the glory of the man. 1 Tim. 2, 12, I suffer not a *w.* to teach; 14, the *w* being deceived. Rev. 12, 1, *w.* clothed with the sun.
WOMEN—Judg 5, 24, blessed above *w.* shall Jael. Isa. 3, 12, *w* rule over them, 32, 11, tremble, ye *w.* at ease. Jer 9, 17, call for the mourning *w.* Matt. 11, 11, them that are born of *w.* Luke 1, 28, blessed art thou among *w* 1 Cor 14, 34, *w* keep silence 1 Tim. 2, 9, *w* adorn themselves; 11, let *w.* learn in silence, 5, 14, that the younger *w* marry 2 Tim 3, 6, lead captive silly *w.* 1 Pet. 3, 5, holy *w* adorned themselves.
WONDER—Deu. 13, 1, a sign or a *w* 2 Chr 32, 31, to enquire of the *w.* Ps 71, 7, I am as a *w* to many Isa. 20, 3, for a sign and *w* upon Egypt Acts 3, 10, they were filled with *w*, 11, 41
WONDERED—Isa. 59, 16 Zech 3, 8 Luke 24, 41 Acts 8, 13 Rev 13, 3.
WONDERFUL—2 Sam 1, 26, love to me was *w* 2 Chr 2, 9, house shall be *w* Job 42, 3, things too *w* for me. Ps 119, 129, thy testimonies are *w*, 139, 6, such knowledge is too *w* Isa 9, 6, shall be called *W*, Counsellor, 25, 1, thou hast done *w* things, 28, 29, Lord is *w* in counsel Matt. 21, 15, saw the *w* things that he did
WONDERFULLY—Ps. 139, 14 Lam. 1, 9. Dan 8, 24
WONDERS—Ex. 3, 20, smite Egypt with all my *w*; 15, 11, O Lord, fearful in praises, doing *w* Deu 4, 34, take a nation by *w* Neh 9, 17, neither were mindful of thy *w* Dan. 4, 2, I thought it good to shew *w* Joel 2, 30, I will shew *w* in heavens Matt. 24, 24, shall shew great *w* John 4, 48, except ye see signs and *w* Acts 2, 19, *w* in heaven. 2 Cor 12, 12, wrought in signs and *w.* 2 Thess. 2, 9, with lying *w*
WONT—Dan 3, 19. Matt. 27, 15 Mark 10, 1. Luke 22, 39 Acts 16, 13.
WOOD—1 Cor 3, 12. 2 Tim. 2, 20
WORD—Deu. 8, 3, *w.* that proceedeth, 30, 14, *w* very nigh. Prov. 15, 23, a *w.* spoken in due season; 25, 11, *w* fitly spoken. Isa. 29, 21, a man an offender for a *w*; 30, 21, thine ears shall hear a *w.*; 44, 26, confirmeth the *w.* of his servant; 50, 4, how to speak a *w* in season. Jer. 5, 13, the *w.* is not in them. Matt. 4, 4, every *w.*; 8, 8, speak the *w.* only. Luke 4, 36, What a *w.* is this. John 1, 1, in the beginning was the *W.*; 14, *W* was made flesh; 15, 3, clean through the *w.* Acts 13, 15, any *w* of exhortation; 26, the *w* of salvation sent; 17, 11, received the *w.* with all readiness; 20, 32, to the *w.* of his grace. Rom. 10, 6. 1 Cor. 4, 20, the kingdom of God not in *w.* Gal. 6, 6, taught in the *w.* communicate. Eph. 5, 26, washing of water by the *w.* Col. 3, 16, let the *w.* of Christ dwell; 17, whatsoever ye do in *w.* or. 1 Thess. 1, 5, not to you in *w.* only. 1 Tim. 5, 17, labour in the *w.* 2 Tim. 4, 2, preach the *w.* Heb 4, 2, *w* preached did not profit, 5, 13, unskilful in the *w.*; 13, 22, suffer the *w* of exhortation. Jam. 1, 22, be ye doers of the *w*, 3, 2, man offend not in *w* is perfect. 1 Pet. 3, 2, if any obey not the *w* 2 Pet. 1, 19, a more sure *w.* of prophecy. 1 John 1, 1, hands handled the *W* of life, 5, 7, Father, *W.*, and Holy Ghost. Rev 3, 10, has kept the *w.* of my patience; 12, 11, they overcame by the *w*
WORD *OF GOD*—1 Sam. 9, 27, may shew you the *w.* of God. Prov 30, 5, every *w* of God is pure Mark 7, 13, *w.* of God of none effect. Luke 11, 28, hear *w.* of God. Acts 4, 31, *w.* of God with boldness; 6, 2, should leave the *w.* of God, 12, 24, the *w.* of God grew; 13, 7, desired to hear the *w.* of God; 46, *w.* of God first be spoken, 17, 13, *w.* of God preached, 18, 11, teaching the *w.* of God. Rom 9, 6, *w* of God taken none effect. 2 Cor. 2, 17, corrupt the *w* of God; 4, 2, nor handling the *w* of God 1 Thess. 2, 13, when ye received *w* of God 1 Tim. 4, 5, sanctified by *w* of God. 2 Tim. 2, 9, *w* of God not bound Titus 2, 5, *w.* of God not blasphemed. Heb. 4, 12, the *w.* of God quick; 6, 5, tasted good *w* of God. 1 Pet. 1, 23, *w* of God which liveth. 1 John 2, 14, *w* of God abideth. Rev 1, 9, for the *w* of God; 19, 13, called the *W* of God.
HIS WORD—2 Sam. 23, 2, his *w.* was in my tongue. Ps. 106, 24, believed not his *w*; 107, 20, sent his *w.* and healed, 130, 5, in his *w.* do I hope; 147, 15, his *w.* runneth very swiftly. Jer. 20, 9, his *w.* in my heart as fire. Luke 4, 32, his *w.* was with power. John 5, 38, his *w* abiding in you. Titus 1, 3, manifested his *w.* 1 John 2, 5, whoso keepeth his *w.*
WORD *OF THE LORD*—Ex. 9, 20, that feared the *w* of the L. Nu. 15, 31, hath despised *w.* of the L.; 22, 18, I cannot go beyond *w.* of the L. Deu. 18, 21, how shall we know *w.* of L. 1 Sam. 3, 1, *w.* of the L. was precious. Amos 8, 12, wander to seek *w.* of L. Zeph. 2, 5, *w.* of L. is against you. Zech. 4, 6, this is the *w.* of L.; 9, 1, burden of *w.* of L. Acts 13, 49, *w.* of L. published; 15, 35, preaching *w.* of L. 2 Thess. 3, 1, *w.* of L. have free course. 1 Pet. 1, 25, the *w.* of L. endureth for ever.
MY WORD—Nu. 11, 23, whether my *w.* shall come. 1 Ki. 6, 12, will I perform my *w* Isa. 55, 11, my *w.* that goeth forth; 66, 2, trembleth at my *w.* Jer. 1, 12, I will hasten my *w.*; 23, 29, is not my *w.* as fire; 29, 10, will perform my good *w.* John 5, 24, he that heareth my *w.* Rev. 3, 8, thou hast kept my *w.*
THY WORD—Deu. 33, 9, observed thy *w.* Ps. 119, 16, not forget thy *w.*; 38, stablish thy *w.*; 42, I trust in thy *w.*; 50, thy *w.* hath quickened me; 74, I hoped in thy *w*; 105, thy *w.* a lamp unto my feet, 140, thy *w.* pure; 148, I might meditate in thy *w.*; 160, thy *w.* true from beginning; 163, I rejoice at thy *w.*; 138, 2, hast magnified thy *w.* Jer. 15, 16, thy *w.* was to me joy. Ezek 20, 46, drop thy *w* toward the south; 21, 2, drop thy *w.* toward holy places. Amos 7, 16, drop thy *w.* against Isaac. Luke 1, 38, according to thy *w.* John 17, 6, they have kept thy *w.*
WORDS—Prov 19, 7, he pursueth them with *w.* Ecc. 10, 12, the *w.* of a wise man's mouth. Jer 7, 4, trust ye not in lying *w* Dan. 7, 25, speak great *w* Hos. 14, 2, take with you *w* and turn Luke 4, 22, gracious *w.* that proceeded John 6, 63, *w* I speak unto you are spirit, 68, thou hast the *w* of eternal life Acts 15, 24, troubled you with *w*; 20, 35, remember the *w* of the Lord Jesus; 26, 25, *w* of truth and soberness. 1 Cor 2, 4, not with enticing *w.* 2 Tim 1, 13, the form of sound *w*, 2, 14, strive not about *w.*
MY WORDS—Deu. 11, 18, lay up my *w.*, 18, 18, put my *w.* in his mouth, 19, not hearken unto my *w.* Job 19, 23, that my *w* were written. Ps. 5, 1, give ear to my *w*; 50, 17, castest my *w* behind thee. Prov. 1, 23, make known my *w.* unto, 7, 1, my son, keep my *w.* Isa. 51, 16, put my *w.* in thy mouth. Jer 11, 10, refused to hear my *w.*; 23, 30, that steal my *w.*; 39, 16, bring my *w.* upon this city, 44, 29, my *w* shall stand Ezek. 2, 7, speak my *w* unto them Mic. 2, 7, do not my *w* do good. John 12, 47, hear my *w.*; 15, 7, my *w* abide in you.
THY WORDS—Josh. 1, 18, will not hearken unto thy *w.* 2 Sam 7, 21, for thy *w.* sake hast done. Job 4, 4, thy *w.* have upholden. Ps 119, 103, how sweet are thy *w*; 130, entrance of thy *w* give light Ecc. 5, 2, let thy *w* be few. Ezek. 33, 31, hear thy *w* but do them not. Matt. 12, 37, by thy *w.* be justified.
WORK—Deu. 33, 11, accept the *w.* of his hands Job 1, 10, hast blessed the *w.* of his hands, 14, 15, desire to the *w.* of thine hands Ps 8, 3, heavens, the *w.* of thy fingers Ecc. 8, 17, beheld all the *w.* of God, 12, 14, God shall bring every *w.* into. Isa. 10, 12, performed his whole *w.* upon Zion; 28, 21, do his *w.*, his strange *w.*; 29, 16, shall the *w* say of him; 45, 11, the *w.* of my hands; 49, 4, my *w.* is with my God; 64, 8, we are all *w* of thy hands. Hab. 1, 5, a *w.* in your days. Mark 6, 5, he could there do no mighty *w.* John 17, 4, finished the *w.* thou gavest me, Acts 5, 38, if this *w.* be of men; 13, 41. Rom. 2, 15, *w.* of the law written; 11, 6, otherwise *w.* is no more *w.* 1 Cor. 3, 13, every man's *w* made manifest. Eph. 4, 12, *w.* of the ministry. 2 Thess. 1, 11, fulfil *w.* of faith with power; 2, 17, stablish you in every good *w.* 2 Tim. 4, 5, do the *w* of an evangelist. Jam. 1, 4, let patience have her perfect *w.*, 25, doer of the *w.* blessed 1 Pet. 1, 17, according to every man's *w*
WORK—1 Sam. 14, 6, may be the L. will *w* for us. Ps. 119, 126, time for thee, Lord, to *w.* Isa. 43, 13, I will *w.*, and who shall let. Matt. 7, 23, ye that *w.* iniquity Phil 2, 12, *w.* out your own salvation. 1 Thess 4, 11, *w* with your hands. 2 Thess. 2, 7, iniquity doth already *w.*; 3, 10, if any *w* not, neither
WORKS—Ps. 92, 4, triumph in the *w.* of thy hands, 111, 7, the *w.* of his hands are verity; 138, 8, forsake not the *w.* Prov. 31, 31, her own *w* praise her Isa. 26, 12, hast wrought all our *w* Dan. 4, 37, whose *w.* are truth. John 5, 20, shew him greater *w.*, 6, 28, might work the *w.* of God; 9, 4, work the *w* of him that sent me; 10, 38, ye believe not me, believe *w.*; 14, 11, believe me for the *w.* sake, 12, greater *w.* than these Acts 26, 20, *w.* meet for repentance. Rom 3, 27, by what law? of *w*? nay; 4, 6, righteousness without *w*, 9, 11, not of *w*, but of him, 32, sought by the *w* of the law; 11, 6, it is no more of *w*, 13, 12, cast off *w.* of darkness. Gal. 2, 16, by *w.* of law no flesh justified, 3, 2, received ye the Spirit by *w*; 10, as many as are of *w.*; 5, 19, *w* of the flesh manifest Eph. 2, 9, not of *w*, 10, to good *w.*; 5, 11, unfruitful *w.* of darkness. Col. 1, 21, in your mind by wicked *w.* 1 Thess. 5, 13, highly in love for *w.* sake. 2 Tim. 1, 9, not according to *w.* Titus 1, 16, in *w.* they deny him; 3, 5, not by *w.* of righteousness. Heb 6, 1, repentance from dead *w.*; 9, 14, purge your conscience from dead *w* Jam. 2, 14, have not *w.* can faith save; 20, faith without *w.* is dead; 21, Abraham justified by *w*; 22, by *w* faith made perfect. 1 John 3, 8, Son of God destroy *w* of devil. Rev. 2, 20, repented not of *w.*; 14, 13, their *w.* follow them; 20, 13, according to their *w.*
HIS WORKS—Ps. 33, 4, all his *w.* in truth, 104, 31, L. shall rejoice in his *w*; 107, 22, declare his *w.* Prov. 8, 22, before his *w.* of old. Ecc. 3, 22, should rejoice in his *w.* Acts 15, 18, known to God are his *w.* Heb. 4, 10, ceased from his *w.* Jam. 3, 13, *w.* with meekness.
THY WORKS—Ps. 66. 3, how terrible are thy *w*; 99, 5, great are thy *w.*; 104, 24, manifold are thy *w.*; 145, 10, all thy *w* shall praise thee. Ecc. 9, 7, God accepted thy *w.* Isa. 57, 12, I will declare thy *w.* Rev. 2, 2, I know thy *w.*; 3, 2, not found thy *w.* perfect; 15, 3, marvellous are thy *w.*
WORKERS—2 Cor. 6, 1, 11, 13. Phil 3, 2
WORKETH—Isa. 64, 5, meetest him that *w.* righteousness. John 5, 17, Father *w.* hitherto. Acts 10, 35, *w* righteousness is accepted. Rom. 4, 4, to him that *w.* is reward. 1 Cor. 12, 6, same God *w.* all in all. 2 Cor 4, 17, *w* for us a far more exceeding Gal. 5, 6, faith which *w.* by love. Eph. 1, 11, *w.* all things after counsel; 2, 2, spirit that now *w.* in children. Phil. 2, 13, God *w* in you, to will. 1 Thess. 2, 13, effectually *w.* in you,
WORKING—Isa. 28, 29, L. of hosts, excellent in *w.* Mark 16, 20, preached, the L. *w* with them. Rom. 7, 13, sin *w* death in me. 1 Cor 4, 12, *w* with our hands; 9, 6, power to forbear *w.* Eph 1, 19, according to *w.* of his power; 3, 7, by effectual *w* of his power, 4, 28, *w* with his hands Phil. 3, 21, according to *w* whereby 2 Thess 3, 11, *w* not at all. Heb. 13, 21, *w.* in you that which is.
WORKMAN-MEN—Isa. 44, 11 Jer. 10, 3 Hos. 8, 6 Matt. 10, 10 Acts 19, 25 2 Tim 2, 15
WORKMANSHIP—Ex 31, 3 Eph 2, 10
WORLD—Ps 24, 1, *w.* and they that, 50, 12, *m* is mine, and the fulness Ecc 3, 11, set the *w* in their heart. Isa. 26, 9, inhabitants of the *w.* will learn. Matt. 16, 26, if he gain the whole *w*, 18, 7, woe to *w.* because of offences, 24, 3, coming, and of the end of *w* Mark 16, 15, go into all the *w* Luke 20, 35, worthy to obtain that *w.* John 1, 10, in *w.*, and *w* made by him, 29, taketh away sin of the *w*, 3, 16, God so loved the *w*, 17, that *w.* through him might, 7, 7, *w* cannot hate you, but me; 12, 47, not to judge *w*, but; 14, 17, whom *w.* cannot receive, 19, *w.* seeth me no more, 31, that *w.* may know that I love Rom 3, 19, all *w.* may become guilty 1 Cor 1, 21, *w.* by wisdom knew not God Gal 6, 14, *w* is crucified unto me, and I unto. Titus 1, 2, promised before *w.* began. Heb. 2, 5, put in subjection the *w.* to come; 11, 38, *w* was not worthy. 1 John 2, 2, propitiation for sins of *w.*; 15, love not *w.*, neither things in *w.* Rev. 3, 10, which shall come upon all *w*; 13, 3, *w* wondered after the beast.
WORLDS—Heb. 1, 2; 11, 3.
WORM—Job 25, 6. Ps. 22, 6. Isa. 41, 14; 66, 24.
WORSE—Matt. 12, 45. John 5, 14. 1 Cor. 8, 8; 11, 17. 2 Tim. 3, 13. 2 Pet. 2, 20.
WORSHIP—Ps. 97, 7, *w.* worship him, all ye gods. Matt. 15, 9, in vain they do *w.* me. John 4, 24, *w.* him must *w.* him in spirit. Acts 17, 23, whom ye ignorantly *w.*; 24, 14, so *w.* I the God of my fathers. Phil. 3, 3, circumcision, *w.* God in spirit. Rev. 3, 9, come and *w.* before thy feet, 13, 12, earth to *w.* the first beast, 19, 10, *w.* God, for the testimony; 22, 9.
WORSHIPPED—Ezek. 8, 16, and they *w.* the sun. Dan 2, 46, king *w.* Daniel; 3, 7, *w.* golden image. Matt. 2, 11, wise men *w.*; 28, 9, the disciples *w.* him. John 4, 20, our fathers *w.* Acts 16, 14, Lydia *w* God; 17, 25, *w.* with men's hands. Rom. 1, 25, *w.* the creature. 2 Thess. 2, 4, or that is *w.* Heb. 11, 21, Jacob *w.*, leaning upon top of his staff. Rev. 5, 14, four and twenty elders *w*; 7, 11, angels *w.* God; 13, 4, they *w* the dragon; 16, 2, upon them which *w.* his image, 20, 4, which had not *w* the beast.
WORSHIPPER-S—2 Ki. 10, 19 John 4, 23; 9, 31 Acts 19, 35 Heb. 10, 2.
WORSHIPPETH—Neh. 9, 6. Isa. 44, 15. Acts 19, 27
WORSHIPPING—2 Chr. 20, 18. Matt. 20, 20 Col. 2, 18
WORTHY—Gen 32, 10, I am not *w.* of the least Matt 8, 8, not *w.* that thou shouldest come, 10, 10, workman *w* of his meat; 13, house be *w*, let your peace; 37, more than me is not *w* of me, 22, 8, which were bidden were not *w* Luke 7, 4, he was *w.*; 10, 7, the labourer *w* of his hire; 15, 19, and am no more *w* to be, 20, 35, shall be accounted *w.* to obtain, 21, 36, *w.* to escape these things. Acts 5, 41, *w.* to suffer shame for his name. Rom. 8, 18, not *w.* to be compared. Eph. 4, 1, walk *w.* of the vocation Col 1, 10, walk *w.* of the Lord. 1 Thess 2, 12, walk *w* of God 2 Thess 1, 5, counted *w.* of the kingdom; 11, count you *w.* of this calling 1 Tim. 1, 15, *w.* of all acceptation, 5, 17, *w.* of double honour, 18, labourer *w.* of his reward; 6, 1, masters *w* of all honour. Heb 6, 3, *w* of more glory than Moses; 11, 38, of whom world was not *w* Rev 3, 4, in white for they are *w*, 5, 12, *w* is the Lamb slain, 16, 6, for they are *w.*
WOULD—Ps 81, 11 Matt 7, 12 Rom. 7, 15 Gal 5, 17 Rev 3, 15
WOUND—Ex 21, 25 1 Ki 22, 35 Prov. 6, 33 Isa. 30, 26 Jer 10, 19
WOUNDS—Job 9, 17, he multiplieth my *w.* Ps 147, 3, he bindeth up their *w* Prov 18, 8, words of a talebearer as *w.*, 23, 29, who hath *w* without cause, 27, 6, faithful are *w* of a friend Isa 1, 6, but *w*, bruises, and Zech 13, 6, what are these *w* in thine hands Luke 10, 34, bound up his *w*
WOUNDED—Ps. 69, 26, whom thou hast *w*; 109, 22, my heart is *w* Prov 18, 14, a *w.* spirit who can Cant. 5, 7, watchmen found me, they *w* me. Isa. 51, 9, *w* the dragon; 53, 5, but he was *w.* Jer 30, 14, I *w* thee. Zech. 13, 6, *w* in the house Luke 10, 30, thieves *w* him Rev 13, 3, one of his heads as it were *w*
WRATH—Deu 32, 27, feared *w* of enemy. Neh 13, 18, bring more *w* upon Israel Job 5, 2, *w.* killeth the foolish Ps 76, 10, *w.* of man shall praise thee Prov. 16, 14, *w* of king as messengers of death. Isa. 54, 8, in a little *w* I hid Hab. 3, 2, in *w* remember mercy. Matt 3, 7, flee from *w* to come. Rom. 2, 5, up *w* against day of *w*; 5, 9, saved from *w* through him; 12, 19, rather give place unto *w*; 13, 5, not only for *w*, but conscience Eph 2, 3, by nature children of *w*, 4, 26, let not sun go down upon your *w* 1 Thess 1, 10, *w.* to come, 2, 16, *w.* is come upon them, 5, 9, not appointed us to *w.* 1 Tim 2, 8, holy hands, without *w* Heb 11, 27, not fearing *w.* of king, Jam. 1, 19, slow to speak, slow to *w.*, 20, *w* of man worketh not righteousness. Rev 6, 16, from *w.* of Lamb
WREST—Ex 23, 2 2 Pet. 3, 16
WRESTLE-ED—Gen. 32, 24, 25. Eph. 6, 12.
WRINKLE-S—Job 16, 8. Eph 5, 27.
WRITE—Nu 17, 2, *w* every man's name upon his rod. Deu. 6, 9, *w* them upon posts of thy house, 24, 1, *w* her a bill of divorcement. Isa 10, 19, child may *w.*; 30, 8, *w* it before them. Jer 31, 33, *w* it in their hearts. Ezek. 37, 16, *w.* upon it, 43, 11, *w* it in their sight. Mark 10, 4. Luke 16, 6, take thy bill, *w.* fifty. John 1, 45, Moses did *w.* 1 Cor 4, 14, I *w* not these things to shame you; 14, 37, things I *w* are commandments. 1 Thess. 4, 9, ye need not that I *w.* unto you. Heb 8, 10, 10, 16, in their minds will I *w* them 1 John 1, 4, *w.* We, that your joy, 2, 7, I *w.* no new commandment, 12, I *w.* unto you, little children. Jude 3, needful to *w.* unto you. Rev. 3, 12, *w* upon him name of my God, 14, 13, *w*, Blessed are dead; 19, 9, *w.*, Blessed are they called unto supper; 21, 5, *w.*: for these words are true and faithful.
WRITER—Judg. 5, 14. Ps. 45, 1 Ezek. 9, 2.
WRITEST—Job 13, 26. Ezek. 37, 20.
WRITETH—Ps. 87, 6.
WRITING—Ex. 32, 16; 39, 30. Matt. 5, 31.
WRITINGS—John 5, 47.
WRITING *TABLE*—Luke 1, 63.
WRITTEN—Ex. 24, 12, which I have *w.*; 31, 18, *w.* with the finger of God; 32, 15, *w.* on both sides. 1 Ki. 21, 11, as it was *w.* Job 19, 23, Oh that my words were now *w.* Ps. 40, 7, in volume it is *w.* of me, 102, 18, *w.* for generation. Prov. 22, 20, have not I *w.* excellent things. Ecc. 12, 10, that which was *w.* was upright. Jer. 17, 1, *w.* with a

pan of iron. Hos. 8, 12, *w.* great things of my law. Mal. 3, 16, a book of remembrance was *w.* Rom. 2, 15, law *w.* in their hearts; 4, 23, not *w.* for his sake; 15, 4, *w.* aforetime. 1 Cor. 4, 6, above that which is *w.*; 9, 10, no doubt this is *w.*; 10, 11, *w* for our admonition. 2 Cor. 3, 2, our epistle *w.*; 3, not *w.* with ink. Heb 12, 23, *w.* in heaven. 2 Pet. 3, 15, as Paul hath *w* 1 John 2, 14, *w.* unto you, fathers. Rev 1, 3, things which are *w*; 2, 17, new name *w*

WRONG—Gen 15, 5. Job 19, 7. Matt. 20, 13. 1 Cor 6, 7. Col. 3, 25.

WROUGHT—Ps. 139, 15, curiously *w* in lowest parts. Isa. 26, 12, hast *w.* all our works in us. Ezek 20, 9, I *w.* for my name's sake. John 3, 21, they are *w* in God. 2 Cor 5, 5, now he that hath *w.* us for Eph. 1, 20, which he *w* in Christ. 1 Pet. 4, 3, *w.* the will of the Gentiles.

Y

YEA—Matt. 5, 37. 2 Cor. 1, 18, 20.

YEAR-S—Isa. 61, 2. Jer. 11, 23. Luke 4, 19.

YESTERDAY—Job 8, 9. Heb 13, 8.

YIELD—Gen. 4, 12. 2 Chr 30, 8. Hos. 8, 7. Rom. 6, 13. Jam. 3, 12

YIELDED—Gen. 49, 33. Dan. 3, 28. Matt. 27, 50 Rom. 6, 19.

YIELDETH—Neh. 9, 37. Job 24, 5. Heb. 12, 11.

YOKE—Gen. 27, 40, thou shalt break his *y* Lev. 26, 13, broken bands of your *y.* Deu. 28, 48, *y.* of iron upon thy neck. 1 Ki. 12, 4, father made our *y.* grievous. Isa. 9, 4, broken *y.* of his burden; 58, 6, break every *y.* Jer. 31, 18, unaccustomed to *y.* Lam. 1, 14, *y.* of my transgressions is bound; 3, 27, good for a man that he bear *y.* in his youth Matt. 11, 29, take my *y.*; 30, my *y.* is easy. Acts 15, 10, put a *y.* Gal. 5, 1, *y* of bondage. 1 Tim. 6, 1, under the *y.*

YOKED—2 Cor. 6, 14

YOKE-FELLOW—Phil 4,

YOU—Luke 10, 16. 2 Cor. 12, 14. Eph. 2, 1. Col. 1, 2.

YOURS—Luke 6, 20. 1 Cor. 3, 22.

YOUNG—Ps. 37, 25. Isa. 40, 11.

YOUNGER—1 Tim. 5, 1, 14. 1 Pet. 5, 5

YOUTH—Gen. 8, 21, imagination is evil from his *y.* 1 Ki. 18, 12, fear the Lord from my *y* Job 13, 26, iniquities of my *y.* Ps. 25, 7, remember not sins of my *y*; 103, 5, *y.* renewed like the eagle's. Ecc 11, 9, rejoice, O young man, in thy *y.*; 10, childhood and *y* are vanity Jer. 2, 2, I remember the kindness of *y.* 1 Tim. 4, 12, let no man despise thy *y.*

YOUTHS—Isa. 40, 30.

Z

ZEAL—2 Ki. 10, 16, see my *z* Ps. 69, 9, *z.* of thy house hath eaten Isa. 9, 7, *z.* of the L. will perform this; 59, 17, clad with *z* John 2, 17. Rom. 10, 2, they have a *z.* of God. 2 Cor. 7, 11, yea, what *z*; 9, 2, *z.* provoked many.

ZEALOUS—Acts 21, 20; 22, 3. 1 Cor. 14, 12 Titus 2, 14 Rev 3, 19

ZEALOUSLY—Gal. 4, 17, 18

ZION—Ps. 2, 6, holy hill of *Z*; 9, 11, dwelleth in *Z.*; 14, 7, salvation were come out of *Z.*; 20, 2, the Lord strengthen thee out of *Z.*; 48, 2, joy of the whole earth is Mount *Z*; 12, walk about *Z.*, go round; 65, 1, praise waits in *Z.*; 84, 7, every one in *Z.* appeareth before God; 87, 2, loveth gates of *Z*; 5, of *Z.* it shall be said; 102, 13, shalt arise, and have mercy upon *Z.*; 126, 1, turned captivity of *Z*, 134, 3, bless thee out of *Z*; 137, 1, we wept when we remembered *Z.* Isa. 4, 3, left in *Z* be holy; 14, 32, Lord founded *Z*; 28, 16, I lay in *Z* for a foundation; 30, 19, dwell in *Z*; 34, 8, for controversy of *Z.*; 35, 10, come to *Z* with songs, and joy; 40, 9, O *Z.*, that bringest, 49, 14, *Z.* said, The Lord; 51, 3, Lord shall comfort *Z.*; 52, 1, put on strength, O *Z*, 7, saith unto *Z* Thy God; 8, Lord bring again *Z*; 59, 20, Redeemer to *Z*; 61, 3, mourn in *Z*, 62, 1, for *Z* sake, 66, 8, as soon as *Z* travailed. Jer. 50, 5, ask way to *Z* Lam. 1, 4, ways of *Z* mourn; 4, 2, precious sons of *Z* Joel 2, 1, blow ye the trumpet in *Z.*, sound. Amos 6, 1, at ease in *Z.*

CONCORDANCE OF PROPER NAMES.

AARON—Luke 1, 5 Acts 7, 40. Heb. 5, 4.

AARONITES—1 Chr. 12, 27, 27, 17.

ABANA—2 Ki 5, 12.

ABED-NEGO—Dan. 1, 7; 2, 49, 3, 12, 23.

ABEL—1 Sam. 6, 18 2 Sam. 20, 18 Matt. 23, 35. Luke 11, 51. Heb. 11, 4, 12, 24

ABIAH—1 Sam 8, 2. 1 Chr 2, 24 Matt. 1, 7.

ABIATHAR—1 Sam. 22, 20 2 Sam. 8, 17. 1 Ki. 2, 22; 4, 4. Mark 2, 26.

ABIGAIL—1 Sam 25, 3; 27, 3; 30, 5. 2 Sam. 2, 2 1 Chr 2, 16.

ABIHU—Ex. 6, 23; 28, 1 Lev. 10, 1. Nu. 3, 2, 4, 26, 60, 61; 1 Chr. 6, 3; 24, 1

ABIJAH, ABIJAM—1 Ki. 14, 1, 31. 1 Chr. 24, 10 2 Chr. 29, 1.

ABIMELECH—Gen. 20, 2, 26, 1. Judg. 8, 31, 2 Sam. 11, 21. 1 Chr 18, 16.

ABINADAB—1 Sam 7, 1; 16, 8. 2 Sam. 6, 3 1 Ki 4, 11. 1 Chr. 13, 7.

ABNER—1 Sam. 14, 51; 26, 7 2 Sam. 2, 14, 4, 1. 1 Ki 2, 5. 1 Chr 26, 28

ABRAHAM—Gen. 26, 3, the oath to A. thy father, 24, God of A. thy father; 28, 13 2 Chr 20, 7, gavest it to seed of A. Ps. 105, 6, O ye seed of A his servant. Isa. 41, 8, thou Israel, the seed of A. Luke 1, 73, oath he sware to father A.; 16, 24, father A. have mercy on me. John 8, 39, said to him, A. is our father, 56, father A. rejoiced to see my day. Acts 7, 2, God of glory appeared to father A. Rom. 4, 1, that A our father hath found; 12, in the steps of faith of father A.; 13, promise not to A. or seed, 16, faith of A, who is father of us all; 9, 7, they are the seed of A., 11, 1, the seed of A Gal. 3, 16, to A. and his seed promises, 29, if Christ's, then A. seed. Heb 2, 16, took on him the seed of A Jam. 2, 21, A our father justified by works

ACHISH—1 Sam. 21, 10; 27, 2, 6, 12; 29, 2. 1 Ki. 2, 40

ACHOR—Josh. 7, 26. Isa. 65, 10. Hos 2, 15

ADAM—Gen 2, 20, A. gave names to all; 5, 2, and called their name A. Deu 32, 8, separated the sons of A. Job 31, 33, my transgressions as A. Rom. 5, 14, death reigned from Adam. 1 Cor. 15, 22, for as in A. all die; 45, the first man A.—the last A. 1 Tim. 2, 13, for A. was first formed 14, and A. was not deceived.

AGAG—Nu 24, 7 1 Sam. 15, 9; 33.

AGRIPPA—Acts 25, 13, 22; 26, 28.

AGUR—Prov 30, 1.

AHAB—1 Ki. 16, 30, 33, 22, 20 2 Ki 1, 1; 21, 3 2 Chr. 21, 13 Jer 29, 21. Mic. 6, 16

AHASUERUS—Ezra 4, 6 Esth 1, 1

AHAZ—2 Ki. 16, 2 1 Chr 8, 35. 2 Chr. 28, 19. Isa. 1, 1. Hos. 1, 1 Mic. 1, 1.

AHAZIAH—1 Ki. 22, 40 2 Ki. 1, 2; 8, 24, 29. 2 Chr. 20, 35; 22, 7

AHIMELECH—1 Sam. 21, 1; 22, 9, 16; 26, 6.

AHITHOPHEL—2 Sam 15, 12; 16, 15, 23; 17, 7, 15. 1 Chr 27, 33.

ALPHEUS—Matt. 10, 3. Mark 2, 14; 3, 18. Luke 6, 15. Acts 1, 13.

AMALEK—Ex. 17, 8, 14, 16. Nu. 24, 20. Deu. 25, 17. Judg. 5, 14 1 Sam. 15, 2, 3.

AMAZIAH—2 Ki. 12, 21, 13, 12; 14, 11, 15; 15, 3. 1 Chr. 6, 45. 2 Chr. 24, 27, 25, 27.

AMMONITE-S—Deu. 23, 3. 1 Sam. 11, 11. 1 Ki. 11, 1. 2 Chr. 26, 8. Ezra 9, 1.

AMORITE-S—Gen. 15, 16; 48, 22. Deu 20, 17. Josh 10, 12. Judg 11, 23. 1 Sam 7, 14. 2 Sam. 21, 2 Ezek. 16, 3.

AMOS, *or* AMOZ—2 Ki. 19, 2, 20; 20, 1. 2 Chr 26, 22; 32, 20, 32. Isa. 1, 1; 2, 1; 13, 1; 20, 2; 37, 2, 21; 38, 1 Amos 7, 14.

ANANIAS—Acts 5, 5; 9, 12; 23, 2.

ANDREW—Mark 13, 3. John 1, 40.

ANNA—Luke 2, 36.

ANNAS—Luke 3, 2. John 18, 13, 24.

ANTICHRIST—1 John 2, 18, 22 2 John 7.

APOLLOS—Acts 18, 24 1 Cor. 1, 12; 3, 4, 5, 6; 4, 6; Tit. 3, 13.

APOLLYON—Rev 9, 11.

APPII FORUM—Acts 28, 15.

AQUILA—Acts 18, 2, 26. Rom. 16, 3.

ARABIA—1 Ki. 10, 15. Isa. 21, 13. Jer. 25, 24 Gal. 1, 17; 4, 25.

ARARAT—Gen. 8, 4 Jer. 51, 27.

ARIMATHEA—Matt. 27, 57. Mark 15, 43. Luke 23, 51. John 19, 38.

ARISTARCHUS—Acts 19, 29; 20, 4; 27, 2.

ARMAGEDDON—Rev. 16, 16.

ARTAXERXES—Ezra 4, 7, 6, 14; 7, 1, 11, 21 Neh. 2, 1; 5, 14.

ASAPH—2 Ki. 18, 18. 1 Chr. 6, 39; 9, 15, 16, 7; 25, 1. 2 Chr 5, 12, 20, 14, 29, 13; 35, 15. Ezra 2, 41, 3, 10.

ASHDOD—1 Sam 5, 1. 2 Chr 26, 6. Neh. 13, 23 Amos 1, 8; 3, 9. Zeph 2, 4.

ASHER—Nu. 2, 27; 10 26; 13, 13, 34, 27.

ASHTAROTH—Josh. 9, 10; 12, 4 Judg 2, 13, 10, 6. 1 Sam. 7, 3; 12, 10; 31, 10. 1 Ki. 11, 33 1 Chr. 6, 71.

ASKELON, *or* ASHKELON—Judg. 1, 18; 14, 19. Amos 1, 8. Zeph 2, 4.

ASSYRIA—Gen 2, 14 Isa. 7, 18. Jer. 2, 18 Hos. 10, 6; 11, 11 Mic. 5, 6; 7, 12. Zeph. 2, 13 Zech 10, 10.

ATHALIAH—2 Ki 8, 26; 11, 1. 2 Chr 22, 10; 24, 7. Ezra 8, 7.

ATHENS—Acts 17, 15; 18, 1. 1 Thess. 3, 1.

AUGUSTUS—Luke 2, 1. Acts 25, 21; 27, 1.

AZARIAH—2 Ki. 14, 21. Neh. 8, 7. Dan. 1, 6.

BAAL—Nu. 22, 41, to high places of B. Judg. 2, 13, Israel served B. and, 6, 25, throw down the altar of B 1 Ki. 18, 21, if B be God, follow him 2 Ki 10, 19, sacrifice to do to B; 11, 18, brake down the house of B; 17, 16, host of heaven, served B; 21, 3, Manasseh reared altars for B, 23, 4, bring all the vessels for B Jer 2, 8, prophets prophesied by B, 12, 16, taught people to swear by B; 19, 5, built high places of B. to burn; 23, 13, they prophesied in B Hos 2, 8, silver and gold for B. Zeph 1, 4, will cut off remnant of B.

BAALIM—Judg 2, 11 1 Sam. 7, 4. 1 Ki. 18, 18. 2 Chr 33, 3, 34, 4. Hos. 2, 13

BAAL-PEOR—Nu. 25, 3 Ps. 106, 28

BAASHA—1 Ki 15, 16; 16 1. 2 Ki. 9, 9. 2 Chr. 16, 3 Jer 41, 9

BABEL—Gen 10, 10; 11, 9

BABYLON—Matt 1, 17. Acts 7, 43 1 Pet. 5, 13 Rev. 16, 19; 17, 5; 18, 10.

BALAAM—Nu. 22, 5, 31, 16. Deu. 23, 4 Josh. 24, 9 Neh. 13, 2 Mic. 6, 5 2 Pet. 2, 15. Jude 11 Rev. 2, 14.

BALAK—Nu. 22, 4, 16 Josh. 24, 9 Judg 11, 25. Mic. 6, 5. Rev 2, 14

BARABBAS—Matt. 27, 16. Mark 15, 11

BARAK—Judg 4, 6, 9; 5, 1, 12 Heb 11, 32

BARNABAS—Acts 4, 36; 11, 22; 12, 25, 13, 1, 14, 12, 15, 2 1 Cor. 9, 6. Gal. 2, 1. Col 4, 10

BARTHOLOMEW—Matt. 10, 3. Mark 3, 18 Luke 6, 14 Acts 1, 13.

BARTIMEUS—Mark 10, 46.

BASHAN—Nu 21, 33. Deu. 1, 4. Josh. 13, 12. Ps 22, 12 Isa. 33, 9. Amos 4, 1

BEELZEBUB—Matt. 10, 25. Mark 3, 22.

BEER-SHEBA—Gen. 21, 14; 26, 33; 28, 10.

BEL—Isa. 46, 1. Jer 50, 2; 51, 44.

BELIAL—Deu. 13, 13. 1 Sam. 30, 22. 2 Sam 16, 7; 20, 1. 1 Ki. 21, 10. 2 Cor. 6, 15.

BELSHAZZAR—Dan. 5, 22; 7, 1; 8, 1

BENJAMIN—Gen. 35, 18, 46, 19.

BEREA—Acts 17, 10, 13; 20, 4.

BETHANY—Matt. 21, 17 Mark 11, 12; 14, 3 Luke 19, 29. John 12, 1.

BETH-AVEN—Josh. 7, 2. 1 Sam. 14, 23. Hos. 4, 15; 5, 8; 10, 5

BETH-EL—Gen. 28, 19; 31, 13, Amos 3, 14.

BETHESDA—John 5, 2.

BETH-LEHEM—2 Sam. 23, 15. 1 Chr. 11, 17 Matt 2, 1

BETH-LEHEM EPHRATAH—Mic. 5, 2.

BETH-PEOR—Deu. 3, 29; 4, 46; 34, 6.

BETHPHAGE—Matt 21, 1. Mark 11, 1.

BETHSAIDA—Matt. 11, 21. Mark 6, 45.

BITHYNIA—Acts 16, 7 1 Pet. 1, 1.

BOAZ—Ruth 2, 1; 3, 2; 4, 1. 1 Ki. 7, 21.

BOZRAH—Isa. 34, 6, 63, 1 Jer. 48, 24; 49, 13. Amos 1, 12. Mic. 2, 12.

CAIAPHAS—Matt. 26, 3. John 11, 49.

CAIN—Gen. 4, 25. Josh 15, 57. Heb. 11, 4. 1 John 3, 12. Jude 11

CALVARY—Luke 23, 33.

CANA—John 2, 1; 4, 46, 21, 2.

CANAAN—Gen. 9, 18, 22, 25; 10, 15; 12, 5; 26, 1. Ex. 15, 15. Judg. 3, 1; 4, 2, 23; 5, 19. Ps. 106, 38; 135, 11. Isa. 19, 18. Zeph 2, 5. Matt. 15, 22.

CAPERNAUM—Matt. 4, 13; 8, 5; 11, 23; 17, 24. John 2, 12; 4, 46; 6, 17, 24, 59.

CAPPADOCIA—Acts 2, 9 1 Pet. 1, 1.

CARMEL—1 Sam 25, 2, possessions in C; 7, 40. Cant. 7, 5, head upon thee is like C Isa. 35, 2, the excellency of C. and Jer. 46, 18, and as C by the sea, so Amos 1, 2, top of C. shall wither; 9, 3.

CARMELITE—1 Sam 30, 5 2 Sam. 2, 2

CEDRON—John 18, 1

CENCHREA—Acts 18, 18 Rom. 16 1

CEPHAS—John 1, 42 1 Cor 1 12 Gal 2, 9

CESAR—Matt. 22, 17. Mark 12, 14, 17. Luke 20, 22 John 19, 12 Acts 17, 7

CESAREA—Matt. 16, 13. Mark 8, 27

CILICIA—Acts 6, 9, 15, 23, 41. Gal. 1, 21

CLEOPAS—Luke 24, 18. John 19, 25.

COLOSSE—Col. 1, 2.

CORINTH—Acts 18, 1; 19, 1. 1 Cor. 1, 2. 2 Cor 1, 1, 23 2 Tim 4, 20.

CORNELIUS—Acts 10, 1, 7, 25, 31.

CRETE—Acts 27, 7, 12, 13, 21. Titus 1, 5.

CYPRUS—Acts 4, 36; 15, 39.

CYRENE—Matt. 27, 32. Acts 2, 10; 11, 20.

CYRUS—2 Chr. 36, 22. Ezra 1, 7; 3, 7; 4, 3; 5, 13. Isa. 44, 28. Dan. 1, 21; 6, 28.

DAGON—Judg 16, 23. 1 Sam 5, 2, 3, 7.

DAMASCUS—Gen 15, 2 2 Ki. 5, 12. Isa. 7, 8; 8, 4, 10, 9, 17, 1, 3. Ezek. 27, 18. Amos 1, 3; 3, 12; 5, 27. Acts 9, 2, 10, 19.

DAN—Gen. 30, 6, 35, 25; 49, 16, 17

DANIEL—Ezek 14, 14 Matt. 24, 15.

DARIUS—Ezra 4, 5. Dan. 5, 31. Zech. 7, 1.

DAVID—1 Sam 20, 16 2 Sam. 3, 8; 18; 21, 22. 1 Chr 20, 8 Isa. 7, 2; 13; 22, 22, key of house of D. will I lay on. Jer 33, 21, with D my servant; 22 Ezek. 34, 23; 37, 24. Zech. 12, 7, glory of house of D.; 8, 10, 12; 13, 1, fountain opened to house of D. Luke 1, 69, salvation in house of his servant D. Acts 4, 25, by the mouth of thy servant D.; 13, 22, raised up D to be their king.

DEBORAH—Gen 35, 8; Judg. 4, 4, 5, 7.

DEMAS—Col 4, 14 2 Tim. 4, 10. Philem. 24.

DEMETRIUS—Acts 19, 24. 3 John 12.

DIONYSIUS—Acts 17, 34.

DORCAS—Acts 9, 36, 39.

EBEN-EZER—1 Sam 4, 1; 5, 1.

EDEN—Gen 2, 15. Isa. 51, 3, Ezek. 28, 13; 31, 9, 16, 18, 36, 35. Joel 2, 3. Amos 1, 5

EDOM—Gen 25, 30. Ex. 15, 15. Ps. 60, 8, 108, 9 Isa. 63, 1 Obad. 8.

EGYPT—Gen. 15, 18. Nu. 11, 18; 14, 3, 4; 20, 15 Judg. 2, 1 Isa. 19, 1, 31, 1 Jer. 26, 21. Nah 3, 9 Heb 3, 16, 8, 9, 11, 27

EGYPTIAN-S—Gen. 16, 1, 3, 21, 9; 39, 1, 5, 41, 55 Ex. 2, 11, 3, 22, 12, 36; 14, 9; 19, 4, 32, 12. Acts 21, 38.

EKRON—1 Sam 5, 10 2 Kings 1, 2. Amos 1, 8. Zeph. 2, 4. Zech. 9, 5.

ELEAZAR—Ex. 6, 25; 28, 1. Lev. 10, 16. Nu 3, 2, 4, 26, 60; 34, 17. Josh. 17, 4 1 Sam 7, 1. 1 Chr. 6, 3; 24, 1. Ezra 8, 33 Neh. 12, 42. Matt. 1, 15.

ELI—1 Sam. 1, 25; 2, 12, 27. 1 Ki. 2, 27

ELIEZER—Gen. 15, 2, steward of my house is E Ex. 18, 4, name of the other E. 1 Chr 7, 8, 15, 24; 23, 15, 17; 27, 16. 2 Chr 20, 37, E. prophesied against. Ezra 10, 18, E. had taken. Luke 3, 29, Jose was son of E.

ELIHU—1 Chr. 12, 20; 26, 7 Job 32, 2.

ELIJAH, *or* ELIAS—1 Ki. 17 1—2 Ki 3, 11 2 Chr. 21, 12. Mal. 4, 5. Matt. 11, 14, 16, 14; 17, 3. Mark 9, 12; 15, 35 Luke 1, 17, 9, 54. John 1, 21. Rom. 11, 2. Jam. 5, 17.

ELISABETH—Luke 1, 5.

ELISHA, ELISEUS—1 Ki. 19, 16—2 Ki. 13, 21. Luke 4, 27.

ELKANAH—Ex. 6, 24. 1 Sam. 1, 1, 21; 2, 11. 1 Chr. 6, 23; 9, 16. 2 Chr. 28, 7.

ELYMAS—Acts 13, 8.

EMMAUS—Luke 24, 13.

EN-DOR—Josh. 17, 11. 1 Sam. 28, 7.

EN-GEDI—Josh. 15, 62. 1 Sam. 23, 29.

ENOCH—Gen. 4, 17. Luke 3, 37. Heb. 11, 5.

EPHESIANS—Acts 19, 28.

EPHESUS—Acts 18, 19, 21. 1 Cor. 15, 32. 2 Tim. 1, 18. Rev. 1, 11; 2, 1.

EPHRAIM—Gen. 48, 14. Nu. 1, 10; 2, 18, Deu. 33, 17 Ps. 60, 7, 78, 67, 80, 2 Isa. 7, 5, 9, 9, 11, 13, 28, 1. Jer 7, 15, 31, 9, 20 Ezek. 37, 16, 19, 48, 5 Hos 4, 17, 5, 3, 6, 10; 8, 9, 11; 9, 3, 8, 10, 6, 11 Zech 9, 10

EPHRATAH—Ruth 4, 11. 1 Chr 2, 50 Ps 132, 6. Mic. 5, 2.

ESAU—Gen. 25, 25; 27, 11; 33, 4 Jer 49, 10 Obad. 6. Mal. 1, 2, 3. Rom. 9, 13. Heb 11, 20.

ESHCOL—Gen. 14, 13 Nu. 13, 24, 32, 9

ETHIOPIA—2 Ki. 19, 9 Esth 1, 1, 8, 9 Job 28, 19 Ps. 68, 31 Isa 37, 9. Acts 8, 27.

ETHIOPIAN—Nu 12, 1. 2 Chr 14, 9. Jer 13, 23; 38, 7, 10, 12, 39, 16

EVE—Gen 3, 20 2 Cor 11, 3 1 Tim 2, 13.

EUPHRATES—Gen. 2, 14, 15, 18. Deu. 1, 7 Josh 1, 4. 2 Ki. 23, 29. 1 Chr 5, 9. 2 Chr 35, 20, Jer 13, 4, 5, 6, 7. Rev 9, 14.

EZEKIEL—Ezek. 24, 24.

EZRA—Ezra 7, 25. Neh. 8, 2, 6; 12, 1, 36.

FELIX—Acts 23, 24; 24, 25, 27.

FESTUS—Acts 24; 25; 26.

GABRIEL—Dan. 8, 16; 9, 21. Luke 1, 19, 26.

GAD—Gen 30, 11; 35, 26, 46, 16, 49, 19. Nu. 1, 14; 24, 25. Deu 27, 13. Josh 20, 8. 2 Sam. 24, 11. 1 Chr. 12, 14; 29, 29. Ezek. 48, 27, 34.

GADARENES—Mark 5, 1. Luke 8, 26.

GAIUS—Acts 19, 29; 20, 4. Rom. 16, 23. 1 Cor. 1, 14. 3 John 1.

GALATIA—Acts 16, 6. 1 Cor. 16, 1. 2 Tim. 4, 10. 1 Pet. 1, 1.

GALILEE—Josh. 20, 7. 1 Ki. 9, 11 Isa. 9, 1. Matt. 2, 22, 4, 15, 15, 29, 21, 11, 26, 32, 27, 55, Mark 1, 39, 15, 41. Luke 4, 14, 44, 23, 5, 55 John 7, 41, 52. Acts 1, 11, 5, 37.

GALILEANS—Mark 14, 70 Luke 13, 1, 22, 59, 23, 6 John 4, 45 Acts 2, 7.

GAMALIEL—Nu. 1, 10; 2, 20; 7, 54, 59; 10, 23 Acts 5, 34; 22, 3.

GATH—1 Sam. 5, 8. 2 Sam. 1, 20; 21, 22. Amos 6, 2. Micah 1, 10

GAZA—Judg 16, 1 Jer 47, 1. Amos 1, 7.

GEHAZI—2 Ki. 4, 12, 27, 5, 21, 25; 8, 4.

GENNESARET—Matt. 14, 34 Luke 5, 1.

GERSHOM, GERSHON—Gen. 46, 11 Ex. 2, 22, 6, 16. Num. 3, 17, 21; 4, 28. Josh. 21, 6 1 Chr 6, 1, 16 Ezra 8, 2.

GETHSEMANE—Matt. 26, 36. Mark 14, 32.

GIBEON—Josh 10, 12 2 Sam. 3, 30 1 Chr 8, 29, 9, 35 Isa. 28, 21.

GIDEON—Judg 6, 11, 24, 34. Heb. 11, 32.

GILBOA—1 Sam. 31, 1, 8. 2 Sam. 1, 21, 21, 12 1 Chr 10, 1, 8.

GILEAD—Nu. 32, 1, 40 Ps. 60, 7; 108, 8. Cant. 4, 1; 6, 5. Jer 8, 22, 22, 6. Hos. 6, 8.

GILGAL—Josh. 4, 19. Judg 2, 1 1 Sam. 7, 16. Amos 4, 4 Mic 6, 5.

GOG—1 Chr. 5, 4. Ezek. 39, 11. Rev. 20, 8.

GOLGOTHA—Matt. 27, 33 Mark. 15, 22.

GOLIATH—1 Sam. 17, 4, 21, 9. 2 Sam. 21, 19.

GOMORRAH—Gen. 13, 10. Deut. 29, 23. Isa. 1, 9 Jer 49, 18. Rom. 9, 29 2 Pet. 2, 6. Jude 7 Matt. 10, 15. Mark 6, 11.

GOSHEN—Gen. 45, 10. Ex. 8, 22. Josh. 10, 41.

GRECIANS—Joel 3, 6. Acts 6, 1.

GREECE—Zech. 9, 13. Acts 20, 2.

GREEK—Rom. 1, 16. Gal. 2, 3. Col. 3, 11.

GREEKS—John 12, 20. Acts 14, 1; 19, 10; 20, 28. Rom. 1, 14. 1 Cor. 1, 22, 23, 24.

HAGAR—Gen, 16, 1, 3; 21, 9, 14, 17; 25, 12.

HAGGAI—Ezra 5, 1. Hagg. 1, 1; 2, 1, 10.

HAM—Gen. 5, 32. 1 Chr. 4, 40 Ps. 105, 23, 27.

HANNAH—1 Sam. 1, 2, 2, 1, 21.

HARAN—Gen 11, 31; 32; 12, 4.

HEBER—Gen. 46, 17 Judg. 4, 11, 17; 5, 24. 1 Chr 7, 31 Luke 3, 35.

HEBREW-S—Gen. 14, 13; 39, 17; 40, 15; 41, 12. Ex. 1, 16; 2, 6, 11. Deu 15, 12. 1 Sam. 4, 6, 13, 3; 29, 3 Jer. 34, 9. Jonah 1, 9. Luke 23, 38. John 5, 2. Acts 21, 40. Rev. 9, 11; 16, 16.

HEBRON—Gen. 23, 2. Ex 6, 18 Num. 3, 19; 13, 22. Josh. 14, 15. Judg. 1, 10. 1 Chr 2, 42, 43; 6, 2, 18; 15, 9; 29, 27.

HERMON—Ps. 89, 12; 133, 3. Cant. 4, 8.

HEROD—Matt. 2, 12; 14, 3; Mark 6, 15; Luke 23, 7. Acts 4, 27; 12, 1, 6, 11, 21.

HERODIAS—Matt. 14, 3, 6. Mark 6, 7, 19, 22. Luke 3, 19.
HESHBON—Nu. 21, 28. Isa. 15, 4; 16, 8. Cant. 7, 4. Jer. 48, 2, 45; 49, 3.
HIRAM—2 Sam. 5, 11. 1 Chr. 14, 1. 1 Ki. 5, 1, 8, 7, 18.
HINNOM—Josh. 15, 8. 2 Ki. 23, 10. 2 Chr. 28, 3. 33, 6. Jer. 19, 2; 32, 35.
HITTITE—Gen. 26, 9; 49, 30. Ex. 23, 28; 33, 2, 34, 11. 2 Sam. 11, 6. Ezek. 16, 3.
HOREB—Ex. 3, 1. Deu. 1, 6, 4, 15. 1 Ki. 19, 8. Ps. 106, 19. Mal. 4, 4.

I-CHABOD—1 Sam. 4, 21, 14, 3.
IDUMEA—Gen. 36, 5, 35, 15. Mark 3, 8.
ISAAC—Gen. 17, 19, to 35, 29. Ex. 4, 5. Matt. 22, 32. Mark 12, 26. Luke 20, 37. Acts 3, 13. Rom 9, 10. Gal. 4, 28. Heb. 11, 9, 17, 20. Jam. 2, 21.
ISAIAH, *or* ESAIAS—2 Ki. 19, 2; 20, 1. 2 Chr. 26, 22. Isa. 20, 3. Matt. 3, 3. Luke 4, 17. John 12, 39. Acts 8, 28; 28, 25. Rom. 9, 27; 10, 16; 15, 12.
ISHMAEL—Gen. 16, 11, 15, 16; 17, 18, 20, 23; 21, 17. 2 Ki. 25, 23. Jer. 40, 8, 14.
ISHMAELITES—Gen. 37, 27; 39, 1. Judg. 8, 24. Ps. 83, 6.
ISRAEL—Gen. 32, 28; 35, 10. Ex. 32, 4. Nu. 21, 5. Deu. 4, 1; 27, 9. 2 Sam. 20, 1. Ps. 125, 5. Isa. 40, 27; 43, 1; 44, 21; 49, 3. Jer. 1, 1, 30, 10. Ezek. 13, 4. Hos. 9, 1; 10, 9; 13, 9; 14, 1. Amos 4, 12. Zeph. 3, 14.
ISSACHAR—Gen. 30, 18; 49, 14. 1 Chr. 12, 40; 26, 5. Ezek. 48, 25. Rev. 7, 7.
ITALY—Acts 18, 2; 27, 1. Heb. 13, 24.

JABBESH-GILEAD—Judg. 21, 8, 10, 12, 14. 1 Sam 11, 1. 2 Sam 2, 4; 21, 12.
JACOB—Gen. 25, 26, 27
JAEL—Judg. 4, 17, 5, 6
JAIRUS—Mark 5, 22. Luke 8, 41
JAMES—Matt. 4, 21; 10, 2, 3. Mark 1, 19; 3, 17, 1 Acts 1, 13; 12, 2. 1 Cor. 15, 7. Gal. 1, 19; 2, 12.
JAPHETH—Gen. 5, 32, 6, 10. 1 Chr 1, 4.
JEBUSITES—Nu. 13, 29 Josh. 15, 63.
JEHOAHAZ—2 Ki. 10, 35; 13, 1, 23, 30. 2 Chr 21, 17.
JEHOASH, *or* JOASH—2 Ki. 11, 21; 12, 20
JEHOIACHIN—2 Ki 24, 8. Jer 52, 31.
JEHOIADA—2 Sam. 8, 18; 20, 23 1 Ki 4, 4. 2 Ki. 11, 17. 1 Chr 11, 22, 24. 2 Chr. 23, 16, 24, 2, 25. Jer. 29, 26.
JEHOIAKIM—2 Ki. 23, 34. 2 Chr. 36, 4. Jer. 36, 28; 52, 2.
JEHORAM—1 Ki. 22, 50. 2 Ki. 8, 16. 2 Chr. 21, 5, 22, 5.
JEHOSHAPHAT—2 Sam. 8, 16; 20, 24. 1 Ki 4, 3, 17, 15, 24. 1 Chr. 18, 15. 2 Chr 17, 3, 18, 9, 28 Joel 3, 2
JEHOVAH—Ex. 6, 3. Ps. 83, 18. Isa. 12, 2
JEHOVAH-JIREH—Gen. 22, 14.
JEHOVAH-NISSI—Ex. 17, 15
JEHOVAH-SHALOM—Judg. 6, 24.
JEHU—1 Ki. 19, 16. 2 Ki. 9, 2, 13, 14, 24; 10, 31, 18, 31. Hos. 1, 4
JEPHTHAH—Judg 11, 1, 12, 7 Heb. 11, 32.
JEREMIAH—2 Ki 23, 31; 24, 18. 2 Chr. 35, 25. Jer. 1, 1, 51, 64; 52, 1 Matt. 2, 17; 16, 14, 27, 9.
JERICHO—Josh. 2, 1; 6, 1; 26. 1 Ki. 16, 34. Luke 10, 30. Heb. 11, 30.
JEROBOAM—1 Ki. 11, 28, 40; 13, 1; 14, 1, 6, 30. 2 Ki. 10, 31; 13, 6, 13; 14, 24. Amos 7, 11.
JERUBBAAL—Judg. 6, 32. 1 Sam. 12, 11.
JERUSALEM—Josh. 18, 28. Ps. 116, 19. Isa. 40, 2, 9. Jer. 4, 14 Matt. 23, 37.
JESHURUN—Deu. 32, 15; 33, 5 Isa. 44, 2.
JESSE—Ruth 4, 17. 1 Sam. 16, 1. 2 Sam. 20, 1. 1 Ki. 12, 16 1 Chr. 12, 18. 2 Chr. 10, 16. Isa. 11, 1, 10. Acts 13, 22.
JESUS—Matt. 1, 21. Acts 7, 45. Heb. 4, 8.
JETHRO—Ex. 3, 1; 4, 18.
JEZEBEL—1 Ki. 16, 31. 2 Ki. 9, 7. Rev. 2, 20.
JEZREEL—2 Sam. 2, 9 1 Ki. 18, 45. 2 Ki. 8, 29; 10, 6. Hos. 1, 4; 2, 22
JOAB—2 Sam. 2, 18; 3, 29; 11, 7. 1 Chr. 4, 14 Ezra 2, 6. Neh. 7, 11.
JOB—Gen. 46, 13. Job 1, 1, 42, 17. Ezek. 14, 14. Jam. 5, 11.
JOEL—1 Sam. 8, 2. Joel 1, 1. Acts 2, 16.
JOHANAN—2 Ki. 25, 23. 1 Chr. 3, 15. Jer. 40, 8; 41, 11.
JOHN (BAPTIST)—Matt. 3, 1, 4. Mark 1, 6. Luke 1, 13. John 1, 6. Acts 13, 24.
JOHN (APOSTLE)—Matt. 4, 21. Mark 1, 19; Luke 22, 8. Acts 3, 1 Rev. 1, 1; 21, 2.
JOHN (MARK)—Acts 12, 12; 13, 5; 15, 37.
JONADAB, *or* JEHONADAB—2 Ki. 10, 15.

JONAH *or* JONAS—2 Ki. 14, 25, spake by his servant J. Jon. 1, 3, J. rose up to flee; 7, 15, 17; 4, 6, a gourd to come over J. Matt. 12, 39, 40; 16, 4. Luke 11, 29, 30. John 1, 15, Simon, son of J.; 21, 17.
JONATHAN—Judg. 18, 30. 1 Sam. 13, 2; 14, 13. 2 Sam. 1, 4. Jer. 40, 8.
JOPPA—2 Chr. 2, 16. Ezra 3, 7. Jon. 1, 3. Acts 9, 36; 10, 5, 23; 11, 5.
JORDAN—Gen. 13, 11, Lot chose all plain of J. Nu 22, 5, bring us not over J. Deu. 3, 25, not go over J.; 4, 21, I should not go over J. Josh 1, 2, go over J., and all this; 3, 15, J. overfloweth his banks; 4, 3, twelve stones out of midst of J. 2 Ki. 5, 10, wash in J. seven. Ps. 114, 3, J. driven back; 5. Jer. 12, 5, how wilt thou do in swelling of J.? Matt. 3, 6, of him in J. Mark 1, 5, 9.
JOSEPH—Gen. 30, 24; 50, 7. Deu. 33, 13, of J. Blessed be his land. 1 Chr. 5, 2, but the birthright was J. Ps. 80, 1, that leadest J. like a flock; 105, 17, J., who was sold for a servant. Ezek. 37, 16, for J., stick of Ephraim; 47, 13, J. shall have two portions; 48, 32, one gate of J., one gate of. Matt. 1, 16; 2, 13; 27, 57, J. of Arimathea; 59. Mark 15, 43, 45. Luke 2, 4; 3, 23; 24, which was son of J.; 26; 30; 4, 22; 22, 50. John 1, 45; 6, 42; 19, 38. Acts 1, 23, two, J. called Barsabas.
JOSES—Matt. 13, 55; 27, 56. Mark 6, 3; 15, 40, 47. Acts 4, 36.
JOSHUA—Ex. 17, 13; 24, 13. Josh. 1, 10. 1 Sam. 6, 14. Hag. 1, 1; 12, 14. Zech. 3; 6, 11.
JOSIAH—1 Ki. 13, 2. 2 Ki. 21, 24. 2 Chr. 33, 25; 35, 1. Jer. 1, 2.
JOTHAM—Judg. 9, 5. 2 Ki. 15, 5. 1 Chr 2, 47. 2 Chr. 26, 21; 27, 6. Isa. 1, 1.
JUDAH—Gen. 29, 35; 49, 8 1 Ki. 12, 20. Isa. 11, 12. Jer. 36, 31. Heb. 7, 14. Rev 5, 5; 7, 5.
JUDAS—Matt. 10, 4, J. Iscariot, who betrayed; 13, 55, brethren Simon and J.; 26, 14, J. Iscariot went unto chief priests; 47, J., one of the twelve; 27, 3, J. brought thirty pieces. Mark 3, 19; 14, 10, 43. Luke 6, 16; 22, 3, entered Satan into J. Iscariot, 47. John 6, 71; 13, 2, 26, he gave the sop to J. Iscariot; 18, 3, 5. Acts 1, 16, David spake concerning J.; 25; 9, 11, enquire in the house of J. for; 15, 22, J surnamed Barsabas; 27.
JUDEA—Matt. 24, 15. Luke 21, 21. John 4, 3 Acts 1, 8. Rom. 15, 31.
JUPITER—Acts 14, 12; 19, 35.
JUSTUS—Acts 1, 23; 18, 7. Col. 4, 11

KADESH—Gen. 14, 7. Nu. 13, 26. Deu. 1, 46. Ps. 29, 8.
KADESH-BARNEA—Nu. 32, 8. Deu. 9, 23. Josh. 10, 41; 14, 7.
KEDAR—Gen. 25, 13. 1 Chr. 1, 29. Ps. 120, 5. Cant. 1, 5. Isa. 21, 16.
KENITES—Gen. 15, 19. Nu 24, 21.
KIRJATH-JEARIM—Josh. 9, 17 1 Sam. 7, 1. 1 Chr. 13, 5. 2 Chr 1, 4.
KORAH—Gen. 36, 5. Ex. 6, 21. Nu. 16, 6, 26, 9; 27, 3; 1 Chr. 1, 35. Jude 11.

LABAN—Gen. 24, 29; 30, 36; 31, 2; 32, 4
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MAMRE—Gen. 13, 18; 14, 13; 23, 17; 49, 30
MANASSEH—Gen 41, 51 2 Ki. 20, 21. 2 Chr. 33, 11. Isa. 9, 21. Rev. 7, 6.
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MATTHIAS—Acts 1, 23, 26.
MEDES—2 Ki. 17, 6. Esth. 1, 19. Isa. 13, 17. Jer. 51, 11. Dan. 5, 28.
MELCHIZEDEK—Gen. 14, 18. Ps. 110, 4. Heb. 5, 10; 7, 1, 10—21.
MERIBAH—Ex. 17, 7. Nu. 20, 13, 24. Deu. 32, 51; 33, 8. Ps. 81, 7.
MESHECH—Gen. 10, 2. 1 Chr. 1, 5. Ps. 120, 5. Ezek. 39, 1.
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MIZPEH—Josh. 15, 38. Judg. 10, 17; 11, 11; 20, 1; 21, 5. 1 Sam. 7, 5; 22, 3; 10, 17.
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RACHEL—Gen. 29, 12; 30, 1; 31, 19; 35, 19. Jer. 31, 15. Matt. 2, 18.
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